

The WHIRL of the TOWN

"Silence, and then the dark:
Sweet sleep, and then the dawn,
And one star there to mark
Where thou hast gone.
So, sweetheart, from my sight
A little hast thou flown:
Why for the absence of a night
Should I make moan?
Parted, but not with tears:
Earth's dream and then the sky,
And then through all the years,
Together—you and I!"

W. W. Wells, M. P. for Westmorland died in Quebec yesterday.

It is rumored that the Bank of New Brunswick will shortly establish agencies throughout the provinces.

On account of smallpox, Price Webster was forced to postpone his engagement in Newcastle. He is appearing in Campbellton this week.

We have received two very attractive calendars from Mr. Osborne Nicholson agent for the Western Insurance Co. & the Keystone Insurance Co.

It is reported on reliable authority that the extensive lumber business and property owned by George Moffat & Co., Dalhousie is about to change hands.

The Carleton Sentinel, of Woodstock appeared last week in eight page form. It is a decided improvement over the old blanket sheet. The Sentinel is now a bright and interesting weekly.

A commercial traveller tells us that the Knights of the Grip do not fear the smallpox half as much as they did the vaccination. It was the latter that made Newcastle look like a deserted village last year.

As we go to press we are informed that the churches will probably be re-opened on Sunday and the schools on Monday and that a demonstration in honor of our returned soldiers will likely take place.

Ex-Mayor J. McC. Snow of Moncton, who mysteriously disappeared in 1895, is living and has lately been heard from by his wife and others. His exact whereabouts is not stated. Mrs. Snow lives in St. John.

On New Year's day Rev. P. G. Snow received word from the Board of Health, not to hold service in the Nelson Episcopal church. Mr. Snow complied with the request, on intimation being given him that his parishioners would be notified. His parishioners were not notified, however, and went to church and waited for their rector over an hour.

At a special meeting of the Miramichi Yacht Club, held Saturday afternoon, there was considerable discussion as to the best means to awaken interest in the club. It was decided to hold a monster regatta on July 1st. There will be yacht, canoe, and rowing races, swimming matches and other aquatic sports. A committee was appointed to get up a suitable programme, and to secure prizes etc. The committee will report at the club's regular meeting on the second Saturday in May.

Hon. S. Pike of Worcester is the latest American to be captivated with New Brunswick as a sportsman's paradise. Near Blackville, he shot a big moose, which he has shipped to Worcester. According to Mr. Pike, New Brunswick is the greatest field on the continent for moose hunting. "The authorities in the province," Mr. Pike informed the Worcester newspapers, are courteous and affable, and strangers are welcomed cordially. Moose in the Miramichi district are more plentiful than in any part of the Maine hunting regions. The same is true of caribou.

"The Royal Bank of Canada" is the new name of the institution formerly known as the Merchants Bank of Halifax. Crisp new notes have appeared on which is the new title. They resemble a French or Brazilian bill in color; the green and yellow so common on old bills, have been discarded, and have been replaced by colors so sensitive and delicate in their nature that the best attempt at counterfeiting will certainly divulge the fraud. The artist and printer have produced a note of the most artistic character.

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Alum baking powders are the greatest menace to health of the present day.

The Roslyn Castle, the steamer conveying Canada's Second Contingent had not arrived at Halifax when we went to press.

St. John boasted that it discharged all the prisoners in its Jail or New Year's day. There were none in the Newcastle jail on that day to discharge.

A number of mail bags have been stolen of late at the Moncton depot. One missing bag contained among other matter, I. C. R. cheques amounting to \$12,000. Detectives are working on the matter.

Formal notice is given of the annual meeting of the Highland Society, but it will not be held at the time mentioned in the notice unless the Board of Health embargo be lifted.

Last week Mrs. Wm. Witherell received a bunch of Orange Blossoms from her son Mr. Louis Witherell, a prosperous resident of California. There was a delicious perfume from the blossoms, and we trust the gift was a foreshadow of a happy event.

A Sportsmen's Show which in magnitude and effectiveness and attractiveness is expected to exceed anything heretofore attempted will be held at Chicago next spring and it may be that some of our guides will also attend it as representatives of New Brunswick.—Gleason.

Mr. John Hopkins an old and respected resident of Indian town passed peacefully away on Dec. 21st. Deceased was 80 years of age and was honest and upright in all his dealings. His funeral took place on Dec. 24th and was largely attended. His family have the sympathy of the community.

The columns of this paper are open to all who wish to express an opinion on any public question or to relate any grievance. We would like to have more letters from our readers. An abundance of letters in any paper shows that there are some who are alive to the interests of their community.

Mr. Michael Donovan formerly of Renous River died in Moncton on December 17th. Mr. Donovan was one of many New Brunswickers who left their native province and made comfortable homes for themselves in the United States. The deceased was sixty years of age and is survived by one daughter.

On New Year's day, Mayor Morrison, Sheriff Call, Messrs W. A. Park, D. Doyle and S. W. Miller called on Ex-private Matheson and presented him with a purse of \$200, and a neat address. The purse was the gift of friends and acquaintances of Mr. Matheson's. A suitable reply was made by the ex-soldier.

The Montreal Acadian says: His Lordship Bishop Rogers, in his letter commending to the clergy and faithful of his diocese the last encyclical of the Sovereign Pontiff, announces that he will resign the episcopal office as soon as he shall have received from Rome the permission, for which he has asked.

Hon. Sydney Fisher, Dominion Minister of Agriculture, Prof. Jas. W. Robertson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying and F. W. Hodgson, Dominion Live stock Commissioner, will be among the speakers at the meeting of the Farmers and Dairymen's Association at Fredericton on the 23rd, 24th and 25th inst.

We have received unsigned correspondence from Chelmsford and other places. We wish our readers to bear in mind that we will not accept anonymous correspondence. We insist that the writer sign his name, if he wishes his correspondence to be published. We think our readers will agree that this is a fair view to take of the matter.

Mr. Robert Loggie, of a. & R. Loggie, Loggieville, had a vein in his leg severed by being struck by the runner of his sleigh while turning it. He had the wound dressed by a doctor but the flow of blood didn't stop entirely. Blood poisoning set in and Mr. Loggie left for Boston on Thursday intending to have his foot amputated.

Mr. R. H. Armstrong's valuable gelding, Rampart died on Tuesday. The horse had been in ill health for some time, but hopes were entertained that he would recover. Rampart was by the famous Rampart and is equally as well bred on his dam's side. He was kind and gentle in disposition and was one of the best roadsters on the North Shore.

Social and Personal

Dr. Nicholson is spending a short vacation in New York, and other American cities.

Miss Holt, Ottawa, is in town the guest of Misses Elliot.

Miss Katie Fleming returned to Fredericton on Monday.

H. B. Anslow, who has been business manager of the Advocate for the past two years has accepted a lucrative position in Boston. C. W. Anslow becomes business manager of the Advocate, and A. E. Golding will continue to look after the editorial direction.

Mr. Gilmore Stohart returned to Sackville on Friday.

Mr. Henry Carter, Campbellton, was in town Saturday.

Messrs Wm. Ferguson and Bert Gifford went to St. John last week where they will take course in Kerr's Business College.

Mr. Howard Crocker returned to Petterville on Monday.

Mr. M. O'Brien, Rogersville, was in town on Monday.

Mr. Alex Burr came up from Chatham on Monday to meet his son who was coming from Dalhousie.

Miss Phinney, Richibucto, is the guest of her friend Miss Agnes Phinney.

Mr. and Mrs. John (Capt.) Russell, were in Fredericton last week. They attended the Bachelors Ball in the Queen Hotel New Year's night. Jack said it was a 'brilliant affair'.

Rev. George Harrison was in Campbellton on Sunday, and occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church at both services.

The pretty home of Mrs. A. G. Blair, jr., Wentworth street, was the scene of a gathering of society folk this afternoon at 5 o'clock, when a dainty tea was served in honor of Miss Holden, Mrs. Blair's sister, whose marriage to Philip Robinson takes place in Trinity church on Thursday next at 3.30 p. m.—St. John Star.

Mr. Robinson is the popular manager of the Newcastle branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

The marriage of Miss Ethel Davies, daughter of Sir Louis and Lady Davies, to Mr. Hyndman, of Winnipeg, will take place in the spring.

Mr. Andrew McCallum of Nelson, spent Xmas on the Renous.

Mr. Parker Harriman "Barber" who spent Xmas and New Year's at home returned to Sackville on Thursday.

Miss Blanche McDonald left on Wednesday to visit friends in Moncton, Sackville, and Springfield.

About three weeks ago Miss Mae Atkinson, Moncton, received a gold stick pin with the "Minto" crest on it from her brother Mr. Pearl Atkinson, a member of the North West Mounted Police. The pin was presented to Mr. Atkinson by Lord Minto as an appreciation for the services rendered by the receiver to the donor during the latter visit among the Black Feet. Mr. Atkinson was one of the ten who acted as body guard to the Governor General on that trip. On Dec. 14th Mr. Atkinson left for "White Horse", Yukon to do duty. He passed a very creditable examination.

While in Vancouver Mr. Atkinson met many old friends, among whom were Mr. Charles McCallum of Medicine Hat, formerly of Newcastle, and Mr. Harry Russell of Vancouver, also a Newcastle boy.

An over world: Miss Mary Russell, of Newcastle N. B., who has been studying music for the past year in San Francisco and Victoria, is spending the Christmas holidays with her brother, F. F. Russell.

Among the knights of the grip registered at the Waverly are: Messrs John McLean, Percy Masters and George Raven.

The Misses Bell have returned from a pleasant trip to Nova Scotia.

Mr. James Robinson our popular M. P. was in town yesterday.

Mr. A. Ullock, Chatham, was here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McMillan have arrived in North Carolina. We are pleased to state that Mr. McMillan's health has greatly improved.

We have received a copy of Mr. B. Snowball's wood trade journal. Its full contents will appear in next week's issue.

Monday night a large dance was held in the Albert Hotel, Chatham. A large number of Newcastle people were in attendance. Acting under the instructions of the Chatham Board of Health, two policemen visited the scene of festivity, and it is said they took the names of all present. Mr. George Watt of the Chatham Board of Health informs us that the managers of the affair will be prosecuted for violating the orders of the Health Board.

The New York Herald of Thursday last contained an account of the disappearance of Mr. Callender of Providence R. I. On Monday an associated press despatch stated that Mr. Callender's body had been found on a meadow on the crest of a hill over the boundary line of the city in the town of Cranston. He had shot himself in the roof of the mouth, sending a 40 calibre bullet upwards through his head. He had been despondent. Deceased was a son of Mr. Walter Callender, Providence, who is well known on the Miramichi as an enthusiastic sportsman.

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AN INGENIOUS HUNTER.

A Unique Way to Capture a Flock of Geese.

That is extremely difficult to keep a good new year resolution was clearly exemplified a few days ago. A Newcastle man, who resolved on new year's day to value truth in the future for its own sake spun a yarn which would make Ananias green with envy.

The story was told in a down town store and the man who told it lacked none of the requisites required to make an ordinary man believe an altogether impossible yarn.

"I was down at Tracadie last fall" he began, "and while there witnessed a most remarkable sight, so remarkable in fact that I questioned my own power of observation," and he cast a questioning glance at his audience. "An ingenious hunter had a trawl about fifty yards in length stretched out on the shore. There were about fifty hooks suspended from the trawl and each hook was baited with corn. The hooks were about a yard apart. The hunter fastened the trawl to a puncheon and then hid himself inside of the oak. Suddenly a large flock of geese swooped down on the trawl and in less than a minute every hook held a bird. The overjoyed hunter began to pull on the trawl, but as he did so, the geese pulled simultaneously and before Mr. hunter knew what had happened he found himself located on the briny deep, several yards from shore. The birds had ceased their struggles however and the puncheon containing Mr. Man floated serenely on the water. A boat was quickly launched by those on shore and in no time the sportsman and his geese were back on terra firma.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that in virtue of The Act of The Dominion Parliament, 63 and 64 Victoria, chapter 103 and chapter 104, the name of The Merchants Bank of Halifax will be changed to

"The Royal Bank of Canada" from and after the Second day of January, 1901

E. L. PEASE, GENERAL MANAGER.

Halifax, 1st Nov., 1900.—3m



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