

PROVINCIAL

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Generous Proposition of Convicts at Dorchester.

General News of Interest From Many Sections of New Brunswick

CHARLOTTE CO.

St. Stephen, April 12.—Professor Francis Joseph Brown, president of the Delarste school of oratory, Toronto, is to entertain the people here on Thursday evening, April 25th.

A vacant gristmill owned by W. A. Murchie, and located on Marks' wharf, was destroyed by an incendiary fire early on Monday morning.

The St. Stephen encampment of Knights Templar join with the Calais encampment in attendance at Divine service at the Congregational church on Sunday morning.

Geo. Russell, a prominent farmer of Oak Hill, reports something remarkable in sheep raising. He wintered nine ewes, eight of which have lambed. Two had triplets and six had twins.

McCurdy's barber shop is now supplied with a new chair of latest design. The proprietor of this shop always tries to keep a lap ahead of his competitors.

A committee of Sussex lodge, F. & A. M., is arranging for a parlor concert to be given in Masonic hall at an early date.

Capt. P. J. Warr of this port has just been appointed to the command of the brig Hersey of Boston, one of the largest and finest brigs afloat.

Fred Stewart has passed through a severe crisis in his illness during the past week, all hope of his recovery at one time having been abandoned. He has, however, taken a turn for the better and his physicians now state that if no further complications arise he will recover.

The Pauline Hall Opera company, direct from Boston, is billed for the Croix hall on the evening of April 25th.

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and dry goods department at Grand Harbor. Mrs. Lawton Guphill will open up a millinery and dry goods department in their store soon.

There is quite an interest at Grand Harbor as to who will succeed the late R. E. Foster as postmaster there. Jas. D. McDowell and Mrs. Fred J. Martin are aspirants. D. I. Wood McLaughlin, the collector of customs, is now performing the duties of the office as assistant postmaster.

Capt. Coleman Ingalls of the sloop Hunter has just returned from a trip to Bar Harbor.

Fishery Officer F. J. Martin has got up an agreement to be signed by his owners, the purport of which is that the weavers agree and bind themselves to sell fresh herrings to foreign buyers that use them to smoke or cure them in other ways at the set price of four dollars per hoghead of five barrels capacity, and not to sell a herring for any smaller price under any circumstances. It is meeting with considerable favor from the weavers and fishermen.

Rev. W. H. Perry has finished a very successful series of revival meetings at Grand Harbor, and has added a large number of members to the F. C. Baptist church there. He will now commence a series of meetings at Seal Cove. He has proved himself a man of sterling qualities and has been most ably assisted by Rev. Henry Hart, an old favorite with the Free Baptists here. Rev. Thomas Moore, Reformed Baptist, is home again at North Head.

WESTMORLAND CO.

Moncton, April 10.—Last night's rain was very heavy in this section and about all the snow in town has been carried away. The downfall of rain and the melting snow has caused great freshets in many country roads are well nigh impassable. Some damage has also been done, the most serious reports being that the bridge over the Little River bridge in Upper Coverdale, Albert county.

Tenders are invited for the erection of two enclosed wooden towers to replace the range light mails on Shediac island and the entrance to Shediac harbor.

The churches here are sending considerable quantities of clothing, etc., for the relief of the poor in Newfoundland, besides which considerable cash has been sent. St. Paul's R. E. church, though one of the smallest congregations in town, has already forwarded three packages of goods and is now preparing another lot.

William Hogan, father of Dennis Hogan, hotel keeper, died this morning at the advanced age of 100 years. He was born in Cork, Ireland, and came to this country 75 years ago, with two or three others, forming the nucleus of what is now the large and flourishing settlement known as Irish town. Mr. Hogan had an illness 41 years ago which affected his eyesight and he was totally blind for the last 35 years of his life. Notwithstanding his affliction he was always very active for his age and was able to be about the house up to within a day or two before his death. His wife died two and a half years ago, aged 89.

The Moncton driving park is to be sold at auction May 6th, under mortgage to the Kellor estate, Dorchester.

A sufficient number of names for demanding a vote on the appeal of the Canada Temperance act in Westmorland has been obtained and will, it is expected, shortly be forwarded to Ottawa. Coun. LeBlanc of Shediac has the work in hand and he claims that there is great change in the feeling toward the act since the time of the last ward on repeal, when the majority for the retention of the act was about 700. He is confident that the act will be repealed when the vote is taken.

The Salisbury and Harvey R'y train was unable to make her trip today, owing to the flooded condition of the track.

The Moncton and Buctouche railway track, which has been blocked since the big storm of February, was opened through today and trains will run regularly in the future.

Petitodiac, April 11.—A plaster quarry has been discovered on the farm of James Steeves of this village. There is abundance and a sample has been sent to New York to be tested. If it proves as valuable as expected a company will be formed at once to operate the quarry.

Moncton, April 12.—J. T. Forbes goes to Maine tomorrow to work in the Bangor and Aroostook railway. He is engaged by the contractor, C. P. Treat.

A harness case is attracting some attention. Some time last summer G. L. Sangster opened a harness business here with M. G. Ayer, who had formerly conducted a shop, and managed the business for some time. Mr. Ayer was the practical man, while Mr. Sangster's father, who had advanced the capital, became dissatisfied and closed it up. The stock in trade was sold, among them being a harness, a young man named Stuart Keith of Berry's Mills, who bought goods to the extent of \$44, and gave his note. The note became due the other day and went to protest for non-payment. In consequence of information received by Mr. Sangster, he has instituted proceedings against Ayer and one Jesner Somers, who kept a saloon next door to the harness shop. The evidence of Keith goes to show that he was called in by Somers, who said he would give him \$5 if he would go in to Sangster's and buy a lot of harness, giving his note in payment. It was suggested that he might sign the name of some mythical person to the note. Ayer was called in and the matter was talked over. Keith was not known to Sangster, who would refuse to sell on credit to an unknown person. Keith was to say that Mr. Ayer knew him, and Ayer, when called in, would assure Mr. Sangster that Keith was all right, owned a mill, etc. The scheme worked all right and Mr. Keith got a set of harness, robe, bells, etc., amounting in all to \$44, giving a note signed G. A. Keith. He then handed the harness over to Somers and got \$5. This is the story in brief. Ayer, who has been out of town for some time, arrived here today. The case is to be continued tomorrow. Ayer was supposed to be in partnership with Sangster, but the latter swears he was simply hired at \$12 a week.

Lewis McAnn, father of L. W. McAnn of Moncton, died at Petitodiac on Thursday, aged 76 years. Deceased was a native of Tyrone county, Ireland, and came to this country in 1834, settling at Hopewell. He is a brother of Rev. Isaac McAnn, principal of Boylton Theological Institute of Virginia. He leaves five sons, George of Petitodiac, Ezekiel B. and L. W. of Moncton, J. A. of Rhode Island, and C. W. of Kelso, British Columbia.

H. Muma, dominion arbitrator of Dumno, Ont., was in town today en route to Nova Scotia on official business.

L. L. Miller has purchased the Crocodile lot on Church street, 65 by 112, for \$1,025. He intends erecting a private residence on the lot.

Dorchester, April 12.—Seventy convicts of the Dorchester penitentiary have presented a memorial to Warden Forster, asking that they be placed on short rations for a period of three months, thereby saved to the government be forwarded to the suffering fellow convicts in Newfoundland. The action of the convicts is entirely voluntary, but it is doubtful if the prison authorities have the power to carry out the proposal.

Point de Bute, April 10.—On Thursday last, Westmorland division, No. 56, S. of T., elected the following officers: A. Weldon Colpitts, W. P.; Miss Agnes Carter, W. A.; Herbert Goodwin, R. S.; Mrs. Leonard Carter, A. R. S.; Mrs. Fullerton, T.; Johnson Truman, F. S.; James Colpitts, chap.; Merrill Oulton, C.; Frank Carter, A. R. S.; Fred Robinson, I. S.; Charlie Carter, O. S.

Amos Truman, councillor, who has been sick, is improving.

KINGS CO.

The Sussex Athletic association held their second meeting in their rooms in the Masonic hall last night, about fifty members being present. A code of by-laws were submitted and adopted. The president, Geo. W. Fowler, very generously undertook to have them printed at his own expense. The room is to be situated up with the apparatus immediately.

Harold Charters of the Bank of Nova Scotia, and Master Hallett, express agent, were appointed a committee to solicit aid from the citizens, and in a very short time collected enough to pay the first year's rent.

A farmer in Markhamville is the owner of a very fine ewe, which brought him five lambs a week ago; four of them are now alive and well.

Miss Bray, for many years a popular teacher in the Sussex grammar school, is in Sussex. Her many old friends are giving her a most hearty welcome.

A leading merchant and one of the best posted men in this place openly stated in his place of business yesterday that he was a regular subscriber of the Sun, and would be so even if he differed with its politics.

Thomas Heffer, mason and plasterer, is hauling with his teams stones and sand for the walls and cellar of the new building to be erected for the Bank of Nova Scotia in the Church street, the building operations will soon begin.

John McLaughlin, the mail carrier injured by a runaway team on the new line of road a short time ago, was out for the first time today.

Malina M., daughter of Postmaster R. D. Boal, arrived home last evening from her studies at the University of Toronto, where she spent the Easter holidays. She was accompanied by Miss Claire Jost of Guysboro, N. S.

A call made at the Dominion dairy school in the afternoon, found Prof. Robertson and W. W. Hubbard surprised to find the pupils all intelligent young farmers, busy at work in their endeavor to become skilled in the art of making good cheese. Two new members were added to the roll yesterday, Bliss A. Keith, from Cornhill, in Kings county, and P. Reid Dewrow, from Westmount, in Kings county.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hubbard of Indian Gardens are rejoicing over the arrival of a young daughter.

Miss Lillie Parks, daughter of John Parks of Red Bank, is engaged as teacher in the Scott school.

Edward Sinclair of Bridgetown has a number of men hauling compost to the McTavish farm at Southesk, which he purchased last summer. R. P. Whittey also has men at work hauling ashes from Newcastle to his farm in Whitteyville.

YORK CO.

Fredericton, April 12.—The cold weather has checked the freshet. Today the water has not risen any.

D. Atherton of Toronto arrived here this afternoon for a short visit.

John McCoy was here today and has prohabed the Commercial hotel, and will remove here the last of this month.

The argument before the city council in respect to the right of the council to grant leases to D. F. George and the Bicycle club was continued this evening, when Geo. A. Hughes presented the case on behalf of the applicants for leases.

ALBERT CO.

Hopewell Hill, April 9.—Rev. Mr. Cornwall, pastor of the Surrey Baptist church, baptized twenty converts at Demolse Creek on Sunday. Chas. Archibald of Hopewell Cape is about entering upon a career of evangelistic work.

Turner & McClellan's crew are at work getting the steam mill ready for sailing. About one million feet of logs are at the tail of the mill.

William L. Peck of this village is confined to the house with a severe attack of erysipelas. Dr. S. C. Murray is in attendance. Capt. T. R. Hamilton is also under the doctor's hands.

The funeral of the late W. H. A. Casey of Harvey took place on Sunday and was very largely attended. Mrs. Hopkins, Mr. Casey's daughter, who has been lying dangerously ill, is reported today as being slightly better.

Telephone communication between this village and Albert is talked of.

Hopewell Hill, April 11.—The heavy southwest gale of Tuesday night caused a very rough sea in the bay, and the tides all along the Shepody shores were unusually high. The new dyke, erected last fall by G. M. Russell, was broken, and several other portions of the Shepody dykes suffered considerably, necessitating immediate and quite extensive repairs. The marshes are pretty well overflowed by the freshets. McLane's stream drivers went on the river yesterday. Near the old freestone quarry, where a great number of logs were piled, the freshet broke with great force, and carried hundreds of logs from the bed of the stream, scattering them all over the intervals, where they are left high and dry. While on the stream yesterday Norman Barkhouse of this place had a very narrow escape from death.

He was engaged in raising the gate of one of the driving dams when the pile that holds the gate broke, and the heavy gate, driven by the force of water, struck him on the shoulder, knocking him clear over the rushing race-way, a distance of at least twenty feet, and depositing him, fortunately, in a snow bank. Chandler Connors, on the same stream, while at work on another dam, broke through the ice over the rushing water, a fellow workman grasping him by his boot leg just in the nick of time. The road between Albert and Beaver Brook is covered with water to a considerable depth, and is altogether impassable. At Hillsboro the "lake" road was overflowed by the freshet to a depth of three feet. C. J. Osmun, manager of the Albert Manufacturing company, had the novel experience yesterday of going from his residence to his office in a boat. A slight washout occurred on the S. & H. railway near Salisbury, so that passengers had to be transferred.

A quite general epidemic of very severe colds prevails at Riverside and vicinity, and the physicians are busy. Herbert Tingley of Caledonia is in a very critical condition. A consultation by the doctors was held on his case today.

The freshet night before last broke the boom of Bray's mill pond on the Calkins Creek, and several hundred logs were rushed down stream into the Peck mill pond some miles below. The dam of the latter mill broke and the logs are now piled up at the highway bridge. The loss and inconvenience will be considerable.

Hopewell Cape, April 9.—Schooner Waterdale has gone to Alma to load up for New York. Captain John L. Pye commands her, and Arthur B. Bray is first officer. The bark Alert has gone up to Grey's Island to load deals for England. Schooner H. R. Emmerson, Captain John J. Christopher, made the first trip of the season to St. John, deal laden. Reuben Steves of Salmon was to shipper. The second trip was made in less than six days. She had a large return freight of general merchandise for Hopewell and Hillsboro merchants.

Schooner Wawbeek, with kiln wood, Capt. Edget, has cleared for Rockland; James Fowles shipper. Schooner A. J. is receiving a new mainmast and other repairs.

An unusually large amount of plaster rock has been quarried this winter in the Demolse Creek valley. It is piled beside the railway line, will go by rail to Hillsboro and be loaded on schooners for the American market. Besides the output of the fine quarry of which James Blight is manager, another has been opened under the management of Edward Woodworth.