## The Weekly Monitor,

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-We are having another object

lesson in geography. The late Boer South Africa and, indeed, increased the knowledge of the masses in reference to the whole of the Dark Con tinent. The present war will no doubt have the same effect with regard to the Orient,-that is, for those who intelligently read the newspapers.

apple case in St. John has been further increased this week by an un solicited letter from W. A. McKinon. Chief of the Fruit Division in the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. He was, we understand, present in St. John at the time of the occurrence in question, and under his direction the inspection and complaint were made. We recommend the letter to the attention of readers without comment.

-The present Russo-Japanese war is regarded with interest as giving a practical test to many modern inrentions for the improvement of warlike appliances and engines of destruction. One of the most interesting of these tests to Nova Scotians will be that in connection with wireless telegraphy. It cannot be lenied that the wireless system has failed to come up to the great expectations entertained of it in this o'clock, and Friday evenings at 7.30. country. Its use in providing either a commercial or a news service has not yet fully developed. If it can be used to greater advantage in directing the movements of fleets and armies, the Japs may be relied upon to demonstrate that fact.

-There is a bill now before the Legislature at Halifax supposed to be intended for the better protection and preservation of the forests. It is at best a half hearted measure, likely to be of little service and to stand in the way of good and useful and had a narrow escape from drown legislation along the same line. It pears the stamp of the weak feature common to many of the acts of our provincial government. The act of culty he scrambled out. tself is not operative until the several County Councils step in and prooperated. It provides for a salaried official, however, who will be a John, Cornwallis, during the absence whether he is of any further benefit or not. This is a subject to which intelligent men on both sides of politics, in this part of the province, have given much study and atten tion during the past half-dozen years and it is needless to say that the present bill comes far below their tion. The meanest feature of this proposed law is that it presupposes that the province and its people have no interest in the timber lands owned by private individuals or incorporations. As it possible that in this enlightened day the Parliament of Nova Scotia can adopt a law based on such a misguided theory? It is true that whatever direct profits may arise from the lumber trade and Mrs. Sanford last evening. The go into the pockets of the owners of severe storm prevented the acceptance the timber limits, but they have also of a number of the invitations, but the to run the risk of meeting with a guests present were pleasantly reward loss instead of a profit. In carrying on that operation, however, they are giving employment to thousands of men. Is the preservation of the forests of greater moment to the employer than it is to the employed?

Again, it has been clearly demon-

strated, if demonstration is worth

anything, that the loss of the forests

has a serious effect on the climatic

conditions of the country. Will the loss thus entailed fall on the owners

of the timber lands alone? It must

great mass of the people goes with | died at ripe old age. He leaves two it, and again it is the people as a sons and a daughter. His fare was the whole who suffer. The people of this province have the same interest in the preservation of forests owned smoker, and worked constantly in the in the preservation of forests owned by individuals, or firms carrying on lumbering operations, as they have in those still under the direct control of the government. In fact, the former are of greater value, as it is only when they are operated that they confer their full beneft on the industry and prosperity of the province. These operations, however, whether on lands owned by the public or by private individuals, should be regulated so as to preserve the forest. Officers should be appointed to see that proper care is taken toward this end, not only in guarding against fires, but by exercising due to see that proper care is taken toward this end, not only in guarding against fires, but by exercising ducare in cutting trees for timber, and the province should pay them and see that they do their duty. In regard to the sections that are incapable of reproducing forests from the soil, having been burned away, we believe that the percentage of upland in Nova Scotia on which trees will not grow, could the fires once be prevented, is very small. On the most devastated areas dwarf spruce soon start up, and the only reason that they do not increase is that by the time they have enjoyed some three or four years growth they are swept by another fire and must begin their growth again from the ashes. This matter of reforestration is one that need give this country no

Local and Special News

-To-day is Ash Wednesday. -Sweet Oranges 20c per doz. at Mrs

A. J. Weir's. -Just arrived, a new lot of confe ionery at Mrs. A. J. Weir's. -Social events have been numerou this week, despite the stormy weather -The Bankers will play the Alerts a

on Friday night. -The drifts were too much for th now plow yesterday, and each pedes

trian plowed his own path. -Dr. Willard Read, son of Rev. E. O. Read, of Waterville, Kings Co., has opened an office at Middleton.

-The ladies' afternoon whist club has resolved itself into a thimble club for charitable purposes during the

rs belonging to the four teams are renuested to meet Friday night after class, for the purpose of selecting the

Bible Class will be organized in connection with the Y. M. C. A. Every young man is invited to join. An ir sting course of study will be taken up in the Gospel of John, -A parlor concert will be given

the parlors of Mrs. John Lockett, or Thursday, 25th inst., for the benefit of the pipe organ fund. An interesting program is being arranged, which will be announced in next issue. -Today being Ash Wednesday, there

will be a service in St. James' schoolroom this evening at 7.30 and during Lent every Wednesday afternoon at 4 Also at 4 o'clock on Friday afternoons for children.

-Mr. T. B. Flint, clerk of the Hous of Commons, and Mrs. Flint, who have been at Yarmouth since August, leave for Ottawa on Tuesday morning, and will be accompanied by Mrs. Flint's niece Miss Janie Rogers, who will spend a few months at the capital and

-A boy named James, whilst skat ing on Bedford Basin on Saturday, went through the ice near the Narrow ing. He went under the ice, but for tunately came up again at the place where he fell in, and after some diffi-

-Rev. Henry deBlois, of Annapolis was in Halifax this week on church business. Mr. deBlois is at present taking charge of the parish of S of the Rector, Rev. T. C. Mellor, who has gone to Prince Edward Island to arrange about the removal of hi

family to Cornwallis. -On Thursday last the Whist Club ook advantage of the fine sleighing and mild weather to enjoy a sleighing party to Paradise, where they had a turkey supper prepared by members of the club, in Longley's Hall. Whist and other amusements were indulged in,

-The social festivities of the season preceding Lent, closed with a dance given by Miss Hattie Walsh on Monday night, and whist parties at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd, and Mr

-The first meeting of the l ing circle in connection with the St. James church will be held at the home of Mrs. (Dr.) Barnaby, to-morrow, Thursday, at two o'clock. It is pro posed to hold a sale at Easter. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to attend and to bring

ed for their perseverance.

with them some piece of work. -The death occurred at Hubbard's Cove, Halifax county, on Thursday also be remembered that it is not last, of Mr. John Barkhouse, without only the commercial timber that is doubt the oldest man in Nova Scotia. destroyed by these devastating fires. He was 105 years of age, and is the The wood that provides fuel for the eldest of thirteen children, all of whom smoker, and worked constantly in the

lobster freight was forwarded by train to avoid delay. At Port Maitland it is said that great sea walls of ice have formed on the beach, some of them fifty feet high, while the wharves are coated with ice several feet thick. It is considered a remarkable sight never known before, and numbers of people was well known in this county in his county in hi

swept by another fine and must begin the swept by another fine and must begin the swept by another fine and must begin the sales. This matter of reforestration below. This matter of reforestration below the sales. The matter of reforestration below that need give this country on the sales on the fiving out to view the place. It is considered a remarkable sight never though the mountain wilderness of Nova Scotia, they know that one of the trees that will crop up everywhere and grow where there is a shadow of a chance is the hardy spruce. What better tree do we want? The wilderness portions of typer spruce should, in course of years, become a carefully guarded plantation of forest trees. It is that of an interest as great as is that of an interest as great as is that of agriculture, and temands the most points, but the time remains of the day can devise. The propositions that the timer limits approach the care of no particular interest to the rest another phase of this subject that we will not discress to-day, but would like to others than their owners should pay the cost of their pracetton, and the lead. The next game will be argely a failure. There is another phase of this subject that we will not discress to day, but would like to others than their owners should pay the cost of their pracetton, and the control of the sail proposition and the proposition and t

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Emma Kinney returned on Saturday, after an absence of near ly two months, during which time she visited friends in Londonderry and New

Shelburne, were the guests of Dr. de-Blois over Sunday. Mrs. Arthur Muir is visiting friends game of Basket Ball at Lawrencetown

in town for the past week. Miss Clara Willett, one of the teachers at Port Williams, Kings Co., has been enjoying a few days' vacation

caused by a slight blaze in the interior, last week. The friends of Mr. A. D. Brown are glad to see him around again this week, after being laid off from business for some days by an attack of rheu-

Craig left on Monday for Woodstock, N. B., to push the sales of the products of the wood-working factory of J. H. Hicks & Sons, in that province. | ing up from N. S., and con had to purchase extra clothing W. R. Geldert, organizer and lecturer for the Grand Division S. of T., is in town this week, coming on a visit to Greenleaf Division at Upper Granville, On account of the storm he has been snow-bound here.

"The Church and the Kingdom Rev. Ward Fisher.

"The Development of Church Benevolences," Rev. H. G. Colpitts. Address. Rev. H. H. Saunders. Address. Rev. W. L. Archibald.

Tuesday Evening. Address by Rev. M. W. Brown Evangelistic service. Rev. R. B. · Kinley.

Those coming to the Conference b rail will purchase one first-class ticket and ask for standard certificate. If ten come those having certificates will be returned free; if less than ten, half fare will be charged. Mr. Thomas, who drives the coach from Milford to Annapolis every day before the arrival of trains, and from Annapolis to Milford after arrival of trains, has agreed to give reduced rates for round trip Those wishing passage by stage wil please notify me or Mr. A. D. Thomas

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Annapolis Royal, Feb. 10th, 1904. OBITUARY.

THOMAS HALL. The death occured at his home Cliff street, on Wednesday morning 4.20 o'clock, of Mr. Thomas Hall, the 75th year of his age, leaving a widow, formerly Mrs. Abraham Grant, of Weymouth, and one son, Prof. J. D. Hall, of Dean Academy, Franklin Mass., one daughter, Miss Belle, at home, and three step-children, viz. Councillor J. W. Grant, Mrs. H. K Poole, and Miss Margaret Grant. The eceased was a native of St. Croix Cove, Annapolis Co., but took up his abode in Massachusetts at an early age, where he carried on business for a number of years under the firm of Eaton & Hal!, contractors and build ers, South Boston. About 1877 he returned to Nova Scotia, and shortly after started business in Yarmouth under the firm of Chute, Hall & Co. organ manufacturers, which continue intil they were burned out July 1s 1822. He was twice married, his first wife being Miss Lizzie Whitney, of New buryport, Mass., granddaughter of the first Bishop of Massachusetts.

The deceased was very active in mus ical circles, teaching both vocal and instrumental, being leader at one time of Zion Baptist, Wesley and Temple

The funeral services took place this norning at 9 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. Mr. Price. The remains, acmpanied by the family, were forwarded to Weymouth, where interment

Letter from Newfoundland

As there are a number of Nova Scotians in Newfoundland engaged in the lumber woods, I thought it might be interesting to your readers in Bridgeof who they are and what they are doing. The Gambo district is only a small portion of the territory covered by the operations of the Newfoundland Lumber Estates, of which Mr. Harry Mrs. Arthur Muir is visiting friends in town, and is at present the guest of Mrs. O. T. Daniels.

Mr. Leonard Claxton, of Halifax, was a guest at the home of Mrs. Alfred Hoyt a few days recently.

Mrs. and Miss Cohoon attended the function of Mrs. Charlton, in Middlefuneral of Mrs. Charlton, in Middleton, on Sunday.

Capt. and Mrs. Samuel Beardsley, of Port Lorne, have been visiting friends

Amount in Brugetown and St. John, is keeps him constantly on the move, as the district is some 22 miles in length and on which there are 15 camps run by the company and about as many contractors. It is not an uncommon thing for Mr. Anderson to visit all the company's camps and those of the teans a lot of travel, a great portion f which is very rough ground; but he with her friends at Tupperville, her school being closed to repair damages well. To keep the business running is no small job, as this means distr no small job, as this means distribution of provisions and teams, etc., and so far there has scarcely been a hitch Mr. Clayton Zwicker is in charge of a camp at North Pond. He has it men under him, all Newfoundlander excepting Abe Medicraft, who is teaming. Leander Taylor is also in charge of a camp at the same place he has a second to the same place he has the same place he has a second to the same place he has the same place he had the Messrs. J. Herbert Hicks and J. K. of a camp at the same place; he has 2 men. Enos Taylor and Harvey Sabeans are teaming for nim. Mr. Sabeans had the misfortune to lose his trunk continue with the misfortune with th Marshall of West Dalhousie, has of a camp on Mason's Pond; he has it men. Charlie Muise is one of by teamsters. Mr. Marshall is sly tly

Annapolis County Baptist Conference.

The following is the program of the Conference, which will be held at Milford, Feb. 22nd and 23rd.

Monday Evening.

7.30—Praise Service.

"The Lord's Day." Rev. I. W. Porter.

Temperance. Rev. J. H. Balcom.
Tuesday Morning.

9.30—Devotional service.

Business; reports from churches. Address on Home Missions, Rev.

M. W. Brown.

"The Church and the Kingdom."

Besides these I have met many Nova Scotians from various parts of the province. Some like the place and others do not. As far as weather is concerned it beats anything I ever saw in N. S. We have about twenty inches of snow, and the log roads are Al. No better weather all through December and January could be wished for. The Nfd. L. Estates plan to have ten million feet in this district, a large percentage of which will be No. 1 pine of large size. This will be obtained chiefly at North Pond. The company have four storage dams and seven roll cheen at North Pond. The company have four storage dams and seven roll clams, and it is next to impossible for a drive to be hung up. Their mill is at Mint Brook, some three miles from Cambo station, and they intend to build a new mill down near the station to saw the logs that are brought down the Cambo lakes. The largest own to saw the logs that are brought own the Gambo lakes. The largest ontractor is Mr. J. H. White, from

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