

Annapolis. Mrs. N. Hardy is on a visit to Bridgewater. Mr. H. B. Atlee arrived home from Halifax on Tuesday. Mrs. H. Andrews, of Halifax, arrived in town on Tuesday. Mr. George E. Corbett and Mr. S. Rippy were in Halifax last week. Miss Chipman, of Clementsport, is the guest of Mrs. Carmon Odell. Miss Margaret L. Wood, of Boston is a guest at the Hillside House. Mayor J. M. Owen was in Halifax last week attending the Supreme Court. Mrs. H. H. McNeil, who has been visiting in Digby, returned home on Saturday. Mrs. C. Sweeney and child, of Yarmouth, are visiting her mother, Mrs. C. Perkins, Hillsdale House. Mrs. T. M. Buckler returned on Saturday from a visit to her former home in Matland, Hants County. Mr. Percy Glavin, of Westport, is now engineer of the ferry steamer, John Hancock, having succeeded Mr. R. Riley. A well attended and interesting meeting of the People's Fish and Game Society was held in the Town Hall on Monday evening last. Mr. Con. Riordan and wife, of Halifax, who have been on a visit to the former's mother, Mrs. Grace Riordan, returned home Thursday. The keel of the new four-masted schooner was laid in the F. W. Pickels Co.'s shipyard last week. It measures one hundred and fifty feet. Mrs. A. Handfield Whitman and family who have been the guests of her parents, Sheriff and Mrs. Gates, returned to their home in Halifax on Monday. County Councillors E. H. Porter, W. C. Healey, Capt. Rawding, and Warden Clark spent Monday afternoon in town on business in connection with County matters. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Hayman, of Stellarton, were in town on Monday on their wedding trip. Alex's many old friends in town were glad to see him again after so long an absence. Mrs. Fred Hardwick and her son, Bernard, leave to-morrow (Wednesday) for Boston where they intend making their home. Mr. Hardwick will join them about the end of this month. The many friends of Mr. Robert Hibbard will be pleased to learn he has so far recovered to return to his employment on the suburban train. Mr. Hibbard has been laid off for the past twelve months. Mr. Resch Burns, who has been teller in this agency of the Bank of N. S., has been transferred to the Digby branch, leaving here Friday morning. Mr. Arthur Amherman now occupies the teller's box in this branch. The Rev. H. R. Grant spoke to a good sized audience in the Academy of Music here last Tuesday evening on "The Temperance Question." Mr. Grant is certainly master of his subject and is a pleasant and entertaining speaker. Conductor Harry Edwards, who was seriously hurt by an accident on the H. & S. W. Railway some time ago, has so far recovered as to be able to leave the Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, and arrived at his home here Friday. The Rev. Father Grace has presented St. Louis R. C. Church with \$1,500 toward the fund for a new church. Father Grace hopes to see the new church completed and looks forward to it as the pleasing ambition of the years before him. This most tangible expression of his desire should certainly spur on his little loyal flock to try and satisfy his wishes. The annual meeting of the Annapolis Royal Tennis Club was held on Friday evening last. The several reports showed the Club to be in a flourishing condition. The membership will be greatly increased this year, and it is proposed to make an addition to the Club House. The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Edgar McCormick; Vice-president, Miss Janette Britain; Secretary-Treasurer, Claude C. King; Field Secretary, Dan Owen. The Tea and Fancy Sale held by the young ladies of the Junior Auxiliary of St. Luke's Church on Friday last was well patronized and was a decided success, the amount realized being forty dollars. The orchestra, under the leadership of Mrs. How, added greatly to the occasion. This new addition to our musical circle consists of violin, cornet, organ, cymbals and kettle drum. We understand that this orchestra will take part in the children's concert to be given in the Mills' Hall, Granville Ferry, next Tuesday evening. Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will all ways cure my coughs and colds."

Bear River. Mr. George T. Tupper went to Brighton on Saturday last. Frank Jones, Esq., went to Meteghan on business last week. Mr. George Rice is home from Dalhousie for his summer vacation. Mrs. Lillian Ruggles went to Annapolis on Friday last to visit friends. Rev. J. A. Corbett's brother from Boston is paying him a short visit. Mr. Charles Banks, of the Union Bank staff, went to Yarmouth last week. Skating in the rink on Monday evening, probably the last skate for the season. S. S. Bear River sailed for St. John on Monday with schooner Neva in tow. Schooner Neva towed to sea on Monday loaded with wood and billing for Boston. C. C. Rice, Esq., of Round Hill visited his mother, Mrs. T. H. Rice, on Friday last. Miss Lennie D. Wade went to St. John on Thursday last to visit friends in that city. Mrs. Charles McBride arrived Saturday from Yarmouth on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Gaius Balcom. Miss Rose Dunn went to Digby for a short time where she will be a guest of her brother, Richard Dunn. Mr. George D. Harris, of Morganville, who has been working at Lenox, New Hampshire, returned home on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Israel Banke and family moved to Rossway on Friday last, where Mr. Banks has purchased a farm. Dr. L. J. Lovett has purchased from W. A. Purdy, Esq., the old tannery grounds on which he has already begun improvements.

Port Wade. Marion, the little child of William McGrath, died on Sunday afternoon. A. B. Kendall is still quite lame, only being able to walk a short distance. The new ferry boat for the Port Wade-Digby service will be launched on Tuesday, April 27. Mrs. James Nelson is still confined to her bed but hopes are entertained for her speedy recovery. William Eaton, of the Hoyt Monument Works, Bridgetown, has been setting some very nice stones here lately. James Farnsworth, of Stony Beach has been doing some plastering and other masonry at the home of Charles Haynes, Victoria Beach. Two of our farmers report a nice flock of young lambs: Charles McWhinnie reports twenty-five, and James Litch fifteen from eight sheep. The Digby merchants are making some overtures to the management of the new ferry service, among them being a free dock and floating slip. They are the people. Our pastor, Rev. J. K. West, administered the ordinance of baptism to seven candidates Sunday morning after which they were cordially welcomed into the Church. Green grass is beginning to show itself in this locality and there is every prospect for early planting. The birds are more numerous than usual, and the frogs are singing their nightly songs in the swamps. No room for the pessimist here. An optical man (?) was doing this locality last week. It is quite possible that the man may have been the genuine article, but of all the fakirs who travel, the eye man is one of the most to be feared, as they usually get five dollars for a twenty-five cent pair of spectacles which does not fit.

Shelby Cove. Mrs. George Austin visited Digby the other day. Squire Wilson made a business trip to Bear River this week. Mrs. Isalah Wilson is at Bear River, the guest of Mrs. Roy Harris. Mr. George Tupper, Collector of Customs, Bear River, visited the Cove last week. Section Foreman McGuire and crew are busy fencing and preparing for the summer's work. Miss Leta Trask, who formerly taught school here, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Sulis. Mr. O. H. Ford unloaded a car of carriages on Tuesday last. He is hustling to dispose of them. Mr. H. J. Sulis has received a cargo of lumber, and he is preparing to put on some operations with his wanted labor. Capt. John Spurr has purchased a gasoline engine for his son, William, who will have a motor boat in commission this summer. Mr. A. H. Weir will have a new gasoline boat in service this summer and he thinks it will clean out anything of its size on the Bay. Miss Frances Austin is advancing her musical pupils at Deep Brook in fine style. Miss Austin is a very efficient and painstaking teacher. Mrs. E. Winchester has been in poor health lately but her friends hope to see her good as new again and able to join in church and other work. Mrs. M. Sulis was in Digby on business a day or two ago. During her absence her store was well looked after by her efficient saleslady, Miss Stella Austin. Miss Sarah Manning, of St. John, visited friends here last week. She taught music here a year or two ago and during her stay made a number of warm friends. Miss Bessie Weir visited friends here on Saturday last. Bessie attended school here a year or two ago, and she is always welcomed on her visits by a score of friends. An adjourned meeting of the Sulis-Potter Cemetery Com ittee was held on Saturday evening last to discuss the matter of fencing the property. Another meeting will be held in May. We have enjoyed the sweets of the sap. They are appearing now, soon it will be the flowers, then the fruit. It is all beautiful, but nothing compared to the beauty of a well-lived life. Mr. Fletcher Adams has started building operations on the Troop place. The plans show a cosy cottage which Mr. Adams will occupy himself. He hopes to have the house ready to move into in the fall. Miss Lillian Winchester is developing into an expert telegraph operator, and as she is an ambitious little girl the probabilities are she will not rest content until she is one of the knights of the wire. The Western Union Telegraph Management is liable to transfer her from Digby any time now. The special meetings in the Baptist Church are being continued this week and are largely attended. Miss Nettie Merritt sang a solo at the Monday night meeting, and as she is very earnest in church work her rich voice vibrated with inspiring emotion and reached the hearts of all those present. All the services are very impressive, and the indications are that a goodly number of young people will join the ranks of those who are laboring for the advancement of good and the diminution of evil. Before the meetings are over it is hoped to see all the old members back in their places doing what they can to advance what has already been done. There is a work for everybody to do, and there is no place where work is more effective than in the church of God. The heads of families, especially, should realize this, those who have the heads of any community at heart should realize it, and the young should realize that their only salvation is in eschewing evil and doing good. Nothing grows like evil, and when its influence has completely chained one, escape is almost impossible. Bad weeds grow fast. Pull them out before they destroy such choice plants as hope, faith, charity, justice, goodness and truth.

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Paradise. Mr. Harry Morse has returned from his visit to Massachusetts. Mr. Rupert Cheslev is making preparations for enlarging and remodeling his barn. Mrs. McIntyre and little daughter, of Aylesford, spent Sunday the guests of Mrs. R. W. Elliott. Mr. H. A. Longley, whose house was damaged by fire in February last, is now having repairs made. Mr. Willard Longley is at home, having completed his second year at the Maritime Agricultural College, Truro. Miss Eva Leonard returned on Monday from Falmouth, where she has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. B. Aiken. A Methodist Sewing Circle has been formed in Paradise with Mrs. L. C. Marshall as president. Mrs. Marshall entertained the Circle at her home "Edcoza" on Monday afternoon. A special program, followed by refreshments, was given in Division on Friday evening last in honor of Mrs. S. Small, who with her family intends leaving for her home in the United States on Thursday.

Burlington. Mr. James Marshall, of Lower Clarence, was visiting at Joseph Marshall's recently. Miss Bessie Sanford has returned home from her visit at Brickton. Mr. Jacob Slocumb, of Hanley Mountain, was visiting at Alfred Marshall's recently. It is with sadness that we chronicle the death of the infant baby of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Healey. We tender our sympathies to the bereaved ones. Mr. and Mrs. Daley Saulnier were visiting friends in Williamston recently.

Aylesford. Amos H. Davidson is on the sick list. Miss Eola Davidson spent a week recently with friends in Halifax. The Cantata given by the choir of the Baptist church was largely attended. Miss Grace Hoyt, of Bridgetown, was the guest of Mrs. L. R. Fairn during the past week. Mrs. Guilford Foster, of West Paradise, spent Easter with her sister, Mrs. Clara A. Patterson. Miss Catherine Clairmonte, who is attending school in Halifax, spent her Easter holidays at home. R. D. Lyons, of Waterville, who has just returned from Florida, visited relatives in Aylesford last week. Miss Charlotte Parker and Mr. Frank Parker entertained a large party of young people one evening recently. On Easter Sunday Rev. Charles R. Freeman baptized twelve candidates, a good result of the services held recently in Millville. The marriage of Brenton Smith, of Aylesford, and Miss Richardson, of Deer Island, N. B., came as a great surprise to many of their friends here. Miss Cora Selfridge, Miss Evelyn Fairn, Messrs. L. H. Patterson and A. L. Selfridge spent Easter week with friends in Halifax and Dartmouth. Architect Fairn has returned from a trip in connection with his profession to Fredericton, St. John, Richibucto, Moncton, Springhill, Halifax, and Kentville. The I. O. G. T. here entertained the sister lodge of Welton Corner last week. Refreshments were served at the close of the program which was rendered by both lodges. Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will all ways cure my coughs and colds."

North Williamston. Mrs. George Beals is visiting friends at Auburn. Mr. George Beals is spending a few weeks at Mr. O. DeLancy's. Gilbert Beals left on the 10th for Massachusetts, where he intends to spend an indefinite period. We are sorry to report that Mrs. Clyde Spidle is ill with heart trouble at her sister's, Mrs. C. Sanford. Mrs. H. S. Osborne and Miss Aggie Pierce entertained friends very pleasantly on Tuesday and Friday evenings of the past week. Carmon Sanford, of Brickton, has sold his property to W. Bezanon. Mr. Sanford and family intend moving to Aylesford in the near future. Last Monday evening a very interesting Easter concert was given here by the members of the Mission Band of Brickton under the management of Rev. Mr. Eagnell of Lawrence town. The program consisted of music, recitations and exercises. Special mention might be made of the little ones who rendered their parts in a very pleasing manner. Much praise is due Mrs. H. Reid and Miss May Banks who had them in training. Very appropriate music was rendered by the choir. The hall was crowded with an attentive audience. The admission fees amounted to \$10.50.

Granville Captain Retires. It will be a matter of interest to the shipping community of Liverpool to know that quite recently the oldest active mercantile skipper afloat decided to give up the sea and settle down ashore. But not by any means with the idea of giving up work—he merely feels that a time has come when he can attain the goal to which most sailors aspire and get a shore job. Capt. Samuel Fowler, or as he is known the world over "Sam Fowler," has just retired from the command of the steamer Dumree, owned by Joseph Chadwick and Son and has a record of service which is probably unique, for he has been captain for fifty-six years and has not only never lost a ship, but had very few serious accidents to vessels under his charge, and has never put a ship ashore. Born in Granville, N. S., in the year 1834, he went to sea in 1846 and has been continuously at sea ever since—a period of sixty-two years. Five years ago, the Minnetonka, of which he was in command, was practically given up for lost, and therefore, great surprise was expressed when she arrived badly shattered. All except one of the boats were smashed, the rudder was carried away, and the fires put out. After two days, however, one engine was got to work, and with a makeshift rudder attached to a wire hawser over the windlass, the crippled Minnetonka was steered 1,600 miles into Bermuda. That was the nearest approach he ever had to a calamity. Captain Fowler can count seventy-six passages through the Suez Canal, he has had many adventurous trips through the Straits of Magellan in the darkness, and was in 1882 in command of the first train steamer from San Francisco around the Horn. He is the possessor of a splendid pair of binocular glasses presented to him by president Cleveland for saving the lives of all on board the schooner Carrie S. Hart, of Dighton, Mass., which foundered in February, 1899. This veteran is now taking up shore work in the shape of surveying and certainly he will be a most welcome visitor to the rooms of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, of which body he is a member. —English paper.

Paradise School. GRADE XI. Bradford Hall, 83. Reg. Bishop, 76. Earle Kinley, 75. Viola Whitman, 62. Hilda Longley, 51. Albert Longley, 74. GRADE IX. Harold Bowlby, 71. Ralph Layte, 50. Avar Longley, 70. Ronald Longley, 63. Gladys Daniels, 57. Harold Balcom, 71. Gladys Jackson, 54. Ida Munroe, 58. Grace Ritcey, 50. GRADES VII. AND VIII. Bessie Durling, 68. Josie Messenger, 50. Leta MacPherson, 50. Max Saunders, 77. Emerson Starratt, 70. Sara Longley, 50. Max Munro, 63. Allie Jodrie, 50.

Albany. Miss Dora Kniffin is visiting Miss Blanche Bishop, of South Williamston. Mrs. Charles Tupper, of Middleton, and Miss Ina Feenor were recently guests of Mrs. Fred Gates. Our schools and church are quarantined on account of smallpox reported to be in South Albany. Mrs. A. B. Fairn returned from Braintree, Mass., and reports her mother, Mrs. Freeman, convalescent. Miss Reta Wilson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Whitman; also of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fairn on the 7th and 8th.

Port Lorne. Mr. Stephen Neaves arrived home from sea on Wednesday last. Miss Della Allen, of Torbrook, is visiting friends in this place. Mr. Samuel Beardsley made a business trip to St. John last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Graves were visiting at Parker Sabean's on Sunday last. ASK FOR MINARD'S AND TAKE NO OTHER.

Clementsvale. Miss Hattie Starratt, teacher of the advanced department, spent the Easter holidays at her home in Aylesford. Mr. Maynard Brown left for Boston last week. Mr. Robert Feltus, of Lawrence town, visited this place on business last week. Dr. Standish, V. S., gave a very interesting and instructive address in Clements Hall on April 12th. The monthly meeting of the Mission Band was held in the Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Leyer Brothers, Toronto, will send you free a cake of their famous Plantol toilet soap, if you mention this paper.

Upper Granville. Mrs. Hunt, of Grand Pre, made a brief visit at Burdett Farm with her sister, Mrs. R. Newcombe, recently. Mrs. Browne, wife of the late Rev. A. Browne, is also a guest at the same place for a time. Miss Fanny Chute, of Berwick, spent the Easter holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Adam Clarke. Miss Lalea Gilliat is spending a few days at Hampton. Mrs. Arnold Goodwin, of Los Angeles, Cal., is domiciled for a time at her old home, Mrs. Goodwin was summoned home on account of the critical illness of her mother, Mrs. David Phinney, who we are pleased to hear is rapidly regaining convalescence. Easter rejoicings are still new and the warm spring days are hailed with delight. Warm rains with sunshine will soon change the Valley into what it really is, a marvel of beauty.

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The Auto. When the legislation against automobiles was enacted last year we expressed some surprise that anything so radically opposed to the progressive spirit of the times should find a place on our Statute Books. It is not surprising to us then that the agitation to have it repealed or modified should be taking definite shape now. In Nova Scotia the legislation was not so radical as in the Island. In this province, when we have a uniform schedule for all the counties of days when automobiles may be run, the automobile owners will be given perhaps as much privilege as they should have for the present. In the Island the proposition is to substitute restriction of privileges for absolute prohibition. No doubt the measures in both provinces will have many sympathetic supporters, for, as we showed last year, the automobile is inevitable, and it is

scarcely possible to legislate permanently against it. And we do not think the motor should be discouraged by the law. There is no class of people who will benefit more by the coming of the auto than the farmers, whose interests are supposed to be served by the existing laws. Already in parts of the United States farmers have adopted the auto for their own uses with great advantage. It is not difficult to sympathize with the farmers at present, however, for many of them have been in awkward positions because of fright to their horses, and some have had quite serious accidents. And as long as the ponderous and evil looking touring cars of the present are in vogue, and as long as people are inconsiderate in the matter of speed, there will be accidents. In the days to come people may learn the use of the auto and forget their present habit of abusing it, and makers may learn to turn out a less terrifying-looking product. Then if wise laws are made and enforced, and the country horses by degrees get used to it, we may see the auto filling the place civilization requires of it. There is a distinct need for the automobile, and drastic legislation cannot continue. The present developments are as inevitable as the automobile itself.—M. Merchant.