

OVER THE PROVINCE.

A Hopewell Cape Pious Deacon and the Sunday Drive Behind His Fast Horse.

News from Millstream, Grand Manan and Springfield, Kings County.

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for her many kindly acts as a friend and neighbor, she will be greatly missed. She leaves one son, Elias Stiles of this place, and two daughters, Mrs. Calhoun, wife of Capt. Jas. Calhoun of the barquentine Enterprise, and Mrs. Geo. M. Calhoun of St. John. Mrs. Merrill Robinson and Mrs. Jos. Robinson of this place are sisters of the deceased.

Gordon A. Stuart, who recently took a course at the St. John Conservatory of music, has opened singing classes at Cherryville and Surrey. The worst snow storm of the season prevailed here last night. E. P. Hoar of Moncton was in the village today.

WHITE'S COVE, Queens Co., Jan. 21.—At the commencement of the service in the Methodist church on Sunday evening, the pastor, Rev. I. N. Parker administered the rite of baptism to Lulu Durston of Robertson's Point.

Damie Orchard, daughter of John Orchard, is ill with pneumonia. She is being attended by Dr. Casswell of Grand Bay.

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Our popular teacher, Scott Merritt, has moved his family into the village. Daniel Foster and wife have also become residents. Rev. Thomas Corbett preached in the village hall on Sunday last. The board of managers of Greenfield Presbyterian church held a meeting on the 17th inst., at which the financial affairs of the church were shown to be in a good condition. Much sympathy is expressed for

Messrs. Frank and Anvard Kearney in their protracted fever, contracted at McNair's camp, Tobique. Our efficient post master, John Hayward, will retain his position. A warrant signed by all our citizens in respect of political affiliations, with three exceptions, was presented to Inspector Colter asking for his retention.

HAVELOCK, Kings Co., Jan. 20.—Corn Ridge Division and Eastman Division, Sons of Temperance, paid a fraternal visit to Havelock Division on Friday evening. A good programme was carried out by the visiting members and a supper prepared by the ladies of Havelock Division.

A gospel temperance meeting will be held in Society Hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 1st, under the auspices of Reform Lodge, I. O. G. T. Addresses will be delivered by the Rev. Mr. Estabrooks of Petitcodiac and the Rev. Mr. Snel of Havelock.

N. L. B. Dowell has opened a photographer's session in the store lately occupied by S. H. Whyte, and is doing a good business. Rev. Mr. Francis of Petitcodiac was recently presented with a fur coat by his church at Lower Ridge.

E. J. Cusack will leave in a few days for Montreal and New York on business connected with his air motor patent. SUSSEX, N. B., Jan. 22.—The ladies of Church Avenue Baptist church will give a turkey supper in the vestry of the church on Tuesday evening, the 25th inst. A pleasant evening will no doubt be spent.

F. T. Quirk, tonorial artist, who learned his business with Seth Jones in Sussex and started business in Quaco, has sold out his stock and trade and good will to Patrick Denny and will leave for the States in a few days. Quirk speaks highly of the people in Quaco.

Katie, for many years the proprietor of the Sussex restaurant, has gone out of business and will, it is said, go into the insurance business. The hearing of the case of the Pleasant Lake fishing club v. Frederick Braden and Annie Rushton of Moncton, who are charged with robbing from their lot in Waterford in November last a valuable lot of goods, was again on before the stipendiary this afternoon, several witnesses being examined. The further hearing will be continued on Monday afternoon, when it is probable all the evidence will be in. The evidence, so far, is of a very conflicting character. Mr. Byrne for prosecution; Geo. W. Fowler for the defence.

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Several funny little episodes have taken place since this sport has become somewhat contagious. It is alleged that in one evening a farmer, with one of his team horses (which

the boys have nick named "Rainbow," on account of the roughness of his build and the peculiar shape of his backbone) drove to the post office, and the driver of one of the fleet ones took a drive with him down street. When the driver returned to the office he was pale and had the appearance of a man who had been in a trying position. After taking time to dig the snow out of his eyes, ears, mouth and nose, he said, "I am not going to ride in that rig again." And now it is said he takes great care to know that "Rainbow" is in the forest for the purpose of enlarging the family woodpile, before he brings his side-wheeler on the front street.

On a recent Sabbath evening a large number of good citizens drove to Lower Cape, a distance of some three miles, to attend divine worship. The air was chilly, and as there was no horse shed in connection with the church grounds there, the horses had to stand out, and became somewhat heated during the service, and when headed for home they pressed upon the driver and almost forcing him to stop. The worthy spouse were among the returning worshippers, and as sleigh after sleigh passed them on the crisp frozen snow, and the corpulent old gentleman's hands and arms became almost paralyzed with the cold and the strain of holding his wife and children, "Aurora" mare, foreman, ceased to be a virtue. With a rein in each hand he eased up on the mare. She took a hint, and in less time that it takes to write it, she was leading the procession to the shore town of Albert, without a slip on a break. After shaking the snow balls from the robes and wiping the frozen tear drops from his rosy cheeks, he remarked to the partner of his joys and sorrows: "Mother, the little mare is most too hard in the mouth for an old man to hold." Her reply was "And she's a good one."

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WOODSTOCK, N. B., Jan. 24.—Albert Lynch, whose sudden death occurred yesterday in New York, was married to a Miss Froude, a girl and a boy. The remains will not be brought to Woodstock. WOODSTOCK, Jan. 25.—Mayor Hay delivered his inaugural address at a meeting of the town council this evening. He mentioned a number of subjects which he has opinion should engage the attention of the council during the coming year. It was necessary that improvement be made in the fire alarm system. The time had come for the asphaltting of the sidewalks of Main street, an improvement which he hoped to see carried into effect this year. It was also necessary that the town should take steps to establish a sinking fund, which would improve the credit of the town. It was also necessary to consider the question of the town applying for such legislation as would lead to its being separated from the county. The following committees were chosen for the coming year: Finance and License—Graham, Ketchum, Carr. Fire—Carr, Jones, Lindsay. Electric Light—Lindsay, Henderson, Carr. Poor—Jones, Carr, Lindsay. Sewers—Graham, Ketchum, Carr. Streets—Ketchum, Graham, Lindsay. Scales—Lindsay. Hall and police—Carr, Lindsay, Henderson. Water—Henderson, Graham, Lindsay. Audit and printing—Graham, Ketchum, Lindsay.

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THE SAGAMORE

Declares His Ownership of All the Bears in the Woods,

And Invites the Reporter to Divest Himself of an Outer Garment.

The Latter Stands and Delivers, but feels that He Has to Draw the Line Somewhere.

The air was very keen, and the reporter donned his bearskin coat before setting out to visit the sagamore of the Millcoats. All newspaper men cannot afford bearskin coats. Some of them may their taxes instead—but no matter.

On arrival at the brook beside the reservation the reporter was made aware of the presence, on the farther side of it, of enough dogs to fit out a Klondyke expedition. Their teeth were in an excellent state of preservation, and glistened with expectancy. They were evidently yearning for vigorous exercise.

The reporter indulged in many reassuring observations, in his most conciliatory manner, as he moved down upon the brook. With some remarks in quite a different vein he very speedily moved back again, and shouted for the sagamore. That personage appeared in the doorway of the wigwam.

"Why don't you kill these dogs?" furiously demanded the reporter. "Wherever you got that bearskin coat?" demanded Mr. Paul. "Now, the air was keen, and the visitor was cold. He was in no mood for parody. So he answered the sagamore very promptly and tersely.

"It's none of your business." "I show you that," coolly rejoined the old man. "Do you think I stole it?" angrily shouted the reporter. "It's paid for, in hard cash."

"You didn't get it from me," said Mr. Paul. "I don't see what that has to do with it," said the incensed scribe. "What business is it of yours where I get my coats?"

"If you don't buy 'um from me—I don't get no profit on that coat," replied the Millcoite. "Do you own all the bears in the woods?" hotly demanded the reporter. "I do," said Mr. Paul.

"On what authority?" "That's none of your business," gaily replied the old man. "If you're going to wear bearskin I got to get paid." "But this sealskin, Uncle Sam—I mean 'his bearskin, Mr. Paul, came from Russia twenty years ago."

"You got certificate?" "Certificate?—No! What do I want of a certificate? Haven't I got the coat?" "Take it off," said Mr. Paul. "You can't come here in that coat."

"But I have the pockets full of things to give you." "If I take them," said Mr. Paul. "Oh, no, you won't. You are an old thief. I'm done with you. I'll go to the Mimacs first. I'll bet five dollars you ate raw dog with your breakfast this morning."

"Then you got five dollars," said the Millcoite, manifesting more interest in striding down to the brook. "I'll take it." The reporter turned in a twinkling he was surrounded by teeth. "I'll make you sweat for this!" he roared.

"Yes," said Mr. Paul—"It's good warm coat. Take it off." And before the reporter could get away he had to take off his bearskin coat—and empty his pockets. Even then he was not permitted to go.

"Now," said Mr. Paul, donning the bearskin coat himself, "fore you go away I want you to say the Millcoite is the freest and most enlightened tribe on the face of the earth." The reporter loosened his collar, to give the dogs a better chance, threw himself down on a snowbank, and gazed steadily in the eyes of the sagamore.

"No," he said with the firmness of a man who realizes that there are things worse than death, "you may have my coat, you may have my money, your dogs may crunch my bones; but if I ever say the American Nation—I mean the Millcoite savages—know anything about freedom of enlightenment, then may the final exult to Paradise leave my shriveled soul on the shores of Tartarus."

The old man looked at him meditatively for a little, and then looked at the dogs. Presently he spoke to the latter. They at once withdrew their teeth from the reporter's observation, put their tails in evidence and ran away. The sagamore took off the bearskin, threw it to the reporter, and followed the dogs. But the "enlightened" sage kept the reporter's money.

Old Men and Kidney Disease. Aged persons troubled with weak back, impaired kidneys, pain in the back and base of abdomen, scalding urine, with a small quantity of water at a time; a tendency to urinate often, especially at night, should use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. You know the doctor's reputation, you know the value of his work and that Dr. Chase would not risk his reputation on an unknown and untried remedy. Every druggist in Canada sells and recommends them.

NOT SO BAD. Perry Patello—I see that they have found a mine of natural soap up near the north pole. Wayward Watson—Oh, that ain't so bad as it sounds. The water up there is all froze.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

THE USUAL RESULT. "How is your club for the interchange and development of ideas getting along?" "Well, so far it has developed the idea in each member that he is the only man who has any ideas."—Indianapolis Journal.

IRRELEVANT. Mr. Wiggins—The true facts of the case were this: I was married to a girl who ever knew any facts that weren't true! And she never heard the rest of that story.—Somerville Journal.

FILLS THE BILL. He—You look sweet enough to kiss, in that dress. She—My dreamer told me she didn't think I'd be disappointed in it.—Puck.