

PROVINCIAL NEWS

HOPWELL HILL, Feb. 21.—The funeral of Miss Mary R. Bray, whose death occurred on Saturday, took place from her late residence this afternoon and was very largely attended. An impressive service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Brown, pastor of the Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hicks of the Methodist Church. A choir sang the hymns, "Asleep in Jesus, Sister thou wert mild and lovely, and Abide with Me." The pall-bearers were Paul C. Robinson, Albert H. Peck, George H. Peck, Wm. L. Peck, Fred G. Moore and L. A. Corry. Interment was at the Lower Cape cemetery. There were several handsome floral offerings.

Word was received here yesterday of the death at Somerville, Mass., of Mrs. Wm. Kierstead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Milton of this place. The deceased was about 46 years of age, and leaves a husband and thirteen children.

A drove of 22 head of fat cattle from the stock farm of Smith Bros., Harvey, passed through here yesterday en route for Moncton. The animals were having a hard tramp.

HARTLAND, Feb. 23.—Miss Clara Johnson and sister Dorothy have returned from Prosque Isle, where they have been visiting Mrs. C. E. Barnett. W. W. Ross has returned from Fredericton, and Mrs. W. W. Ross, who has been spending the winter in Boston, came home Monday.

Eldon Thistle and wife arrived home from Newport, Maine, on Monday. Mr. Thistle was formerly a barber in the village, but has been absent for a few years.

As was announced, Hartland was given a musical treat last evening. The pupils of Miss Blanche Kelley gave a recital in the F. B. church. The building was crowded, numbers having to stand in the aisle.

Large quantities of hay are being shipped from the station. Business is brightening up. Keith and Plummer are loading several cars of potatoes.

Rev. C. T. Phillips is continuing special services at Victoria.

SACKVILLE, Feb. 21.—Malden, N. B., was recently the scene of a happy event, when Miss Frances, daughter of Jeremiah Sweeney, was united in marriage to James Tweedie Lane. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Collette. The bride was becomingly groomed in blue velvet. Miss Alice Sweeney was bridesmaid, while the groom was supported by James Sweeney.

N. T. Avar of Sydney, C. B., is spending a few days in town.

Miss Lillian Sprague of the Mt. Allison Academy staff and A. W. Sprague of the Royal Bank spent Sunday with their parents, Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Sprague, St. John.

Owing to serious affliction of the eyes Rev. Wm. Gaffney has been compelled to abandon his studies at Mt. Allison University.

The death of Wilson Thompson occurred at his home, Mount View, on Saturday morning. Deceased had been in failing health for some weeks, so his death was not unexpected. He was seventy-four years of age. He was twice married. His second wife survives. He is survived by four children. The sons are Clifford of Malden, Mass.; W. B., railway conductor between Springhill and Parrsboro, and Arthur, at home. An only daughter, Mrs. Chippendale, resides at Milford, N. H. The funeral was held on Monday and was largely attended. The service was conducted by Rev. Geo. Stebbins.

Roy Barnes leaves on Thursday for Moosomin, Assiniboia, with the intention of locating there.

Mrs. Leonard Baisley, who recently underwent a serious surgical operation, is improving nicely. The operation was performed by Dr. H. T. Knapp, assisted by Dr. H. Secord.

Mrs. W. Langstroth of Hampton was a guest at Mt. Allison Ladies' College on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Borden of Moncton spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. J. W. S. Black.

Mrs. Tibbits left on Saturday for St. John after an extended visit with her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Black.

The students of Mt. Allison Academy give their annual skating party on Friday evening.

Rev. B. N. Nobles preached his first pastoral sermon in Main street Baptist church on Sunday to a large and appreciative audience.

DIGBY, Feb. 20.—It is difficult to get any other subject to write about except the weather and the demoralized railway system in Nova Scotia. The D. A. R. is certainly to be commiserated, as their rolling stock has been here for some days. In the corridors of the post office here there are piles of mail bags, 375 count, and when they can be forwarded is an unanswerable question. The snow cuttings have become so narrow that any moderate snow drifting fills in and stops traffic. The warehouses on the public pier are completely filled, and the lower end of the pier is utilized for the hundreds of tons of hay landed for distribution east and west.

Cattle of all kinds are suffering for want of hay, and lumbermen with cattle in the woods are loudly calling for hay. Water is getting scarce, as no material rainfall has visited Nova Scotia this winter.

One of the degree teams of St. George Lodge of Oddfellows intended going to Middleton to put on the third degree, on invitation, but the pleasant anticipated visit is called off owing to there being no means of getting there.

DIGBY, Feb. 22.—The Yarmouth was ordered to Yarmouth on the 20th, and took freight, also about 300 bags mail. The Granville brought mail from Annapolis and returned there with about 200 bags mail.

Today the Yarmouth brought 300 bags from St. John. The superintendent of mails at Halifax sent a clerk to help the postal staff here, but he did not catch the boat at St. John today. This leaves Miss Mary Churchill to handle the mails, with only a lad to help her, as Mr. Dunn, chief assistant, is laid up with grippe. Miss Churchill, with shortened staff, handled 680 bags last Monday. These were distributed to Yarmouth and Annapolis by steamers, no trains then ran, nor are any up to date. A special has been trying to reach Digby from Annapolis since yesterday morning, and has reached Deep Brook only this, about twelve miles from Digby. There are close on to one thou-

"Prizes" with common soaps are dearly paid for at the expense of clothes and hands.

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and men between Yarmouth and Halifax clearing the track of ice. The Yarmouth goes to Yarmouth today from this port with mails and freight. She will go direct from Yarmouth to St. John.

The str. Harbinger, Messenger, master, is here, having towed the bark Gloriosa from Yarmouth. The bark is anchored in the stream and is being loaded at Annapolis. The Harbinger started her stem and is having a new one put in at Turnbull & Co.'s dock.

The well known term schooner Charles W. Abbott, Knowlton, master, for New York, is in this harbor yet. This is the fifth time she has been here.

AMHERST, N. S., Feb. 24.—There are many still in Peggwash who received their first instruction from the late John Montgomery, whose death occurred last week. He taught at the above place in the early fifties. There were two school teachers there at the same time, one a Scotchman, who had the school on the east side, and the other our late friend, an Irishman, who presided over the school on the west side.

Mrs. Stanley Worden returned to her home in Peggwash this week, her son being convalescent from his attack of measles.

Mrs. Robert Pugsley gave an afternoon tea on Thursday.

Mrs. Landry and Mrs. Chapman returned on Wednesday to their homes in Dorchester.

We regret to hear of the death of Mrs. Campbell, wife of Rev. Dr. Campbell, which occurred on Tuesday at her late home in Dorchester.

One of the pleasantest "fat houses" given this season was that on Tuesday at which Mrs. J. Inglis Bent was hostess, at her residence, Church street. There were upwards of 100 guests, the hours ranging from five until seven o'clock, and from six until seven o'clock.

Mrs. Bent was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Landry, wife of Judge Landry, and her sister, Mrs. W. Hazen Chapman of Dorchester. Mrs. Barry D. Bent and Mrs. T. N. Campbell resided in the tea room, ably assisted by a bevy of young ladies—Miss Ethel and Mabel Bent, Gladys Moffat and Edith Lawson.

The marriage of Miss Kate May, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Botsford Black, to Osborne Trueman Brundage, took place on Wednesday at 3 o'clock p. m., at the residence of the bride's parents, Eddy street, in the presence of a very large number of guests. Rev. Mr. Hockin officiating.

The bride was attended by her mother, who was wearing a white silk, with the traditional veil, and looked lovely, and was given away by her father. An elegant repast was served. The bride's honeymoon suit was a very pretty grey material, with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs. Brundage left shortly after the ceremony and drove to Little River and will return on Saturday and on March 10th will leave for the States, where they will reside. The bride adopted home in Western Canada. The wedding gifts were numerous and elegant.

Elway wife of Rufus Chapman, passed away on Wednesday at 3 o'clock from paralysis, having been stricken on Sunday last and never recovered consciousness. Mrs. Chapman was in her eightieth year of age, and had been active up to the time of her illness. She is survived by her husband and three daughters, Mrs. John Ford of Sackville, Mrs. Minnie, at home, and Mrs. Mary, at home. She was a zealous member of the Church of England.

James Moffat, of the late firm of Moffat, Smith & Sons, who has been so seriously ill, is improving.

MAUGERVILLE, Feb. 20.—The storms of late have caused considerable difficulty in getting supplies to different points along the river. A team would start for the city in the morning under fair circumstances, but before reaching home that night would have to unload on the way and return for it when the road got in a passable condition again.

A supper was given by the ladies of this place in the upper hall on Friday night for the purpose of raising funds to fence the new cemetery, recently bought from Squire Raymond. Although the night was unfavorable, yet nearly \$20 was realized. Quite a number drove down from the city.

The nuptials of Miss Winifred Perley, fourth daughter of the late Dudley P. Perley, of this place, and Jack Wilkie of New York city, was celebrated there during the early part of this month. H. A. Perley of this place, and Capt. E. B. Perley are brothers of the bride, and Mrs. Farmer Hall of Rothesay, is a sister. Another sister, Mrs. E. Dibbille, resides in New Hampshire, and a brother in Virginia.

Miss M. L. Magee, one of the most popular young ladies of this place, who recently taught school in Geary and Reuben Smith of that vicinity, are to be married Wednesday at the Baptist parsonage, Fredericton, and will immediately proceed to their new home. Miss Magee is the eldest daughter of W. R. Magee.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Jake Bartlett, who died Saturday after a long illness of appendicitis. Rev. H. E. Dibbille held a service in Christ

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church. Interment was made at Green Hill, Burton.

JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 23.—Principal Gray is busily engaged preparing for the coming convention of the Young Men's Association which is to be held in the Baptist church here in March, at which Field Secretary A. G. Ong is expected to preside.

Among the many on the sick list are Samuel Havens and Leonard Harbinger in every home in the village in gripe has been an unwelcome guest for several weeks.

The many friends of Herbert Harper regret to hear that he is in a very poor condition of health.

Owing to sickness and bad roads there has been no normal class for several weeks.

John Scott of Hartford, passed away on Sunday morning after a brief sickness. Some weeks ago he was stricken with paralysis, from which he never rallied. Heart failure came on and he ended was sudden. His funeral left his home at 10 a. m. and proceeded to Jacksonville, where the service was held by Rev. John C. Berrie, assisted by Rev. J. Spencer Crisp. A large number of friends attended despite the rough and blustering weather, attesting their sympathy with the bereaved widow and sorrowing family.

Mrs. Scott was a man of firm, upright principles, well read and of more than ordinary intelligence, a kind husband and wise father whose presence will be much missed from the home and community.

SACKVILLE, Feb. 23.—The death of Mrs. Nathaniel Strang occurred at her home, Upper Cape, Botsford, on Wednesday morning, aged sixty-nine years. She had enjoyed good health until about two weeks ago, when she was suddenly stricken with paralysis, from which she never rallied. Her maiden name was Eunice Albion, and she was twice married. Her first husband was Alfred Saworth. She is survived by her second husband, N. Strang. She is also survived by an adopted daughter, Mrs. Chas. Raworth.

Mrs. A. W. Dobson of Bayfield and Mrs. Fleming Tuttle of Peggwash, N. S., are sisters of deceased. She also leaves two brothers, Jacob and Harvey Allen of Upper Cape. The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon. Rev. Wm. Lawson will conduct the service.

Mrs. Strang was a very estimable person and will be much missed by her large circle of friends. She was a devoted member of the Methodist church, and a ready helper to assist in any good work.

F. E. McLeod, who was called to Port Elgin a short time ago on account of illness of his father, returned to his home in the west this week.

The Reading Circle under the auspices of the W. M. S., held their last meeting of the season, Monday evening, at Mrs. B. C. Gordon's, Ladies' College. The circle has been largely attended the present season, and the meetings have been most interesting and instructive. Dr. Baker of the Ladies' College was the efficient presider.

Mrs. John Ford was recently called to Amherst on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Rufus Chapman.

Richard Wilson, who has been in failing health for some weeks, continues in a critical condition.

Invitations have been issued for an A. H. Home at Mrs. F. B. Black's Friday evening.

Mrs. Geo. E. Ford entertained the Whist Club last evening.

Mrs. H. A. Powell entertained a number last evening in honor of Miss Dora Wood.

SUSSEX, Feb. 25.—F. W. Moody of the Bank of N. S. here has transferred to the branch at Peterboro, Ontario. Mr. A. Forsyth of Montreal takes Mr. Moody's place.

The criminal case on the complaint of S. H. Taylor against Ernest and Herbert Garrett for breaking into his lumber camp and stealing blankets and other stuff was heard in the town court on Friday before Judge Merrett. Ora P. King, M. P., appeared for the complainant and Fred L. Fairweather for the accused. The case not being concluded was adjourned until Wednesday, March 1st, at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. S. H. Langstroth, who has been ill all winter, intends going to Montreal for treatment. She will be accompanied by her daughter, Miss Langstroth.

The Misses Byrne entertained the Good Time Club at their home Friday evening.

SALISBURY, Feb. 25.—It is now 13.80, and the first train from the west is at the station. She was due here last night at 12.30. No 12W. through to St. John at 14 o'clock, three hours late. Such is the state of rail-riding on the I. C. R.

The Albert train came up to Coverdale road on Thursday and was taken to her by teams, and she has since been battling with the drifts. She has made less than a mile in three days, notwithstanding that a large gang of men have been employed constantly with shovels. She is now about half a mile from the station and expects to reach it tomorrow. If she does it will mean 18 days delay in the west.

The condition of the roads can better be imagined than described. It is a common thing for loaded teams to get off the road and to be shovelled out. Little hauling is done and many of our citizens are finding it difficult to get fuel.

A drove of 18 fat cattle came up from Coverdale today and are housed at the Dominion stable awaiting shipment. They belong to David Kerr, a butcher of St. John. One of the herd did not reach here, having three days by the way, so were the roads.

Litely Carter, traveller for T. McCarty & Sons, left here this afternoon for Moncton, intending to hire a team and drive to Hillsborough tomorrow, so urgent is his business. He came home on Thursday from a trip up St. John river.

The local clergymen have been unable to officiate at the outside stations to any extent for some weeks. When the January and February thaws get here in March they will be better able to get about. Many are reported sick and some serious cases have been up for treatment.

Miss Beatrice Jones, daughter of Chas. Jones, who has been attending Normal School and has been sick with influenza for the lungs for some weeks, has recovered. No 12W. Fredrickson this morning and is coming home tonight if the train gets here.

Several men of the surrounding section who were working at Shute, N. S., in the lumber woods, came home yesterday. Work was stopped owing to the depth of snow.

Miss Lillie Howie went to Sackville

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on Thursday to visit her sisters at the Ladies' College.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gaskin of Coverdale spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Taylor.

John Kennedy, traveller for Massey-Harris, who spent the last two weeks here with his family in preference to being stalled at hotels or on trains. Miss Mabel McNaughton went to Moncton this week and is being treated for appendicitis at the Public Hospital there.

CHATHAM, N. B., Feb. 23.—The recently installed alarm was tested this afternoon and is said to have given satisfaction to the fire committee. It is the Gamewell system and consists of ten boxes located at points which practically cover the fire districts of the town. The present capacity of the installation can be increased by additional four boxes if so desired. The boxes are located at points which practically cover the fire districts of the town. The present capacity of the installation can be increased by additional four boxes if so desired.

Superintendent of water and sewerage—No. of houses assessed for on water account within city.

Assessors' office—The assessment of 1904 to be exhibited under the following classifications: (1) Real estate, personal estate and income where the individual is assessed on these only; (2) real estate and income where the individual is assessed on these only; (3) real estate and income where individuals are assessed on these only; (4) real estate only where the individual is assessed, (5) personal estate only where that subject alone assessed, (6) number of polls assessed for poll tax only, (7) number of incomes returned through employers' schedules. Names of individuals required, but the exhibits 1 to 7 to show each assessment, so that the same may be classified under the direction of the commissioners.

Some discussion took place, and the commissioners explained in general what the information was they were seeking, and they wished for power to gain this from the various departments. The children of Canada must be trained in the principles of Christianity, and the liquor traffic must die. It has outraged justice and killed love and cannot live in a kingdom of love. We shall have to stand before the Great Judge and answer whether we have fed the hungry and clothed the poor. The liquor traffic takes the children's food and the Methodist Church has decreed that it must die. Obscene and immoral literature must be kept from our Canadian homes. That outrage of the fair name of woman and blot in the character of man, the bawdy house, must die.

Political corruption, which is robbing us of the freedom for which our fathers paid so dearly, is also doomed. We cannot go on handing over the resources of our country to soulless corporations for the enrichment of a few and the impoverishment of the many people. Men were not to be used primarily for making money, but money for making men. The whole structure of Canadian politics is preposterous. It should be to exalt the kingdom of heaven. We need to Christianize the whole conception of life. We fall down and worship before the victors of war, but are silent and heedless of the greater victories of peace. This is not the religion of Christ. The spirit of the teaching of Jesus must be breathed into the whole social and political life of Canada.

LOOKING UP JEWELRY.

CLIVELEND, O., Feb. 24.—Collector of Customs Leach returned today from New York, where he spent a day in looking up jewelry imported by Mrs. Chadwick. Mr. Leach stated that he had brought back about \$5,000 worth of jewelry, which he said had been imported by Mrs. Chadwick, and upon which no duty had been paid. Mr. Leach also stated a small amount of money belonging to Mrs. Chadwick. He said, "that is not what I am looking for."

SEAL HUNTERS STRANDED.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 23.—Three thousand seal hunters in the steamers of the sealing fleet which is to sail two weeks hence are unable to reach this place, owing to the railroads being blocked by a succession of blizzards and coast navigation being interrupted by ice fogs. It will be necessary to send a special steamer to collect the men and bring them here.

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The great men of the Old Testament were optimistic. They believed that God was the Supreme Ruler of the universe and to Him they owed complete obedience. Abraham by a life of sacrifice became a leader of a great people. Faith opens the soul of man to the soul of God. The principle of Abraham's life was that of complete surrender to Divine Will. This God is given the power to mould the life that it may be in harmony with His law.

Every human activity is founded on faith. The man who dedicates himself to a life of pleasure has faith in pleasure; he who seeks wealth with unremitting effort, has faith in money; the scientist who searches for regularities and laws in nature has faith in the rationality of nature. The man who has faith in Christ believes in the efficacy of his teaching to elevate and ennoble mankind.

The patriarchs of old were faithful. They believed that righteousness was practicable, and could be worked out in every department of human activity. Abraham went into a new country to raise up a new nation on the principles of righteousness. This is the task before Canadiana today, to raise up a Canadian nation on the principles of righteousness, for the

ASHORE NEAR SHELburne.

Gloucester Fishing Schooner is in Dangerous Position.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 24.—A telephone message from Shelburne announces that the Gloucester fishing schooner Lucinda I Lowell is ashore at Sand Point near Shelburne, and is in a dangerous position. The crew left her and will be forwarded from Yarmouth to Boston tomorrow. No further particulars were obtainable. A heavy northeast gale has been blowing all day.

AID ELEMENTARY EDUCATION.

QUEBEC, Feb. 23.—News has leaked out that at a meeting of the Protestant committee of public instruction held here Friday, Prof. Robertson of Ottawa, representing Sir Wm. McDonnell, the millionaire tobacco manufacturer, who has given three millions to the education of the poor, presented a scheme of Sir William's to aid elementary education in this province. Details of the scheme are confidential. The expenditure of a large sum of money.

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