

LOCAL NEWS.

COLD NIGHT.—The thermometer dropped to twenty-two degrees below zero last night with a very high wind.

KIRK SOCIAL.—The ladies of St. Paul's church are organizing a musical and literary entertainment for next Friday evening.

ON TUESDAY.—The St. Andrews club of St. John, will play the Fredericton club here next Tuesday afternoon and evening.

GENEROUS.—Col. George Kitchen has donated, through Mrs. W. T. Whitehead, the handsome sum of \$50 to the funds of Victoria hospital.

JUDGE OF PROBATE.—F. W. Emerson, of Petitoiadic, has been appointed judge of probates for Westmorland, in place of A. E. Oulton, deceased.

RETIRED.—John Haslin, dry goods merchant, has closed up his business, and his stock is being shipped to Manchester, Robertson & Allison, St. John.

THE CHAMPION.—F. H. Risteen won the medal at Evans' shooting gallery, making 212 points out of a possible 216, and was presented with a handsome gold medal.

SHOWED UP.—The down train on the Gibson branch of the C. P. R., due last night at 5.30, stuck at Rockland, the side of Newick, and did not arrive at noon today.

MARRIED.—Rev. R. W. Weddall on Wednesday united in marriage at the King's residence in this city, Mr. Gatombe and Miss Hawkins, both of Mouth of Keswick.

A CANDIDATE.—Ernest Gregory, son of Chas. C. Gregory, formerly of this city, is one of the conservative candidates in Antigonish county for the Nova Scotia house of assembly.

OFF THE TRACK.—The snow plow attached to Conductor Henderson's train, this morning jumped the rails at Mornington mill, and it was some hours before it was got on again.

FIRE AT GRAND FALLS.—The well known Grand Falls hotel, owned by Mrs. J. S. Verne of this city, was burned to the ground, Tuesday. The building was insured for \$3,000.

THE ALUMNI ORATOR.—C. N. Skinner, ex-M.P. of St. John, has accepted an invitation from the alumni association of the N. B. University to deliver the alumni oration at the encenia in June.

WON THE PRIZE.—Willard B. Mowatt, B. A. (Med.) has been awarded the prize offered by the McGill Forthrightly in the recent prize competition, for an original tale entitled 'A Camp Story of the New Brunswick Lumber Woods.' Mr. Mowatt is a son of Rev. A. J. Mowatt, formerly of this city, and is a graduate of the university of New Brunswick.

GAZETTED.—In the county court of York, Joseph Porter was in the custody of the peace and commissioner of the parish of Prince William civil court, in room of William Jamieson, deceased. Joseph Porter is to be labor act commissioner for the parish of Prince William, in room of William Jamieson, deceased. Barnett M. Mullin, M. D., of St. Marys, to be a coroner.

MARYVILLE DEFEATED.—Three tinkers of curiers from Fredericton played the Maryville men at the latter's rink last night, and defeated them by 36 points. The score by rinks was:

FREDERICTON. MARYVILLE. Fowler, skip, 20 Inck, skip, 17 Randolph, skip, 17 Tapley, skip, 17 Mullin, skip, 17 Barker, skip, 17

Entertained. The members of the Farmers' Association and a number of friends lunched at the Queen hotel, Thursday evening, on invitation of Hon. Messrs. Tweedie and Emerson, and had a very pleasant time.

A Bank Show. The Gaitley Banknote Company which gave a performance in the City Hall last night was the rankest combination seen here for many a day. There was not a redeeming feature in the programme, and the singing particularly atrocious. The performers themselves looked as if hard times had struck them severely, and the specimens of femininity on the stage—well it is not gallant to speak kindly of women in such circumstances. The amount involved is stated as high as \$15,000, but nobody believes that Mr. Davis ever received anything like a quarter of that amount. He was charged numerous rates of interest and much of the paper alleged to be held by the shavers, consisted of old notes which Davis had discharged but never claimed. We think we are justified in saying the majority in the city still wish George well.

Left the Country. The financial difficulties of George H. Davis culminated Saturday, and on Sunday he left for the United States. Universal sympathy is felt for his family, and general regret is expressed that he should have found it necessary to leave home under such circumstances. The amount involved is stated as high as \$15,000, but nobody believes that Mr. Davis ever received anything like a quarter of that amount. He was charged numerous rates of interest and much of the paper alleged to be held by the shavers, consisted of old notes which Davis had discharged but never claimed. We think we are justified in saying the majority in the city still wish George well.

Death Roll. Mrs. James, sister of Rev. C. W. McCully of this city, died at Baltimore, Sunday. Deceased was the wife of Col. James, a Confederate army officer.

Deceased. Harry Toner, son of John Toner of this city, aged 13, died Tuesday.

Deceased. Wm. McElwain, of Upper Prince William, died at Victoria hospital, Monday, aged 73.

Deceased. The death is announced at Victoria, B. C., of Thos. H. Perley, formerly a well known resident of Maugerville, Sunbury county, Daniel Titus died at Gibson Wednesday aged 77 years.

Deceased. News has been received of the death at Hiesieu, Germany, of Baron Von Zedlitz, 76 years ago a resident of this city.

Schleyer Acquitted. The preliminary examination of John W. Schleyer, on the charge of indecent assault on Maggie Ryan was disposed of by Police Magistrate Marsh, Thursday, the charge being dismissed for want of evidence. Dr. Yanward in his evidence said he made an examination of the girl at her mother's request and found no evidence whatever of violence to the child. Mrs. Schleyer, wife of the accused, accounted for her husband's acts from the time he returned home after work till he retired for the night. He brought home some groceries, apples and candy, and she saw him give the children apples and candy at the door before coming in. She gave him his supper and he lay down and went to sleep. About nine o'clock the Ryan child came in the door and said her mother wanted Schleyer, and she woke him and he went to Ryan's and came back in a few minutes and told her the trouble. Schleyer himself gave evidence corroborating his wife's testimony, at the conclusion of which Col. Marsh at once discharged Schleyer from arrest and dismissed the information. He was warmly congratulated on his discharge.

PROVINCIAL ORANGEMEN.

Annual Meeting of the New Brunswick Grand Lodge.

The Orange grand lodge of New Brunswick met in annual session at Fairville, St. John, Tuesday and finished its business Thursday morning.

The most important utterances in Grand Master Fowler's opening address, will be found on the first page of THE HERALD; the other business, briefly stated, was as follows: All of the county masters' reports showed that the order was progressing favorably, and that their membership was steadily increasing. The new lodges had been organized during the year.

It was decided to hold the next session of grand lodge at Moncton. It was also decided to leave the question of celebrating the twelfth of July to the county lodges, to do as they please.

The report on the grand mastership was presented, in which the sentiments expressed, were heartily approved. The following were elected officers for the current year:

Joe Kelly, St. John, grand master. Jas A Moore, Kings, senior deputy grand master.

Joseph Walker, York, junior deputy grand master.

Rev J E Fiewelling, Carleton, grand chaplain.

Richard G Magee, St. John, grand treasurer.

J Deveree Neale, Westmorland, grand secretary.

Edgar W Morrison, Kings, grand lecturer.

George S Wiggins, Carleton, grand director of ceremonies.

The deputy grand chaplains for York, Geo W Currie, Robt Cochran, A L Haining, Geo W Brown, T H Collier.

For Sunbury—R D Wilmot, M P D A Duplisa, J Tracey, W O Patterson, O E Duplisa.

For Queens—Robert Corbett, Jas P Kerr, John Cooper, John Vincent, James Chitwick.

Herman Pitts was grand conductor for grand master, but only received forty-eight votes. The following resolution was passed at the closing session without discussion:

Whereas, This R. W. grand lodge, both at its sessions at St. Stephen and Fredericton, expressed itself most emphatically that the executive of this grand lodge be authorized to take such legal proceedings as to bring the so-called Bathurst school question before the courts of the country; and

Whereas, In the opinion of this grand lodge, it is desirable that the grand lodge should demand and be satisfied with nothing less than the entire wiping away of all concessions to the Roman Catholic church, both in Fredericton, St. John, Moncton and elsewhere, as well as in the special instance brought before the commission, which we believe the courts will accord; and

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Therefore resolved, that the Orange association, in the province as voted by the grand lodge, will not be satisfied with anything short of the impartial enforcement of the school law, and the doing away with all concessions, and to emphasize our position, the Orange association is being requested to any settlement other than the non-sectarian law of 1871; and

Further resolved, that as we are individual members, we are requested to represent our various counties in the local legislatures, that they shall agitate for their places in the assembly and elsewhere, whether the government or opposition supporters, to have all this made to any church, school, or school eliminated from the regulations of the board of education, and also that suitable resolutions be framed and presented at the local legislatures calling upon the government in view of the facts elicited in the investigation to further amend the regulations as above required.

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COUNTRY NEWS.

An Excellent Budget from our Active Correspondents.

GLEANNINGS FROM YORK. Upper Maguadavie.

Feb. 20.—The late storm has kept our roads pretty well blocked up, but the men and teams are out of the woods again and we expect to have better under the management of our new surveyor, Jos. McCulloch.

A gripe in this place still continues to add more new victims to its account. Jos. Gantley's many friends will be sorry to hear that he is still confined to his house with the effects of a gripe, also that he has lost a valuable horse.

Mr. Wilson is still in a precarious state of health, his many friends have little hopes of his recovery.

A telegram on the 19th ult. to his family at Blaney Ridge, brought the news that Samuel McElwain who went to the hospital week Sunday afternoon and there remains would be brought home for interment. Deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church. The funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Wm Ross. Mr. McElwain was in his seventy-first year and leaves a wife and family to mourn the loss of a loving husband and kind father; he was a man who had a great many friends and he is much missed everywhere in the parish at his sudden death.

Mrs. Ralph Hamilton an old and respected lady, died at her home on Friday the 9th. She was a native of Ireland but came to this country in her youth. She belonged to the Presbyterian church, and at the funeral Monday afternoon the services were conducted by Rev. Wm Ross, the incumbent being made in the new burying ground. Mrs. Hamilton was eighty-four years old and the husband who survives her is in delicate health. We all sympathize with the bereaved family; she will be greatly missed amongst her many friends and neighbors.

Woodstock Ridge. Feb. 19.—John Owens, an aged man, who has been suffering from the effects of that fatal disease, consumption, for the past four or five years, passed away on Friday night, 18th inst. He was a native of Ireland and all the people of this place and surrounding villages, and from what has been said by those who were around his death bed, we know that he has departed from this world to enter a home where there is no pain but joy and peace, a home where Christ stands at the door to welcome all who love Him, into the portals of glory. He was a good man and a true Christian, and his death is a loss to the community. On account of the inclemency of the weather, our minister, Mr. Bell, was unable to attend the funeral, and we understand the funeral service will be preached on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the above place. The question has been asked by a goodly number of people, "Is there any harm in attending so-called private home dances, given under some other name, such as candy parties and quiltings?" We will leave the answer for themselves to decide. An answer might be given by the writer, but we think that in all cases, it is best for us to decide upon in her own words, each one individually. God has endowed us with a certain amount of wisdom, so that we may know the difference between the wrong and the right, and we know that wisdom according to His will, is the wisdom that we should follow. We will leave the answer for themselves to decide. An answer might be given by the writer, but we think that in all cases, it is best for us to decide upon in her own words, each one individually. God has endowed us with a certain amount of wisdom, so that we may know the difference between the wrong and the right, and we know that wisdom according to His will, is the wisdom that we should follow.

Our little berg is small when compared with those of our sister villages, yet we can say, I believe, that no other country place of our size would be safe in saying, and we feel proud of it too, that we have in our midst a man of the name of Ireland, and that man is of great importance to our village, your case should be sought for, which requires personal examination and measurements for the proper article. Will visit personally. Woodstock, N. B., American hotel, Mon. Tues. March 12 noon, 13 noon. Fredericton, N. B., Barker house, Wed. March 14. St. John, N. B., Royal hotel, Thurs. Fri. March 15, 16. Moncton, N. B., Brunswick house, Saturday March 17.

Amherst, N. S., Terrace hotel, Mon. Mar. 19. For further particulars, write: CHAS. CLUTER, 134 King St. W., Opposite Rossin House, Toronto.

DEATH FROM STARVATION. DUNELLS, Feb. 20.—Advice received here from the captain of the lifeboat, that he had succeeded in reaching the island of Innistrathull, nine miles to the north of Malin Head, at the extreme north of Ireland, whose fifty inhabitants have been unable for weeks past to communicate with the mainland, and who were believed to have been in danger of dying from starvation. The lifeboat on its way to Innistrathull was buffeted by enormous seas, which filled the boat and necessitated lashing the crewmen to their seats. The thoughtless crew found the people of Innistrathull in such straits; they had been compelled to use the furniture and woodwork of their houses for fuel. So far as provisions were concerned, there was only a handful of potatoes left, and these were being eaten by the inhabitants, with one exception, had managed to sustain life until the arrival of the lifeboat, which brought a small supply of food for the suffering people. As it was one man died of starvation, and a number of others were found to be suffering severely from lack of food. The crew of the lifeboat did their utmost to relieve the sufferings of the unfortunate Innistrathull, left all the provisions they had with them and succeeded in returning safe to the mainland. An additional supply of food will be sent to Innistrathull immediately.

Heartland. Feb. 21.—The storm of the 16th was so heavy as to cause a blockade. The evening service was detained all night, about two miles below town.

A fire broke out in WE Thistle's drug store the other evening. It caught in the ceiling from the lamp, but was extinguished before much damage was done. This should arouse the citizens to the importance of a fire protection.

Mrs. G C Watson left a few days ago for South Carolina to spend some months with her son, Professor Watson, of Greenville. Before leaving she entertained her Sabbath school class at a "Topic party," at the close of which she was presented by the young men of her class, with an address, accompanied by a handsome bible. Mrs. Watson is a very popular lady, and will be much missed.

Rev. G Swin, pastor of the P C church, has been holding special services, with good results. The A O C society, in connection with the church, is doing good work. Much interest is taken by the members. Last Tuesday evening they had a program which was well carried out, and for which they all deserve credit.

There is at present a great deal of sickness, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. Curtis, all hope is recovered.

Personal Mention. Hon A G Blair has been at Ottawa this week attending the supreme court.

John Black has gone to England on business. William Wilson and T H Colter attended the Orange lodge meeting at Fairville this week.

Chief Engineer Lippert is confined to his home since Wednesday with illness.

AGENTS WANTED.—Attention is directed to the advertisement of the Maritime Supply Co. who want live agents in Sunbury and York counties to sell a popular article for domestic use.

AROUND THE WORLD.

The News of the World in Brief—The Cream of Our Exchanges.

There are now 1,000 Oddfellows in the city of Winnipeg.

Mrs. Sophie Beresford, of San Francisco, has just died from glandular, which she contracted from a horse.

The Ottawa city council has passed a motion that church property should be taxed for municipal purposes by a vote of 12 to 10.

Only five members of the Manitoba legislature voted for Mr. Fisher's resolution for the abolition of the office of Lieutenant-Governor.

An election for congressman took place Thursday in Pennsylvania, and the result is the largest plurality ever known in the state for the Republican candidate, about 103,000. The coal districts all went over to the Republican side.

The N. B. barristers' society met at St. John Thursday and discussed the jurisdiction act proposed to be introduced at the next session of the legislature by the attorney general, and unanimously passed a resolution favoring the change.