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FROM ALL OVER THE MARITIME PROVINCES

FREDERICTON

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 17—The ice jam in the river here still holds and there is little likelihood of it breaking up unless there is a soft spell during the next few days. People living at Maugerville and Sheffield are suffering great inconvenience on account of their cellars being partially filled with water. The river here, which is almost up to spring freshet mark, has been at a standstill since morning.

The government forces in Sunbury are organizing for the local election and there is talk of holding a convention in the near future for the nomination of candidates. Dr. Peake, of Oromocto, and a man from Blissfield, are likely to be chosen.

It is reported this evening that the claim of Hyde & Webster against the city for the balance of $2,800 due on their pipe contract is likely to be amicably settled.

The school trustees, at a meeting last evening, decided to refer the proposition of Rev. Canon Cowie in reference to the Madras school to a committee for a report.

The Diocesan Synod has ordered the school closed, but the local committee want the city trustees to assume control and pay the teachers until the close of next term.

The complaint of T. Amos Wilson against Miss Sadie Thompson, principal of Charlotte street school, for ill-treatment of his son, has been disposed of. The committee to whom the matter was referred, submitted a report in which the evidence was reviewed in a diplomatic manner. The teacher was mildly censured, but a paragraph was added praising her for her efficiency. The opinion was expressed that the boy was deserving of punishment, but strong disapproval was expressed of the practice of teachers in using harsh and irritating language towards pupils.

Location surveys for the transcontinental railway between Chipman and Grand Falls are about completed and reports will be in the hands of District Engineer Dunn in a short time. It is expected that contracts will be awarded in time to have the construction work begin in the spring. Fifteen camps will be erected during the present winter along the right of way, for the use of resident engineers.

A Frenchman named Julius Andrew, hailing from the North Shore, was arraigned in the police court this morning charged with breaking and entering farm houses at Nashwaak. As witnesses for the prosecution were not available, he was remanded until Friday.

The Scott act case against John Doherty of the Springhill Hotel, was dismissed by Col. Marsh this morning for want of evidence.

James F. Clark, a well known and respected resident of Scotch Settlement, died at that place yesterday afternoon, after an illness extending over a year, from general debility. The deceased gentleman was in his seventy-first year. He is survived by a widow, three sons—George F., Willard and H. Woodbury, of Queensbury; and one daughter, Mrs. Joseph E. Smith, of St. Mary's Ferry.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 18.—Revs. George Wood, of Chatham, and J. H. Wentworth, of Andover, have been registered to solemnize marriages.

The fishing rights on the New Canaan river and branches will be sold at auction at the crown land office on January 2. The upset price is fixed at $20.

The nuptials of Miss Mattie Woods, daughter of Hamilton Woods, and Herbert White, late of Douglas, but now of Seattle, was celebrated at the bride's home here this evening by Rev. Canon Cowie. The happy couple left by this evening's train for St. John to spend a few days. They will return to Fredericton for Christmas and will then proceed to Seattle to reside.

Absence of snow for sleighing has had a somewhat depressing effect on the Christmas trade here so far.

A wedding of interest to many New Brunswick people was solemnized at St. Simon's church, Toronto, yesterday afternoon, when Miss Maggie Allen, late of this city, was led to the altar by Henry G. V. Smith, of the civil service, Ottawa. Miss June Allen, the bride's half-sister, was bridesmaid, and the groom's brother was the best man. After luncheon at the home of Mrs. H. E. Bond, the happy couple left for New York on their honeymoon. The bride is a grand-daughter of the late Chief Justice Allen, and sister of Mrs. A. R. Wetmore, of this city. For several years she has filled the position of superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses, with headquarters at Ottawa.

Between six and seven o'clock last evening, while the members of the household were at supper, a young colored woman entered the boarding house of Mrs. James McNally, Northumberland street, and making her way into the attic stole eighteen dollars from trunks belonging to two Acadian normal students. The thief was caught in the act by one of the students, but managed to get down stairs and out of the house before she could be apprehended. The police were immediately notified and later in the evening arrested a young colored woman named Hattie Watters who has done time in Dorchester but she could not be identified by victims of the robbery and was discharged.

Thomas Bridges a well known resident of Sheffield died last night aged seventy-eight years. He is survived by a widow, three sons and three daughters.

Owing to the high freshet which prevails it has been found necessary to use the sewerage pumping plant during the past few days. It was expected when the sewerage system was installed it would only be necessary to use the pumping apparatus during high water in the spring.

Turkeys sold in the market here this morning at fourteen cents per pound.

Fredericton, Dec. 19—The annual meeting of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association of New Brunswick will be held in this city on Wednesday and Thursday, January 22 and 23. Prof. Cummings, of Truro, and Dr. Standish, of Ontario, will be among the speakers. H. P. Smith, of Blissfield, Sunbury county, is president of the association and T. A. Peters is corresponding secretary.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association will be held on Friday, January 24.

There is not much doing in political circles here this week and the opinion seems to prevail that there will be another session before dissolution of the legislature.

The weather continues very cold and the water in the river here has fallen a foot since last night. Judging by present indications it will be some days yet before teams are able to cross on the ice. Lack of communication between people living on opposite sides of the river is said to be causing great inconvenience in Sunbury and Queens counties. But not in half a century of years has such a condition of affairs prevailed at this season of the year.

Chief Andrew Paul, of Kingsclear reserve, is dying at his home of consumption.

Robert W. McLellan and Peter J. Hughes, barristers, have formed a professional partnership.

Witter Fenety, of North Bay, arrived home today. He comes to take the position of chief operator of the C. P. R. Telegraph Company in this city in the place of M. J. McFadden, who leaves shortly for Halifax, where he enters the company's office there.

Mrs. A. F. Randolph who returned last evening from a visit to St. John had the misfortune to fall while boarding a coach at the C. P. R. station and fracture her left arm near the shoulder. The injury was a very painful one and will confine her to her home for some time.

The Normal School and University have closed for the Christmas holidays and most of the students have departed for their homes. At the C. P. R. station yesterday afternoon 180 tickets were issued to the students.

River conditions here have not changed much during the last few days. The river is almost up to spring freshet and is completely blocked with broken ice. Local ice men say that there will be little chance to gather in the ice crop this season.

The police have not yet been able to lay hands on the colored girl who entered Mrs. McNalley's boarding house on Tuesday night and stole $18 from two Normal School students.

WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Charles Barnett, of Greenbank, York county, is visiting friends in town.

Mr. Rennie, so well known as a crack hockey player on the Sackville team, who is employed as a C. P. R. express messenger, fell out of the baggage car at Perth last night, dislocating his shoulder. He is being treated at the Woodstock Hospital today and may leave tonight for his home in Sackville.

Miss Marguerite Lamb, who is taking a course at the Ladies' College, Halifax, is spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Garden.

The students at the University, Colden Wetmore, Raban Vince, Charlie Jones, Eugene McKeen, Abram Cronkhite, Burdette Harmon, Clifford Grant, Misses Maud Smith, Amy Sharp, Myrtle Harmon, Leora Harmon and Mary Gillen, will come home tomorrow to spend the holidays.

Saunders Young of Meductic, Fred Mallory of Jacksontown, and Barry Hopkins of Fort Fairfield, arrived in Woodstock from Wolfville University last night on the way to their respective homes.

Miss Mary Moore, a pupil of the Ladies' Seminary, Wolfville, now visiting St. John, will be home Monday.

At the last regular meeting of Woodstock Division, No. 1, A. O. H., the following officers were elected for the new year: I. E. Sheasgreen, president; Alex. Beaton, vice-president; John P. Maloney, secretary-treasurer; R. F. Waddleton, financial secretary; John P. McCarron, sentinel; James Brown, John McMurray, M. McManus, Hugh Judge, J. H. Thompson, standing committee; C. F. Gallagher, of Bath, is county president.

The semi-annual meeting of the county council of Carleton will be held at the court house on Tuesday, Jan. 14. It is expected that the question of building a court house will be discussed.

HARTLAND.

Hartland, N. B., Dec. 17—Mrs. C. M. Dunphy, of Charlestown (Mass.), has arrived to spend the winter with her mother, Mrs. John Gallivan, at Deerville.

Miss Dora Thornton is expected to arrive from Bangor (Maine), where she has spent a year, to visit her brothers and sisters during the winter.

The teacher, Miss Laura Glass, and scholars of Somerville school, will have a Christmas tree and concert on Friday evening.

Mrs. D. H. Nixon was visiting in Woodstock this week.

Owing to the general depression in the lumber market there will not be the big stir in lath cutting that there has been during the past two years. The Cross Creek Lath Company have decided not to operate this season.

This morning Adburn Shaw lost his fine driving horse, valued at $200. He drove it to Centreville and back yesterday.

Hartland, N. B., Dec. 19—Frank R. Shaw, of Wakefield, will likely be warden of the municipality at the next council meeting. He has served eight years and it is Wakefield's turn for the wardenship. Mr. Shaw ran in a bye-election for the legislature some years ago but was defeated by J. K. Fleming, M. P. P.

The marriage of Edmund Shaw and Miss Georgia Bell, of Victoria, is announced to take place in a few days.

Thomas King, of Moncton, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. G. H. Tompkins, at Bristol.

Mrs. A. W. Hay, of Woodstock, was visiting Mrs. E. Alexander this week.

Quite a number of people who went from Centreville to British Columbia have returned, quite willing to run their chances with hard times on this side of the continent.

Miss Sadie Currie is expected to arrive home from Boston this week.

Today Edward Alexander, C. P. R. station agent here, who has been given six months leave of absence, leaves for the Pacific coast. He expects to take Christmas dinner at Calgary with Arnold G. McFarland, a Hartland boy, and on the same day make a call on Dr. A. S. Estey and family and Holland Birmingham, other Hartlanders. He will, after reaching the coast, go down to Oregon and later to Southern California to spend the greater part of his trip.

All regular freights on this division of the C. P. R. have been taken off and the work will be done by extras. Hitherto eight train crews passed through Hartland daily and now the staff is cut down to four. The assistant station agent is laid off and the section crew is cut down to two men. Conductors who were with the road when it was being constructed, thirty-five years ago, are set back and asked to take their chance on getting a run with a freight extra.

At the beginning of the week it was expected that poultry would go high but instead the price has dropped. Turkeys brought 14 cents yesterday and today dealers accept stock warily at 13 cents, eight cents for chickens and ten cents for geese.

Tonight a birthday party will be given Rev. Thos. Pierce, pastor of the Florenceville Methodist church.

John Shaw, Bristol, has returned from British Columbia.

Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. W. Penn McMullin celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding day. About seventy guests were present and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Presents of silver were numerous and elegant.

REXTON

Rexton, N. B., Dec. 18—A quiet but pretty marriage took place this morning at 9 o'clock at the residence of David Palmer, when his younger daughter, Miss Margaret S., was married to Roy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McGregor. The bride was given away by her father and looked pretty in a travelling suit of blue broadcloth and picture hat to match. Immediately after the ceremony which was performed by Rev. A. D. Archibald, a couple took the train on a trip to St. couple took the rtain on a trip to St. John and Halifax. On their return they will reside at Upper Rexton.

The school examinations took place this afternoon in the primary department, which is taught by Miss Laura Mitchell. The children did their work well and rendered a good programme of songs and recitations, which were greatly appreciated by the large number of visitors who were present. The school room was prettily decorated for the occasion. Tomorrow the examination takes place in Miss Wright's room, Thursday in the principal's, Miss McInerney's room, and Friday in the Jardineville school.

Geo. E. Cail returned Tuesday from a visit to friends in Harcourt.

Miss Mina Cail, of Trout Brook, visited friends here today.

NORTON

Norton, Dec. 18—Court Kennebeccasis, No. 24, I. O. F., met in their hall last night and elected their officers for the ensuing year as follows: John McKinnon, C. R.; Wesley H. Sproul, V. C. R.; Early T. Harmer, secretary; C. B. Belding, F. secretary; Richard J. Huggard, treasurer; J. W. Campbell, senior W.; Harry Griffiths, junior W.; Gabriel Pierce, senior B.; William Vaughan, junior B.; D. H. McAllister, court physician; H. G. Folkins, assistant court physician; S. H. Johnson, deputy; S. H. Johnson and William Sharp, auditors; John McKinnon, W. H. Sproule, W. H. Heine and A. P. Sherwood, trustees.

Mrs. John McManus left on Monday for Portland (Me.) to visit her sick sister.

John McKinnon and wife were at Salisbury yesterday attending the funeral of the late Caleb Beck, a brother of Mrs. McKinnon.

Miss Helen Brand returned last Saturday to her home here after a protracted visit with her sisters at Chipman and Minto.

Robt. D. Goggin, one of our engineers on the branch, is receiving congratulations on the advent of a daughter.

H. A. Myers is still looking for a portable mill with lath machine in connection. He has two lumber concerns at work—one about two miles below here and another near Hatfield's Point.

Rev. C. P. Hanington united in matrimony this afternoon at the home of the bride, Geo. Wilson and Miss Addie Richardson. Only the immediate friends were present.

ST. MARTINS

St. Martins, Dec. 19—Harry Smith, of Fredericton, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Smith.

Miss Orion Black, who has been attending Wolfville, arrived home on Thursday.

Misses Annie DeLong, Ethel Brown and Grace Fownes, who are students at the Provincial Normal School, are at their homes for the Christmas holidays.

At the regular meeting of Invincible, L. O. L., No. 16, held in their hall on Saturday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. M., James Rourke; D. M., James Dunlap; Calvin Bradshaw, chaplain; William Long, R. S.; Burpee Long, financial secretary; John Wright, treasurer; John McIntyre, D. C.; Wesley Long, lecturer; committee, James Greer, William Fletcher, Allen McCumber, J. H. Bradshaw and Joseph Black.

BRISTOL.

Bristol, N. B., Dec. 17—John Shaw has returned from British Columbia, where he has been for some time.

Rev. G. E. Orser, of Maine, has been visiting friends in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Crandall have returned from a visit to friends in Nova Scotia.

There is now very good sleighing, but the river here is impassable, being full of running ice and very high for this season.

Miss Serena Lockhart, of Wicklow, is visiting friends at her former home here.

Robert Elliott, a respected resident of Glassville, died quite suddenly on Sunday of paralysis, aged 79 years. The body was taken to St. John on Monday for burial. Mr. Elliott formerly lived in St. John, and two daughters now reside there.

HARCOURT

Harcourt, N. B., Dec. 18—On Sunday night the store of W. W. Pride, general merchant, was broken into and a number of articles were stolen. An entry was made by breaking the shutter and taking the glass out of the window. This is one of the several little burglaries that have taken place this fall. Mr. Pride has offered $25 reward for any clue to the guilty parties.

Miss L. E. Ingram has returned from a visit to relatives in Nova Scotia.

Miss Clarke, of Rexton, has been visiting Miss J. P. Dunn.

ST. STEPHEN.

St. Stephen, Dec. 18—Victoria Lodge, F. & A. M., Milltown (N. B.), was recently the recipient of a handsome gavel. Christopher Faulkner, of Nome, Alaska, was the donor. It is of white ivory with the inscription on one side, "Victoria Lodge, No. 26, F. & A. M., Milltown, N. B.," inlaid with Nome gold. On the reverse side is the word "Nome" in large letters also inlaid with the native gold.

Miss Mildred Todd, who has been a student at Abbot Academy, Andover (Mass.), is spending her Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Todd.

Miss Leita Grant, Miss Annie Nicholson and Miss Roberta Grimmer, who have been attending the ladies' college, Sackville, arrived home tonight to spend their Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Beer are expected to arrive here from Toronto on Saturday to spend a few days with Mrs. Beer's parents, ex-Mayor and Mrs. F. M. Murchie.

On Friday morning in the High school, Augusta Kenen, who won the lieutenant-governor's medal at the High school entrance examination in June last, will be presented with the medal by Colonel J. D. Chipman, chairman of the school board.

Mrs. Charles Kelly, who resided about four miles from town, died this morning from cancer. She was a daughter of the late John Maxwell. Mrs. Kelly was sixty-six years of age and leaves a husband and five daughters to mourn their loss. The daughters are Mrs. Frank Clarke, Moocres Mills; Mrs. William Robinson and Mrs. George Sullivan, of this town, and two unmarried daughters, Mabel and Jenny, at home.

A St. Croix valley club for 1908 was formed on Monday night by the members of the Border Lodge, K. of P. The officers are Fred. A. Ross, president; Harry S. Smith, secretary; Harrison McAllister, treasurer, and an executive committee, J. W. Graham, E. Church, R. W. Whittock, Byron Murphy and Bolton Haley.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Corthell, of Calais (Me.), was celebrated on Monday last. Mr. Corthell was principal of the High school, Calais, for a number of years, and afterwards principal of the Normal school, Gorham (Me.)

Mr. and Mrs. Don Grimmer came from Montreal recently and are spending a few weeks with Mr. Grimmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. H. Grimmer.

Wm. Gillespie, C. E., has gone to Edgewater (N. J.) to spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Edgar M. Robinson.

Mrs. Kerr, of Stanley (N. B.), is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Frank McCurdy, Swan street, Calais (Me.)

Dr. and Mrs. W. N. Miner, of Calais (Me.), expect to leave for Mount Whatley (N. B.) on Monday next, where they will spend a few days with Rr. Miner's parents.

At the last meeting of the official board of the Methodist church, Rev. G. M. Young was unanimously invited to remain pastor of the church for a fourth year. Mr. Young accepted, subject to conference.

Miss Gladys Blair, who has been attending Netherwood school, Rothesay, will return home tomorrow (Thursday) to spend her Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. I. Blair.

The many friends of Alex. Murray are pleased to see him out again after his severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Hazlett, of Benton (N. B.), were given a surprise party recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hazlett, Calais (Me.), where they were spending a few days.

W. W. Inches and son James were in St. John recently.

P. E. Rose, who has been spending a few days in Montreal, the guest of Senator Gillmor, returned home today.

HOPEWELL HILL

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 16.—Capt. James Doherty, who has been in the States for about two years, is visiting his home at Chemical Road.

Harry Hosea, of Lynn (Mass.), is visiting at the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Lingley. Mrs. Hosea and children have been here about two months.

The members of the congregation of Rev. H. D. Worden, pastor of the Hopewell Baptist church, assembled at his home at Riverside on Monday evening and presented him with $50. The reverend gentleman had not altogether recovered his health and was not able to fill all his appointments on Sunday.

Don Matthews, of Montana, is spending the winter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Matthews, of Curryville.

Harding Downey, of Curryville, has moved his family to their home at Mountville, recently purchased from Curtis Butterfield, who went west recently.

Miss Ivah A. Bishop, of Lower Cape, trained nurse, went to Hillsboro a few days ago to nurse John I. Steeves, who is dangerously ill at his home there with congestion of the brain.

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HARDEN LIKELY TO WEAKEN IN BERLIN SCANDAL

No Cheers Now for the Once Bold Editor as He Goes to Court.

Berlin, Dec. 19—Maxamilien Harden, who, two months ago, was the favorite of the people and was cheered and congratulated by crowds of admirers as he came and went to the court house, was received today with icy silence by the few hundred persons who had collected outside the main entrance of the criminal court to witness the departure of the principals in the present hearing of the Harden-Von Moltke case. Harden is accused by the state of having offended society by his writings in Die Zukunft, the magazine of which he is editor.

Harden's own attitude also has changed. Instead of making passionate and denunciatory appeals to the people as he did two months ago, he was cautious and evasive today and took care to keep closely behind every available legal barrier.

The name of Emperor William was mentioned only once or twice in the hearing today and then in Harden's explanations to the presiding judge of his references in the dialogue at night between the person called "the hopper" and the person called "the sweet one."

"I merely intended," said Harden, "to bring out the fact of Zu Eulenburg's too great influence; that it was his habit to refer to the emperor as 'darling.' This was a most deplorable situation."

The day was spent in a legal controversy over the jurisdiction of the court and the examination of Harden. Neither Prince Zu Eulenburg nor any of the other notable witnesses was present.

There is reason to believe that negotiations are still on foot looking to the withdrawal by the public prosecutor of the charges against Harden on condition that Harden signed a document satisfactory to Count Von Moltke.

Maximilien Harden was haggard and worn and has face paled and flushed alternately when he appeared before the criminal court today and took his place in the dock to answer the accusation brought by the state that he had offended not only General Count Kuno Von Moltke but against the interests of society in writing in Die Zukunft of Von Moltke, Prince Phillippe Zu Eulenberg, General Count Wilhelm Von Hehenau and others in the manner in which he did. Harden smiled wearily as he acknowledged the solicitude of the bailiff in helping him remove his fur coat. The president of the court inquired courteously if Harden felt strong enough to follow the proceedings. "I hope so," replied Harden.

The president then invited him to leave the prisoner's bench and take a more comfortable chair next to the attorneys. The prisoner was shaken from time to time with fits of coughing which he tried in vain to suppress. Dr. Marx, Harden's physician, said when Harden got up this morning that he absolutely disapproved of his appearing in court and disavowed all responsibility on the effect on his part.

Count Von Moltke looked to be in much better health than when he was in court last Monday. He occasionally glanced intently at Harden, but the prisoner paid no attention to him. Counsel for Harden moved that the proceedings be quashed on the ground that a person could not be tried in two courts at the same time. By reason of the appeal and the subsequent processes the proceedings in the magistrate's court, counsel declared, had not yet come to an end.

The attorney for the state, Dr. Isenbiel, declared that he had the right to bring the case before the criminal court, in spite of the fact that he had refused to institute the prosecution of Harden before Von Moltke began his private complaint on the ground that the interests of the state were in nowise concerned. During the hearing of the private suit representatives of the ministry of justice had perceived that the interests of the public were affected and he now brought this prosecution in order to protect these interests.

At the conclusion of the arguments of counsel, the judges announced that they were competent to try the case. The defense at once entered an exception. After a short recess the hearing was resumed. The president of the court asked wehther or not the hearings should be continued in public. Dr. Isenbied and Dr. Sello for Von Moltke, and Herr Bernstein for Harden, declared that their clients desired the fullest publicity. Dr. Isenbiel reserved the right to ask that the public be excluded during the taking of testimony relating to shameful vices. The indictment against Harden was then read by the first assistant judge.

I. O. G. T. News.

Rev. E. Wagstaff is working in Albert county. Last week he reorganized Undaunted Lodge at Hopewell Cape, with twenty-eight members. The following officers were elected and installed: C. T., Captain J. J. Christopher; P. C. T., W. C. Newcombe; L. D., Mrs. J. J. Christopher; V. T., Miss Evelene Bennett; secretary, Miss Nellie B. Wilson; A. secretary, Miss Vola Fownes; treasurer, Miss Maud Jamieson; F. secretary, Miss Ellis Dixon; chaplain, Miss Mary Wright; marshall, Elmer Smith; D. M., George Jamieson; guard, Josiah Christopher; sentinel, Leon Fownes. Undaunted was organized Jan. 14, 1892, by W. R. Robinson. It has been one of the most active lodges in the province. Its success in the past has been largely due to the consistent, untiring and devoted efforts of Captain and Mrs. J. J. Christopher. The L. D.'s have been E. E. Peck, S. C. Spencer, F. B. Newcombe, L. R. Hetherington and Mrs. J. J. Christopher.

Michael Kelly spent three weeks in Westmorland. He began the campaign to be waged by the Good Templars against the repeal of the Scott act. As a result of his meeting Lakeville Lodge, at Shediac road, was reorganized with the following officers: P. C. T., Ira Mills; C. T., Herb. Jones; V. T., Winnie Brown; secretary, Seymour V. Powell; F. secretary, Annie Walker; treasurer, Mary McDonald; chaplain, Inez Scribner; marshall, Angus McDonald; D. M., Harry Russel; G., Allie Scribner; S., Albert Cowan; L. D., R. M. Scribner.

From Westmorland, Mr. Kelly went to Minto, where he had very successful meetings for a week. As a result of the meetings about twenty-five have decided to join the lodges in that vicinity. Kings Blues Lodge is now the largest lodge in Queens county. Arrangements have also been made to organize a juvenile temple there.

Prof. John A. Nicholls is holding meetings in Westmorland county, continuing the work begun by Mr. Kelly. Prof. Nicholls will leave the province at the close of the year to work for the New England Pledge Signing Association.

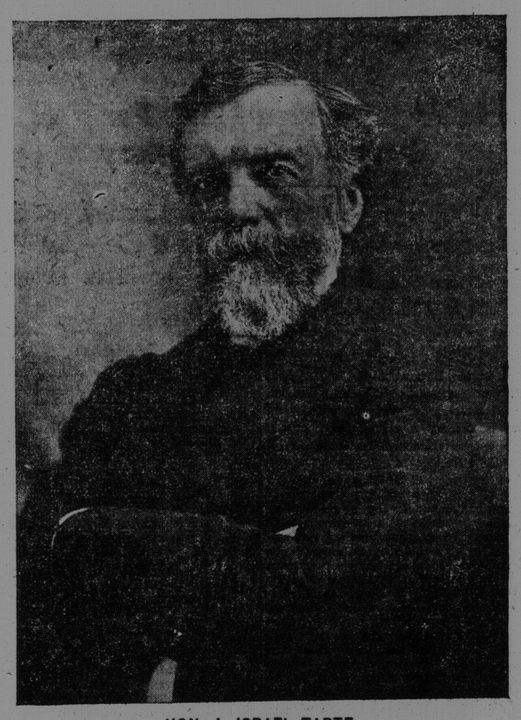
The following lodges reported forty members or more for the present quarter: Resolution, Elgin, 162; Keystone, Seal Cove, 93; Jubilee, Moncton, 70; Tobique Valley, Riley Brook, 64; King's Blues, Minto, 64; Springfield, 62; Safe Guard, Grand Harbor, 60; Chipman, 59; Wellington, Penobsquis, 56; Frances Willard, Hillsboro, 55; Prince Albert, Dover, 49; Hampton, 48; Shepody, Albert, 48; Arthurette, 45; Fidelis, Norton, 45; Beulah, Burnt Pond Bush, 43; Alma, 41; Sheffield Union, 40.

"You must have a good appetite," remarked the thin man, enviously. "What do you take for it?" "In all my experience," replied the plump one, "I have found nothing more suitable than food."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Towne—"Yes, Muttley is married. Didn't you know that?" Browne—"No; why he told me he wouldn't marry the best woman on earth." Towne—"Well, he didn't."—Philadelphia Press.

J. ISRAEL TARTE DIED WEDNESDAY

Ex-Minister of Public Works Had Been Ill a Long Time—An Active Figure in the Political Life of Canada for Many Years.



HON. J. ISRAEL TARTE.

Montreal, Dec. 19—Hon. J. Israel Tarte died here today a few minutes before 2 o'clock after an illness of some months, during the latter part of which his friends knew that there could only be a fatal issue to his fight for life. During the last three days the ex-minister had been unconscious all the time, and died without regaining consciousness.

Although Mr. Tarte had been in noticeably failing health for a year past, it was only nine days ago that he was compelled to take his bed. For several months, however, he has refrained from taking any part in public life, and had given up his work as chief editor of La Patrie to take a run in the country, which apparently did him a lot of good for a while, when his malady returned with increased virulence, and two weeks ago he was brought to the city and taken to the residence of his son-in-law, Dr. Martigny, under whose care he remained to the end.

The news of Mr. Tarte's serious condition, however, was carefully guarded, and as a result when it became known that he was dead a very general sensation of surprised sorrow was felt throughout the city, in English as well as French circles, since he was far too big a man to be counted as representative of any single section of the city's life.

Outside of his ministerial energies Mr. Tarte for years past has been a leading figure in Montreal, owing largely to the great energy he had displayed in starting the work of re-establishing the port of Montreal—a work which he planned, and which his successors at Ottawa have since steadily kept up. He also always took a keen interest in the city's affairs and through the editorial columns of La Presse he was a distinct power in the city.

Three years ago Mr. Tarte married for the second time, taking as his wife Mrs. Turcotte, a widow of Ottawa. One child was born of that union, a little girl, now two years old.

The sons who survive Mr. Tarte are Joseph E. and Antoine. There are three daughters by his first wife—Mrs. J. E. Robiliard, Mrs. Francois D. Martigny, and Miss Annie Tarte.

The body of the late Hon. Mr. Tarte will be removed as soon as possible to the residence of his son, Joseph Tarte, 396 St. Hubert street, from which place the funeral will take place at a date yet to be determined.

Regret at Ottawa

Ottawa, Dec. 18—(Special)—There was general regret expressed here over the death of Hon. J. I. Tarte, who had many friends in parliament. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Hon. W. S. Fielding, R. L. Borden and others sent telegrams of condolence. The parliamentary press gallery, of which Mr. Tarte was for many years a member, passed resolution of condolence and sent a floral wreath.

Mr. Tarte was within one month of completing the sixtieth year of a strenuous life. The son of a farmer living at Lacorie (Que.), Mr. Tarte studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1871. He early took to journalism and to politics, and has been very much in the public eye since 1877, when he was elected to the Quebec legislature. Quarreling with his party, the Conservatives, he was elected to the house of commons in 1891, and succeeded in driving Sir Hector Langevin from public life. When Sir Wilfrid Laurier founded his government in 1896 Mr. Tarte became minister of public works, retiring from the ministry in 1902, and declining to be a candidate for the house of commons in 1904. Since then he has been successfully conducting his paper, La Patrie.

BREAKFAST FOODS GOOD

American Pure Food Experts Give Them Endorsement.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The sleuths of the pure food crusade have examined the whole clan of breakfast foods and pronounced them not guilty of being adulterated or colored or preserved or any of the other bugaboos of the department. It is true the agricultural department intimates that some of the brands for which the consumer pays ten or fifteen cents a pound could be made in one's own kitchen for two or three cents a pound. But the pretty boxes and the time and the trouble are worth something.

"In comparing the new cereal preparations with the old-fashioned kind we must not forget the neatness with which they are now put up," says the governemnt report.

"In the modern mill cleanliness is found to be the best policy and the neat, almost air-tight paper and cardboard packages in which the foods are sold are, as a rule, an assurance to the purchaser that they reach him clean and fresh. In some of the manufactories the preparation of the cereal food seems almost perfection as regards cleanliness. It should not be forgotten that breakfast cereals of all sorts are usually free from harmful adulterants. Judged by their chemical composition alone—that is, by the total amount of nutrients furnished of the six most important cereal grains, namely wheat, oats, rice, corn, rye and barley—oats appear to furnish the nutrients in better proportions than the other cereals. Wheat ranks very close to oats, and corn next to wheat. Corn and its preparations are rich in carbohydrates and fat, but are slightly less digestible than the other cereals. Rice is poor in protein, but remarkably free from crude fibre, and consequently furnishes a large proportion of digestible carbohydrates. Barley contains a fair proportion of nutrients and is moderately digestible. All these differences in composition and digestibility are comparatively slight and may be disregarded by healthy persons living on the ordinary mixed diet.

"The ready-to-eat preparations of any of the grains have about the same proportion of digestible nutrients as the grains from which they are made, but they are in general more expensive. Judged on the basis of food value, the higher price is paid mainly for convenience, novelty and the advantage, if any, due to special flavor. The cost of labor and fuel in preparing food is always an important factor in its real economy. In large establishments and in households where a fire is kept in the range all day for other purposes it takes no extra fuel and very little labor to cook the cheap raw cereals. But if the cooking is done on a gas stove and if time and labor are limited it may be better economy to use the partially cooked brands. Cereal products as coffee substitutes are closely related to cereal breakfast foods. A few contain a little true coffee, but for the most part they appear to be made of parched grains of barley, wheat, etc., or of grain mixed with pea hulls, corncobs or wheat middlings. It is said that barley or wheat parched with a little molasses in an ordinary oven makes something indistinguishable in flavor from some of the cereal coffees on the market. The manufacturers claim that they make a harmless, unstimulating substitute for coffee, hardly to be distinguished from it in flavor and yielding much greater nourishment at lower cost. If no coffee is used in their preparation the claim that they are not stimulating is undoubtedly true."

ABOUT BELLE.

I once made love to gentle Belle,
A sweet and dainty thing;
She was, it pains me sore to tell,
A belle without a ring.

She was as fair as gentle spring,
Her charms were often rung;
But, though Belle didn't have a ring,
With grief her heart was wrung.

I asked: "What means such grief as this?"
She answered then and there:
"Though I'm a solitary miss,
I have no solitaire."

"Then to the altar, Belle," I cried,
"Will you now go with me?"
Her tears were very shortly dried;
"That altars things," said she.

The marriage knot was quickly tied,
The parson got his fee;
Thus Belle became my blushing bride,
My wedding belle, you see.
—Detroit Free Press

Just Twenty Years Ago.

(Ottawa Citizen, Dec. 17, 1887.)

Mr. Ellis, M. P., editor of the St. John Globe, "has come out squarely in favor of a political union with our neighbors, and says it is preferable to either Unrestricted Reciprocity or Commercial Union."

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