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Honoring a Returned Hero

On Tuesday evening the combined Baracca and Philathea Classes of the United Baptist Church with a few friends held a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott. The prelude in the honor of a worthy associate, Lieutenant R. W. Lindsay, who is at present on furlough, having done his bit, but who is still ready to do further duty if needed. To this end, he is soon to leave Hartland and with him he takes hearty wishes for his welfare and safe return.

There were about fifty present and an enjoyable evening was spent with music and in games. At the close, the ladies furnished a very acceptable repast, considering the cards that hang from the different windows, after which M. L. Hayward furnished an excellent reading of his own composition. The speech of the evening was made by S. S. Miller, whose remarks were chiefly addressed to the estates and the guest of honor, Mr. Lindsay. Mr. Lindsay very fittingly replied to this and the gathering broke up with "For he's a jolly good fellow" and "God Save the King".

Lieut. Lindsay expects to be called to report for duty next week.

He enlisted as a private the beginning of the war selling out a lucrative business in British Columbia to do so.

He was given his Commission in the field for valor and saw action in Flanders, went through the Somme and the Vimy Ridge battles. Without a scratch, though he had a good many narrow escapes.

He was wounded last May in a very important though a small engagement, consisting of taking a portion of the enemy's front line that ran over a small hill just south of Lens, being struck by a German bomb on the head and hit by pieces of shrapnel in both legs and he still has those little souvenirs in his limbs.

Spent two months in hospital in Birmingham, England, and was then invalided home to Canada.

The Medical Board at St. John has recommended light duty for awhile, somewhere in Canada, until such time as he is well and strong again.

Mr. McBride Explains

This is to certify, that whereas Clark A. McBride of Centreville, Car. Co., has been accused of certain irregularities and wrong-doing in connection with obtaining money and votes for candidates in The Observer Voting Contest; and whereas the said accusations have been calculated to do damage to the character and reputation of the said Clark A. McBride among the people of Carleton County, therefore the said Clark A. McBride takes the opportunity of stating, that as far as his knowledge goes, he has never intentionally attempted to use unfair means, or to secure money under false pretences, for any candidate, nor has he attempted to do anything to cause injury to any candidate, or to the success of the Contest.

(Signed) CLARK A. MCBRIDE

CENTREVILLE NEWS

We know nothing now until the news is so old it is stale, so kindly don't expect much from us until we get adjusted to the new state of affairs. A commercial man left Edmundston Thursday for Fredericton. His first inquiry was for a late paper. Tuesday's Gleaner was the last paper he had read. No paper for sale on the train that day.

We now have a freight train on the Valley but the regular train still has too much work to do and is late almost every night.

The roads through the country are very heavy and trade is consequently very dull in the village.

Mrs. James Crone had a birthday Tuesday last and celebrated the event by inviting a few lady friends in to tea.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Hara spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Savage of Marysville visited Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith last week. Mrs. Savage is a sister of Mrs.

Miss Burpee Gains on Competitors and Still Leads in Contest

Other Contestants in Same Relative Positions Occupied by Them Last Week

Standing of Contestants

Miss Laura Burpee,	Centreville,	533,000
Miss Elsa Sippell,	Hartland,	492,500
Miss Jennie Giberson,	Bristol,	420,500
Miss Eva Crandemire,	Hartland,	264,500

With her claim on first position even more firmly asserted, Miss Laura Burpee again heads the list of contestants this week, while the other active workers in The Observer Voting Contest today occupy the same relative positions in which the general shake-up last week left them, although all are farther away from first place, in numbers of votes, than they were last week. In other words, the credit for the best week's work belongs to the new leader in the contest, who evidently has not been content to rest upon the laurels which she won by her surprising advance last week.

Whether the increased margin of votes which add to Miss Burpee's advantage over the other three workers this week is due more to her energy than to the failure of other contestants to put forth their best efforts, seems to be a debatable question. In one or two cases probably friends of contestants will find it hard to believe that their favorite has done her best since the vote standing was last published. And in many instances remarks equivalent to the following will doubtless be heard during the next few days: "Well, I thought—could do better than that. If that

Smith and while here also drove down to Bristol to visit another sister, Mrs. Rogers.

Miss Frances Simonson returned to Boston Tuesday to resume her duties there.

Mrs. George Burpee was here Tuesday visiting her daughter, Miss Laura Burpee. Miss Burpee's friends were delighted to see her leading in the voting contest and will try to keep her ahead.

Miss Esther Weade who lately went, as a student nurse to Winsted, Conn., has been operated on for appendicitis. Latest report is that she is doing as well as could be expected.

Burt Cliff made a flying visit to Montreal last week.

The grist mill here is piled full of wheat to be ground for the farmers.

The mill has been running night and day and as the water is low we have had no electric lights all week. It is awful to have to fall back on the old kerosene lamps and candles. We hope the Lord will send rain. The usual January thaw is now long overdue.

Grand Falls Happenings

Lawrence McCluskey came down from Quebec on the N.E.R. Tuesday morning for a day or two in town.

Claire Glen, who is laid up with blood poisoning in his leg, is getting some better. He has been in the hospital over three weeks.

Miss Maggie Hennigar celebrated her eleventh birthday on Monday evening. About 27 or 28 of her little friends were invited.

Miss Rosie McCluskey was called home from Bath last week by the serious illness of her father, J. P. McCluskey.

Among those who attended the Potato Grower's Convention in Woodstock last week were F. W. Warnock, W. Price and A. W. MacMillan.

A number of our young folk enjoyed a snowshoe trampas faras F. W. Warnock's one night last week.

Leo McCluskey of Nappadogan was in town this week.

The little child of Mrs. A. J. LeClair, who was quite badly burned by falling in a bucket of hot water, is getting all right again.

The little nine months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. M. Carroll died on Saturday of measles pneumonia. Adrian McCluskey went to St. John Monday to enlist.

Little Gladys, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Murphy, and their only child aged two and a half years died on Wednesday night

is the best she can do, I wouldn't want to bet very much on her winning that Ford car. She certainly isn't doing her best, and if she isn't enough interested in her success to work hard, I guess I won't bother giving her the subscription I intended giving her. If I thought it would do any good, I would help her, but there's no use helping people who won't help themselves.

No contestant likes to think of any of her friends regarding her in the light indicated by the above quotation, but whether she likes it or not she owes it to herself to face the fact that her friends are watching her course with interest, and many of them are anxiously looking for convincing evidence that the lady whom they favor in the contest—the one they want to see win—has the qualities that will bring success.

No one likes to back a loser, and least of all do people like to support anyone who fails to do his or her best to achieve success. Everybody admires gameness, and people will go out of their way to help along a plucky struggle when they will begrudge the slightest assistance to anyone who does not try his or her hardest.

of measles and pneumonia. Much sympathy is felt for the sorrowing parents. The body was taken to Aroostook for interment. J. Phair was a recent guest of his aunt, Mrs. J. Day. Mrs. S. Singavira has been visiting in Montreal a couple of weeks.

N. Habeeb was in Boston last week.

At the Church of the Assumption, on Tuesday morning at nine o'clock by the Rev. Father Joyner, Oscar McCormick and Julia Harley were joined in marriage. Many friends wish them a long and happy life together.

Geo. St. Thomas is home from Halifax where he has been working the past month.

Bristol Brevities

Mrs. David Brooks held a reception at her home on Tuesday evening for her son, Pte. Charles Brooks, recently returned from France. About fifty guests were present. During the evening speeches were by Rev. M. H. Manuel of East Florenceville and Rev. P. J. Quigg of Peel, after which Mr. Mannel presented Pte. Brooks with a nice fountain pen as a slight token from his friends. He responded with thanks.

Mr. Bert Brooks and children returned last week from Windsor where they have been spending the winter.

Mrs. H. D. Street of Upper Kent spent Wednesday with her aunt, Mrs. George Boyer.

Mrs. S. C. Street went to Perth on Friday to visit relatives.

Miss Jessie Bell of Port Fairfield is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Bell.

Miss Helen Taylor of St. George is visiting Mrs. Alex. McIntosh.

Miss Stella Hunter of Florenceville was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Somerville, this week.

Mrs. Samuel Bishop, jr., of River de Chute was a guest of her aunt, Mrs. S. C. Street, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Thomas Darkis of Foreston spent a few days with Mrs. Alva Phillips last week.

We are sorry to see our contestant's name, Miss Jennie Giberson, third in the list last week, but feel sure it will be first next week.

Gordon Tracy spent the week-end in Hartland.

Mr. and Mrs. Neville Jensen spent Thursday at Somerville.

Mrs. Stanley Peters has returned home from Foreston.

Stickney News

E. W. Bell is busy with a crew of men getting logs.

Mr. Quigg and Mr. Braydon

have been having special meetings here but owing to the death of the infant child of Mr. Quigg there will be no more services until Sunday.

Everybody is watching eagerly to see who will be the winner of the Ford Car.

Miss Lila Campbell has gone to her school at Lakeville.

Gladys Bell and Melissa Campbell have also returned to their schools.

Miss Ada Melbury has gone to stay a few days with her sister at Easton.

The Red Cross Society will meet at the residence of Mrs. G. F. Jones on Wednesday, 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Mandeville Bell are spending a few weeks with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bell.

Miss Inez Tompkins spent a few days with friends at Florenceville this week.

Coun. and Mrs. E. W. Melville of Lansdown were callers in this place one day last week.

Rev. M. H. Manuel held a special service last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. Adams and baby expect to leave in a few days for Windsor, Ontario, to join her husband, who has a position there.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ebbett and young daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. J. E. Tompkins.

The roads are kept in good condition by the many teams hauling hay, potatoes and pulp wood.

Stickney has two fine new potato houses and the managers are busy at present buying potatoes.

Hedley Milbury & Son, our reliable blacksmiths, are kept busy as usual.

THE WEATHER

During the week ending Jan. 10 the mercury registered at 8 a.m. as follows:

Friday,	24 below
Saturday,	7 above
Sunday,	8 below
Monday,	22 "
Tuesday,	0 above
Wednesday,	4 below
Thursday,	13 "

Kilburn News

Wilmet Rideout of Somerville was a guest at Frank Bishop's and J. W. Grant's recently being called here by the death of his uncle, the late George Bishop of Coronation.

Stanley Inman left on Friday for Wyers Brook, Restigouche Co., where he will take charge of the day school this term.

Miss Bessie Kilburn was the guest of Mrs. Herbert Baird, Andover, one day last week.

The Red Cross Society met at Mrs. John W. Grant's, on the afternoon of Jan. 24. A large number was present and the sum of \$10, supper money, was added to the fund. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. B. T. Gaskin's on Feb. 8.

Rev. C. Flemington of Andover was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bishop on Sunday afternoon.

Several of the young folk from here attended the Burns' night celebration at Lower Kincardine, all report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. R. McLean of Middle Perth attended the Red Cross meeting at J. W. Grant's last week.

Rev. C. O. Howlett of Bath was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. VanDine on Sunday.

P. H. Inman returned last week from Woodstock Hospital. His friends are glad to hear that he is recovering from his recent illness.

Rev. P. J. Trafton of Hartland was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Grant, for the week end.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Farmers' Telephone Company, Limited, will be held in the Town Hall at Hartland, N.B., at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 7, 1918.

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