

LOCAL MATTERS.

Monoton has a bigmas.

The Denary of Shedio met here yesterday.

Yesterday was the wildest day of the season.

Advocate Harbor letter too late for this week.

The Bank of P. E. I. is getting under way again.

Farmers' Association at Hope-well on Tuesday next.

New Station—Fort Lawrence will be a flag station after Monday. It is half way between Amherst and Au Lac.

Dr. Allison was to lecture last night for the Burethorian, subject, "Lord Beaconsfield," but on account of the storm the lecture was postponed.

The Rev. George Seely, of Woodstock, N. B., will preach in the Baptist churches here, on Sabbath next, 5th inst. A collection will be taken at the close of each service.

Port Elgin boasts a Literary Society under the management of Messrs. Clarke and Willett. Night of meeting, Thursday of each week, at Hamilton's Hall. A step in the right direction.

Millbrook Lookhart, of Monoton, was thought to be lost at sea. He now turns up as a blacksmith on one of the South Pacific Islands. He had gone ashore and failed to make connection with his vessel.

Riotous.—Some of the men employed in the Larrakin factory are getting destructive. It is said they have raised a row or two at the Brunswick House and the other day they invaded the house of a peaceable citizen and greatly alarmed the inmates.

IRON CASTING was commenced at the Peter's Combination Lock Company's works some time ago. This enables the production of all kinds of builders and other hardware, etc., in iron as well as brass. The factory is prospering beyond expectations and the men are working over time.—Times.

Notice of the death of one of our venerable citizens will be found elsewhere. The funeral will take place on Friday the 3rd, to leave the house at 2 p. m.; buried at the cemetery Lower Sackville. Rev. John Shenton will preach the funeral sermon at the Methodist Church here next Sunday morning.

BAKERY.—Sackville has long felt the need of a bakery. Bread has been brought from other places and sold here in our stores for some time. Mr. Ovid Weldon proposes next spring to supply this want. He will put up his brick oven as soon as the frost is out of the ground, and procure the services of a first class baker. There is no doubt that Mr. Weldon will meet the success which his enterprise merits.

The Director's report of the Spring Mill Mining Company shows an output of 170,000 tons. It was stated that this production could have been considerably increased if the I. C. Railway had had more rolling stock available for the Company's use. The old Directors were re-elected, viz, Senator Macfarlane, of Wallace, N. S., and Messrs. John Magee, R. P. Starr, James L. Dunn, and S. S. Hall, of St. John. A 10 foot seam of superior coal has been driven late, and the total thickness has not yet been determined. A dividend of 7 per cent. was declared payable on the 14th of this month. Hon. Alexander Macfarlane is re-elected President.

DONATION AT FAIRFIELD.—Last Thursday evening the Fairfield Baptist Church was the scene of a very enjoyable occasion. The many friends of Rev. D. S. Carpenter there met to show him in a small degree their appreciation of his past year's labors. The ladies of Fairfield, who have ever been noted for their hospitable entertaining of strangers, were fully equal to the occasion, so that notwithstanding the nearly three hours continuous rain made upon the well loaded tables, they showed no signs of being exhausted. After speeches by Messrs. Bell, Lowe and others, Mr. Harvey Plimney with a few well chosen remarks presented their host with a purse of \$55.

Religious Services.

Rev. D. C. Lawson will preach at Dorchester Cape next Sunday, the 5th Feb'y, at 10.30 a. m.; and in the vestry of the Baptist Meeting House at the Corner, at 3 p. m.

Methodist.

Sackville, 11 a. m. Rev. J. Shenton

7 p. m. Rev. J. Shenton

Upper Sackville, 3 p. m. Rev. J. Shenton

Lower Sackville, 7 p. m. Rev. J. Wilson

TASTMAN'S MESS.

Anderson, 2.30 p. m. W. B. Thomas

Cookville, 6.30 p. m. W. B. Thomas

Baptist.

Bethel, 11 a. m. Rev. Geo. Seely

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(From our own correspondents.)

FROM MINDIE.

—P. Vernon, Esq., is doing a large business in pig and saw logs.

—Rev. J. Scott was lately assaulted by some unmanly young men who threw snow-balls at the rev. gentleman.

—Iron ore has been discovered on the premises of Jerome Lobban, Esq., at Barronfield. Further investigation will be made in the spring.

FROM BAIE VERTE.

—Mrs. Goodfellow, daughter of John Fawcett, Esq., of Tidbin, and Mrs. Ephraim Murray, of Port Elgin, were buried here on Sabbath last. Both were victims of consumption.

—The mails are again being carried by the ice boats, as the "Northern Light" is no longer considered the best means of communication with the Island, now that winter has come in right dead earnest.

—Travelling is now quite bad, as the recent storms have filled in the roads, and those whose business requires them to go abroad, are sighing for the time when horses can be dispatched with the comfort of a railway ride enjoyed by them.

—The Concert given by the children of the Sabbath School was a delightful affair, and the whole passed off in first class style. So pleased was the audience that it is proposed to repeat it at an early date, when we may furnish a fuller report.

—Rev. Mr. Fisher's lecture on "Ambition" was an excellent effort and was well received. The audience was large, attentive, and very much interested, and the Rev. gentleman must have been much pleased with the manner in which his effort was received.

—The Port Elgin Literary Club is furnishing the inhabitants of that plucky little town with a series of lectures, concerts and entertainments, which are giving good satisfaction, and many are intended to be kept up all winter. So far they have been well patronized.

SURRY ITEMS.

—The river is full of ice.

—A few nights since, there were two bushels of wheat taken out of Rev. Hughes' sleigh in Descon Marshall's barn, and this was the only night for some time that the barn was left unlocked. A search warrant was obtained, but neither thief nor wheat could be found.

—I hear much dissatisfaction expressed by teachers in the Multiplication of classes in the same subject caused by the late Inspector's regulations. I have used my efforts in public and private with Inspector, Chief Superintendent, Representatives, and Government to have the obvious parts of these removed; and am forced to the conclusion that the remedy must be found in new Government or Superintendent or both. Our school books too, are costing more than the same size book in a Sabbath School library. Can any person say the cause?

—On Tuesday evening last, the Rev. Mr. Blin delivered a lecture at the Descon Methodist Church. His subject was "The Bible," and was attentively listened to. At the close a refreshment table was exposed, and many young ones were satisfied. As a large quantity of provisions had been donated to the church, the Rev. Mr. Blin, Mr. Cleveland kindly responded to a pressing invitation, and gave a very acceptable lecture on Thursday evening, after which the balance of the provisions were sold. The result amounted to about \$70, and was presented to the Rev. C. W. Hamilton. Mr. Cleveland lectured Tuesday evening in the Valley Church on "The Creation and its Mysteries."

News and Comments.

—Gileau says the proceedings will be set aside by the court en banc. He'll be hanged if they don't do it.

—Nevada used to send out wealth; now it is taking it in. All the mines in Nevada yielded during 1881 about \$4,500,000 less than enough to pay the cost of operating them.

—Eighteen students at Princeton College, who broke lamps and raised a row generally about the streets, were fined by the Court \$20 each, and committed to payment of the fine.

—A Colorado woman advertises for her long lost husband. She informs the public that she would like to hear of his death if he is dead, as she has a good chance of filling his place.

—While a watchman watched the empty trunk of a suspicious boarder at Jack's, which, he escaped with all his extra wardrobe in his pockets and high hat. She overhauled him at the railroad station, pulled off his hat, and amused the spectators by taking therefrom a shirt, a pair of socks, and some collars.

MT. ALLISON.

Contributors to the Mt. Allison fund whose names were not given in our list:

C. H. Paisley, \$100

H. Hickard, 125

Baldwin Dixon, 100

Abner Smith, 100

Captain Evans, 20

Alfred Dixon, 15

J. T. Carter, 5

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Charles Beal has on hand a supply of Pure, Costa, &c., which he is ready to sell wonderfully cheap.

Mr. J. H. Bates, Newspaper Advertiser, 41 Park Row (Times Building), New York, is authorized to contract for advertisements in the CUNEOGRAPH POST at the best rates.

Buy First-Class ORGANS AND SEWING MACHINES from G. C. Fawcett, Upper Sackville, who sells cheaper than travelling agents, and takes old machines in exchange at \$10.00 and upwards each. Williams Spring Sewing Machines, a specialty.

We have opened a department of TELEGRAPHY. First class instruction guaranteed. Send for circulars. Our students are boarded for \$3 per week.

FRANK & WHISTON, Halifax Business College, 119 Hollis St.

Road Meeting at Midgie.

In accordance with previous notice, a meeting was convened at the Four Corners, to decide what should be done about the marsh road leading from Midgie. The road is of considerable importance, on account of the quantity of heavy freight, such as deals to be moved over it. At present the tide goes over the road bed, and at times it is almost impassable.

W. R. George, Esq., was called to the chair and Albert Cahill performed the duties of secretary. The Chairman called upon David Whiston, of Midgie, who is largely interested in the road.

Mr. Whiston held that the best road would be a plank road, the planks being laid on sleepers making a single track. He estimated the cost of such a road at \$1,800, for which sum he would build it himself.

J. L. Black, M. P. P., spoke of the amount of traffic over the road and the great need of an outlay on it. Albert Cahill thought that planks would not be as good as earth thrown up and covered with gravel. He was of the opinion that planks would be the best, but that the ease with which railways everywhere got assistance from the Government with the difficulty that had been met in getting any help for wagon roads.

William Kinsner took the view that "as regards that if Sir Albert had done his duty we should have had the road long ago, and that same gentleman wants the road to go to Shediac."

Charles Beal claimed that Midgie was not the out of the way and unimportant place that some folks thought it was. It was the pleasure field of sportsmen, not only from all parts of Sackville, but from all parts of the known world. The Midgie road needed work more than the Cape Tormentine Road, which as he understood was to be built at once.

Hon. D. L. Hainington spoke with great eloquence for an hour and a half, or so. He said brush was what was wanted and plenty of it with mud on top and gravel. He would do all in his power to get the road made, but not one of us here knew that he was exactly how little he was sure of concerning the United States' preemption laws.

A stalwart grocer asserted that the Canadian Northwest was a better farming country than Colorado, personally in this road, as he felt sure that the Government would build it without help from the people.

Mariner Hicks, of Midgie, was the last speaker.

David Whiston, Job Anderson, and Mariner Hicks, were named as a Committee to make enquiry as to the best method of building the road.

A HOTEL SKETCH.

It was night at the Brunswick House—that is along in the evening. Without, there was darkness; within the soft light from lamps and the roseate glow from the fire place in the general sitting room of that most excellent hotel. And all that sort of thing.

There might have been seen, by a man with half an eye, several people in the sitting room before alluded to. For the purpose of this narrative it is only necessary to mention two or three of these at present, and the rest as needed. There was a stranger. He sat by the corner of the hearth. The stranger was not in the last stages of consumption, nor in the first stages, nor in any filtering stage. He looked strong and healthy and vigorous. He was weather-beaten, and slightly purple about the cheek bones—though he may have been a Good Templar for all anybody knows.

He had a hardness in his cheek.

He had a hardness in his eye.

And he had a remarkably strong voice and powerful looking frame. He talked with a youth of enquiring mind; the subject being "What is the best field for the 'Star of the Empire' to take its Westward way?"

The stranger spoke him many a word, the purport of his remarks being that Colorado is the place for the ambitious youth to make for; that Manitoba is only growing in its towns, and lacks good land; that it is far from the market, and has not good land laws. He informed the inquiring youth that settlers on Uncle Sam's domains got 480 acres of lands free, and was going on to observe several other things, when—

On the other side of the fireplace sat a leading Sackville manufacturer (hereinafter called the "L. M.") sloeching and semi-recumbent was the attitude of the L. M. He had drawn his shoulders up and his chin down; was occupying the least space possible; was smoking an exceedingly dark complexioned pipe; apparently giving his whole attention to the task of getting the tobacco, possible amount of smoke through the pipe stem in a given time. A cursory observer—such as the stranger—would not have concluded at that moment that this profound smoker was of much importance in manufacturing circles, or any other circles.

Still the L. M. was paying heed to the stranger, and when the stranger reiterated the 480 acre clause of his story, with an accompanying stamp of his foot and a look of triumph at the impressive smoker

opposite, there was an interruption. It was the L. M. who did it, and he spoke somewhat as follows:—"Stranger you speak (also: you) don't fool people here with your Yankee stories. Your stories are too transparent. Your stories are don't give 480 acres of land away to anybody, and you know it!"

The fierce-looking, mountainier looking stranger looked at the assurance of the impassive-looking smoker opposite; but amusement soon gave place to rage, and the stranger thus spoke:—"I say it is so; I know what I'm talking about; I ain't a liar. I have you know?"

The L. M. demanded proof. He claimed that the word of a man, of the general appearance of the stranger was liable to be of no great account.

The stranger insisted that no one but a clown would expect a man to carry documents in his pocket, to prove everything he chanced to say.

The L. M. said: "If your statements were enquired into you would no doubt turn out to be a big fraud."

The stranger waxed mad. He stood up and shouted, and said "I've travelled fifteen thousand miles, within the past year or so, and have been in a good many places, but I have never been so grossly failed in my life." It's a disgrace, an outrage—that a stranger here in a house of entertainment should be insulted in this way by an ignorant blockhead!

He moved his cane with some majesty, and spoke with much heat. He demanded to be informed as follows:—"Is there a man here who knows anything at all? Are you all as ignorant as this bushwhacker?"

Silence reigned. It also gave consent. There speechless stood the assembled host.

There were farmers and merchants, lawyers, magistrates, sea captains, doctors and various other men of mixed learning, all of whom had a general feeling that the foreigner was largely to blame for the trouble.

The stranger here gave evidence of a good bringing up—he refused to bet. He said he never did bet, and he didn't believe his opponent was worth \$50.

The smoker smiled grimly, and not irrelevant to the question, which was pre-emption laws. The stranger said that the L. M. was a fool and a blockhead, and the L. M., while not denying the alleged fact, stoutly offered to maintain his view by a \$50 bet.

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ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that I have appointed E. C. Gooden my agent to settle the business of the late Frank Gooden, deceased. All persons having legal claims on said estate are hereby notified to present their claims duly attested, and all persons so notified to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, to the said E. C. Gooden.

ADELINE E. GOODEN, Administratrix.

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