

Kingston Notes.

The Mutual Aid Society, in connection with the Kingston Baptist church, held a tea and social entertainment at the Hall of Mr. James Gates, on Tuesday the 21st inst., which was well patronized and netted about \$35, which will be applied in defraying expenses of the recent repairs and improving their place of worship.

The Sabbath-school of Kingston Baptist church held their annual picnic at Spa Springs on Wednesday the 22nd inst. All through the weather was decidedly autumnal, and the pleasure of partaking of the good things provided in the open air could not be comfortably enjoyed, yet this was more than compensated by the kind hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, who generously opened their home for the party, and all dined with greatest comfort and enjoyment in their picturesque home, on the hill-side, a little below the Springs. The party then explored the intricacies of the surrounding woods and peeped into the large bottling establishment of the company and took an early departure to enjoy the pleasure of taking tea together in a building kindly prepared and loaned for the purpose by Hayward Rogers, Esq., and his good wife. A number of our Methodist friends were present and added to the pleasure of the occasion.

The pastor of the church, Rev. S. March, has just returned from the Baptist Convention, held at Bear River, and reports that it was one of the most successful ever held in the province. Over 600 persons were in attendance. The year has been a prosperous one in many important particulars.

Beltside. The long continued drought is beginning to affect vegetation very much. Miss Gustie White, of Nantasket, Mass., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Robert Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Miller and Mrs. Frank Rogers, of Barre, Mass., are with Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Burns.

Mr. H. W. Williams, his daughter, and Miss Lucy Boyd, who have been with Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Parker, returned home last week.

George Litch, Esq., has sold his farm to the Rev. Henry Hasbrouck, of Cape Hill, Richibucto, N. B. It is said a son of the Rev. gentleman will occupy it.

A garden party was given one afternoon last week by Mr. and Mrs. Almond D. Parker to the young people of the neighborhood. We were informed by some who were present that it was a very enjoyable affair.

A very able and impressive sermon was preached by the Rev. F. P. Groszow at the church of St. Mary on Sunday the 2nd inst. The church was packed. The Rev. E. B. Beech, of P. E. I., was the guest of Samuel Shaffner, Esq., who was present.

The fruit crop will be very much in excess of previous years. It measures 45 feet in spread, and is 25 feet in height, by actual measure. It is loaded with fruit, and is a beautiful sight.

Spa Springs. Mrs. A. McNeil returned last Monday for her home at Horton landing. Mrs. McCurt, who is an artist of rare talent, made some nice sketches at this place, which she will finish on her return to her studio.

Russell Freeman, M. D., who has been spending a few days with his friend, Dr. J. A. Spang, at Middlebury, spent the week-end at Spa Springs on Sunday evening last week.

Our school room has been somewhat improved by placing pot plants in the windows. We hope the trustees will take the timely hint and improve the outside by a good coat of paint.

A road leading has gone to Piton to press his studies at the Academy. Mrs. A. Dodge is visiting in the city. Mr. G. Mearns, of Wallville, Mr. James Dodge, of Aylmer, lately spent a few days with his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall.

Mr. H. McNeil, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. W. McNeil, of the Nova Scotia Hotel, Mrs. Henry Jacques, Miss Misa Pierce and Miss Smith, of Parker Smith, S. C. returned, were returning from a trip to Margareville, with the intention of spending the afternoon at Spa Springs, when the boat suddenly gave way, throwing the occupants from the carriage. Mrs. McNeil was seriously injured, but otherwise escaped with but slight injuries.

Clarence Chaps. Miss Eva Freeman, of Boston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. B. Elliott. Miss Aggie Roney, of Granville Ferry, is visiting in Clarence.

Mrs. J. F. Roache is visiting in Wallville and Berwick. Mr. William Creelman left on Saturday for Boston, where he will spend the winter. Mr. T. E. Smith, of the Nova Scotia Nursery, spent Sunday in this place, the guest of Mr. R. Marshall.

Miss Dannie Banks, one of our former teachers, has charge of our school again this year. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ledbetter, of North Brookfield, spent a few days among friends in Clarence last week.

Mr. H. H. Bosch, of Aylmer, was home as his father's, Mr. J. F. Roache's, a few days last week. Mrs. Dr. Marshall and son, accompanied by Miss Annie H. Marshall, left for Glenora, Mass., on Saturday.

Rev. David Price and wife are spending a vacation in Clarence. The Rev. G. McKinnon completed the pulpit on Sunday afternoon, the 2nd inst. It is not known how the accident slipped and fell a distance of 30 feet. The extent of his injuries is not yet known, but we hope to hear soon of his recovery.

A very pleasant day was spent at Hampton on Wednesday last, a large number of our young folk, and on Saturday the I. O. O. F. held their annual picnic at the same place. All spent very highly of the kindness and hospitality of the Hampton people.

Brooklyn Items. We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Parker Nelly had the misfortune to break her wrist. Mr. Beathman, wife and son, gave a very interesting lecture on the customs of Oriental life.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Young have returned from New England, where they spent a very enjoyable fortnight. Mr. T. H. Nelly's will has been doing good work, having threshed about three thousand bushels during the season.

Sergeant Young, accompanied by Clifford Elliott and James Heasler, are spending the week at Lake Ronquid and vicinity fishing. The choir of this place will assist in the concert, "Under the Palms," to be given at Port George on Wednesday evening, September 13th.

All who wish to spend a pleasant evening should attend the concert, which will be given in the hall on Saturday evening, Sept. 8th, by Miss Lottie M. Brown, soloist, from Boston, assisted by B. Brown Nelly, musical artist, from Lynn, Mass.

There is a faint jingle of wedding bells in the air, and we hope to hear them much louder in the near future. The ice cream parties of the past week have been a great success and very much enjoyed by those who attended them.

The people quickly recognize merit, and this is the reason the sales of Hood's Sarsaparilla are continually increasing. Hood's "Paw" is...

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Miss Lillie Bishop is visiting friends at Granville. Mr. and Mrs. A. Rosengren welcomed a daughter on Aug. 27th.

Miss F. A. Stevens has gone on a four weeks visit to Riverhouse, Halifax Co. Miss May Oakes is at her home in Albany enjoying a three weeks' vacation.

Miss Rita Darling is in Mrs. Wheelock's party at her annual picnic at Spa Springs on Wednesday the 22nd inst. All through the weather was decidedly autumnal, and the pleasure of partaking of the good things provided in the open air could not be comfortably enjoyed, yet this was more than compensated by the kind hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, who generously opened their home for the party, and all dined with greatest comfort and enjoyment in their picturesque home, on the hill-side, a little below the Springs.

The Episcopal Hall-Sabbath school held its annual picnic on Hall's Island, on Saturday the 1st inst. Miss Louie Rosengren, who has been confined to her home with an attack of fever, was present on the occasion.

The Marrieds with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Marshall last week. Mr. and Mrs. Stookbridge and daughters, Mrs. Hill and son, Miss Fitch and Miss Lord left for their homes in Somerville, Mass., on Saturday.

Mrs. Kildee of Worcester, Mass., Mrs. Peat and son of Chicago Falls, Mass., Mr. Charles Morton of Halifax, Mrs. Lyons of Waterville, Kings Co., are among the visitors here.

We are pleased to welcome home the Rev. S. C. Leonard after two months' visit among friends at Rockville, Amherst, Southampton, Parravot, Wolfville and other places. Through the pleasing renewal of acquaintances, the kindness of friends and changes in location he seems somewhat recruited.

Hampton. Our Sabbath-school intends holding a picnic on Saturday next. Thomas Barbour and Herbert Foster have gone on a fishing voyage with Capt. Hill.

Five pleasant weather, very dry; potatoes almost cooking in the ground; it is thought the crop will be very light. Fishing is about over for the season. Last week there was a very fine lot of lake trout, less getting fine catches.

Our Section has secured Miss Abbie Parker as teacher. She returned upon her duties last Tuesday. Our summer visitors, like the birds, have gone to warmer climes. Miss Hannah Chase has returned to Lynn. Miss Bessie Foster has also gone to the same city; Willard Hall has returned to his home in Mass., while Mrs. John R. Parvostich and Frank Hooper have returned from Lynn.

Port Lorne. Our former pastor, Rev. J. Webb, preached to us last Sabbath evening. Mayor Gillis and wife of Annapolis were here on Thursday last week.

Mr. Wm. Erwin, of South Framingham, was on a visit to his father, Mr. John Beardsley, and other friends. Mr. Loring Brinton and daughter, of Portville, have been here on a visit to his parents and young friends.

The barque, Ethel Clark, of Bear River has been lumber here for a week past for the West Indies. Little Ed, son of Capt. Freeman Beardsley, while playing about the dock of a packet on Tuesday, unfortunately fell into the water and broke his left arm above the wrist. He was taken immediately to Lawrenceston where the bone was set by Dr. Morse.

Will Celebrate the Royal Birth. London, Sept. 2.—During the coming week the queen intends to celebrate the birth of the son of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, which is the same city; Willard Hall has returned to his home in Mass., while Mrs. John R. Parvostich and Frank Hooper have returned from Lynn.

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 1.—The cloud burst in the country west of here was a terrible catastrophe. As reported from the belief is general that several hundred persons lost their lives by drowning. Damage to property is immense. One-half of the residences in the town of Uvalde were swept away. There is great suffering among those who lost their homes. Thousands of head of cattle were swept away. The Southern Pacific railroad's loss is over a million dollars by damage to tracks and bridges.

Calculated for Murder. Abbe Bruneau, formerly vicar of the church at Entrammes, Laval, France, who on July 13th was convicted of murder, robbery and arson, was put to death by the guillotine on Thursday morning last in the presence of 400 people. Arriving at the scaffold he was once seized by the executioner's assistants, who quickly and quietly placed his neck under the knife. At 5 o'clock the knife fell, and as the head of the man rolled into the basket, a cheer went up from 8,000 throats and the great crowd dispersed without disorder.

General Herbert Will Hold On. A late despatch from the war office at London says that Major-General Hirst will not be called on to vacate the command of the Canadian militia, nor will he be called on to vacate the command of Grenadier Guards by remaining in Ottawa. The report published in Whitehall is in the face of the fact that at that period, does not hold good now in view of the determination on the part of the authorities herewith given.

Mangled by a Train. A special despatch Saturday afternoon says the body of W. Coulter, a resident of Westfield, N. B., terribly mangled, was found on the railway track. It is supposed to have been run over by the C. P. R. express train Friday night, which left St. John at 10:40. It is not known how the accident occurred. Deceased was a married man, 65 years old, and leaves a large family.

The Japan-China War. London, September 3.—A Berlin despatch says: "The war party has the upper hand in China. This means that we will be prosecuted vigorously. A large army is now gathering at Peking. Half of the army will guard Peking; the other half will go to Corea for winter quarters. When the gulf of Peking is frozen over the Japanese navy will practically be of no use."

Attempt to Wreck a Train. A deliberate attempt was made to wreck a Grand Trunk train at Fish Point, Portland, on Friday last. An eleven inch shell was found in the track just before the Montreal express arrived. Where the shell came from is a mystery unless from the fort in the harbor.

It will be pleasing information to the many friends of the Rev. T. J. Grace living in the western counties to learn that in his new field of labor at Ferguson's Cove, Halifax county, he is accomplishing much good work. On Wednesday of last week His Grace Archbishop O'Brien visited the parish in charge of Father Grace, where he conferred some sixty candidates. His grace was highly pleased with the visit, the condition of the parish, and the elegant and convenient house which has been lately built on a site commanding a fine view of the harbor. On the front of the globe house a beautiful arch had been erected in honor of His Grace's visit.

Relief in Six Hours.—Dressing Kidney and Bladder Disease relieved in six hours by the "Great South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise and delight on account of its astounding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidney, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of urine and pain in passing; it cures all urinary troubles, and is sold by all druggists and is a permanent cure. Sold by DeBott & Primm.

Stallion Killed Dead. Pamlico, the greatest trotting stallion in America, record 2:10 flat, died at Chester Oak park, Hartford, Conn., last week, of colic.

Low's Worm Syrup cures and removes worms of all kinds in children and adults. Price 25c. Sold by all dealers.

FRIGHTFUL FOREST FIRES.

Nearly Fifteen Hundred Lives Lost. TWELVE TOWNS HAVE BEEN WIPE OUT OF EXISTENCE. A awful destruction has been wrought by forest fires in the states of Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin. Hundreds of lives have been lost, millions of acres of property destroyed, and several towns wiped entirely out of existence. Among the latter are the towns Hinkley, Soudan, Granite Lake, Baskow, Pokigama and others. Trains of the Great Northern were sent to the burning districts and passed through great perils in conveying passengers to places of safety. The scenes at the front, where the work trains were engaged in rebuilding the burned bridges, were described by the press as appalling. One crew reported that they saw flames sweeping down on a house close to the track. The place was enveloped in fire before the people could escape. The workmen were powerless to reach the train, although they were so close they could hear the people screaming as they were being crushed. 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