

# OUR COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE.

## FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 24.—(Special.)—Rev. J. H. McDonald, pastor of the Baptist church, was presented with a beautiful fur-lined coat by the male members of his congregation this evening.

Christmas trade has been very brisk here during the week and the merchants report their aggregate sales ahead of that of last season. There was a big market today and all lines of country produce sold well. Turkey brought twenty cents per pound and geese \$1 each, the highest price ever known here.

Sufficient snow fell here this evening to make excellent sleighing for Christmas.

Chas. Clayton, an employee of the Maryville cotton mill, was struck accidentally in his right eye with the handle of a broom while brushing his clothes today, destroying the sight of the eye.

The treasurer of the Victoria Hospital received today Mrs. Medley's usual Christmas donation of \$100.

City Treasurer Manning has sold his farm at Kingscler to Chas. Key.

The president and vice-presidents play their annual match for the Coleman cup at the curling rink tomorrow.

Leonard Inch, a Maryville hockey player, had his nose broken while practicing in Maryville rink last evening.

May Howe slipped on the ice on the sidewalk in front of her home on Regent street last night, and fell, fracturing her left arm at the elbow.

Fredericton, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Christmas was observed here in the usual way and passed off very pleasantly. Services were held in several of the churches this morning and were well attended.

There was a great deal of driving on the river this afternoon, nearly every rig in the city being out. There were a few brushes between the fast ones—McCoy's stallion Moody, and Collier MacDuff carrying off the honors. A large crowd of spectators witnessed the sport.

The soldiers of the Royal Regiment were provided with an elaborate Christmas dinner today, the bill for the food and drink being paid by the government.

A young man whose name couldn't be learned, fell from the Maryville bridge at Gibson this evening and was severely cut about the head.

Hamilton McKee, of the Department of Railways, Ottawa, W. G. McLaughlin of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Robertson, of St. John, were among those who spent Christmas with relatives here.

P. D. McKinnon, proprietor of Long Hotel, was presented by his guests this morning with a pair of otter gloves and an address.

Mrs. Milner, who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. H. G. O. Ketchum, at Elmcrest, is seriously ill and not expected to recover.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Harry, the twelve year old son of Daniel Ryan, of Forest Hill, had a very narrow escape from death yesterday. He was playing on the ice with some companions and noticing a team drawing two loads of hay, one ahead of the other, thought he would get on and have a ride. He climbed in between the sleds, and after proceeding a short distance lost his footing and fell against one of the runners of the rear sled.

The boy's cries attracted the attention of the driver and the team was quickly stopped. But before he could be dragged a distance and had sustained serious injuries. Dr. Bridges, who was called, found that his left arm had been fractured, one finger of his right hand was mangled that it had to be amputated, and he had been badly bruised and cut on the other parts of his body. Although his condition is quite serious, he will probably recover.

Mrs. William Kingston, of this city, and her daughter had quite a thrilling experience on Christmas day. They were driving on the river near Robinson's point, when without a moment's warning the horse and sleigh plunged into a hole. Fortunately there was solid ice near at hand and the ladies managed to reach it, but before they had received a good ducking. They succeeded in getting the horse sleigh out after a hard struggle, but a few parcels remained in the water.

An accident happened after darkness set in and there was nobody around under assistance.

The weather, which has been very mild several days, turned suddenly cold today and the mercury dropped to five below zero during the night.

Strick Burns, the veteran Queen Hotel man, had one of his shoulders dislocated last night by his coach overturn. The accident was caused by the coach being out of order.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 24.—H. H. Stuart, principal of the advanced department of a superior school here, with his wife and children, have gone to spend the vacation with Mrs. Stuart's parents, at Fredericton Junction.

Laurence M. Hopkins, who is taking a post-graduate course at Mt. Allison, is spending the holidays at his home here. He is accompanied by Thomas Lewellyn, also a student at Mt. Allison.

Albert, the young son of A. E. Mitten, who has been very sick for the last two weeks, is improving.

Mrs. Joseph Robinson and Mrs. Benjamin Fyles, left this morning for Spring Hill (N. S.), to spend Christmas with relatives.

Henry A. Peck, of Wolfville (N. S.), came to the Hill yesterday to visit friends. A Sunday school concert in connection with the Baptist church was held last evening. The programme, which consisted of readings, exercises and singing by the school, was well rendered. There was a good attendance, and the funds, which amounted to \$17, are to be used for a library for the school.

Robert A. Newcomb, of Malden (Mass.), and formerly of this place, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newcomb.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 28.—The ladies of the Methodist church held a social on Saturday night in the I. O. G. T. hall. The proceeds, which amounted to \$7.50, go towards the church repair fund.

John A. West, of the I. C. R. office,

Moncton, and Mrs. West spent Christmas at the former's home here.

Rev. J. K. King, who has been confined to his home for a few weeks on account of illness, was able to fill his appointments on Sunday.

Herbert L. Brewster, of the I. C. R. treasury's office, Moncton, spent a few days at his home here last week.

J. Law Bishop, who is engaged in the tailoring business at Shediac, is visiting his parents at Lower Cape.

Rufus Wright, of the I. C. R. shops, Moncton, is visiting his home at Mountville.

A very interesting and attractive Christmas service was conducted in St. John's Anglican church here on Christmas night by the rector, Rev. Allan W. Smithers, a large congregation being present. An eloquent and appropriate sermon was delivered and excellent music was furnished by the choir, who sang besides the hymns, the psalms for the day, the canticles and the anthems. "O Come Upon the Midnight Clear," and "While Shepherds Watched," the solos in the latter being splendidly rendered by Messrs. Tibbits and Elvin.

The church was appropriately decorated for the occasion. On Christmas Eve Mr. Smithers was made the happy recipient of a beautiful fur-lined coat, the gift of his parishioners in this country, and Mrs. Smithers was presented by a number of friends with a handsome set of oak dining room chairs. Rev. Mr. Smithers, who has been in charge of the mission here for several years, has been most devoted and assiduous in his ministerial labors, and both he and Mrs. Smithers are held in very high esteem by all.

John Dixon, of Mountville, was hurt quite badly by being jammed while coupling cars at Hillsboro a few days ago.

## MONCTON.

Moncton, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Claud W. Peters, formerly of the Bank of Montreal here, but who has been in New York for the past two or three years, has been transferred to Ottawa, where he will be assistant accountant in the Bank of Montreal.

Considerable excitement was created in Chinese circles this evening as the result of a robbery perpetrated in Charlie White's laundry by a boy whose identity is in doubt.

While the Chinamen were having supper in the back shop a young fellow stealthily entered the room, hid behind the counter and cut open a grip in search of money. Wah caught him in the act and the latter, not having time to make an exit through the door, jumped through the window. The Chinamen chased him up the street and the thief ran into P. Mackay's drug store, where he kept his pursuers at bay by holding the door for a time. Finally he made his escape and got away.

The thief and his coupe, the grip, which belonged to Harry Grog, of Campbellton, who had stopped over here on his way to Halifax. Grog says his grip contained \$30 and whatever he had in his pockets.

The robbery was one of the boldest perpetrated here for some time. As a result of information given the police a young man named A. B. McDermott was arrested charged with the crime.

Christmas was spent very quietly about town. The weather was fine and mild, so warm indeed that curfew was not able to play the president and vice-president match in the morning.

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## NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 23.—The closing exercises of Hartley's Academy were held in the hall of the hall on Friday evening. A very interesting programme was given and a large number of visitors were in attendance. Speeches were made by the trustees present and by the Hon. Mr. Burchill.

Mrs. Troy, who has been on the staff of Hartley's Academy for the past three years, resigned the position at the present time. Miss Kate L. Troy has been appointed in her place.

The regular meeting of the Presbyterian guild was held in St. James' hall on Monday night. A programme of musical selections, readings, etc., was rendered, after which refreshments were served. The members and their friends were present.

The funeral of the late John S. Fleming to St. James' cemetery this afternoon was largely attended.

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Miss Allison, are spending their vacation in Newcastle.

Miss Addie Stables, Urquhart, Pollock and Harrison have returned from the Normal School, Fredericton.

Principal McKenna, of Hartley's Academy, is spending the vacation at his home in Campbellton.

Mrs. Britton, Y. M. C. A. secretary, will leave tomorrow for his home in Westville. He will return after the new year.

Prof. Layton is spending his vacation with his brother in New Glasgow.

Herbert Boyce will leave tomorrow to spend Christmas in St. John.

Miss T. Teighton is home from her school in Dorchester.

Masters Stewart Demers and Donald Coughan are home from Loyola College, Montreal.

## HARVEY STATION.

Harvey Station, Dec. 25.—The annual Christmas entertainment was held in the upper church last evening, and was largely attended, although the evening was stormy. The programme consisted chiefly of music, recitation and drama, in which a number of Sunday school scholars took part.

Miss Winnie M. Briggs gave a very interesting reading, and Miss Keith and Miss Smith sang solos which were much enjoyed. A patriotic drama, in which about twenty young ladies participated,

was well done. They went through a number of intricate figures to the sound of the music, with the utmost precision, which showed much skill and care in preparation.

At the close of the entertainment J. Albert Little, on behalf of the people of Little Settlement and York Mills, presented Mrs. McLean, wife of the pastor, with a very handsome arm chair, and the contents of two well loaded Christmas trees were afterwards distributed to the Forsyth and the McLean families, and instrumental music was furnished by Misses Susan Briggs and Lizzie Robinson, on the organ.

The quartet was prepared under the direction of Mrs. McLean, Miss Lizzie Robinson and the Misses Briggs, and those ladies an deserving of the highest praise for the manner in which it was carried out.

Misses Emily J. Hunter and Ada Robinson have gone to spend the holidays with friends and relatives at Millbrook (Me.). Mrs. Gendeman has gone to Fort Fairfield to make an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Chamberlain.

## CHATHAM.

Chatham, Dec. 27.—Very large congregations attended the carol services in St. Mary's church on Christmas forenoon and Christmas eve, when William H. Newcombe was invited to the occasion by the rector, Rev. Archdeacon Clarke, and the talented organist, Miss E. F. Lyle, performed her part of the services with her usual efficiency. The singing by the choir was very good, the solo by Mr. Harry Searle and quartette by Mrs. Harry Searle, Miss Nellie Goggin, D. G. Smith and F. Dyke being particularly well rendered.

## ALBERT.

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Christmas day has passed off quietly here—sleighting excellent, weather favorable and many enjoyed a good sleigh drive. In the evening the festive Sunday school Christmas party, and entertainment in Oulton Hall which was well patronized and much enjoyed by the children.

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## ST. MARTINS.

St. Martins, Dec. 28.—Messrs. Shevan and Scott, of the public works department, spent a couple of days here this week examining the wharves and breakwaters.

Mrs. A. W. Fowles, who was receiving medical treatment in New York, has returned home.

Mr. J. H. Ryan, of Sussex, and bride are spending a few days at the bride's father's, David Wigham. The happy couple are receiving the warmest congratulations from the many friends.

Christmas was quite spent here. As usual appropriate religious services were held in the morning the Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches.

F. Mosher and family, to the regret of the many friends here, have moved to St. John.

Allison Wisheart, formerly of this place, and his daughter, Miss Elsie, are visiting friends here.

Miss Florence Vail who taught school at Little Beach, has just closed a most successful term. The people deeply regret that they are obliged to close their school during the winter season and all agree that Miss Vail is a most thorough and painstaking teacher.

Capt. G. B. McLaughlin has a mill and crew in the woods cutting the lumber on the property of John L. Bradshaw.

## NORTH LEAD.

North Lead, Grand Island, Dec. 28.—There was no service at the F. B. church yesterday, the pastor, Mr. McMinch, having conducted the services of the church. Mr. Cook, a highly respected citizen, who was sick with paralysis while on a visit to his place, from which he never rallied, the sympathy of the community goes out to the family, who lost their mother in a sudden manner a year ago.

To young child of Miss M. Foster, of the same place, who laid away yesterday, the same dayman conducting the services.

On Saturday the funeral of William Flewelling was attended by a large gathering. For some time, he was apparently recovering from the disease suddenly. His name will be held in remembrance long by all who knew him. Rev. Mr. McMinch officiated.

Capt. W. H. Kent of the fishery cruiser King Fisher, again with Master Guy Lawson is on a short visit at the captain's home.

Master Frank Gashill home on his

Christmas holidays. Rothsey seems to agree with Frank.

Mr. Girdwood, of the sophomore year at U. N. B., is also home and is looking well. Miss Girdwood, who has concluded a two-years' engagement in Lorneville (P.E.I.), is the home of our popular principal. Miss G. was the recipient of many tokens of respect on leaving, including a handsome writing desk from the Presbyterian church in appreciation of her services as organist, and numerous others from the scholars.

The Reformed Baptist Sunday school gave their annual concert in the public hall on Christmas night. The hall was crowded, and a handsome sum was added to the finances of the school. Misses Dalzell and Beal efficiently presided at the organ.

The children of the Episcopal Sunday school were given their annual treat of a Christmas tree on Christmas eve in the Covert Memorial Hall. Needless to say it was much enjoyed by old and young.

## RIVERSIDE.

Riverside, A. County, Dec. 25.—Miss Annie Barton, of St. John, is spending the holidays here the guest of Miss Lucy Hunter.

Miss Jean Swanson is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Carnahan.

A very successful Sunday school concert was held in the public hall on Wednesday evening. A Christmas tree was very much enjoyed by the little ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilary Peak, of Moncton, and Miss Janet Wood, of Albert, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Asa Peck on Christmas day.

William Cole went to Dorchester to spend Christmas.

Bertie Starratt went to Campbellton on Wednesday to visit his parents.

Eugene Opp was able to enjoy a short drive on Christmas day.

The many friends of Mrs. A. W. Smithers are pleased to see her out again after her recent illness.

Martin Barrett is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crossman, of Hillsboro, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Newton Wells.

## APPOHAQUI.

Apohaqui, Kings Co., Dec. 28.—Miss Ward, of Quincy (Mass.), is visiting Mrs. G. B. Jones, of Apohaqui.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Peters and daughter, of Rothsey, spent Christmas with Mrs. Peters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McCready, of Moncton, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCready, of Sussex, spent the day with their parents in Apohaqui.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Second went to Sussex to have dinner at Mrs. Second's mother, Mrs. Chapman, and family.

The editor of the Apohaqui Post, A. H. McCready, and Mrs. McCready are at the hotel in Apohaqui on the holiday excursion.

Miss Mabel Johnson is at home for the holidays.

Mr. Smith, traveling for Jones Bros., left on Saturday for her home in Sackville for a short time.

Mrs. Harley Jones is quite ill.

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The service in the Church of the Assumption was at 8 o'clock Christmas morning. A large congregation was present. The church was very prettily trimmed with evergreen shields, etc.

Sandra Wmott, of Salisbury, spent Christmas here.

## HAMPTON.

Hampton, N. B., Dec. 28.—The Methodist church was crowded to the doors last evening to hear the special Christmas service. The pastor, Rev. G. Fulton, preached a powerful sermon on the birth of Christ.

The special music was admirably sung by the choir which was assisted by Miss Florence Mabee and John Wood of Hampton, and Mrs. J. J. Ryan of Paris and her son, Keith Ryan. Mrs. Ryan's rendering of "The Holy Night" was magnificent, and is considered to be the best ever heard in Hampton.

John Edgett, of Hampton Village, who is for man on the Kingston, the church presented with \$50 on Christmas eve by the contractor, Mr. Sheffer.

The funeral of Rev. Mr. Langstroth, who has been attending Monday Academy is home for the holidays.

Wm. Langstroth will leave for Chipman tomorrow and will be employed by some time by the N. B. Coal & Railway Company.

Miss Annie Whitaker of St. John, is spending a few days with friends in Hampton.

Prof. Tweedie, of Sackville, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Wm. Tweedie.

## SUSSEX.

Sussex, N. B., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—One hundred and fifty invitations have been issued for the lawn-tennis club which takes place tomorrow night at the Depot House. Harrosh's orchestra will furnish the music.

S. Chedick, manager of the Bank of New Brunswick, returned from St. Stephen Christmas evening.

Mrs. Moody and her daughter, of Digby, are visiting at the Knoll.

Sussex, Dec. 28.—C. B. Harrosh is moving into the new residence in the Windsor Hotel block, owned by Geo. H. White.

H. S. Petrick, wife and child are spending the Christmas holidays at St. Stephen, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graham.

Dr. Leigh Langstroth, who spent Christmas here, has returned to St. John.

The snow which fell here last night has made good sleighing.

Thos. J. McPherson and family, of St. John, were visiting here yesterday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Ross.

Christmas was a quiet day here. The absence of snow made local travelling difficult but many family reunions were enjoyed notwithstanding.

Hon. G. H. LaRue was in Sussex this afternoon on departmental business. O. P. King, M. P. P., was engaged with the commissioner in looking over our necessities as to bridges.

## DIGBY.

Digby, Dec. 28.—The same old story of a gooding man for game was reported yesterday from Freeport, Long Island. J. A. Crocker and Ralph Brooks, of Freeport, were shooting rabbits near Central

Grove. Crocker had shot four and had them in his belt. Brooks saw the rabbits dodging through the bushes attached to Crocker's belt and fired, the shot penetrating Crocker's limbs. He was placed on a team and carried to his home in Freeport. Dr. Bishop was summoned. He will probably recover.

Claud Bishop, the twelve year old twin son of Geo. Bishop, fishery inspector, had his face badly injured Christmas eve while playing with powder.

The funeral was held this afternoon of the late Wm. G. England, who died at his home in the Haquette Wednesday, aged 59 years. He had always led a Christian life and was highly respected by his large circle of friends. He was the eldest son of the late Rev. James England. He is survived by a widow, four brothers, Rev. E. Methodist clergyman in New Glasgow; Rev. E. B. in New Jersey; James, in Boston, and Edwin, in Halifax, and three sisters, Miss England, who is at present in Digby; Mrs. Craig, wife of Rev. John Craig, of Lunenburg, and Mrs. Brunyate, wife of Rev. Mr. Brunyate, of New Jersey. Interment was made in the Methodist cemetery, Sydney Street.

The new government breakwater has been completed at Tiverton and will probably be inspected Monday by Government Engineer Dore. This wharf was built under contract by Messrs. Hayden & Oliver of Digby. It is a solid structure well built on a foundation of 30 feet wide with inclined soil 100x10 feet, on the south side. There is 13 feet of water at the end of the pier during the lowest tides. The contractors have given the public a good job and the government's grant of \$17,000 has been well expended.

Capt. Chipman and wife were married Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. McKay at the home of the bride, in Sandy Cove, Wednesday evening, the ceremony being performed by Rev. R. D. Mack in the presence of a large number of invited guests. Capt. Saunders is well known among the Digby yachtsmen, having been in charge of the Commodore Robinson's sloop "Vald" during the summer of 1902.

The Valley Telephone Co. have been making valuable improvements on their Point Prim line, which gives at present a good service.

Schrs. Seabird, Rev. Geo. W. American, fishing schooner, has gone into winter quarters at Granville.

Bark Enterprise, which had been on Digby nearly two weeks, was sold to the Bear River for Buenos Ayres, sailed Wednesday night.

Schrs. J. W. Cousins is fitting for the haddock fishery and will be in charge of Capt. Arthur Casey.

Schrs. Trillix has gone into winter quarters in Westport.

Steam Sloop Anna & Lizzie, of Portland (Me.), is at Westport for lobsters.

Schrs. Will o' Wisp had a narrow escape of being wrecked while entering Westport harbor Wednesday night in command of Capt. Crosby. She mistook by an anchor was let go which held her just clear of the rocks. The vessel was not reached here and brought the vessel to a safe anchorage.

Luke Gaudet, of New Brunswick, Digby county, met with a serious accident Friday night cutting a tree. It slipped off the stump, breaking his leg a few inches above the ankle. It is thought his foot will have to be amputated.

## HALIFAX.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. Adams, wife of Jonathan Adams, the well known express man, dropped dead at her home here Saturday afternoon. Decatur was forty-two years old, was apparently in the best of health when she fell. She was the wife of a well known and successful business man.

Halifax experienced a cold snap Saturday and Sunday morning. The cold was the season. The weather continued cold today and this evening snow is falling.

## PARRSBORO.

Parrsboro, N. S., Dec. 28.—In the midst of Christmas activities at Port Greville, William Graham, prominent citizen of the place, was taken ill and after about 24 hours of intense suffering, passed away, leaving many sorrowing ones to mourn their loss.

Mrs. Gilmore, of St. John, and Mrs. Black, of Amherst, are spending the holiday season at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis S. Jenks.

Misses Lodge are celebrating St. John's day by holding an at-home this evening.

A large number of guests are out and a very pleasant time is anticipated.

## MILVILLE SCHOOL CLOSING.

Milville, Caledon county, Dec. 21.—Some thirty parents and friends attended the public semi-annual examination of the Milville school, which was held on Tuesday, Dec. 15th.

After a thorough review of the work of the term in the different classes, a well selected programme was carried out. The pupils acquitted themselves both in the review of the work of the term, and in the different parts of the programme in a manner which reflected much credit on the teachers, John M. Keefe and Lizzie Lockard.

Much to the disappointment of parents and pupils Mr. Keefe is not to take charge of the school for the ensuing term, as he is to take a partial course at the Fredericton High school, preparatory to entering the University of New Brunswick. He leaves with the best wishes of all.

## Dr. Allison's House Damaged by Fire.

Sackville, Dec. 24.—What might have been a very disastrous fire broke out this morning in a room in the rear of the second story of Dr. Allison's cottage. The alarm was given promptly, however, and the fire brigade quickly made its appearance. Thanks to the good water system the fire was soon under control, though with the exception of two rooms the house was thoroughly soaked with water. All the furniture, etc., was got safely out of the house. Some of the books were slightly damaged with water after being taken outside. The fire was due to a defective fuse. Everything was well insured.

"My family," said the self-confessed black sheep, "is famous for its having descended from famous ancestry. And I better myself that I have descended farther than any of the rest."—Baltimore American.

**Nearly A "Century" Run**

**Johnson's LINIMENT**

It is the oldest and the most famous liniment in the world. It is the best of all remedies for rheumatism, neuralgia, bronchitis, grippe, lumbago, sore muscles, all pain and inflammation in any part of the body. Take internally or use externally. 25 cents and 50 cents.

J. S. JOHNSON & CO., 18 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.

**A Rubber Tale**

(Continued)

Ready For Export

To prepare rubber for export to the Granby Factory in Canada, the sap is solidified by heat. A long piece of wood, with a clay mould on one end, is dipped into the juice and then dipped into the mould and round in the vapor of burning palm nuts. As soon as one layer of the milk has dried, the mould is again dipped in and again dried. This operation is repeated until the mass weighs from 50 to 100 pounds. This is crude rubber, ready for export. When you wear

**Granby Rubbers**

you wear rubber that had its birth in the trackless forests of South America and through Canadian ingenuity has been transformed into the best, the VERY BEST Rubber foot-wear that is made in any country. —Graceful in Design—Beautiful in Finish—Perfect in Fit. Canadian Winters are hard on rubbers but the people know that

**Granby Rubbers wear like iron.**

**CURED BY LORENZ METHOD. THE METAPEDIA BRIDGE**

St. John Boy's Christmas Joy is Enhanced.

Went to Montreal Where Dr. Armstrong Successfully Performed Operation after Manner of the Noted Austrian Specialist.

Few Christmas gifts have been received in this city more acceptable than which has come to the young son of James Bond, the Mill street barber.

A year ago his plight was pitiful. He was obliged to wear steel supports, because of his feet, and walking was a matter of considerable difficulty. Soon he was able to walk with as great freedom as any boy, thanks to treatment recently received in a Montreal hospital.

The lad, several months ago was examined by a local physician who advised that he be taken to Montreal. This was done, and an operation was performed by Dr. Armstrong who adopted the method lately introduced and practiced so successfully by Dr. Lorenz, the famous Austrian specialist.

A plaster of Paris encasement was applied immediately after the operation, and worn for several months. The little fellow has been home several days, and is now in position to enjoy the benefits of his successful treatment.

**Take Your Chances.**

If you have a chance, embrace it. Don't let it pass you by. If a doubt arises, efface it. You can't do more than try.

If you've spent the word to Dearest Just come out prompt and mellow. It is the best way and the fairest. I'd chance the other fellow.

If you wait until tomorrow To lift burdens of today, You will find the added sorrow Makes more difficult your way.

Should you have a chance, by kindness To lift a fallen one, Don't suffer stroke of blindness Till the deed of Mercy's done.

Have you a quarrel to settle? Most is very opportune. Don't get upon your nettles. Think you'll wait till afternoon.

Precious moments call for action. Many failures strew the ground. Beware of false attraction. Make your position sound.

There is Might in Resolution. Keep it polished, pure and bright. That vigorous constitution Determines all things right.

It may lay before us, Duty In a comprehensive plan. We will see in chances, beauty That we'll capture if we can.

Xmas 1903. E. SEARS.

The manuscript of Milton's "Paradise Lost" is in the market and will be sold by auction by Sotheby in March unless previously disposed of at private sale.

**Successful Candidates at Late Civil Service Examination**

The following from the Maritime Provinces have passed the civil service qualifying examination:

At Charlottetown: Albert R. Egan, Patrick Lynch, James H. McManis, Daniel A. MacKinnon, Ethel B. MacNeil, C. Grace Morrison.

At Halifax: Annie E. Canavan, Arthur Lovett, George W. Nickerson, Robert B. H. Robertson, Wm. H. Wecker.

At St. John (N.B.): Frank H. Blake, Donald P. Cameron, Joseph R. Conway, George W. Dill, Cyriac J. Dionne, Daniel T. Dwyer, John J. Dwyer, R. S. Ellis, Roy L. Fowler, James C. Henderson, John A. Kane, W. J. MacLean, George H. McKee, A. C. McKee, Michael Morrison, Charles G. Murray, Howard W. Butler, James J. Sugrue.

At the annual meeting of the American Forestry Association held in Washington recently, Gifford Pinchot, chief forester for the United States, E. Stewart, Dominion superintendent of forestry, and Dr. Carleton H. Bean, director of the forestry exhibit of the exposition, were appointed a committee to make arrangements for an international forestry convention to be held at St. Louis during the World's Fair. No date was set for the convention, but it will probably be early in the fall of 1904.

Invitations will be sent to forestry representatives in all countries, and it is expected that this will be one of the most important meetings held during the exposition. The Canadian forestry association will send a good representation.

While at Washington, Mr. Stewart made arrangements to have some of the leading foresters of the United States attend the meeting of the Canadian Forestry Association, to be held at Toronto on the 10th and 11th March.

**Another Cruiser for North Atlantic Squadron**

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 28.—The British government has decided to add another cruiser, the Brilliant, of 3,500 tons to the British squadron on this station. This was continued in advices received here today.

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