

Local and General News.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Morrison and family wish to thank their many kind friends for kindness shown them when their home was destroyed by fire.

FREDERICTON WON

HOCKEY GAME.
Fredericton of the Northern New Brunswick section of the Maritime Provinces Amateur Hockey Association, won from the Moncton team of the southern section at Fredericton Tuesday night, by a score of 3-1 in the opening local game of the hockey season.

FALSE FIRE ALARM.

At 8 o'clock last Wednesday evening the Newcastle Fire Department was given a run for nothing. An alarm was sent in for fire in Mr. Joseph Salome's store on McCallum Street, but on arrival of the department there was no fire to be found and the alarm proved to be a false one.

MISS ANNIE G. REINSBORROW.

At Chatham the death of Miss Annie G. Reinsborrow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Reinsborrow, took place Monday. The deceased was stricken about two weeks ago with an attack of pleuro-pneumonia. She taught for several years in various public schools throughout the province. Surviving also, are two sisters, Mrs. Allan Holland, Sandwich, Ont., and Geraldine at home and one brother, Lawrence, Jacquet River.

WANTS BONSPIEL.

The Bathurst Curling Club has issued an invitation to the curling clubs at Campbellton, Dalhousie, Newcastle, Chatham and Moncton requesting they each send one rink for a bonspiel on Wednesday. Some of the clubs have not yet replied but it is expected that the game will be held.

Following the game it is the intention of the Bathurst Club to entertain the visiting clubs to a supper.

OF LITTLE USE.

The new door in the Post Office has been completed, but it apparently is of very little use. It was expected that during the Christmas rush, the new door would have been a great convenience, not only to the citizens but also to the Post Office staff. Instead of being a convenience, it is reported that it would have been a perfect nuisance, had it been opened, as there was such a draught from the opening that the letters, papers, official documents etc., would be blown all over the interior of the building.

The query is—why was this not thought of in time, and then precautionary measures could have been taken to prevent this, but when the door was commenced—just before the federal election—it looked very much as if it was an election vote catcher, and perhaps insofar as the present government is concerned it has served its purpose.

A GOOD PLAN.

If you can't pay for a thing, don't buy it. If you can't get paid for it don't sell it. So you will have calm days, drowsy nights, and all the good business you have now, and none of the bad.

MORE VENDERS APPOINTED.

Fred S. Maher and James D. Johnson, of Chatham have been appointed retail vendors under the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1918, on the recommendation of W. L. McFarlane, Chief Inspector.

BAPTIST CHRISTMAS TREE.

The United Baptist Church Christmas tree and treat will be held tomorrow evening in the Church. All Sunday School children with their parents and friends are cordially invited to be present.

WILL OPPOSE PREMIER.

Stathroy, Ont., Dec. 22—At a meeting of the executive of the Conservative Association of West Middlesex here yesterday, it was unanimously decided to oppose Premier King should he become a candidate in the riding.

MIRAMICHI HOSPITAL

The Secretary begs to acknowledge the following donations:
Mrs. F. C. Sloop, Byfleet, England, £5.
Miss J. C. Clark, London, England, £4.
Miss N. G. Clark, London, England, £4.

EMPRESS THEATRE REPAIRS.

Mrs. Wm. Richards, Proprietress of the Empress Theatre is having the floor of the building gone over for the purpose of making the interior much warmer than it at present is. When this has been done the building will be considerably warmer and Mrs. Richards is endeavoring at all times to please and satisfy her many patrons.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES

Rev. David Laing, of Pittsburg, Pa., conducted the Presbyterian Service on Sunday morning in St. Andrew's Sunday School Building. There was a large congregation present and the reverend gentleman delivered an eloquent and inspiring address, which was enjoyed and appreciated by the congregation. Special Christmas music was rendered by the Choir. Next Sabbath service will be held in the evening at 7 o'clock, with Rev. Mr. McCulloch, the minister. All are cordially invited.

MAIL SLACKENS OFF.

The staff of the local post office had four busy days last week. Both incoming and outward mails were heavy and the office was crowded with people from early morning until closing time at night. The stamp and parcel wickets were exceptionally busy, while the inside department business was carried on with a rapidity that soon brought order out of a chaotic mass of correspondence and parcels of all descriptions. On Thursday night the work was well in hand and the staff had pretty well disposed of the huge volume of mail matter, with which they had to deal.

SUCCESSFUL WINNERS.

On Saturday afternoon the drawing took place at the store of H. Williston & Co., for the Gifts given to their customers at their Christmas Sale.
Messrs D. J. Gulliver, S. Welden, and F. Mersereau, conducted the drawing which was done by Mr. John S. Johnston.
Ticket No. 17 held by Miss Katie Caspary drew the Chest of Silver.
Ticket No. 421 held by Muriel Dutcher drew the Oak Clock and Ticket No. 698 held by Robert Sobie drew the China Tea Set. The nine other winning tickets drawing a prize of \$1.00 each were No. 413-876-92-632-622-179-899-447 and 774.

BAND AT RINK.

Last night was band night at the rink and there was a good crowd of skaters present to enjoy the skating.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE.

Reserve New Year's Eve for the I. O. O. F. dance in the Town Hall. Tickets will be sold by the Daughters, dancing and cards at 8.30 o'clock.

SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGE

Rev. Robert M. Stevenson, Moncton, West. Co., N. B., (Continuing Presbyterian), may solemnize marriages in the province of New Brunswick.

UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Rev. Harry K. Gilmmer, of St. Stephen, N. B., will occupy the United Baptist Church Pulpit on the next two Sundays, January 3rd, and 10th.

CONCRETE MILE COSTS \$30,000.

So much hard surfaced paving has been done in recent years that an average cost has been worked out, using a great many different paving materials and systems. The cost of a mile of concrete or similar paving has been placed at \$30,000 allowing for a roadway eighteen feet wide and seven inches thick.

TO REMAIN AT NEWCASTLE.

Rev. W. J. Bate, who after sixteen years as rector of Newcastle had accepted an invitation to become rector of McAdam, has, it is understood, finally decided to remain at Newcastle. He is the father of Rev. A. F. Bate, rector of Fredericton, and one of the best known Anglican divines in the Diocese of Fredericton.

A COLD SNAP.

From Saturday evening to Sunday evening there was a difference here in the temperature of about 30 degrees, the mercury dropping from a few degrees below freezing to 6 degrees below zero in that time.

Saturday evening was comparatively mild with a soft fall of snow. Early Sunday morning the temperature changed and the mercury slowly fell until at 5 p. m. it was 5 degrees below zero. A stiff wind blowing throughout the afternoon made Sunday cold doubly felt. After darkness the wind fell but the mercury, instead of rising, went one degree lower and at 10 o'clock in the evening it was 6 degrees below.

CHRISTMAS DAY OBSERVANCE.

Christmas Day was observed quietly in and about Newcastle. The roads were excellent for sleighing and the weather was delightful. The majority of the residents remained at home for the day and enjoyed themselves by having their families gathered about them. The young people enjoyed skating in the rink during the afternoon and evening, while the Newcastle Curling Club members enjoyed their first curling.

Christmas Day services were held in St. Mary's and St. Andrew's Churches, and large congregations were present. Special messages were delivered by the clergy and the choirs rendered special Christmas music.

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Jazz is Winning Way in London

But is Looked Upon as a Fleeting Fancy.

LONDON, Dec. 26—London has succumbed to jazz, though there appears to be little likelihood that the craze will be taken up, here with the same intensity with which it has swept America. Even among its most ardent devotees it is looked upon merely as a passing fancy and already many dancers are heard to express themselves as sick and tired of the saxophone wailing.

While Henry Ford is making an effort to interest Americans in the old-time dances, a similar movement is well under way in England to revive the popular music that delighted the past generation, and it may be added that the movement gives very promise of success.

A school has just been started in London for the training, both musi-

cal and dramatic, of students who desire to perfect themselves in the operas of Gilbert and Sullivan. It is only a month or two old, but already there are dozens of enthusiastic young people learning how to give unaction to the facetious remarks of "Pooh-Bah" or how to sing "Till Willow" with the proper amount of sympathy and pertness. One result is expected to be seen in more and brighter amateur performances.

The school is conducted and coached by old members of the Gilbert and Sullivan companies which held forth at the Savoy when that house was the home of the famous comic opera. The teachers take an immense delight in showing the new comers just how the popular old Savoyards sang their lines.

The cult of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas has thus reached—'from inside, so to speak—to a point never before attained for the cultivation and study of the works of one individual author and one individual

composer acting in collaboration.

There is in existence, and has been for some considerable time, a Gilbert and Sullivan Society, the main objects of which have been the cultivation and fostering of a love for the first and foremost truly English comic operas, written and composed by Britons. This study has a membership of something like 700 and is by no means confined to "high-brows. It draws its devotees from all ranks and conditions, and working men and women throughout the country are among its most prominent supporters.

Will jazz last as long as Gilbert and Sullivan? The person who answers "Yes" to that question would be laughed to scorn even in an East End dance hall with the saxophone orchestra in full blast.

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