

THE WEEK IN NEWCASTLE

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This is Leap Year
The new year 1916 which opened on Saturday last is Leap Year.

Will Begin Weekly Socials
The Ladies' Aid of St. James Church will begin their usual weekly socials Tuesday evening, Jan. 18th, in the basement of the new Kirk Hall. Admission 10 cts, as usual. 21

Received Letter
The Advocate received a letter yesterday from Roy Morrison at St. John, giving his address as "Gr. L. A. Morrison, No. 3 C. G. A. Partridge Island, St. John." No doubt he would like to hear from some of the boys.

McAuley-McLean
It is just announced that at the Manse here, on Dec. 4th ult., Miss Mary Gordon McLean of Chatham, graduate nurse of Moncton Hospital, was married to T. Roy McAuley of the Moncton I. R. C. shops. Rev. S. J. MacArthur performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. McAuley will reside in Moncton.

Election of Officers
Last Thursday night Newcastle Division No. 45 Sons of Temperance elected following officers for ensuing quarter: W. P. Private W. Earle Macdonald, 132nd Battalion; W. A. Miss Ella O'Donnell; R. S. Miss Bessie Jeffrey; A. R. S. Private Henderson Johnston, 132nd Battalion; chap. Miss Margaret Copp; F. S. Miss Ethel Allison; R. S. Miss Helen MacLeod; Cond. Miss Vesta Savage; A. C. Miss Hazel O'Connell; I. S. Bruce Hubbard; O. S. Jack Nicholson; Supt. of Young People's Work, Miss Ella O'Donnell; P. W. P. Miss Jennie McMaster; D. G. W. P. James Falconer.

Sam Bernard, Laugh Produced at the Happy Hour Thursday
Sam Bernard, the irresponsible king of comedy, whom the Famous Players Co. induced to present his unequalled mid-proving talents on the screen, makes his first appearance before the motion picture public at the Happy Hour Thursday in a five part film travesty entitled "Poor Schmaltz." The great comedian, in his first film impersonation, introduces a new type of comedy to the screen. As "Poor Schmaltz" he characterizes of the most laughable characters of his brilliant career as the foremost exponent of eccentric comedy on the American stage. It requires five hilarious reels to complete "Poor Schmaltz," a treat, but exasperatingly funny adventures on the screen and the humor grows until one is well-nigh exhausted with laughter. Be sure and see it at the Happy Hour Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Jellison
The death of Mrs. Mary Jellison occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward Hartwell of 96 Liberty St. Danvers, Mass., on December 25th, after a lingering illness which she bore with Christian fortitude. Deceased was the wife of the late Mr. James Jellison, a priestess of the Junction House at Chatham Junction and her death is deeply regretted by her many friends and relatives in Miramichi. The late Mrs. Jellison was twice married. By the first marriage she leaves one daughter, Mrs. James Jordan of Bedford, Mass. and one son, Mr. Wm. Craik of Newcastle; and by the second marriage two daughters—Mrs. John Baldwin of Somerville, Mass., and Mrs. Edward Hartwell of Danvers, Mass., where deceased made her home the last eight years and where she died. Also one sister, Mrs. James Gulliver of Douglastown survives. Mrs. Hartwell and Mrs. Baldwin accompanied the remains to the home of Mrs. Eliza Vye of Nelson, N. B. The funeral was held on Dec. 29th and was largely attended by relatives and friends interment at St. James' Cemetery, Nelson.

Happy Hour Features

TO-NIGHT	THURSDAY
Mary Pickford In the Great Racing Story	DANIEL FROHAM PRESENTS THE CELEBRATED COMEDIAN
The Black Horse 12th EPISODE OF	Sam Bernard IN HIS FIRST SCREEN APPEARANCE AS
"The Broken Coin" Roller is Captured and thrown into the arena. SEE THE BULL FIGHT! Does He Win? SEE THE PICTURE!!	"Poor Schmaltz" Produced by the Famous Players in 5-FIVE REELS-5
King Baggot IN THE COMEDY SUCCESS	ONE OF THE GREATEST LAUGH TRIUMPHS EVER FILMED.
"His Home Coming" A GREAT PROGRAM	
ADMISSION: 5 AND 10 CENTS	

Recruiting Committee Meeting Friday Night

Larger Quarters Necessary for the Accommodation of Members of 132nd Battalion

The West Northumberland Recruiting Committee met Friday night, W. A. Park in the chair. There was a small attendance. The recruiting rooms were reported filled nightly to overflowing. It was moved by A. A. Davidson, seconded by Rev. Dr. Harrison, "That, in view of the overflow in the Recruiting Room and the necessity of making immediate provision of some suitable quarters for the men of the 132nd, steps be taken to secure the Town Hall for that purpose and to furnish it suitably, and, further, That this resolution be brought to the attention of the Emergency Committee for the purpose of securing and furnishing the hall, and also of the Entertainment Committee."

J. W. Davidson said that Rev. W. J. Bate, who was unavoidably absent, had authorized him to say that he would agree with whatever was done by the Committee re: making larger rooms for the soldiers. And if nothing were done he would open the Church of England hall Sunday week for all men in khaki. Rev. S. J. MacArthur said that St. James Hall would also be available for entertaining the soldiers, if needed.

Mr. Park, Judge Lawlor and others discussed the motion, and it carried unanimously. Rev. M. S. Richardson reported the recruiting meeting at Whitneyville held the night before. The Chairman had been Rev. J. F. McCurdy and the speakers were the chairman, C. E. Fish, Lt. F. T. Mowatt and himself. There had been no recruits. But the men were beginning to think. They had hardly realized that the empire was in danger. Some said they would think the matter over—some that they would enlist later. Councilor Wilbur Somers offered all facilities for visiting his camp of 50 men near Halcumb school house. The young men of Whitneyville and Lytleton were beginning to feel in earnest over the situation. The Recruiting Committee should show them they also were in earnest. They should go to the camps.

On motion of A. A. Davidson and Judge Lawlor, the matter of future meetings in Halcumb, Lytleton and Whitneyville was left to Rev. M. S. Richardson. On motion of A. A. Davidson and Rev. Mr. MacArthur, the officers were empowered to interview Lt. Col. Mersereau about military matters. The holding of the postponed Barnaby River meeting was left to Messrs. A. A. Davidson and C. J. Morrissey.

Meetings at Blackville and Renous were left in the hands of Mr. Park, Judge Lawlor and Hon. John Morrissey. Adjourned.

Temporary Despatcher
Frank Ward, son of Station Master Ward, has been appointed temporary despatcher at the Newcastle station.

Big Crowd at Rink
There was a large crowd of skaters in attendance at the opening of the rink here on New Year's night. The ice was in splendid condition, and the music was much enjoyed.

Received Red Cross Box
Private Harry Tozer, of the 55th Battalion, England, writes in care of Mr. Corry Clark to the ladies of Miramichi, thanking them for a Xmas Box received.

Transferred to Woodstock
Mr. Henry Arsenau, who has been the Singer Sewing Machine Company's representative here for the past three or four years, will leave shortly for Woodstock, to where he has been transferred.

Chatham Death
The funeral of Mrs. Angus McLean, who died last week in Chatham, was held from her late residence on Thursday morning and was largely attended. Among the daughters left to mourn is Mrs. Peter Dunn of Newcastle.

Blessing of Church
The R. C. Church at Eel-Grout will be solemnly blessed on Thursday morning at ten o'clock by His Lordship Bishop O'Leary, who will also celebrate mass after the blessing. The sermon for the occasion will be preached by Prof. Rogers, of St. Thomas College, Chatham. A cordial invitation to be present is extended to all.

The Big January Sale
Starts at Creaghan's Monday and continues until the end of the month. It will be one continuous round of bargains. Big bargains that you cannot afford to ignore. Every department of the store will share in the offerings at this big sale and prices will be cut to a low level. Special bargain lists will be kept listed from time to time. Watch out for them. J. D. Creaghan Co. Ltd.

Tobacco and Comforts Fund
Mr. Thos. Davies, of Newcastle, who collected contributions towards the Tobacco and Comforts Fund, England, has received the following acknowledgment from the Hon. Organizer, John Evelyn Wrench:
London, 22-10-15.
Mr. Thos. Davies, Esq.
Newcastle, N. B.

Dear Sir:—We are very grateful to you for your generous donation of £11.9.10 for our Tobacco and Comforts Fund and your wishes have been carefully noted.
Yours faithfully,
JOHN EVELYN WRENCH
Hon. Organizer.

Presented With Address and Purse

Mr. A. P. Giles, Retiring Trackmaster Waived Upon by Employees Monday Eve.

Mr. A. P. Giles who for the past five years has been the efficient trackmaster on the Newcastle Division of the I. C. R. and retired on pension on the thirty-first of December was waited upon by a number of the railway employees at his home on Monday evening and presented with an address and a well-filled purse of gold.

Mr. W. R. Fitzmaurice, acting as chairman and after explaining the purpose of the gathering, read the following address:
To A. P. Giles,
Trackmaster Intercolonial Railway
Newcastle, N. B.
Dear Sir,

We the employees of the Intercolonial Railway who have labored under your direction as Road Master for the district having its headquarters at Newcastle, as well as others who have been associated with you in your work have learned that, under the Rules of the Road, you are about to retire from active service.

We feel it a duty we owe to ourselves to say to you at this information fills us with deep regret. Your long service of thirty-five years in the employ of the Government—five of which you spent as Road Master in Newcastle, has shown us that you performed the many duties of your position with great credit, and in such a manner as to merit the approval and commendation of all with whom your duties have brought you in contact.

While regretting your departure, we know that the laborer is worthy of his hire, the allowance made by the Government for long and meritorious service is deservedly yours and we sincerely trust that Providence may long spare you to enjoy it. We beg your acceptance of the accompanying purse as a gift from your friends in this district.

We cherish the hope that you may carry to your home kindly recollection of the time spent among us. Wishing you many years of happiness we remain,
Yours very sincerely,
WM. R. FITZMAURICE,
MATTHEW MCCARRON,
E. SAVAGE,
F. P. HARRIMAN,
for the employees Moncton Sub-Division.

During the reading of the address Mr. Matthew McCarron, chief train despatcher, on behalf of the employees made the presentation after which Mr. Fitzmaurice called upon Rev. M. S. Richardson, who paid a glowing tribute to Mr. Giles as a churchman, and said that the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Giles and family from Newcastle would be a distinct loss to the church and community.

Both had been active in church work and he trusted that they would settle near Newcastle where they could be seen often by the citizens. Mr. Matthew McCarron, followed in a few remarks in which he said that he had known Mr. Giles in Nova Scotia as well as Newcastle and always found him a good workman. He had on "bad faith," inasmuch as he was always looking for fangers at the first fall of snow and flat cars for the work train. He trusted he would enjoy his vacation after thirty-five years of faithful service.

Mr. Wm. J. Keating said he knew Mr. Giles was a gentleman, a good citizen and a good workman, and he hoped that Mr. Giles and his good wife would live many years to enjoy the superannuation allowance.

Ex-Ald. Andrew McCabe said he had known Mr. Giles for a number of years. He was always sociable and he was glad that he was able to retire in early life. All railway men spoke highly of Mr. Giles and their best wishes would follow him and his good wife.

Percy Harriman said he had worked with Mr. Giles for the past five years. He always had the interest of the men at heart and he wished him every success.

Judge J. R. Lawlor said since he became acquainted with Mr. Giles he had always found him a gentleman, with a joke and a smile. Newcastle would miss Mr. Giles and his family very much but all would join in wishing him good luck in his new home.

Mr. Giles in replying said he was no speaker, but he appreciated the good will of the men which prompted the gift. He had enjoyed his five years stay in Newcastle and seldom seen hard looks here. He was glad so many nice things had been said about him as he knew Mrs. Giles was listening and she may not have as complimentary remarks to make. He was sorry that more of his department were not present, but many had written him offering excuses and wishing him success.

This ended the speech-making, and refreshments were served, and the rest of the evening spent with telling stories and local and instrumental music.

Those present included Rev. M. S. Richardson, Ex-Ald. McCabe, Pelton MacIntyre, Lawlor, W. R. Fitzmaurice, Eugene Savage, W. J. Keating, Frank Hare, W. P. Smallwood, John Douglas, Judge Lawlor, Hector McQuarrie, G. E. McWilliam, Matthew McCarron, T. A. Scrimmer, Keith Anderson, E. J. Jarvis, Percy Harriman, Ernest White and Thomas Howard.

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