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Sunday School Christmas trees appear to be out of fashion in Bridgetown, or rather it is a fashion that Bridgetown has never appeared to favor. And yet it is an institution which has much to recommend it, both from a religious and a social point of view. Christian churches cannot make too much of the day which celebrates Christ's nativity, the greatest event in the world's history. It is the day of the Child, too, and no occasion could be more profitably used to inculcate by religious teaching and by emphasis on the living habit the lessons He came to teach.

For many years a certain number of young girls, to supply this omission in the prerogative of the Sunday Schools, annually provided a Christmas tree and treat for the poorer children of the town, who would otherwise have had a scanty Christmas or none at all. These young girls received ample encouragement and aid from the townspeople. A tree was provided beautifully decorated and bearing fruit, confectionery and simple gifts. Before the gifts were distributed, (some times by the town itself,) one of the old clergymen addressed the children briefly on the meaning of the day, a few Christmas carols were sung, then refreshments were served, after which the distribution of gifts sent all home happy. But when this little band became scattered, some leaving town and others taking upon themselves new cares and responsibilities, there seemed to be none to carry on the work so well begun, consequently for the past two years there has been no organized attempt on the part of the town people to provide for those whom Santa Claus passes by. Let us hope that another Christmas some provision may be made for these little ones.

We are close upon the end of the year 1908, and as we pause for a moment upon its threshold looking back through its vista of sunshine and shadow, we must pronounce it good. Perhaps progress and advancement in Bridgetown have not quite kept pace with some previous years, but on the whole it has kept up a steady healthy growth. In an early issue we shall review some of the improvements made during the year just passed. The outlook for the coming year is much brighter than the prospects of a year ago, and with all sincerity we wish our many readers a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

## AN INNOVATION IN ROADS.

Interest is growing in the crusade for "good roads" in the United States, and in many parts of the country stretches of model highway have been constructed by good roads commissions to serve as examples to the residents of each locality. Much valuable instruction has been imparted in this manner, but apparently no plan had been discovered for overcoming the difficulties of road building in a sandy soil. Harper's Weekly, however, tells of a new method of construction suitable to such a condition, adopted by a Minnesota man, George W. Cooley, State Highway Engineer of Minnesota, has designed a road that is serviceable in spite of a sandy foundation. A section of his new construction is located at Cambridge, in Isanti County. In this district there is nothing but sand for a top soil, and it is impossible to preserve the road without adding some other material. Mr. Cooley finally decided that sawdust was the component necessary, and a four-inch layer of this was raked into a stretch of road which had been carefully graded. Passing teams thoroughly ground together this mixture, and whenever ruts were worn in the surface they were filled with fresh sawdust. The fine particles of wood gradually rotted, forming a heavy loam with the sand, and the result is a firm, roadbed, suitable to all ordinary traffic.

## Obituary.

MRS. W. H. MacKENZIE.

Although for many years an invalid, the death of Mrs. MacKenzie occurred quite suddenly at two o'clock on Sunday morning. She was seized with an attack of cerebral hemorrhage on Saturday afternoon and did not regain consciousness during the few hours she survived. In her death, her family have sustained a sad loss, for though quite helpless and frequently prostrated with illness, her brave and cheerful spirit endeared the home with the "mother presence," and her passing leaves a void which cannot be filled. Besides her husband she leaves three sons, Arnold and Harry at home and William, who is in Newfoundland and who, summoned by a telegram on Saturday night, notified him of his mother's illness, left for Bridgetown and is still journeying, unconscious of the fatal termination. He will probably receive the sad intelligence on reaching Halifax.

Mrs. MacKenzie is also survived by four brothers, J. Frank Crowe, of Halifax, Harry J., of Newfoundland, Edgar, of Windsor, and Fred, of Newfoundland. All but the last named were present at their sister's funeral.

The funeral service was held on Monday afternoon, Rev. W. H. Warren officiating. In his address Mr. Warren, who had known Mrs. MacKenzie many years, paid the following tribute to her memory:—

He had always entertained a high opinion of her many sterling qualities, her gentle disposition, her unassuming manner, and her marred interest in the welfare of others, especially in the growth and prosperity of the church. She was never lacking in the spirit of true benevolence, but what she did was so unostentatious that few were really aware of her many-sided charity. She was esteemed and beloved by the church of which she was a faithful member and her place was regularly filled till failing health prevented this privilege. In the deep and trying afflictions through which she passed she remained cheerful and hopeful, confiding in the Guiding Hand to which she had committed her eternal well-being. Though hedged in by unbroken silence she wore the smile of resignation, and to the last continued to be bright and sociable. Concluding he said, "We shall miss her in our community, but she begins her brightest new year in the glorious scenes of a higher and sweeter life."

## Offered \$1,000 An Acre for Orchard

Horticultural possibilities in New England are appreciated only in part. However, each year sees more light dawning on this question among fruit growers. As a specific instance of what is possible may be mentioned the experience of James M. Pike, of Kennebec county, Maine. Some time ago he was offered \$5,000 for a five-acre apple orchard. It has paid him better than 10 per cent. on investment for a number of years back and is good for 25 years more.

Recently writing The New England Homestead he says, "This orchard is not for sale even at a 50 per cent. advance on the price named." Continuing, he says, "I, \$1,000 per acre for a good, young fruit orchard is no money at all. The only thing about it is that farmers here in New England do not appreciate what good orchards mean. We are not educated up to such high figures for land values, but we are coming to see light. Solon Chase, one of Maine's familiar fruit growers, has 1½ acres of Spys that pay him \$500 to \$1,000 a year and they are good for 30 years more."

"My brother, living in Franklin county, Me., was offered \$4,000 for a four-acre orchard of Baldwins, five years ago. It has paid him better than 10 per cent. ever since and the orchard could not be bought for the price named at this date. A small portion of farmers here are getting their eyes opened as to fruit growing and there is no better place in all the United States for raising apples than in Maine. If one wishes to get an idea of the value of fruit land, let him go to California, into the Hood river valley to buy fruit land and he will soon find out that there is as good a chance in New England to raise apples as anywhere, with only one-fourth of the expense."

"I could mention scores of farms under my own observation that are returning \$200 to \$500 an acre annually in the form of an apple crop. I have shipped my apples to Europe for five years direct from the orchard and have done much better than I would have by selling to local markets. Of course, it would not do for every man to ship in the fall or to keep them until late winter. Men must be governed by their facilities for keeping fruit as well as other modifying conditions."

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

## Tupperville.

Miss Bessie Kent is at home from Annapolis for Christmas.

T. B. Chipman is in Yarmouth in the interests of his fur business.

The Misses Nellie and Emma Chipman are at home for a vacation.

Messrs. Potter Bros. went to Clementsvale Thursday for Christmas.

Mr. T. H. Chipman has gone to Montreal to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. J. L. Grant.

F. H. Willett is loading cars with apples for shipment to London.

Samuel Chipman and others having been loading cars with hay.

## Belle Isle

We most heartily wish the Monitor and Staff a Happy New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Ray are spending the holidays with relatives at Yarmouth.

Miss Mary Clements, of Yarmouth, made a flying visit to her relatives here last week.

Mr. Johnson Nelly, of Meadowvale, spent a few days last week with his uncle, A. P. Nelly, Esq.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McLean, of Bridgetown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Dodge for Christmas.

Mr. Leslie Gesner, of New Haven, Conn., is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Gesner.

Miss Annie Bent and brother, Clifford, spent Christmas with their sister, Mrs. J. L. Elliott, at Mount Hanley.

Mrs. Frank B. Mills and little daughter, of Granville Ferry, are visiting her parents, Capt. William Y. and Mrs. Gesner.

The Church of St. Mary was very beautifully decorated for Christmas-tide. The walls were festooned in evergreen, a pretty rood screen in rothic effect across front of chancel surmounted by a cross, and bearing the motto, "We have seen His star in the East," a large star being placed on the window above the dorsal. The effect was very pretty.

Mr. Gilbert A. Ray was very kindly remembered by his brothers at Yarmouth on Christmas Day. He was the recipient of a well assorted box and also a beautiful eider-down quilt. Mr. Ray, of whom we have previously spoken, is in all verity a most sorry afflicted man. He has been for over two years a perfectly helpless sufferer, and will be while he lives. His case is one that merits all sympathy.

## Lower Granville

Captain Harvey Hudson returned from Boston on Wednesday.

Gilbert Shaffer, Jr., and E. R. Connors went to Lynn on Wednesday to visit their children and friends.

Paul Shaffer, wife and child came from Lynn on Saturday to spend the winter with his grandfather, E. W. Shaffer, Esq.

The death of William J. Croscup, Esq., took place on Sunday at the residence of his son-in-law, F. W. Thorne, Jr. Mr. Croscup had reached the advanced age of 92 years. He leaves two children, Mrs. Thorne, and Capt. Clarence W. Croscup. He was a man of strict integrity, an obliging neighbor and a consistent member of the Baptist Church.

Capt. L. H. Porter came from New Orleans on Wednesday. After spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Porter, he left on Saturday for Boston. He rose from that city to New York to take passage on Saturday for Liverpool en route to Belfast, Ireland, where he will remain a year, superintending the construction of seven large steamships building in the yards of Workman, Clark & Co., for the United Fruit Company.

## Port Lorne

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sabean are home for a short stay.

Mr. Ernest Ray is doing a big business cutting wood this winter.

Mrs. Edmund Hall is visiting her mother, Mrs. Emma Brinton, during vacation.

Mrs. Thomas Templeman, who has been spending a few weeks in Boston, has returned home.

Johnson Beardsley is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Beardsley.

We are sorry to report that Capt. J. D. Anderson, who has been ailing for some time, is now confined to his bed.

North Division is still prospering. Seven new members were initiated during the last quarter. The following are the officers elected for the ensuing quarter: W. P. Israel Banks; W. A. Elva Healey; R. S. Benson; Hall; A. R. S. Archie Beardsley; F. S. Denison Beardsley; Treasurer—Eunice Anderson; F. W. P. George Beardsley; Chaplain—Bertha Neaves; Conductor—Guy Starratt; Assistant Conductor—George Hall; T. S. George Corbett; O. S.—Loring Beardsley.

## POSTAGE STAMP CHEATS.

Foolish Persons Who Run the Risk of Going to Prison.

"You would be surprised," said a postoffice clerk, "at the efforts people make to avoid the payment of postage. And quite often it is not the work of children either. The most common trick is to take the stamp that has been canceled by hand and the impression just touches the edge of the stamp. After pricking the marked edge with a pin or cutting it with a pair of shears to resemble the punctured edge of the stamp or tearing away that part the stamp is put on an envelope for another voyage. All these are placed in the hands of postal inspectors for investigation."

"Others try to give the impression that a stamp had been put on an envelope and become loose and lost in transit by sticking a stamp on the envelope and then pulling it with part of the envelope sticking to it off again. These as well as underpaid letters, unless they have a foreign destination, where postage is then collected, are marked 'Returned for postage' and sent back to the sender. Second class matter, as a roll of newspapers, is often sealed against inspection by having the stamps overlap the cover. Whether foreign or not it is returned for postage. When it again shows up, the mistake rectified, upon inspection it is usually found to contain written letters, photographs (unmounted), jewelry, merchandise of all kinds, making the package underpaid; hence it is again returned."

"But the limit of foolishness comes when a person tries to efface the indelible ink from the stamp and will half the features of the stamp rubbing or rubbed away and some of the ink still remaining affixes it to an envelope, with the address of the addressee and delivered to the addressee had the package underpaid; hence it is again returned."

"This, though, is stretching it a little too much. A postcard that had been put through a cancelling machine and delivered to the addressee had the canceling impression and the address scratched off with the aid of a sharp knife and a new address substituted and a written message pasted on the reverse side."

## AN OLD GORMANDIZER.

One Man Who Lived That He Might Enjoy Eating and Drinking.

In a little yellowed English magazine, dated April, 1904, I came across the following amusing scrap:

If the Duke of Q. does not extend his life to a still later date, he will not be for want of culinary comforts and those other succulent arts by which longevity is best promoted. His grace's sustenance is thus daily administered:

"At 7 in the morning he regales in a warm milk bath perfumed with almond powder, where he takes his coffee and a buttered muffin, and then retires to bed. He rises about 9 and breakfasts on café au lait, with new laid eggs just parboiled; at 11 he is presented with two warm jellies and rusques; at 1 he takes a veal cutlet a la Maintenon; at 3 jellies and eggs repeat; at 5 a cup of chocolate and rusques; at 7:30 he takes a hearty dinner from high seasoned dishes and makes suitable libations of claret and madeira; at 10 tea, coffee and muffins; at 12 suppers off a roast poulet, with a plentiful solution of lime punch; at 1 in the morning he retires to bed in high spirits and sleeps till 8, when his man cook, to the moment, waits upon him in person with a hot and savory veal cutlet, which, with a rotation of wine and water, prepares him for further repose that continues generally uninterrupted till the morning summons to his toilet."

"In this routine of living comforts are the four and twenty hours invariably divided, so that if his grace does not know, with Sir Toby Belch, 'that our life is composed of four elements' he knows at least, with Sir Ague Cheek, 'that it consists in eating and drinking.'"

A Reason For Thanks.  
The impecunious author's wife was trying on a new dress and endeavoring to observe the hang of it by means of a round mirror on top of a high chiffonier. Every woman will appreciate what that means.

"Oh, dear," she exclaimed as she thought with some pathos, "I haven't seen the bottom of my skirt since I was married."

Her husband looked up, brute that he was, and remarked:

"Well, you can thank your lucky stars for that."

## Jewelry

New designs in all kinds of Jewelry. Before sending away or buying anywhere, get our price. All goods guaranteed.

## P. R. SAUNDERS

Jeweller, Optician & Photographer

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPERS.

## A Happy and Prosperous New Year

to all our friends and patrons: The past year has been the most successful in our career. We beg to thank you one and all for your share of patronage extended to us. We have earnestly endeavored to merit your confidence not only by the quality of our lines, but in reasonable charges and courteous attention to your several wants. For 1909 we promise a continuance of the best service we are able to offer.

Yours very sincerely,

W. A. WARREN, Pim. B.,

Chemist and Optician.

## ARE YOU SHORT OF FUNDS

Don't give up because you cannot afford to go to college. Our influence will go to you and we will make a bookkeeper of you and a good one, too, right where you are. We back our course with our reputation and charge only a moderate price. If you can't complete the course, you may pay for what you get. \$25.00 covers a full course in Double Entry payable in installments. Write now.

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HALIFAX, N. S.

WISHING YOU  
A  
HAPPY & PROSPEROUS  
NEW YEAR  
HARRY M. CHUTE

## Weak Eyes

No need to suffer with your Eyes from bad Glasses, or have your children. A great many Eyes have been ruined in this way.

Have them attended to by a man who makes a specialty of this work and nothing else.

It will cost you no more. (Do you know that?)

Consultation and examination free. St. James Hotel, Bridgetown, every Thursday.

Jones' Hotel, Bear River, every Friday.

Main Office, Annapolis.

HENRY KIRWIN.

Oculist Optician.

## REPEAT ORDERS

Repeat orders are coming in daily to the

Hayward Clothing Store  
Call and inspect our stock and prices.

We take this opportunity of thanking you for your past patronage and soliciting a continuance for the coming year.

Hayward Clothing Store  
UNION BANK BUILDING

"Black Prince's" Hose are ideal for children; elastic ribbed tops.

# START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

By attending our Saturday Special Sale, and we can save you money—this year.

## GROCERIES

ONIONS, 8 lbs. for .25  
LARD, lb., .154  
BEANS, lb., .04  
PICKLES, lt., .09  
BUCKWHEAT, 7½ lbs. for .25  
GRAHAM FLOUR, 7½ lbs. for .25  
BONELESS FISH, 2 lbs. for .25  
VINEGAR, gal., .25  
HOUSEHOLD AMMONIA, bot., .08  
RISING SUN STOVE POLISH, .07  
GUST-O, pkg., .09  
WORCESTER SAUCE, bot., .10  
TOMATO SAUCE, bot., .12  
SULTANA STOVE POLISH, can .09  
SOAP, cake, .04  
PRUNES, lb., .074  
MINCE MEAT, lb., .104  
LEMONS, doz., .25  
SEEDED RAISINS, pkg., .094  
CURRANTS, pkg., .081  
RAISINS, lb., .18  
BUTTER COLORING, bot., .13  
BLUING, 2 pkg. for .25  
MIXED Cakes, 2 lbs. for .09  
BAKING POWDER, can, .09  
CREAM TARTAR, pkg., .064

## GROCERIES

GINGER, pkg., .06  
ALLSPICE, pkg., .06  
CINNAMON, pkg., .06  
PEPPER, pkg., .06  
MIXED SPICE, pkg., .07  
SODA, 2 lbs. for .06  
COLMAN'S MUSTARD, .08  
YEAST CAKES, pkg., .04  
BAKER'S COCOA, .13  
CORN STARCH, pkg., .074  
COWAN'S ICING, pkg., .09  
TOMATOES, can, .10  
CORN, can, .09  
PEAS, can, .09  
PINE APPLE, can, .15  
STRAWBERRIES, can, .16  
PEACHES, can, .18  
40c. CHOCOLATES, lb., .36  
MIXED CHOCOLATES, lb., .25  
MIXED CHOCOLATES AND CREAMS, lb., .13  
CHIPS, lb., .22  
NATIONAL BLEND TEA, lb., .27  
RED ROSE 40c. TEA, lb., .35

# NINE CENT SALE FOR NINE DAYS

9 cents

For any article in our 10 and 15 cent store in the Masonic building commencing Jan. 2nd. 4th. 5th. 6th. 7th. 8th. 9th. 11th. 12th.

We took this store for the Christmas holidays and our time is now up. Before we close we will hold a

## 9 cent Sale

on the above dates, any article in this store is yours for

9 cents

You will find lots of articles there for which you have been paying twice the price we are asking now

9 cents

You will find a large assortment of Dry Goods, Notions, Fancy China, Bric-a-Brac and Fancy Goods.

If you wish to redeem your Rebate Checks, bring them in before Jan. 8th. 1909.

Wanted:—Print Butter, 23c cash, 25c trade any day

Wishing our Friends and Customers a Happy New Year.

# W. W. CHESLEY

## NEW YEAR GREETINGS

To all our customers and friends we extend the compliments of the season, wishing them all joy and prosperity in the coming year.

ANNIE CHUTE

# FROM JANUARY 1st. TO JANUARY 15th. 1909.

80c WILL PAY FOR \$1.00

worth of Dry Goods, Furs, Boots and Shoes, Lamps, Fancy Goods, China, Glass and Crockery Wares.

## IN STOCK

Choice Groceries, Spices, Extracts. Try Salada Tea.

A new stock of Herbageum for feeding cattle. In exchange for Cash, Butter and Eggs.

# W. W. WADE, BEAR RIVER