

NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY.

PORT LORNE.

Services for Sunday, Feb. 7th: Sunday school, 2 p. m.; preaching, 3 p. m.; preaching service at Arlington, 11 a. m.; St. John's, 7 p. m.

The school is closed on account of the measles. There are several new cases, with more to follow.

A number of the members of North Division paid Clarence Division a fraternal visit on Saturday evening last. A hearty welcome, the fine sleighing, and a full moon, made everything agreeable for a jolly time.

The appended clipping from a Brockton, Mass., paper will be of interest to readers of the Monitor in this vicinity. Mr. Hall is a son of Mrs. Geo. Gaskill, of Hampton.

"Arthur S. Hall has returned after passing several weeks in Hampton, N. S., where he has been seeking an improvement in health, and the members of Legal Anchor Lodge, 1. O. O. F., M. U., of which he is a member, were most pleasantly taken by surprise at the meeting last night, when he made his appearance. It was not known that he had returned, and when he left Brockton the condition of his health was such that it was thought that he would not be able to return as soon as this. The members of the lodge congratulated him on his return and his improved health in brief speeches and Mr. Hall responded.

"He is much improved in health, and his appearance is much more rugged than when he went away. His condition is such that he is now on his way to the coast, and he is now enjoying the trip. Most of the time he passed out of doors, and he passed considerably time in the boat during part of the trip. Mr. Hall was chosen of the meeting Mr. Hall was kept busy receiving and answering congratulations and he was compelled to entertain some of the members with which he met while on the trip."—Brockton paper.

CLEMENCEVILLE.

Mr. Mortimer Sproule, of Niagara, and Miss Hattie Sproule, of Springfield, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sproule.

Mr. Ench Rawling, of Annapolis, spent Sunday at Mr. Chas. Long's. Mr. and Mrs. E. Habley, with their son, Miss Jennie, of Mill, are visiting at Mr. O. Floyd's.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Taylor, of Torbrook, are visiting among their relatives here.

Miss Eva Rawling, of Clontonport, spent a few days recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cameron. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown spent Sunday with their friends at Victoria.

Mr. Albert Sproule is in Torbrook attending the Nova Scotia Farmers' Association in session there. Before returning home he expects to visit Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Baird at Brookfield, Queens Co.

Miss Lottie Gahne, of Springfield, Annapolis Co., spent Sunday with Mrs. Berce Potter.

Mr. Sperr and daughter, who have been visiting at Mrs. K. L. Ramsey's, returned to their home at Perotte on Friday.

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 26th, a party drove from here to the residence of Mrs. William Curtis, Deep Brook. At 7 o'clock Mrs. Curtis served tea to her friends, after which a social evening was enjoyed. Before leaving for home, Rev. J. H. Baskin, in his pastoral manner, presented to Mrs. Curtis a handsome quilt with nearly five hundred names in autograph form. Mrs. Curtis started this quilt for the benefit of the Baptist church, and her son, Mr. William, collected and forwarded \$100.00 among his friends in New Hampshire. It was felt by all that the better mark of appreciation could be given than to present his wife with the quilt. Mrs. Curtis accepted the gift and replied in her grateful way. When the good-nights were said we all hoped that in the near future we might spend another evening with Mrs. Curtis in her pleasant home.

BEAR RIVER.

(Telephone Jan. 29th.)

Mr. J. L. Strathairn, of the Union Bank, spent Sunday in Wolfville.

Schooner Nava, Capt. Chute, is ready for sea, being loaded with lumber for the West Indies.

Miss Jennie Piggott, of Granville Ferry, is visiting her relatives here this week.

Mrs. Thomas Baxter died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Weir, at Smith's Cove, yesterday morning, Jan. 28th, aged about 70 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kelley, having enjoyed a visit to friends in Bridgeport during their stay here.

Barst. Edna M. Smith, Capt. I. M. Rice, of Hillsboro, N. B., is reported badly damaged at Liverpool, Eng., having been in collision with an unknown steamer.

The man Smith who was stabbed at Chester three weeks ago is recovering and is now considered to be out of danger. The preliminary examination of Wambolt, his alleged assailant, is now proceeding at Chester. Mr. Bill, of Shelburne, is conducting the prosecution.

INGOLSVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Banks held a tea party Monday night, Jan. 15th, in honor of his son Charles, who arrived from Mexico on Saturday, 15th, with his two sons, Emory and George. Mr. Banks has been away from home for eighteen years, in which time he has been employed in California and also Mexico.

The sum of \$23.00 was realized at the social on Tuesday night.

Miss Sadie Banks is spending a few days with her friend, Miss Myrtle Stewart, at Paradise.

The Misses Barnaby, of Kentville, are guests at the home of Mr. George Gaskill.

Messrs. Charles and Leonard Banks are visiting relatives in Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Whitman have been recent guests of their daughter, Mrs. L. B. Banks.

Mrs. O. Giers had the misfortune to strain her wrist quite badly.

Miss Elva Darling is visiting her Mr. Delaney, at Williamston.

SPRINGFIELD.

A donation will be held at the Baptist parsonage on Wednesday evening, Feb. 3rd. If weather is unfavorable, next fine evening. All are invited.

Misses S. P. Grimm and J. C. Grimm leave today for a trip in Queens Co.

We are sorry to report Master Clyde McNair and little Miss Sadie Boop ill with pneumonia. But at time of writing both patients are doing well.

Mr. Loney Duling, who has been suffering from the effects of "Poison Log," is slowly recovering.

Misses W. L. Saunders and I. B. Saunders, of Bridgewater and Harcourt respectively, spent Sunday at their homes.

Miss Blanche Saunders is spending a few weeks with friends in the Valley.

The Rev. Mr. Little, New Germany, preached in the Union church on Sunday morning last.

CLARENCE.

Mr. Dimock Baker, of Kingston, was at M. O. Fries' over Sunday.

The members of Port Lorne Division visited Clarence Division on Saturday evening.

F. Fitch intends taking a trip to England in March to study the fruit business.

Miss Fash, of Middleton, spent a few days with Miss Etta Elliott.

Pastor Saunders has been holding services in the church for the past three weeks with splendid results. He will continue them for another week.

E. J. Elliott, H. F. Williams, J. W. Elliott and H. G. Wilson went to Truro on Monday, to attend the N. S. Farmers' Association.

MORGANVILLE.

This is really an old-fashioned winter.

Capt. Walker, of Clontonport, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Berry the past week.

We are glad to see Mr. Ernest Snell among us again.

MacMillan Stoll and May Porter are spending their vacation at home.

The "Ivory Leaf" Mission Band held their social gathering at the home of Miss Flossie Smith's Saturday evening. An enjoyable time was spent by all.

Mr. Howard Walker spent Sunday at his home in Clontonport. He was accompanied by Miss Jennie McKay and Miss Lilla Berry.

What was that unusual noise heard Tuesday evening, 19th? Oh, that was nothing but someone ringing cowbells out H. wing horns.

Opening of the Consolidated School at Middleton.

The formal opening of the consolidated school building at Middleton took place Monday. This fine building with a gymnasium will cost about twenty thousand dollars. The basement has a gymnasium room for boys on one side and for girls on the other. The first floor has three classes, household science room and cloak room, and the second floor three classes, mechanical science, laboratory, and cloak room. On the third floor is the assembly room, capable of holding four hundred.

The class rooms are models in light, heat, and ventilation. The building reflects much credit for the architect, L. R. Fain, contractor, J. N. Bent, F. Power, of Lunenburg, who installed the heating and ventilation, and Crove Bros., of Annapolis Royal, who did the plumbing. Hon. J. W. Longley gave an able address, speaking for the council of public instruction as the representative of Annapolis county, and as an educationalist. He pointed out the importance of this consolidated school experiment to the province, and especially to the people of this district, and urged the school never to think of forsaking its advantages. Dr. A. H. McKay pointed out that some poor sections of Guyborough county paid three or four times as much per hundred dollars of property as the consolidated, and instead of this magnificent school, had only village schools with third class female grade D. teachers. By paying as much as there is paid for such miserable privilege the people in this consolidated section could have permanently for their children as fine school facilities as can be found in Canada.

T. B. Kibber said that Macdonald had made three years' experiment of one manual training and one domestic science training in Nova Scotia; now there are thirty of the two kinds in Nova Scotia, supported without any aid from Macdonald. In a few weeks he would open the manual training at Middleton, and probably next fall the domestic science room also. R. S. Eaton and Mr. F. E. M. Wolcott, also spoke. Nearly four hundred pupils are enrolled and over three hundred were present. In the evening grade ten gave a concert, rendering "The Lady of the Lake" as a play.

HYMENEAL.

FLOYD-RILEY.

One of the interesting events of the season occurred at the residence of Mrs. A. L. Danielson, Clontonport, last Wednesday, Jan. 27th, when Miss Jennie M. Riley was united in marriage to Mr. Curtis H. Floyd. Rev. J. H. Baskin performed the ceremony, in the presence of a few friends. Precisely at 3.30 o'clock the couple entered the parlor, preceded by Florence Danielson carrying a large and most beautiful ring-bearer, and stood beneath an elegant arch. The room was also prettily decorated for the occasion. The bride was dressed in a blue suit with white trimmings and hat to match, while little Florence looked sweet in white dress and white picture hat.

At 8 o'clock the happy couple drove to their future home at Truro, and at 8.15 o'clock they were met by the main road sitting near each other on four small boulders, where they were seated for some time in the new old weather. They still remain in an upright position, and are said to present a pathetic sight.

"The Caledonia 'Gold Hunt'" tells the pitiful story of our crew, the bodies of which may be seen from the main road sitting near each other on four small boulders, where they were seated for some time in the new old weather. They still remain in an upright position, and are said to present a pathetic sight.

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To the Ratepayers of the Town of Bridgetown.

Ladies and Gentlemen—

Having decided to retire from the Town Council at the end of this term I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you all for the support and co-operation which I have invariably received at your hands.

While the office I have held during the past three years may in some respects be an easy one to fill when supported by such able business men as sat in the Council during that period, there are certain duties and responsibilities which require careful consideration and attention. I have always felt that I could rely with the utmost confidence on the suggestions and opinions of the Town Council, and what ever credit the administration of town matters is entitled to is due largely to the co-operation of the various members of the Council. I believe that it will always be desirable to have experienced business men in the Council, for while the duties of Mayor and Council carry with them no pecuniary reward, if the discharge of these duties was left to any but men who feel the full responsibility of the duties which they assume upon entering the Council, things would inevitably be very slack.

I am glad that I am succeeded in office by a man who has had six years training in the Council, added to his previous business experience, and I believe for him the same support and co-operation you have always given me.

There is one duty which the Legislature wisely or otherwise has not left to the sole consideration of the Town Council, and that is the voting of money for extraordinary purposes. Such matters must be approved by a majority of ratepayers before the Council can act in the matter and they generally involve an increase of the town debt. There were two conspicuous instances of this during the time I sat in the Mayor's chair, that is to say, the new schoolhouse and the railway damages.

As regards the new schoolhouse, I think all will agree that it was a necessity, that it was well and economically built, and that it is a credit to the town. The accounts show that it has been built and completed for a little less than \$10,000.

About the railway damages there may be some difference of opinion, but as I look back at the matter now I cannot but express my regret that the ratepayers had not given this question a more careful, unbiased opinion before the vote was taken. The damages amount in round figures to \$10,000, since the land in the town was expropriated, the railway has changed its route, and the most striking thing in connection with the transfer is the rumor that the company who got the benefit of the right of way through the town and through the country as well, paid over to parties in town \$20,000 or \$25,000 in cash for apparently nothing unless it was their influence to obtain the proper concession of the town of Bridgetown, and the county of Annapolis, as operating the new railroad. On the contrary I think it highly probable that there should be a road from Victoria Beach as far east as Bridgetown. It seems to me that such a road would have served all useful purposes. This increase of \$20,000 in the town debt has swollen our annual interest to the huge sum of nearly \$2,000.

There remains yet to be obtained by the town a sewer system. This is a vitally necessary, and yet the ratepayers will doubtless pause some time before still further increasing the debt. I cannot but think that proper economy upon this part of the town requires the town's own services and wants to be looked after before money is paid over to a railroad company which seems to have nothing at all in the country and which, when it sells out its franchise appears to be ready for anything to distribute large sums of money for which nothing appears to be given in return. I leave it to you to decide, in view of the light that you already have on the question, whether or not Bridgetown was hoodwinked at the occasion of the railway vote. At all events, let it be a lesson to us in the future to look out for Bridgetown first and outside corporations afterwards—if at all.

Although I have retired from the Council, I do not feel that my interest in the town has been in any degree lessened. On the contrary, I shall continue to take a keen interest in town affairs, and I have strong hopes that our town will continue to prosper in the near future more than it has in the past.

Thanking you again, ladies and gentlemen, I remain,

Yours very truly,

L. D. SHAFER.

Valuable Antique Relics.

Mr. G. T. Upper has a valuable collection of ancient papers and documents purchased at the sale of the late John Trep. Among them are facsimile copy of Magna Charta, Warrants of Execution for Charles I., King of England, and of Mary, Queen of Scots, the latter with the signature of Queen Elizabeth. Among the papers are a copy of the "English Mercury," published by authority for the prevention of false reports as the time of the Spanish Armada invasion. The News, published during the London plague in 1665. An independent Chronicle, of Boston, dated 1728, two copies of the London Times, dated 1798 and 1801, a Weekly Chronicle of Halifax, dated 1799, and a copy of the New York Times, dated April 15, 1865, giving a full account of the assassination of President Lincoln. In the collection there is also a stone hammer used by the Romans in making flint and gunpowder, a number of the arrowheads themselves and several specimens of ancient firearms. The collection would be a valuable one for a museum and came in to Mr. Upper's possession for a trifling sum.—The Telephone.

—The death of Capt. William J. Welch occurred this week at Westport from heart failure. Capt. Welch, who was in his seventy-sixth year, was alone in his home at the time.

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N. S. Temperance Alliance.

CALL FOR FIRST ANNUAL MEETING.

At the Prohibition Convention, held in Halifax last winter, it was agreed to organize the temperance forces of the province in order to secure unity and harmony in temperance work. The executive committee was instructed to draft a constitution and call the first annual meeting.

The following constitution has been agreed upon, and will be submitted to the coming meeting for approval:

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

The N. S. Temperance Alliance.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

This Alliance shall seek to unify the temperance forces of the province for the carrying out of the following objects, viz.: 1. To promote the principles of Total Abstinence by education, effort, and persuasion. 2. To secure efficient enforcement of existing liquor legislation. 3. To secure improvement in existing liquor legislation. 4. To secure the legal prohibition of the traffic.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

All persons interested in the promotion of any, or all, of these objects, are eligible for membership, and all such persons shall become members on signing the constitution.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this Alliance shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. There shall also be an Executive Committee to consist of these officers, and at least one representative for each County in the Province, in addition, to be elected at the annual meeting each year.

ARTICLE V.—MEETINGS.

This Alliance shall meet at least annually, at the call of the Executive, during the month of February.

ARTICLE VI.—FINANCE.

The necessary expenses of the Alliance shall be met by voluntary contributions.

The Executive now calls the first annual meeting, to be held on Tuesday, the 16th day of February, 1904, at 2.30 o'clock, p. m., in St. Mary's Hall, Barrington Street, Halifax.

We hope for a large and representative gathering. The purpose is to secure the united action of all temperance societies, and of all persons interested in the great work to be done.

A program for the evening of the meeting will be prepared and everything possible will be done to make the Convention a success. Let all the friends of temperance rally to this meeting.

EDWIN D. KIN, Chairman.
D. STILES FRASER, Secretary.

Digby, N. S., June 9th, 1903.

This is to certify that I have used Empire Liniment in my family for two years, for all general purposes, and find it superior to any liniment that I have ever used, for internal and external purposes, and I would frankly recommend all families to use it as a household remedy.

(Signed) F. H. JAKIN.

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