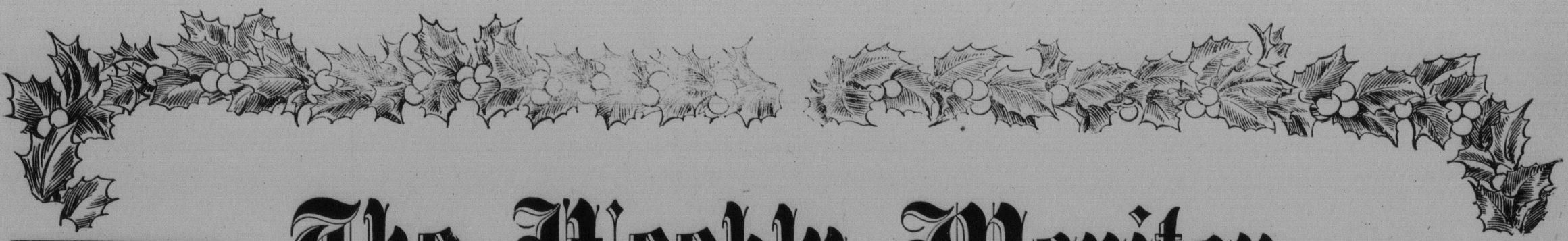


GRANVILLE FERRY.

Christmas concert held in the school house on Thursday afternoon largely attended. The excellent programme was a credit to both teachers and pupils. At the close of the programme, Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed the gifts from a prettily decorated tree.



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CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Services Held at the Churches—Five Clerical Changes in Past Four Months.—Passing of Mr. Charles Dargie Much Regretted.—Personal Notes.

Annapolis Royal.—Christmas Eve and Christmas Day were both marked by fine weather, with the first sleighing of the season, and the shops, with their beautiful display of holiday goods, were well patronized. The rink was opened for the first skating on Christmas afternoon, and a moving picture machine was given at King's Theatre. In the evening a very successful dance was given, under the auspices of the Tennis Club, at the Masonic Hall, attended by many of the holiday guests.

The service at St. Luke's Church was conducted by Rev. S. J. Woodroffe, and special music was rendered by the vested choir, with Miss Marjorie Wainwright presiding at the organ. Rt. Rev. Monsignor Grace officiated at ten o'clock mass at St. Thomas' Church, and the "Adoro Fideles" and other Christmas music was sung, with Mrs. M. J. Riordan at the organ. The announcement made last Sunday by Monsignor Grace, that this week would terminate his long service as priest in Annapolis Royal, was heard with deep regret. On Sunday evening a farewell service was held at the church, with the Curate, Rev. Louis LeBlanc, presiding, and an address and large "Christmas Collection" were presented to the Reverend Pastor. A few hours later, accompanied by Dr. F. P. Smith, he left for Halifax, where he will enter the infirmary for medical treatment.

No service was held in St. George's Church on Sunday evening, as the congregation united with the Baptist Church, to attend the Farewell service of Rev. A. Gibson, who is also leaving town. At the Christmas Tree and Sunday School entertainment on Monday evening, Mr. Gibson was presented with a well-filled purse by the members of the congregation, and Mrs. Gibson was remembered by the Mission Band. It seems a strange coincidence that the five clergymen located in town last New Years, have all left it within the past four months.

The funeral of the late Mr. Charles Dargie, who passed away at Lequille on Saturday morning, December 19th, was held on Monday, and largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. E. A. Kirker of St. George's United Church, and interment took place at Woodlawn Cemetery, with Masonic honors. The late Mr. Dargie, who was senior member of the firm of Charles Dargie and Son, was a highly esteemed citizen, and possessed a host of friends throughout the County. He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. J. Herberg Runciman, his

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son, Frank M. Dargie, and six grandchildren, also a sister, Mrs. Jane Wilson, of Roxbury, Mass., a brother, Alexander, of Round Hill, and a brother, Thomas, associated with him in business. Mrs. Dargie, formerly Miss Elizabeth Lockwood, passed away several years ago.

Mrs. F. C. Gilliat has as guests for the Christmas season, her sisters, Mrs. George Armstrong and her daughter Elizabeth, of Sydney; Mrs. F. E. Burgess of Sheffield Mills, N. S., with Mr. Burgess and their daughters, Rosamund and Margaret, and Miss Harriet Spurr of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. W. Ross, of St. John's, Nfld., are the guests of Mrs. Ross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Atlee.

Miss Ethel Miller of Kentville, spent Christmas in town, with her mother, Mrs. E. Miller.

Mr. Town Clerk James Rippey of Berwick, with his wife and two little daughters, accompanied by Mrs. Rippey's sister, Miss Daisy Sillis, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. Rippey.

Miss Irene Lovett is spending her vacation with her parents at Amherst.

Miss Bessie Ritchie of Halifax is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. D. Copeland.

Miss Janet Teach of Kentville, spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Lamont Teach.

Miss Mary Hare of Newfoundland, is the guest of Miss Florence Neville. Mr. William Harris of the Bank of Nova Scotia at St. John, N. B., arrived on Christmas Day to pay a flying visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harris.

Mrs. Charles Matthews expects to leave shortly for Boston and Ohio, on a month's visit.

Miss Mary Cox returned on Monday, after spending Christmas in Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCullough and children, of Keswick Ridge, N. B., are visiting Mrs. McCullough's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Gesner.

Mr. Charles Gesner of Boston, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Gesner.

Capt. and Mrs. J. A. C. Willett are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. Eugene Troop spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Troop.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Gesner and son Ronald, spent Xmas at the home of her parents, at Hampton.

Dr. and Mrs. Morley P. Nichols and family of Aylesford, spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Parker.

Mr. Borden Fraser, Asst. Agent of the D. A. R. office, Port William, and Miss Kathryn Fraser of Berwick, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fraser.

Mr. Willard Gesner spent Christmas with friends in Springfield.

Mr. Carmon Gesner spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Gesner, Lawrence town.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Troop and son, Walter, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Foster, Beecroftfield.

Misses Lizale and Minnie Troop have resigned their schools and are leaving for U. S. A.

Mr. Clarence Longley was a Christmas guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cyril Marshall, Bridgetown.

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Wishes all it's Readers, Correspondents, and Advertisers
A Happy New Year
with a General and Continued Period of Prosperity

BEAR RIVER

Miss Katherine Marshall, student at Mount Allison Ladies Seminary, came home Friday and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Marshall.

Mr. Vernon Jones is spending the Xmas vacation with his mother, Mrs. S. B. Jones.

Miss Edna Peck, teacher at Linden Hill, Lantz, Penn., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Peck.

Mr. Tom McDormand, teacher at Canning, arrived home Friday and will spend the Xmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDormand.

Mr. Ira Clarke, of Montreal, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clarke.

Mr. Harold Shaw, of Acadia College, Wolfville, is a guest of Rev. and Mrs. Barrass.

Miss Mary Romans, student at Mount St. Vincent, arrived home Saturday and will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Romans.

Mr. Carrol Snell is visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Sherman at Deep Brook.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCormick spent Thursday at Prineade, guests of her daughter.

Mr. Murray Harris, who has been spending a few days in Boston, arrived home Tuesday, bringing with him a new car.

Mr. Harley McCormick left for Boston last week.

BUSINESS AS GOOD AS COULD BE EXPECTED.

In conversation with a number of merchants of the town, the Editor was pleased to learn that Christmas business in the stores was better than expected, considering the poor apple crop and a somewhat general financial stringency. Some business men stated that trade had been fully as good as it was last year. Others the contrary. On the whole it seems safe to state that business generally was not quite up to last year, but yet fully as good as could be looked for in view of general conditions.

Miss Gertrude Barnes, who has been spending the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Barnes, returned to Windsor on Monday.

Personal Mention

One of the nicest courtesies you can show your friends is let them learn through this column of your visit whenever you go away. Let us know when you have visitors at your homes. The Monitor will consider it a courtesy whenever you give us an item of this kind. Write or phone No. 12 or 102.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Fitzmaurice, of Bedford, are spending Xmas at the home of her father, Mr. John D. Gesner, Belleisle.

Miss Marion and Ellen Lessell are home from Edgell Hill, Windsor, to spend the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Francis Graves.

Mrs. C. P. Rockwell, of Kentville, is visiting Mrs. Frank Fowler.

Mr. Byers Beeler of Oshawa, Ont. is spending a vacation with his mother, Mrs. S. K. Mack.

Mr. Johnson House has returned from Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, where he recently underwent an operation.

Mrs. Elenora Poole, Middleton, is visiting her son, Mr. Earle Poole.

Gordon Higgins is home from Dalhousie, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Higgins.

Lieut. Penwarden, of the local Salvation Army Corps, is spending a lough at her old home in Ottawa.

Miss Jean Marshall, R.N., is home from Boston, to spend a holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Marshall.

Miss Annie Dodge, who has been visiting friends in Kentville, returned home on Wednesday.

Mr. Ken Marshall, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marshall, Church Street, has returned to Truro.

Mr. Trueman Hyson, of Boston, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Hyson.

Miss Mary Walker, teacher at Moschelle, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Bessie Walker, Carleton Corner.

Miss Cora Munro, of Kentville, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Munro.

Mr. Charles R. Goldsmith arrived home from Wakefield, Mass., last week to spend Xmas with his family at Belleisle.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Warne, of Digby, spent Xmas with the latter's parents.

PARADISE

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Balcom and children, are visiting Mrs. Balcom's sister, Mrs. Holig, of St. John.

The Crokinole Club had an enjoyable evening in Longley's Hall, Saturday evening, December 26th.

Mrs. H. P. Layte is visiting her brothers at Sydney, C. B.

Rev. and Mrs. Robinson are spending the holidays in Digby, the guests of Mr. H. B. Short, M.P., and Mrs. Short.

Miss Marjorie Morse is home from Edgell Hill School, Windsor, and Miss Lillian Leonard, from Truro.

Miss Rowena Morse of Halifax, arrived on Thursday and is spending the Christmas season with her mother, Mrs. S. K. Morse.

Among the students home from Wolfville are Mr. Max Munro, Edgar Bent, Richmond Lowley and J. Chesley Rice, from Acadia University; Miss Alice Longley and Miss Lizzie Banks from Acadia Seminary.

The teachers who have arrived home to spend the holidays are Mrs. Mercer, from Acadia; Miss Jessie Bowley, Halifax; Leola Banks, Waldeck West; Muriel Elliott, Liverpool; Evelyn Leonard, Inglisville, and Margaret Trimper, of Port George.

Miss Florence Longley, of Lawrence town, is spending Xmas with her cousin, Mr. J. S. Longley.

Mrs. Charles E. Morton of Bridgetown, spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Rupert Chesley.

The guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sproule are Mr. and Mrs. Biglow and children of Canso; Miss Minnie Sproule of St. John, and Mr. Emdon Sproule of Edmonton.

Mrs. F. W. Bishop has arrived home after a pleasant visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Baird, Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Edison Burke spent Christmas Day with Mrs. E. E. Burke.

Mrs. L. C. Marshall left on Thursday for Manchester, N. H., where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. C. Downs.

Mr. and Mrs. Schluchen and daughter of Mass., are spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. David Jodrey.

The Sunday School held its annual Concert and Christmas Tree in the vestry, Wednesday evening, which, in spite of the inclemency of the weather was largely attended. Rev. W. S. Smith, in the absence of the Superintendent, acted as chairman. The programme consisted of choruses, carols, monologues, readings and a short talk from Mr. Smith. At the close Santa Claus appeared and gave gifts to the children from the beautifully decorated tree.

The community was saddened to learn of the death of Deacon Norman Longley, at the Memorial Hospital, Middleton, Saturday evening, December 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morse, en route from Windsor, where Mrs. Morse had been matron of honor at the marriage of her class-mate, Miss Helena Miller to Prof. Horace Read, of the staff of Dalhousie Law School. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hayden, of Halifax, spent Christmas, the guests of Rev. and Mrs. P. R. Hayden, Grand

CLEMENTSVALE

Mr. George Beeler and family spent Xmas with his son, Kenneth, at Annapolis Royal.

Mr. Russell Mansfield of Westfield, is spending the holiday season at Mr. Wm. Pyne's.

Mr. Dannie Berry arrived on Friday from U. S. A., to spend the holidays at Mr. John Berry's.

Miss Jennie Pully of Victoria and Mr. Seldon Potter, who were married this week, are at Wilmot for a few days.

Mrs. Elsie Long of Fitchburg, Mass., arrived on Tuesday to spend the Xmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. E. MacDormand, of Annapolis Royal, spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Long.

Miss Emma Baird arrived home from Wolfville on Thursday to spend her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pierce spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Simpson, Victoria.

The body of Mrs. Berpee Potter arrived from Nokomis, Sask., on Thursday for burial in Clementsvalle Cemetery. Her home was formerly in Clementsvalle, until about twenty years ago, she with her husband and family moved West. Mr. Potter predeceased her a few years ago.

Mr. Louis Himmelman, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gesner, Church St., returned to his home in Lalfave, Saturday.

DEEP BROOK

With heartfelt good wishes for the New Year.

Miss Lulu Nichols of Waltham, Mass., has been a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Loren Adams.

Courtney Purdy left here on Friday for Halifax. He entered the V. C. Hospital on Sunday for an operation.

Miss Nellie Nichols spent a few days of last week at Annapolis Royal, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Berry spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Aubrey Sanford, at Torbrook.

Mrs. Lovett Fraser of Watertown, Mass., Frank Adams, of Middleton, and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Rice and two children of Nictaux Falls, were over Christmas guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Adams.

Wilfred Marsters returned home from Boston on Tuesday to spend Christmas with his mother.

Mrs. Marguerite Page spent two days of last week with her sisters at Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wright and son, Millard, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nichols.

Lawrence Snell of Sydney and Carol Snell of Acadia University, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Sherman.

Miss Waneita Burrill of Acadia Seminary, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Avard Burrill.

Miss Irma Rice of Acadia Seminary, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. A. Rice, for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Esther Curphey of Acadia Seminary and her brother, Christopher, of Acadia Collegiate Academy, are spending the holiday season with their parents.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCHES

Beautiful Special Music at St. James' Church—Cantatas at Baptist Church—and at United Church in the Evening.

The Christmas Festival was observed in St. Mary's Church, Belleisle, and in St. James', Bridgetown, with the customary services.

Both Churches were tastefully decorated with the traditional evergreen, whilst at the parish church, (St. James') cut flowers were contributed for the Altar, in memoriam, by Miss Pratt, and Mrs. Chas. Ruffee, also English Holly, by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Whiteley.

The first service was in St. Mary's, Belleisle, at 8 a.m. on Christmas morning, followed by a second service in St. James' at 11 o'clock.

At each service the well-known Christmas hymns were sung, and in addition, at the parish church, a very unusual Anthem, entitled "Emmanuel." The Rector, Canon Underwood, took for his text, St. Matthew, Chap. 1, verses 22 and 23:—"Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the Prophet, saying, Behold a Virgin: shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

On Sunday the storm prevented the continuance of the observance of the festival at the out-stations, but the usual service was held in Bridgetown, in the evening, with a well rendered programme of Christmas music.

Besides the good programme of Christmas music, there was in the evening, a Cantata rendered at both the Baptist and the United Churches.

At the Baptist Church the title was "Light of Ages" and at the United Church "The Promised Child." The renderings were excellent in both cases including solos, duets, trios, quartettes and choruses. Mr. S. B. Hayden, of Halifax, played some special music at both churches. A fuller reference will be found elsewhere in this issue.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Albert Fisher Morton.

At his home, Morton's Point, Clementsvalle, on Monday morning, Mr. Albert Fisher Morton passed away quite suddenly. He had been gradually failing for some time and although up and about, was quite feeble. He was born on March 18th, 1840, and lived for many years in Middleton until about 30 years ago, when he moved here. His wife, Irene Elder Morton predeceased him about one and a half years ago.

A service will be held at his late residence on Wednesday at 10 a.m. by the Rector, Rev. A. W. L. Smith. The body will then be taken to the station and conveyed to Middleton, where the interment takes place in Pine Grove Cemetery beside his wife.

Mr. Morton is survived by three children, Charles P., who is at home, Miss Alberta L., who is in Halifax, and Pearl Josephine, the wife of Dr. Arthur S. Burns, of Kentville.

good, and the choruses altogether beautiful and soul-stirring. The work done by Mrs. Bishop as organist, and Mrs. MacKinnon, as choir director, is highly commendable, and the success on this occasion is in a large measure due to their untiring efforts. The assistance of Miss Smith, in solo and chorus work, and of Mr. Hayden at the organ was greatly appreciated. Most acceptable also, was a solo by a new voice, that of Mr. Ellis, much praise is due the committee in charge of the church decoration. The work was beautifully done. The illuminated star over the organ was a feature of great interest and significance. These decorations will still be in place on Sunday next.

UNITED CHURCH NOTES.

The services at the United Church were well attended on Sunday last—observed as Christmas Sunday—An unusually large attendance in the morning, and a church comfortably filled in the evening. The music for the regular services was special and rendered in excellent spirit and form. The Cantata, at the close of the regular evening service, was a splendid effort, and would do credit to many of the highly equipped city choirs. The individual parts were all

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"Now the New Year, reviving old desires, The thoughtful soul to solitude retires. Where the white hand of Moses from the bough Puts out..."

—Said Omar, these many centuries ago.

Recalling decade upon decade that has passed since Moirs started making Chocolates, and the million friends they have made through their policy of trying to make good better, and better best, we can only say that in the future as in the past Moirs wish you a happy New Year—and intend to contribute to it through improved products.

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