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CHATHAM.

Chatham, Dec. 5—Mrs. Ernest Peacock and family have arrived from Montreal, and live on the corner of King and Howard streets.

The marriage of Miss Isabella, daughter of Mr. Walter Coughlan, to Mr. Walter McNeil, was solemnized in the pro-cathedral Thursday afternoon, Rev. Father O'Keefe officiating. The bride looked very stylish in a suit of blue broadcloth, and blue hat, and the bridesmaid, Miss Kate Cassidy, was also attired in a blue cloth suit and hat of same shade. Mr. Patrick Mulhearn was groomsman.

Miss Blanche Dickson has returned to Napan after a pleasant visit to Miss Lou Mersereau.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wing pleasantly entertained a number of friends at dinner Thursday evening.

Miss Elizabeth Steeves spent Thursday with Miss Evelyn Russell, Loggieville.

Mr. Burton MacLean, now of Fredericton, spent Sunday here with his parents, Captain and Mrs. Robert MacLean.

Miss Hectorine Poirier has returned to her home in Belledune, after a pleasant visit to her friend, Miss Mary Gilmore.

Miss Flossie King, of Buctouche, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. Millet Salter, has returned home.

Mr. Archibald Fraser, who has been spending his vacation with relatives here, expects to leave Thursday for Vancouver (B. C.), to resume his duties in the Bank of Montreal.

Mr. Henry Pout, who has been confined to the house for a few days by an attack of tonsolitis, is able to be out again.

Mr. J. Amesdee Legere, of Ottawa, is renewing old acquaintances in town.

Miss Alice Stothart has returned to Newcastle, after a pleasant visit to friends in town.

Mayor Montgomery, of Dalhousie, spent last week here.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Clark, of Loggieville, have gone to Vanceboro for the winter.

Mrs. Louisa Brown, of Revere (Mass.), is visiting Mrs. P. H. Loggie, Loggieville.

Mrs. Annie Henderson, of Boston, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Andrew McIntosh, has returned home.

Miss Lily Murdock is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Carrie Murdock, Bartibogue.

Mr. Winroe, of Montreal, who has been superintending the improvements at Blink Bonnie, has returned home, accompanied by his wife and child.

Mrs. L. J. Tweedie spent Tuesday and Wednesday in St. John.

Mrs. J. B. Snowball left on Saturday on a trip to Lake Seranac (N. Y.)

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Neale gave a very pleasant dinner party at their home, Bilstone House, on Tuesday.

Miss Frances Snowball and Miss Eileen O'Brien have returned from Fredericton.

Miss Marion Burrill and Miss Jessie Miller, who have been visiting friends in Newcastle and Millerton, are home again.

Mr. M. S. Hocken spent part of this week in St. John.

Mr. James Edgett spent part of this week in St. John.

Mr. Ray Knight left this morning on a trip to St. John.

Chatham, Dec. 8—William Sinclair, an old and respected citizen, passed away at his home this afternoon after a painful illness. He leaves a widow, two daughters and one son.

Today being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, special services were held in the pro-cathedral.

The stock in W. C. Cummings' general store at Doaktown, which was put up at tender, has been secured by the W. S. Loggie Co., Ltd., and has been brought to their town stores.

George Ryan is very ill with sciatica at Oak Point, the result of a cold contracted while smelt fishing. He was too ill to be brought home, so Mrs. Ryan has gone down to nurse him.

The ice was so soft on Monday that the Chatham men employed in the Dominion pulp mill who had come home for Sunday were unable to cross the river on Monday and were obliged to drive around by the bridges, a distance of twenty miles. The ice is yet anything but safe, although some persons have walked across.

Smelts are not as plentiful as before the ice made but some tomcods are being caught.

W. C. Winslow has returned from Fredericton.

MONCTON

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 7—A meeting of the Ladies' Curling Club was held on Thursday afternoon of last week at Miss McKenzie's home on Botsford street, and the officers were elected for the coming season.

Mrs. W. L. Crighton has returned from a visit to Toronto.

Mrs. Geo. Ellis, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cole, here, returned to her home in St. John on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Steeves, of Shediac, were in town on Saturday last.

Mr. R. A. Snowball, of Chatham, was in town on Saturday last.

Dr. G. T. and Mrs. Smith left on Friday for Boston and New York, to be absent for some weeks.

Mrs. Wm. Lord, of Winnipeg, is the guest this week of Miss Mollie Emmerson, Church street.

Mrs. J. S. Black, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Borden, returned to her hrome in Sackville on Thursday.

Judge Wells left on Thursday for a visit to New York.

Miss Price, of Havelock, is visiting her brother, Dr. L. H. Price.

Miss Bessie Holstead spent two or three days of this week with her sister, Mrs. L. Wright, at Salisbury.

Mr. Frank McNally, of Fredericton, is spending a week with his brother, Mr. G. F. McNally, of the Moncton High School staff.

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 8—(Special)—Hugh Green, I. C. R. section foreman at Painsec, died at his home, Meadow Brook, today, after two weeks' illness of pneumonia. Green was a brother of the late Mrs. Dutcher who, with her young son, were victims of the famous Meadow Brook tragedy ten years ago. Hugh Green was one of the principal witnesses in the trial that followed the tragedy. He was first on the scene, living next door to the Dutcher house, and rescued little Maggie Dutcher, his niece, the only survivor of the fire, from the burning house.

Green, it will be recalled, rescued the child from the house at the peril of his life, being quite severely burned. He attempted to return for his sister, but was driven back by the flames. His death recalls the stirring tragedy which created such widespread interest throughout the province. He was about fifty years old, and had been trackman on the I. C. R. for a number of years.

Steamer Harbinger is loading a cargo of molasses here for Baird & Peters, St. John. The molasses cargo the St. John firm has had stored here for some time.

SUSSEX.

Sussex, N. B., Dec. 7—Rev. B. H. and Mrs. Nobles were in Sackville on Monday, the guests of the Rev. B. N. Nobles.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stockton are spending a few days in Amherst.

Senator Baird, of Andover, was in Sussex on Tuesday.

Miss Carrie Roach spent Saturday in Hampton.

Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., returned home on Saturday from a trip to the south.

Miss May Arnold, who has been spending some weeks at her home here, returned to Boston the first of the week.

The many friends of Mrs. Jas. Murray will regret to learn that she is confined to the house through illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Robins, of Boston, are the guests of Mrs. C. T. White.

Mrs. G. M. Blakney, Mrs. M. B. Keith, of Petitcodiac; Mrs. Chas. Pickard, of Sackville, and Mr. R. O. Stockton, of St. John, were in Sussex on Sunday attending the funeral of their mother, whose death occurred at her home after a brief illness.

HAMPTON.

Hampton, Kings county, Dec. 6—Dr. F. H. Wetmore, of Hampton Station, left by C. P. R. express for Boston, on a week's vacation. He may visit New York and other cities before his return.

Miss Hattie Barnes, professional nurse, has been called to Kingston to look after a gentlemen patient named Lester, who had to undergo a surgical operation for appendicitis. Drs. Wetmore and Emery, were the physicians in charge.

Mr. William Perkins, of Hampton Station, who has been confined to his home for about six weeks on account of serious illness, has recovered.

Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Jr., of Lepreaux, with her infant daughter, is visiting her family and friends at Hampton Station.

Miss Belle Archibald, St. John, who was the guest of her friend, Miss Margaret Evans, last week, returned home Friday last.

Miss (Pinkey) McLeod, of Amherst, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Leonard Tufts, at Ravenhurst, returned home on Monday.

Miss Margaret Turnbull, of St. John, has been visiting her friend, Miss Fanny Fairweather, at her home on Passekeag Road.

Mr. Max Cormier, principal of the Hampton Station Superior School, and Messrs. Allan Flewelling and Leonard Prince, of Hampton Village, were guests at a pleasant social party at the home of Mr. Clarence Flewelling at Kingston, last week.

It is understood that on Sunday next the Rev. J. R. DeWolfe Cowie, rector of this parish, will announce to his parishoners, his acceptance of the call he has received to the rectorship of St. Ann's, Fredericton.

Messrs. Egerton H. Seely, Jas. E. Hoyt, and L. M. Fairweather, of Norton, and C. Allan Frost, of Hampton Village, left by C. P. R. express yesterday to attend the Winter Fat Stock Show at Amherst.

Mrs. William Otty, of Dutch Point Road, Hampton Village, a few evenings ago, while returning to her home from Main street, missed the path in the darkness, and falling into a gully, sustained some severe bruises, in addition to the serious shock to her nervous system.

Mr. John Ruddick, of Boston, who came on to attend the funeral of his late sister, Miss Maria Ruddick, has been visiting his brother, Mr. Andrew Ruddick, on Railway avenue.

Miss Augusta Wetmore, of Bloomfield, is a guest at the home of Mrs. Joseph W. Barnes, on Main street, Hampton Station.

Mrs. Joseph W. Barnes has been visiting friends in St. John during the past week or two.

The Rev. R. G. Fulton has spent most of the week at the bedside of his father, Mr. Robert Fulton, West End, St. John, who is very ill.

ROTHESAY.

Rothesay, Dec. 7—Captain Calhoun went to Moncton this morning.

Kingston Deanery met in Rothesay on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Those in attendance were entertained at dinner on Tuesday by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel at the rectory.

A number of Rothesay ladies are interested in a tea, for which Mrs. Vassie, of St. John, has issued invitations, and which is set down for Tuesday afternoon next.

Rev. Mr. Johnston, of Montreal, preached in St. Paul's church on Sunday. While in Rothesay Mr. Johnston was a guest at the rectory.

Mrs. A. H. Hanington, of St. John, came out on Saturday and spent Sunday with Mrs. Brock.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Robertson and Miss Robertson were passengers from Liverpool to Halifax by the steamer Virginian, and arrived home early on Friday morning.

Mrs. W. J. Davidson spent Saturday here with her daughter, Mrs. Rupert Turnbull, at the Kennedy House.

Mr. John Purdy came out on Saturday and spent the day with his daughter, Miss Dorothy.

Mrs. Henry Coffey, Mr. W. H. and the Misses Coffey left by C. P. R. yesterday to spend the winter in New York.

Miss Annie Puddington is spending a few days with Mrs. Joseph Allison, St. John.

Miss Bogart returned home to Annapolis at the end of last week.

Miss Jean Ketchum has returned to school at Netherwood.

Mr. W. E. and the Misses Thomson have closed up their home at "Lincluden," and moved to the flat over Mr. Thomson's store for the winter.

Mr. Rupert Turnbull has returned from New York.

Mrs. W. Z. Earle spent Saturday at the home of her parents, Senator and Mrs. Domville.

Mr. Gilmour Brown is spending a few days with his family at the Kennedy House.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. West came down from Fredericton late last week, and are guests at the Kennedy House, while getting their home in order.

Miss Mona Thomson came home from Boston on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dawson, of St. John, spent Monday here.

Rev. Mr. Hanington, the rural dean, preached in St. Paul's church at the deanery here on Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Smith, who has been visiting Mrs. W. J. Starr, has returned home to St. John.

Mr. James Kennedy, of St. John, spent a day here this week.

WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock, Dec. 5—On Tuesday evening of last week, Mr. C. D. Jordan, until recently station agent in Woodstock, now on the C. P. R. superannuation list, was made the recipient of a beautiful oak morris chair, with raw silk upholstering, and a set of briar pipes. The presentation was made by Messrs. George Bulmer and Arthur W. Smith, on behalf of the employes of this division of the C. P. R. An address with fifty signatures accompanied the gifts.

Mr. Sabine Carr returned on Saturday from Boston and will leave tomorrow for Seattle, where he has a lucrative position in prospect.

Rev. James Ross, of St. John, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Michael Manus and bride arrived in Woodstock on Wednesday evening.

Mr. J. T. Garden is enjoying a visit in Amherst (N. S.)

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Tracey and Miss Alice Tracey, of Richmond, are spending the winter in town, guests at the Carlisle.

Miss Carrie Boyer is attending business college at Fredericton.

Miss Alta Adams, of Fredericton, is the guest of Mrs. A. G. Bailey.

The ladies of St. Luke's church will hold a supper and sale in the parish hall tomorrow evening.

Rev. George D. Ireland is out of town this week making presbytery visitations in the upper part of the province.

Mrs. G. D. Ireland is spending a few days in Fredericton.

Mrs. Arthur Bailey entertained at whist on Tuesday evening.

Miss Kate Cowan, who has spent the past few months in Montreal, has returned to Woodstock.

Mr. Robert Ritchie, of St. John, sang a solo, Abide With Me, in the Methodist church on last Sunday evening. His singing was much enjoyed.

Mr. W. W. Loane, of Ashland (Me.), spent Sunday in town.

Mr. George H. Teed, of Montreal, was a guest in town last week.

Mr. C. A. Kennedy, of Halifax, visited Woodstock last week in his capacity of inspector of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

The Junior Literary Society of St. Paul's Presbyterian church held the first meeting of the season on Thursday evening. The plan of work for the winter deals with Dicken's fiction. Rev. George D. Ireland gave an interesting lecture on the life of Charles Dickens.

Mrs. William Loane, of Ashland, is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Peabody.

Mrs. L. P. Fisher will leave next week to visit relatives in Nova Scotia.

Miss Beatrice Williams returned today from Boston, where the past two months were spent.

Mrs. Allison Connell entertained the Boys and Girls' Club on Friday evening. The club numbers about twenty.

Mrs. George Upham has returned after a visit at Andover.

Mr. Frank Tilley is attending the Amherst fair.

Rev. A. H. Trafton has returned from St. John, where he has been spending the past few months.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Fripp are guests in St. John this week.

Mr. A. W. Hamm, of Kane (Pa.), is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mr. J. K. Flemming, M. P. P., of Peel, was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. John Hay, of Richmond, was in town this week.

Mr. D. McLeod Vince attended the New Brunswick Barristers' Society meeting in St. John last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Grant, of Debec, are guests at the Turner House.

Mr. J. C. Hartley returned on Thursday from Toronto.

Mr. Earle Sanborn, of Providence (R. I.), is visiting relatives in town.

Mr. A. B. Connell, K. C., spent a few days of last week in St. John.

Woodstock, Dec. 7—At the regular meeting of Woodstock Division, No. 1, A. O. H., last night, the following officers, under County President Joseph Fewer, were elected for the ensuing year: Murray Milmore president; John H. Thompson, vice-president; Dr. . G. Thompson, recording secretary; I. Edward Sheasgreen, financial secretary; John P. Maloney, treasurer; Philip Thibodeau, sergeant-at-arms; Francis Kelly, chairman of standing committee.

Fewer Bros. went to East Florenceville today to commence work on the installation of the heating apparatus of the new consolidated school.

D. P. Flannery, provincial manager of the New York Life, left for St. John today.

Scott Act Inspector Colpitts, Deputy Sheriff Foster, Constable Woolverton and Customs Officer Carpenter went to Portland (Me.), yesterday, to consult with the Maine authorities for the abolition of the boundary line stores between Maine and New Brunswick.

A grand benefit ball for a disabled brother was held in the Opera House last night by the members of W. J. Ward, Lodge No. 476, B. of L. F. About fifty couples were present. Dr. G. B. Manzer efficiently acted as floor manager and Leo Brown looked after the duties of prompter. The music was furnished by the 67th Quadrille Band. Some $100 were the net receipts.

At the residence of F. D. Burpee, Upper Woodstock, on Wednesday afternoon, Miss Leila A. Phillips, of Mount Pleasant, was united in marriage to J. Rice Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Watson, of this town. Rev. M. S. Trafton, cousin of the groom, tied the knot in the presence of the immediate friends of the contracting parties. The couple were unattended. Many bridal presents were received. For the winter they will reside in Mount Pleasant, this county.

William Wilson, one of the favorite old men of the town, and a former English soldier, died at the town farm house yesterday, after a brief illness, aged about seventy years. For many years he was the hostler in Woodstock for Post Office Inspector Colter, now of St. John.

SHEDIAC.

Shediac, N. B., Dec. 7—Mr. Woodbury spent last Saturday in Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Steeves were in Moncton recently.

Mrs. J. McDonald and child were the guests of Moncton friends for a short time last week.

Judge Wells, of Moncton, was in town during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodford Avard spent part of the week with friends in Amherst.

Miss May Harper, who has been visiting in Albert for the past few weeks, the guest of Rev. Thos. and Mrs. Hicks, returned home on Wednesday. Miss Harper spent a few days in Moncton before returning.

Mrs. Lord, who has been visiting Shediac during the past fortnight, the guest of Mrs. A. J. Webster, Main street east, left this week to visit friends in Moncton before returning to her old home in Sackville. Mrs. Lord intends leaving shortly to join her husband in the west, where they have been residing for the past year. On Friday evening of last week Mrs. Webster gave a most delightful evening company to a number of the town. All the ladies and gentlemen of the company were charmingly gowned and looked extremely well. Mrs. Webster received her guests in a pretty dress of red and white silk. Mrs. Lord was becomingly attired in cream silk, chiffon trimmings. Miss Webster, who assisted Mrs. Webster during the evening, looked unusually well in white over pink silk. Among those present were Mrs. Lord (Winnipeg), Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross, Dr. and Mrs. Jas. White, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Coombs, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Wilbur, Mrs. H. Murray, the Misses Evans, Miss Eva Melanson, Miss Olive Hanington, Miss Bessie Lawton, Miss Webster, Miss B. Harper, the Misses Weldon, Miss May Benedict (Campbellton), and Messrs. E. Roberts, B. Harper, A. Penna, I. Murray, L. Melanson.

Mrs. George Tait returned recently from a three weeks' visit to friends in Moncton.

Mr. Jas. Wilbur was in Amherst during the week, attending the winter fair.

Mr. D. DeBlois Harper also attended the winter fair being held in Amherst.

Miss May Benedict, graduate nurse, who has been visiting at her home in Campbellton this fall, and later in Port Elgin, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Tomlins, spent part of the week in town with the Misses Weldon, Weldon House.

Mrs. E. H. Allen returned last week from spending a few days in St. John.

Mrs. T. Simpson has closed up her house, Main street east, and has gone to Quebec to spend the winter with her son, Mr. E. Geldart.

Mr. W. F. Humphrey, of Moncton, was in town on Wednesday.

Miss Laura Bray, who has been visiting in Shediac for the past few months, left this week for Hopewell. Miss Lena Bray accompanied Miss Bray as far as Moncton upon her return.

Mr. Fred. Atkinson, who has been spending the past month in Shediac at his old home, returned this week to Charlottetown.

Mr. W. Atkinson, who has also been at his old home during the past few weeks, left on Thursday for Sydney. Mrs. Atkinson, who has closed her home for the winter months, left this week to spend the winter with her

Dr. Murray is at home from a professional trip to Albert.

Judge Emmerson was in Shediac during the week.

The whist club was very pleasantly entertained on Tuesday evening by the Misses Weldon, Weldon House.

Mrs. Frank Smith, of Moncton, was in town for a few days this week.

Mr. Jas. McQueen was in Moncton on Monday. Mr. J. D. Weldon also visited Moncton during the week.

Mr. S. Steeves, of Coverdale, spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. W. Williams, Calder street.

Miss Muriel Hanington has returned home from a visit to friends in St. John.

ST. GEORGE.

St. George, Dec. 7—Very pretty was the wedding on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. William McIntyre, when her second daughter, Miss Jennie Maude McIntyre, was married to Mr. James McKinley McLay. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Hillock, Presbyterian. The rooms were beautifully decorated with flowers. The bride looked very pretty and graceful, gowned in blue silk with battenberg yoke and trimmings. The bridesmaid, Miss Eva McIntyre, sister of the bride, wore a pretty dress of very light brown silk, with battenberg trimmings. The best man was Mr. MacNeill, of Montreal. After the ceremony and congratulations, the bridal party and guests repaired to the dining room, where refreshments were served. The floral decorations in the room were green and white. The wedding gifts were unusually handsome. Mr. and Mrs. McLay left on the 4 o'clock train for St. John, and they will visit the principal cities of the United States before going to their home in Deposit, New York state. The bride wore a handsome suit of brown cloth, tailor made, on going away. The crowd that gathered to witness her departure made the station platform almost inaccessible. Those in town for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Youngclaus, St. John; Mr. McIntyre, Boston, uncle of the bride; Mr. and Miss Nase, Welsford; Mr. Fowler, Welsford, and Mr. Tom McIntyre, Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gilmor, of Montreal, spent the week in town.

Mrs. Alex. Campbell and Miss Campbell left on Wednesday for St. Stephen, en route for Earl Gray (Sask.); to join Mr. Campbell, who with his two sons have been residing there for the past year or two. Miss Campbell will be much missed in church circles, where she has been an active and earnest worker, and in society. Their friends will unite in wishing them all happiness and prosperity in their new home. Miss Tomilson will accompany them as far as Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Brien have returned from a pleasant visit in Oak Bay.

Mr. Martin Doyle had many callers on Monday to congratulate him on his ninety-ninth birthday.

Mrs. George Frauley and Mr. Edmund McGratton were among Thanksgiving visitors to Calais.

Miss Edna Johnston has returned from a lengthy visit in Albert county.

M. Avery, of the post office department, was in town on Friday last.

A number of the young men of the Drageorgian Club gave a dance in their hall on Friday evening, which was much enjoyed.

The marriage of Miss Jessie McVicar, daughter of Mr. Angus McVicar, St. Mascarene, to Mr. Oscar Mathews, is announced for the 20th, to take place in the Mascarene Baptist church.

Miss Mary Russell has returned from a pleasant visit in St. John.

ST. ANDREWS.

St. Andrews, Dec. 6—A very delightful entertainment was given by the children of All Saints church Sabbath school in Memorial Hall on Tuesday evening in aid of their school library. A large and appreciative audience was present and thoroughly enjoyed the splendid programme prepared. Much credit is due Mrs. F. G. Andrews and Miss Street, who so thoroughly trained the children, and Mrs. R. A. Stewart, assisted by Mrs. F. P. McColl and Miss Morris, who had the musical part of the programme in charge.

Miss Miriam Mowat has returned from an extended visit to friends in Chatham and St. John.

Mr. G. K. Greenlaw left on Tuesday for Amherst with intention of attending the winter fair.

The many friends of Mrs. M. A. Maxwell, nee Miss Edna Clinch, regret to hear of her serious illness and entrance into one of the New York hospitals for surgical operation.

Mr. William Murchie, of Calais (Me.), was in town this week.

Rev. W. R. Pepper, of Bocabec, has been the guest of Rev. J. Parkins and Mrs. Parkins at the parsonage the past few days.

Mr. F. H. Grimmer and Mrs. Grimmer, who have been enjoying a delightful visit to Boston, returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Treadwell returned from New York on Monday. She was accompanied by Miss Bartsch.

Mr. J. M. Stickney is visiting friends in Nova Scotia.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. McColl entertained a house party of American friends for American Thanksgiving last week. Mr. and Mrs. George J. Clarke, of St. Stephen, were also guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Hawthorne, who have been visiting in Calais, have returned home.

Mr. Skiff. Grimmer, who has been recovering from a serious attack of typhoid, took a sudden ill turn on Monday from which his friends were afraid he would not rally. The latest reports are most encouraging and are to the effect that he is improving.

BORDER TOWNS

St. Stephen, Dec. 6—Miss Roberta Murchie is in St. John, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Crockett.

Mr. B. Y. Curran has returned from a visit in Boston.

Mrs. Charles F. Murchie, of New York city, is visiting relatives in Calais.

Mrs. McGregor, who has been a recent guest of Mrs. Henry Graham, left last week for St. John to visit her daughter, Mrs. Ned Harmon Murchie.

Mrs. L. E. Rideout, who has been visiting Mrs. George Downes, has returned to her home in Boston.

Mrs. Frederick T. Waite gave a family dinner at her residence on Thanksgiving day.

A very happy surprise was given Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Eaton one evening recently, it being the twentieth anniversary of their wedding day and a number of friends called upon them to spend the evening and to present them with some handsome pieces of linen as souvenirs of the occasion.

Mrs. Adams and Miss Adams, of Ellsworth (Me.), have been recent guests of Mrs. Percy Lord.

Mr. Lewis F. Mills has returned to Boston after a short visit in town with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Mills.

Miss Stella Robinson and Mrs. William R. Carson entertained a party of lady friends at their home on Princess street on Tuesday evening. The game of "Flinch" was the amusement provided and the evening passed most pleasantly.

Mrs. T. T. Whitney entertains a small party of friends with bridge this evening.

Mr. Wilmot Berryman had the misfortune to slip on some ice in front of his residence yesterday and, falling, broke his left arm very badly.

Mr. Henry F. Todd returned from Boston today.

Mr. James G. Stevens is in Fredericton this week on a professional trip.

Miss Frances Todd is entertaining friends at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Frank Todd, this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick P. MacNichol and their children return from Boston today, after spending Thanksgiving in that city with their sister, Mrs. Albert Forbes Conant.

The ladies who are interested in church decorations have already began to prepare wreaths and garlands of evergreen for the Christmas season and meet every evening to engage in the work.

Mrs. John Simpson, of St. Andrews, is the guest this week of Mrs. James L. Thompson in Calais.

Mr. J. W. Scovil is visiting St. John this week.

Miss Marion Rockwood has arrived home from North Bridgewater (Me.) and is most cordially welcomed by her friends.

General B. B. Murray has been visiting Portland (Me.) this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid L. Eaton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Briggs Lowell have been spending a week hunting at Tomah Stream.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haycock, of Eastport, spent last Thursday in Calais to enjoy Thanksgiving day with friends.

It has been announced that the marriage of Miss Irene Helen Eaton, only daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Eaton, of Calais, to Mr. Frederick D. Jordan, of Bangor (Me.), will take place in February.

SACKVILLE.

Sackville, Dec. 7—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Humphrey and son Edward, of Norton, are the guests of Mrs. Warren Copp.

Miss Kathryn Ryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Ryan, entertained thirty of her girl friends to a tea party on Friday evening. A very pleasant time was enjoyed.

Mrs. Horace Fawcett entertained St. Paul's sewing circle last evening.

Miss Dorcas Johnson will entertain the Junior Whist Club this evening.

Mr. N. O. Treen, of Oxford (N. S.), was in town yesterday.

Mr. J. Albert Avard, of Jolicure, was the guest of his brother, Mr. C. Fred. Avard, on Tuesday.

Miss Emma King returned on Saturday from a month's visit in Hillsboro.

Mrs. A. Rafuse is seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Phinney and Miss Ethel Ayer, went to Amherst on Friday to attend the funeral of the late Ella Embree.

Mrs. Geo. McSweeney, of Moncton, was the guest of Mrs. Fred. Ryan yesterday.

Mr. A. Lefurgey, of Summerside (P. E. I.), was in town yesterday.

The W. M. S. of the Methodist church celebrated its twenty-first anniversary on Tuesday afternoon. There was a large attendance. Mrs. T. Hart presided. Mrs. Joshia Wood gave a very excellent address. An interesting part of the programme was the presentation of a life membership certificate to Miss Harriet Stewart by the members, in recognition of faithful service rendered by Miss Stewart since the organization of the society. Miss Annie Trueman presented the gift with a few well chosen remarks. Miss Stewart was completely surprised, but found words to make a suitable reply. Several of the charter members gave interesting addresses. This society started with a membership of twenty. It now numbers eighty-three, with twelve life members. Special music was furnished, a solo by Miss Gladys Dixon being much appreciated, with Miss Winnie Harper as pianist. Tea was served at the close of the interesting meeting.

Dr. B. C. Borden spent Sunday at Avonport (N. S.)

Mr. John Towne has returned from a three months' visit in the west, during which he visited Vancouver, Victoria, Portland (Ore.), and many other cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dobson, of Sussex, are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Wm. W. Fawcett.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Tucker, of Seaside hotel, Cape Tormentine, are in town today.

W. L. T. Weldon, of Chatham, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Ovid Weldon.

Mr. Horace Bowser, of Jolicure, was in town yesterday.

Miss Jessie Atkinson, of St. John, is visiting friends in Woodpoint.

Among those who attended the Maritime Winter Fair at Amherst this week were: Mrs. Frank Harper, Mrs. Warren Carter, Mrs. Wesley Wheaton, Mrs. Ernest Wheaton, Miss Edith Trueman, Misses Elsie and Marjorie Turner, Miss Bessie Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Copp, Miss Ella Copp, Miss Eliza Avard, Mrs. Amos Ogden, Miss Lila Barnes, Messrs. Chas. Siddall, Fred. Thompson, Woodford Turner, Warren Carter, Albert Carter, Pickard Trueman, B. M. Fawcett, W. W. Fawcett, Albert Fawcett, B. B. Barnes, H. C. Fawcett, Geo. Wry, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gass, Mr. Fred. Turner, the Misses Smith, Miss Jessie Ford, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Carter, Mrs. C. Wry, Messrs. J. L. and Walter Dixon, Mrs. J. M. Baird, Mrs. D. Allison, and Mr. Harry Phinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bowser, of Mount View, gave a pleasant party last evening in honor of her guest, Miss Fenton.

Miss Nellie Smith, of the ladies' college, spent Sunday at Port Elgin, the guest of Mrs. Walter Chapman.

Mr. C. C. Avard, editor of the Tribune, is in Amherst today.

Miss Alberta Brownill, of the High School staff, spent Sunday at her home in Jolicure.

Mrs. Chas. Pickard returned last evening from Sussex, having been called there on account of the death of her mother, Mrs. Stockton.

Mrs. F. B. Black entertained very pleasantly yesterday afternoon. Bridge whist furnished the amusement. Mrs. J. M. Baird and Mrs. W. C. Milner captured the star prizes, while Mrs. T. Murray carried off the consolation prize.

Mrs. F. Murray entertained the senior whist club last evening.

Dr. Heartz, president of the Nova Scotia conference, was a guest at the Ladies' College yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Read, of Berwick (N. S.); Mr. and Mrs. Avery Bowser, of Horton (N. S.), and Mr. Andrew Spicer, of Berwick, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Eugene Bowser, York street.

Mrs. Ernest Smith has returned from a three months' visit at Boston and adjacent cities.

Col. J. M. Baird has taken a position as accountant with J. L. Black & Sons.

Mrs. Ritchie Copp, of Baie Verte, is the guest of Alderman Goodwin. She is on route to Parrsboro (N. S.), where she will spend the winter with her son, Capt. Copp.

Mrs. J. J. Anderson is visiting friends in Amherst.

Miss Laura Silliker is spending a few days at Baie Verte.

Sackville, Dec. 9—Owens' art gallery was the centre of attraction yesterday, the term's much admiration. He had there on exhibi- Professor Hammond's department elicited much admiration. He had there on exhibition thirty of his own paintings. These paintings will be an exhibit at the Art Association, Montreal, from the 16th to the close of the year.

Miss Mollie Harris, of Moncton, is the guest of Miss Hester Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Allen, Port Elgin, are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a son.

Miss Nella Churchill, of Lockeport (N. S.), is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. Churchill.

A large flock of wild geese went over here this morning. Frank Maxwell was fortunate enough to shoot two as they soared by his dwelling.

Dr. J. O. Calkin left for Boston today on a professional visit. He will be absent a week.

The second meeting of the quarterly board convened at the Methodist parsonage on Thursday evening. R. A. Trueman gave a satisfactory financial statement. The following stewards were elected: R. A. Trueman, J. L. Black, Professor Hunton, J. M. Palmer, S. Edgar Dixon, W. W. Fawcett, sr., C. W. George. Dr. Borden, Alderman Goodwin and C. W. Cahill were appointed on the temperance committee. The board passed a resolution to co-operate with the trustee board and endeavor to raise at least $3,000 by next June to aid in cancelling the debt on Methodist church.

CAMPBELLTON.

Campbellton, Dec. 7—Miss B. Purdy, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Angus McLellan, left on Friday for Moncton, where she will spend a few days before returning to her home in Halifax.

Miss Maggie Scott, of Dalhousie, spent a few days of last week with Mrs. Ed. Alexander.

Mrs. J. T. Windsor returned to her home in New Mills on Wednesday, after spending a few days here, the guest of Mrs. Wm. A. Thompson.

Mr. J. A. Marven, of St. John, was in town on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss May Moffat has returned from a visit to Dalhousie.

Mr. Milton Taylor, of New Richmond, was in town last week.

Mrs. E. W. Chandler has returned from a visit to friends in Moncton.

Miss Ida Deboo spent Sunday in Dalhousie.

Miss Stella McKenzie, of Dalhousie, spent a few days of this week with friends here.

Miss Sadie Sowerby, who has been in Boston for some time, returned home on Wednesday morning.

Mr. J. E. Petrie, of Newcastle, was here last week.

Mrs. E. R. Lockhart, who has been the guest of Mrs. Geo. Fawcett, returned to her home in Petitcodiac on Wednesday.

Mr. Ray Bray spent Sunday in Charlo.

Mrs. Thos. Malcolm has returned from a visit to Bathurst.

Mr. Roy Moffat, of Dalhousie, spent Sunday here.

Mr. Cook McKinnon, who has been attending Wolfville College, returned home on Friday.

Miss Clapperton, of Maria, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry McIntyre.

Mrs. Simons entertained a number of her friends at a dance in St. Onge Hall on Monday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pickard Trueman, who have been visiting friends here, have returned to Sackville.

Mr. Robt. Stewart spent a few days of this week here, the guest of Mr. Geo. Fawcett.

Mr. Jas. Legallais, of Dalhousie, was in town on Thursday.

PETITCODIAC.

Petitcodiac, Dec. 7—On Friday evening last Rev. J. G. Shearer, B. A., secretary of the Lord's Day Allience, delivered an address in the Methodist church.

Miss Julia Keith returned Thursday from a pleasant trip to Portland, Boston and Montreal.

The Literary Club enjoyed their miscellaneous meet Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Herrett. The authors under consideration for the evening were Tennyson and Longfellow. Biographies of these writers were read; as were also a few selections from the works of each. Several vocal and instrumental numbers, included in the programme, were much appreciated.

The Misses Robinson, of St. John, who have been spending the past month at the rectory, returned Monday.

Mr. Armour Brown, of Bloomfield, was in the village Tuesday.

Mrs. M. B. Keith went to Sussex Friday.

Mrs. R. E. Lockhart returned Wednesday from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Campbellton.

Rev. W. B. Armstrong went to Moncton Monday.

Mrs. Taylor, of Moncton, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. C. Goggin.

Miss Avis Armstrong, of St. John, arrived Tuesday to visit her uncle, Rev. W. B. Armstrong.

Mrs. F. Steeves entertained a number of her friends at tea Saturday evening.

Mrs. M. Bliss Keith went to Truro last Friday.

GRAND FALLS.

Grand Falls, Dec. 8—Mrs. Charles H. Curless, who had the misfortune to sprain her ankle, over a month ago, is slowly recovering.

L. A. Parent is critically ill with an attack of pneumonia.

T. D. Parent, who has been seriously ill, is now slowly recovering.

Cordwood still maintains the same high price that prevailed last winter, and sells readily at $4 per cord for sixteen-inch wood. Inasmuch as there is an abund-
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bou (Me.), where he spent Thanksgiving with relatives.

Miss Theresa Burgess is visiting her mother, Mrs. James Burgess, in Enishore.

Mrs. Con. O'Regan departed on Saturday for Caribou (Me.), where she will visit relatives for several weeks.

Samuel Sincovitch departed on Wednesday for Boston with a carload of potatoes for the Boston market. He was accompanied by Fred. Pirie.

Lumbermen's wages are advancing. As high as $32 per month was offered men this week to work in the woods.

Jack Burgess and Allen McLaughlin have joined the Grand Trunk Pacific survey party operating between Grand Falls and Andover, and will be engaged all winter. The party will traverse the route of the former Garden survey.

D. J. Collins and C. Albert Estey departed on Tuesday for the woods to perform their duties as scalers.

Joseph Judge, formerly clerk in Hotel Perth, is now behind the desk in the Minto hotel.

S. Hoyt, of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, has been in town for several days in the interests of the company. Complete telephonic connection with Montreal is now an established fact, and will prove of great convenience to Grand Falls business men.

All farm produce commands high prices in the local markets. Butter is twenty-five cents per pound, eggs thirty cents per dozen, chickens ten cents per pound, geese and ducks twelve cents per pound, turkeys fifteen cents per pound. Prices are the highest for many years.

Donald Innis departed on Monday for Amherst to attend the mid-winter fair.

Frank Lockwood, until lately chief of the Indians at Tobique Point, has removed with his family to Grand Falls. Joe. Ellis has been elected chief to succeed him.

A delegation composed of those interested in the liquor business met Messrs. Burgess and Tweeddale, the local members, in Andover on Tuesday evening. A public temperance meeting was held the same evening, addressed by Rev. R. W. Demming, James Burgess, M. P. P.; J. F. Tweeddale, M. P. P.; J. W. McPhail, and others. The members of the W. C. T. U. attended in a body. J. F. Tweeddale said that, acting in the interests of the majority of his constituents in the lower parishes, he was opposed to the granting of licenses, while Mr. Burgess remarked that he was opposed to the Scott act or any prohibitory laws, owing to the evils following in their wake, and favored a strictly enforced license law, such as exists in Grand Falls. Rev. Mr. Demming addressed his remarks to Mr. Burgess, explaining that the majority in the lower parishes desired the continuance of non-license, and that Inspector McCrea should be retained in his position.

Today being the feast of the Immaculate Conception, the stores and schools were closed this morning, and the usual services were held in the Catholic church.

NEWCASTLE.

Newcastle, Dec. 7—Mrs. W. H. Robins, of Bridgeville (N. S.), is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. C. Hayward.

Mrs. Wm. Mitchell, of Bangor (Me.), is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Vye, at Chatham Head.

Mrs. Allan Wheeler has returned from a visit to her home in Fredericton.

Mrs. B. P. Steeves has returned from visiting friends in Buctouche.

The Scotch concert held in the Opera House on Monday evening under the auspices of the Young People's Guild of St. James' church was a grand success. A good audience enjoyed a good Scotch programme. The great attractions of the evening were the sword dance and Highland fling by Major Gordon, of St. John, and the bagpipe and piccolo selections by Major Ross, of St. John. These were heartily cheered and encored.

Miss Thomson, of St. John, sang twice and was encored both times.

Mrs. Miller and Miss Crocker each sang two solos and a duet, all of which received hearty encores.

The March o' the Cameron Men, by Rev. H. Arnott, was rendered in grand style and encored. The violin selections by Mr. Jas. Copeland and piano duet by Miss Dovidson and Mrs. Nicholson were worthy of the applause received.

The duet, Huntingtower, by Miss Sweezie and Major Ross, was well received and they were recalled.

Mr. P. C. Arnott rendered the song Bonnie Wee Thing in his usual good style and responded to an encore.

A double quartette from the guild choir rendered Loch Lomond very acceptably. The company sang Auld Lang Syne, the audience joining in the chorus. God Save the King was sung by all, which brought to a close a very delightful evening.

BRISTOL.

Bristol, Carleton county, Dec. 7—The Peel parish Sunday school convention is being held at Gordonsville this afternoon and evening. Rev. J. B. Ganong, field secretary, is in attendance.

Charles Lockhart has bought a steam engine from H. H. McCain and is putting it in position to run his lath machines.

Duncan Rogers has a crew in the woods getting out logs on Barren Brook.

Miss Annie Grantham, Aroostook Junction, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. A. Phillips.

Miss Flora Currie, Bath, is spending a few days with friends in the village.

A. C. Sheck, proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, East Florenceville, is dangerously ill of blood poisoning. He is being attended by Drs. Peppers and Wright.

Scott Darkis has bought the Porterfield place, and commenced blacksmithing.

Drs. Brown and Somerville performed an operation for appendicitis upon Alex. Hall, of Johnville, yesterday. The patient was taken ill while working in the woods on Green River, and was brought home for treatment.

ST. MARTINS.

St. Martins, Dec. 8—Charles Poitner has returned to his home from Musquash, where he spent the summer.

Miss Lily Brittain, who has been employed for the past summer in St. George, is at home for the winter.

Miss Fannie Harvey, of Boston (Mass.), is visiting her sister, Miss Amelia Harvey for a few days.

Mrs. John Brown has returned from St. John, where she has been spending a few days.

Mrs. Aubrey Vaughan, who has been spending a few days with friends in Norton, returned to her home on Friday evening.

Mrs. Michael Kelly and daughter Marion, returned home on Wednesday evening.

Capt. C. Smith has added to the coasting fleet of this port the schooner H. A. Holder, 94 tons, which he purchased from Mr. McIntyre, of St. John, and is loading deals for St. John for the O'Neil Lumber Company.

The schooners Rex and Friendship which sailed for St. John on Tuesday morning, were compelled to come back into the harbor owing to the inclemency of the weather.

HARCOURT.

Harcourt, Dec. 9—William McLeod, lumber [illegible]rator on Lake Stream, Salmon River, was [illegible]arcourt on business yesterday.

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[illegible]he 7th inst. Master Leonard Smith saw [illegible] of four moose in Grangeville. A few [illegible]o three moose were seen within the fences between here and Kent Junc-

[illegible]d Mrs. J. Larkin Morton, of Kent [illegible] visited Harcourt on Thursday, re[illegible] home yesterday.

[illegible] night of meeting Melbourne Ward [illegible] Minnie Harnett were initiated into [illegible]r Division, S. of T., which now has more than forty members in good ing.

As an example of what can be done [illegible] county by scientific farming the Messrs. Keswick, of Mortimore, raised this year 98 bushels of wheat from a sowing of six, and 405 bushels of oats from 29. One plot of oats on which five pecks of the white variety was sown yielded forty-six bushels. Their land is not considered to be more fertile naturally than the average farm in the county.

Mrs. Robt. Saulnier and Miss Annie Campbell went to Moncton Thursday.

Norman MacLeod has been spending the week in Campbellton, where he went on Monday to attend the funeral of his cousin, Tupper Morton.

James Price, of Rogersville, is carrying on extensive lumber operations this fall. A day or two ago two of his sons, Frank and Everett, were hurt in the woods, but they will be laid up a short time only.

At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Ellen Campbell, Bass River, on the evening of the 6th inst., Miss Minnie Campbell was united in marriage to George E. Warman, of Moulies River. The wedding was a quiet one, only the immediate relatives being present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. M. Townsend. The same evening the happy couple drove to their future home at Moulies River.

Miss Mattie Anderson, of Boston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Easter, at Bass River.

Mrs. Gilman, of Berlin (N. H.), who was visiting her brother, Samuel Sullivan, Bass River, has returned home. The Misses Mabel and Flossie Sullivan have gone to Lewiston (Me.)

On the 5th inst. a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Palmer, Rexton.

Miss Hattie Smith, of Cocagne, is visiting in Richibucto.

Mrs. Thomas Coates, of Rexton, is home from a several months visit to Amherst and Petitcodiac.

FLORENCEVILLE

East Florenceville, Dec. 9—Large quantities of produce are being shipped from the C. P. R. station here.

A. C. Sheck, proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, is seriously ill of blood poisoning. He is being attended by Dr. Peppers, of Centreville, and Dr. Wright, of Bristol.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Banks will celebrate the tenth anniversary of their wedding on Monday next. About 100 guests have been invited.

Wiggins L. O. L., No. 74, held its annual meeting last night and elected the following officers: Frank L. Tompkins, W. M.; Lorne Boyer, D. M.; P. R. Semple, R. S.; E. S. Secord, F. S.; Edmund Saunders, treasurer; A. D. Hartley, chaplain; James W. Banks, D. C.; Gordon Milberry, 1st lecturer; Howard Boyer, 2nd lecturer; William Tompkins, Charles T. Boyer, B. W. Moores, Harry Stiles, Chalmers Hartley, committee.

FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, Dec. 6—Miss Fisher was the hostess at an afternoon tea at her residence, "Somervilla," on Friday afternoon.

Miss Snowball, who has been the guest of Mrs. Geo. Younge Dibblee for the past week, and Miss O'Brien, of India, who has been visiting Mrs. F. P. Thompson, left yesterday for Chatham, where Miss O'Brien will be the guest of the Governor and Mrs. Snowball for the winter.

Mrs. George Younge Dibblee entertained at tea on Sunday evening, in honor of her guest, Miss Frances Snowball.

Miss Lynott, of Edmundston, is spending a couple of weeks here, the guest of Mrs. Lynch.

Miss Lynott is en route to Ottawa, where she will be the guest of Colonel Bliss for the winter.

Miss Whitehead was the hostess at a small but very pleasant whist party on Friday evening.

Mrs. Sydney Hunton will return to Sackville on Saturday, after a pleasant visit of three weeks spent with her father, Dr. Inch, chief superintendent of education.

The Ladies' Whist Club met with Mrs. W. T. Whitehead on Monday evening, when Mrs. George Allen was the fortunate winner of the prize.

Mrs. Crookshank has returned to St. John, after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. O. Sharpe.

Miss Wark and Miss Coburn are visiting in Boston.

The ladies in charge of the hospital aid tea for this week are: Mrs. Albert Gregory, Mrs. Robert F. Randolph, Miss May Hilyard, Miss Cunningham and Miss Neill.

Mrs. James Gibson, of Marysville, is spending a few days in St. John.

The Marchioness of Donegal is the guest this week of Mrs. E. Byron Winslow.

The Misses Bridges leave on Monday next for South Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Cameron Christie and son have gone to Toronto to spend the holidays.

Miss Guild, who has been the guest of Miss Elsie Crocket at Salamanca, has returned home.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 8—(Special)—Robert Davies, a well known citizen and member of the dry goods firm of Tennant, Davies & Clarke, had a stroke of paralysis at his residence on Brunswick street this afternoon. Owing to his advanced age, the chances are thought to be against his recovery. His condition tonight is critical.

Charles E. Oak, of Bangor, states that the Miramichi Lumber Company, which is taking over the Miramichi property of the William Richards Company, is not connected in any way with the International Paper Company any more than that some of those interested own stock in both concerns. He says the Miramichi Lumber Company have estimated their cut for the present season at about 20,000,000 feet, but that the amount may overrun some. The company are operating about twenty camps, he says. Mr. Oak says a mill is to be erected at Chatham for the purpose of taking the bark off the pulp wood. The disposition of the pulp wood has not been settled upon as yet. Mr. Oak says that for next season the company propose to make the deal business their chief feature.

It is officially announced that in their prayer meeting of last evening the MacKlin Street United Baptist church, of Gibson, voted in favor of the union prayer meetings while the Neill street church, of Gibson, voted against them. This means that hereafter these churches will be separate organizations in every respect.

Hiram Lodge, No. 6, F. and A. M., last evening elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Worshipful Master, Ald. C. Fred Chestnut; treasurer, Matthew Tennant; tyler, William Lockhardt. These officers, along with those to be appointed, will be installed on St. John's Day.

The normal price for laths in New York is about $3, and today they are worth $5.50 per thousand. Some time ago the statement was made that many lumber dealers expect to get $6 per thousand for laths, and it now looks as if this prediction was warranted.

The total charge per thousand for duty and freight on laths between here and New York amount to about $1.25.

All over the country lath mills—many of them of a temporary nature—are being put up. The extreme low water of the past season, which caused so many mills to close down, is put down as the cause of the scarcity and advance in price of laths.

Yesterday George Armstrong and L. H. Carr, of Sunbury county, were here and signed a partnership agreement to go into the lath sawing business and start off with a contract to supply 1,000,000 of lath. Mr. Armstrong has a steam grist mill near Geary, and it is proposed to use power from this to run the mill, which will cut between 20,000 and 30,000 per day.

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 10.—(Special)—The large dry goods store of M. Fickler & Co. was slightly damaged by fire last night. Some persons passing Queen street shortly before midnight noticed smoke issuing from the basement and windows and sent in a still alarm which brought Chief Rutter and several firemen to the scene. The doors were broken open and it was found that the basement was filled with a dense smoke and it was spreading rapidly to other parts of the building. A general alarm was then rung in which brought out the whole fire department and with the aid of a well directed stream of water they soon extinguished the flames.

The fire was caused [illegible] an overheated furnace pipe and conf[illegible] to the basement. The damage t[illegible] by fire and smoke will probably [illegible] the neighborhood of $500 and $200 [illegible]ly cover the damage to the build[illegible] property is owned by Hugh Ca[illegible] is insured in