

Personals.

J. B. Mills, M. P. and wife, returned from Ottawa last Wednesday. Mrs. Wm. E. Reed is enjoying a visit among relatives and friends in Boston.

Miss Anna Murray returned from a very pleasant visit of two weeks with friends in St. John. Rev. F. Grosvenor, wife and little daughter returned from their visit across the border on Friday last.

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Springfield.

A missionary concert was held at Falkland Ridge branch of the Springfield Baptist church on the 6th inst. We were glad to be able to report that Mrs. William McHenry, who has been very ill, is much better in health.

Rev. Stephen Langille, of Clemenstvale, spent a few days here last week, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Hartley Marshall. Mr. William Wilson, of North Kingston, has been here for the past few weeks, visiting his many relatives and friends in and about this vicinity.

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Clemenstvale.

L. S. Moore, Esq., Inspector of schools, passed through here on Tuesday. Mrs. S. Langille, who has been visiting her daughter in Springfield, returned on Friday last.

Mr. Denton J. Nelly, teacher at Princeton, spent Sabbath with his parents at Middleton.

Messrs. L. C. Berry and H. F. Trimmer made a trip to Lawrencetown on their wheels last week.

Mr. Owen K. Sprague, accompanied by Miss Rosa Foster and Miss M. Banks, spent a few days in West Inglewille, at the home of the latter.

Mr. Gordon Goldsmith, blacksmith, has taken charge of the shop previously occupied by James E. Banks. Mr. Banks is erecting a new shop at Frye's Corner.

Rev. S. Langille has been called to Milford to assist Bro. Dimock for a few days, and administer the rites of baptism to several candidates in that place.

A large number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Baird visited their residence on Thursday evening of last week and assisted them at an apple-party.

The many friends of Mr. Thomas A. Wright united in giving him a surprise on Thursday evening last. An extensive literary and medical collection was prepared for the company for the customary treat which followed.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. M. A. S. of this place was held in the Baptist church, on Wednesday, the 7th inst. Starting the past year the society has prepared the company for the customary treat which followed.

Hill as a Fruit Market.

DEAR SIR,—In this year of what is almost a superabundant apple crop and is certainly a record for the quantity of apples in the market of the distributing system, it may not be amiss to point out that Great Britain is not a land of one or two ports. London and Liverpool, of course, head the list; but there are a dozen other ports, of which Hill appears to take the lead, that can give a good account of three or four fruit boats a day. Hill herself manages to absorb the contents of more than five daily, as the subjoined table, which is culled from official sources, will show.

During the seven weeks ending Aug. 9, 1896, 214 fruit boats were landed in her docks, bringing:

It seems quite a large order for several weeks, especially as the English home-grown crop is not yet at its peak, and we are considering which one must admit a thousand barrels to their credit, of which they by three hundred and one came from the above twenty-two barrels.

It may interest our dear River friends to know that the above twenty-two barrels were accompanied by seven packages of cherries which arrived in Liverpool a fortnight before the apples, so that our customers were good fruit in good order the returns would doubt be satisfactory.

As to Hill, it will be interesting as the season progresses to see how far she remains content with so small a supply of seaboard apples. I am, yours, G. W. SHIRTON.

Great Britain's Debt. Despite enormous expenditures every year for new ships, Great Britain is steadily paying off its public debt. In 1817, at the close of the Napoleonic wars, the total debt was \$4,430,360,185, and since that date various wars have caused additional indebtedness amounting to \$1,828,000,000, making a grand total of \$6,258,360,185. At present, however, the debt is only \$3,273,945,510, showing a reduction of \$2,984,414,675, or nearly \$300,000,000 a year. Before the great war of 1870-71, the debt was \$1,828,000,000, and since that time it has been reduced by \$1,828,000,000, or nearly \$200,000,000 a year. This is another instance of the remarkable fertility of the soil of our valley, which cannot be beaten in the world.

Parsons' Cove. Mr. Walter Hudson, of Mass., spent last week at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. David Hudson.

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