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STANDARD TIME.

On the first day of March the City of Halifax and many of the towns of the Province adopted the time of the 60th parallel, which is exactly one hour faster than the time used by the W. & A. R. and fifteen minutes faster than true Halifax time. A bill is also to be introduced before the House of Assembly to have it made the legal time of the Province. In Wolfville, Mr. Geo. V. Rand has set his clock by that time and also the People's Bank and the Western Book & News Co. We hope the Institutions will soon adopt the same time and also the Churches. The Presbyterian church has already done so and the others should follow at once.

ENTERTAINMENT.

A company from Kentville composed of Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Shadwell, Miss Pyke, Messrs. Medcalfe and Margeson gave a musical entertainment under the auspices of the Kentville Episcopal Church on Tuesday evening Feb. 26th. The music was all of a very high order. The violin and concertina solos as also the vocal music showing high artistic skill. All who were well up in musical art were doubtless delighted with it. It is, however, a great question in our mind if the majority could appreciate it. We are largely of the opinion that persons visiting Wolfville make a great mistake in not performing at least a small portion of the popular music of the day. To a large number the high class of music that is usually performed here while very difficult and showing great proficiency in this noble accomplishment, is as unintelligible as so much Greek or Latin would be, and is as much appreciated as a particularly fine essay or eloquent speech would be if delivered in either of those languages. We are not all professors of music and perhaps of those that usually attend seventy-five per cent go home feeling that it was very nice but they would have liked much better something they could more easily understand. It is of course a great misfortune not to be able to feel on this subject as a few do, but the number of misfortunate ones is greatly in the majority and for their benefit performers, catering to the public, should descend occasionally from their great heights and show a slight amount of condescension. One thing is certain, there is a medium between the very sublime and the utterly ridiculous which might be ventured upon without in the least compromising either the performers or the few highly educated

listeners.

THE PIBROCH.

Through the enterprise of Mr. D. A. Munro we were favored with a visit from the renowned "Jeck" Patterson, of Halifax, with his bagpipes with the music of which he made the Rink resound on Friday and Saturday last. By reputation we know Mr. Patterson to be a great musician in his own line but we doubt if pipe music will ever become the popular attraction of this part of the province. However it was a novelty and as such was duly appreciated. The Kentville *Bulldozer* says he "blew such a screagh." We are glad to hear it for we couldn't exactly place the name of it. We might also correct the *Bulldozer's* statement and say that the Bagpipes have been heard in Wolfville at least twice inside of five years. We refer to the time when His Excellency the Marquis of Lorne was here in 1880 and again last summer when the two itinerant musicians favored us with selections on the Bagpipes and Flageolet. Try again man.

FRESHET IN GASPEREAU.

Owing to the heavy rains and the large quantity of ice in the river the Gasperaux overflowed its banks doing a large amount of damage. The interval on each side is torn up badly. Mr. Rufus Forsyth's orchard is damaged to the extent of about two hundred dollars by the ice barking the trees. The flooring in Messrs. John Eldridge's and I. N. Coldwell's barns was floated up and their stock had to be removed to higher ground. On the north side the water rose higher than ever before coming up to Mr. E. A. Davison's new house and also depositing large ice-cakes on the road at the "tail race bridge." The Simpson bridge was carried from its place and taken quite a distance and was afterwards broken in two by wreckers for the purpose of getting the iron out of it. There is some talk of taking action against them for the wanton destruction of public property. Altogether it was a bad affair and will cost considerable money to repair damages. It is said that on the south side the water did not rise so high as on former occasions and not so much damage was done.

Testimonial of 1st Norton Church to its late Pastor Rev. Dr. deBlois.

WOLFVILLE, March 1st 1884.

At the Conference Meeting of the Church this afternoon the following resolutions were moved by Rev. Dr. Sawyer, seconded by Dr. Higgins and unanimously passed:

Whereas, this church has been called to mourn on account of the death of its pastor Rev. Stephen W. deBlois, D. D.

Resolved, that while we deeply feel the loss that has now come upon us, we do nevertheless thankfully acknowledge the goodness of God in enabling his servant to continue through the long period of twenty eight years a faithful and successful pastor, honored and beloved by his church and the community in which he lived.

That in view of our brother's devotion to the duties of his calling in public

and in private, his ability as a preacher, his desire at all times to minister to the spiritual comfort of the sick and the sorrowing, his prudence in directing the affairs of the church in times of difficulty and trial, and his readiness to promote every good work, that the fruits of the Spirit might abound in this church and congregation, it is our duty as it is also a pleasure, to place on our records our high estimation of those gifts, by which our brother was made a good minister of Jesus Christ, so that his labors through a protracted pastorate were continuously blessed in strengthening christians in the faith and in turning many unbelievers unto the Lord.

That, it becomes us to cherish the remembrance of our departed brother's patience, cheerfulness, helpfulness, and Christian trust so uniformly manifested by him during the long and painful illness which preceded his death, as well as the courtesy, kindness, forbearance and love of peace, which characterized him as a man and a christian through the entire period of his connection with this church, and which so greatly endeared him to its members and to all with whom he was associated.

That we hereby express our deepest sympathy with the family of the deceased in their sad bereavement, and the assurance of our prayers that the grace which was the support of departed brother, may be their consolation in this time of sorrow.

Resolved that the clerk be directed to communicate a copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased.—*Christian Messenger.*

ANNAPOLIS ITEMS.

On Friday evening 22nd ult. a committee held a social "hop" in Fullerton's Hall. Music was furnished by the Annapolis Brass Band, and an enjoyable evening was spent. The proceeds, minus all expenses, went for the benefit of the band.

On Tuesday evening 26th ult. some of the ladies of the town who did not get enough dancing at the "hop" on Friday evening, got up a Surprise Party at Mrs. J. P. Edwards'. With the presence of about fifty couples, together with Mitchell's Band, the party was voted a complete success.

The Annapolis Dramatic Society has been giving the town several rare treats during the winter. We understand they intend giving another soon entitled: "War to the knife." The company deserve great praise for the masterly manner in which the other plays were performed and show "great native talent."

The Annapolis Royal Rink Co. held on Thursday 28th ult. a very exciting race in their rink. The prize, a silver cup, was gained by Mr. F. C. Whitman of this town. As a race was something new in Annapolis quite a number of people were in attendance, notwithstanding the severe storm. A boys' race was also held on the following Monday, which was almost equally as interesting. There were three prizes offered, a pair of skates, a pocket knife and fifty cents worth of rink tickets, which were carried off respectively by Masters William Miller, F. Hall and W. McLaughlin.

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