

PETITIONING TO HAVE REV. MR. PIERCE REMAIN AS PASTOR

Complication Arises in Regard to Filling Zion Church Pulpit

Friends of Present Clergyman in Charge Ask Stationing Committee to Have Him Retained--Meanwhile Call Has Been Sent to Rev. James Crisp.

It would seem that all is not yet settled in regard to the pastorate of Zion Methodist church, in spite of the fact that Rev. James Crisp, of Gibson, has been called and has accepted. From what can be ascertained the friends of Rev. Thomas Pierce, present pastor, are of the opinion that Rev. Mr. Pierce has not been used equitably and are therefore making strenuous efforts to have him retained. According to a member of the church three-quarters of the congregation have signed or will sign a petition to be forwarded to the stationing committee of the conference asking that Rev. Mr. Pierce be retained. Matters are therefore in a complicated state.

MITCHELL MAKES TWO MORE OFFERS

(Continued from page 1.) Not been able even by the most careful analysis to ascertain by what process of reasoning he has reached his conclusions as to the alleged necessity of an advance of cost amounting to \$120 per ton, neither would we consent to become parties to any compact that would increase the cost of domestic fuel \$120 per ton. As indicated in our previous article submitted herewith we propose a resumption of work upon a basis that would increase the labor cost of all coal produced by an amount not to exceed ten cents per ton and as between sixty and seventy per cent, of all coal produced is sold as prepared sizes, the increase in the labor cost of domestic fuel would not exceed sixteen cents per ton.

The TERRIBLE PANGS OF DYSPEPSIA CAN BE CURED

To be dyspeptic is to be miserable, hopeless, confused and depressed in mind, forgetful, irresolute, drowsy, languid and useless. Constipation, headache, heartburn, sour stomach, distress after eating, belching of wind, flatulency, acid eructations, distention of the stomach are a few of the many distressing symptoms of the poor, weary dyspeptic.

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS

It regulates the stomach, stimulates the secretion of the salivary and gastric juices to facilitate digestion, removes acidity, purifies the blood, and tones up the entire system.

WEARY DAYS AND SLEEPLESS NIGHTS

Many men and women toss night after night upon sleepless beds until dawn. Their eyes do not close in the sweet and refreshing repose that comes to those whose hearts and nerves are right. Worry or disease has so debilitated and irritated the nervous system that it cannot be quieted. Or, again, you have heart palpitation and sensation of sinking, a feeling you are going to die, or perhaps you wake up from your sleep feeling as though you were about to choke or smother, and rest leaves you for the night. Allow these conditions to continue and you will feel your health declining.

MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS

They soon induce healthy, refreshing sleep, not by lulling the nerves, but by restoring them to healthy action and removing all symptoms of heart trouble, which is often the cause of nervousness and sleeplessness.

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Mrs. Ennis Chambers, Masses Station, Ont., writes: "I was troubled with dizzy spells, weak spells and fluttering of the heart. I was so bad at times I could not lie down in bed at night but would have to sit up. I doctored for a whole year and got no relief. I took three boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and was completely cured. I have not been troubled since. I cannot recommend them too highly."

STREAM DRIVERS HAVE WILD TIME

Frederickton Street the Scene of Free Drunken Fight Yesterday

Lumbermen Rushing Men to Head Waters of Miramichi--Water in the River Still Rising, and Booms Nearly Rising--Other News of the Capital.

Frederickton, N. B., April 26.—(Special) A gang of Miramichi men on their way to the drives engaged in a free fight on Regent street last evening and made things rather lively for a time. One man had his lip badly chewed and had to be taken to a doctor's office to be sewed up. Another fellow named "Flicker" was captured by the police and lodged in the police station. About all the men were under the influence of liquor.

The boom company are making good progress with the work of swinging the booms at Douglas and Lincoln and expect to have them ready some time this week. The water here is rising quite fast but there are only a few logs running.

At the board of education meeting yesterday it was decided that the two school districts at Hampton Station and Hampton Village, which were united some months ago, will have Hendricks district annexed so as to form a consolidated school. J. M. Scovil, of Hampton, was appointed a member of the building committee of the consolidated school in place of F. M. Humphrey, resigned owing to illness.

A pretty wedding was celebrated yesterday at the residence of Mrs. William Lewis, Lincoln, when her daughter, Miss Alma R. Sewell, and John Decker Hood, son of Mrs. James Jackson, of this city, were united in marriage by Rev. Thos. W. Street.

The death occurred at midnight at the residence of Mrs. Catherine McCuskey, widow of Dennis McCuskey. Deceased was born in Ireland ninety-one years ago and came to this country about seventy years ago and settled at Taylortown, where she has since resided with her sons, Harry and Dennis. Mrs. McCuskey survived her husband by about twenty years and leaves three sons and four daughters.

James I. Atherton bid in the market and weighed scale fees today for \$175 for the next year, while H. C. Mackay got the wharf and anchorage fees for \$401. John Lister, caretaker of the parliament buildings, is seriously ill.

It is estimated that less than 2,000,000 feet of logs have passed this city this spring.

In the police court this morning the court case brought against the proprietors of a St. Mary's pool room was withdrawn. It was shown the defendant sold only non-intoxicating beers. Rev. J. Collier has lodged information three or four county cases which will come up for trial next week.

Miss Minnie Sterrick has received a telegram from San Francisco stating that her brother and father are safe and well. This morning A. Alward, legislative librarian, who youngest son, Roy, is attending Leland Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, received a telegram announcing his safety. The message was dated six days ago.

The board of school trustees at a meeting yesterday granted an increase of \$50 each in salary to fifteen lady school teachers. Principal Hughes, of the Regent street school, was voted an increase of \$65.

The highway superintendents of Kings county were last year paid by salary, but at the government meeting yesterday it was decided on the recommendation of the chief commissioner to put them on the same basis as the superintendents in other counties.

The county will be divided into high way divisions and superintendents will receive a commission of ten per cent.

A St. Martins Presentation.

St. Martins, April 26.—One of the most highly successful social events that has ever occurred in the history of this parish, took place at the Kennedy House on Wednesday evening. This was the banquet tendered to the Rev. W. Skilken, the widely known and deservedly popular proprietor of the Kennedy Hotel, by a large number of his friends on the eve of his departure for Kohlay, to which place the Kennedy family are removing much to the regret of the entire community.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have for a period of sixteen years most successfully met every legitimate need of a constantly increasing traveling public. The unequalled success of the banquet was due in large measure to the efforts of the excellent committee of management among whom should be mentioned: Robert W. Skilken, William Welch, Fred M. And on Samuel C. Osborn, and Fred M. Cochrane. At a little after 8 o'clock the gentlemen began to arrive and at 10 about forty persons repaired to the spacious dining room, which was most exquisitely and tastefully decorated for the occasion. W. E. Skilken presided as chairman. After ample justice had been done to the abundance of good things the chairman in a neat speech pronounced Mr. Kennedy with a handsome gold ring, and Mrs. Kennedy with a magnificent sun shade accompanied by an address.

Mr. Kennedy replied in a suitable manner, after which appropriate speeches, in which all expressed their profound regret at the departure of the family, and best wishes for their future prosperity were made by Rev. C. W. Townsend, Rev. Father Pariser, Dr. R. C. Ruddick, M. P. P. Warden, E. M. Cochrane, C. A. Black, A. W. Edwards, Michael Kelly, David Donald, Dr. H. E. Gilmer and Mr. Hays, of St. John.

The proceedings terminated at midnight with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne." Among those present were: Rev. C. W. Townsend, Rev. Father Pariser, Dr. B. C. Ruddick, M. P. P. Warden, E. M. Cochrane, C. A. Black, A. W. Edwards, Michael Kelly, David Donald, Dr. H. E. Gilmer, Mr. Hays, of St. John, and others.

Mrs. Michael Power and Miss Lena Burshill, of Roxbury (Mass.), arrived here this week in consequence of the severe illness of their mother, Mrs. Michael Burshill.

Miss Phoebe A. Burkle is very seriously ill. Graves fears for her recovery are entertained.

WEDDINGS

Molokou-Wakelins. The wedding of Miss Polie Wakelins, formerly of St. John, and Percy V. Molokou, took place at St. Mark's Cathedral, Salt Lake City, April 18. As the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march sounded the bride with her father, walked up the aisle and was met by the groom and the best man, Charles Molokou, brother of the groom. Rev. Alfred Brom, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Ogden, performed the ceremony. The bride wore a handsome princess gown of white broadcloth and a large white hat, with long drooping plumes, and carried an arrangement of flowers. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Russell G. Schuller entertained the bridal party and a few friends at a wedding reception at the Molokou home in Los Angeles for a few weeks' trip. They will reside in Bingham.

Parker-Price. The marriage of Miss Lode May Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson O. Price, to Albert W. Parker, of 68 Harvard avenue, West Medford, took place Monday evening at the home of the bride's parents, 212 Seventh street, South. The ceremony was performed in the presence of many relatives of the two families, at 8 o'clock by Rev. Frederick G. Sargent.

The bride wore a handsome gown of white satin and carried bride roses; she was attended by Mrs. Irene Flanagan, who scattered flowers in the pathway of the bride. They were the Misses Maude Price, a niece of the bride, from Medford, and Lilian Parker, sister of the groom, from West Medford. The best man was Warren Parker. The wedding march was played by Miss Clara Price, sister of the bride, and organist at the South Medford Baptist church, where the bride is well known.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker will reside in Medford--Medford Street.

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Meyer-Ruddick. A very quiet wedding took place in Trinity church at 5 o'clock Wednesday when Miss Irene Flanagan, Rudick, blind daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Rudick, was married to Rev. John Bleaden Meyer, formerly curate of St. John's, and now curate of Christ church, Maniwaki, (Que.).

The ceremony was performed by Trinity's rector, Rev. Canon Edmund, as vicar. The bride was given away by her brother, Francis Rudick, and was attended by Mrs. R. K. Smith, curate of Trinity, acted as groomsmen.

The bride was attired in a traveling suit of blue Hues, which she carried a shower bouquet of white carnations, while Mrs. Smith wore a pretty costume of white with tulle blue hat. After the wedding the bride and groom were at the home of the bride's parents, 303 Cheley street, and Mr. and Mrs. Meyer left by the evening train for Montreal.

Dunlavy-Lee. A very pretty wedding took place Wednesday in St. George's church, when Rev. W. J. Sampson officiated in marriage Ella G. Lee, daughter of Henry M. Lee, of the West Side, to Cass T. Dunlavy, of Boston, Mass.

The bride was unattended, wearing a becoming suit of navy blue broadcloth with hat to match.

Miss Betty Perry, of the organ, and Mrs. J. H. Moore, were married to the Calvin Austin for their future home in Boston. The groom's present was a gold watch and chain.

Roberts-Moore. A pretty wedding was solemnized in Douglas avenue Christian church at 6:30 Wednesday morning, Rev. J. C. B. Appel officiating, when Miss Bertie E. Moore, daughter of J. H. Moore, was married to Arthur L. Roberts, son of the late Robert Roberts.

The bride was attended by Miss May P. Campbell, of the West End, and Leonard T. Roberts, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride wore a pretty costume of blue broadcloth, with hat to correspond to the gown. The young couple will be in a duty creation of green broadcloth, with hat to match.

After the ceremony the happy couple left by the train for a wedding trip to the Hub, and on their return will reside at the groom's home 35 Holy street.

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LOCAL NEWS.

The Canadian Gazette, London, in its issue April, quotes St. John's per cent. bonds, due in 1934, at 100 to 102.

Samuel Chambers has been elected superintendent of Zion church Sunday school. J. Irving is assistant, Mrs. F. Malcan, secretary, and W. Powers, librarian.

It is expected the Empress, a steamer ship of the Northumberland, will go on the Summerside-Point du Chene route about the end of June.

The name of William M. McLoon of this city appears in the Dilbon College class list, just issued. Mr. McLoon passed in Latin II, elementary Greek, mathematics, English I, first French.

On the river Tuesday a large boat which Renforth Williams was endeavoring to board the steamer Hampstead was upset, and Mr. Williams received a cold bath and had a narrow escape from death, near Bailey's Point.

Hugh Andrews, of Indiantown, engineer on the steamer Aurora, has been appointed keeper of the light and fog alarm on Partridge Island, succeeding D. L. Richards. Mr. Andrews' position as engineer on the Aurora will be filled by William Gray.

Mooney & Sons Tuesday began work on the new branch of the Bank of New Brunswick. Mooney & Sons expect to have their entrance into Lake Latimer in connection with the water extension completed in a few days, and to finish their contract by June 1.

The current number of the Ontario Churchman has an appreciative article on Miss Clara Price, sister of the bride, and organist at the South Medford Baptist church, where the bride is well known.

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Previously acknowledged \$4,743.50 No. 1 Salvage Corps and Fire Police, per R. W. W. Frank, cap. 10.00 Wm. Doherty 1.00 Wm. Miller 1.00 J. R. Moller 1.00 C. H. Peters 1.00 G. H. Jackson 1.00 Friends 1.00 Sonoco Tea Co. 10.00 T. Rankine & Sons 10.00 H. J. Jackson 2.00 H. B. White 2.00

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Total \$4,874.00

Merchant (metaphorically, as he discovers that his safe has been robbed)—And I had fringed with a pretty little bankruptcy—Translated for Tales from "Stimplicities."

Miss Sarah A. Titus.

Miss Sarah A. Titus, who for the past forty years had been a resident of this city, died Thursday after two weeks' illness, at her home, 22 Brussels street. She was born in Utterville and was the daughter of the late John and Elizabeth Titus. She is survived by two sisters, Miss Carrie Titus, who lives at 22 Brussels street, and Mrs. C. T. Barnes, 37 Golding street. The funeral will take place to Titusville cemetery Saturday afternoon.

Bernice Irene Chase.

Bernice Irene, aged eight years, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Chase, 75 Celebration street, died at the hospital Wednesday night. An operation for appendicitis was successful but peritonitis set in. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of many friends in their affliction.

Pilot James E. Mantle.

Pilot James E. Mantle died at his home Tuesday morning. Mr. Mantle received his pilot's license in 1903 and was an active pilot in 1904 and 1905. He was stricken with paralysis while out in the pilot boat. Since that time he had been on the superannuation list. He leaves his wife and child.

Mrs. Thos. Armstrong.

A telegram received by G. W. Wetmore Merritt Tuesday night brought news which will be learned with great regret by many of the friends of his sister, Mrs. Thos. Armstrong, at her home in Minneapolis. Mrs. Armstrong had lived here until nine years ago, when she was married to her husband and four brothers. They removed to Minneapolis and Mrs. Armstrong is cashier for the Powers Mercantile Company.

Mrs. Armstrong had not been in good health for two or three years. She was here last summer for a time but none expected that her death would be so sudden. The funeral will be at Minneapolis.

Mrs. Rufus Tower.

Mrs. Rufus Tower, of Rockport (N. B.), died at her home on Friday, 13th inst., after an illness of a number of years.

Dr. T. T. Beveridge.

Dr. T. T. Beveridge, of Appleton (Wis.), died on Friday last of pneumonia. He was well known in St. John and friends here will regret to read that he has passed away. Dr. Beveridge was born in Appleton, Wis., in 1842. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and in Edinburgh and practiced his profession in his native county until 1882, when he removed with his family to Appleton.

Mrs. Christina Vinnar and Thos. Henry Spragz were united in marriage.

Wednesday by Rev. David Hutchins at the residence of James Chase, 53 Victoria street. The ceremony was performed at 9 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Spragz will live in Victoria street.

UNKNOWN BODY OF MAN FOUND NEAR CAPE TORMENTINE

Coroner Oulton of Port Elgin Decided Inquest Unnecessary—Death of Wm. Amos of Great Shemogue.

Sackville, April 26.—The death of Wm Amos, of Great Shemogue, occurred on the 24th inst. Mr. Amos was engaged in work at Port Elgin, when he was taken suddenly ill with pneumonia and although he possessed a remarkable strong constitution he succumbed to the disease after five days' illness, in spite of the best medical skill. Deceased was forty-eight years old. A widow and seven children deeply mourn their loss. The body was taken to his home, Great Shemogue, on Wednesday and the funeral takes place today. Interment at Great Shemogue cemetery.

The lifeless body of an unknown man was discovered at Debon's Cove, Cape Tormentine, on Friday last by Oakley Allen, Coroner Oulton, of Port Elgin, was summoned but deemed an inquest unnecessary, and ordered the body buried, which order was carried out on Saturday. No clue to the identity of the unfortunate man could be discovered. The fishing season has again opened and a large number of fishermen are busily engaged in trapping lobsters and herring. The season promises to be a successful one. Mrs. Chase Fawcett, Upper Sackville, is seriously ill. Mrs. Edward Thompson, of Boston, is the guest of Mrs. J. J. Anderson. W. H. Harrison leaves today for Toronto. Dowle Critically ill. Chicago, April 26.—John Alexander Dowle is said to be suffering from a perforation or inflammation of the muscles of the heart, and his condition today is considered grave.