vited fourteen young ladies, who in turn will give an entertainment of some kind and invite others. The idea is an excellent one and the proceeds will be most welcome to the library fund.

Mr. W. F. Todd, M. P., and Mrs. Todd came from Ottawa on Saturday, summoned home by the death of their little grandson, Weldon Marks Mills. They returned to the capital on Monday.

Miss Nellie Berryman very pleasantly entertained the reading club of which she is a member at her home on Tuesday evening.

Mr. John Black, jr., is home for a short vacation before leaving for his new position as accountant in the branch of the Bank of British North America in Ottawa, and is most cordially welcomed by hosts of friends. Mr. Black has been in Weymouth (N. S.) recently visiting his sister, Mrs. G. Douglass Campbell.

Miss Edith Newnham, who has been for the past three years assistant superintendent at the Newport Hospital in Newport (R. I.), is expected home next week for a much needed rest and vacation from her arduous duties, and will probably remain during the winter, much to the delight of her family and friends.

Surveyor-General Grimmer arrived from England on Saturday and received a cordial welcome home from his friends. Mrs. Grimmer went to St. John to meet and return home with him.

Very sadly the friends of Mr. and Mrs. N. Marks Mills gathered at their home on Saturday afternoon to attend the funeral services of their little son, Weldon Marks, who after an illness of two weeks passed away on Thursday last. He was only two years of age, a dear, interesting little child, and his early death is a crushing sorrow to his parents. The funeral service was read by Rev. R. L. Slogett, of At. Anne's church, Calais, and Rev. Craig Nichols, of Trinity church, St. Stephen. The flowers sent in tender sympathy by friends were lovely and most appropriate.

Miss Verna Brown, of Fredericton, has been the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. P. M. Abbott, during the past week.

Miss Bessie Grimmer, of St. Andrews, was the guest of Miss Lois Grimmer for a brief visit last week.

Mrs. James Bateman, of London (Eng.), is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Walter L. Grimmer and Mrs. Bertram Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Martin Merriman were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Clarke and on Thursday last Mr. and Mrs. Clarke spent American Thanksgiving day at Campobello with Mr. and Mrs. Merriman.

Miss Margaret Black entertained the whist club last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverley Lank, of Campobello, have been guests of Mr. Henry E. Hill during the week.

Mrs. W. Trott King has returned from a visit in Bangor and other American cities.

Mrs. Kate Armstrong has gone to Hot Springs, Virginia, for the winter.

Miss Grace Stevens has gone to Woodstock to visit her sister, Mrs. J. Rankine Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Gillespie spent American Thanksgiving day in Princeton, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Eaton.

A very excellent entertainment taken from Mother Goose was given in Elder Memorial hall on Tuesday evening. It was arranged by Misses Elsie Lawson, Edith Stevens, Josephine Campbell and Annie Young, and has received much pleasant comment by all who were present.

Miss Emma Lord and Mrs. Stephen Gardner are visiting Brunswick (Me.)

Miss Margaret Duren's friends welcomed her home to Calais last week after a long visit spent on a ranche in Colorado, where she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Eaton.

Mrs. Frederick Ham's friends are very glad to hear she is improving rapidly from the effects of an operation she was obliged to undergo in Boston, and they hope for a full and speedy recovery.

Mr. J. Edwin Ganong was in Boston last week for a brief visit.

The sudden death on Wednesday of Mr. Samuel Craig was heard with genuine sorrow by his friends and those who knew him. He was most highly esteemed and an excellent citizen. He leaves a daughter, Miss Cecelia Craig, and a young son George to mourn the loss of the kindest of friends. His wife passed away only a few months ago. The funeral service, conducted by Rev. W. C. Goucher, of the Baptist church, was held on Friday afternoon. The interment was in the Rural cemetery.

The Right Rev. Bishop Codman of Maine administered the rite of confirmation in St. Anne's church, Calais, on Sunday. During his stay in Calais he was the guest of Rev. R. L. and Mrs. Sloggett at St. Anne's church rectory.

Mrs. Charles E. Swan gave a family dinner party at her home in Calais on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. John P. Nason gave a delightful evening of bridge at her home on Rose avenue on Tuesday evening, to entertain the ladies who were her neighbors during the summer months at the river side fort, Champlain. These little reunions of friends are very pleasant and Mrs. Nason is always a most graceful hostess.

St. Stephen, N. B., Dec. 3—Fire broke out about 2.30 o'clock this morning in the three-story wooden building in Water street, owned and occupied by Amos Mallery. The ground floor contains a bakery, with food sales room, and J. W. Richardson's law office in front. The east side of the second story is occupied by Mr. Mallery as a dwelling and the west side by Michael Walsh. The tenement occupied by Mr. Walsh and the bakery were considerably damaged. The damage to the building is probably $1,500, partially covered by insurance. Considerable stock was destroyed, but there was no insurance. Mr. Mallery, who discovered the fire, was overcome with smoke and was with much difficulty resuscitated. He is fairly comfortable this evening.

A telegram was received here today announcing the death of James Murchie at Grand Rapids (Minn.)) Mr. Murchie was born at Old Ridge, about two miles from town, 65 years ago, where his aged mother and brother, Alfred, now live. Mrs. A. T. Murchie, Mrs. R. W. Dinsmore, of this town, and Mrs. James Eastman, of Minneapolis, are sisters.

ST. ANDREWS

St. Andrews, Dec. 1—Mr. and Mrs. Will McVey spent Sunday in St. Stephen, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McVey.

Miss Helena Rigby returned to Campobello last week after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Rigby.

Misses Portia and Agnes Duston went to St. Stephen on Monday. Their visit here with Mrs. T. T. Odell was very pleasant.

The Women's Sewing Society of All Saints' church held a very successful tea Tuesday in the Sunday school room.

Mr. Vere Burton's condition improves, which to the delight of his many friends in town. Mr. Burton has been a victim of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Charles W. Mallory died on Saturday last, leaving an infant son not a week old. Deceased was highly esteemed, respected and loved by all with whom she came in contact, and her early death cast a gloom over many. She was a bride of a little over one year, and in the twenty-fourth year of her age. General sympathy is expressed for the bereaved husband and relatives. The funeral took place on Monday at 2 o'clock, the Rev. A. W. Mahon conducting the service at the house, assisted by Rev. Mr. Crisp, and at the grave. Interment took place in the rural cemetery. Mr and Mrs. Neil Johnson, of Apohaqui (N. B.), Miss Margaret and Mr. Harry Johnson, of Houlton (Me.), Mr. and Mrs. John Mallory, of Woodstock (N. B.), and Mr. James Mallory, of Toronto, were in town to attend the funeral. The floral tributes from loving friends were very beautiful.

Miss Ida Graham is at home after a lengthy visit in Boston and vicinity among relatives.

Mr. Gus Rigby, who has been suffering from blood poisoning, the result of a cut on his hand, is much better.

Mr. Edward Davis and daughter, Miss Muriel Davis, also Miss Ruth McGibbon, of Woodstock, spent Tuesday in town among relatives.

Mrs. Gus Rigby is discharging the pleasant duty of organist in the Presbyterian church in the absence of Miss Adeline Kerr, who is in Boston attending the Conservatory of Music.

Miss Ross has completely recovered from her recent illness.

NEWCASTLE

Newcastle, Dec. 1—Mrs. David K. Cool, whose father died a few weeks ago, leaves today for Chicago. She has rented her house to Mr. and Mrs. Don S. Grimmer and she and her children will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Oliver Williamson.

Mrs. John Macdonald, of Chatham, spent Wednesday at the Baptist parsonage with Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Cousins.

Frank Hogan, who has been I. C. R. engineer on the Drummond line six months, has been transferred to the Newcastle-Moncton section.

Mrs. Thomas Scott, of Dalhousie, spent several days last week with Mrs. Henry Ingram.

John Duthie, of McKinleyville, removes this week to the state of Washington.

Wm. J. Keys, formerly of Redbank, is home on a visit after ten years in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan J. Wheeler, of Fredericton, have returned home after a month's visit to the Misses Wheeler.

Mrs. George DesBrisay and little son, Max, went to Winnipeg this week to join Mr. DesBrisay there. The DesBrisay house here has been bought by Charles Maroney.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Aitken returned from Montreal on Saturday. They had been absent some time visiting their son, W. M. Aitken, who was about to leave for his new home in London Eng.) and their daughter, Miss Annie, superintendent of Rutland (Vt.) General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason Betts have a baby daughter.

Miss Kate Dunn, of Newcastle, daughter of Mrs. James Gillis, of Redbank, and Mr. Martin Murphy were married in the Roman Catholic church here on Wednesday last week by Rev. Father Dixon. Miss Sadie Bernard, of Newcastle, and John Arseneau, of Redbank, attended. The bride was handsomely dressed in brown broadcloth, with hat to match. A reception was held in the evening at the residence of the bride's mother.

Miss Minnie Pearl Ingram, daughter of Contractor and Mrs. Henry Ingram, who has been accepted as a student nurse at Toronto General Hospital, left for Toronto on Monday night, followed by the best wishes of very many friends, a great crowd of whom were at the station to bid her good-bye and God-speed. Miss Ingram, before her departure, received many gifts that showed her wide popularity and the appreciation with which she is regarded among her acquaintances.

SHEDIAC

Shediac, Dec. 2—Mrs. A. J. Tait entertained the ladies of the Methodist Sewing Circle on Thursday afternoon. The ladies are working hard for their annual Christmas sale of fancy work.

Mrs. C. J. Webster entertained the Ladies' Bridge Club very pleasantly on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Eliza Douglass has returned to her home in Buctouche, after a few weeks' visit to friends in town.

Mrs. W. Avard has been confined to her home for some days owing to a severe cold.

Miss Bowness, of Summerside, paid a short visit to town last week, being called by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. Fred Inglis, whose condition is at present more favorable.

Miss Emma Baker, Ph. D., of Mount Allison Ladies' College, Sackville, spent Sunday in town, the guest of Mrs. George Steel at the Methodist parsonage.

Miss May Harper returned on Thursday from a month's visit to Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Harper, of Riverside, Albert county. Miss Harper was also the guest of Mrs. H. S. Bell, of Moncton, for a few days while on her way home.

Miss Hazel Palmer returned home last week from a visit to St. John and Fredericton friends.

Mr. James Mills, of Shediac Cape, has moved into town and has rented a house on Queen street.

Rev. Geo. Steel returned home on Friday from a short trip to Prince Edward Island.

Mrs. S. C. Charters, of Pt. du Chene, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. S. Black, of Sackville.

Miss Bessie Wortman visited Moncton on Thursday.

Mr. J. W. Wortman is confined to his home from the effects of a heavy cold.

Miss Hazel Tait is the guest of Sackville friends.

Miss Lena Tait was among the guests present at the at home given by the Eclectic Society of Mt. Allison, Sackville, on Friday evening last.

Mrs. Herbert Dernier and child are the guests of Mrs. Dernier's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wilbur, Shediac Cape.

CHATHAM

Chatham, Dec. 1—The young ladies gymnasium class of the Y. M. C. A. provided a somewhat novel form of entertainment at the association's rooms on Thursday last in the shape of a "progressive" tea, the feature of which was that all those partaking of the meal, ate the various courses at different tables. About 150 persons were present and upwards of $30 was realized in aid of the association's funds. Later in the evening a ball game was played between a team of the young ladies and the directors, which resulted in a victory for the former by a score of [illegible] to 9.

On Friday a very pleasant evening was spent by upwards of 100 ladies and gentlemen at the Town Hall, when a programme comprising some twenty-one dances was most successfully carried out. The arrangements were in charge of a select committee, and the duties of honorary secretary were most efficiently performed by Mr. Michael Morris. Mrs. Donald Fraser, Mrs. A. P. Williams, Mrs. J. J. Neeley and Mrs. Henry Morris acted as chaperones. At midnight supper was served, and during the evening two vocal solos were given by Mr. Chas. K. Sherman, which were thoroughly enjoyed. Several visitors were present from out of town districts.

Mr. Chas. McIntyre, who for the past eight months has acted as editor of the Commercial, left here on Saturday for Winnipeg to take up the duties of editor of a trade journal in that city. Both he and Mrs. McIntyre made many friends during their residence here, who wish them every success in their new home. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter entertained some friends on Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre prior to their departure for the west.

Mr. John O'Connor, who had been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Craig, returned home to St. John on Monday.

Mrs. Philip Barry has returned home from Bathurst.

Mrs. Harold Logan, of Gibson, is spending a few days in town.

Ian McLean returned home Saturday, after several weeks spent up north.

Miss Pearl McNaught has gone on a trip to Campbellton.

Miss Kethro, of the local telephone exchange, has returned to her duties, after a short visit to friends at Newcastle.

Mrs. Bert Haines and her little son, of Moncton, are visiting friends in town.

Mrs. Allison and two children, of Boston, are visiting at her old home here.

The dramatic club is very busy rehearsing the play "The Heart of a Hero" which they hope to present to the public about Dec. 15.

Considerable surprise was caused by the announcement on Saturday last that Miss Angela C. Maher, youngest daughter of the late James F. Maher, and Mr. Edgar E. McDonald, of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, had been married at the Pro-Cathedral, the previous evening. The young people had taken very few of their friends into their confidence, and only immediate relatives were present. The bride was charmingly dressed in a princess gown of old rose broadcloth, with black seal coat and a picturesque beaver hat, and was given away by her brother, Noonan G. Maher. She was attended by her cousin, Miss Mayme Noonan, who wore a very pretty costume of blue broadcloth, with hat to match. The groom was supported by Arthur M. Maher. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride, and later the happy young couple left on the Maritime express to spend the honeymoon in the upper provinces. The bride, who is one of Chatham's well known young ladies, has a lot of friends who are wishing her every happiness.

Mrs. Dick gave a very enjoyable bridge and five hundred party a few evenings ago in honor of her friend, Mrs. Crombie, of Toronto.

Mrs. J. B. Snowball and Miss Snowball are leaving on Saturday for an extended trip to the old country. They will first go to Montreal on a short visit to Mrs. Rawlings, and then proceed to New York, where they will said by the White Star Cedric for Liverpool.

The weekly bridge club met on Tuesday with Mrs. Dick, at Blink Bonnie, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

Mrs. Crombie, who has been visiting the Misses Benson, at Knapp House, will return home to Toronto on Saturday.

During the absence of Mrs. and Miss Snowball in the old country, their house will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Forsythe, of Sussex.

Norman Beveridge, of Millerton, spent Sunday with friends in town.

The rural deanery meeting of the Chatham district was held here Thursday, Venerable Archdeacon Forsythe, of Chatham, presiding. Other clergymen present were Rev. L. A. Foyster, of Bay du Vin; Rural Dean Cecil J. Wiggins, of Sackville, and the pastor, W. J. Bate. The rectors of Richibucto, Harcourt, Derby and Dalhousie were unable to attend. Consequently only routine business was done, the financial apportionments for missionary purposes being postponed. The preacher at last night's services was Rev. L. A. Foyster.

The total contributions Wednesday towards paying off the debt on the rectory were $480.

At the noon hour Wednesday Rev. W. J. Bate entertained at luncheon the visiting clergy, the local choir, church wardens, James Davidson and J. G. Kethro, of Newcastle, and Hon. J. P. Burchill, of Chatham; Col. R. L. Maltby and Hon. Allan Ritchie, of the building committee; Vestry Clerk J. E. T. Lindon, Judge Wilkinson, Organist Mrs. Charles Sargeant, and the Misses Alice Burchill (Nelson) and Goggin and Jeffrey, of Chatham.

Smallpox has been discovered among the Indians of Eel Ground, just above Newcastle. All are to be vaccinated at once. The disease in town is dying out.

Miss Mollie Creaghan has returned from a visit to Montreal and New York.

Before leaving for Chicago Mrs. D. K. Cool received an address and handsome brooch from the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid. Mrs. James Rundle read the address and Mrs. James Falconer made the presentation.

ST. GEORGE

St. George, Dec. 1—The sad announcement that Mr. K. P. Gillmor had passed away on Monday morning at 9 o'clock was heard with surprise and deep regret by all his friends, both old and young. He had reached the age of seventy-three and his genial happy manner and address made him young to every one and esteemed by all. The deceased was a brother of the late Hon. A. H. Gillmor, and leaves his widow and one son, who have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their bereavement.

Miss Maude Dick, who spent the week-end with her mother, has returned to her school in Wilson's Beach.

Mrs. William Mersereau entertained with whist on Monday evening.

Mrs. Frank Murphy is entertaining Mrs. Agnew and her granddaughter, of Red Beach.

The box social with dancing came off on Friday evening last and the committee managing the affair are to be congratulated upon their efforts to give pleasure to their many guests who joined in the gay fantastic. The boxes presented by the ladies were very handsomely decorated with flowers and views.

The young ladies of the Missionary Club of the Baptist church intend holding their Christmas sale in the vestry on Monday evening, Dec. 12.

DALHOUSIE

Dalhousie, N. B., Dec. 1—On Friday last the bachelors and benedicts of the town gave their annual dance in the Masonic hall, and the result must have been gratifying to the promoters, it having been very successful in every way. The hall was very tastily decorated, the prevailing effects being in green and red, with flags and bunting, the whole being a tribute to the trouble taken by a hard-working and conscientious committee, composed of Messrs. H. A. Hilyard, Storer, Clifford, LaBillois and McCoy. The musical programme was supplied by McEachran's orchestra from Chatham. About forty-five couples were present, including a few from Jacquet River and Campbellton, and dancing was enjoyed by all until midnight, when a dainty lunch was served by the committee. After lunch dancing proceeded until 3.30.

The St. John's Literary and Social Club gave a very successful little concert last evening in St. Mary's hall, in aid of their piano fund. The affair was so well patronized the concert will be repeated tonight.

Mrs. S. L. T. Clifford gave a very enjoyable evening for the young folks on Saturday last.

Miss Bessie Stewart, of Moncton, spent a day here last week, visiting her father, Mayor Charles Stewart.

The friends of Miss Susie Scott regretted to learn this week of her sudden illness at the Montreal General Hospital, with appendicitis. The latest word received is that she underwent a successful operation. Mr. T. G. Scott, her father, left on Tuesday morning for Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. George Haddow will leave tomorrow for Toronto, to spend a few weeks with their son and daughter, Rev. Robert Haddow and Mrs. George Keith.

Miss Jean McLatchy, of Campbellton, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in town, guest of the Misses LaBillois.

Miss M. A. St. Pierre, of Fraserville (Que.), spent a week in town visiting Miss L. A. Mercier.

Mr. Harry Ferguson and Mr. Frank Lockhart, of Campbellton, spent Saturday and Sunday in Dalhousie, guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. T. Clifford.

Mrs. T. G. Scott returned on Saturday last from a short visit to Newcastle.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Pallen are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby girl at their home on Monday last.

BATHURST

Bathurst, N. B., Dec. 1—Miss Pauline White, who spent some weeks visiting friends in Halifax, has returned.

Miss Michaud, of St. Flavie, is visiting Mrs. J. N. Michaud.

Rev. J. Ross, general secretary of the Sunday School Association, made an official visit here this week. Rev. Mr. Ross preached at services in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches on Sunday last.

Miss Lemieux, of Campbellton, is visiting friends here.

The marirage of Miss Ella Lloyd Ellis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Pepper, and Mr. Clifford Stanley Williams, of Halifax, is announced to take place during this month.

Mr. Ben Windsor, of New Mills, was some days in town during the week, a guest at the home of his brother, Mr. Geo. Windsor.

The mariage of Miss Ethel Rennie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rennie, and one of Bathurst's most popular young ladies, to Mr. Douglas Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Williamson, will take place before the end of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. James Young, of Caraquet, have come to Bathurst to reside.

DORCHESTER

Dorchester, Dec. 1—Mr. D'Arcy McGrath of P. E. Island, has been in town for a few days the guest of his father, Mr. H. McGrath.

In Fitchburg (Mass.), on Nov. 19, the marriage was solemnized of Miss May C. Wood, daughter of Mrs. W. D. Wilber, of this place, and Mr. L. W. Aldrich.

Mr. A. A. Allain, of the penitentiary staff, is spending a vacation in Maine.

Miss Blanche O'Brien, of Moncton, was in town over Sunday the guest of Mrs. G. B. Burnett.

The final meeting of the ladies bridge whist club, for the season, was held on Wednesday, at the home of Mrs. J. A. McQueen. Those who made the highest scores and were therefore the prize winners were Mrs. deBlois and Miss Etta Chapman.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Eliza Ruth Hicks, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hicks, to Mr. Harley Adams Clark, of Moncton, and the wedding is to take place on the 6th of this month.

Posters are out for the play, Phyllis the Beggar Girl, which will be given in Hickman's Hall on Monday evening next, by a number of our young people, in aid of the band.

Mrs. de Blois and daughter, Miss Wilhelmina, who have spent some weeks at Mrs. Lockhart's, have removed and taken up their residence in Maplehurst for the winter.

ANDOVER

Andover, N. B., Dec. 1—Mrs. Caroline Armstrong and daughter, Alma, spent Thanksgiving with friends at Fort Fairfield (Me.)

Mrs. James Scott entertained at a small bridge on Friday evening.

Miss Carrie Armstrong spent Sunday at her home in Perth.

Miss Esma Stewart has returned from a pleasant visit at her sister's, Mrs. Fenwick.

On Wednesday morning Custom House Officers Spike and Cameron arrested an Indian, charged with smuggling and seized his horse and wagon.

The friends of Miss Margaret Magill are sorry to hear she is confined to the house with an attack of pleurisy.

The engagement of Miss Beatrice Baird to Mr. Archie Dickinson has been announced. The wedding to take place December 4.

The Book Club of Lower Andover meets with Mrs. Bonnell on Thursday evening.

The "Cheerful Helpers" of Perth met on Friday afternoon in Union Hall, where a sale of fancy aprons was held and a chicken supper served in the evening. The proceeds were for the new Baptist church.

On Tuesday evening the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cameron gave them a surprise party, it being the 50th anniversary of their wedding, and presented the bride of 50 years with a purse of gold. A very delightful evening was enjoyed by all present.

REXTON

Rexton, N. B., Dec. 1—A heavy northeast storm has prevailed here since Friday, but is now abated. Schooner men had much difficulty in keeping their vessels at the wharves on account of the great tide and wind. The schooner Dwina broke her moorings and drifted ashore. In leaving the wharf she fouled the schooner John Millard, breaking the latter's main-boom and chain plates. Captain Arseneau, of the John Millard, narrowly escaped being killed by the mainboom falling close to his head.

A scow loaded with laths at the Swedish Lumber Company's wharf filled and sank, 300,000 of laths were washed off her and drifted about the river. A large number of men are at work today picking up the laths.

An unsuccessful attempt was made last night by the tug boat Rexton to float the Dwina, but it is expected she will come off with the first high tide. The schooner John Millard will be repaired and will proceed on her voyage to Charlottetown. All other vessels in port are laid up for the winter. The storm will delay the smelt fishermen in getting to work. The season opens today. A large number will be engaged at the business.

The death of David Dykeman occurred at his home in Upper Rexton on Tuesday. Mr. Dykeman, who was about 84 years of age, was active until a short time before his death. He is survived by his wife, four sons, Edward, David, Charles and Wallace, and one married daughter living at Portland (Me.)

Miss Margaret Anne Chrystal, aged 69 years, passed away at her home in South Branch on Monday after a lingering illness. The funeral took place yesterday morning at South Branch. Rev. Father Lapointe celebrated requiem mass.

The death occurred at Brown's Yard on Tuesday of Robert H. Vanwart, aged 79 years and two months. Deceased came here about 21 years ago from up the St. John river, and made his home for a while with Alexander Robertson at St. Nicholas River. He then purchased a farm at Brown's Yard, where he has since lived alone in a small house. There is another old man living in a shack on the same farm and when Mr. Vanwart became ill he managed to get to this old friend's shack where he passed away after four days illness. Alexander Robertson, of St. Nicholas River, who has always befriended Mr. Vanwart has taken charge of the body and the funeral will take place today. Interment will be at Bass River English cemetery. Deceased has relatives up the St. John River and two brothers living near Boston.

Mrs. J. LeBlanc returned yesterday from a visit to friends at Shediac and Moncton.

Miss Grace Fraser returned yesterday from a brief visit to relatives in Chatham.

Mrs. R. Hutchinson, of Molus River, returned home yesterday from Moncton, much improved in health.

Mrs. A. T. Hatcher is improving after being seriously ill.

Mrs. James Jardine returned this afternoon after a pleasant visit to friends in St. John.

Rexton, N. B., Dec. 2—The smelt fishing season opened yesterday and some very good hauls were made up river. The same buyers will be here that bought here last year, namely, J. D. Irving, W. S. Loggie and E. Paturel.

The funeral of David Dykeman was held here yesterday from his residence at Upper Rexton to the Presbyterian cemetery, where interment was made. Rev. A. D. Archibald officiated. The pall-bearers were Alexander McGregor, John Dixon, James Lawson, James Stymiest, Hugh McGraw, John A. Cameron.

Mrs. H. Hickey, of Upper Rexton, is confined to her room with a severe attack of bronchitis.

Miss Lillian McLellan is recovering from an attack of tonsilitis.

HARCOURT

Harcourt, Dec. 1—Mrs. G. H. Allen and Miss Jessie Dunn returned this week from Sheffield, where they had been attending the funeral of their nephew, the late William Barker. Mrs. Allen has since returned to her home in Dalsousie Jct.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Thurbar, of Millerton, were visiting friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Fearon, on their return from their wedding trip, were guests for a couple of days of Rev. F. H. and Mrs. Thomas.

Gilchrist Allen, student of Mount Allison, spent a few days with relatives in this village.

Master Wilfrid Cormier returned this week from Moncton hospital, where he had been taken for medical treatment.

Oswald McAulay returned this week from Campbellton, where he has been spending the past two months.

On Tuesday evening, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Girvan entertained very pleasantly a number of friends at bridge whist.

Miss Alice McLeary visited friends in Moncton this week.

Messrs. W. W. Cumming and W. F. Buckley returned on Monday from a two days' hunting trip, having succeeded in bringing down a moose and a deer.

ST. MARTINS

St. Martins, Dec. 2—Mrs. Burnett has returned from Sussex, where she has been spending a few days.

Miss Hattie Mosher left on Thursday for St. John, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Ralph White.

Miss Villa Hodsmyth has returned home from Boston, where she has been spending several weeks.

Mrs. Fred Anderson, of Campbellton, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson.

Mr. Hazen, of St. John, manager of the B. N. A. Bank, was registered at the Wishart House this week.

Mr and Mrs. Alex. Long, of Norton, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Manford Schoaler.

Fred Cochrane is spending a few days in St. John.

RIVERSIDE

Riverside, Dec. 1—John A. McClelan has purchased a building lot from ex-Governor McClelan on the corner of Main and Church streets, opposite the Catholic church.

Mrs. M. B. Dixon has returned from a visit to friends and relatives in Fredericton.

The lumber cut in this section of the province during the winter will be quite extensive. McClelan Bros. have purchased the logs on the properties owned by Jonathan Robinson and Mrs. James Turner in Harvey and have men at work there. McClelan Bros. also have crews at work in New Ireland and at Waterside.

Rev. W. J. and Mrs. Kirby entertained the teachers of the Consolidated School at a 6 o'clock dinner on Wednesday.

RICHIBUCTO

Richibucto, Dec. 1—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Storer, who have been spending the past five months here, left on Thursday for their home in Brooklyn (N. Y.) Mr. Storer proposes building a bungalow next summer on his recently acquired property.

Robert Johnson, of Loggieville, arrived last week to look after A. & R. Loggie's smelt business during the coming season.

Douglas Wilson, of Bass River, has been engaged as farm superintendent by R. O'Leary. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson will occupy the attractive residence recently erected by Mr. O'Leary.

Robert Phinney and W. D. Carter arrived home on Saturday from their trip to the west.

J. P. Woods, engineer of the public works department, was in town last week in connection with the Cape breakwater.

John Graham, who has been seriously ill with blood poisoning, is improving.

Francis Woods arrived home from Boston last Thursday.

Robert Irving arrived home on Monday from Jacquet River.

The death of James Callendar occurred on Saturday evening at Callendar's Beach, Kouchibouguac, after a lingering illness. He was in his eightieth year, was much respected and had many friends. The funeral took place on Monday, the services at the house and grave being conducted by Rev. A. D. Archibald, assisted by Grover Livingston.

A movement is on foot to secure "local option" for the parishes of Richibucto and Wellington.

George McKinnon, of Bathurst, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Gregory McKinnon.

Rev. W. A. Ross, field secretary for the N. B. & P. E. I. Sunday School Association, will be in this county Dec. 12—16, to take a prominent part in the parish convention.

The death of Mrs H. D. O'Leary occurred at her home at the North End on Sunday morning, after a lingering illness of consumption. She is survived by her husband and six young children, besides other relatives. She was a faithful wife and a loving mother, and will be much missed. The funeral was held on Tuesday morning from St. Aloysius church, Rev. J. J. McLaughlin officiating.

WESTFIELD

Westfield Beach, N. B., Dec. 3—Jack Campbell, of Black's Harbor (N. S.), spent a few days recently the guest of his parents here.

Mrs. L. Lingley was in St. John on Friday.

E. Dunham, of Norton (N. B.), spent a few days here recently.

Miss Ada Campbell, of St. John, is spending a few days here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Prime, of St. John, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Prime on Friday.

Miss Annie Gilliland is spending a few days in St. John.

Mrs. McCordock was in St. John on Friday.

About thirty young people from here, chaperoned by Mrs. R. Peer, attended the dance at Welsford (N. B.), on Tuesday evening. Among the number were Misses Grace Lingley, Helen Hayter, Annie Gilliland, Rene Stevens, Sylvia Steeves, Jennie Smith, Lou Caulfield, Sadie Lingley, Lois Lingley, Myrtle Porter, Ella Finley; Messrs. Jack Kirkly, Willie Porter, W. Emery, Bert Flewelling, M. Armstrong, W. Keating, C. Lingley, Steen Lingley, Frank Gilliland and Kaye Burgess.

The Westfield Glee Club met at Mrs. Seth Prime's Thursday evening.

A public meeting was held in the Agricultural hall at Westfield last evening by the L. O. Lodge members. Speeches were made by Rev. Mr. Colston, of Welsford (N. B.), and Mr. Jenkins, of St. John. Fred Hamm, of Grand Bay, was in the chair. At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was tendered to the speakers by the members of the order.

PARRSBORO

Parrsboro, Dec. 2—Mr. Charles Smith, of Amherst, was in town last week visiting his daughter, Mrs. Clarence Fullerton.

Messrs. J. Newton Pugsley and B. L. Tucker have returned from Winnipeg.

Mrs. C. B. Whidden returned to Wolfville on Tuesday after having spent a week with her sister, Mrs. A. E. MacLeod.

Mr. Hilton, who has been in Winnipeg for the past three months, arrived home on Monday.

Miss May Hillgrove went to Amherst on Monday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. Cullen.

Mrs. C. E. A. Beverley has gone to Truro to visit her daughter, Mrs. Durant.

Mr. A. H. Hatfield, of Toronto, and Captain and Mrs. Herbert McDougall, of Winnipeg, are in town, having been called here by the illness of Mr. Moses Hatfield.

Mr. Michael Cahill, who was stricken with paralysis on Friday, was taken to Highland View Hospital, Amherst, by his son, Mr. Christopher Cahill, on Tuesday.

Miss Clarke, who has been in town visiting her sister, Mrs. Ackerley, has returned to Pugwash.

Rev. Wm. Suckling, of Granville Ferry, will conduct the services in St. George's church on Sunday.

The ladies of St. James' Presbyterian church held a very successful tea and fancy sale in McDonald's hall on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Muriel Johnson, the little daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson, had the misfortune to fall from a wagon on Wednesday of last week and break her arm.

Capt. Cook spent the latter part of last week in Wolfville.

MONCTON

Moncton, Dec. 1—Mrs. P. S. Enman left on Tuesday for her home in Port Elgin, after spending a few days in town, the guest of Dr. G. T. and Mrs. Smith.

Dr. George W. Tingley, of Boston, is spending a couple of weeks in town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tingley.

Mr. R. M. Boyd, of the staff of the Royal Bank, is spending a vacation with friends in P. E. Island.

Hon. C. J. Osman, of Hillsboro, spent Monday in town en route to Cape Breton.

Mr. Leo McCourt has gone to Charlottetown to spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. McCourt.

Mrs. McCurdy, of Truro, and Miss Bayne, of Toronto, are the guests of Mrs. James A. Bayne. On Friday Mrs. Bayne was at home in honor of her guests. Mrs Sinclair and Miss Crockett served.

Miss Annie Burns is the guest of friends in Amherst.

Mrs. C. B. Record has returned to her home in Dorchester after a pleasant visit with friends in the city.

Mrs. R. W. Hewson and daughter, Miss Kathleen, have returned from Dorchester, where they were visiting relatives.

Miss Marjorie Robinson and Miss Nan Chapman, who are students at the Ladies' College at Sackville, spent the week-end at their homes in the city.

Mrs. Joshua Chandler spent part of the week in Dorchester, the guest of Lady Smith.

The Misses Muriel and son, Kinnear, spent part of the week with friends in St. John.

Mrs. Charles D. Thomson announces the engagement of her daughter, Carolyn Louise Thomson, to Mr. George Alexander McKnight, of Fredericton, the marriage to take place early in this month.

Mrs. Fred Tennant entertained at a bridge of nine tables on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Williams won the first prize, a pretty book, and Mrs. Purdy the second, a brass tray. Among the guests were Mrs. J. J. Taylor, Mrs. J. Edward, Mrs. Lee Read, Mrs. C. T. Purdy, Mrs. Wheaton, Mrs. Roy Sumner, Mrs. F. C. Jones, Mrs. L. H. Price, Mrs. W. C. Paver, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Richard Knight, Mrs. J. McD. Cooke, Miss Ella Stevens, Mrs. C. A. Murray, Mrs. B. F. Reade, Mrs. W. A. Ferguson, Miss McDougall, Mrs. Johnston (Calgary), Miss Eunice Welch, Mrs. W. A. Lockhart (St. John), Mrs. Fred Givan, Mrs. E. W. Givan, Mrs. Harris, Miss Rising (St. John), Mrs. H. J. Gordon, Mrs. H. S. Bell, Mrs. E. Taylor, Mrs. Whelpley and Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. Wheaton entertained a few friends at bridge on Friday afternoon, Mrs. J. J. Taylor winning the prize, which was a pretty brass bowl.

Miss Ida McLellan, of Campbellton, is the guest of friends in the city.

Mrs. W. F. Taylor entertained a number of friends on Friday evening in honor of her mother, Mrs. William Bray, it being her eighty-first birthday.

Miss M. McDonald, of Dorchester, spent Tuesday with friends in the city.

Mrs. L. H. Somers entertained the Humphrey Golf Bridge Club on Monday afternoon, when Mrs. J. J. Taylor was the winner of the prize.

Sheriff and Mrs. Willett, who have been residing in Dorchester for some time, have returned to town for the winter and taken rooms at the Brunswick Hotel.

Miss Collings left on Tuesday for her home in Charlottetown, after spending several weeks in town, the guest of Miss Beal.

Miss Jennie McAllister has gone to P. E. Island to spend a few days with relatives.

Mrs. J. J. McDonald has retufned from New York.

Mrs. J. D. Robb and Miss Robb have gone to St. John to spend a few days with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Dav idStewart, of Springhill, spent Wednesday in the city with friends.

An interesting entertainment was given in the vestry of St. John's Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening, when Rev. Mr. MacOdrum gave an address on Scotland, and Scottish songs were given by Mrs. H. L. Crandall, Mrs. F. L. Thompson, Miss Hannah and Mr. J. McDonald. Mr. Ross, organist of the church, presided at the piano.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. James Ward at Sunny Brae was the scene of a pleasant gathering on Wednesday evening, when about fifty relatives and friends assembled in honor of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Ward. The evening was enjoyably spent in congratulating the host and hostess and listening to an informal programme of speeches and music. A purse of $50 in gold was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Ward.