

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

repairs to the Douglas avenue road will be completed about Sept. 1st.

marriages and nine births were registered at the Registrar's office during last week.

Liabilities of Clarence Fairweather, late of St. John, are placed at \$3,000, with assets \$200.

Successful garden party in aid of the Episcopal church, was held at the residence of J. H. Gillis, Red Head, day evening.

mercury fell to 32 on Sunday night in the back settlements along the coast.

steam yacht Dream went to St. John Saturday to take on a party of St. John people and possibly tour Passamaquid Bay.

berry season is about ended and engage in the culture of the small say it has been unusually dull in the market yesterday raspberries sold for a quart.

Albert Williams, Tobique River, Vic county, writes that he had a lamb ped on March 20 and killed it on 29, and the dressed meat weighed 14 lbs.

George K. Berton, census commissioner, says St. John's population is by 118 persons than the recent figure in 1900. According to his figures, the population of St. John is 40,820.

C. Crawford, B. A., principal of the grammar school, has resigned his position. He proposes to pursue his mathematical studies at either Cambridge or Harvard next term.

the yacht Grayling returned Saturday a week's cruise on the St. John river. The party comprised Magistrate de la Roche, W. P. Thompson, James Harris, Alex. McMillan and Fred Fraser.

the patients at the lunatic asylum were ated on Saturday night to a free exhibition of the London moving pictures, Howard Clifford. The exhibition highly pleased the superintendent and patients.

Sept. 1, E. McMurray, mate of the tug Brookside, met with a bad accident day afternoon. He fell from the fore to the deck. He had some ribs broken and was otherwise injured. He was taken home in the North End.

no four-oared crews of young men have been organized in St. John since the Orange picnic, to be held at Westville on the 29th. Elijah Rose is organizing one, while the other is in hands of men equally capable.

Saturday afternoon George Melrose was thrown from his bicycle on Union street, he was slipping on the car track. A horse attached to a sloop and driven by a man named McDonald, passed over the wheel, demolishing it. The rider escaped injury.

the following was received by the Telegraph on Saturday: "Winnipeg, Aug. 17—A great excursion to the lake. One thousand men are idle. No work whatever. All persons. The telegram was signed by F. W. Leavelle, A. Hunter, M. Leighton, A. Simpson and W. Carvell.

The annual Free Baptist meeting of the tenth district, which commenced at Charlottetown, will commence today at Campbellton and continue until the 24th. Rev. Messrs. C. T. Phillips, A. Simpson and Dr. H. J. Leighton, are at it, and also three lay delegates.

Mr. P. J. O'Keefe, who is a member of the executive of the St. John branch of the Niagara Falls Convention, is spending a few days in the city en route to Boston, where he is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Fred Colburn.

Mr. and Miss Small, of Boston, are visiting Miss Francis and Miss Estabrook, of St. John, who are visiting friends in this city.

Mr. Ernest Smith was the guest of Westfield friends for a few days lately. Miss Mary Lugin, of Boston, arrived yesterday from Boston, and left later for St. John, where she is visiting friends.

The friends of Miss Annie Lugin will be glad to learn that she is greatly improved in health.

A. S. Sewell and H. S. Cooper, of Gibson, are at the Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hogan, of Truro, are at the Royal.

C. R. Lockhart was registered at the Windsor, Montreal, on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Vaughan, of St. Martin, are guests at the Victoria.

R. J. Haley, of the Manchester and Furness lines' staff at Montreal, arrived Saturday on a brief visit to relatives in St. John.

Capt. John Sloan, of New York, is visiting friends here.

Robert S. Orchard left for Boston Saturday.

Miss Lizzy Williams, of North End, left on the St. Croix Saturday. She has accepted a position in a town in New York state.

Mrs. and Miss Stevens, of New York, who have been visiting relatives in this city, returned home on Saturday.

George M. Ryan, superintendent of the railway mail service, left on Saturday for St. John to spend his vacation.

Robert Ewing, of Charlottetown, is in the city.

Miss Greta Forbes, of Sydney, is the guest of her uncle, Judge Forbes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wayne, and Miss Edith Wayne, of Boston, who have been spending several weeks in this city with friends, left on Saturday for a short trip to Prince Edward Island before returning home.

Miss Kathleen McAllister, of St. Stephen, is visiting friends in the city.

George Allen, M. P., was in the city Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Saunders, of New York, are visiting friends in this city.

J. D. Hazen, M. P., left for Boston boat on Saturday.

Arthur Deane left by boat on Saturday for Boston.

Miss Minnie Stewart left on Saturday for St. Stephen, where she will visit her friend, Miss Stella Robinson.

P. L. Connor left for Boston on Saturday.

Samuel Thibodeau, William Flewelling and Mrs. William Perkins, of Cambridge, Mass., are visiting in this city.

Forest fires are raging in the vicinity of Spruce Lake and back of South Bay last evening.

A small party of English immigrants arrived in the city yesterday afternoon. There were six in the number, and they had come out by steamer Evangeline to Halifax. They will probably locate in the province.

The local government is arranging for a series of farmers' meetings, to be held this fall in various districts of the province. The speakers will be practical farmers who have made successes themselves, instead of orators.

A dramatized version of Little Men who were given at the residence of T. H. Bullock, at Westfield, on Wednesday evening in aid of the Little Girls' Home. Mrs. Edward Sears has charge of the arrangements. A large party expect to go up from the city and a pleasant time is anticipated.

The city delegates to the Women's Baptist Missionary Union convention, which will open in Main street church, Wednesday, next, Mrs. A. T. Dykeman and Mrs. C. P. Baker, Fairville; Mrs. L. Theall and Mrs. J. Shampier, Charlottetown; Mrs. A. White and Mrs. R. C. Ekin, Main street; Mrs. L. M. Belyou and Mrs. Hoyt, Brussels street.

Mayor Daniel is in receipt of a letter from Andrew Carnegie recently, stating the conditions that St. John would be required to agree upon, should Mr. Carnegie confer a grant for the building of a public library. Presenting that the city received \$30,000 from him for such a purpose, the city would furnish a site and tax itself \$5,000 a year for the library's support.

Willard Kitchen, of Fredericton, is in the city.

S. D. Simmons and J. H. Hawthorne, of Fredericton, are at the Dufferin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Aird, of Moncton, are at the Royal.

Warren C. Winslow, of Chatham, is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Russell Sturdee are on a western trip.

George W. Allen, M. P., is in the city.

J. H. Crockett, editor of the Fredericton Gleaner, is in the city.

James Keator, of Chicago, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned home yesterday.

C. S. Skinner, of Boston, is in the city visiting relatives.

E. Wells, of Sackville, was in the city yesterday.

W. T. Whitehead, M. P., is in the city.

L. C. McNutt, editor of the Fredericton Herald, is in the city.

Mrs. John Fleming, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. D. Carron, Charlotte street, will leave Monday by boat for her home in Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. F. A. Cain, of Amherst, is visiting friends in this city.

L. D. Tilly is in Halifax.

Miss Grace Estey, of this city, is visiting friends in Digby.

Arthur P. Hazen is visiting in Halifax.

Miss Dick, of this city, is visiting friends in Moncton.

Miss George Begg, of this city, is visiting friends in Kentville.

Misses Jessie Hunter and Lottie Dodge, of this city, are visiting Mrs. C. W. Upham, Sussex.

Rev. H. F. Waring, of Brussels street Baptist church, returned Tuesday from a holiday trip through Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

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NEARLY A MILLION PENSIONERS IN THE UNITED STATES

Number on the Rolls Increased by Over 4,000 in Last Year.

OVER 38,000 DEATHS.

Interesting Facts from Statement by Commissioner Evans—But One Survivor of War of 1812 on the List—Pensioners Were Paid Over 560 Millions Last Year.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Commissioner Evans has prepared a statement showing the operations in principal features of the pension bureau during the last fiscal year, as compared with former years. Most of the data will be embodied in his annual report and the statement is prepared for the use of the National Encampment of the G. A. R., which will be held before the report is ready. It shows that the number of pensioners on the rolls June 30 last was 977,735, a net gain of 4,200 over last year. The total net loss to the roll during the year was 43,559, which includes 38,163 by death, 533 by remarriage, 1,862 by minors reaching the age of 16, 1,538 by failure to claim pensions, and 1,400 from other causes. A comparative table shows that the roll for the year just closed is 14,451 persons less than the roll of 1899, the year of the highest number of pensioners on the rolls, the next highest having been reached in 1898.

There were 45,860 claimants for pensions during the year. The pension rolls still contain the names of one survivor and 1,627 widows on account of the war of 1812; 1,080 survivors and 3,470 widows on account of the Indian wars, and 1,000 survivors and 8,109 widows on account of the Mexican war.

The number of claims pending July 1 last was 403,569. The statement gives the following amounts of money paid pensioners under different administrations: President Grant's first term, \$11,138,275; President Grant's second term, \$14,396,357; President Hayes' administration, \$14,522,489; President Garfield's administration, \$23,825,070; President Cleveland's first term, \$305,639,692; President Harrison's administration, \$319,707,729; President Cleveland's second term, \$557,930,407; President McKinley's first term, \$500,000,547.

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