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THEIR CHILDREN

e Address by
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VERY DAY CLUB

People Bestow More At-
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PRISONER IN WATER STREET LOCKUP MAKES 3 DESPERATE ATTEMPTS TO HANG HIMSELF

Crazed with liquor and filled with a determination to take his own life, Patrick Carvill gave Police Sergt. Geo. Baxter a lively hour in the Water street lockup Saturday evening between 6 and 7 o'clock.

Officer Silas Perry, who was doing duty on Mill street, saw the prisoner on Smythe street, near the corner of Mill, and as he was unable to take care of himself, the officer placed him under arrest. A team was then procured and the man hauled to the lockup. Here Sergt. Baxter took him under his care.

Before being placed in a cell the prisoner was carefully searched and his coat, necktie and muffler taken away, as he had been threatening to take his life on the way to the lockup. Sergt. Baxter, thinking that the man was perfectly safe, walked up to Market square. On his return he was standing in front of the old door leading to the lockup when his attention was attracted by a slight noise inside the building. Hastening inside he was horrified to find the prisoner with his suspenders fastened to a bar above the cell door and a noose drawn tightly around his neck. Reaching through the bars of the door, the sergeant broke the suspenders and the man fell to the floor like a log, his eyes bulging out and his tongue hanging out to the fullest extent. After working with the prisoner until he recovered consciousness, the sergeant removed the suspenders and closing the door, waited outside to see if any further attempts were made. His wait, however, was of short duration, for just as soon as the prisoner believed he was alone he stripped off his shirt and making a noose with a sleeve, repeated his former operation. This was done so quickly that before the sergeant could enter the cell the man was again unconscious. This garment was then taken away, but the prisoner was not to be so easily stopped and when he thought the officer had departed, removed his trousers and started in to repeat the same performance. The sergeant was too quick for him, however, and relieved him of his last garment. Sergt. Baxter was of the opinion that the man's resources were at an end when he discovered him hastily unlacing his boots in a mad endeavor to obtain a shoelace with which he hoped to complete him rash work. These he would not give up without a struggle and it was only the great strength of Sergt. Baxter which saved the man from destroying himself.

The sergeant stated to The Sun last night that his prisoner put up one of the stiffest scraps he has witnessed in some time, and although he had no difficulty in handling him a less powerful man might have had his work cut out for him.

When asked by the sergeant the reason for wishing to destroy himself the man said that he wished to die the death of Robert Emmett and not disgrace Ireland by being locked up.

After every particle of clothing had been removed from the body of the prisoner he endeavored to kill himself by butting his head against the bars, and failing to accomplish the desired end in this manner he tried with his own hands to choke himself to death.

The police kept watch over him, however, until the effects of the liquor had died away and the would-be suicide finally quieted down.

He will face Judge Ritchie today on the charge of drunkenness and to the amount of his fine 25c. will be added for cartage.

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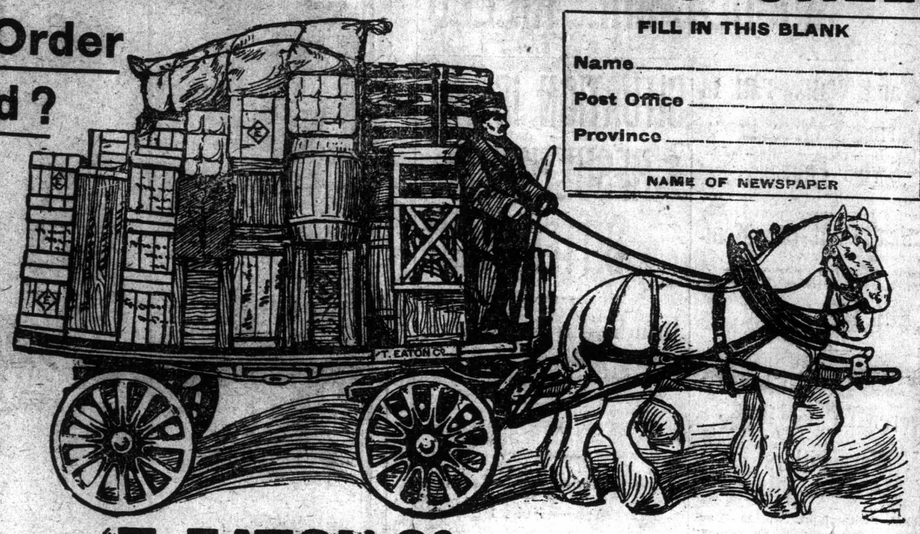

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NEW BRUNSWICK NEWSLETS

JEMSEG.

JEMSEG, Jan. 8.—On the 6th inst. Miss Beth Miller, Miss Lottie Dykeman and Miss Alma Balmain, all of Queens Co., went to Wolfville to attend Acadia Seminary. We trust these young ladies will bring credit to our county by a first class record in the seminary.

John McNamara and daughter left on Thursday morning for home after attending the session of the district lodge.

A. Purdy is spending the week in the city, having gone there in company with his son, Ernest Purdy, and daughter of Whatcom, state of Washington.

Miss Gertie Titus of Lower Jemseg, who has for several months been visiting friends in New York, is reported as intending to return home again in the early spring.

Ernest Colwell, son of Dr. J. C. Colwell, is in San Francisco, where he has been for the last twelve months. He is learning the business of merchant tailoring and is much pleased with his present outlook.

Bruce Colwell, son of C. J. Colwell, who went West about a year ago, is in Seattle, state of Washington. He is manager of a car stable of the Tram Car Company and is doing well.

E. Wright of Mill Cove is visiting friends at Jemseg and Lower Jemseg. His son, Rainsford, lives at the former place, and his brother, Deacon David Wright, and his son, Arthur, live at the latter place.

This morning the following left for St. John: E. P. Dykeman of the firm of J. Clark & Son, Mrs. Wm. Ferris, Miss Dollie Purdy and some others.

Aden Little, who has been visiting his mother here for a few days, has returned to Chipman, where he is working.

H. Dunstead has returned to his home in Boston after a brief visit to his home here.

The new organ has arrived and was installed in the church on Saturday evening. It seems to be giving good satisfaction and has a very neat appearance.

The concert of Llewelyn Lodge netted $12.25.

The sewing circle will meet at Mrs. C. G. Colwell's on the 7th. No doubt some conclusion will be arrived at concerning the new organ.

The baptism on Sunday, Jan. 3, drew people from many places. The congregation was very large, including people from Lower Jemseg, Lower Cambridge, Upper Gagetown, Lower Hampsted, White's and Mill Cove, etc.

A meeting was held on Monday evening at the home of F. A. Fownes.

The Jemseg school opened under the management of Miss Ruth Belyea. Miss Belyea has taught here on a former occasion with much acceptance and is welcomed back again by all.

After a prolonged illness, which at times seemed almost if not quite hopeless, we are glad to see Miss Ollie Mott able to be out again. She has been much missed in Central and Lower Cambridge.

Immense qualities of hay are still being hauled across the Jemseg from the intervales. This firm condition of the ice is very fortunate for those interested, as the winter bridge bids fair to occupy its present comfortable bed in the frozen mud until the spring freshet comes.

Isaac Gunter is so far recovered from the effects of his recent accident as to be able to attend church again, having been present at the conference of the church on Saturday last, Jan. 2nd.

L. R. Hetherington, principal of the grammar school, Richibucto, is visiting his parents at Washademoak. He is accompanied by Mrs. Hetherington. They have just returned from visiting Mrs. H's parents at Hartland, Mr. and Mrs. George Watson. Mr. H. visited the District Lodge, I. O. G. T., which met at Jemseg on the 30th ult. He delivered a very interesting and instructive address at the public meeting in the evening. He is grand secretary for New Brunswick and an active and influential temperance man.

Miss Myrtle Gunter of White's Cove takes charge today of the school at Upper Gagetown.

Miss Nida Purdy, teacher of the school of Young's Cove, has returned to her school after spending the Christmas vacation with her parents in Jemseg.

Petitions are being circulated through this region of country praying the local government to build a permanent bridge over Jemseg Creek at Upper Jemseg. We trust these petitions will be universally signed, as it must surely be for the benefit of the entire country side that this should be done as speedily as possible.

Miss Beth Miller returned to Acadia Seminary on Wednesday, 6th instant. She left home on Tuesday and spent the night with her sister, Mrs. F. E. Nelson, 50 Mecklenburg street, St. John.

A. Purdy, of Upper Jemseg, has returned from a week's visit to relatives and friends in the city, among others his daughter, Mrs. E. P. Dykeman of Douglas avenue.

REXTON.

REXTON, Jan. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Dr. H. C. Mersereau entertained a number of friends at a very enjoyable skating party on Thursday evening, the end of the old year. The company assembled at Mrs. Mersereau's at 8 p. m. and then went to the rink, where skating was indulged in until 10 o'clock. An interesting feature of the affair was a skating race, the prize for which was carried off by Miss Nellie Lanigan. The guests then returned to Dr. and Mrs. Mersereau's home, where a delicious luncheon was served and games and other amusements were enjoyed. Among those present were Misses Caulie McInerney, Nellie Lanigan, Maggie Weston, Alice Jardine, Helen Carson, Lou Abbatt, Norma Smith, Jessie Ferguson, Pauline Lennox, Nellie McInerney, Hattie Dixon, Mame Cameron, Dr. Leighton, Thomas Bowser, S. J. Folkins, John Livingston, R. N. Donahoe, Henry Stewart, Will Lennox, S. A. Girvan.

Mrs. T. G. A. Parkes was the hostess at a card party on Tuesday evening, which was greatly enjoyed. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Girvan, Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Mersereau, Mrs. J. H. Abbott, Misses Doherty, Nellie Lanigan, Nellie McInerney, Norma Smith, Jessie Ferguson, Mary Cameron, Lou Abbott, Caulie McInerney, Martha Jardine and Messrs. S. A. Girvan, Dr. Leighton, Dan. D. McInerney, Henry Stewart, R. N. Donahoe, S. J. Folkins, H. B. Curran, Harry Hannay. The ladiess' prize was won by Miss Caulie McInerney and the gentlemen's prize by Harry Hannay.

On Saturday, Dec. 26th, a large gathering of the people of Bass River met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Abel Easter and presented them with a handsome leather covered Morr's chair and a pair of wool blankets. The presentation was made by Wm. Keswick on behalf of the donors, and an address was read by Alexander Firth, after which all present were served with refreshments and a sociable evening was enjoyed by all. The following is the address:

Abel Easter:

Dear Sir—This is the season of festive cheer and good will to man in commemoration of that occasion nineteen centuries ago, when the angels sang "Peace on earth, good will to men." At this season our hearts turn towards our friends, and we realize that we receive the season's blessings even as we extend the cheerful greetings to our neighbors. At this season we seem to prove more strongly than at any other time the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

As we look around Bass River we see landmarks that draw us closer to the place and its people and our pulses quicken and our heart strings are touched as we realize that this is "our own, our native land," and tonight we appreciate the fact that in you, honored sir, and your beloved wife we can link the Bass River past generation with the Bass River of the present generation, and in you we have a tie that binds the present with the past, the living with those who are at rest, and therefore we meet on this occasion to wish you a happy Christmastide, and that the New Year may bring contented peace, and also to present to you this easy chair, in which, we hope sincerely, you may have many restful hours during the remaining period of your life's journey, and the sincere wish of your friends is that you may be permitted to add many years to your four score years and four.

On Thursday evening Rexton Division, Sons of Temperance, elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter: W.P., Geo. Irving; W.A., Miss Greta Curran; R.S., N. Donahoe; A. R.S., Miss Helen Carson; F.S., Miss Kate Doherty; Treas., Mrs. A.D. Archibald; Chap., Rev. A. D. Archibald; Con., Robert Kennedy; A. C., Lillian McLelland; I.S., Robert Harding; O.S., Henry Atkinson.

Misses Clora Palmer, Vera McInerney, Stella Burns, Tillie Roach and Kate Robertson left on Monday for Fredericton to resume their studies at the Provincial Normal School.

Mrs. Richard Edward, her daughters Alice and Bessie, and son Joseph, left on Monday for Lawrence, Mass.

Miss Zepherine DesNoyers of Westfield (Mass.) and Miss Ward of Amherst (N. S.), pupils at St. Louis Convent, visited friends here on Sundya.

Mrs. Harry McDonald returned to her home in Shediac on Saturday after spending a few days visiting friends here.

R. B. Fraser returned to St. Joseph's yesterday to resume his studies.

Miss Sadie Forster returned to Norton, Kings Co., on Saturday to teach.

Wilfred McLean left on Friday for Riverside (Albert Co.) to resume his duties as teacher.

Word has been received here of the death at Lawrence (Mass.) on Dec. 17, of Mrs. Thos. Walsh, after a few hours' illness. Mrs. Walsh was well known here and leaves many friends who regret to hear of her early death. She visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. Richard Elward here on different occasions.

On New Year's day a little son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Roberts of Main River, met a tragic death. A new well had been dug in the yard and was not properly covered, when the little one, who was 2½ years old, went out to play and fell into the well. Before help arrived he was drowned. The funeral was held at Brown's Yard on Saturday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Firth officiated.

More fish are being caught since the recent freshet.

The ice in the river got a bad shaking up and is not fit for crossing on below the bridge. A good deal of damage has been done throughout the county. The steel bridge at Kouchibouguac has been carried away and a quantity of lumber carried off both at Buctouche and Kouchibouguac.

Miss Emma Short of St. John, who has been visiting Miss Helen Carson, returned home on Monday.

Miss Mary McLean returned to Charlo (Restigouche Co.) on Saturday to resume her duties as teacher.

Miss Archibald of Campbellton has taken charge of the school at Big Cove.

R. B. Masterton has returned to Havelock (Albert Co.) to resume his duties as principal of the superior there.

NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Jan. 9.—Mrs. James Troy has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. A. E. G. MacKenzie of Campbellton. John Troy has returned to his studies at the Toronto Pharmaceutical College.

Osborne N. Brown has returned this week to McGill University.

Miss Fish has resumed her teaching duties in Woodstock.

Hon John Morrissy left on the 7th instant for St. John.

Wilfrid Reid returned this week from a visit to his sisters, Mrs. Coldwell of New Carlisle, and Mrs. R. A. MacMillan of Charlo.

Miss Ella Vickers of Blackville spent last week with her sister, Mrs. M. M. Close of Millerton.

Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers of Bedeque, P.E.I., and their son Simon of McGill, spent the holiday with Mrs. S. J. Macarthur at the Manse.

Miss Laura Johnston attended the wedding of her brother, W. M. Johnston, in Fredericton on New Year's Eve.

Miss Evans returned this week to her home in Shediac.

Ald. McMurdo and Clarence Miller visited relatives in Campbellton last week.

Miss May Gilmore of Chatham is the guest of Miss Winifred Whalen at the Miramichi Hotel.

W. A. Russel of Shediac visited his sister here last week.

Miss Louise Crocker of Milleton and the Misses Sadie and Frances Fish of Newcastle have returned to the U. N. B.

Misses May Ryan and Stella Flaherty of Chatham spent New Year's here.

Misses Eva and Minnie McMurray and Bella Linden spent New Year's in Moncton.

Dr. Ferguson of Moncton spent Sunday here.

Miss Augusta Cuthbert of Derby has returned to her studies at the Girls' School, Rothesay.

Miss Pearl Forbes has returned from Moncton.

James Ross of Tabusintac spent New Year's with his sister, Mrs. Geo. McCosh.

Miss Jennie Jewett returned on Saturday from her visit to Blackville.

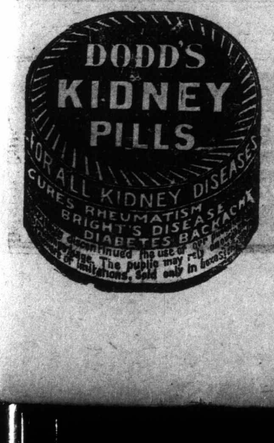
P. F. Morrissy spent his vacation in Belledune.

Hinson Ward of Chatham Junction spent New Year's with his aunt, Mrs. Joseph Jardine.

H. R. Moody spent New Year's with friends in Bridgetown, N. S.

Miss May MacLean is visiting Miss. Somers in Moncton.

Miss Maud Harkan has returned from a week's visit to Campbellton.



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UNION WILL SOON BE BROUGHT ABOUT

Baptists To Meet January 25

MINISTER TALKS

Baptists Will Finally Settle Matter at Gathering.

Though nothing definite has as yet been decided upon it is quite probable that church union will soon be brought about. At the recent meeting of the representatives of the different denominations held in Toronto the question was discussed and was referred to the different denominations to secure their consent.

A prominent Baptist clergyman of this city in conversation with The Sun yesterday regarding the matter, said that the Baptist union committee would meet in Toronto on Saturday, January 23, when this question would come up and upon the decision of the committee would depend the desirability of forming a union with the other denominations.

It is improbable that any local representatives will attend this meeting, but the decision reached will be reported to the various board which it will affect.

There seems to be little doubt in the minds of many that the union scheme will be carried and as there are several important matters to be considered, the sooner complete plans are formulated the better.

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TWO DROWNED WHILE SKATING

TORONTO, June 10.—Taber Company's store, the stone block, post office and eastern Township's Bank office at Taber, Alberta, were burned Saturday. The post office, mails and safe were saved.

While skating at Parry Sound, Saturday night Eli Gibson, aged 19, and Miss Jessie Robertson, skated into an open gap and were drowned. No one saw the accident but search was made when they were missed and the bodies were found with locked arms just as they were when skating.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9.— The will of the late Claus Sprekels was admitted to probate today in the superior court. Claus and Rudolph Sprekels, sons of the testator, were named as executors in accordance with the terms of the document. It was stated that the estate was estimated to have a value of $10,000,000.

MANY ALIVE UNDER RUINS

Still Searching at Messina

THIEVES ACTIVE

Italian Deputies Criticise the Relief Organization in House

MESSINA, Jan. 9.—Balmy weather has prevailed for the past two or three days at this place, and it is a great blessing, making it possible for the troops and survivors of the earthquake to live more or less comfortably in the open. Occasionally there are earth shocks, but the people have become accustomed to them. Two severe shocks on Friday brought down many broken walls in Messina.

General Mazza, who is in supreme command, has adopted stringent measures to protect the people and the people's property. Besides establishing a police service around the city, he has issued orders that any person found excavating without a permit shall be shot. General Mazza's command extends to both sides of the straits. In an interview he said that some semblance of order will at last be re-established. The work is now systematized and the situation, he believed, is well in hand.

"The question of the ultimate rebuilding of Messina," he said, "belongs to the political authorities. My principal energies will be concentrated with those of the authorities at Reggio in getting out the remainder of the wounded, burying the dead and disinfecting the ruins in order to prevent the spread of sickness."

General Mazza explained that the prevention of the looting entailed the most rigorous measures. He declared that under the guise of rescuers many thieves were going about and committing robbery on every hand. He was not able to check this during the first wild confusion, but had succeeded better in the last few days because of the issuance of the following proclamation:

"Crimes against public and private property and acts of pillage which, notwithstanding the active vigilance of the troops, unfortunately, are perpetrated by the worst elements gathered here, induce me to remind the people that the state of siege now ordered subjects those found robbing or carrying off objects from the debris without due authorization to gravest penalties provided by the military code, including death by shooting."

NO PERMITS ISSUED.

General Mazza said further during the interview which he gave just prior to leaving for Reggio, that the efforts of the authorities to clear Messina of refugees and peasants who were swarming in from the interior, did not mean that the city was to be completely evacuated or isolated unless sickness compelled this.

For a time no permits were issued for the right to excavate for property, but today this suspension was removed and 300 permits were issued, but under the strictest safeguards. Owners were required to describe the property they expected to find and all valuables not thus described are held by the authorities until ownership is proved.

Sanitary conditions have been greatly improved, and it is now believed that there is little danger of the spread of disease, disinfectants having been used abundantly. In the great number of deaths, however, that have occurred here, it is impossible to say how many resulted from injury or were due to various diseases.

The American relief ship Bayern, flying the red cross flag, arrived here at sundown on Friday. A small amount of clothing was sent to the American consulate and the remainder of the stores are being distributed to the various ports along the south coast.

One of the relief party on the Bayern, Nelson Gay of Boston, was injured during the voyage to this port, but his injuries are not serious. One of his ribs is fractured.

LIST OF AMERICANS.

ROME, Jan. 10.—United States Consul Bishop, at Palermo has telegraphed the American embassy here, giving the following list of Americans as being safe there:

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Fraser, Miss Grant, Winifield Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox and Dr. Wilcox, Samuel Estoques and wife, Mrs. Doughton and children, Mrs Higgins and F. E. W. Higgins and son, Mrs. Cameron and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Goodwin, Mrs. Nimisk and son, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henderson, Mr. and Miss de Guerina, Mr. and Mrs. K. Rogers, A. Clinton, I. N. Hammingway, P. W Gilbert, Chas Hapgood and wife, Mrs M. E. Williams, Mrs. T. R. Cahora, Miss Beut, Miss Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. and Miss Parks, Mrs. A. E. Jordan, the Misses Eppes, Mrs. Hunt and daughters and Mrs. Breek.

MORE BODIES RECOVERED.

MESSINA, Jan. 10.— The body of Madame Ogston, wife of the British consul at Messina, who, with his daughter, made his escape from the ruins, was found today and delivered to Mr. Ogston's father. The British consul is reported from Palermo, as recovering from his injuries and will probably be able to be removed to London in the next few days.

The living are still being taken from the ruins. Days ago it was thought that all buried under the masses of wreckage must have perished, but several persons taken out on Saturday were found to be in extraordinarily good condition.

British Attache Radcliffe said today that he believed there were many still alive under the ruins. Unfortunately during the past few days the work of searching the ruins has been in a measure abandoned as it was thought impossible that any living remained.

ROME, Jan. 10.—The special meeting of the Chamber of Deputies, which was called to consider the adoption of measures of relief for the devastated provinces of Southern Italy, was marked by eloquent expressions of sympathy and grief over the terrible disaster. The government measures for the relief of the sufferers, which were entrusted to a parliamentary committee, were finally adopted by a vote of 406 to 5. The dissenting voices were greeted with howls and hisses, while prolonged applause followed the announcement of the result.

Some of the members of the chamber, particularly those who participated in the rescue work, criticised the relief organization, especially the decision of the government to entrust it to the military authorities. The proclamation of a state of siege in the stricken zone was demanded on the ground that it contributed to the isolation of towns and villages.

Deputy Felice, whose brother was killed at Messina, shouted during the course of a fiery speech:

"If I had been in charge we would have saved half of Messina."

Premier Giolitti explained that the government adopted measures which were rendered absolutely indispensible by the gravity of the circumstances. He declared that the military authorities never asked that a state of siege be proclaimed, but that it was only thought of when the prefect of Messina notified him that looting had begun on a large scale. It was made necessary by the presence among the ruins of bands of pillagers, and the stringent measures had proved effective.

DERELICT SIGHTED

NEW YORK, Jan 10—The French Line steamer La Bretagne, which arrived from Havre today, reported that on January 7, in lat. 46.57 N., long. 45.11 W., she passed the wreck of a schooner with the name Isabelle Alice painted on her stern. The La Bretagne ran in close to the derelict, but saw no signs of life aboard. No schooner of the name of Isabelle Alice appears in the shipping register. She is believed to have been a French fishing boat.