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MONDAY, DEC. 18th AT FARRAH'S

## Ready for Business!



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### A Ladies' Pure Wool Sweater

Is a gift that speaks for itself. It has a certain relation in the warmth of friendship that can't be described. Buy her one now. Sale Price for a Pure Wool White Sweater ..... **\$2.48**

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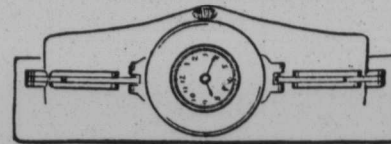
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in pretty shades and good qualities, one in a box. A Suitable Gift. **25c, 35c, 45c.**

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NEWCASTLE, N. B.



# High Cost of Living Before Town Council

## Copies of Order-in-Council Bearing on Cost of Living Provokes Much Discussion--Congratulations to Sir Max Aitken

A special meeting of Newcastle Town Council was held Friday night, all members of the Board present. Minutes of last session were read and confirmed.

A letter from Mrs. Frank Masson re the late Frank Masson's taxes was received and referred to the Petitions Committee.

A letter from C. E. Jubien, Hon. Treas. of the British Sailors' Relief Fund, was read asking what action had been taken by Newcastle Council re the fund, as the fund closes on the 15th inst.

The Mayor said that he had answered this letter and told the Hon. Treasurer that Newcastle was waiting to see what the County Council would do, as the town would be assessed for a share of whatever the county might grant.

Ald. Miller agreed with the Mayor. No further action was taken.

Copies of (1) An order-in-council bearing on the cost of living, sent by the Department of Labor, Ottawa; (2) A questionnaire of Municipal and Economic problems--Municipal Statistics and particulars, Industrial Conditions, Vacant Lots, general, and schedule of local prices--sent by the Commission of Conservation, Ottawa, to be filled out and returned; and (3) A request for suggestions re Agricultural, Industrial, Transportation, and Immigration problems, etc., sent by the Senate's special committee on Agricultural, Industrial and Trade Development, were submitted to the Council by the Mayor.

**Re Cost of Living**

The order-in-council re cost of living prohibits combinations to increase prices, or lessen competition, except in cases of workmen for their own reasonable protection; the withholding of any necessary life from the market except that raised by the farmer, etc., for himself and authorized by the council of any municipality whenever it "shall declare by way of resolution that in its opinion excessive prices are being demanded within the limits of such municipality for any necessary article of life; require dealers to submit a sworn statement of the cost and selling prices of their goods; if then the council shall consider further investigation necessary they may report the case to the Minister of Labor, who has power to examine accounts himself and refer all matters to the attorney general of the Province. Penalty for false statement is a fine up to \$5,000 or imprisonment up to two years, or both.

Ald. McGrath suggested that all three documents be referred to a committee in conjunction with the Town Clerk.

This was supported by Ald. Miller. Ald. Stuart pointed out that no action could be taken to investigate the Cost of Living unless the Council should first declare that "in its opinion excessive prices are being demanded within the limits of this municipality for any necessary article of life."

Ald. McGrath's suggestion would enable any investigations on prices to be held in this town. It was patent that excessive prices--that is, prices out of due proportion to the cost of production and distribution--were being charged in Newcastle, and not only in Newcastle but in countless other places, as well. It was the duty of the federal government, which alone possessed all the machinery and authority necessary, to make the investigation, but, since that government was partly shirking its responsibility by putting the burden of investigation also upon the municipalities, the council should render the government all the assistance in its power by doing all the order-in-council required or allowed in the way of getting evidence as to the cost of living within its own district. He believed that much of the increase in prices was unavoidable, being caused by the war, in which so much shipping, metal, food and raw material was being destroyed, so much land being rendered temporarily incapable of production, and so many men being withdrawn from productive industry; but, at the same time, he believed that part of the increase was not due to unavoidable causes but was entirely artificial, being

caused by speculators who have stored or cornered large quantities of staple articles and are holding them for high prices regardless of the suffering such holding may cause among those whose wages have not increased since the war in the same proportion as have prices. He did not blame the retailers. It may be that they are making undue profits, but on the other hand it may be that they are making less than before the war, being compelled to pay the wholesalers such prices as prevent them making much. He did not blame the wholesalers, for while they may be robbing the public, they on the other hand may be the victims of persons or conditions further back and higher up. What we need, and what the retailers should welcome, is a thorough investigation into local prices, so that the average citizen shall be able to understand who, if anybody, or what, if any thing, is responsible for the certainly high prices that prevail. He believed that all coal storage plants, all means of transportation, and every other business in which monopoly and extortion are possible, should be nationalized, that is, owned and operated by the government, and the products sold at cost. In order to give the Retailers of Newcastle the opportunity of publishing their costs, expenses and profits and thus show the citizens the true state of affairs, so far as local conditions are concerned, he would move the following:

That, in the opinion of this council, excessive prices are being charged in the Town of Newcastle for the staple necessities of life.

This was seconded by Ald. Scribner.

Ald. Stables said that Dominion Secretary Trower of the Retail Merchants' Association had said in Newcastle the other night that when a complaint was sent to Ottawa that goods were being charged too much for, the complaint was investigated by a committee of three lawyers, who if they thought there was an overcharge, handed the complaint to the attorney-general of the province to be dealt with by him. These lawyers, not being practical business men, could not be expected to do the matter justice.

Ald. McGrath thought that the motion was too sweeping. It was charging the merchants of Newcastle with charging too much. Why not say "Newcastle and Elsewhere?"

Ald. Stuart--The resolution does not fix the blame on anyone in particular, but merely states that excessive prices are being charged in Newcastle. The Order-in-Council alludes to municipalities, but our own. The motion is to call the Department of Labor's attention to the charge that someone or something is responsible for excessive prices in Newcastle--and that we desire to find out who or what that somebody or something is. First in Newcastle were, so far as he knew, no higher than anywhere else in Canada, but he believed they were too high everywhere, therefore the resolution to set the machinery of the law in operation.

Ald. Miller thought it would be going beyond the council's authority to insert "and elsewhere" in the resolution. We should confine ourselves to Newcastle. No member of the council charges the local merchants with making excessive profits. The government is giving us a chance to have our say.

Ald. McGrath did not see the value of the information sought to any department. Such information could be picked up in the daily papers, and would be far more reliable than any resolution passed by this council.

The Mayor said that the Law of Supply and Demand applied to the local prices, as usual. But there was doubtless some artificial inflation of prices somewhere.

Ald. Stuart said the question should be put squarely up to the government. Let the latter take the proper steps to relieve all injured parties, whether they be producers, merchants or consumers.

The Mayor said that lots of things from outside figured in this matter. We could not help prices very much, but there was no harm in the government delegating this investigation to us.

Ald. McGrath objected to the word "excessive" in the resolution.

Ald. Stuart--If you take out the word "excessive," the Department will not order the investigation we need.

Ald. Hayward--Are the Mail Order Houses behind this affair?

Ald. Stuart--If you want to get at the Mail Order Houses, why not ask the government to take over their business and turn the profits into the public treasury?

Ald. Mackay would like to see the motion include something to show that Newcastle was not singled out as the only place having high prices. It showed weakness on the part of the government to refer such matters to such bodies as ours. The government should deal with such matters themselves.

The Mayor said that great things may come out of these discussions--the solution of such problems as Monopolies and Trusts, public franchises, etc.

Ald. McGrath--You mean by "excessive prices," higher prices than are justified by cost of production, etc.?

Ald. Stuart--Yes.

Ald. McGrath moved in amendment

seconded by Ald. Stables, That the discussion be postponed till next night of meeting. Carried.

The communications from the Commission of Conservation and the Senate were referred to the Publicity Committee--Ald. Kingston, Hayward and Scribner--for reports to next meeting of council.

**J. J. Galliah's Claim Settled**

It was moved by Ald. Hayward, seconded by Ald. Scribner, and carried: That the amount of \$100 be paid R. A. Lawlor in full settlement of claim of John J. Galliah against the Town of Newcastle as per offer through his solicitor, R. A. Lawlor, bearing date November 8th, 1916. Carried.

Mr. Galliah's claim was for \$288. The following letter was read: Newcastle, N.B., Dec 8, 1916.

Mr. A. H. Mackay, Chairman Light & Water Committee, Newcastle.

Dear Sir:--Confirming our conversation of last night regarding electric power. As we have said we can employ fifteen horsepower in two separate motors, ten horse power motor for our refrigerating plant and five horse power for our elevator, providing that the committee will furnish the power during the daylight hours. In case the town is not capable of giving us the dry service and are able to give the supply during the night we only can employ ten horse power motor.

We are willing to pay the town \$2.75 per horse power per month, which would mean to the town a revenue of \$495.00 for the surplus energy they have; which to earn, the town would have to go to no expense whatever, and this would be equivalent to 6% on a capital investment of \$8000. It will help the town to pay for the electric pump that they have on order; this installation will also mean more business for the town of Newcastle, as it encourages others to do likewise.

We trust that our proposition will appeal to the committee and that they will find it convenient for them to furnish us with the required power.

Thanking you in anticipation for your favorable consideration of this matter, we remain

Yours truly,

A. D. FARRAH & CO., per C. G. G.

The communication was referred to the Water & Light Committee for a report at next meeting.

Following bills were passed:

**Water & Light**

J. & J. Ritchie & Co. \$11 50  
Crandall, Harrison & Co. 472 47  
Maritime Foundry 10 00  
T. McAvity & Sons 75 00  
Can. Gen. Elec. Co. 211 00

**Public Works**

D. & J. Ritchie & Co. 500 00

Mayor Fish was on recommendation of appointment of office clerks, unanimously chosen to represent the town at the county council.

He thanked the council, and said there were several things to be brought up at the county meeting. Newcastle should have more than one representative, for one thing. Congratulations to Sir Max Aitken.

The Mayor submitted the following resolutions and others were adopted by Ald. Mackay and Stables, unanimously adopted:

The town council of Newcastle on behalf of our citizens, hereby wish to extend to Sir Max Aitken, our esteemed townsman, their hearty congratulations on his elevation to a baronetcy, to which he has won his way, through his great ability and untiring industry and we trust that he may live long to enjoy his position and in the continuance of a happy and useful life.

Adjourned.

**ANNUAL SESSION DOMINION ALLIANCE**

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Branch of the Dominion Alliance convened in Sussex on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 6th, 1916, Donald Fraser, President, in the chair.

The report of the Executive Committee, with the recommendations taken up section by section, and adopted as a whole.

Among other things it was recommended that support be given only to those candidates in the next provincial election who will pledge themselves to support prohibition legislation.

The treasurer submitted his report showing receipts \$2,633 and expenditures \$2,208.

Rev. W. D. Wilson, the Field secretary, submitted a very encouraging report. He reported the work of repealing the Scott Act well in hand in York, Northumberland, Sunbury, Quana, Albert and Carleton Counties.

Concerning Northumberland he said: "Northumberland was next visited and there we organized another auxiliary of our Alliance with Mr. E. A. McCurdy as president. In this county we had a fairly vigorous campaign. Progress is being made all over and an efficient corps of workers are canvassing the county. It would be unfair not to make mention at this time of the help and co-operation of such men as E. A. McCurdy, C. C. Hayward, H. H. Stuart and Rev. J. S. McArthur and Rev. Father Dixon. Their help and counsel had contributed greatly to the success of the movement."

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Reasons for Prohibition

1--Because it closes every bar and saloon in this province and the help of the Scott Act Counties is required to keep them closed.

2--Because we ought to make this law province wide, to give it a fair trial.

3--Because we can get the full and unquestioned benefit of the new Act passed in Ottawa last session of the House of Commons.

4--Because we ought to have uniformity of action. The laws of different provinces are different, and law enforcement as we have at present by town council and county council, will have province wide uniform administration of our prohibitory act.

5--To repeal the Scott Act means that we can use both our influence and our vote to make prohibition a success and also insure its continuity. According to the new Act, if we do not repeal the Scott Act before the referendum is taken then we shut ourselves out from having a vote as to whether we want prohibition or not.

There was a large attendance from all over the province. The Newcastle representative was Mr. E. A. McCurdy, president of the Northumberland County Temperance Alliance.

Following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

President--Donald Fraser  
Vice Pres.--Rev. Thos. Marshall  
Rec. Sec.--Rev. Chas. Flemington  
Asst. Rec. Sec.--Rev. E. Boothroyd

Treasurer--W. G. Clark

Additional members--E. A. McCurdy and Ald. H. H. Stuart, Newcastle; Rev. J. E. Wilson, Rev. (Dr.) Keirstead, Bishop Richardson, Rev. J. G. A. Belyea, Mrs. M. L. Stevenson, Mrs. A. C. M. Lawson, Rev. F. C. Ryan, W. D. Gwynn, J. M. Leont, Mayor Mitchell, C. W. Weyman, A. C. McE. McDonald, E. W. Stockford, S. C. Alward, Rev. W. G. Lane, Michael Melley, Rev. S. A. Baker, Rev. J. J. Colter, W. B. Evans, Rev. F. L. Jobb, Rev. P. A. Fitzpatrick, Rev. H. A. Goodwin, E. S. Hennigar, Mrs. W. J. Seymour, J. Willard Smith, Geo. A. Fawcett, Rev. W. H. Barraclough, Geo. E. Barbour, Rev. Hammond Johnson, Rev. P. R. Hayward, Rev. W. R. Robinson, Rev. T. P. Drummond, T. H. Somerville, C. N. Vroom, Geo. Woods, Geo. W. Clark, Rev. E. A. Chapman, Rev. J. H. Jenner, Rev. J. J. Collyer, J. M. Leont, A. C. M. Lawson, Rev. W. P. McVie, E. W. Rowley, S. H. White, Police Magistrate Ritchie, Mrs. Margaret McWha, T. H. Colter, Rev. J. A. McKeagan, Rev. J. E. Purdy, Rev. H. C. Archer, Rev. A. Hatfield, Capt. Hancock, Capt. Forbes, Capt. Haman and others.

The contributions at the meeting amounted to \$1,700, this money being donated to carry on the temperance work in New Brunswick.

Rev. W. D. Wilson, Rev. Thos. Marshall, President Fraser and Mr. E. A. McCurdy were appointed delegates to attend the Dominion Alliance Convention at Ottawa, Dec. 12th, when legislation relative to a Dominion-wide prohibitory law would be drafted.

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Soldiers in English Hospitals Write Cheerfully to F. W. Sumner

F. W. Sumner, New Brunswick's Agent-General in England, has received numerous letters from wounded Canadian soldiers expressing their appreciation of his kindness in sending them novels, newspapers and other reading material.

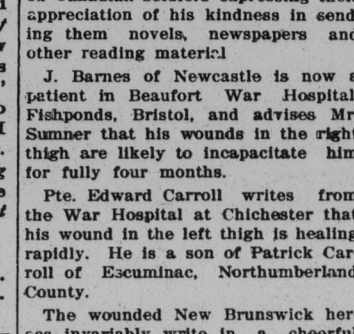
J. Barnes of Newcastle is now a patient in Beaufort War Hospital, Fishponds, Bristol, and advises Mr. Sumner that his wounds in the right thigh are likely to incapacitate him for fully four months.

Pte. Edward Carroll writes from the War Hospital at Chichester that his wound in the left thigh is healing rapidly. He is a son of Patrick Carroll of Escuminac, Northumberland County.

The wounded New Brunswick heroes invariably write in a cheerful tone and all express their desire to get back to the firing line and continue the business of defending the Empire.

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Grade XI (b)—subject English—Purnadette Keating 99.5, May Dolan 82, Doris Buckley 88, Margaret Clarke 83, Helen Neif 79.3.

Grade X—Subject, English—Nellie Creamer 90.7, Agnes Lawlor 88, May Donavan 85.5, Cecilia Murphy 84, Estelle Theriault 81.5.  
Grade IX—Subject, Grammar—Dora Allen 96.7, Bessie Creamer 92, Margaret Dolan 88.5, Mayme Doyle 86.5, Mary Taylor 79.7, Mona McWilliam 77.5, May McEvoy 73.5, Irene Whalen 66.7, Anna Keys 60.5.

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## LOCA NEWS

ADMITTED TO MIRAMICHI HOSPITAL.  
Mrs. Jennie Williston, nee Noble, of Bay du Vin, was admitted to the Miramichi Hospital last week.

KILLED IN ACTION  
Mrs. Mary Jane Astles, Campbellton has been notified that her son, Pte. Albert Astles, had been killed in action on Nov. 24th. Private Astles went overseas with the 26th Battalion. He was engaged in bomb-throwing and had won the D. C. M.

MET WITH BAD ACCIDENT  
Mrs. Masson Betts, while washing a milk bottle on Sunday morning, met with a very serious accident. The bottle broke and severed several veins. A physician was immediately summoned and rendered the necessary surgical treatment.—Campbellton Tribune.

TEA ADVANCES IN PRICE  
Owing to the continued increase in the cost of Teas and the heavy advance in Marine Freight and Insurance Rates, we have regretfully been compelled to advance our selling prices five cents per pound, but the consumer will still be getting in "SALADA" packets, tea of incomparable Quality and Value. The "Salada" Tea Co.

METHODIST SERVICES  
Rev. Dr. Squires being still unable to preach, the Methodist services Sunday were conducted by Rev. John Squires. Rev. Dr. Squires expects to be able to resume his work next Sunday. A memorial service for late Corporal Raymond Hare will be held next Sunday night.

"AS YOU LIKE IT."  
Empress Cafe meals are served either a la carte (so much a portion) or table d'ote (so much for a meal) according to the preference of patrons. In all cases, Burke White, the proprietor, makes it a point to see that his patrons get their money's worth, in good food and good service. (adv. 51)

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT REDBANK AND WHITNEY  
Special memorial services for three soldiers who died some time ago—Gunner Warren Gulliver, Private Garrie Rae, 6th C. M. E., who was killed at Loos; and Pte. Walter Mullin, of the Army Medical Corps—will be held in the Redbank and Whitneyville Presbyterian churches next Sunday at 3 and 7 p. m. respectively, services by the pastor, Rev. J. F. McCurdy.

THE CHRISTMAS STORE  
The Red Store in the rear of the post office has certainly taken on a Xmas spirit during the past week, and is attracting considerable attention from the unique manner of advertising their Xmas goods. Three large Christmas trees have been secured and are placed in front of the store, while the windows radiate the Spirit of Christmas with their large stock of Toys, Fancy Goods, etc.

STEAMER KELTIUR SUNK  
Lloyd's Shipping Agency, on December 8th, announced the sinking of the Belgian steamer "Keltzur." This is believed to be the steamer Keltzur which sailed from this port on November 21st, with a cargo of lumber, as there is no steamer "Keltzur" in shipping records. The "Keltzur" was a vessel of 2,316 tons. The crew were safely landed.

THE COUNTRY MARKET  
In the Fredericton Country Market on Saturday morning eggs sold all the way from 50 to 60 cents per dozen, and were fairly plentiful, as was butter which sold at 35 and 40 cents per pound. Chickens sold from \$1.00 to \$1.75 per pair, while fowl brought \$1.00 and \$1.25 per pair. Potatoes were more plentiful than on last Saturday and brought \$3.75 per barrel. Other prices prevailing were:

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### NEWCASTLE TO HAVE

A SALVAGE CORPS  
At their last Thursday night's meeting, at which all but three were present, the Newcastle Firemen discussed the advisability of having a Salvage Corps organized to act at fires in conjunction with the firemen. Fifteen volunteers are wanted for the Corps, and if they can be secured, as it is hoped by all that they will, an outfit of coats, hats, boots, etc., as well as rubber coverings for the furniture to be carried out, will have to be provided. The public will, without doubt, rise to the occasion and render whatever assistance is necessary to thoroughly equip the men who will offer themselves for such an important and invaluable service. We trust the required number of volunteers will soon be secured.

### NORTH SHORE CASUALTY LIST

Previously reported missing, now believed killed:

J. W. Ahearn, Nigadoo, Gloucester Co., Seriously Ill.  
A. L. Price, Ludlow  
Died of wounds:  
Lt. M. M. Mowatt, Campbellton, reported by German government to have died of wounds May 16th last, the same day he was wounded.

### "THE CAMPBELLS ARE COMING" AT THE HAPPY HOUR DEC. 19

Battle scenes, cavalry charges, hand-to-hand fights between native Sepoys and British grenadiers—7,000 combatants in all—massacres, wholesale arson, the siege of a fort with mortars and the sweeping of massed ranks of infantry with shrapnel and field artillery, together with sensational harem scenes and Oriental dancing as done by native Indian girls—all play a part in the massive five act photodrama, "The Campbells are Coming," which will be the attraction at the Happy Hour Theatre in Newcastle next Tuesday Dec. 19.

The play is a military drama of the Sepoy rebellion in India in 1857, and contains battle scenes which are said to have no parallel in moving picture production. Several regiments of Canadian soldiers, who have since gone to the Flanders front, were led into action by the Scottish Highlanders' band of Vancouver, B. C.

Three villages of barracks erected at an estimated cost of \$40 for each, were burned. One set contains 1,000 substantial buildings and is 400 feet deep. Trained acrobats and high divers, forty-four in all, were shot down from the great fort, and their acts composed but a few of the many thrills which have been incorporated in the picture. The fort used in the drama was erected at a cost of \$18,000 of brick, field stone, cement and concrete. It serves two purposes—one as a fort in the battle scenes of the play, and also as a stand against a recurrence of the flood which swept Universal City last spring, doing \$300,000 damage.

Some idea of the stupendous nature of the photodrama may be obtained from the fact that the masons and carpenters' bills for the erection of sets in the play at Universal City, Cal., totalled \$117,000.

Francis Ford, Grace Cunard, Duke Worme, Harry Schumm, Lew Short and M. Dencke play the principal roles in the production, and are supported by several thousand members of Canadian regiments loaned by the British Government. The film at its first private showing in England created a tremendous sensation and is calculated to arouse intense patriotism and increase enlistments.

Because of its patriotic appeal to all those of British blood, "The Campbells are Coming" it is said is causing an immense furore among British, Australian and Canadian film buyers. When first shown to war-torn soldiers in England it aroused frenzied enthusiasm. The British Government believes that the film will materially assist in recruiting.

### RED CROSS

Financial Statement for month of November:

Nov.	Receipts	
7	Bal. on hand	\$301.10
	Life membership, Mrs. J. O'Brien, So. Nelson	25.00
	Life membership, Miss Jean Aitken	25.00
	Fees	2.00
	Fee of yarn, Edith Cavell Club	4.25
	Sale of yarn	.85
14	Fees	6.50
	Sale of yarn	1.00
21	Fees	8.25
	Sale of yarn	2.13
28	Fees	12.50
	Sale of yarn	.85
	Bank Interest	5.45
	Monthly Mite for Nelson and Chatham Head	11.00
	Monthly Mite for Newcastle	64.95
	Expenditures	\$470.83

Nov.	Expenditures	
7	Briggs & Little's Woolen Mills	\$55.00
	Lady Tilley for hospital needs	100.00
14	Moody & Co.	22.14
	J. D. Creaghan	22.37
	Postage on yarn	.20
	Secretary for postage stamps	1.00
	Receipts	\$230.71
	Expenditures	\$470.83
	Balance	230.71

Bal. on hand—\$340.12  
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### DOUGLASTOWN SCHOOL REPORT

The standing of leading pupils of Douglastown Superior school for November was as follows:

Grade X—Marguerite Craig 79, Florence Breen 72.  
Grade IX—Annie Benn 72, Clarissa Firth 70, Hazel Wood 57, Clyde Gulliver 56, Annie DeWolf and Thomas Grole 52.  
Grade VIII—May Russell 80, Bertha Atkinson and Burton Walsh 71, Barbara Craig 69, James Walsh 68, John Cowie 61, Arthur Roy 60, Johnston Gekkie 64, Albert Dinan and Margaret Kirkpatrick 53.

Grade VII—Josie Breen 77, Rudyard Henderson 76, Weldon Jardine 74, Marion Gray 71, Eloise Anderson 69, Vorston Benn 57, Mary Walsh 56, Annie Young, Rachel Anderson and Jean Gulliver 53, William Sickle 50.

Grade VI—Max Russell 79, Marion Cameron 73, Jack MacCosh 69, Margaret Simpson 66, Jessie Cameron 63, Margaret Williston 63, Willie Firth 61, Everett Spurr 60, Arthur Young 59, May Kirkpatrick 55, Linda Wood 54, Gordon Dickens 53, Annie Nowlan 52. Perfect attendance—M. Cameron, M. Williston, E. Spurr, J. Cameron, L. Wood.

Grade V—May Sickle 88, Emmet Hingarty 87, Jack Craig 86, Audrey Rule 78, Dick Pittman 75, Helen Dickens 66, Leitha Spurr 54. Perfect attendance—H. Dickens, L. Spurr, M. Sickle.

Grade IV—Mary Sullivan 99, Elsie Anderson 86, Helen Kirkpatrick 84, Mona Woods 84, Kathleen Young 81, Genevieve Gekkie 74, Frank Russell 68, Agnes Wood 60, Anna Cowie 57. Perfect attendance—Mona Wood.

Grade III—Edith Gulliver 90, Harvey Jessamin 80, Osborne Sickle 75, Fred Simpson 74, Harvey Gies 72, Marjorie Henderson 72, Pearl Smith 71, Ray Simpson 68, Rudolph Craig 61, Burnett Dinan 56, Frank Wood 56, Richard Anderson 54, Arthur Spurr 54. Perfect attendance—H. Grey, H. Jessamin, O. Sickle, E. Gulliver.

Grade II—Frances Sullivan 98, Helen Cameron 96, Leslie Anderson 91, Helen Gulliver 88, Richard Lee 85, Edith Russell 84, Alf Simpson 81, Jack Kirkpatrick 77, Angus Firth, Bertha Dickens 74, Cornelius Dinan 66, Charlie Wood 56, Joseph Cowie 51. Perfect attendance—H. Cameron.

Grade I—Vera Cameron, Crumley Driscoll, Cameron Jessamin 98, Howard Devereaux 96, Violet Anderson, Norma Taylor 80, Clarence Spurr 60, Harry Williston, Annie Dufferin, 50. Perfect attendance—C. Jessamin, H. Devereaux, V. Anderson, C. Spurr, A. Dufferin.

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UNDERWENT OPERATION  
Miss Helen Crocker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Crocker, of Millerton, was operated on at the Victoria Hospital, Fredericton, last week for appendicitis. Her condition is showing a marked improvement. Miss Crocker has been at McDonald College, Quebec.

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**BLAKER'S BABY**

**CHRISTMAS STORY**

From their breakfast room the Blakers looked out on a white world; the big flakes were coming down silently, the boughs of the trees were outlined in snow, the ground was covered.

"Nice Christmas weather," said Mr. John Blaker cheerily.  
"Yes," said his wife.  
"Need any money to-day?"  
"You'd better let me have ten dollars. I've got everything, I guess except something for Mrs. Mayrick; she gave me that fussyshaw last year when I didn't give her a thing, so I've got to get even this Christmas. It's absurd, of course, I was in hopes last year that she would stop. I've got a lot of things to post this morning; and I must send Bertha a basket of groceries and some toys for the children."

She sighed as she said this, and looked away from her husband. "After all, Christmas isn't much unless there's a child in the house," she added.

Mr. Blaker stirred his coffee. "Well, June," he observed a trifle impatiently, "you know I've often suggested that we adopt one."

"I should never really feel that it belonged to us."  
"You'd get to."  
"If you took a child from an orphanage there's no telling what you would get; it might have criminal tendencies."

"Well, you aren't apt to find a proved descendant of the Mayflower in an orphanage—though you might strike one."  
"I should be in continual suspense for fear it would turn out badly."

Mr. Blaker had no argument to meet this. He pushed back his chair and went into the hall, put on his slippers and greatcoat. But before he left the house he came back and kissed his wife. "Never mind, old lady; we'll have a regular Christmas anyway. I'll send up a tree, and I'll ask Jameson to dinner. He's got no home, poor fellow. We'll have the Durhams kids over in the evening. I'll bet we'll make Christmas. Here's twenty. Better stop and give the Salvation people something for their spread."

June smiled, and put up her mouth for another kiss. "I'm sorry, John," she said a bit wistfully.

John went out. She heard him using the broom on the front steps. Then the door opened and he put his head in. "Jane, I forgot; I won't be home to luncheon. I've got to go to Indianapolis on business."

"But you'll be home early? You know you're going round with me after dinner to deliver some presents?"  
"Sure. Be back at five. Dinner at six."

At six-thirty Mr. John Blaker was telling Anna the maid that he would have his mince pie cold.

"Got everything?" he asked his wife.  
"Yes. That pile on the piano is to go to the Durhams. Then there's the basket for Bertha. We can go down there and leave Mary Peole's and Betty's and the shawl for old Mrs. Green on the way."

"I told Felix to have the car at the dock at seven."  
"Good gracious, if I haven't forgotten Mrs. Mayrick!"

"We'll go down Main Street and get something. Anna, may I have another piece of pie?"  
"If you eat so much we won't have time for anything."

"The longer we postpone our fun the longer it lasts," philosophized Blaker.

She stopped in the middle of a thoughtful glance inquiringly at his wife, for the door bell had rung sharply.

"Probably a customer," she said, glancing at the door.

It was an offense that anyone should bring things. "I hope it isn't from Mrs. Mayrick. I wanted to get mine there first."

There was quite an interval before Anna appeared at the door.  
"Mrs. Blaker, will you please come?"

"Who is it?"  
"I—I don't know," said Anna.  
As his wife departed, Mr. Blaker devoted himself assiduously to pie. He had all but finished it when Mrs. Blaker reappeared in great excitement.

"John!" she said; and her voice was wonderful.  
"What?"  
"Come here."

John followed. On the settle in the hall was a market-basket; Anna was bending over it. She smiled at Mr. Blaker as he approached, but the latter looked stern.

"It's a baby," said his wife solemnly. "It was at the door."  
"Heh!" He looked at Anna.  
"I didn't see anybody," she said. "I looked."

He ran to the door; his wife followed. Standing on the top step, they looked up and down. It was very quiet. An electric lamp shone at the corner, and its blue-white rays, reflected from the snow, made the street dazzlingly light. The only living being in sight at that moment was a pedestrian on the other side of the road. His arms were full of bundles. Mr. Blaker shut the door and went back.

"It's a boy," announced Anna impressively.  
Mr. Blaker permitted himself a small grin. His wife frowned; as mistress of the house she probably felt that she herself had the prior claim to this discovery. But she disclaimed of Anna. "Go and warm some morning's milk," said she as she leaned over the baby. He was awake and blinked at her.

"Well!" said Mr. Blaker uneasily. "Bring it into the dining room."  
"There should be a note," said he. "There always is."

But there wasn't. Neither did the baby have a gold locket on his neck nor a ring on his finger. There was nothing in the basket but a bottle which looked brand new. The baby's clothes were clean but plain.

"How old do you think it is?" asked his wife.  
"He's got teeth. Had I better send for the police? Or," he added as an afterthought, "how would it do to keep him till tomorrow? I suppose it would be a job finding anyone to look after it tonight."

"Its feet are cold," said his wife as she took the child out of the basket. "Go see if Anna has that milk ready. I believe it's hungry."

Half an hour later Anna brought a query from Felix as to whether or not he should wait.  
"Good gracious," said Mrs. Blaker. "I forgot all about the presents! You and Felix will have to take them."

"You could leave him with Anna."  
"Anna's busy. She couldn't get him to sleep," replied the lady.  
"I can't buy a present for Mrs. Mayrick."

"Let Mrs. Mayrick go. I shan't give her anything. Serve her right for giving me something every year. But you'd better get something for him."  
"Mr. Mayrick?"  
"The baby—if he's going to be here for Christmas."

"What'll I get?"  
"You and Felix take the presents and then come back. If he's asleep I'll go with you."

An hour later Mr. Blaker returned and found his wife in furs. "He's asleep upstairs," she whispered. "He ate—or drank, whichever it is—the whole bottle, and then went to sleep without a 'boo.' We'll go to Kellenberg's first. He may as well have something to wear. Those clothes are awfully coarse. We will give him those for Christmas, no matter who gets him afterward. Tell Felix to stop at Nickleson's. I want to get one of those books about babies. We have to know how to feed him."

"He oughtn't to have candy, even if it is Christmas."  
"Pooh!" said Mrs. Blaker knowingly.

There had never been a Christmas at the Blakers' quite like that one. The baby lay in a cradle at the bedside when he woke at six. It is true, he paid very little attention to it; but Mrs. Blaker had a fine time showing him a wooden dog, and

with a mechanical horse. By noon the news of the arrival had somehow percolated to the neighbors' houses. Three of Anna's friends came to see him just as soon as they had finished their breakfast dishes. And later came the three ladies at whose houses Anna's friends worked. The Durham children came to bring some things and left to spread the news, after which the two older Durhams came. Betty Mallard and George Miller turned up at nine. While the former cuddled the baby, the latter stood by and smiled tolerantly as if he were the father of three instead of just being engaged. At noon Mrs. Blaker discovered two pimples on the baby's legs, and she sent for the doctor so as to be sure the child had nothing the matter with it. The doctor looked him over, pronounced him a perfect specimen, and after examining his four teeth, placed his age at eight months.

It certainly was diverting, to see the baby sitting, good as gold, under the glittering branches of the Christmas tree.

Every year the Blakers had bravely trimmed and rejoiced in a tree, but the green symbol of Christmas had never looked as it did this year. Truly, a tree should have a baby luxuriating in its tinsel shade—that is, if it can't have half a dozen babies—to get the real feeling of Christmas out of it.

The baby had on a new dress, purchased the night before at rather an exorbitant price, just because it was hand embroidered; but he did look like a little gentleman in it, and the tiny blue bow on each shoulder was more than the women could gaze upon without appropriate little noises of joy and appreciation.

Taken all in all, there was in the Blakers' household a new excitement which spread to everyone who came within hearing distance of the market-basket baby's gurgles.

In the afternoon a reporter for the Palladium requested an interview; but, curiously enough, although he spent half an hour in the library with Mr. Blaker, nothing about the baby appeared in the paper next day. Mr. Blaker seemed very reluctant to have anything printed. As he was vice-president of the Richfield National Bank and a person of political influence his wishes prevailed. The Blakers went to bed that night tired, but not unhappy.

On Monday morning, while Mrs. Blaker was giving the baby his bath, Mr. Blaker reopened the subject of the youth's disposal. "I suppose I'd better notify the police," he submitted. "We haven't any right to keep him any longer."

Mrs. Blaker spent a long time adjusting one of the baby's undergarments. Then she kissed him. When she finally looked up there was a confused flush on her countenance. "After all, why shouldn't we keep him?" she said.

"Always?" wondered her husband.  
"Oh, I know I've objected to that sort of thing; but it isn't as if he had got him from an orphan asylum. It's almost as if—as if he just came to us."

Mr. Blaker moved his chair uneasily, bit the ends of his fingers, looked long at his wife and the boy.  
"Jane," he said at last, "I've something to confess."

"What?"  
"I know you'll blame me, but—"  
"Don't talk as if you really had something to confess," said Jane sharply. "Tell me what you mean." (Continued on next page)

"The fact is, he wasn't left here."  
"Wasn't left here?"  
"I mean, I know who left him. I left him. That I arranged it. I went to Indianapolis yesterday and borrowed him for a couple of days. Doctor Weyerbacher fixed it up for me. When you said Christmas wasn't Christmas without a baby I thought it would be fun to try it. So I brought him home, and Betty and George left him here last night." He paused fearfully.

Mrs. Blaker had got quite white. "We've got to give him up. Whose?"  
"I don't know whose. I got him at the orphanage."

"He is an orphan?" demanded Mrs. Blaker with a choke of relief.  
"He is." "Then we'll adopt him," said she decisively. "Won't they let us?"  
"Oh, they'd be glad to have us do so. But of course we don't know who his people were."

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Mr. Blaker gasped. "You don't have the feeling that it's somebody else's child?"  
His wife drew the bundle a little closer; a tear drop left her eyelash and splashed on the baby's nose. "He doesn't seem like anybody else's. He's mine. He's ours."

"We could adopt him legally. He'd be quite ours. They don't know who his people were," said her husband.  
"Then do it this morning," said Mrs. Blaker.

"I spoke to George Miller about the papers," hesitated Mr. Blaker as a furtive smile took tentative shape on his countenance.  
"George Miller?"  
"Yes. He and Betty Mallard have agreed to be the godparents if we keep him. I asked George last night. He said he'd stand up for a champagne if Betty was its godmother. I thought that rather coarse of him; but, after all, George means well."

Mrs. Blaker meanwhile had accumulated a hurt expression.  
"What's wrong?" asked her husband.  
"Oh, nothing! Only I don't see why I can't be its godmother!"  
"But it's as plain as day," exclaimed Blaker after a second's thought. "If you're going to be its mother, you can't very well be its godmother. Now, can you?"

"I don't see why not," maintained Mrs. Blaker obstinately, but she did not argue any more.  
"You needn't laugh," she said at last, laughing a little hysterically herself. "Don't you suppose I see that you arranged it all so that I'd be converted and keep him?"  
"I had hoped you would," he admitted, advancing a little and looking down at his wife. "Are—are you glad I got a boy?"

"I wouldn't have had a girl," said his wife decidedly.  
Mr. Blaker smiled broadly. "What shall we call him?" he asked.  
"John, Junior, of course," said Mrs. Blaker. "And she laughed and cried at the same instant when her husband bent over and kissed her."

**TEA WAFERS**  
Stir together the white of one egg and one tablespoonful of white sugar. Add one tablespoonful of rye flour, one and a half teaspoonfuls softened butter. Beat until well mixed and creamy. Flavor with vanilla. Drop by the teaspoonful on greased tin spread into rounds as thin as tissue paper. Bake in moderate oven till brown. While still warm, roll round a stick of card. Keep in a tin.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

In one of the oldest Latin hymns, that beautiful first Christmas is described, when "the Wise Men of the East," as we call them, came to lay the first gifts and the first Christmas prayer before the Child Jesus. The Kings of earth stood by before the Sacred Child and prayed: "Lord grant now to Thy servants To speak Thy word and do Thy deeds In the name of the Sacred Child Jesus."

Every Christmas giver, who gives, in the spirit of those first Christmas gifts, and with the same prayer, is truly one of the wise Kings.

**PERSONALS**  
Mr. J. A. Rundle was in St. John this week.  
Mr. D. J. Buckley was a visitor in St. John this week.  
H. S. Tozer was among the visitors to Moncton yesterday.  
C. M. Mercereau of Bathurst, was among the visitors in town today.

Miss Henry of Ottawa, is the guest of her friend, Miss Marguerite Lawlor.  
Mrs. Fred Withersall of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lingley.  
Jack Crocker of Nelson has joined the Army Service Corps and left Monday for Toronto.

Messrs. Harry Lewis, Lawrence Coughlan and Fred Stockell, spent Thursday in Chatham.  
Miss Marguerite Lawlor of the Civil Service, Ottawa, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lawlor.  
Mr. William Appleby of South Nel-son, who was suddenly called to Poston by the death of his sister, returned home on Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Condon and daughter Laura, of Chatham, N. B., accompanied by Miss Anna Condon, of Newcastle, are spending the winter with Mrs. Condon's daughter, Mrs. Gerald.

Miss Minnie Ingram received a cable from England, on Thursday morning, saying that her sister, Mrs. Arthur Jardine, arrived there on Wednesday, after a three weeks' voyage.

On the night of Friday, the 10th, the Ladies' Aid of the Rockwood M. E. church, Rev. Percy Sissling, pastor, entertained their townspeople with a poverty party. Numbers from the surrounding settlements arrived to swell the jolly crowd. Prize for the poorest man was won by Elbridge Harlow; for the poorest woman, by George Wiliston, in masquerade. Mrs. Thomas Ramsey carried off the prize for the most unique costume. Luncheon of coffee and sandwiches was served. It was altogether a social and financial success.—Rockwood Maine, paper.

## Holiday Hints

We would remind you in a few words as possible that we are carrying by far the Biggest and Best Line of Christmas Goods we have ever shown.

We mention a few of the more prominent articles There are:

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MEN'S TIES at 25 and 35c

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MEN'S AND BOYS' SHIRTS, UNDERWEAR, HOSE, etc. at lowest price.

MEN'S SWEATERS from \$1.00 up.

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At all prices from \$1.00 to \$3.50

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Dress Goods, Whapprettes, Waistings, Cottons, Sheetings, Towelings, Table Linens, Flannellets, etc. We have a very heavy stock of all these lines and are still in a position to offer them at very low prices.

A splendid range of Baby Articles, including Coats, Booties, Mitts, Hoods and Caps, Gaiters, etc.

BLANKETS A large stock of these on hand which we are offering at from \$2.50 upwards.

BOYS' SWEATERS from 50c up.

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Santa Claus is here with the greatest array of Toys and Novelties. All Made in Canada or imported from England Japan and France.

Among the hundreds of articles to be found here are: Dolls, Horses, Trains, Doll Furniture, Beds, Brooms, Sad Irons, Wash Tubs, Boats, Building Blocks, Picture Puzzles, Swords, Guns, Cannons, Soldiers, Bubbles, Drums, Harps, Surprise Boxes, Picture Books, Musical Toys, Tin Toys, Iron Toys, Banks, Squeaking Animals, Reins, Sets Teels, Paints, etc., etc.

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A. H. MACKAY NEWCASTLE

SOUTH NELSON

Mrs. Fred McKay and son Sterling went to Bathurst Friday to visit Mr. McKay.

W J Appleby left Tuesday for Boston to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Paul Stearns who passed away on Monday morning.

Miss Agnes Fleet spent several days of last week in Newcastle, the guest of Mrs. Chas. Stothart.

Miss Bell Brown attended the reception held in Millerton last Monday evening for Pte. Abram Fry.

Mrs. Ernest Fleet was in Loggieville last week attending the funeral of Mrs. Loggie who passed away very suddenly.

John Crocker, Jr., went to Toronto on last night's Maritime. His many friends are sorry to lose him.

We are glad to have Dr. Hayes with us again. Dr. Hayes has been receiving treatment at Hotel Dieu, Chatham.

Ptes. Moore and Frank Coughlan spent a few days with their parents, Mr and Mrs Arthur Coughlan. These boys have enlisted with the Heavy Siege Battery at Halifax and expect shortly to sail for England.

Miss Annie Fleet visited friends in Chatham last week.

C. E. Brown was in Newcastle his uncle, Mr. Andrew Brown.

Wednesday attending the funeral of Miss Hutchinson of Douglastown, spent part of last week with Mr H W Patterson.

Teacher—Man is a human machine Little Willie (excitedly)—Yes! my father is a trashing machine.

DOAKTOWN

The weather for the past few days has been very disagreeable, and quite severe. There has been about six inches of snow here which makes splendid sleighing.

Miss Janie Lyons spent last Saturday in Bolestown.

The Ladies of the Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church are requested to meet on Wednesday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. MacNeil for the purpose of reorganizing. This Aid Society has been closed down for several months as all the ladies have had all their interest in the Red Cross Society of our town.

Miss Mildred Russell has returned home after spending several days with friends of Carrolls Crossing.

Miss Dora Holt has returned to her home in Quarryville, after spending the week-end with Mrs. Frank Russell.

Messrs. Walter Ward and Dave Schofield were in town on Wednesday.

Mr. Elby Donnelly, who has been working for some time in Maine, returned to his home one day last week.

We are glad to learn that Miss Mary Jane Swin, who has been quite ill with jaundice, is recovering.

Miss Elsie G. Betts who has been spending several months with her sister, Mrs. Lebas at Cape Tormentine, has returned home for the winter.

Mr. Ranford O'Donnell of Carroll's Crossing, was calling on friends on Wednesday.

On Sunday evening, Dec. 17th, Mr. Hewitt Upton (Rev. Geo. Tilley's assistant) will preach at the home of Mr. Howard Amos. This is done chiefly for benefit of the children, as so many families live quite a distance from the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hogan of Blissfield drove to town one day last week.

Mr. James Harrigan was also in town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McCormick and little daughter Phyllis, has been in town for a few days, and are guests of Mr and Mrs. Patrick McCormick.

Mrs. Pat Brown returned to her home in McNamee after spending a week with Mrs. Arch Porter.

Dr. W. T. Ryan of Bolestown, was in town on Saturday.

School Inspector McFarlane was in town a few days ago.

A very interesting lecture was given on Wednesday evening by A. E. Kochaly, B. A. This man is a native of Persia and gave first hand information on Persian life and Persian type. He spoke in the Baptist church to quite a large congregation.

Mr. Kochaly's address told a heart touching story of the Martyrs in Persia because of this war. This man has an excellent command of English and greatly delighted his audience by his pleasing presentation of his theme.

DOUGLASTOWN

Mrs. Alvin Babkirk and Miss Babkirk, of Loggieville, spent Friday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Morrison.

Miss Barbara Hutchison, who has been visiting friends in Nelson, returned to her home on Friday.

Miss May Donovan spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Nelson.

Mrs. Wm. Henderson is visiting her parents in Bushville.

Mrs. Nicholas Power of New York, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Kelly, since the spring, returned home last Saturday.

Mr. Charles Bule of The Willows, visited Douglastown friends on Sunday last.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Harry Gray has had to go to the Miramichi Hospital again. We trust she will soon be well.

The regular monthly meeting of the Wilmers Institute was held on Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Frank Johnston, when sixteen members were present. During the evening a most interesting report of the provincial convention held at St. John was given by the delegate, Miss Zeida Johnston, who was listened to with the closest attention.

The Ladies Aid were entertained at the home of Mrs. Thomas Vye on Friday evening of last week.

TABUCINTAC

Miss Maria-Ashford, who has been very ill of diphtheria, is slightly improved.

Mr. Robert Buchanan and daughter Miss Marjorie returned from a brief visit to Montreal.

Miss Marie Ashford, who has been several months with her sister, Mrs. J. Robert Simpson, has gone to Bermuda for the winter.

The members of the W. F. M. S. of St. Andrew's church gave a concert Wednesday evening.

Mr. Clarence J. Dempsey of Stonehaven, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Hildy.

Miss McLeod of Tracadie has accepted a position in the store recently opened in the H. T. Graham building by the W. S. Loggie Co. of Chatham.

Many friends here learned with regret of the death of Mr. Daniel McEachern, of Chatham, who was born and spent his boyhood in this place.

He had been for over forty years a trusted employe of the J. B. Snow ball Co. Deceased, who was about sixty-eight years of age, had been ill for several months, death being caused by internal cancer. His widow who was formerly Miss Margaret Symes, is also a native of Tabucintac. He also leaves to mourn two daughters, Mrs. Fowles of Hope well, and Miss Belle of Boston, and three sons, Norman and James, residing in the U. S. A. and Robert of Chatham.

LOWER DERBY

Snow is here again. We hope it will stay for Xmas as some of the young ladies expect their young men home from the lumber woods.

Mrs. Ralph Clouston was in town on Tuesday last.

Mr. B. Reynolds was in town one day this week.

Messrs. Martin Dowie and W. Falls, had a swift drive through Derby with the Rev. J. R. Rattie.

BORN

At Douglastown, Dec. 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Kirkpatrick, twins, a boy and a girl.

DIED

At Douglastown, Dec. 13th, twin children of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirkpatrick. Funerals Thursday morning to St. Samuel's cemetery.

NEW JERSEY

The recent rains which took all the snow off, has left the roads in a pretty rough state and complaints are heard from the people in general.

Most of our young men are busy engaged in smelt fishing and we hope they will find the fish plentiful.

Mr. Walter McKnight has succeeded in catching a fox and several smaller animals.

Mrs. Robert Loggie has an attack of Gadsy spent Monday in town.

The many friends of Mrs. Robert Cassidy are sorry to hear of her serious illness.

Mrs. Robert Bell spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Loggie.

Mrs. Robert Loggie has an attack of the gripe.

Miss Mabel McKnight is visiting her aunt, Mrs. George Creighton of Ferrysville. She has a few Meessrs Samuel Wasson and John

Loggie have purchased a valuable thing forward for some swift drives at Christmas. Mr. Elery Weeks and bride passed through here en route to Loggieville.

A young man of Loggieville, who was in the lumber woods for Mr. Elmer Loggie, had the misfortune to cut one of his feet quite badly.

Mr. Alfred Morrison spent Sunday afternoon, the guest of Mr. Samuel Wasson.

The many friends of Mrs. Geo. Loggie are glad to see her able to be around again after her recent illness.

Mr. Joseph McKnight spent Sunday at his home here.

Mrs. Jimmie Gratton of Tabucintac paid a flying visit to New Jersey on Monday.

Miss Mabel McKnight spent Sunday at her home here.

Miss Hilda McKnight is the guest of Mrs. William Johnston of Bartibogue.

John Loggie paid a flying visit to Chatham on Saturday.

CHATHAM CONDENSED

The annual supper and sale, held by the ladies of St. John's church, Monday night, realized over \$160.

Mrs. William Murray of Cambridge, Mass. who passed away on Thursday of last week was a daughter of the late Charles Peters of Chatham. She is survived by five sons,—Ernest of Halifax, Stanley, of Schenectady, N. Y., William of Boston, Fred of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Montreal, and Arthur of New Jersey, and three daughters, Mrs. Siskeman of Toronto, Mrs. Hurter of Cambridge and Miss Littel at home.

Mr and Mrs John McDonald have returned from a month's visit to Boston.

William Johnston, a former town treasurer of Chatham, but now of Alberta, is visiting old friends.

Mr and Mrs George MacLean announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lenna Agnes, to William Clifford Galloway, the marriage to take place on the 20th inst.

Miss Gladys Carvell was in home from the hospital Saturday afternoon, much improved in health.

Miss Kate Monohan, who spent the past year here, visiting relatives, returned to Haverhill, Mass, Saturday.

LOCAL NEWS

A LATE SEASON FOR SHIPS The last ship this season left the river Dec. 11th, a record for ocean-going vessels.

CONCERT AND SUPPER In Boom Road Hall, in aid of the Belgian Children's Fund, to be held Friday 22nd. Admission 10 cents; Supper 25 cents.

BOTH KNOWN HERE Mr. J. E. Andrews, manager of the Royal Bank, at Grand Falls, has received notice of his transfer to Guysborough, Nova Scotia, and Mr. J. E. McKendry, of Inverness, is to succeed him. Both young men have served with the Royal Bank here.

HENDERSON-HOGBIN The marriage of Miss Ivy L. Hogbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hogbin, and Gunner John T. Henderson of the 12th Battery draft, was solemnized at the Baptist Parsonage on Friday evening, the 8th inst., by Rev. S. Gray.

MR. ERNEST HUTCHISON ILL Mr. Ernest Hutchison of Douglastown, has been ill the last few days with quincy sore throat. Pneumonia was threatened, but we are glad to learn, Mr. Hutchison is improving under the care of Miss Buckley of the Miramichi Hospital staff.

DRAWING NEXT THURSDAY The drawing for the Patriotic Fruit Cake will take place in the Opera House on Thursday evening, of next week. Mr. Richards having offered to give 25% of the receipts for that evening to the Patriotic Fund. The Committee in charge of the drawing, are having good success in the disposal of tickets, but have a few left, which they would be pleased to

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This Christmas

Good Footwear will be appreciated by all and there is nothing more suitable for holiday gifts than a good pair of shoes.

This year we have a larger stock on hand than ever and would ask you to call and look over our lines.

Men's Dress Shoes in Patent, Velour, Gun Metal and Box Calf, Button and Lace.

Men's House Slippers in Black and Tan Dongola, and warm Bed Room Slippers, as well as a lounging slipper with soft elk sole.

We are selling a line of Men's Patent Boot (Invictus) for \$3.85.

Ladies' High Cut Boots in dull Kid and Patent with silk and cloth upper and with gray and champagne upper.

Have a large stock of the ordinary, or every day, gun metal and patent boots, in the different prices with high and low heel.

Misses' Boots in Patent and Gun Metal with cloth and mat top. A line of high cut Misses' Patent with cloth top. Misses' Patent lace boots with mat top.

Children's lines in the different makes and lines of infant's Scots, Patent with Grey, Black, and Black and White Cloth top. A line of infant's high cut style.

Bed Room Slippers for Ladies Misses and Children and Buckskin Moccasins, Boy's Button and Lace Boots, Boy's Bed Room Slippers with soft elk sole.

A full supply of Laces, round and flat, Fancy Shoe Horns, Blacking Sets, etc.

Rubbers in the different lasts, Overshoes and Jersey Rubbers, Gum Rubbers and Larrigans.

We have a few pair of Misses' and Children's Slipper Socks that are a little soiled, but otherwise good, that we are selling for fifteen cents. Also a few pairs of Buckskin Moccasins a little soiled which we will reduce to clear out the line.

Do not forget to call and look over our lines.

MacMillan Shoe Store

dispose of before next Thursday. The entire receipts for the sale of tickets is to be given to the Patriotic Fund.

132nd BATTALION BROKEN UP Letters received by friends from boys of the 132nd Battalion, this week, stated that a draft had left for France, which consisted mostly of Newcastle boys.

GORDON LESLIE IN IRELAND Pte Gordon Leslie of the 36th Battalion, who has been wounded and is now convalescent, is enjoying a furlough in Cork, Ireland.

THE TEUTONS WILL TALK PEACE On Tuesday the Governments of Germany, Austro-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria, notified the Entente Allies, through the medium of the U. S. A. Spain, Switzerland and His Holiness the Pope, that they are ready to negotiate for peace. The Entente Allies will decide upon their answer shortly.

Sir Max May Receive Appointment Apropos of the reconstruction of the British government, friends of Sir Max Aitken are mentioning his name in connection with an important appointment. Sir Max is frequently seen with Bonar Law. Recently he has been spending a large part of his time in the war office, where he occupies himself with the war film business.

PEGAN CAKES Cream together one cupful of sugar and one-half cup of butter. Add three-fourths of a cup of milk, three egg yolks and one-half cupful of pegan nutmeats. Melt one-fourth of a pound of chocolate creams and stir into the first mixture. Then add three cupfuls of flour and two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Bake in individual molds and ice with colored top of each little cake.

STUFFED MARSHMALLOWS Get a pound of fresh marshmallows and cut them in two with the scissors, horizontally. Put any desired filling in one half, then press the other part over it. It makes them more novel to vary the filling. Any of the following may be used with good effect: Walnuts, pecans, cherries, preserved ginger, candied peel, cut up figs or seeded raisins.

NOTICE Any person wishing to become a member of the Newcastle Salvage Corp. will kindly send in their application to Chief Dickson on or before Jan. 1st, 1917. 2ms.

LOST A handbag, Monday evening, containing sum of money and receipts. Finder will be rewarded on communicating with Box 155. 51-1

WANTED Wanted a Second Class Female Teacher for District No. 2, Parish of Derby. Apply stating salary to ALEXANDER DAVIDSON, 2ms. Secretary of Trustees.

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bringing this Advertisement to our store we will give a Souvenir Teddy Bear.

We wish our Patrons a Right Merry Xmas and a most Prosperous New Year

WALTER AMY, MORRIS PHARMACY

"THE FOOT FITTER"



PERSONALS

Mrs. Masson Betts and children of Campbellton, are visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Lawrence Brooks and little daughter Lillian, have returned from a short visit to Campbellton.

Mrs. Emily Price and Miss May Price who have been spending the summer with Mrs. Price's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Miller, sr., left on Monday for Moncton, en route to their home in MacLeod, Alta.

Mrs. Patrick Keough of Blackville, was in town this week attending the funeral of her brother, the late John Jardine.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Brown of Miller ton were among the visitors in town on Tuesday.

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Mr. Roy McLaggan of Blackville, was among the visitors in town on Monday.

Obituary

ALEX. HUTCHISON

The death of Alexander Hutchison of North Esk Broom, occurred after a two months' illness at his home, Thursday evening. He was a native of North Esk and 78 years of age. He was a Roman Catholic in religion and a much respected citizen. He was unmarried and lived with his nephew Albert. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon, interment at Redbank.

JOHN JARDINE

Death came suddenly to Mr. John Jardine, an aged and respected resident of Newcastle, on Monday morning, about nine o'clock. Deceased, who made his home with his sister, Mrs. S. A. Demers, had come to Dalton's Stable, on McCullum Street, to get a horse, preparatory to hauling some hay, and was in the act of harnessing the horse, when he dropped dead. He was in his 70th year, and was a native of Williams town Settlement, but for his past six years had resided here, and had made many friends, who were shocked to hear of his sudden demise. Deceased was unmarried, and is survived by five sisters, Bridget, (Mrs. Patrick Keough), Blackville; Mrs. Ellen Keal and the Misses Julia and Katherine Jardine, of Boston, and Mrs. S. A. Demers, of Newcastle. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning at nine o'clock from the residence of Mrs. Demers, interment in St. Mary's cemetery.

WILLIAM KEATING, JR.

A very sad accident at Newcastle Station, Friday morning, about 11:30 o'clock, resulted in the death of an hour and a half afterward of William Keating, jr., son of Wm. Keating, jr., Chief Car Inspector, and one of the best and most respected young men of the town. He was underneath a car putting a new bolt in the lever of the beam of an air brake. Somehow the signal had not been hoisted, and a shunting car bumped into the one at which Mr. Keating was working and pinned him between the brake rod and the bottom of the car, catching his body across the stomach. The injured man was taken to his home on a stretcher and Drs. Desmond and McGrath were summoned, but he was hurt inwardly, and died about one o'clock. He was conscious to the end, and suffered very little pain. He leaves besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keating, jr., two sisters—May (Mrs. Stafford Dunn) of Newcastle; and Miss Patricia, at home. Deceased was twenty-one years old. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, services in St. Mary's church conducted by Rev. Father Trudel. The attendance was unusually large, deceased having been a general favorite. The pallbearers were Lester Jeffrey, Harry Hachey, Leo Mitchell, Michael Coughlan, Perley Stewart and Harold Mc-Master.

Of Course, it makes good Pastry. In fact, "Beaver" Flour is a special pastry flour. It contains the choicest Ontario fall wheat (the finest pastry wheat in the world) blended with western spring wheat to increase the strength. BEAVER FLOUR MILLED OF BLENDED WHEAT makes the lightest, flakiest Pies and Tarts—the most inviting Cakes, Cookies and Doughnuts—and real homemade Bread, with the delicious, nutlike flavor. There's no comparison between the tough Pastry and tasteless Bread, made with western wheat flour, and the "good thing" made with "Beaver" Flour. Order now. DEALERS—write us for prices on Feed, Coarse Grains and Cereals. THE T. H. TAYLOR CO. LIMITED, CHATHAM, Ont.

UPPER BLACKVILLE

Dec. 8—The weather for the past few days has been very warm with occasional showers which leaves the roads in a very muddy condition, and our popular mail carrier Frederick N. Arbeau is obliged to take his light sulky out again. Mr. Hinson Morehouse left for one of the local lumber camps on Cain's River, where he intends to spend the winter. Mr. Donald Cowie is busily engaged drying a portash team for Mr. Sutherland on six mile brook. He intends finishing this week and go wood cutting. Pte. William Urquhart of the Wireless Garrison, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at his home here. Mr. W. P. Davidson made a flying trip to Boletown on Tuesday and purchased a young solt. The animal is very large for its age and exceptionally handsome. Mr. Davidson is justly proud of it. Pte. William Urquhart of the Wireless Garrison, spent Tuesday and Wednesday at his home here. Mr. W. P. Davidson made a flying trip to Boletown on Tuesday and purchased a young solt. The animal is very large for its age and exceptionally handsome. Mr. Davidson is justly proud of it.

Miss Katherine Campbell was calling on her sister-in-law, Mrs. Nathaniel W. Campbell Tuesday last. Mrs. Emma Ward returned to her home in Doaktown on Monday after spending two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Chester B. Connors. Mrs. Ethel Burke was visiting Mrs. Wm. Donalds on Wednesday last, accompanied by her brother, Nelson F. Arbeau. Mr. Richard Arbeau of this place spent Wednesday in Blissfield where he was the guest of Mr. Thos. Cowie. Miss Helen Colford of Blackville intends spending the winter with Mrs. P. E. Moran. Our popular teacher, Miss M. G. Hill, spent the week-end at her home in Newcastle. General Merchant Lester N. Arbeau made a flying trip to Fredericton, giving an order for Xmas goods. It looks as though Mr. Arbeau is the right man in the right place. The N. B. Telephone Company's men were in the village putting a telephone in the Davidson Hotel on Saturday. Dr. W. B. Jones of Chatham was calling on Mr. William Connors of this place recently. Dr. John Beaton of Blackville was in the village on Saturday attending the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arbeau, who is ill with a gripe. Mr. Chas. Morehouse butchered a very large ox on Saturday. Meat will be plentiful while it lasts. Mr. Wilbur Arbeau met with a heavy loss when one of his valuable Holstein calves died on Monday. Mr. Joseph Whitty has not forgotten his old friends and called on them last week. We were much pleased to see Joseph. Mr. Patrick Colford was visiting P. Moran Friday last. We are all looking forward for old Santa Claus.

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BOOM ROAD

Santa Claus has just arrived in our little village. Our merchants have their stores just in o. k. order for Xmas. The young folks of Boom Road are looking forward to a concert and supper which will be in the hall at Boom Road on Christmas, by the school children. The many friends of Mrs. Mary Holmes are sorry to hear that she is seriously ill again with paralysis. We extend deepest sympathy to Alice and Lottie Holmes.

WHITE RAPIDS

Note to Correspondent: Your interesting budget of news can not be published because you failed to sign your name to your contribution. We have repeatedly advised correspondents that anonymous contributions will not be published in The Union Advocate under any circumstances. In every case the contributor must be known. Correspondents' names are not published, as you will observe, but are required as evidence of good faith. If you will sign your news we will be pleased to publish it.—Editor. Paris—The Roumanians evacuated Lucharest in good order yesterday saving their army. German Headquarters in Roumania—Gen Von Tulff has been named German Governor General of Roumania—the southern half that has been conquered.

MOTHER FINDS WHERE DOLLAR GOES FURTHEST

Rubbers and Overshoes Save the Shoes the Tots Wear From the Wear They Would Get in the Severe Weather of Winter

The thrifty housewife has been kept jumping these last two or three years to make the dollar her hard-working husband gives her go as far as it did. Prices have risen here and there, but she can still find solace in the fact that, even with the rise in the price of the fabrics and chemicals used in manufacturing, the rubbers which she buys to keep the youngsters' feet dry are still costing her about the same. She must thank the British Government for this, for it is through Great Britain's control of the rubber market and the forcing down of the price of crude rubber from three dollars to 67 cents a pound that she can do it. But, leaving all sentiment aside, the fact remains that rubber today provides the solution for the mother in the question of the foot togs for the tots this winter. The dollar will not buy the shoes it did formerly, but it will buy the rubbers and overshoes which winter weather and rubbers save the shoes. 26

LOCAL NEWS

OFFICIAL REPORTERS

Messrs. George M. McDade, of St. John, and Leo Dolan, of Fredericton, have been appointed official reporters of the Legislature, in room of Capt. J. Douglas Black.

TEDDY BEARS FREE

Mr. Walter Amy, The Foot-Fitter, has secured a large number of Teddy Bears, which he is giving to the children this Xmas. The only restriction Mr. Amy has placed on the distribution is that the child must not be over eight years of age and must have a copy of his ad, which appears on page five of this issue.

RED CROSS COMFORTS ARRIVED

The large shipment of socks, etc., some a short time ago, the Canadian soldiers by the Redbank Red Cross society, have safely reached their destination. Among the names of the ladies who so kindly helped in knitting, etc., were the following, accidentally omitted in our last report:—Mrs. Wilbur Somers, Halcomb, helping to get lists; Miss Edith Parks, Siliker, ditto; and Miss Gertrude Holland, The Meadows.

MILLERTON PULP MILL

We are informed by Councillor J. W. Vanderbeck, that the report in certain Chatham and St. John papers that work had been stopped on the new pulp mill in Millerton, is false. He states that work is still going on, and that the person who started the story going must be someone who does not like to see an improvement going on in the County. Although the Millerton Company have little or no lumber lands, yet they are building, in order to give employment to the people along the river and thus make it unnecessary to ship roused wood from the Miramichi.

SYRIAN AND MOUNT LEBANON RELIEF COLLECTOR VISITED NEWCASTLE

Mr. Arthur Makim, U. S. Immigration Officer at St. John, who has been authorized by His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc of St. John, and Mayor Hayes of that city to collect funds for the relief of war sufferers of Syria and Mount Lebanon, arrived in town on Saturday on that mission. He was heartily welcomed by the local Syrian merchants and their generosity was extended to its utmost. Mr. Makim is now on his annual vacation and is devoting his time to this purpose. He appreciated very much the generous contributions he received while here. The money collected goes to the Central organization in New York, and thence forwarded as needed to Syria and Mount Lebanon. While here Mr. Makim solicited funds only from the Syrian residents, but arrangements will be gratefully received from all, if sent to Mr. Arthur Makim, Box 806, St. John, N. B. Mr. Makim left Tuesday morning for his home in St. John.

Big Lumber Deal May Be Pending

The St. John Standard of Tuesday says: Prominent lumbermen who registered at the Royal Hotel Monday included George Cutler of Boston, D. R. Richards and J. D. Volkman of Millerton, nephew of Sir Robert Perks, and manager of Sir Robert's Canadian interests. Mr. Cutler is one of the chief directors of the well known firm of Stetson, Cutler & Company, while Messrs. Richard and Napier are the managers of the Shives Lumber Company, a subsidiary concern to the Stetson, Cutler Company. It is reported that the presence of these gentlemen is in connection with an important deal now pending which will involve important lumbering interests in this province. Both Mr. Napier and Mr. Richards said that there was no special significance in connection with their visit. The lumbering business on the North Shore had been quite fair during the past year and men are now going in to the woods for the season's cutting and driving operations. Mr. Volkman managed for some years with much success the pulp and paper mill of Sir Robert Perks at Millerton which was destroyed by fire a few years ago. It is understood that this industry will be revived.

FIRE AT THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL

A disastrous fire visited the Commercial Hotel, shortly before six o'clock Friday morning. It was discovered by Charles McLoughlin, of the Miramichi Garage, who roomed on the third flat of the main building. He was awakened by the unusual light, and found the hall ablaze. Hastily arousing two other young men who roomed near him and who escaped just in the nick of time by a back way, he alarmed the whole house and gave the alarm. The firemen were soon on the spot, but the whole inside of the second story of the ell and the second and third stories of the main house was on fire, and was pretty well gutted, all the furniture in some twenty rooms being destroyed or badly damaged. Many of the boarders lost considerable. The fire evidently started in upper part of ell between the two parts and ran up the partition into the two main halls. The proprietor, Mr. M. Kane, had his furniture in the ell for about \$1500, and the appraiser fixed the damages at \$400. Mr. J. D. Buckley, who owns the building, also sustained heavy damages, but which are covered by insurance. Mr. Kane will however, suffer much additional loss in being burned out at such a season.

THE XMAS STORE

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Anglican Rev. W. J. Bate Holy Communion—Every Sunday at 8.00 a. m. and first Sunday in month at 11.00 a. m. Morning and Evening Prayer—Matins at 11.00 (except 3rd Sunday in month, no service.) Evensong at 7.00. Daily Prayers 7.30 a. m., and 5.30 p. m. Wednesday Evensong 7.30.

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Rev. Dr. Squires Sunday Services 11.00 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Prayer and Praise Service, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. THE KIRK St. James Presbyterian Church Rev. S. J. MacArthur, M. A. B. D. Worship, Sunday, 11.00 a. m. and 7.00 p. m. Sabbath School, 2.30 p. m.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS

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## HERE AND THERE THROUGHOUT WIDE NORTHUMBERLAND

### UNDERHILL

The young people of this place enjoyed the skating of the past week. The young men of the lumber woods are finding the time long waiting for Xmas.

Mrs. Thos. Coughlan was the guest of Mrs. William Lebas on Monday.

Mrs. B. N. Underhill and daughter Esther were calling on Mrs. Alex. Underhill Sunday afternoon.

A number of W. M. Underhill's workmen spent Sunday at their homes.

Mr. Herb Underhill was calling on friends Monday evening.

Miss Lillian Curtis of Upper Blackville was calling on friends here Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Stephens of Lockstead was the guest of Mrs. B. N. Underhill on Monday.

Mrs. Arthur Underhill was visiting her mother, Mrs. Thos. Underhill.

The fur trappers of this place are having poor success of late.

Miss Stella Power was the guest of Miss Lottie Underhill on Saturday.

Miss Edna Warren and Susie Underhill spent Tuesday evening, the guest of Mrs. Grant Underhill.

Visiting is the order of the day.

The young ladies at Underhill were much pleased to see Hugh Dickson's smiling face once more among them. They hope he will not forget them on Xmas.

Mr. Brian Crawford is having fine weather for wood cutting.

### SUNNY CORNER

Miss Bernetta Hyland was the guest of her mother, one day last week.

Mrs. Alfred Nowlan attended the wedding of her nephew, Albert Easty Tuesday last. Mrs. Nowlan's hand is slowly improving.

Miss Daisy Whitney, Whitneyville, spent the weekend with Miss Eva McAllister.

Mrs. Charles Mullin, Boom Road, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Belle Matchett for a few days last week.

Miss P. Graham spent Wednesday night with Mrs. David Mullin.

Mrs. Ernest and Walter Matchett were in Sunny Corner Saturday and Sunday last. The Battalion in which these two men are in is about to leave for winter quarters the latter's wife is spending the remaining few days with her husband in Newcastle.

Miss M. A. McDonald has returned from a pleasant visit in Redbank. Mrs. Sidney Parks and little son Stanley, were the guests of Mrs. A. Tozer Saturday and Sunday.

A large number of skaters took advantage of the good skating last week but alas! our ice is all broken up and some of the old residents seem to think that we will have stream driving about Xmas.

### TABUCINTAC

The mild weather of the past few weeks has made the work of the smelt fishermen very hazardous, many having their nets and gear carried away by the running ice. Messrs. Munroe Bros. having lost four nets in that way, but eventually recovering them. The price being paid is good considering the unfavorable weather for handling them. They are being hauled to Tracadie to the different company's freezers there.

Mr. William Munroe, late of Vancouver, B. C. visited his former home here last week, after an absence of fourteen years. Mr. Munroe is wearing the khaki, having enlisted in a western battalion.

Private James E. O'Brien of the 12th Battery, Newcastle, visited his home here last week.

Miss Alice Richard of Nagsuc, spent the week-end the guest of her friend, Miss Derden here.

Rev. Fr. Lynch celebrated Mass in St. George's church here Sunday.

The diphtheria epidemic has subsided here. One death has resulted from the dread disease, that of the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ashford, for whom general sympathy is felt.

The school in District No. 8 which was closed two weeks ago will remain so till after Christmas vacation. Mr. Donald Gay went to Chatham on a business trip Monday.

### LOWER BLACKVILLE

Mr. Allen Underhill was visiting at his home Sunday.

Mr. Thos. Coughlan was visiting at his home the past week.

Mr. Myles Underhill and Wallace was visiting at their home Sunday.

Miss Leontine and Aluina Underhill were the guests of Miss Susie Underhill Sunday.

Mrs. Ben Underhill spent the evening with Mrs. Thos. Vickers Saturday.

Miss Beatrice Bean was the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Hudson Underhill on Saturday.

Miss Bernetta Coughlan is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. William McLaughlan.

Mr. Odell Underhill visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Underhill recently.

Mrs. Frank Underhill and son Merlin were the guests of Mrs. Underhill's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren on Sunday.

Mrs. Alfred Jardine made a flying trip to Quarryville recently.

Mr. Chester Underhill passed through here recently.

The people of this place were very glad to see Michael Whalen, the poet, around again selling books.

### GREY RAPIDS

The weather for the past week has been very disagreeable and the roads are in poor condition for driving.

Mr. Thos. Coughlan arrived home late from the lumber woods Tuesday night. He was a very welcome guest. Mr. and Mrs. James Coughlan spent Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Coughlan.

Mrs. James Urquhart spent Monday in Blackville the guest of Mrs. S. Y. Jardine.

Mrs. Ben Underhill spent a few days of the past week the guest of Mrs. Geo. Underhill.

Misses Barbara and Aubrey Manderville, of Bryenton, spent the week-end with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Underhill were the guests of Mrs. Herb Coughlan Sunday.

Mr. Alfred Jardine made a flying trip to Quarryville on Saturday.

Miss Leontine and Alexina Underhill were calling on friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Thos. Coughlan and Mrs. Ben Underhill were calling on Mrs. Sandy Underhill Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Underhill is spending a few days at her home.

Miss Bernetta Coughlan is spending a few weeks in Blackville, the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Coughlan.

Mr. John Gillespie and John Sullivan passed through here en route to Blackville. John was certainly pulling a tight rein.

Beef killing is the order of the day. Misses Ethel and Greta Vickers were calling on Tommie Underhill Sunday.

Mr. Jas. Coughlan passed through here en route to Blackville.

### BOIESTOWN

The Women's Institute held its usual meeting at the residence of Mrs. Sharpe and an enjoyable evening was spent. Many boxes have been forwarded to the soldier lads at the front. Outside of our own immediate soldiers motherless boys of the rural districts were furnished with boxes.

Miss Estelle Spencer who has been spending the last two months with Mrs. Nelson has returned to her home at Parkers Ridge.

Miss Agnes O'Donnell who has had an attack of jaundice is able to be around again.

Mr. Everett Nelson who has been ill with jaundice is slowly recovering.

Among the ones who attended the trial of Robert Rice at Newcastle were Misses Margaret and Kathleen Duffy, Messrs. Harold and Fenton Duffy.

Mr. Harry Steen was a visitor to our neighborhood again this week. A few of our portagers are wearing some sad faces on account of bad weather and roads, among whom might be mentioned Archie Greer.

The new chapel which was recently dedicated is having a new furnace put in by Mr. Fred Shay.

Among the visitors from the rural districts to the city this week were Mr. and Mrs. Perley Calhoun, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Allain.

Mrs. Harry Norrad and Miss Annamay Norrad visited Fredericton this week.

Mr. Ellridge Hunter was a visitor to Fredericton this week.

Mr. Kenn A. Moir who has been in Trout Brook for some time spent Sunday at his home.

We are glad to learn little Miss Freda Carroll is recovering from her illness.

Justus Carroll and James Cameron have taken a contract for pulp in the Cunard lot for James S. Fairley.

Alex. Calson of Holtville is kept busy portaging with his fancy team. A number of men who have been employed at the mine have returned to their respective homes.

Mr. Earle Parker returned to Boiestown on Saturday evening.

Miss Isabelle Hovey is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Randolph Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Macdonald were calling at Fairley on Friday.

Mrs. James S. Fairley who was visiting her daughter, Miss Muriel Macdonald of Fredericton has returned home.

Miss G. A. Wilson can boast of the largest spring pig on the beat. The butcher called at her house recently and after the pig was dressed tipped the scales at neat two hundred and fifty four lbs.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Aubrey L. Price of Ludlow, who enlisted with the 122nd Battalion, generally known as the North Shore Battalion. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Price of Ludlow, and is well known in this vicinity.

Little Miss Alice Norrad who has been so ill, is recovering slowly. We are glad to learn she will soon be able to be among us again.

Mrs. Angus Edney and Mrs. Claire Young, were calling on Mrs. John F. Macdonald on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Bonaiah Norrad was calling on friends Sunday.

The teachers' training class of Boiestown, meets at the Parsonage every Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

The organized boys meeting of the Bible Class will meet at the Parsonage on Friday evening at seven o'clock.

On Sunday Dec. 17th, Methodist Mission by pastor and assistant pastor:

Avery's Portage—10.30 a. m.  
Parker's Ridge—11 a. m.  
Bloomfield—3 p. m.  
New Bandon—3 p. m.  
Boiestown—3 p. m.  
Amos—7 p. m.

Tues. Dec. 19, Upper Hayesville, 6.15 p. m.; Wed. Dec. 20, Parkers Ridge, 7 p. m.; Thurs Dec 21, Holtville, 7 p. m.

### CHATHAM

Some time Friday night V. A. Danville's grocery store was broken into and about \$191 in cash was stolen from the safe and tills. The burglar forced open the cellar door and entered the store through a hatch, by the combination and looks like the safe was not blown but opened the work of a professional. The burglar was after cash only as apparently nothing else was touched. The police are working on the case.

The ferry boat Sybella H., owned by the Miramichi Steam Navigation Company, which runs from Chatham to Ferryville, sank Saturday night at her slip on the Chatham side of the river. An effort will be made to raise her.

Three Chatham boys slipped off on the first lap to France Friday night, Howard Vanstons, Jack Matthews and Percy Kitchen. Very few of their friends knew they intended going or else they would have been given a rousing send-off. They had enlisted some time ago with the Army Service Corps and received word Friday to report at Toronto at once for duty.

Four vessels came up Friday to load at the Rossing Mills—two at Morrison's Cove, and two at Chatham.

Civil Service examinations will be held in the Chatham Grammar School on the 20th, 21st and 22nd inst., for stenography. Five young ladies will take the examinations, three of them from St. Michael's Academy.

### BRYENTON

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Kelly on the arrival of a bouncing baby boy, Nov. 18th.

Mr. Michael Kelly has returned from a visit to Weaver's Siding.

Miss Bernetta Taylor has returned home after a few weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Philip Kelly.

Miss Evelyn O'Brien is visiting in Quarryville for a few days.

Miss Martha Kelly spent Sunday, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Henry Kelly.

### BLACKVILLE

Mr. Benny Layton spent a day in Newcastle last week.

Mr. A. Alcorn was in Newcastle last week on business.

Miss Lillian Dunn was visiting friends in Chatham last week.

Miss Edna Vye is visiting friends in Moncton.

Mr. Melvin Ross has returned to Burnt Hill Mines.

Mr. Morrisay Dunn spent a few days in Chatham last week.

Mrs. A. M. Coughlan of Grey Rapids was in town Friday.

Mrs. Chas. Stewart is on the sick list.

Mrs. George McKenzie is laid up with an attack of Erysipelas.

Mr. Thomas Clarke was in town last Saturday.

Mr. A. Layton was in Newcastle and Chatham last week on business.

Messrs. A. W. and H. Grady have sold out their tailor business to M. Schaffer, who is now prepared to take all kinds of orders in Gents Tailoring.

Mr. W. H. Underhill spent Saturday in Newcastle.

Mr. J. J. Harris of Grey Rapids, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Stafford has been laid up the last few days with Neuralgia, and Geo. J. McKenzie is in his place as truckman for M. Schacer.

Mr. James Moran, formerly of Upper Blackville, now of Bathurst, is visiting his parents, and also friends in Blackville.

Mr. Magnus Kane of Bathurst is visiting his sister, Mrs. Thomas Moran of Upper Blackville.

Mr. William Keenan is visiting his old home at Keenans, N. B., after an absence of five years in British Columbia.

Mr. George Harris of Grey Rapids has returned home after visiting his sister in Chatham.

Mr. Walter Sutherland took his usual trip to Newcastle Saturday night to spend Sunday with his family.

Miss Jessie Donahue, teacher at Blissfield, visited her home here Saturday.

Mr. James McLaggan who has been in Bangor, Maine, for the past few months, arrived home Saturday night.

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A full assortment of all goods kept in a first class Store. Our prices have not advanced, see our bargains in Dress Goods, Woolens, Underwear, etc.

### Boots and Shoes

We are prepared to give good value in Boots, Rubbers, Overshoes, and Felt Goods.

### Furniture

A full assortment of Chairs, Tables, Bed Room Suites, Mattresses, etc.

### Hardware

A general assortment of all kinds.

### Groceries

We offer for Xmas Week—Beaver Flour \$9.65; Goldie's Star \$9.65; Molasses 60c gal.; Beans 8c. lb., \$4.75 bushel; choice seeded Rasins 12c lb.; Tomatoes 15c can, also a first class stock of Fancy and Family Groceries.

TOYS and FANCY GOODS in variety for the Christmas Trade

## M. SHAFFER = Blackville

Mr. John Duffy was in Newcastle Monday.

Mrs. Stanley McDonald and Irene Crawford, spent Tuesday in Millerton with Mrs. Bert Vanderbeck.

### Women's Institute Meeting

Despite the inclement weather a good crowd attended the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute, Tuesday evening, Dec. 4th. Mrs. Roy McLaggan read a very instructive paper on "Simple Remedies in Emergencies" which was very much appreciated. Miss Pringle, principal of the Blackville Superior School, then led in the discussion on "School Fires." This subject was ably discussed by both teachers and parents. As the three schools, Blackville Superior, Underhill and Lockstead, are

represented in the Institute, it was decided after much discussion to award prizes to the three schools for the term beginning Jan. 8th, 1917. A committee composed of Mrs. R. R. McLaggan, Mrs. Bert Underhill, Mrs. J. Underhill and the Misses L. Underhill, Pringle, Power, Mountain and R. Underhill, was appointed to decide the kind of prizes and for what subjects to be awarded.

A pleasing feature of the meeting and one that added much to the evening's enjoyment, was the choruses sang by the high school girls and boys, also a solo by Morrisay Dunn, pianist in her usual efficient manner.

Three new members were added to the list at this meeting.

For the next monthly meeting, Jan. 9th, a committee of the young girls of the Institute composed of Misses

Pringle, Power, R. Underhill, Mountain, E. Underwood, H. McLaggan and E. Dale was appointed to prepare the program and take full charge of the meeting. With a committee of such bright, smart young ladies the January meeting is looked forward to with interest.

The Red Cross work of the Institute still goes on. Meetings for that purpose are held every Tuesday evening, excepting the evening of the monthly meeting. More supplies have been purchased and the noble work of knitting and the making of bandages and soldiers comforts is carried on with much enthusiasm. More members and more money is needed to carry on this work. Any donations of money, socks, yarn, etc., sent to the secretary, Mrs. Bert Underhill, will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

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Following have been rejected as physically unfit and are entitled to the "A. R." button: Gunnar Stowben Campbell, John Gould, Marshall Martin, James E. O'Brien and Isaac Woody.

**NO INSTITUTE TUESDAY NIGHT**  
Owing to the heavy storm no meeting of the Newcastle Women's Institute was held Tuesday evening.

**FORMER DOUGLASTOWN MAN SAVES MANY LIVES**  
Patrolman Clifford Sullivan, of the Boston Metropolitan Police Force, recently with a ladder and life preserver, saved the lives of five men who had run their auto at 40 miles an hour into the Charles River, where the water was ten feet deep. Patrolman Sullivan is a native of Douglastown, N. B.

**BUSINESS AS USUAL**  
The Pilotage Commissioners report the following vessels loading in the Miramichi this season:  
17 British str. tonnage 36,092  
7 " sailing vessels " 2,352  
29 Foreign steamers " 42,510  
117 " sailing vessels " 29,975  
Total 110,929  
Last year's total: 188 vessels, 124,150 tons.

**THE NEW PULP MILL AT MILLERTON**

A Chatham correspondent of the St. John Telegraph has telegraphed that the whole work on the new pulp mill was tied up. We might state that this is not the case. The men employed by Mr. Volckman were engaged to clear up the yard and prepare for the new building. The work will be completed as soon as the plans of the mill are ready.

It would pay the Chatham correspondent to enquire from authoritative sources before making misleading statements.

The St. John Telegraph of Tuesday says:—  
Prospects are good for the early completion of the new mill of the N. B. Pulp & Paper Company at Millerton, and for the enlargement of the business. It is hoped that by March the new mill will be producing fifteen tons of crates pulp a day. J. D. Volckman, manager of the enterprise, was recently in Montreal and obtained new capital from influential Montreal pulp and paper interests. His uncle, Sir Robert Perks will continue to hold a large interest in the enterprise. An engineer from New York is engaged in making plans for the new property, and these will be ready soon and construction will then be rushed. The recent fire did not destroy the whole property, but left a nucleus of the mill intact. Before Mr. Volckman went to Montreal men had been engaged in clearing off the ground preparatory for new construction, and they were laid off when that work was finished. This led to the erroneous report that the enterprise had been in some way interrupted. The reverse is the case. It is going forward with every prospect of a considerable enlargement of the business. Mr. Volckman returned to Millerton.

**Miramichi Presbytery Met in Millerton**

The Presbytery of Miramichi met in quarterly session, in Grace Church, Millerton, on Tuesday, Dec. 12. The following ministers were present:—Revs. Hugh Miller, W. McNeil, F. L. Jobbs, J. H. McLean, J. R. Miller, S. J. MacArthur, Alex. Urth, Geo. P. Tattler, Geo. A. Grant, W. B. Rosborough, John Harris, W. B. Wylie, J. F. McCarty, Alex. Rettle, L. Beaton, A. J. McNeill and J. R. McKay and J. A. Robertson, elder.  
Mr. Beaton was elected Moderator for the next month and Mr. Rettle was re-elected clerk.  
Rev. Geo. A. Grant, M. A., B. D., for the past six years, minister of Black River congregation, resigned his charge, Mr. McNight, representing the congregation, spoke of the high regard in which Mr. Grant is held by his people; and their deep desire for him to remain with them, but as the work is far too heavy for Mr. Grant in his present state of health, they had decided to place no obstacle in his way. The Presbytery very regretfully accepted his resignation, which took effect January 31. The request of the congregation, Mr. Rosborough, of Loggieville, was appointed Interim Moderator and was asked to declare the pulpit vacant the 1st Sunday in the New Year.  
The congregation of Bathurst, was given permission to mortgage their church property, for an amount not exceeding \$10,000.00 and their application for a free grant from the church and manse building fund was renewed.  
Four remits from the Assembly were considered and judgment passed thereon. The most important of which was the proposed reduction of Presbytery representation in the Assembly, from one in six, to one in eight. This remit was strongly disapproved.

Mr. Matthews presented the report of the Synodal Committee on "The Church and after the War Situation." In view of our country's need it was agreed to ask every minister to present this theme to his people on the first Sunday of the New Year, and to hold a conference in connection with the next quarterly meeting of the Presbytery, in which the "National Mission of Repentance and Hope" may not merely find an echo in our midst but may stir us up to real effort for the kingdom of God, by which alone the peace and safety of the world can be secured.  
Home Mission Reports were received and considered and approved. Allocations to the different congregations for the Budget were made, and a large amount of routine business was transacted.  
In the evening a public meeting was held. Mr. MacArthur conducted the service, and splendid addresses were given by Rev. Hugh Miller of Campbellton and Wylie of Chatham. It was agreed to hold the next quarterly meeting in St. James Hall, Newcastle, on the 2nd Tuesday of March, 1917.

**Obituary**

**MRS. RACHAEL E. STEARNS**  
Mrs. Rachael E. Stearns, (nee Appleby) wife of Mr. Paul Stearns, died at her home in Boston, Dec. 4th. She leaves a husband and three children, also seven sisters and one brother to mourn the sad loss. Mrs. Stearns was born in South Nelson, and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Appleby.

**MRS. ALFRED DICK**  
The death of Mrs. Alfred Dick occurred at her home in Chatham, on Friday afternoon, after an illness of some weeks. Deceased was 42 years of age and leaves her husband, four sons and four daughters—William at Bathurst, Edward, Alex. and Joseph at home; Mrs. Charles Traer of Amherst, Ruth, Helen and Iva at home. She is also survived by her mother, Mrs. Thomas Currie, two brothers, Richard, of Trenton, Ont., and Joseph of Chatham; and three sisters, Mrs. Wm. Gulliver of Gibson, Mrs. Wm. Keoughan and Mr. John E. McCarthy of Chatham. The funeral on Sunday afternoon was largely attended. Services were conducted by Rev. M. A. O'Keefe and interment was at St. Michael's cemetery. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

**MRS. E. LEROY WILLIS**  
The death of Mrs. Margaret Louise Willis, wife of E. Leroy Willis, proprietor of Hotel Miramichi, occurred at her home here yesterday morning at ten o'clock, after an illness of some 13 months, which she bore with Christian resignation and fortitude. She came here with her husband from Sydney, N. S., some two years ago, and soon made many friends. She was born in Fredericton, daughter of the late Wm. McGibbon of Ft. Wolfe, Albert Co., N. B., who afterwards removed to New York. She leaves her husband and two children—Mrs. (Dr.) J. J. Roy of Sydney, N. S., and Ronald Edward, also three brothers—Brownell, Henry and Fred McGibbon, all of New York. Deceased was a member of the Anglican church and her funeral will be held in St. Andrew's church here tomorrow morning at 10.30. Rev. W. J. Bate, her pastor, to conduct the services, interment in Miramichi cemetery. Mr. Willis and his children, have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

**ANDREW BROWN**  
Andrew Brown of Central Bedouque, P. E. I., a native of Chatham Head, opposite Newcastle, a brother of late George Brown, Ex-Mayor of Newcastle, and an annual visitor to this town and vicinity, died in Summerside, P. E. I., Hospital, last Monday aged 89 years. Deceased was twice married, first to Miss Percival of Chatham Head, by which he leaves

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son, Albert R. of Winnipeg, who brought his father's remains to Newcastle; and second to Miss Love, also of Chatham Head. He lived for many years in Minneapolis, Minn., and after the death of his second wife, removed to Central Bedouque. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2.30 from the residence of Mrs. George Brown, services being conducted at the house and grave by Rev. S. J. MacArthur, and interment in St. James cemetery. The pallbearers were James Falconer, Samuel A. Russell, J. H. Phinney, Edward Crocker, James M. Troy and George Stables. Deceased was a kindly gentleman, who had many friends who sympathize strongly with his bereaved son.

**NEW NURSES AT MIRAMICHI HOSPITAL**  
Miss Haines of Moncton and Miss Macdonald of Chatham, have accepted positions as nurses on the staff of the Miramichi Hospital. Miss Curtis of Michigan who had been visiting in Bathurst, and who recently joined the nursing staff of our Hospital, has been accepted for overseas service and leaves shortly for England.

**TAKEN INTO FALMOUTH**  
A London despatch of Dec. 12 says the Belgian steamer Keltier, bound from Newcastle, N. B., with a cargo of lumber, for Queenstown, was taken into Falmouth full of water.

**NAVIGATION CLOSING**  
The Miramichi, after being laid off four days, resumed regular trips between Chatham and Newcastle on Friday. Saturday afternoon she got only as far as Douglastown. The Sybella H. sank at her wharf in Chatham Saturday night, and was raised on Monday. The Miramichi took her place at the Lower Ferry. No boat has run here from Chatham since Friday. The ships at the Rossing Mills went out on Monday. The lower ferry closed on Monday.

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