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## FROM OUR REPORTERS.

Newsy Items from the Surrounding Villages  
Gathered by Our Correspondents.

**Tremont.**

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bowly, of Port Medway, have been spending a few days with relatives here.

Miss Jennie Welton, of King's College, spent the Thanksgiving holidays at her home. Her many friends are pleased that she has been successful. Messrs. Fred and Rauldolph Messenger returned recently from the North West.

Our teacher, Miss Cox spent Thanksgiving at her home in Weston. Mrs. Lavinia Baker has had as recent guests, her sister-in-law, Mrs. Margeson and daughter, from California; and the Misses Holland from the U. S.

The many friends of Miss Viola McGinnis will be pleased to hear that she is much improved in health.

Mr. George Woodbury arrived from the U. S. on Saturday, and intends spending the winter in N. S.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Bowly and son, Howard attended the wedding of Lambert Crocker and Agnes Wynott, of Harmony, on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Isaac Welton, of New York, was calling on friends here on Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Woodbury, jr., who was quite ill last week, we are pleased to report much better.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Messenger entertained a number of their friends very pleasantly one evening recently.

Lawson Division is in a healthy condition under the leadership of S. A. Bowly. They, with the assistance of the people of the community, propose holding a Pie Social on Tuesday evening, Nov. 19th, to procure new furniture for the vestry.

**Falkland Ridge.**

Mrs. E. H. Saunders, Master Robbie, and Bernice, of Dalhousie, visited at Mrs. L. A. Roop's this week. Glad to see Sydney Herring out after his severe illness.

Miss Mildred Starratt returned on Saturday from a trip to Bridgewater. G. E. Roop spent the 1st in Lawrence town.

Miss Elmira Hatt, of Meadowdale, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Wm. Sproule.

A large reception was held on Saturday evening, Oct. 26th, at Willow Farm the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Starratt, in honor of their son, Elwyn and bride, who returned that day from their wedding tour in the Valley. The bride looked charming in her bridal dress of white embroidered linen. An elegant luncheon was served during the evening, which passed quickly with games, music, and conversation. The presents received, including china, silver, furniture, glass and fancy work, were very nice. The groom is a very highly esteemed young man, while Mrs. Starratt, who taught school here, has many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Starratt will reside in Springfield, where Mr. Starratt has recently purchased the Prince farm.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Starratt, Mrs. Emerson Wagner, and Messrs. P. D. and Lester Starratt, attended Mr. El-

wyn Starratt's marriage to Miss Erna Wilson, at Kingston.

The apple crop is almost a failure, but potato and other root crops are good.

Miss Irene Sproule gave an enjoyable birthday party to her young friends on Tuesday evening.

Rev. W. H. Warren, of Bridgetown, Deputy Organizer of Divisions, gave an able address on temperance, on Thursday evening in Kaulback's Hall, and afterwards organized Cloverdale Division with the following officers:—W. A., Lester Starratt; W. A., Minnie Berringer; E. S., Annie Roop; A. R. S., Percy Starratt; F. S., George Roop; Treas., Edgar Mason; Con. James Sproule; A. Con., Jessie Stoddart; I. S., Emilie Berringer; O. S., Reg. Mason; Chap., C. E. Marshall; P. W. E., Robert Swallow; Deputy, Lester Starratt.

**Greenwood.**

Mr. Hayden, of King's College, preached here on Sunday morning. The public Mission Band meeting held on the 8th, was quite a success, nearly \$8.60 being raised.

Mrs. Eliza Neily has returned from visiting her son, at Bevere.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Pines, of Grafton, were recent guests at Mr. J. B. Spinney's.

The sum of \$15.50 was raised at the Pie Social held by Evergreen Division, on Monday evening.

Mr. Geo. Woodbury, of Spa Springs is visiting relatives here.

Mr. Ruben S. Smiley has returned to Yarmouth, after spending several weeks at home.

Messrs. Burpee and Wylie Spinney, two of our enterprising young men, are meeting with good success in driving wells and putting in pumps. We wish B. W. Spinney & Co. much success.

Mr. and Mrs. Smiley, of Halifax, spent a few days recently with his brother, Mr. S. R. Smiley.

**Paradise.**

Mr. G. O. Theis has gone to North Carolina, to see his mother, who is ill.

Mrs. T. R. Wallace and children, are visiting her brothers, H. A. and H. W. Longley. On her return she will be accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Avar Longley.

Miss Edna Marshall, of South Farmington, spent Sunday at "Edessa" the home of her mother, Mrs. L. C. Marshall.

Miss Phinney, of Spa Springs, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her friend, Miss Frances Ruggles.

Mrs. F. S. Starratt has been spending a few days in Bridgetown.

Mr. Karl Woodbury, of Kingston, has been a guest at the home of Mr. Charles Covert, Sr.

Mr. Ernest Caldwell, of Wolfville, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. H. H. Saunders.

**Port George.**

Miss Myrtle MacKenzie who has

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## SELF-GOVERNMENT.

Sixty Years Ago Democratic Governments Were Rare, now they are the Rule. Abyssinia the Latest to Adopt Popular Government.

Abyssinia or Ethiopia, known to every schoolboy by the famous march of Lord Napier, undertaken to release some British prisoners confined at Magdala by King Theodore, who was little better than a savage, is to have a constitution. The country was for a time practically in the hands of the British, the principal native chiefs being friendly, and it was Sir Bartle Frere's opinion, having regard to the passage to India by the Red Sea, that Britain should not wholly have abandoned the country. It was decided, however, not to retain possession of any part of Abyssinia, and, as a consequence, it made little progress until a few years ago. The population is still described as numbering from three to four millions, as it was forty years ago; there is still no popular literature and no education; and industry—that is, all manufacturing work—is looked down upon as degrading, as compared with the profession of arms and agriculture. Yet the kings claim descent from Menelek, the son of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, and the Ailing race was converted to Christianity about 600 A. D., by monks from Egypt; though their own tradition ascribe their conversion to the eunuch of Queen Candace, mentioned in the Acts of the Apostles. But the Abyssinian Christians have long been isolated from the rest of the Christian world. Abyssinia is about three hundred and

fifty thousand square miles in extent, or about the same size as the Province of Quebec, and its population is sharply divided. On the north-east the people are akin to the Caucasian, and in the south-east to the negro, and in the mountains to the Arabic—some are pagans, some Mahomedans, and some Christians. To these people the Emperor (Negus Negusi, or King of Kings) Menelek of Shoa (or Sheba), who has reigned over the country for eighteen years, is giving constitutional government, having as a first step already appointed a cabinet, with ministers of foreign affairs, justice, finance, commerce and war. The world does move. We are reminded that, less than sixty years ago, only one little corner of continental Europe, Piedmont, had a secure free government. Even the government of Great Britain, although democratic by contrast, was then elected by an aristocratic suffrage. Today, with the exception of Russia, there are parliaments almost everywhere, and even little Montenegro has its Skupstina, although it is without a bank and without a railway, and until recently was without a wagon road to the sea. Persia, too, like Abyssinia, has essayed to join the constitutional nations. All these constitutions are modelled on that of Great Britain, which was more or less a natural Anglo-Saxon growth.

—Montreal Witness.

## OBITUARY.

**Mrs. Joseph Francis Smith.**

Melinda B., wife of Joseph Francis Smith, died at North Belfast, on Sept. 26th, aged 64 years and six months. She was the daughter of Jeremiah and Mary (Crockett) Higgins. To mourn their loss, the deceased leaves a husband two sons, and two daughters, Maitland B. Smith, of Hartford, Conn., Herbert F. Smith, of Waldo; Minnie Smith Terry, of Waterville; and two sisters, Mrs. M. Brown, Mt. Hanley, N. S.; and Mrs. W. L. Studley, of Lakeport, N. H. Funeral services were held at the residence of Herbert F. Smith, on Sunday, Sept. 29th, at 2 p. m., Rev. Ashley A. Smith, Pastor of the Universalist church, conducting. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful. The bearers were James Westworth, Mariner Smith and Seldon Gurney, of Waldo; and Frank M. Bailey, of Citypoint. The interment

was at North Belfast. Undertaker Chas. R. Coombs had charge.

The above, from a North Belfast. Me. paper refers to an aunt of Mrs. J. H. and Mrs. J. W. Baltzer, of Middleton.

**Louis Griffin.**

At Clarence, Oct. 24th after a years illness, Louis Griffin, aged 18 years, was called home to the "Summer-land of Love" He leaves a mother and sister to mourn the loss of one who was sunshine in the home, beside many relatives and companions; who always enjoyed his cheerful and loving companionship. While he enjoyed life if health could have been given him; yet he was ready to obey the Master's call to come Home.

The funeral, which took place on Saturday was largely attended. It was conducted by Pastor Saunders. The remains were laid away in the Bridgetown cemetery.

## Prohibition for Finland.

DIET ADOPTS BILL, WHICH SHUTS OUT MANUFACTURE OR IMPORTATION OF ALCOHOL.

Helsingfors, Finland, Nov. 1.—The Diet today adopted unanimously without a roll call the Alcohol Bill prohibiting the manufacture of alcohol in Finland or its importation into Finland. As the measure affects Russia's tariff relations with foreign countries, it is

not certain that the Emperor will sanction the measure. In view of the passage of the bill, temperance celebrations are being held in every part of the country.

**Coal Output.**

Glace Bay, Nov. 4.—The Dominion Coal Company's output for October was 342,453 tons; shipments \$16,108. No 2 mine broke all records, raising 100,912 tons.

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