

The Country. An Epitome of Events Gathered by ADVOCATE Reporters

BATHURST.

Another week of cold and disagreeable weather and rain at night. The roads about the country are getting very much broken up and travelling except by train is almost impossible. Everything goes to show that winter is fast approaching. The farmers are getting their fences, barns, water sheds, and all other buildings fixed up as to be ready for the grim season which few except the youngsters in this climate love. As we get older winter seems to come sooner, and we dread it more. When young we looked forward to the skating and sledding, horse races on the ice and all the exhilarating winter sports which make our Canadian winter weather loved by the young folk, but as our bones chill with the rust of years it is not at all the same and we would just as soon have summer all the year around.

Lumbering preparations are being discussed and started all over the North Shore this autumn and fall with a great deal of vigor, and it is expected the cut of spruce and pine logs will be larger than for many years. Parties from the Southern part of the province driven out of their old workings by the scarcity of logs are moving North and gradually settling along the North Shore. We presume the good prices being paid everywhere for spruce logs has a good deal to do with that. As far as we can learn there is nothing positive about the pulp operations yet, but those who are interested are very sanguine and it is hoped the matter here at Bathurst particularly, will go through on the lines laid out.

The Ladies of Saint George's church were out to-day arranging the necessary preliminaries for their supper and sale which is to take place at the Masonic Hall on Tuesday next. We are informed that Mrs. G. Gilbert and Mrs. D. T. Johnson are to have charge of the fancy tables and Mrs. Hooper is to have the charge for the pretty young girls who induce the young men to buy candy. The ladies have made great preparations for this supper and sale which is their annual one, and a large crowd is expected.

Miss Lena Burns is visiting friends at Halifax and we are glad to learn that Mrs. Thomas Burns is fast recovering from severe injury caused by a fall a short time ago.

Miss Eliza Vail left for Shediac where she proposes spending the winter with her friend Mrs. E. J. Smith. Mrs. Samuel Bishop, who has been quite ill is considerably improved. We are sorry to learn that Rev. T. Varrily received quite a shaking up by the upsetting of his carriage the other day but was able to get out to Mass on Sunday. The many friends of Samuel (Melancon) and family sympathize with them on the loss of their son Charles, who died on Saturday. Charles Melancon was a bright young man, beloved by a large host of friends and up to a few years ago one of the best athletes and base ball players on the North Shore. It is thought, indeed, that the primary cause of his illness was a fall which he received when racing on his bicycle at Campbellton a few years ago.

Mr. Fred Dyke and R. A. Lawlor, Esq., K. C. paid Bathurst a visit last week. The many friends in Bathurst of Mr. William F. Draper, shipper for Malouin Mackay, the lumber king of St. John were glad to see him looking so well after a hard summer's work, when he visited Bathurst on Saturday last. Mr. Draper is one of the many men the North Shore is proud of.

An enjoyable goose supper was held at the home of Mr. Robert Ellis, Salmon Beach, last Wednesday evening. A large number attended from Bathurst. Mr. Wm. Wilbur on Monday night gave a large birthday party at the Wilbur House, about twenty couples danced and enjoyed an excellent supper.

And now we have been wondering if the socialist who wrote to the Campbellton "Events" over so many signatures and the combination behind him think they can wheedle your article into meeting them on their own grounds. Bar rooms and such things. Does he not remember we warned him sometime ago that everything he said recited on his own head, or came back like a boomerang to the heads of those about him and were we not sure of our position, and have too much respect for our readers, we might be tempted to put on the gloves with them for awhile. However we are certain, should we do so that there will be more than "roaring in the air", and some of his friends will get cut.

Why does not this correspondent come out in a fair and manly way and take up any argument he likes with us and at the same time acknowledge that his friends have made a mistake. We only warned them at the time, to let the "Evangelist" correspondent alone, and they refused to take our advice. Are they not sorry now? Now like any other tyro who gets cornered he is attempting to draw a herring across the trail by throwing mud at your correspondent. If he thinks this will take the attention of the editors of Gloucester away from the main issues he is mistaken. We told them before, and now say again that we have nothing whatever to do with the correspondent of the "Evangelist" and his like out of their impugne nose to insinuate that the letters are written by their correspondent, or someone else first in English and then translated. Suppose they are, what do we know about it, but at the same time we say again to the last writer that one of the best French scholars in Gloucester, so far perhaps in the Province, said the last letter in the "Evangelist" was as well written as anything he ever had read and coming direct from the eastern end of the county then he said it had created a great sensation, therefore I warn them again not to despise these matters.

As far as we are concerned when we see anything that will interest the people of this county in print or elsewhere we are going to give it to them and it will take a good deal more alms than a writer, or writers, of this stamp to prevent that.

Sometime ago we noticed a writer in "Evangelist" had called the attention of the people of Gloucester to the fact that Mr. Turgeon, in his newspaper the "Courier" had announced the nomination by him, of three candidates for the local legislature, and the question was very properly asked 'who invested Mr. Turgeon or anyone else with authority to nominate three men to represent this county in the local legislature, and particularly, as these men were represented to be friends of the present administration, why were not some at least of the other friends of the present administration called into consultation, or in other words why was not a convention called?

The "Evangelist" correspondent represented that no convention had been called, and furthermore said many of the former friends of Mr. Turgeon would not support any such ticket. It further said that the very personalities of the different candidates named by Mr. Turgeon gave the matter a suspicious appearance. It said if this Mr. Curran was not the same man who had got the present liberal government into trouble by inducing Mr. Turgeon to obtain for him certain contracts of a political character which owing to the way they were filled, caused a commission to be appointed to inquire into the matter and the time may come yet when Mr. Turgeon will have to explain to the electors of this county more about the same matter. It also asked some other questions about Mr. Curran, which the correspondent of the "Evangelist" afterwards went into more fully. If I remember right, the article also mentioned the fact that one of the other men on the ticket was the father-in-law of Mr. Turgeon's son, an old gentleman, we may say who has served a life time of usefulness in his native Parish and is much respected by many, but is a man not at all fitted for politics, besides being too old and would be easily led by the others.

Now because this correspondent called the attention of the English speaking people of the county who do not read the "Courier" or "Evangelist", he has as stated been attacked in almost venomous way by correspondent after correspondent in the "Events" and the facts are that we have not taken any attention to them because we considered them beneath our notice, as the tone and manner of their letters would leave one used to this kind of thing, to imply, but if we thought they were responsible, or were inspired by any of the leaders of the campaign, we are most confidant, an angry lot just now we might give the letters themselves some attention. In one of the letters we noticed that the writer, who for some time we have known, held Mr. Turgeon and his clique as good friends to the Protestant minority in the county, and we threw them a bone to bite which had pepper in it and now they accuse us of religious bigotry and all sorts of things. The fact of the matter, the publication of some letters and the fact that Miss Burns and friends have received so many more from former supporters of Mr. Turgeon, repudiating him and his clique has spoiled their little game and they are getting desperate. It is a well known fact that they thought they owned the county politically, just as a man who has once succeeded is apt to think he can always do it but Mr. Turgeon must remember he was not always on deck and when the wheel comes round again there may be a man who can turn about as quickly as he did, and be sure to be on the winning side. Why do they not answer questions and not try to call the bounds off by a false scent.

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She died of pneumonia on Oct. 29th, having been sick only a short time. A husband and four children all of whom reside in the west, an aged mother living in two brothers, Alfred of this place and Henry of Clearfield, Pa. and three sisters, Mrs. Peter Menzies also of this place, Mrs. Robert P. Russell of Tomahawk, Wis. and Miss Jeanne of Boston, Mass. survive her.

For a few years after her marriage she resided in Blackville, then in Newmarket, New Brunswick, and finally in New Mexico. Four years ago she revisited the home of her youth, and since has been planning and looking forward to their permanent removal here. But death carried her off in the 40th year of her age. She was of a gentle and lovable disposition and much liked by all who knew her. Much sympathy is expressed for the sorrowing husband, family and friends.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Grand Master Thomas' Interesting Account of Recent Visitations.

To the Editor of the Sentinel:

Dear Sir and Bro.,—Having just returned from visiting some of the Orange Lodges in Northumberland County, I thought I would drop you a short account of my visit.

On Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 1st, I boarded the Canada Eastern, and got off at Blackville to visit the lodge at that place. Owing to the number of the members of Blackville Lodge that have already gone to the lumber woods, and the fact that the Master of the lodge did not receive notice of my coming until the evening before, I did not meet with as large a number as I expected. Although the meeting was not large in numbers, it was quite enthusiastic, and appreciated my visit to their lodge, and I trust that the words of advice and encouragement given them will be productive of good results. I had the privilege of examining their lodge books, and found them kept in a very systematic and businesslike manner. The W. M., Bro. Wilbert Conners, expressed the pleasure he felt at my visit, and his regrets that circumstances prevented a larger number from being present. This lodge has a membership of about 75.

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