

### Royal Household Flour

takes a great deal of water and must be mixed soft.

Don't forget too that it should be thoroughly kneaded.

### COUNTY NEWS

#### LAWRENCETOWN.

Services Sunday, March 26th.—Baptist, 11 a.m.; Rev. Brown; Episcopal, 3 p.m.; Rev. Webster; Methodist, 11 a.m.; Rev. England.

Mrs. H. H. Whitman and son have returned from their visit in N. B. F. B. Bishop and family have taken possession of the Stevens house.

Rev. Brown and family have arrived and are getting located at the parsonage. We extend a welcome to the several gentlemen and family and trust their stay with us will be a pleasant one.

Mrs. Wm. Roach is seriously ill.

Mrs. J. Morgan has so far improved as to get out doors.

Miss Sarah McLeod is the guest of Mrs. Prince.

Rev. Joe and Mrs. Gatz, of Middletown, and Mrs. A. Marshall and Mrs. E. Miller, of Clarence, were guests of Mrs. J. Hall last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hinds will leave for Mass. in a few weeks. We are sorry to lose such good citizens, but a good position awaits Mr. H., so he has to go.

Our farmers are going quite strongly into the poultry business this year. S. C. Hall has sold several broilers and brooders this winter and spring.

The few warm days and the rain on Sunday did a lot to get rid of the snow. We are now able to see the fences and fruit trees.

Miss Rita Durling is seriously ill.

Mr. Chas. Miller has been home the past two weeks.

Rev. E. S. Vance, of New Aberdeen, C. B., on the eve of his leaving for a little time of needed rest and recuperation of health, was presented with an address from the congregation, accompanied by a framed coat, and another from the citizens generally, among them he is highly appreciated, accompanied with a well filled purse. Mr. Vance is an uncle of Mrs. S. C. Hall.

#### PARADISE.

Miss Smith, of Niagara Falls, is visiting Mr. G. C. Ties.

The Library Society met on Monday evening, 26th inst., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Starratt. The program was as follows:—

Reading in the Mountains High

Reading in the Golden Mountains

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### TERRIBLE CALAMITY

#### BOILER BURSTS IN SHOE SHOP IN BROCKTON, MASS., AND CONFLAGRATION FOLLOWS.—OVER HALF A HUNDRED KILLED AND INJURED.

Frightful Calamity in Brockton, Mass., Brockton, March 26.—The city of Brockton is in mourning to-night, for at least three scores of her citizens whose lives were blotted out early to-day by the explosion of a boiler in a large shoe manufacturing establishment in the Campello district, conducted by R. B. Grover company. The explosion was immediately followed by a flash of flames which obliterated the factory, a large four-story structure, as if it were a house of cards, and incinerated the men and women unable to extricate themselves from a mass of tangled wreckage of the most terrible upheaval in the boiler rooms. More than half a hundred of the employees in the building were maimed, burned or bruised by the time they reached safe ground.

The fire extended from the factory to seven other buildings in the vicinity, and also reached these to ashes. The total financial loss is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars, \$200,000 of which falls on the Grover company.

No one knows exactly how many persons were in the factory. It had been estimated at 400, but Treasurer C. O. Emerson said tonight that he doubted that there were so many. Two hundred and fifty survivors have been accounted for, and 177 are the remains of fifty bodies had been recovered from the ruins, the search among which was continued all night.

There is no trace of the body of David W. Rockwell, engineer of the plant, who was reported as having died at noon from injuries. It is supposed that he perished at his post.

An inspection of the wrecked boiler by the state boiler inspectors showed that there was a sufficient supply of water in it. The cause of the explosion at present is a mystery.

Shortly after the operatives had settled down to the work of the day the air vibrated by the roar of an explosion and at the same moment the large wooden frame of the factory, a four story structure, quivered and then the rear portion of it collapsed. In a fraction of a second this section of the great building had been transformed into a mass of iron and wood wreckage in the midst of which human beings were imprisoned and pincioned down. In another moment fire had broken out in this vast heap of debris, and death by being burned alive became the fate of scores of the operatives. When the boiler exploded, tearing a passage as it went, killing many on the way. After rising in the air it descended half the distance and then swooping northward cut its way like some huge projectile through a dwelling house fifty feet away, and then pierced another dwelling further along, demolishing that structure. Here its course was stopped.

FLOORINGS SANK AND PEOPLE FELL BELOW.

Scenes of horror followed this wrenching apart of the factory building. In the rear the three upper floors, weighted as they were with heavy machinery, crashed down, a crash that was heard in the neighboring streets, and men and women were hurled into the air at their own peril.

### Communications.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.

#### An Open Letter.

Dear Monitor—

Will you kindly grant me space to bring to the notice of "the powers that be" in this town, the wretched state of our streets at the present time. Particularly is this the case with Queen street. Its present condition is a blot on our civilization and too abominable to be longer tolerated. Can it be possible that all the filthy disposed inhabitants of this town are located on this street. Appearances point that way, but there are some honorable exceptions.

Now, gentlemen of the Council, is it not time that you got out of your state of hibernation? See that those who have polluted the street immediately remove their "ash heaps" or do it at their expense. What must the sanitary condition of this town be, with so much filth underfoot and the germs of disease floating in the air? By the way, where is our health officer, who gets a salary from the rate-payers to look after sanitary matters? Does he think that he has nothing to do but collect his pay? Or does he think it will bring credit to his mill if an epidemic of disease breaks out? Perish the thought!

Hoping those in authority will attend to this important matter,

I remain,

Yours respectfully,

WM. R. CALDER.

Bridgetown, March 21st, 1905.

### WAR NEWS.

The Russian Commander-in-Chief Dismissed from the Service and Leaves in Disgrace.

#### "DISGRACE" OPPOSITE KUROPATKIN'S NAME IN THE GAZETTE.

St. Petersburg, March 17.—General Kuropatkin, the old idol of the private soldiers, has been dismissed and disgraced, and General Linovitch, commander of the first army, is appointed to succeed him in command of all the Russian land and sea forces operating against Japan.

A despatch from Changtutu reports that General Kuropatkin left here this evening for St. Petersburg.

#### A BITTER REBUKE.

The Russian military signals contain no more bitter imperial rebuke. While it was known that the war council had already decided to supplant Kuropatkin after the Mukden disaster, the decision to confer the task of saving the remainder of the army on Linovitch, in the very midst of its flight, although bruited last night, came as a surprise.

It transpires that Emperor Nicholas, upon the advice of General Dragomiroff, and War Minister Sakiroff, determined that the step was necessary when it became apparent yesterday morning that Kuropatkin, while concentrating for a stand at Tie Pass, seemed unaware that the Japanese had worked around westward again, and practically allowed himself to be surprised.

Old reports, brought by General Griperberg, regarding Kuropatkin's falling mentally, also had influence. Under the circumstances, therefore, it was considered imperative, in view of the exceedingly perilous position of the army, to turn over its command to Linovitch, who alone had been able to save off his army in order, after the disaster at Mukden. His record during the war had also demonstrated his ability as commander. Kuropatkin returned to St. Petersburg

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