

W.S. BARKER MEETS A TRAGIC DEATH

Acute Illness of Well-known Broker Brought on Fit of Temporary Insanity

FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED

Pistol Used in Mad Moment Lay Beside Him—A Host of the Popular Man's Sincere Friends Intensely Shocked by the News—The Unavoidable Inquest—Illness and Worry Fatal.

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THOMAS GARNETT LEFT LARGE FAMILY

Thirteen Children, Thirty-nine Grandchildren and Seven Great-grandchildren Survive—Silver Falls Resident.

There passed his rest on Saturday at his residence at Silver Falls, an aged and respected resident in the person of Thomas Garnett, Mr. Garnett was eighty-nine years of age and leaves a large circle of relatives and friends.

save Him Drink Few Minutes Before.

Miss Ella Tomlinson, said she had been housekeeper to Mr. Barker for fourteen years. He was a man of nervous temperament and had been ill nearly all his life. His last illness began about three weeks before his death.

PERSONALS

The joyful Christmas festival of 1907, for which loving hearts and hands had planned and worked for weeks, is a thing of the past; but the memories of a living flood, of the many beautiful Christmas trees laden with treasured gifts and the faces of the loved ones around the festive board shall ever remain with us, hung as they are on memory's wall.

MASSON INSTALLATIONS

The following officers of Hiram Lodge, F. & A. M., Frederickton, were installed Friday evening: W. M.—Thomas S. Wilkinson. I. P. M.—C. Fred O'Connell. S. W.—John S. Allen.

LOCAL NEWS

There were eleven marriages in the city week and twenty-one births. Eleven of the babies were girls. Work on the restoration of Union street, Carleton, by the city is now practically completed.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Gordon A. Watters. Death came suddenly Friday to Mrs. Agnes L. Watters, aged 43 years, wife of Gordon A. Watters, a well known employee of the Christie Woodworking Company.

NEW VERSION OF THE VALLEY RAILWAY SCHEME

Government to Build and Lease to Transcontinental—But What Becomes of the Central?

There is increasing talk over the New Brunswick railway situation referred to in Monday's Telegraph, relative to the change of front in the MacKenzie & Mann valley railroad proposition. Several versions of the new scheme are held, but that most generally accepted is that the plan is for the government to build the St. John Valley railway, and that it will be leased by the Grand Trunk Pacific as a branch of the Transcontinental system.

PASTOR FOR FAIRVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Call to Rev. W. M. Townsend of Bass River Sustained.

Ferry's Free Seed Book

For half a century thousands and thousands of farmers and gardeners everywhere farled "Ferry's Seed Annual" as the best guide not only for the buying of seeds, but for their planting and care. Daily references to the "Seed Annual" illustrate how it is to be the actual beginning of a successful season.

RIVER ICE VERY WEAK

Reports from up river say that the ice is very weak on the river and lakes and should the mild weather and rain continue much longer the channel will again be clear.

APACHE PERSONALS

Apohau, N. B., Dec. 30.—Mr. and Mrs. A. New Broadway and son returned to their home at Sackville after spending a few days with Mr. McCready's parents here.

COURT LOG CABIN, I. O. F.

The annual meeting of Court Log Cabin I. O. F., Friday, was very largely attended and proved very interesting. Dr. J. W. Daniel, M. P., explained the provisions of the new insurance act, which will come in force Jan. 1, 1909, as far as it will affect fraternal organizations. He answered questions on the subject.

THE DRAMATIC INSTINCT

Professor Brander Matthews in a lecture on theatrical conventions, to a class in dramaturgy, the other day, told the following story: "A little girl had dramatized a soap opera into a horse, and had ridden on the horse to her mother's knee. 'Horsey is little, mamma,' she said. To humor her the mother brought a glass of water, but the little one carefully emptied the water in a pail before offering the glass to her pillow. 'A pretended horse ought to drink in a pail, mamma,' she gravely remarked."

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