

PROVINCIAL.

The Civic Affairs of the Town of Woodstock.

Hon. Peter Mitchell on the Warpath in Northumberland County.

News items of interest from all parts of the Province.

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SUNBURY CO.

Maugerville, Jan. 8.—R. D. Wilmut, M.P., has returned home from a trip through the electoral district of Sunbury and Queens and has found everything in a very satisfactory condition. A daily mail service is now extended to the Maugerville post office.

W. E. Webb of Jerusalem, Q. C., has taken charge of the school in district No. 2. Miss Taylor of Fredericton has resumed charge again of the school in district No. 1; Miss F. Janet Rosborough will continue as teacher of the third district school, and Miss Mable Brown has taken a school in Prince William, Y. Co. Miss Kate McCloskey has secured a school at Grand Falls, and Mrs. Kaleen has returned to Peterborough, Q. C. Miss Mame Magee and the Misses McLean have returned to the Normal school.

No further attempt has been made to find the body of the missing man Chas. E. Harding. George Holden still maintain that he saw Harding on the bridge at Oromocto on the morning he left his home and a few hours later Miles McMonaghe saw a hole in the ice near the bridge conforming in appearance to the size of a man, and into which he supposed some one had fallen. With 18 feet of water and a strong current under the ice it would be pretty hard to tell just where the body could be found. That Harding went there of his own accord in the condition he was in when he left his home is doubtful.

Sunbury county council met in biennial session on Wednesday last. All the councillors were present. Thos. P. Taylor, was elected warden; Jas. S. White, secretary and treasurer, and D. P. Duplessis, auditor.

Dr. Parke of Quebec, who came down to spend Xmas with Mrs. Parke's parents at "Beauvoir," has been taken ill and is unable to return home.

Upper Maugerville, Jan. 10.—About fifty children connected with Christ church Sabbath school sat down to a sumptuous repast provided by their teachers and friends, in the temperance hall last night. An attractive tree, lighted with wax tapers and well laden with presents for the prize winners, was the leading feature. Rev. H. E. Dibb and his aids were indefatigable in their efforts to make the entertainment a success.

A pie social and dance was held at Irwell's place the same evening, for the purpose of raising funds for a library at Lower St. Mary's.

Dr. Parke of Quebec, who is suffering from typhoid fever at "Beauvoir," is still in a critical condition.

KINGS CO.

Sussex, Jan. 10.—Thomas Roach of Rochville, an extensive farmer and famous as a breeder of Ayrshire cattle, shipped today a very fine Ayrshire bull known as Brutus to Andrew McCormick, a farmer in New Richmond, Bonaventure county, in the province of Quebec, who purchased it for breeding purposes.

Miss May White, a daughter of Chas. T. White, lumber merchant, of Apple River, N. S., left here this afternoon for Boston for the purpose of prosecuting her musical studies under a teacher of that place.

John A. Humphreys of the firm of Humphreys & Teakles, merchants, who received serious injuries by falling on the steps in front of the Dominion building is, his many friends will be glad to learn, able to get again, though far from well.

Indications are that Church avenue, which at present contains the most costly and handsome residences in Sussex, will soon have others added to their number. Chas. T. White, who is the owner of quite a number of valuable lots on the avenue, sold two of them yesterday at good prices, one to the Bank of Nova Scotia, the other to C. Davis of the firm of W. B. McKay & Co., merchants. It is said work will be begun on the residence of the bank manager as soon as the spring opens.

Markhamville, Jan. 11.—The portable steam mill engaged by John Lynch has arrived and is being put into position on Capt. Markham's pasture for the winter's work. The amount of lumber cut will probably be in the vicinity of 700,000 feet. Robert Mills will put in about 400,000, and the remainder will be hauled by Thomas Crawford, John Lynch and William Hunter.

Markhamville's popular school teacher, Miss Wilber of Albert Co., has returned after the Xmas vacation to take charge of the boys and girls once more.

Thomas Crawford will build a dwelling house in the spring.

Congratulations are in order in Robert Ferguson's household.

Robert Mills is daily expecting a large draught horse from P. B. I. to take the place of his celebrated draught stallion John A., which he recently sold to a Nova Scotia lumberman.

Havelock, Jan. 10.—On Saturday evening an interesting service was held in the Methodist church of this village. H. Sharp occupied the chair and the following programmes were carried out: Music by choir; solo, Miss Kilham; solo and chorus, choir; recitation, Miss Robertson; solo, Miss Hattie Price. At the close of this programme the chairman, on behalf of the church and congregation, presented the pastor, Rev. W. W. Mathews, with a brief address, an elegant gold watch.

The Rev. gentleman replied in a fitting manner, and the meeting closed with God-Save the Queen.

The officers installed in Havelock Division, S. of T., for the current year, are as follows: Mamie Keith, W. P.; Fred Keith, assistant; Nellie Keith, R. S.; Rainey Keith, A. R. S.; Scott McLean, herald.

Monday night Rising Star council, R. T. of T., held its private session in

Clark's hall and its elected officers were installed by the district council. John G. Simons is select councillor; Mrs. Jos. Parkins, vice; Fred Tweedie, sec.; Rev. Jos. Parkins, chap.; Rev. Jos. E. Flewelling, herald; Miss Parkins, organist.

On Tuesday afternoon District Lodge, L. O. A., held its annual session in Clark's hall. There was a very large attendance, seven lodges being represented. At evening session election of officers took place. Dist. master Rev. Jos. E. Flewelling; D. M., Bro. Drouette; sec. E. Weldon Melville; fin. sec. F. Hiram Clark; treasurer, Bro. Crandall; chap., Bro. Crandall.

At evening session David Hipwell, county master, was present and installed the officers. After district lodge closed Carleton primary opened. One brother took the blue and by dispensation from Grand Master took the red and the royal arch. As many of the district members remained over to aid in giving the arch, the brother, though weighing about 200 pounds, was duly, properly and sufficiently raised to that exalted degree. Next session of district lodge will be on second Tuesday in April at Middle Simonville.

Woodstock, Jan. 11.—At a special meeting of the town council last night the report of the superintendent of water works for the year just closed was presented. It must prove most gratifying to the citizens of the town. The expenses for the year were as follows:

Construction—New services and extensions \$ 247 85
Maintenance—Repairs and pumping, 2,348 75
Interest on water works debt 4,491 40

The revenue from consumers for the year was \$5,395 35
Total cost to the town for the year \$6,135 35
Deducting the amount expended on construction 247 85
Net cost to the town for year \$4,030 90

The water mains are extended six miles 3,590 feet, and 72 hydrants furnish fire protection. Total service pipes laid 327, number in use 508; gallons added this year, 18; number of gallons pumped during the year for all purposes, sixty million.

At a public meeting held in the Town hall last night the mayor submitted a financial statement of the town, showing a deficit of \$600 during the year, and was at this date \$102,750; that the amount owing the bank January 1894, \$4,242, had been reduced to \$1,847 during the year. This had been accomplished with an assessment on the property of the town.

The A. C. F. society of the Free Christian Baptist church at Woodstock paid a fraternal visit to the society here on Tuesday evening. The visitors numbered over thirty.

Hartland, N. B., Jan. 10.—Melvin Hayward died very suddenly this morning. Death was the result of an accident. He was working in the woods hauling cedar. One of the logs bounded against a stump and sprung, striking him on the side, killing him almost instantly. Dr. Estey of Hartland was called in, but life was extinct before his arrival.

Benton, Jan. 10.—Under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. a temperance entertainment was held on Monday evening. Sawyer's hall, which was suitably decorated, was filled with old and young. Chas. A. Lewin presided. Rev. Thomas Corbett read a portion of Scripture and offered prayer. An efficient choir, led by Miss Lizzie Spear at the organ, added much to the interest. A short programme was then carried out by some Band of Hope children, followed by an ably rendered recitation by Allan Rideout (school teacher). A demost silver medal having been offered for the best recited prohibition piece, eight contestants then recited, acquitting themselves creditably. The judges decided in favor of Hattie Mills, and the silver medal was presented by Rev. Mr. Corbett. The entertainment proved a decided success.

The schools have opened this term with an unusually large number of pupils and a well attended watch night service was held in the Methodist church.

Hartland, Jan. 10.—The Hartland A. C. F. society held a public meeting on Tuesday in the F. C. B. church. A number of single and double teams drove up from Woodstock. The principal feature of the evening was an intermission, which was intended to give opportunity for a social chat with the visitors, but resulted in many retiring from the meeting. This was a death blow to the collection at the close of the meeting.

WESTMORLAND CO.

Dorchester, Jan. 10.—Today the circuit court heard the case of Queen v. Vanamburg. He was arraigned on a charge of having received jewelry from the Aliens in the Fort Belin affair. After the crown's evidence was all in, the accused withdrew the plea of "not guilty," pleaded by him at first, and pleaded "guilty" to the charge. The attorney general appeared for the crown and H. A. Powell, Q. C., for the defence.

The next case taken up was that of the Queen v. John Doyle, who was charged with having stolen a case of Royal blend whiskey from the residence of Geo. M. Fairweather of this place in November last. The jury, after being out a short time, returned with a verdict of "guilty." The attorney general for the crown, and J. DeVeber Neales defended. The case of the Queen against Goodwin will be

taken up in the morning. The criminal matters are being pushed along speedily.

St. Joseph's College, Jan. 12.—The number of students has been considerably increased by the arrival of many new ones since vacation. Rev. Mr. Dumas of Sherbrooke, P. Q., has arrived to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of Mr. Chabot. The students are actively engaged in the preparation of the examination, which takes place towards the close of the month.

Notwithstanding the inclemency and sudden change of the weather, there has been here an entire absence of sickness; and the new infirmary is thus far more ornamental than useful.

The college has been successful in securing the services of W. Costin of Mt. Allison as gymnasia instructor. He paid his first visit yesterday, and of the day classes was covered.

The football team presented Mr. Paradis, their trainer, with a beautiful carving set in recognition of his kindness towards them. That gentleman has been busily engaged in the staining of a team, which will undoubtedly give a great account of itself on the campus next season.

Rev. Frs. Cormier and Tessier of the college attended St. John Thompson's funeral at Halifax last week.

The Misses Neales, after passing the vacation with their mother at the convent of the Holy Cross, have returned to their studies at the Sacred Heart convent, Mt. Pleasant.

Dorchester, Jan. 11.—In the circuit court today Enos Carter, a convict who escaped from the penitentiary some time ago, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to fifteen months in the penitentiary, which term is to begin after he has served out his present term.

In the case of Budd of Moncton, charged with attempting to resist Officer McLaren, the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty."

In Stevens v. Sumner et al, a civil suit, the plaintiff was granted leave to amend his declaration, and, consequently, the case goes over until next term.

Newcombe v. the city of Moncton stands until Monday, the 21st Jan.

The court adjourned this afternoon early, there being no business ready, until tomorrow morning at 9.30, when it is likely it will be further adjourned.

Jolicoeur, Jan. 10.—At the meeting of the Jolicoeur Literary society on the 8th inst., the following officers were elected: Edwin Copp, president; Kate Brownell, vice; Mrs. J. C. Hickson, secretary; Frank Trueman, treasurer; Maggie Trueman, con.; Bessie Oulton, A. C.

(Special to the Sun.)

Dorchester, Jan. 12.—At the opening of the circuit court this morning the cases of the following officers for the county were heard: Clarence Allen, found guilty of receiving stolen goods, knowing the same to have been stolen, received three years in the maritime penitentiary; Vanenburg, found guilty of the same offence, nine months in the county jail; Gooden, found guilty of receiving stolen goods, who pleaded guilty without trial, received six months in the common jail; John Doyle, found guilty of stealing a case of whisky from Geo. M. Fairweather, two years in the maritime penitentiary.

Newcombe v. the city of Moncton stands over until Monday, Jan. 21st. C. E. A. Simonds for plaintiff and Mr. Powell, Q. C., for defendant.

YORK CO.

Fredricton, Jan. 10.—The case of Henry Post v. Brigadier Jacobs of the Salvation army was heard in the county court this afternoon, resulting in a verdict for the defendant. The jury found that the defendant never entered into any contract with the plaintiff or engaged him to superintend the construction of the new Salvation army barracks.

Fredricton, Jan. 13.—Two candidates are already announced for the mayoralty election, which takes place the second Monday in March. Wesley Vanwart in response to a request signed by upwards of two hundred influential ratepayers, has consented to contest the election. Daniel Jordan has also announced his candidature in last evening's papers.

The last two cases on the York county docket were disposed of between ten and eleven o'clock Saturday afternoon after which the court adjourned sine die.

In Horatio N. Grant v. Hammond Dow, an action of assumpsit on account, defendant's counsel, Chipman Hartley of Woodstock, moved for non-suit on the ground that no particulars have been served, and that the summons was defective. The court refused the motion, and the case proceeded.

Wesley Vanwart, Q. C., plaintiff's counsel, argued contra. It was finally agreed, Judge Steadman wishing time for consideration, that a verdict be entered for plaintiff for \$20.50, amount claimed, with leave reserved to defendant to move for non-suit on the ground stated.

John B. Gunter v. John D. Bonness was an action to recover \$24, money paid by plaintiff for defendant for accident insurance premium. Wesley Vanwart, Q. C., appeared for plaintiff, and defendant not appearing by himself or counsel, damages were assessed by the jury as claimed.

QUEENS CO.

Petersville, Jan. 10.—Rev. W. B. Armstrong is visiting friends in Nova Scotia, and the pulpit of St. Peter's church will be occupied by him next Sabbath afternoon by Rev. Mr. Mathers of St. John.

Mrs. James Bell, who received a stroke of paralysis last Friday afternoon, is slowly recovering under the treatment of Dr. McDonald.

Alex. W. Baird, barrister, of St. John, and his daughter, gave a musical and literary entertainment in the hall at Armstrong's corner last evening. A large number were present.

Wm. F. Woods has a number of teams of men lumbering on Bald Mountain.

NORTHUMBERLAND CO.

Chatham, Jan. 11.—Hon. Peter Mitchell is now in Northumberland, the guest of his brother, James Mitchell, Newcastle. Peter has been about in the county, and his presence and the activity of others who are prominent in politics has revived the talk of an election. The knowing ones are on

the alert and several prospective candidates are spoken of.

The mock parliament held its first business meeting on Tuesday night in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. There was quite a gathering of the "faithful commons," and the speech from the throne was presented to the house and a discussion took place thereon. The veteran political reporter, J. L. Stewart, is the speaker, and under his able control the various parliamentary practices will be enforced in the strictest manner. He has already committed one member, a minister of the crown, to the custody of the sergeant-at-arms for having in a fit of distraction removed the mace from the table. A great deal of interest is being manifested in the parliament, a large number of young men have enrolled, quite an amount of speaking talent is being developed and it is thought that it may prove a valuable school for training our embryo politicians for the forthcoming duties of guiding the affairs of the nation in the near future.

Fire department matters are again engaging the attention of the people and a petition is being prepared to present to the council relative to the site of the proposed new engine house. It appears that the board of fire commissioners decided some time ago to build a new engine house at the corner of Wellington and St. John streets, and called for tenders to erect the same, but before the tender was accepted a change had taken place in the views of some of the members of the board, and it was decided to postpone further action until the spring. Meanwhile the subject was fully discussed by the ratepayers, and many expressions as to the site being unsuitable were indulged in and many went so far as to smell out jobbery and self-interest on the part of some who were active in forcing the matter along. As it now stands it is a question of suitability of site as well as the desirability of having other public offices, such as police station and court accommodation included in the arrangements for the construction of the proposed building. On one thing all are agreed, and that is that the fire department requires to be "wakened up."

D. M. Loggie, our popular dry goods man, is about taking a trip to Boston for the purpose of procuring necessary treatment for some ailment which has been troubling him for some time. All wish the genial Donald a speedy restoration to health and return to Chatham.

Mrs. W. T. Harris, daughter of Mr. Stang, is lying at the point of death. She has been for a long time suffering from consumption, which has developed very much within the last few months, and the end of her suffering is momentarily looked for.

A great deal of influenza and colds of a very disagreeable type are reported from all sections of the county, and many have been laid up for weeks at a time. It is somewhat of the nature of gripe.

Northesk, Jan. 9.—Arthur Russell of Newcastle and Miss Blanche Tozier of Southesk were married on New Year's day at the residence of the bride's father Jared Tozier. A number of guests were present. The bride received many valuable and useful presents.

Whitneyville division, S. of T., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: W. P. Charles McKay; W. A. Mrs. Charles McKay; R. S. Maud Dunnet; A. R. S. Clifford Somers; F. S. Olivia Parker; treas., George McLean; chap., Benjamin Forsyth; con., Emory Donovan; A. con., Estelle Hare; J. S. Byron Whitney; O. S. John Menzies; P. W. P. Frank Hare.

The ladies of the Presbyterian congregation at Whitneyville served a tea in the Temperance hall there on Thursday evening. A large number were present. Some of the friends from Newcastle and Red Bank took advantage of the good sleighing and moonlight night to attend the tea. The neat sum of twenty-nine dollars was taken in. A vote of thanks is due Mrs. Atkins, Mrs. McAuley and Mrs. Mary Dunnet for the efficient manner in which the entertainment was gotten up.

Miss Nellie Murray, who spent her vacation at her home in Buctouche, has returned to Red Bank accompanied by her cousin, Master Alister Murray who intends going to school for the winter.

Mrs. Laurence and her little daughter, of Lawrence, Mass., are visiting here. Mrs. Benjamin Forsyth of Whitneyville, Miss Kate Fraser left last week for her home in Rocklin, Nova Scotia.

Robert Mann spent New Year's at home and has returned to his work. Miss Lottie Malay is engaged as a teacher in the Hubbard settlement school. Miss Donovan and Miss Dumphy have resumed work in their old schools. Miss Annie Adams spent her Christmas holidays at home, and returned on Saturday to resume her duties as one of the teachers in the High school at Moncton.

Farmers are busy hauling their winter's supply of wood, also hauling hay from the meadows up the Northwest.

A little social dance was given last Friday evening by Charlie Jordan to a few of his friends. A very enjoyable time was spent.

KENT CO.

Richibucto, Jan. 12.—The river from here to the mouth of the harbor is completely covered with smelt nets. Every two hundred yards on each side of the channel a set of two nets is placed and operated by two fishermen. Little houses, in which the latter dwell, dot the ice in all directions, and on a clear frosty morning, with the north and south beaches for a background, the whole scene makes an unusual picture. The majority of the fishermen have done well this week. There were no large hauls, but the price, which is up to three and three and a half cents per pound, made up for the quantity.

The Richibucto Amateur Dramatic society gave a benefit new hall on Thursday evening. They were entertained with an oyster supper at the Royal hotel after the performance.

The proprietor of a hotel here is offering as a drawing card a dinner and a drink for twenty-five cents. It is optional with the guest whether he takes the refreshment before or after meals.

The county council met on Tuesday

afternoon, Leslie J. Wathen of Harcourt in the chair.

James Thompson of Chatham, who opened the Queen hotel about six months ago, applied for license, but was refused, as a fine of fifty dollars for selling without license has not been paid. The council instructed the inspector to proceed against him at once and collect it. Mrs. Powell, who runs the Waverly hotel here, put in a bill for \$120 for keeping a deaf mute named Power. The overseer of the poor for this district was heard, and stated he had ordered Mrs. Powell frequently to put the man out, but she would take charge of him, but she claimed she couldn't get him to leave. The council allowed Mrs. Powell fifteen dollars for her claim, and Power, who is able to earn his living, will be sent to Campbellton, where he belongs. The council have recommended the building of a new registry office, not to exceed \$1,000. The council held a session last evening to consider the matter of lighting the town. The citizens appear to be divided on the matter, and the council, after hearing both sides of the subject, reserved decision until today.

OF INTEREST TO CANADA.

A Bill Relating to the Coastwise or Nearby Foreign.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Today was private bill day in the house, but only one bill was considered, a claim of the heirs of Wm. Johnson of Fayette county for \$13,000 worth of stores confiscated during the war. On account of the opposition the bill was finally withdrawn. Before the regular order was demanded, nine bills were passed by unanimous consent. Most of them were of minor importance. The most important was the bill to repeal the act of August 19, 1890, relating to shipping commission-

ers. Mr. Dingley offered a substitute for the original bill amending instead of repealing the act of 1890, so as to place crews supplied for coastwise trade or nearby foreign trade (Canada, West Indies and Mexico), practically under the provisions of the old shipping act of 1873, but repealing certain penal sections of the act of 1890.

Mr. Bingham stated that the shipping interests of New York and Philadelphia had been opposed to the bill to repeal the act of 1890 outright, but he had no objection to the substitute, which was thereupon passed.

A COLD WAVE

Galesburg, Ill., Jan. 11.—A cold wave of great severity is prevailing here. The temperature is 15 degrees below zero, and is sinking rapidly, with a heavy gale from the northwest. There is prospect of much suffering.

Davenport, Iowa, Jan. 11.—A terrific blizzard struck Davenport today, the temperature falling 30 degrees in a few hours. John Jans, an ice cutter, was blown into the Mississippi river and drowned.

JOINED THE UNION.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The post office department received official notification today that Cape Colony, regarded as the most important acquisition in Africa for the Universal postal union, owing to its position as the entrance for all African mails, joined the union on January 1.

THE BLENHEIM SAILS.

Halifax, Jan. 10.—The Blenheim sailed this morning for Westminister, where was not a single desertion while in port, although the crew in general were allowed exceptional liberty ashore. The Blenheim is to steam across rapidly.

THEY ALL SMILE.

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