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### Santa Claus Visits the County Institutions

By the Generosity of Friends, in Addition to the Christmas Celebration, the Nucleus of a Fund for Building a Recreation Hall is Realized.

To strangers, a visit to either the County Home or Hospital, situated just outside the limits of the Town of Bridgetown, at any time, would probably be a revelation.

The writer has visited the Institutions by day and night, often unbidden but always welcome, and the appearance of everything is ever the same—spotlessly clean and in perfect order. The inmates, too, all speak in glowing terms of those in charge.

But a visit on Christmas Day and a sight of the beautifully decorated rooms and heavily laden Christmas trees, is so far beyond what any (but those who have now become used to the sight) would expect, that one is led to reflect that those who are at the head of these Institutions have certainly found their vocation, 1st, in the general management during the year; 2nd, in the art of making Christmas Day a happy day for those under their charge. I should not like to suggest how many hours of thought and labor must have been involved in last Saturday's celebration, but evidently Messrs. Myers and Hiltz and their assistants were delighted to have undertaken the task and felt amply repaid by the plain evident delight of the inmates, coupled with the appreciation of their efforts by townspeople and friends present.

During the day extra fare had been served, but the great event was, as usual, reserved for the evening when Santa Claus and his throng of red mule would arrive from regions, guessed rather than known. A goodly number of friends of the Institution had assembled for this. The proceedings commenced at the County Home by the Rector of St. James' Church—Rev. E. Underwood, being called upon for a few remarks. The e were appropriate to the occasion and the day. The Rev. Mr. Johnson also spoke in a very happy vein. Then came a stamophone entertainment (much enjoyed), followed by refreshments served to the inmates, and last but by no means least, the arrival of the unmistakable Santa Claus with his not so easily recognized thoroughbred and the distribution of presents.

Adjournment was then made to the County Hospital where a like program was gone through, and all felt once again what a splendid thing it is to have at the head of institutions such as these, men like Messrs. Myers and Hiltz and their "help meets," to whom no trouble seems too great to make happy the lot of those in their charge. After the inmates had been dismissed Superintendent Hiltz addressed the friends present—thanking them for coming there that night and also expressing the thanks of the whole staff to the contributors of subscriptions. Concerning this he desired to call attention to the fact that it was a record list in two ways—1st, as regards the amount. 2nd, it contained some large subscriptions from outside the county. This latter feature was quite new and he felt especially thankful as it bespoke a widening interest not only in the Christmas celebration, but also an interest in what he had very much at heart—viz., the erection of a Recreation Hall for the joint use of both houses. He felt quite sure that all those present would appreciate the great need of such a place. For instance, they could plan such an evening as this in a much better way if they had a room twice or thrice the size. Then there would also be opportunities of providing entertainments to relieve the monotony of the life of patients and inmates if only they had the room. But above all it would be a splendid thing for the general well-being of those under his charge if they had a room apart from the hospital itself, in which they could indulge in various forms of recreation, for obvious reasons, not now possible. This year they had subscribed

\$98.75. Out of this for that evening's entertainment they had spent \$45.52, thus leaving \$53.23 in hand. This, he thought, they could put toward a building fund for the proposed Recreation Hall. He had several other subscriptions promised and he felt sure many more would be glad to help. At any rate, he was going to try very hard to get the thing, not only under way, but erected by this time next year. The party then dispersed, having one and all spent a very pleasant evening in seeing those less fortunate than themselves made so happy. Below is the subscription list, to the subscribers of which the Staffs of the respective institutions desire, on behalf of the inmates and patients, to return grateful thanks.

We the undersigned do hereby contribute the amount set opposite our respective names for the purpose of providing the usual Treat and Entertainment for the benefit of the inmates of the County Institutions on Christmas Day.

W. G. Clarke, 5.00  
Miss Annie Outhit, 5.00  
C. H. Strong, 2.00  
Mrs. Annie Shand, 5.00  
Reed & Kipney, 1.00  
L. G. DeBlois, 1.00  
Rev. E. Underwood, 2.00  
J. W. Ross, 1.25  
A. D. Brown, 1.00  
W. R. Lomax, 1.00  
A. S. Williams, 1.00  
R. A. Crowe, 2.00  
Karl Freeman, 2.00  
J. W. Beckwith, 2.00  
J. Harry Hicks, 1.00  
H. M. Chute, 1.00  
Moses & Young, 1.00  
J. E. Lloyd, 2.00  
Fred R. Fay, 1.00  
Mrs. Nellie Stephens, 5.00  
Capt. Lovitt Hines, 5.00  
O. T. Daniels, 1.00  
Ronald Whiteway, 1.00  
I. M. Otterson, 1.00  
E. Ruggles, 1.00  
C. L. Pizgott, 2.00  
J. H. Hicks & Sons, 2.00  
M. E. Armstrong, 1.00  
Fred E. Bath, 1.00  
H. W. Hayward, 1.00  
Friend, .50  
W. H. Cochrane, 2.00  
H. J. Johnston, 1.00  
H. L. Bepley, 1.00  
Joseph I. Foster, 2.00  
R. F. Connell, 1.00  
C. Jost, 1.00  
James B. Murray, 4.00  
W. G. Jefferson, 2.00  
S. N. Wear, 2.00  
Mrs. Isabel B. Harding, 2.00  
J. W. Peters, .50  
T. D. Ruggles, 1.00  
A. J. MacDonald, 2.50  
O. S. Miller, .50  
M. W. Graves, .50  
R. E. Feltus, 1.00  
W. H. Roache, 5.00  
F. S. Anderson, .50  
W. H. Warren, parcel  
S. W. W. Pickup, 10.00  
W. J. Hoyt, 1.00

\$98.75

To the Editor of the Monitor:  
I have had submitted to me for audit, the subscription list together with bill, vouchers etc., in connection with the annual Treat and Entertainment for the benefit of the inmates of County Institution on Christmas Day and after careful examination I find the following to be a correct statement of receipts, expenditure and balance.

Received \$98.75  
Expended 45.52

\$53.23

ERNEST UNDERWOOD  
The Rector,  
Bridgetown, Dec. 27th, 1909.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES  
DIPHTHERIA.

### The Monitor Sentinel

Wishes for All Its

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

with Peace, Plenty, and Prosperity.

#### Coroner's Jury Hold Inquest

An inquest was held by the coroner, Dr. M. E. Armstrong on Thursday, to inquire into the circumstances of the death of Enos Taylor who met his death by accident on Wednesday. Twelve jurymen were impanelled and having viewed the body in the undertaking rooms of W. E. Reed, assembled in the Town Council chamber where a number of witnesses were examined. F. L. Milner acted as attorney in behalf of the Temperance committee of the town council.

The first called was Perry Sims. His evidence was to the effect that he was moving the building from Mr. Turner's in town to his place on the Bay Road having engaged four or five yoke of oxen with drivers. Just over the bridge by the schoolhouse, Inglewood the accident occurred. To Mr. Milner, "Saw the deceased about ten minutes before death. Did not notice anything peculiar about his actions. No pay given to those moving the building. I did not have any power or order there. Saw some bottles in the building. Was not there all the time."

Burpee Chute, being sworn said, "I walked up to the building to see what they were doing. Saw the deceased teaming his oxen. His cattle were on the high tide next to building. Saw the deceased could not walk straight and thought he was intoxicated. Told Herb Grey he had better drive the deceased's cattle, and Grey did so for a time. Then deceased insisted on driving them himself. Others there tried to get him to give up driving his cattle. I saw him fall in the ditch once, and again under the hind legs of his cattle. I told the men to watch him and keep him out of danger and had started for home, when I heard the alarm and looking back saw the deceased on the ground at the back of the building." To Mr. Milner "I do not think it possible that Perry Sims did not know that the deceased was the worse for liquor. I did not notice any others intoxicated nor any liquor drinking while I was there. The rear oxen were five or six feet from the building. The building was not more than six inches from ground in front."

Elias Ramey testified, "Was driving my oxen helping move building. I saw the deceased and saw he was the worse for liquor. I picked up the deceased after the building had passed over him. Helped carry him in the house. He lived about ten minutes. Was unconscious. I wanted to change places with deceased, he would not. Saw him drinking from a quart bottle half an hour before the accident. I do not know how the liquor got there. The bottle was thrown away." Atherton Marshall, Jerry Saultier, Jesse Mitchell and Henry Sims testified to same effect. Mitchell to Mr. Milner, "I saw two other men there worse for liquor. I saw a jug in the building and saw some of the men around it."

The verdict was as follows—  
That the said Enos Taylor came to his death by being crushed under a moving building while in a state of intoxication.

And we further recommend that great vigilance be used to suppress the sale of intoxicating liquors that in future such accidents may be rendered impossible to the town.

(Signed)  
E. A. CRAIG, foreman  
and Jurors.

#### Crowded Passenger Cars Plunged Down Steep Embankment

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 28.—Five cars of a train from the Canadian West, crowded with 600 persons counting East to spend Christmas, were dived while passing through the rocky desolate country west of Chappell early this morning. The wrecked train was the C. P. R.'s Winnipeg to Toronto Express, No. 38, and it was literally jammed to the doors with an eager holiday crowd expectantly awaited by friends in Ontario. About a score of persons were painfully hurt or bruised.

PLUNGED DOWN THE EMBANKMENT.  
It was pitch dark at one o'clock this morning when the accident occurred. The train was then 22 miles east of Missinable, and some distance west of Chappell, a spot noted in the annals of railway disasters. Suddenly the track under the baggage car overran the track with it, and rolled down, and cars immediately following loaded with luggage as it was, broke down a steep embankment.

PANIC FOLLOWED DISASTER.  
The minutes that followed were full of excitement and the air was full of cries of the frightened and injured passengers struggling among the debris which filled the cars. Awakened as most of them were from their sleep without the premonition of a disaster, their terrible experience in rolling over the stones and down the declivity, created a panic. The three coaches were colliers cars in which the people were packed to the limit. Fortunately seven cars remained on the rails.

NONE FATALLY INJURED.  
It is believed that none of the passengers were fatally injured, though three were painfully hurt. They elected to continue the journey East in order not to miss the Christmas festivities. Fourteen other passengers received minor injuries consisting of cuts and bruises which will not prevent them proceeding. Traffic was reopened after a delay of eight hours, and the train proceeded with the passengers from the overturned cars crowded into the cars which had remained on the rails.

SOME OF THE INJURED.  
Among the injured are Thos. Moquin, Amsterdam, N. Y., back injured; Ed. McJean, Moose Jaw, internal abdominal injuries; Mrs. Hugh McMahon, Newdale, Man., back and side; Joseph Gilmour, and Miss M. Gilmour, Toronto. Mr. Gilmour is 70 years old and is suffering from an injured shoulder but his daughter is not badly hurt.

The other passengers were cut by flying glass and bruised from the swaying and jolting of the cars in going down the embankment. Their injuries are trivial, those named being the most serious, and they will be able to continue the journey to Toronto where the train arrived about ten hours late at midnight. Physicians do not anticipate any serious results to any of the injured.

#### Benson Clements Burned to Death

Inglewood, which was the scene of the fatal accident of last week, was the only occupant. Apparently he had fallen in an epileptic fit to which he was subject, and upsetting the lamp had been burnt to death. The deceased had been insane for three years and was a resident patient at Mount Hope but was let out about a week ago and went first to Newport, where his brother, A. Clements, the preacher, lived and then came to Bridgetown to visit his wife. His wife became alarmed at his conduct and left the house, but supplied him with food. His father-in-law, Henry Sims, who was probably the last to visit him, carrying him food, was met at the door, and the last remark he made was that "if he could get over his fits he would be feeling fine."

His mother, Mrs. Sylvia Clements lived near with a son-in-law, and though the family were in terror of the man, who was not responsible for his actions, they are much affected by his tragic death. He was a man under forty years of age and leaves no children.

Truro Express Office Robbery.  
Respecting the much talked of Burgess case, last week Mr. Robert Taylor, J. P., placed W. L. Burgess, and this week W. L. Rutledge and W. J. Burgess on trial at the next session of the supreme court in June, unless they elect to be tried in the county criminal court, says the Truro Sun.

It is rumored both W. J. Burgess and W. L. Rutledge will wait for the supreme. We have heard nothing respecting W. L. Burgess' intention in the matter.

Regarding two checks to which W. L. Burgess is alleged to have forged the name of Wm. Davison, of Seattle, (which allegation W. L. Burgess denies, and which checks W. L. Rutledge says cashed, it is understood that Detective Welsh, had these checks in his possession while here attending the preliminary examination. That the reason he gave for not tendering them in evidence was that he had borrowed them from the court officials in Seattle, and that if tendered here they would be held by the court, therefore he could not, till after the trials at least, return them to the Seattle officials.

Kings County Man Arrested in Denver.  
L. C. Woodworth, a King's County man, well-known all over the province as a cattle-buyer, has been taken into custody at Denver, Col., charged with embezzlement. He disappeared from this province several weeks ago and efforts of those with whom he had dealings had failed to discover his whereabouts. He is said to have victimized Nova Scotians to the extent of thousands of dollars.

A fire in Halifax Christmas night damaged the buildings containing Lane's Hat Store and Gates' Music Store, causing a loss of \$15,000.

### Fierce Storm Follows Christmas Festivities

New England Cities Visited by Snow Storm with High Tides, Causing Much Damage, Inconvenience and Suffering, Especially Along the Coast.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 28.—Grim winter swept into New England today on the wings of a north-east storm with such terrible energy as to cause great damage, much inconvenience, not a little suffering, and a few deaths.

The big tide was the feature of the storm. Coming on a full moon, the pale rolled a wave along the coast, which in some places reached a height of over fourteen feet above low water mark, only being exceeded by that which swept the coast at the time Minot's Light was destroyed in April 1851.

In this city the tide went across Atlantic Avenue on the water front, filling hundreds of cellars and causing an estimated damage of over \$1,000,000.

In Everett, Cornus Harkin and his wife were caught in their beds and overwhelmed by the flood, while an infant lost its life in Chelsea under similar conditions. In many cases along the coast, persons were taken from their homes in boats, hundreds of summer cottages were undermined, bulkheads were destroyed, and persons living some distance from the coast found themselves looking over the open ocean.

It is years since the railroads and street railway companies have been so completely blocked. The cars, however, less of a handicap than the fall of the wires and telegraph poles for the steam railroads, but the street cars could make but little progress.

Fallen wires around Boston and throughout south-eastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island made it necessary to cut out completely electric lighting plants in those communities that were served by the overhead systems. Large cities such as Cambridge, Lynn, Brockton, Providence, Fall River and New Bedford were in darkness.

Milk trains on all roads were stalled and Philadelphia received their morning's supply of milk and cream several hours after supper time tonight.

Olive Branch Installs Officers.  
Olive Branch Division met on Monday evening and after the usual routine of business installed the following officers—  
W. P. Harry Lantz  
W. A. Almeida Jackson  
R. S. Loran Hall  
A. R. S. Nora Anderson  
F. S. Edward Rice  
Treas. Mrs. Turner  
Con. Clyde Marshall  
A. C. Mabel Marshall  
P. W. P. A. Clarke  
I. S. E. Lantz  
O. S. O. Lantz.

Rev. Arthur H. Anstey Visits Old Pupils.  
Rev. Arthur H. Anstey, principal of St. Boniface College Warminster, Wiltshire, England, arrived by the Corsican this morning, and will be the guest over Sunday of Rev. H. W. Cunningham and Mrs. Cunningham St. George's rectory. Mr. Anstey will spend one week in Nova Scotia, visiting old students of St. Boniface resident in the province, and will then return to England—Halifax "Examiner" Mail.

The Rector of St. James—Rev. E. Underwood, is an old St. Boniface student, and Mr. Anstey will be a guest at the Rectory tomorrow (Thursday), leaving on Friday to take the R. M. S. Corsteau, as she starts on her return trip from Halifax on Saturday.

NEW YORK SNOW BOUND.  
New York, Dec. 26.—New York and its environs were practically snow-bound for the first time this winter. The west wing of railroad service was almost wholly cut off by ice accumulation in every direction was closed, the city's streets were blocked with snow, and shipping away from harbor, suffered considerably.

Plate glass windows were smashed, and frail structures overturned in many parts of the city. Hundreds of automobiles were stalled in snow-drifts, and many were still in the same plight tonight.

It is estimated that the removal of snow from the streets will cost over \$200,000.

HEAVY IN PHILADELPHIA.  
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 26.—A snow-fall of sixteen inches which drifted in places to a height of ten feet or more completely tied for hours today, all steam and trolley traffic in this vicinity. Many trains were stalled and the Pennsylvania R. R. Company announced tonight that eight trains had been held at Fraser, Pa., 38 miles west of this city for five hours.

The storm began yesterday and early this morning the local street railway company abandoned all traffic. Runs were abandoned by their crews in all sections of the city and passengers were compelled to remain in the cars until daybreak because of the intensity of the storm. Thousands of suburbanites and other travellers were obliged to spend the night in railroad stations.

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