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Mrs. N. P. Spurr left home on Jan. 8th to spend a few weeks with her son William in New York. Mrs. Grant Parker and her mother, Mrs. Huntington, have charge of the house in her absence.

Have you observed that the Union will hereafter appear twice instead of once a month as heretofore and that its price nevertheless remains unchanged? Can you longer afford to be without it?

We observe with gratification that the steel superstructure of the new bridge over the stream near Garrett VanBuskirk's home, has arrived and is being put in position by the contractor, Mr. McNeil, of New Glasgow. The fact that this is a weighty matter, accounts, we presume, for its slow progress. Even now we are grateful for the prospect of the early removal of the unpleasant "dump," which for so many weeks has arrested the progress of the mountain going traveller.

Read carefully our premium offers at the bottom of 16 page, in connection with the Union. These are liable to be cancelled or modified at any time and should be taken advantage of at once. Don't miss the opportunity of securing the best young people's paper in Eastern Canada at a merely nominal cost.

Mrs. Eleanor Power, of Weston, celebrated her 85th birthday on the 20th of January by driving with her son-in-law, Mr. Hlsley, to the home of her daughter Mrs. C. J. West and return, a distance of about three miles. Mrs. Power is remarkably healthy and well preserved for her years. Her hearing is almost as acute as it ever was, and she can see to read the finest print or do most trying needle work without the aid of glasses.

Mr. J. N. Coleman, who has been in failing health for many months past, has been confined to his bed for about three weeks and seems to be gradually sinking. His sons, Chas R., of Truro, and Frank H., of Boston, came home soon after this last attack. The latter was compelled by business duties to return to Boston on the 22nd ult., but the former is still at his father's bedside. His daughters, Miss Kate Coleman and Mrs. Jordan are expected from Cambridgeport. Much regret is expressed at Mr. Coleman's illness, recovery from which it is feared is now beyond hope.

Joseph Starratt, of Millville, has sold the property now occupied by him, to James Hutchinson, of Morristown, who will take possession of it in the early

spring. Mr. Starratt has since purchased a building lot from Dr. Balcan, situated between the residences of L. A. Read and Wm. Logan, on which he proposes at an early date to erect a house. Mr. Hutchinson in turn has sold his property to his nephew, a son of Joshua Hutchinson, who is now in Boston but who will come home in the spring.

We have been the recipients of some very pretty and useful calendars, for which we desire to express thanks. Foremost among them is a handsome one issued by the D. A. Ry. which contains a fine view of the company's S. S. Prince Edward at sea at night with its searchlight in operation. Another from Moir, Son & Co., of Halifax, deserves especial mention, for its faithfulness to life rather than its morality of teaching. The subject is an old man lighting his pipe and is really a work of art. The T. R. Harris Estate has added to our collection a large calendar on which appears a pretty view of the Halifax Public gardens, while L. O. Neily & Co., have further decorated our sanctum with calendars of the Hartford & Aetna Fire Insurance Co's. for which they are agents as well as a neat little one of their own. With the aid of these favours and a bushel or two of patent medicine almanacs, it looks as if it would be our own fault if we do not keep the run of the passing days.

At the meeting of Parole Division, No. 650, on Jan. 12th. the following officers were duly installed. W. P., Mrs. K. Graves; W. A., F. McIntyre; R. S., M. A. Roscoe; A. R. S., H. W. Spurr; P. W. P., J. H. McIntyre; Treas., C. M. Neily; T. S., A. Rowe; Con., F. M. Bowlby; A. Con., E. Davidson; F. S., M. E. Parker; O. S., H. Patterson; Chap., S. Holland.

Aylesford parted with another of its young men on the 27th ult., when W. E. Harris bade his friends farewell and set his face toward Uncle Sam's territory. Unless he should happen to have a bit of seal skin or some other article about his person or among his personal effects equally objectionable to the free ideas of the neighbouring republic, he will go to Kirksville, Missouri, to enter upon a two years course of study in the American School of Osteopathy. The Union wishes him a safe journey and abundant success in his new world.

Many of our readers may wonder what this new "pathy" is. As far as we are able to understand it from a hasty perusal of the institution's catalogue kindly placed in our hands by Mr. Harris, it may be described as the substitution of a scientific massage treatment of disease for the orthodox method by drugs. Osteopathy regards disease as a disturbance of the equilibrium of the forces of the organism,

which equilibrium it seeks to restore by removing "all obstructions to the proper direction of the life-giving and healing energies that are resident in the body" and by touching the nerve centres stimulating them to a performance of their normal functions. The science has been gradually elaborated by Dr. A. T. Still, its originator, during the last 25 years, while the school itself has only been in existence since 1892. Buildings have been erected within three years past at a cost of over \$100,000, and nearly three hundred students are now in attendance representing 24 States and two Canadian provinces.

The lecture given by Rev. D. A. Steele, D. D., of Amherst, in the Baptist Church, on Jan. 18th, was not as largely attended as we could have wished. Could those who were absent have known what a rare treat they were missing we are sure they would have made an heroic effort to be present. Through the kindness of Dr. Steele we are able to give our readers an excellent synopsis of this lecture on page 4 of this number, which will present some of the choice things to which the speaker treated his audience in his own inimitable style. We have no doubt that if the Dr. should consent to come this way again a more representative audience will greet him.

PERSONALS.

Miss Crowell was the guest of the Misses Bishop, of Auburn, for a few days early last month, on her way to spend the winter with her sister, who is a teacher at Acadia Seminary.

Seymour A. Harris has gone to Brooklyn, N. Y., where he expects to secure employment.

Miss Ethel Baker, of North Kingston, returned from Boston on the 24th ult.

Percy Kirkpatrick is again in charge of Aylesford station.

Mr. and Mrs. Gates, of Margarettville, the aged parents of Levi and James Gates of Kingston, are paying their sons a visit. Notwithstanding that they are considerably past the four score limit, if one may judge from appearances they bid fair to make a century run together.

Eleanor West is attending school at Berwick during the present term.

Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Eljah VanBuskirk, of Factorydale, went to Boston on the 25th ult to spend the winter.

MARRIAGES.

LOOMER-COX.—At the Baptist parsonage, Aylesford, by the Rev. J. B. Morgan, B.A. Miss Etta Cox to Rupert Loomer, both of Aylesford.

DEATHS.

VAN BUSKIRK.—At Kingston Station, Jan. 4th, Emma C., wife of A. C. VanBuskirk, aged 42 years, 11 mos.

WEBSTER.—At Aylesford Dec. 29th Wm. Webster, aged 56 years.