

The Local News.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Beckwith have returned from a pleasant visit among friends in New York.

A check for the hand on sum of \$410, was sent forward Friday, as Mrs. V. L. W. subscription to the Ottawa and Hill fire sufferers.

Water again flooded the basement of the Baptist church Sunday, and interfered with the heating apparatus, so that it was impossible to hold a service in the evening.

EYESORES REMOVED.

Old Fences Around Military Property Carted Away.

The old sheds and fences belonging to the military property, which have so long been an eyesore to our citizens, as well as a monument to eighteen years of Tory misrule and humbug, are at last to be swept away.

The alarm of fire from Box 14 Friday morning, was for a barn on the corner of the residence of Ex-Alderman Brunwick street. The firemen turned out promptly, but their services were not required.

The ever popular W S Hartke Company is to pay a visit to Fredericton, some time during the month of June. The company have three new plays this year, which are very well received on all sides.

Hon. Senator Vark has donated \$100 to the Red Cross fund, which the Women's Missionary Society of St. Paul's Presbyterian church is raising largely through the efforts of Miss Jeanette Beverly.

Engineer Riel and a crew of men started on Monday to survey the route for the branch railway between Cross Creek and Stanley Village. It is understood that the claims for land damages have all been settled and that the work of construction will commence as soon as the survey is completed.

The body of Paul Robarge, who was drowned in Grand River on May 17th was found at one p. m., Saturday by a searching party, about a quarter of a mile below where the accident occurred. His remains were sent to his late home. The funeral will take place at Grand Falls tomorrow morning.

David J. Stockford and Miss Ida Burden daughter of the late Oliver Burden, were quietly married on May 14, inst., at the bride's home on Queen Street. Rev. F. C. Hartley performed the ceremony in the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties. The happy couple have taken up their residence on King Street.

The Rose Bay ball club will probably secure the services of Jack McLean, who caught last year for the Tartars, of Fredericton. McLean has written to the managers stating his willingness to come and it is now only a matter of terms. He will be an acquisition to the local talent both as a catcher and as a batter.—Globe.

The government dredge which is to operate at points between the city and Woodstock during the coming season, arrived from St. John, Saturday morning in tow of the Tapley Brothers powerful tug Sea King. She remained at the Normal school wharf over Sunday and left for Springhill Monday, where she will commence work as soon as the water falls sufficiently.

Lieut. Nagle, of the R. C. R. 1, who has been in St. John for several days, examining candidates for admission to the Royal Military College, returned home Friday evening. Lieut. Nagle's Fredericton friends will be sorry to learn that he has been transferred to No. 1 Company of the R. C. R. 1, at London, and is to take his departure from here, as soon as the soldiers return from the Yukon.

WENT WILD WITH JOY.

How Fredericton Received the News of Mafeking's Relief.

CITIZENS TURNED EN MASSE TO CELEBRATE THE EVENT.

Bonfires Blazed and Bands Played During the Evening.

SEVERAL BOOKERIES WENT UP IN SMOKE, AND THE FIREMEN WERE KEPT BUSY.

The glorious news contained in a despatch from London, reached Fredericton shortly after five o'clock Friday evening, and created the wildest enthusiasm. The despatch was short and to the point; it merely stated that Mafeking had been relieved, but that was sufficient. The pleasing intelligence that the gallant Baden-Powell and his little band of heroes had at last been succored was first made known to the general public by the ringing of the fire alarm. The church bells and factory whistles quickly joined in the chorus, as also did the whistles on the steamers David Weston, Aberdeen and several of the tugs which happened to be in port at the time. Flags were already flying on many public and private buildings, in honor of another British victory reported earlier in the day, and the number was quickly added to. A great many made their appearance on the street from along Queen street, and gave the place quite a holiday appearance.

After supper the citizens turned out in force and began celebrating the event in earnest. Old and young, male and female, joined in the fun and the name of Baden-Powell was on everybody's lips. Nearly every one sported a badge or a banner in delivery wagons or busses, some on bicycles, which they had appropriately decorated for the occasion, and the majority of courses were on foot. The side-walk on Queen street were thronged with a surging, good natured crowd, all eager to join in the grand acclaim of victory. The ubiquitous small boy was very much in evidence, and got in his w. x in fine style. He seemed to have an inexhaustible supply of fire crackers by rockets, etc., which he exploded at uncertain intervals, sometimes singly and sometimes collectively.

The police gave the youngsters a free hand and they made the most of their opportunities.

When Col Danbar, commandant of the military school, heard the good news he gave the men under his command permission to be absent from barracks until twelve o'clock, and gave the C B men their freedom, in order that all might have a chance to join heartily in the celebration. At seven o'clock the men turned out under the command of Sergeant Brower, and marched through the principal streets of the city, to inspiring martial music rendered by the corps' newly organized band and drum band. Sergeant Byers was in charge of the big drum and attracted much attention by the artistic manner in which he manipulated the drumsticks. The playing of the band elicited much favorable comment from the spectators, and the celebration was rendered more imposing by reason of the part taken by the military.

The band of the 71st Regiment joined in the celebration later in the evening, and delighted a large crowd with several choice selections, rendered in front of the Queen hotel. They also played to and from the band room in the drill hall.

At ten o'clock, the boys having consumed a number of empty kerosene cans, and other combustible material, started a huge bon-fire on the corner of York and King streets. A great crowd assembled on the spot and watched the lurid flames leap upward with the greatest delight. Just as the fire was beginning to slacken up a little for the want of more fuel, an alarm was rung in from box 44, at the corner of Queen and St. John streets. The firemen turned out and rushed to the scene, followed by a great crowd, and all were somewhat astounded as well as amused, to find the D F George shanty wrapped in flames. A line of hose was quickly laid, but apparently the hydrant would not work, and the firemen and spectators gazed on helplessly as the shanty was converted into ashes. There were no tears shed over its destruction, and nobody seemed much concerned as to the manner in which the fire started. It is well known that the building had not been occupied for several years, and was very dry both inside and out; but it was scarcely thought possible that it could burn of its own accord.

While the firemen were doing all they could to help put out the fire at the shanty, another alarm was sounded from Box 34, corner of Queen and Carleton streets. One of the hose companies was sent to investigate and found on examination, that a daring attempt had been made to fire the old shanty located just above the officers' barracks. A bottle of kerosene oil had been poured over the building and a match applied, but the flames were discovered and extinguished before they had made any great headway. About the same time an unsuccessful attempt was made to set fire to one of the old buildings in connection with the park barracks. The incident was reported to Col. Danbar and served to emphasize the fact that government buildings are liable to serious injury if prompt measures to protect it were not adopted. He accordingly called out the men of No. 4 Company and had sentries armed.

At one o'clock an alarm was sounded from box 54, and the firemen on turning out, found the old tenancy on the Whiteaker property, Sanbury street, in flames. It had a good start on them, and quickly went up in smoke. There was some delay in getting the water from the hydrants on account of the machinery at the pumping station being temporarily out of gear. The origin of this fire is also a mystery.

The last alarm of the night was sounded about 1.30 o'clock from box 46, and was met with a response from the chapel bell only, the others having run down. It turned out to be a false alarm.

During the night the old picket fence on the Regent and Queen street sides of the officers' square was torn down, and part of it was carried away and destroyed. A portion of the fence, part of the Queen street side, was carried away by the crowd pressing against it while the fire works display was going on, and the rest was probably laid out by some mischievous persons. The remainder of the fence was removed to the barracks yard this afternoon by a fatigue party. It is hardly likely that it will be replaced by a new one at the present time.

The R. C. R. 1, during their tour of the city serenaded Mayor Beckwith at his residence and were delightfully addressed by His Worship. They also halted at Bishop Kingdon's residence, where the band played a selection. His Lordship responded with a happy speech, and afterwards the boys paid a visit to Bishop Casse's palace. His Lordship, however, much to their regret, was fabled to be out of town.

Prominent among those who took part in the celebration was the veteran Charles Lacy, one of our oldest citizens, and a pensioner of the Royal Artillery. With three bright medals pinned to his breast (including one lately received from the Dominion government in recognition of his services at the time of the Fenian scare). Mr Lacy was a conspicuous figure in the crowd on Queen street during the evening, and none seemed to rejoice more over the latest triumph of British arms than he did.

The military men made a capture during the night, but lost their man while conveying him to the guard room. An old-time wicker barouche, containing a number of children, was overturned by several fire horses, and drawn by a long eared grey horse, was one of the oddities noticed on Queen street during the evening.

His Majesty of the Merchants' Bank, Eddie Winlow of the Bank of Montreal, mounted on swift chargers, cut quite a dashing figure on Queen street last evening. George Clynicus, Fredericton's Buffalo Bill, was out and treated the spectators to an exhibition of broncho busting.

Judge Wilson delivered judgment in chambers Monday, a. m. in the case of J. C. Risteau & Co. vs. Joshua Limerick and Edward More, in favor of the defendants. J. H. Barry Q. C. proplintiff; A. J. Gregory for defendants.

CORRESPONDENTS' CHAT.

An interesting Budget of News from the Rural Districts of Central New Brunswick . . .

BURTT'S CORNER.

(Special Correspondence to the Herald.) May 16.—Your correspondent of this village is not dead only sleeping. The cold rainy weather is much to be feared for the farmers of this vicinity, but here and there we see the tiller of the soil busy with plough, harrow, etc.

Nathaniel Inch passed through this place with a fine assortment of farming utensils for T. H. Colter, of Fion. Mr. Whitman Esq., one of our oldest and most respected residents, passed away at his home at Smith's Corner last Thursday. Funeral service was held on Saturday morning in the Methodist ch. at 11 o'clock.

We are pleased to see Mr. Fred Dunphy again after an absence of two years in Los Angeles, Cal., but sorry to learn that he has had to return on account of ill health and hope the leading N B air will soon restore him to his former good health. We are informed that he intends to return to California in the fall or early winter. Mr. Dunphy is at present visiting his daughter, Mrs. Wesley Jones of this place. Mrs. R. M. Dennison and family of Woodstock, are also visiting at Mrs. W. Jones'.

We have had a perfect wave of la grippe, but all are getting out again. Wedding bells long and loud. LOWER SOUTHAMPTON. (Special Correspondence to the Herald.) May 17.—We are having a great deal of rain, and the farmers find it hard to get their crops in.

Mrs. Mary Dawney of Fredericton, is on her visiting her daughter, Mrs. John W. Colton. Miss Helen Munro is home again. Miss Annie Woodman who has been in St. Stephen all winter, is expected home on the 24th inst.

Miss Ferris of Temperance Vale, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jacob Allan. Mrs. George Dunlop of Campbell Settlement, who has been very poorly all the spring, is dead.

Thomas Trail is home again, after being in New Hampshire all winter. Mr. Benjamin Burden of Nackawick, is dead. He has been suffering all winter, with a cancer in his face.

There is to be a picnic on the school house grounds, on Arbor day. We hope the rain will hold off one day, so they will have a pleasant time. John W. Munro has bought himself a new bicycle from the old stock.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald of Woodstock are visiting their friends in this place. UPPER QUEENSBURY. (Special Correspondence to the Herald.) May 15th.—James Huestis of Nackawick has bought Mr. Walter Scribner's farm a few days ago will take possession of it in a day or two.

The Misses Nora and Della Scribner will leave for Boston on the 23rd inst. While Mr. Daniel Ketch was driving home from Southampton the other day his horse got frightened, and ran away, nearly destroying his wagon and harness. Mr. Ketch although thrown from the wagon fortunately escaped without injury.

Mr. and Mrs. Ann Tapley spent Saturday and Sunday last with Mr. and Mrs. Wm Hazleton. Barry McGuire of Nackawick has purchased a new bicycle from Mr. John Davison. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Ingraham are at present visiting their daughter Mrs. Dr. (oy at Lower Price William.

The Misses Oia and Bessie Mooers of Hawshaw spent last Saturday with friends in this place. MAUGREVILLE NOTES. (From Our Own Correspondent.) May 17th.—Miss Best returned home yesterday from Fredericton.

Miss Fannie Perley, who recently graduated at McGill University is visiting her brother Harvey Perley. Mrs. F. J. Harrison is visiting friends in Fredericton. The many friends of Mrs. Archibald Harrison are pleased to hear that she is recovering from her recent illness. Miss Carruthers is visiting her uncle W. M. Throate. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Harrison and Master Charles spent Tuesday with friends in the Celestial. Messrs. A. Harrison and W. M. Throate returned home from St. John yesterday.

church bell pealed out joyously on the night air.

Mr. William Taylor, of East Boston, arrived yesterday to visit his uncle Squire Taylor. He was accompanied by Mr. Neil Gilchrist, of Glasgow, Scotland, who is a guest at Robison's Hotel.

Rev. F. W. Barker who has been at New Haven, Conn., during the winter, taking a post graduate course at Yale College, returned here on Thursday and is staying at the residence of Mrs. W. E. Smith.

The long continued wet weather has made the land very soft and in many places impossible to work, and many farmers are anxious about getting their crops in.

Mr. J. W. Taylor has secured the agency for the celebrated Massey Harris Farm Implements in this district, direct from the manufacturers and is preparing to do a good trade this summer.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT. Private Colonel and Gunner Everett heard from.

The English mail to the city on Saturday evening brought a number of letters from our soldier boys, now serving the Queen in South Africa. One from Private Darby Catteral, of D Company of the Royal Canadian Regiment, was received by Corporal James Torrance of the R. C. R. 1. Private Catteral was one of the men sent from this city to Quebec just before the war, to form the nucleus of No. 5 Company. He enlisted in the special reserve battalion along with Sgt. Utton and others and was attached to D Co. His letter was written and mailed at Bloemfontein on April 18th.

The writer makes reference to several of the Fredericton soldiers, including Privates McFarlane Jones, Fradham and Quinn. Jones, he says, has behaved himself well, and is talking seriously of adopting soldiering as a profession upon his return to Fredericton. Fradham and Quinn remained some weeks at Capetown, and were both wounded immediately after rejoining the regiment at Paardeburg. Some of the boys, writes Private Catteral, have been handled over the coals for writing untruthful letters to their friends at home which were afterwards published in the paper. Not a few of those, he says, who have been telling about their thrilling adventures, took no part in the fighting at all but had been left behind at Belmont. Private Catteral has thus far pulled through without a scratch.

From Gunner Everett. Gunner Fred Everett of E Battery R O A, writes to the Herald from DeLar Junction South Africa, under date of April 16th, as follows: "We reached this place last Saturday morning, after a march of over 300 miles, which played havoc with our horses, and no wonder. All they had to eat was several handfuls of wheat and a few pounds of chaff at one time, for the greater part of the march. The men are mostly all well, but were not long in disposing of all the wheat that they could buy. Here we found the men and horses that we left at Halifax, and glad we were to see them, as well as two or three week's mail that awaited us. Five or six Herald's were a welcome addition to mine. C Battery is not here and we don't know just where it is, though it will probably join us inside of a week or two, when we hope to be sent to the front. We hope to have more luck in finding the enemy than attended our efforts to locate and punish the Cape Colony rebels. There are about five thousand troops here and a hospital; a few buildings comprise the town. Good-bye for the present. F. H. EVERETT.

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