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## INSTITUTE MEET AT PARADISE

Varied Program With Splendid Papers Read, Followed by Live Discussions.

Meeting of Thursday afternoon, Dec. 14th, was well attended in spite of the storm. An excellent program had been prepared by Miss Bridge, the President. Mrs. J. C. Phinney read a paper showing Kings to be the banner county in Institute work. Mrs. E. G. Morse presented the subject of co-operation in the work. The last Convention report was read by Mrs. Arthur Whitman, one of the outstanding facts being that ten new Institutes have been organized the past year. Mrs. Robt. Leonard read a paper on the place and value of the community hall, which proved how the idea has taken practical form in a number of places where halls have been built or are being planned for as soon as sufficient funds are available. Mrs. Steadman Smith treated the subject of Public Health in a short article, showing how millions of dollars a year are spent in Canada in treating preventable diseases. Mrs. J. C. Phinney then spoke of the wonders and delight of her trip to British Columbia, after which the conventional tea was served by the refreshment committee. Mrs. Burke, the hostess, sprung a little surprise in the form of a delicious tea cream. The afternoon was both profitable and enjoyable.

Mrs. J. S. Longley was in Kings-ton not long ago spending the day with Mrs. Lantz, Mr. Longley's sister. Mr. Ernest Balcom recently spent a week in Halifax. He reports Mrs. Balcom slightly improved in health.

## KEEL OF SCHOONER COLUMBIA LAID AT THE ESSEX YARDS

New Possible Contender Is To Be Constructed Along Same Lines As Ill-Fated Partisan.

Essex, Mass.—The keel of the fishing schooner Columbia, to be operated by Capt. Ben Pine of Gloucester, owner of the ill-fated Partisan which was lost on Sable Island this year, and associates, is being laid at the shipyards of A. D. Story. The Columbia was designed by Burgess and Palne of Boston as a possible contender for the International Trophy.

The owners have stated that the vessel's lines, designed before the announcement by the Canadian trustees of the Trophy of the displacement rule, giving vessels more freeboard than is customary in the New England fresh-fishing industry, would not be altered, race or no race.

The Columbia is to be 105 feet at the waterline and will have a much lower side than the Biscione. This is to provide ease in transferring fish from dory dory to deck while trawling.

The schooner which is to be built along the general lines of the Partisan, is expected to be commissioned next April.

## GETS RAZOR CUTS

IN HOUSE FRAY  
Louis Simpson Painfully Injured in Battle Between White and Negroes Near Digby.

Digby, N. S.—Louis Simpson was badly slashed with a razor and his two companions, Moses Simpson and Horton Stark, junior, beaten in an affray between the three white men and three negroes, Seymour and Lloyd Barton and John Miller, at a road house just outside the town limits Saturday night. Lloyd Barton has been arrested and the police are searching for his companions who escaped. The whites are lumbermen and, according to their story, they had been drinking at a well known resort three miles outside of Digby. It is said that the party left the house late at night and the fight started outside, with the white men coming off second best. Louis Simpson is thought to be not seriously injured although suffering from many painful gashes.

It is believed that a white girl is at the bottom of the affair.

## S. S. PRINCE ALBERT WITHDRAWN AFTER DEC. 30TH

S. S. "Prince Albert" will be withdrawn from service between Westville, Kingsport and Parrsboro, after Saturday, December 30th.

## LAWRENCETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Excellent Report of Year's Work—Additional Books to be Secured—Librarians' Report.

Another year in the life of the Lawrencetown Public Library Association had passed into history and its fourth annual meeting was held in the Demonstration Building Thursday evening, Dec. 7th, 1922. President Dr. J. D. Hall in the chair.

Meeting opened with a vocal solo by Miss Ethel Shaffner, which was well rendered and much appreciated. Mrs. R. J. Shaffner accompanied. Minutes of last annual meeting read by Secretary stood as recorded. Reports were next in order.

Financial Report—Mrs. I. C. Archibald, reporting in the absence of Mrs. W. E. Palfrey.

Treasurer reported as follows:

Amt. rec'd for Membership fees	\$6.92
Amt. rec'd for Book Fines	11.06
Amt. rec'd for Lectures & Int.	28.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$46.91</b>
Amt. paid out for Books	65.58
Amt. paid out for Magazines	25.50
Amt. paid out for Janitor and Wood	22.83
Amt. paid out for Express, etc.	4.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$117.91</b>
Balance	13.80
Fund for Ornamental Trees	34.20
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$43.00</b>

Mrs. K. James read the Book Committee's report as prepared by Miss E. Morgan. This report was very encouraging. One hundred and thirty-nine books had been added to the library during the year—91 were gifts—71 from Mrs. J. F. Taylor and Eleanor Taylor, 20 by Mr. Ollerhead. Others contributing were—Mrs. H. T. Phinney, Mrs. L. R. Morse, Marjorie Phinney and Miss Morgan. The committee suggested that during the ensuing year a special effort be made to raise money to purchase such Parliamentary histories, Children's Book of Knowledge, Biographies and critiques of the Old and Modern Musicians and Artists, Books on the Works of the Great Poets, etc. This would greatly enhance the value of our library—as a Reference Library.

Rev. H. Rackham then favored us with a solo, which was listened to with much pleasure and called forth an encore—Mrs. H. Rackham accompanied.

The Library report followed, read by our most faithful Librarian, Mrs. J. B. Hall, was indeed praiseworthy. On motion it was requested that the report be published so that all the patrons of the library might have the pleasure of reading it. Mrs. Hall was ably supported during the year by Miss K. James, and Mrs. W. W. Bent, as Assistant Librarians.

Number of books in library—1250.

The adoption of these reports was moved by Rev. A. H. Whitman, seconded by Rev. H. Rackham. Carried.

Remarks by Pres. Dr. J. D. Hall—The doctor spoke as to the growth and the reason for starting a library. The library has grown from one set of books—Ency. Britannica—gift of the late Dr. F. Young to the 1250 volumes now in library. Purpose of starting was wholly and solely for the uplift of the boys and girls of Lawrencetown. Not only through books can the youth be elevated, but through nature—by having a beautiful town. And what could better enhance the beauty of our town than trees? Accordingly in the Spring 200 trees are to be set out. Any one may own a tree by paying 50c. What better Xmas gift than to give a tree for your boy or girl.

Mrs. (Dr.) V. Shaffner, Mrs. I. C. Archibald, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. W. W. Bent, Mrs. E. H. Freeman, Mrs. M. S. Daniels—together with President Dr. J. D. Hall and Librarian, Mrs. J. B. Hall, are to be a committee for placing said trees.

We then enjoyed a duet by Mrs. W. Porter and daughter. We welcome Mrs. and Miss Porter to the town and are assured they will be helpful in every good work.

The President then introduced the speaker of the evening, Rev. E. Underwood, of Bridgetown. The Reverend gentleman began his address by congratulating Lawrencetown on having such a splendid library. He further spoke as to the way of choosing good books—and the test of a good book. This address was so high-sounding that it will be published at a later date.

The Nominating Committee was then appointed by the chairman—

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**The Monitor**

*wishes all its Readers and Advertisers*

**A Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year**

*with a General and Continued Period of Prosperity*

## OBITUARY

**Mrs. A. A. Dechman.**  
The death occurred at her home on Queen Street about eight o'clock on Sunday morning, of Mrs. (Dr.) A. A. Dechman. The deceased lady had been in rather poor health for about a year, but only two months ago did her illness take a serious turn and while the end was eventually expected, it came suddenly, and was a shock to her many friends all over the Province. She kept up a brave and unflinching spirit, always cheerful and endeavoring to minimize the seriousness of her condition.

Mrs. Dechman, nee Mary E. McCurdy, was a native of Baddeck, and a daughter of Mr. E. W. McCurdy, of that town, a niece of Hon. W. F. McCurdy, M. L. C., and of Arthur McCurdy, of Vancouver. The latter is well known as an inventor in connection with photography and other matters and about 35 years ago was private secretary to the late Alexander Graham Bell.

Besides an aged father, one immediate member of the family survives, her sister, Mrs. Georgie McConnell, of Sydney, who was with her at the end.

The deceased was a woman of winning personality, and very popular in social circles. A prominent member of Gordon-Providence United Church choir. She was foremost in good works, and by her kindness and adaptability in periods of sickness. She was, on occasion, a splendid assistant and supporter of her husband in his professional duties.

She leaves to mourn their loss, husband and three sons: Arthur and Walter, who recently arrived home, the former from Los Angeles, and the latter from Boston, and George, who is with the Dominion Atlantic Railway.

Unusual coincidences were presented on the date of the death of Mrs. Dechman, since it occurred not only on the anniversary of her marriage, but also in the anniversary of the death of her only daughter, Miss Alice, just four years ago.

The funeral took place at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning, and the services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Freestone, pastor of Gordon-Providence United Church, assisted by Rev. C. W. Robbins, pastor of the Baptist Church and by Rev. E. Underwood, rector of St. James' Anglican Church.

After prayers at the house the funeral cortege proceeded to the church. Music by the choir was feelingly rendered and included the anthem: "He Giveth His Beloved Sleep". This was a great favorite of Mrs. Dechman's and she had frequently practiced it with the choir. The other musical selections were: "Briest Life is Here Our Portion", "Crossing the Bar", and "Lead Kindly Light".

The services were largely attended and many followed to Riverside Cemetery where interment took place.

## SOCIAL NOTES

**Large Variety of Interesting Items Making Up Life of Places.**

As usual service in all the churches. Rev. Mr. Whitman, Baptist, preached a very practical sermon, interesting and eloquent.

Rev. H. Rackham preached a stirring sermon. He spoke a good word for the Free-Masons, also for the medical men. Told of their difficult work and unselfish lives, in many ways.

Aid Societies, Sewing Circles, are alive and busy in good works.

Women's Institute have good meetings and are quietly doing noble work caring for the sick, looking after the neglected and those in trouble. A bright young Indian girl is being helped in her education. She wants to be a teacher among her own Indian people of Nova Scotia. The Institute has other worthy work under consideration.

Mrs. Alpheus Daniels, of South Lawrencetown, has been ill for some time.

Mrs. H. B. Kinney is now quite recovered from her illness, caused by a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bent have been on a visit to Halifax. All are glad to know that Mr. Bent is well, and able to be about.

Mrs. C. Archibald has been in Halifax for a few days.

Mrs. Dalrimple, of Bridgetown, spent Sunday in Lawrencetown at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rackham.

Mrs. Elgin Daniels is in the V. G. Hospital, Halifax, for treatment.

Friends will regret to hear that Mrs. Cypher, sister of Mrs. Harvey Phinney, had a painful accident. Her eye glasses were broken and a piece of glass struck her eye. The sight is not injured but severe pain and shock was the result.

The School Board has shown commendable interest in making the school house more comfortable for teachers and pupils. The present caretaker is doing his best keeping the rooms neat and warm.

A treat of music, readings and plays will be given to parents and friends by pupils of the different rooms.

Principal Banks has some fine Longfellow's in his department. Is there a future post among them? Glad to see Mrs. Horace Reid out after an attack of illness.

Mrs. John Stoddard has been poorly, but is better.

Rev. and Mrs. Mellick have been visiting old friends in Lawrencetown.

Mr. W. McPherson, of Annapolis Royal, spent a day at the home of D. M. Balcom.

Mrs. W. Hamilton is now able to be about. This lady had a severe attack of the prevailing cold.

The ladies collecting for the Canadian Bible Society, as usual, met with a generous response.

Women's Institute met at the home

## WILLIAMSTON

Mrs. John Shaffner has gone to Halifax to visit her sister.

Mr. LeRoy Dingley and Miss Clarence Dingley were visiting their sister, Mrs. Elbert Whitman, over Sunday.

Rev. H. G. and Mrs. Mellick have been spending a few days with Mr. Frank FitzRandolph and family.

Miss Mabel Beal, who has been in Halifax several months, has returned home.

Miss Georgie Whitman, of Lawrencetown, has been visiting her friend, Miss Olive Hunt.

Miss Nickerson, who has been with her sister, Mrs. E. C. Cornell, since last Spring, has returned home.

Mr. Ralph Morse, who was employed with Mrs. A. H. Bishop for the past season, has again joined the ranks of the "Bug Men." Mr. Willie Beanson has taken the position with Mrs. Bishop.

The school, with Miss Lucy Gates, of Nictaux, as teacher, are preparing a Xmas entertainment to be held in the hall on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Tim Chipman, of Bridgetown, was a recent guest at Mr. Wm. Fitz-Randolph's.

Mrs. S. H. Isley, of Berwick, spent a few weeks with Mrs. W. A. Bishop recently.

Mrs. Clyde Bishop is sick with a very bad cold. Dr. Messenger is in attendance.

Mrs. Harold Rice, of Bear River, is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Joseph Woodworth.

## BEAR RIVER G. W. V. A. FIND PAINTINGS IN OLD BUILDING

Experts Have Valued These at \$10,000. Circumstances Connected With Discovery.

One of the most remarkable occurrences in the history of the Association is recorded in a letter to G. W. V. A. Dominion headquarters from the branch at Bear River, N. S.

After purchasing an old residence with a view to turning it into a clubhouse, several large oil paintings, reputed to have been done by a famous English artist, were discovered buried under an accumulation of wall paper. The paintings have been viewed by two American experts who have placed a value upon them of at least \$10,000.

The circumstances leading to the find are somewhat interesting. Bear River branch of the G. W. V. A. is one of the oldest in the Province of Nova Scotia, being one of the first formed. It has some seventy members. About eighteen months ago, after having raised funds by means of entertainments, socials, etc., (in which they were ably assisted by the Ladies' Auxiliary), supplemented by a \$10 donation from every member, the house in which the paintings were subsequently discovered was purchased for a club. The citizens of the town and district did not think kindly of the idea, declaring that the veterans were taking on too great a proposition. The accidental discovery of the paintings followed and steps were at once taken to have them fully exposed. They were thoroughly cleaned and retouched by one of the members.

The paintings are quite ancient and show scenes of Halifax and Halifax harbor in the early days. They are said to have been done by a famous English artist who visited in Halifax for a considerable period and went to Bear River on fishing trips. A number of offers from the United States have already been received by the Bear River branch for the paintings, but the veterans have thus far withheld the sale, hoping that the pictures may be retained in Canada.

## XMAS MAGAZINE BY HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS

Bridgetown High School Review An Interesting And Well Edited Production.

This year, for the first time, the Bridgetown High School is issuing a Xmas magazine which will be on sale, it is expected, to-morrow.

This is replete with a well selected and well edited variety of matter and is a decided credit to the pupils of the High School. Everyone in town who is at all interested in the work of the schools, and we believe about everybody, should have one copy at least of this work. It is sold at a moderate price and is worth the money. Get a copy or two and send them away to your friends and to old pupils of the Bridgetown schools. It will interest them all as well as people in town and vicinity.

## MASONIC SERVICE

Saint's John Day will be observed by a church service to be held in the United Church, Bridgetown, Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock. The Masonic Order will march to the church and Rev. John H. Freestone will deliver the service.

of Mrs. J. B. Hall Thursday afternoon.

The death of Mrs. Louisa Bishop, mother of Mr. Thomas Bishop, took place in Lawrencetown Friday, 15th.

Rev. Mr. Mellick will speak at the Memorial service in the Baptist Church Sunday, 22nd.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McKewen celebrated the 57th anniversary of their marriage on Tuesday, 12th December. Best wishes for the happy couple.

Mr. Ronald Bishop is enjoying the warm climate of the Sunny South. This young gentleman has a good appointment in New Orleans.

The many friends of Rev. Lewis Wallace and Mrs. Wallace will spend the Christmas holidays in Lawrencetown.

The funeral of Mrs. Louisa Bishop took place in Lawrencetown on Friday, December 22nd.

## ADDITIONAL WARM CAR SERVICE ON D. A. R.

Shippers of perishable freight, such as cider, bottled goods, vegetables, apples, etc., are pleased to learn of the additional warm car service being provided by the Dominion Atlantic Railway.

Such shipments offering between Annapolis and Kentville for Halifax and intermediate points, may now be picked up on Tuesday and Thursday of each week, thus enabling delivery to be made to Halifax consignees on Wednesday and Saturday a.m.

To remove rust from tea kettle—Dry the kettle, then completely cover inside and out with a coating of fresh lard, crowding the nose with some; then put it in the oven and bake all day for two or three days with a hot fire, so that the lard makes a glaze over the rust. Then if the glaze is good the tea kettle is ready to wash and use.

Always wash fresh spinach thoroughly, first in hot water then in cold.

## GREECE UNABLE TO PAY CANADIAN DEBT

London.—Canada is still endeavoring to obtain payment of its \$20,000,000 trade loan to Greece but is drawing a blank. An arrangement similar to that made with Rumania, by which certain revenues were earmarked for meeting the obligation to Canada, was proposed to Greece, but the Smyrna debacle intervened. Since then the Canadian authorities have not only received no money, but have been unable to get even replies to their communications on the subject. As Greece was Canada's sixth best customer last year, her fate is a matter of more than academic interest to the Dominion.

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## REV. C. W. ROBBINS RESIGNS BAPTIST PASTORATE

Will Continue Theological Studies at Newton—Pastor and Mrs. Robbins Will Be Much Missed.

At Sunday morning's service Rev. C. W. Robbins, pastor of the Bridgetown Baptist Church read his resignation from the pastoral charge of the congregation to take effect in March.

After that time he will go to Newton to continue his theological studies before taking up another pastorate.

Mr. Robbins has been a most energetic pastor and under his direction the Men's Brotherhood has grown to an enrolment the largest in the Maritime. An indefatigable worker and a close student, his pulpit utterances have always secured marked attention and he has always been enthusiastic in his efforts for larger and better things.

Mrs. Robbins has been an admirable aid and support in the activities of this church. Her training and natural adaptabilities fitting her for successful effort in the highest and finest class of church work. Both will be much missed from the community where they have made a great many friends during a residence of about two years.

## WESTERN HOCKEY LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Drawn up at Digby—Annapolis, Digby and Bridgetown Contest

Preparations for the hockey season were further advanced on Tuesday night when representatives of the Western Section of the Valley League met in Digby for the purpose of drawing up a schedule of games and arranging some minor matters in connection with the sport.

Up till recently it had been expected that four teams would contest for honors in this section, but the failure of Middleton to get into the struggle leaves a three cornered fight. Every effort, we understand, was made to induce the boys of the "ambitious town" to come into the contest. It appears, however, that they have, during the past few weeks, lost some players by removal and did not feel to entering the contest. This is regrettable, but somebody has to lose out.

The schedule drawn up gives each club four home games and the ball opens at Bridgetown on New Year's night when the local boys meet Digby.

The schedule of games finishes in good time, Feb. 18th, after which the winners of the Western Section play off best two out of three with the Eastern Section winners for the championship of the Valley and the possession of a very handsome silver cup put up by that public spirited citizen and all round good sport, Mr. George E. Graham, General Manager of the Dominion Atlantic Railway.

The meeting at Digby was thoroughly harmonious and all are entering the contest with the true spirit of playing the game for the game's sake. M. T. Jackson represented Bridgetown and Mr. Jackson will also be manager and coach for the local team during the season.

The new club uniforms arrived some days ago. They are blue and white, and trappy in appearance.

In the interval till the ice surface is in perfect condition the boys are working into shape with a little P. T. Schedule as follows. Home games first named:—

Jan. 1.—Bridgetown vs. Digby.  
5.—Digby vs. Annapolis.  
9.—Annapolis vs. Bridgetown.  
15.—Bridgetown vs. Annapolis.  
19.—Digby vs. Bridgetown.  
22.—Annapolis vs. Digby.  
25.—Bridgetown vs. Digby.  
30.—Annapolis vs. Bridgetown.  
Feb. 2.—Digby vs. Annapolis.  
5.—Bridgetown vs. Annapolis.  
9.—Digby vs. Bridgetown.  
18.—Annapolis vs. Digby.

Home town referees will be chosen and appointments made at least 24 hours in advance of games. If any cases arise where suitable local men cannot be found, the matter will be decided by mutual arrangement between the clubs involved.

## GARAGE BURNED DOWN

Dr. Dexter Convalescent—Rare Owl Secured in Grand Manan.

Digby—Shortly after midnight on Sunday, the garage of E. J. Warner, at Raymond's Corner, was discovered to be on fire. The flames spread so rapidly that the building, with its contents, was totally destroyed within fifteen minutes. The loss included a Special-6 Studebaker, new this year. Mr. Warner places his loss at about \$3,000 on which the insurance was very small.

An alarm of fire about ten o'clock on Monday morning was caused by a small blaze in the Digby House barn. A few buckets of water extinguished the flames and the services of the department were not required.

On Monday, Sheriff Smith received from Allan Moses, of North Head, Grand Manan, a full grown specimen of the Richardson Owl—the smallest known variety of the owl family, with the exception of the Sawwhet. The Richardson owl is a rare bird and Grand Manan is one of the few places where they nest. It is not migratory and makes a great house pet.

Dr. Dexter, who had the misfortune to break his leg some time ago, is not as yet able to attend to his office work and he leaves for New York on a trip, to be gone about a week. He expects by that time to be able to again attend to regular duties.

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