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FROM OUR REPORTERS.

Newsy Items from the Surrounding Villages Gathered by Our Correspondents.

Hunter's Lodge.

Moose hunting season closes Saturday Nov. 30th.

Mr. Melbourne Goucher and son, Perley and Mr. Wm. Nixon of Albany, were the guests of Mr. Norman Goucher last week.

Mr. Edgar S. Wambolt was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Acker on the 20th.

Mr. J. C. Grimm of Springfield, paid a flying visit to Mr. Wm. Acker on the 22nd.

Mr. George Wilson of Springfield, was the guest of Mr. Levi Robar last week.

Messrs. James White and Andrew Thompson were the guests of Mr. W. Acker on Sunday.

Our school will close on the 6th, after a session of eleven weeks.

Mr. William Wambolt of Caledonia, was the guest of Mr. Lewis Acker on Sunday last.

Among those who were successful in getting moose were Mr. George Hatley, Mr. Norman Goucher, Mr. Will Beale, Mr. James White, Mr. George VanBuskirk, Mr. Stanley Vidito, Mr. Mart Uleman, Mr. Ellison Grimm and Mr. Percy Connell.

Mr. Dolph Fair and Mr. Frederick Fair are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Goucher.

Mr. Wm. Acker has his teams both over and over busy hauling moose to Springfield station.

Among the recent arrivals at the hotel were William Wambolt, Mr. James White, Andrew Thompson, Ellison Grimm, Maynard Grimm, Winchney, Mart Uleman, George VanBuskirk, Sandy Thompson, Stanley Vidito, George Hatley, Edgar Wambolt, Stuart Wambolt, Wm. Beale, Herden Saunders, Dolph and Frederick Fair.

New Germany.

(From Bridgewater Bulletin.)

Max and Harold DeLoog spent Thursday of last week in Bridgewater.

Miss Sadie Grant is now with Mrs. J. R. Downing, assisting her in the store.

Rev. J. R. Downing preached in St. John's Episcopal church on Sunday afternoon last.

Zachariah Simpson, who is working on the crusher at Brookfield Mines, spent Sunday at home.

Measles and scarletina are prevalent here, and in consequence South Rosedale school has been closed for a time.

Mrs. W. A. Bent, of Liverpool, has been here for a few days, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClelland.

Mrs. A. Mailman, who has been visiting friends here, returned on Saturday to her home in Lunenburg.

J. H. McClelland has been confined to his room for several weeks. We feel sorry for "Mac", and hope to see him out again before long.

Quite a number of our young men are out of employment, owing to several camps belonging to the Davison Lumber Co. Ltd., breaking up.

Our trains, which are supposed to be run on schedule time, were from a half to three hours late from Middleton, nearly every night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hewson left here on Saturday, for their home in the U. S. They were accompanied by Mrs. Hewson's sister, Miss Helen Bolivar.

Stephen Woodworth, who recently had his hand injured in the pulp mill, was removed one day last week to the Victoria General Hospital for treatment.

Granville Vessel Lost.

SCHER CORA B. STRUCK, DURING TERRIFIC GALE, ONLY A FEW CABLE LENGTHS FROM SCENE OF HISTORIC WRECK OF THE HESPERUS.

Boston, Nov. 25.—The rescue of Capt. George Johnson and his crew, of the Granville, N. S. lumber schooner, wrecked on the Cape Ann ledges today, was the most thrilling and danger fraught attempt ever recorded to the credit of the hardy Gloucester life savers.

As the vessel was being pounded to pieces in the terrific northeast gale, the savers rigged a rope bridge from the schooner to the beach. Over this bridge the crew of the ill-fated vessel made their perilous way until shallow water was reached, when they dropped off and struggled through the surf to safety.

The wreck is only a few cables' length from the dreaded Norman's Woe, the scene of the wreck of the Hesperus, of which Longfellow wrote.

The Cora B. carried a mixed cargo of merchandise, foodstuffs and household furniture. The crew list is as follows: Captain George Johnson, Avon Johnson, Harvey Currey and John Jackson.

[Schr. Cora B. hailed from St. John N. B. in 1890, was 81 feet long, 27.2 and 7.2 deep, registered 99 tons and was owned by her master, Capt. Geo. S. Johnson, of Lower Granville, N. S.]

Sir Frederick's Respect.

According to the Montreal Witness, Sir F. W. Borden addressed the Y. M. C. A. at Ottawa on Nov. 28th and among other things, said "He had little respect for the sanctimonious aloofness, which some persons maintained instead of drawing near to the erring, and saying to him: 'You have erred, but never mind; your friends will stand by you; brace up, and it will be all right.'"

Card Of Thanks

Our sincere thanks are extended to the friends and neighbors who so kindly helped during the lingering sickness of Lydia Bennett. Without any known relatives, she appreciated the loving care bestowed, and attention given. "A cup of cold water given in the name of a despise shall in no wise lose them their reward."

Mrs. and Mrs. N. P. Wood, Mrs. C. I. Nelly, Mrs. W. G. Holland, Wilmot, Nov. 27, '07.

A STRANGE BIRD.

The Kea of New Zealand of Interest to Naturalists, but a Menace to Sheep Raisers.

New Zealand has become noted for its curious birds. The one which, during the past few years, has attracted most attention is the kea. This bird has become a subject of interest not only to the naturalist, but also to the sheep raisers. Indeed it was the latter, who first became interested in this bird.

The kea is commonly known as the Mountain parrot, but its scientific name is the nestor notabilis. It is somewhat larger than a pigeon. It has a powerful beak, the upper part of which is very much curved. The colors of its feathers are green, black and red.

The Kea formerly lived upon insects and berries, and seldom was seen except in the mountains. But nearly 40 years ago the farmers began to find their sheep lying dead and torn, where their pastures bordered on woodlands. Suspicion was placed upon the kea, and a war of extermination was commenced by sheep growers.

Later scientific men took up the matter and defended the kea, claiming that it was not a bird of prey so could not be responsible for the death of the sheep. As the case against the bird was based upon hearsay evidence and suspicion, the wisdom of destroying the kea was strongly questioned.

But a couple of years ago Geo. R. Morrison, F. R. M. S. of the biology department of Canterbury College, New Zealand, undertook to investigate the matter. He soon established the fact that the kea was guilty, but by

what circumstances the insect and berry eating bird was changed into a fierce bird of prey, is still unexplained. It is, however a matter of interest to scientists. One theory is that the kea, which in search of worms, is accustomed to tear open the vegetable sheep, a species of fungus-like growth closely resembling the back of a sheep, was, under the pressure of hunger, led to attack the sheep itself. Another theory is that the kea became first accustomed to eat the maggots of the sheep's carcass, then to eat the flesh of the carcass and next to attack the live animal.

Mr. Morrison gives an account of the manner in which the bird attacks the sheep. The kea, generally in numbers of two or more, alights in the vicinity of a flock of sheep. After hopping about for a little, one of the birds alights on the rump of the best sheep in the flock. If the movement of the sheep throws him off he persists, and begins to tear the wool from the sheep's loins. Now the bird begins to warm up to his work. Holding on by his claws and supporting himself by his outstretched wings the assailant begins to tear the flesh with his powerful beak. The poor sheep from moving about restlessly now runs about wildly, but cannot get away from its enemy. When the sheep falls, from exhaustion, the other birds join the leader in tearing the sheep to pieces. Thousands of sheep have been killed in this way, and now the war of extermination is on in earnest.

Incidentally all the fire adjustments and the other accompaniments of the San Francisco disaster have been tabulated and arranged; and it now transpires that what was supposed to be a total damage of about \$350,000,000 amounts to much nearer \$600,000,000. Only \$200,000,000, can properly be charged up to insurance, and therefore, the country has suffered a total wiping out of existence, an obligation of property, to the amount of \$400,000,000, by that one fire. This is a matter worthy of our most serious consideration. It should teach us to build so as to make impossible the recurrence of such an awful conflagration, a recurrence that is imminently possible now in several cities, notably New Orleans, Boston and Philadelphia.

—Scientific American.

Obituary.

East Margareville, has suffered a severe loss in the death of Edgar Teits which took place at his late residence, Nov. 10. He is greatly missed in his home and in the community. He was a neighbor that was ever ready to do a favor. He was a citizen worthy of the name. He was upright and honest in all his dealings, and in this way won the confidence of all. He was a member of the Baptist church having been baptized into its fellowship by the late Rev. W. Hall. He leaves a widow to mourn her loss. She has the heart-felt sympathy of all the community.

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