

OTTAWA LETTER. Some Instructive Information Squeezed Out of Mulock and Sifton.

The Soldiers in the Yukon an Expensive Ornaments—Sir Wilfrid on "Little Minds."

The Senate and the Drummond and Grand Trunk Railway Deal—Sir Oliver Mowat's Pledge Must be Redeemed.

OTTAWA, June 28.—The affair of the Yukon telegraph line which has been the last all night session of the house contains some interesting elements besides those discussed in previous letters. It now happens that while no money was voted for this service and while the parliament met on the 17th of March, the government passed the order in council on the 13th of March, authorizing the beginning of a work which has been estimated to cost \$1,000,000. Another remarkable feature of the case is the fact that while the order in council authorizing the work to be done was passed on the 13th of March, Mr. Charlson had three days before been appointed and received his instructions from the department of public works to go on with all these services. Under date of the 14th of March Mr. Charlson wrote to Mr. J. B. Charlson informing him that "upon the construction of a telegraph line to connect with Dawson City... you that he has been pleased to place you in charge of the party which is to proceed immediately to undertake the construction of the said telegraph line."

Mr. Charlson had other duties and was given very large authority to spend money. Among the things he was asked to do in addition to the construction of the telegraph to Dawson was the examination for another telegraph line southward to Quesnel, the improvement of the rivers surveyed by Mr. Coste, the construction of administration buildings at Dawson City, and the examination of the country for a road. He was authorized to purchase supplies for all these services and to procure such assistance as he needed. Mr. Gobet explained that he had placed \$15,000 in Mr. Charlson's hands and authorized him to deposit in the bank whatever balance there might be when he reached Dawson, or if he had no account money he could draw for more. It will be seen that the government began by taking money that was not voted and giving it to Mr. Charlson, and ended by giving Mr. Charlson a free hand to spend money on his own account.

Mr. Charlson had gained a considerable notoriety as a contractor before Mr. Tarte introduced him at Ottawa, and there was a general expression of opinion on the opposition side of the house in the house that he was a man to be made a profuse and generous use of the opportunities allowed him. Mr. Charlson began well. After privately asking for prices from only three dealers, Mr. Charlson went to his son, a retail store keeper in this city, and bought \$5,000 worth of telegraph wire. Mr. Charlson junior is not an extensive dealer in telegraph wire, and the price paid for the wire was excessive. There is a common impression that Mr. Charlson senior is interested in business with Mr. Charlson junior, and that Mr. Charlson junior has had a considerable pull in supplying goods for the public works department, his father being one of the purchasers for Mr. Tarte. Mr. Charlson senior starts out with a salary of \$4,000 a year on this enterprise.

It was five o'clock in the morning before Mr. Fielding, who represents Mr. Tarte in the latter's absence, proposed these prices to Mr. Charlson. In the early part of the all night sitting the acting minister of public works was very reticent in giving information and very flippant in making replies. Moreover he was not as intransigent as a minister ought to be when he wants money from the house. Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the course of his apology for the government's change of base on the telegraph matter, explained that the department had a vote out of which Mr. Charlson's \$15,000 was taken. Mr. Fielding at once backed him up. When Sir Wilfrid was asked to explain, this is the item he mentioned: "Telegraph line, B. C., \$12,000." This was voted last year.

It did not take Mr. Foster long to show that the money given to Mr. Charlson did not come from this vote. The last year's vote of \$12,000 was expended in paying salaries and for repairs on the government lines already established in British Columbia and operated by the department of public works. There was no money left from the vote for the Yukon enterprise, which is not in British Columbia at all, and the attempt to make it appear that the money was paid out of this vote was a miserable little piece of deception quite unworthy of a minister of the crown, but not unusual. After this sort of quibbling and after refusing to tell the committee whether Mr. Tarte's Charlson was the same as the Crown's Charlson, Mr. Fielding seemed to be surprised that he could not get his estimates through as fast as he liked. If he continues this style of doing business there are many more surprises in store for him.

Mr. Martin is having a controversy over the case of the destruction of lobster traps and ropes belonging to Benjamin Compton & Company of Bell River. The Comptons say that they closed up their factory before the expiry of the fishing season, but that on account of the bad weather they were not able to get their traps to shore. The property was afterwards seized by the cruiser Acadia, and the

whole of it, costing about \$100, was sold, so Mr. Martin says, at a hole and corner sale at Charlottetown, without the knowledge of the company, for \$8.96, out of which the expenses had to be paid. The company further states that they had made every effort to get their traps in, and were engaged in landing them when the seizure was made. It is also stated that the ropes which were seized by the cruiser were being used at the time in taking in the traps.

Among the letters read by Mr. Martin was one from Compton & Co., explaining how they came to be late in taking in their traps. The writer says: "As we had permission from the department of marine and fisheries to ship our goods without being stamped, having sold under contract, we were therefore compelled to have our goods in Charlottetown before the 23rd of July." It would appear that this permission, which was apparently a special arrangement unauthorized by law, led to the trouble, for while the company was taking the goods to Charlottetown, the time expired for taking up the traps and the weather became so bad that the delay occurred.

Sir Louis Davies does not appear to have any explanation of this special permission about marking goods, but he declared that the officers had to be sustained in the performance of their duty, and that he could not interfere with the course of law in the matter. Mr. Davies insists, on the other hand, that he does not want to weaken the power of the government to deal with matters like this, but that in the case in question there was no evidence to show any intention to violate the law or that the law was in fact violated. S. D. S.

OTTAWA, June 24.—A weak point was discovered yesterday in Mr. Mulock's postal revenue and expenditure calculations. The postmaster general says that the reduction of postage to two cents will not cost a loss of revenue of more than half a million a year, and he hopes that the increase in the number of letters will eventually be so great that there will be no loss at all. His revenue for five months ending the 31st of May was \$1,190,000 short of what it was in the same period last year, and figuring after this rate he makes the shortage about \$450,000 a year. In this calculation Mr. Mulock made no allowance for any additional gains from newspaper postage, which has brought him in a snug sum of money. So far he has only been able to discover an increase of ten per cent. in the number of letters other than drop letters mailed. In order to make up the total loss by reducing the postage from three cents to two cents he should be able to show an increase of correspondence of 50 per cent.

But it turned out in the discussion yesterday that Mr. Mulock had omitted another important element. Some surprise was expressed at the fact that there is an such increase in the postal expenditure as would be expected from the expensive services of the department in the Yukon. The postal revenue from the Yukon and from letters sent to that country, as well as that growing out of Yukon enterprises which have stimulated trade and travel and financial operations in the country generally, is very considerable. But it was discovered by Mr. Foster's examination of Mr. Mulock and Mr. Sifton in the committee of supply yesterday that while Mr. Mulock takes in the postal revenue from the Yukon he does not charge the department with the postal expenditure there. Practically the whole mail service in that region is performed by the mounted police. They have transported the mail on all parts of the district wherever mails were delivered and have charged their expenses to the interior department. It turns out on examination that a great part of the work of these mounted police in the Yukon was done by Mr. Foster led up to it very cleverly. The mounted police in the Yukon cost the country this year \$750,000 or so. Mr. Foster was trying to gather from Mr. Sifton what they did for their money, as they cost over \$4,000 a year for each man. Mr. Sifton explained in detail giving a very good account of the excellent work performed by this magnificent force. It appeared that the work of the postal department was a very important part of the mounted police duty, and that this feature of their services would have cost a large sum if Mr. Mulock had been obliged to pay for it in regular way. Now, since Mr. Mulock gets the Yukon revenue, it is reasonable that he should be charged with the Yukon postal expenditure, and Mr. Foster suggested the matter as a fight that the postmaster general admitted the necessity of making an appointment at the end of the year whereby transportation of mails in the Yukon would be charged to his department and credited to the department of the interior. When this is done Mr. Mulock's deficit will be increased probably by some \$200,000.

It is not yet very clear what service the soldiers have performed in the Yukon. We know that the country has paid about a million dollars for transportation, supplies, and pay of the force in that country. The mounted police were necessary, and have been useful. It does not yet appear that the soldiers were necessary or that they have performed any essential services. Mr. Sifton gives a lurid story of what might have been if the lawless people of Dawson had not been overawed by the military, but the common report from that country is that the great body of people in Dawson are law-abiding and are supporters of law and order. No one who comes from there expresses a doubt that the mounted police would have been quite sufficient for all practical purposes. If a force of constabulary were needed there are plenty of courageous people in the town who would have been quite willing to serve as local officers at a cost probably of not more than the price of Mr. Borden's soldiers. As if in the country has expended an amount equal to the whole postal revenue of St. John or Halifax on a service which is apparently unnecessary and is likely to be discontinued.

Mr. Sifton has his faults, but he has

this advantage over Mr. Fielding, that he recognizes the right of parliament to ask questions and the necessity of giving all explanations that he can. He makes no flippant replies. He is not impatient in his treatment of inquirers on the opposition side, and appears to be seriously anxious to give a reason for the expenditure that he has made or intends to make. His reasons may not be good, but he gives them in detail and without resorting to close and careful scrutiny. The result was that Mr. Sifton got through his vote of hundreds of thousands of dollars last night before two o'clock, while Mr. Fielding was busy until six o'clock in the morning over one or two small items concerning which he would not give civil answers. As one of Mr. Fielding's supporters observed, "the minister of only one penny cheaper for a minister in supply to be civil than to try to be smart."

Sir Wilfrid Laurier offered some observations yesterday about the "little minds" of the opposition. It was about a matter in the railway department which had been purchased at Mount Stewart for two million dollars and where the railway had been extended along the wharf without a previous authority from parliament for the expenditure. It was a matter in many other respects, and the purchase seems to have been in the interests of the community. No one objected to the expenditure in itself, but Mr. Foster, in regard to this item, vigorously upheld the right of parliament to be consulted before the thing was done. This was a case in which the action was determined before the last session of the house did not have made him rich, but his friends are about to perform that operation. The hundred thousand dollars testimonial is progressing favorably. One quarter of the \$100,000, and another one like it, is in cash, the other \$75,000 is to be invested for him. It is announced that the whole sum will be raised with ease, and that more can be had if necessary. We have had within a few years a strong competitor of Sir Wilfrid and Sir Richard Cartwright that publicity should be given to every subscription in order that the public may know that no part of it comes from people who are connected with the government. As yet, however, the only subscription made public is that of Lord Strathcona, who has sent a check for \$10,000, and promised another of \$10,000 if required. Lord Strathcona is high commissioner for Canada. He is one of the largest owners of the C. P. R. railway, which has close relations with the federal government. He is almost at the head of the Earl of Montreal, which has intimate business relations with the dominion. He is a director of a new iron company which has with other concerns of the kind for many years to come, and will no

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doubt apply for an extension when the first production is due.

Perhaps Sir Wilfrid should not refuse Lord Strathcona's check, but there is no harm in directing the attention of the printer to his own observations concerning the testimonial of Sir Hector Langevin. Nor is it any harm to refer Sir Richard Cartwright to his own suggestion that any of the friends of ministers who desire to make them a present ought to wait till the minister retires from office. There is a sarcastic observation following this, in which Sir Richard intimates that the present made after the minister's retirement would probably be very small. However this may be, it is apparent that Sir Wilfrid is not going to take the risk of delay. If the thing is to be done at all, perhaps it ought to be done at once. It is interesting to note that while a good deal was said by Mr. Blake, Sir Richard Cartwright and others about the testimonial to Lady Mac, Lord Strathcona, it appears that the sum to be raised for Sir Wilfrid Laurier is nearly as large as all these put together.

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OTTAWA, June 26.—The last meeting of the public accounts committee completed the investigation of the case of Collector Costigan's salary. The Hon. John Costigan had announced at a previous meeting that he intended making a statement. At the last meeting he said that he had made up his mind not to do so, as some of the matters which he would have discussed might be calculated to make bad feelings. He observed moreover that the case was very well understood, as it was H. A. Costigan who was not allowed to go under suspension, and his removal to Ottawa with \$600 reduction in salary was a heavy penalty. Sir Henry had sworn that Hon. Mr. Costigan had frequently visited him before these troubles began and afterwards had tried to arrange for a transfer of Collector Costigan to the east. This could only be effected by the superintendent of railways, who did not intend to retire, and according to Mr. Miall, was performing his duties with success. But what could not be done as a favor to Hon. John Costigan was not shown to be among those officers the strongest sympathy with Mr. Costigan in a matter that must have given him a great deal of anxiety, and Sir Henry Joly appears to protect Collector Costigan from the results of his unfortunate habits.

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He did not retain public money. But he is no longer in the service.

Hon. John Costigan is no longer in harmony with the Conservative party. He now votes steadily with the government. The explanation for this change of attitude has been set forth in his own words. He said that he lost confidence in the conservative leaders in the early winter of 1898. Notwithstanding his loss of confidence in Sir Charles Tupper he became a member of the Tupper ministry, and called upon the people of Canada to retain that ministry in office. Three years afterwards we have the assertion from Mr. Costigan that he himself at the time he made this appeal had no confidence in the leaders whom he was asking the people to support. It is not necessary to consider how far this statement is candid, but it is fairer to say that Mr. Costigan was honest in his expression of confidence in his leader when he was associating with him than to suppose that he was a traitor in the camp. If Costigan is more generous to consider his late statement as an after-thought.

When we consider the intimate relations between Mr. Costigan and the present ministry, when we remember that besides Collector Costigan he has two sons-in-law in the service, one of whom has advanced of salary and the other a new and advantageous appointment from this ministry, we are helped to an understanding of Mr. Costigan's friendly disposition towards the party in power. Last year after his resignation he made various statements made by Mr. Costigan in relation to the action of the conservatives in his own province of New Brunswick. One or two interviews were published which were used with considerable effect against the party in the provincial election. It was not then known that Mr. Costigan was discussing with the ministers so many matters of interest to himself and his family.

After all there does not appear to be any strong feeling against Mr. Costigan in the conservative camp in this city. There is rather a feeling of sorrow that unfortunate circumstances should have placed him in the position which he occupied. Perhaps some would have expected him to rise above these circumstances and maintain the principles and traditions of former times. No doubt he would have won some praise if he had held to his course as the other ex-ministers have done, and had asked no favors of the government and received no considerations from the ministers, but only those who have been placed in positions of stress and anxiety and have resisted all temptations to do anything more than neglect of duty, under the circumstances. The matter can be allowed to drop if only the pretense is abandoned that Mr. Costigan's transfer of allegiance to the party in power is a matter of great political significance. It is rather a personal and domestic affair, which has only attained political significance because it has given the government the support of a former conservative minister and has led to a peculiar leniency in the case of a public officer.

The public accounts committee has considered the case of Sir Louis Davies paid for provisions. It has to investigate some expenditures in the interior department. Col. Domville is yet to be heard from in that connection. Among other things it is expected that an inquiry will be held into the payment of fishery bounties to people who never went fishing.

The Drummond and Grand Trunk railway deal will be discussed in the senate more or less before this letter is printed. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, Mr. Ferguson and other senators are about to be heard. It is possible a statement of the Montreal extension for the first year of operation. They say that Sir Oliver Mowat solemnly promised to retire, and according to Mr. Miall, was performing his duties with success. But what could not be done as a favor to Hon. John Costigan was not shown to be among those officers the strongest sympathy with Mr. Costigan in a matter that must have given him a great deal of anxiety, and Sir Henry Joly appears to protect Collector Costigan from the results of his unfortunate habits.

Then again a strenuous effort will be made to get at the bottom of the agreement and understanding between the Intercolonial and the Grand Trunk in regard to the traffic. It is believed that there is a secret understanding which gives the Grand Trunk a very large control in the management of the Intercolonial. If this is so parliament should know it before the thing goes any farther, and the senators will endeavor to obtain the information. S. D. S.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Two Pens that Write as One.

To the Editor of the Sun: Sir—It is strange, what a remarkable parallelism there is between thought and expression of a writer in the New York Evening Post and the editor of the Daily Telegraph. Below are a short editorial from the latter paper of date June 24, and an extract from an Evening Post article in the same week.

"The people of Norway and Sweden are not well pleased at the abrogation of the Act of the ancient constitution of Finland. They do not relish the idea of their boundaries being practically continuous with those of their gigantic neighbor. Even after her submission by Russia in the early years of this century, Finland, with her autonomous government, her little territorial army, and her peculiar national characteristics was regarded by Scandinavian statesmen as a sort of buffer state, between themselves and the Muscovite empire. But it is no longer possible to entertain this view now that the Finnish forces have been absorbed into the Russian army. The military power of the Crown, as has been pointed out already in the London press, has now advanced to the very frontier of Norway and Sweden, and should Russia arise, might easily be tempted to overrun them. It is not pretended that there is any immediate probability of such aggression, but the feasibility of it occasions a certain degree of uneasiness in the minds of the people of the North." (Evening Post.)

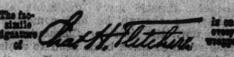
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Surely the editor of the Telegraph might have added that he or some other wise person had made these reflections previously in the New York paper.

26 June, 1899.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.



WEDDED AT APOHAQUIL

On Wednesday morning, June 28, the Episcopal church at Apohaquil was the scene of one of the most brilliant events that has occurred in the village for a long time, the occasion being the marriage of Miss Ida Pearson, daughter of George Pearson, to James H. Manchester of the same place. About 11 o'clock the bride entered the church on the arm of her brother, Dr. Pearson of Sussex, the choir singing The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden. The bride was accompanied by her sister, Miss Alice Pearson, and Miss Emma Manchester. The bride was attired in a beautiful dress of white cashmere, with satin trimming of same color, and train with bridal veil, and carrying a prayer book. The groom was supported by his brother, Dr. John Manchester. The church was beautifully decorated with ferns, mosses and potted plants, with a large arch under which the bride and groom stood, Miss Edna Spruce presided at the organ, playing the Wedding March while the happy couple left the church. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. Scovell Neales of Sussex. After a sumptuous lunch at the bride's home, the wedding party, including the C. P. R. for Nova Scotia, amid showers of rice and roses, the bride looked charming in a going-away gown of brown cloth, with hat to match.

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And Sentenced to Ten Days in Fred-erickton Jail by Judge Vanwart.

The Verdict and Sentence Received With Cheers by the Crowded Court Room.

FREDERICKTON, June 27.—The Gover trial, which has been the chief topic of interest for the past several days, came to a close this afternoon. A large crowd was on hand when the court opened this morning, and at all times throughout the day the court room was completely filled. After the opening proceedings Attorney General White began his address to the jury. He spoke for upwards of an hour and thirty minutes. At the conclusion of his address the court adjourned for dinner.

When the court resumed at 2 this afternoon, Judge Vanwart delivered his charge to the jury. After referring to the charge against the prisoner he said that the latter stood before them in law innocent of the crime charged against him. The taking of life is held prima facie to be murder, but there are cases under which it can be reduced from murder to manslaughter. After quoting the law on the subject, his honor said that it seemed to him that there could be no doubt, in fact it was admitted, that McLean lost his life at Gover's hands on the morning of May 19. It was claimed by Gover that he killed McLean under circumstances that did not make it murder. He was not going to express any opinion on the view or tell them who they were or were not to believe. If they believed the evidence of Gover that he found McLean in bed with his wife and killed him in the heat of passion, it was for them to say if that was not sufficient provocation, and whether or not the passions of Gover had time to cool down. The attorney general held that the prisoner's passions did have time to cool down, but the jury must remember that all men were not alike, and it was for them to decide whether or not the contention of the crown was correct. He reminded the jury that they were to judge the case only by so much evidence as they believed. His honor then referred briefly to the evidence given by James Humble and Dr. Moore and Major Howe regarding certain statements made by the prisoner on the morning after the tragedy as particularly deserving their careful attention. He pointed out to the jury the great responsibility that rested upon their shoulders, and urged them to lay aside all sympathies. The verdict might not meet with the approval of everybody, but if it commended itself to their consciences and they had discharged their duty fairly and honestly they need not care for public criticism. He explained that under the indictment they could find the prisoner guilty of either murder or manslaughter, but if they failed to find him guilty of murder it would seem to be their duty to return a verdict of manslaughter. He spoke for about twenty minutes with the utmost impartiality.

At 2.40 o'clock the jury retired. Mr. Gregory informed the attorney general after the jury retired that he intended to appear should the case go against his client.

After being out a little over an hour the jury returned and through their foreman announced that they acquitted the prisoner on murder but had found him guilty of manslaughter.

Mr. Gregory, on being asked if he had any reason to offer why sentence should not be passed, addressed the court briefly. He said that he had visited the prisoner's wife shortly after the tragedy and found her in a very repentant mood and willing to assume all responsibility for the affair. She had mortgaged her farm to provide the prisoner on his parole. Mr. Gregory in conclusion expressed the hope that his honor would deal as leniently as possible with the prisoner.

His honor, after addressing Gover at some length, embodying in his remarks considerable good advice for the future, sentenced him to ten days' imprisonment in the county jail.

His sentence was received with cheers by the spectators, several persons taking part in the demonstration.

His honor then adjourned the court sine die, and the prisoner was taken to jail to serve out his sentence.

When the sentence became known throughout the city it created a profound sensation. At first it would hardly be credited, for although it was the general opinion that Gover would get off lightly, yet from two to ten years in the penitentiary seemed to be the sentence that nearly everybody looked for. Of course there are a great many different opinions expressed in regard to the sentence. Some think that a number of years in the penitentiary would be letting Gover off easy, while others are of the opinion that Judge Vanwart was just right. Certain it is, however, that on July 7th Gover will be a free man.

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION.

LONDON, June 27.—Replying to a question in the house of commons today, the secretary of state for the colonies, Joseph Chamberlain, said he hoped a bill providing for the federation of the Australian commonwealth would be introduced in the house of commons early next session.

MELBOURNE, Victoria, June 27.—In the legislative assembly today, the federal enabling bill passed its first reading.

YARMOUTH MAN FALLS DEAD.

YARMOUTH, N. S., June 27.—Edward Hugh Jenkins, clerk with Corning & Chipman, barristers, fell dead this noon while attempting to get out of bed, where he had been confined for ten days. Heart failure was the cause. He was married last September and was a most highly esteemed and exemplary citizen.

Reliable news in the Semi-Weekly Sun.

REPORT OF MISS LEFROY AT EDGEHILL'S CLOSING.

The following report of the lady principal was read by her lordship the bishop from the platform at Edgehill's closing on June 26th. The names of the successful candidates for the title of "Associate in Arts" at King's college are appended.

Report of the Lady Principal, June, 1899.

The school year just ended has been satisfactory in all ways. We have had quite full numbers for two terms. The health of the pupils has been excellent; there has been no illness to cause any anxiety, only a few mild cases of grippe, two of chicken-pox, and two of German measles. The pupils, in addition to being well, have been good, happy and industrious. Good work has been done in all subjects. The two senior classes were entered for the senior and junior local examinations at King's college. All of the candidates passed, four of the seniors and three of the juniors gaining first class honors. The junior examination is accepted for matriculation, and the senior for entrance into the second year of the college course.

About thirty of our senior pupils attended with pleasure and profit the course of lectures arranged during the last six months by the Halifax Society of King's college.

Thirteen candidates have just been sent in for the Trinity college musical examinations. Of the twenty-three candidates who took that examination last year, all passed, ten gaining over 80 per cent. in marks.

The drawings and painted china exhibited in the studio show what has been done in that department during the year, and the plain and fancy needle work show that our girls do not neglect that most necessary part of a woman's education.

A good impetus has been given to the matter of physical education by the fitting up of the gymnasium with a small amount of apparatus, and another healthy outdoor recreation has been provided by the formation of a club for playing ground hockey.

A suitable ground for that game and cricket is much needed, and though we own a field of the right size, the expense of levelling it prevents its being of any use to us at present.

The school library has been increased by over seventy volumes. Many useful books of reference were provided by the proceeds of the annual school concert, and lighter literature by a small terminal subscription from each pupil. We also received the very welcome gift of a complete set of Scott's novels from Thomas Ritchie of Halifax.

The Kyrie society formed among the pupils for the purpose of beautifying the school has already framed eighteen large pictures and provided curtains, cushioned easy corners and two rocking chairs for the library.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing to my excellent staff of teachers my high appreciation of their conscientious work, and the ready help which I always receive from them and which has brought the school to its present satisfactory state.

Senior Candidates Who Receive the Title of Associate in Arts. Class I.—Margie Stewart, with distinction in literature and religious knowledge. Geraldine Coster, with distinction in literature.

Class II.—Beatrice Ritchie, with distinction in literature. Isabella Ross, with distinction in literature.

Class III.—Constance Oxley, Esther Black, Kathleen Smith, Elsie Townsend, Bertha Schofield, Mary Dickey, Violet Bullock.

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Programme of Services and Meetings at Chatham.

INIQUITOUS!

Most Astonishing Features of the Intercolonial Extension Deal.

Blair Binds the I. C. R. to Give All West Bound Traffic for Ninety Years to Yankee Roads.

The Montreal Star in a Leading Editorial Exposes the True Inwardness of This Unpatriotic Transaction.

MONTREAL, June 27.—The Star in a leading editorial tonight, "A monstrous scheme," says: "An encroachment of the government made by Sir Mackenzie Bowell in the senate has called public attention to one of the most astonishing features of the Intercolonial extension deal, and one which has hitherto escaped notice. This is the clause in the bill by which the government of Canada binds itself for ninety years to give all its westbound unconsignee traffic controlled by the Intercolonial, or its connections, destined for points west thereof reached by the Grand Trunk and its connections, to the Grand Trunk system."

That is to say, for ninety-nine years all "controllable freight" originating at any point on the Intercolonial, or its connections, and destined for the Canadian Northwest or British Columbia, must go from the western terminus of the Intercolonial by the Grand Trunk and its American connections. For ninety-nine years the government binds itself to discriminate against any now existing or future Canadian route in favor of the Grand Trunk and its United States allies.

Practically for ninety-nine years the Grand Trunk is to have the advantage without the disadvantages of a lease of the Intercolonial.

Such stupendous concessions as this a never granted by any railway company to another, without corresponding considerations. One company guaranteeing the interest upon the bonds of another might enter into such an arrangement, and think itself a benefactor of Africa, but to reckon double as qualifying service.

Service rendered partly in the local forces of one colony or protectorate, and partly in the local forces of another colony or protectorate, or partly in the local forces of one or more colonies or protectorates, and partly in the volunteer force of Great Britain, shall be reckoned as qualifying service for this decoration, provided that no officer shall be eligible unless at least half of his qualifying service has been rendered in the militia or volunteer forces of one or more colonies or protectorates, service on the West Coast of Africa, counting double.

Service on the permanent staff shall not reckon as qualifying service for this decoration. Service qualifying for this decoration shall also count towards the qualification for the decoration of the volunteer officers' decoration, provided that officers shall be eligible for such decoration unless ten years' commissioned service, or the equivalent thereof, has been spent in the volunteer force of Great Britain.

It is our further will and pleasure that this decoration shall be conferred under such regulations as to grant, forfeiture and restoration as may from time to time be submitted by the governor general of our Dominion of Canada, or by the governors of our colonies and dependencies, or by our representatives in countries under our protection, and as may be approved by our provincial secretary of state for war upon the recommendation of our provincial secretary of state for the colonies. The regulations aforesaid shall, as far as possible, correspond to those which regulate the award of the decoration of the Volunteer Officers' Decoration.

Our warrant of May 24, 1894, save and except so much of it as relates to our Indian empire, is hereby cancelled. Given at our court at Windsor, this 11th day of May, 1899, in the 52nd year of our reign.

By Her Majesty's command. LANSDOWNE. —London, "Eleg. Gazette.

Another similar warrant is also published in the London Gazette constituting a new medal to be called the colonial auxiliary forces long service medal. All ranks are eligible for the medal, and the other conditions are similar to those which regulate the award of the decoration. It is also ordered that an officer who has served in the ranks of a volunteer corps in Great Britain, or in the militia or volunteers of a colony or protectorate, but who is not qualified for the colonial auxiliary forces officer's decoration, shall, on completing twenty years' service in all, be eligible to receive the long service medal, but shall surrender the same if subsequently the aforesaid decoration shall be conferred upon him.

SOUTHAMPTON NEWS. SOUTHAMPTON, Tonk Co., June 27.—John Allen, in charge of the steam machine, is working in this part of the parish.

Chas. E. Grant is having his residence improved. Chas. Dunham and sons are improving their farm buildings. Sherrick Stairs, whose barns were recently destroyed by lightning, has new buildings under way.

Alle Schriver and Miss Miller are home from Normal school. Mrs. A. J. Way had a garden party, the first of the season, on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ketchum of Bridgewater, Maine, are visiting their daughters, Mrs. Farnham and Mrs. Wright.

Raymond Way lost a valuable horse with colic on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Messrs. Savage and Stairs have purchased the Swanhilda.

A public meeting and parish convention of the liberal conservative party of Queens will be held at Johnston (Cody's) hall on Thursday, July 6th. The meeting will be addressed by Dr. A. A. Stockton of St. John, Geo. W. Fowler of Sussex and H. B. Hetherington.

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Three Additions Wednesday to June Wedding Harvest.

John Hillman Discharged from the County Jail on an Order of Judge Wilson—Funeral of Isabella Currie.

FREDERICKTON, N. B., June 28.—Miss Alma Gibson, second daughter of Mrs. John T. Gibson, and a granddaughter of Alexander Gibson, was united in marriage this afternoon to Dr. A. Pierce Crockett of Dalhousie. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. W. Brewer at the residence of the bride's mother in the presence of only the immediate friends and relatives of the contracting parties. The bride was given in marriage by her grandfather, and was charmingly attired in a costume of white miter veils trimmed with chiffon and Brussels lace, with court train. She wore a bridal veil of Brussels lace and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss Mary Louise Gibson, daughter of Mayor Gibson, M. P. F., and a cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid; and Miss Mary Alexandra McConnell, also a cousin of the bride, acted as maid of honor. John T. Gibson, Chisholm, son of Professor and Mrs. Chisholm, and a nephew of the bride, acted in the capacity of best man. The bridegroom was unsupported. After the wedding ceremony a sumptuous luncheon was served. The table and dining room were beautifully decorated, the work having been done by Miss Ada Schlegel, the well known florist of this city. The luncheon was prepared and served under the supervision of Fred P. Hatt of this city. The bride was the recipient of a large number of beautiful presents, that of the groom being an upright piano. The happy couple will leave for Dalhousie via St. John tonight and will be followed by the best wishes of a host of friends.

There were a large number of guests at the Methodist church this morning to witness the nuptials of Miss Alice M. daughter of Augustus Tweedall and Roland D. Wilson, head clerk in J. M. Wiley's drug establishment. The ceremony was performed at 7.30 by Rev. J. J. Teasdale. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Victoria Johnston, while the groom was supported by his brother, James T. Wilson. After the ceremony the happy couple and a large number of guests repaired to the home of the bride's father, where a wedding breakfast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson left on the 9 o'clock train for a wedding tour through Nova Scotia.

Annie Coombes, eldest daughter of Jno. T. Coombes of this city, and Jas. E. Patterson, a popular baggage master on the C. P. R., were united in marriage this afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents by Rev. Canon Roberts. The happy couple will spend their honeymoon in Montreal and the upper provinces.

At the county court chambers yesterday afternoon, Judge Wilson made an order under the habeas corpus act for the discharge of John Hillman from custody in the York county jail. Hillman had been arrested on an execution issued out of the parish of Canterbury civil court in an action at the suit of John Connor of Woodstock, and has been in custody twenty-two days thereunder. His discharge was moved for on the ground that the proceedings on which the execution was founded were invalid and the imprisonment therefore illegal. It is understood that an action will now be brought against Mr. Connor for damages. Messrs. Ehimam and Crockett are acting for Mr. Hillman.

The fountain presented to the city by Senator Temple, arrived from St. John this afternoon and will at once be set up on the site selected near the senator's residence. The fountain was manufactured at St. George.

The funeral of the late Isabella Currie, one of the victims of the drowning disaster on Monday night, took place this morning from the residence of her mother, Mrs. Samuel T. Currie at Geary.

ONTARIO CROP REPORT.

TORONTO, One, June 27.—Crop reports from different points in Ontario are not encouraging. In most places winter wheat was damaged by the absence of snow and in some localities so badly winter killed that it has been plowed up. The province over, hay will not average much more than half a crop. The backward spring has retarded spring wheat and other crops, sections reporting favorably being more the exception than the average. The tent caterpillar had done much damage to fruit trees, and in all but a few districts reported apples will be a light crop. Small fruits on the whole are doing well. The Niagara peach crop will not be quite an average. Rain is badly needed in most localities.

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THE REVISORS' BILL.

The question of the legal standing of the act passed at the last session of the legislature authorizing the government to appoint one of the revisors in every parish, came up before the Sunbury county council this week, and the council, acting on the opinion of Dr. Stockton, decided to ignore the act so far as the revisors for the current year are concerned. Dr. Stockton's opinion was in response to an enquiry from Councillor Bliss of Lincoln parish, and was as follows:

"I am in receipt of your inquiry as to the legal standing of revisors appointed at the last January meetings of the municipal councils, in view of the Act 22 Vic. chapter 24, passed on April 28th, 1899.

"The act of last session professes to amend section 26 of the New Brunswick Municipalities Act, by directing that one of the revisors for every parish shall annually, on or before the first day of July in every year, be appointed by the lieutenant governor in council.

"As already stated, the revisors for the year 1899 were appointed in January last by the proper authority, and this fact must have been present to the mind of the legislature when it enacted the law in April last.

"If it had been the intention of the legislature to interfere with or displace the officials then lawfully appointed, it would have been a very simple matter to embody such intention in the law. That no such intention is expressed in any section of the act raises an almost irresistible inference that the legislature had no such intention.

"I have considered this question in connection with the act of 1898, sections 7 and 10; the act of 1899, cap. 3, sec. 26, and the act of 1898, sections 75 and 76, cap. 34, and am of opinion that the revisors appointed in January last by the proper officers to revise the lists for next year.

"In case you desire me to state my reasons at length, I am sorry to be unable to do so, as my time is so much occupied by other matters that I cannot do so at this time. I am, however, confident that you will find the law to be in accordance with your request.

"It will be remembered that some little time ago, Mr. John Black, secretary of the council of the municipality of York, advised the council that according to the wording of the act, the revisors appointed by county councils in January last were not interfered with, and that they alone were legally qualified to perform the work of revision for the year 1899.

"Attorney General White, in an interview published in the Fredericton Herald, took the ground that Black's contention had no foundation in law or in fact, and that York county council would be running counter to the act if they followed Mr. Black's advice. Now, however, comes Dr. Stockton's opinion, fully supporting the view taken by the secretary-treasurer of York.

"I am sure you will be glad to have the lists prepared by the proper officials, namely, those appointed in January last.

"According to the despatches, Archbishop Ireland said in London some very complimentary things about English liberty, and expressed the wish that friendship between Great Britain and the United States would increase as years passed. It is hard to express the same views in New York, another Ireland would be heard from, less devout, but more demonstrative.

"Those grit papers, which announced some months ago that Sir Herbert Tupper, under cover of his position as a member of parliament, had made charges respecting Tullon officials and then ran away to British Columbia, because he did not dare to remain, have had their answer. Sir Herbert is not exhibiting nearly so much speed as one of the officials in question, when he learned that the matter was to be discussed in the house.

"Timber News of Liverpool says there is so keen a demand for lumber in France and Spain that there is no prospect of a reduction in the price of Baltic white wood this season. Buyers in those countries are said to have held off last winter, and now have to fill their requirements at higher prices. This will of course tend to a continued strength in the market for spruce.

"The Medical Record says that a society for combating tuberculosis has been organized in Chicago. It is to be known as the Illinois Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, and its membership will include all physicians, health officers, veterinarians, and others interested in the extermination of tuberculosis.

"Joseph Chamberlain has given notice to Oom Paul that the British lion is not afraid of the African species, and that there are several more of him.

N. S. BAPTISTS.

Interesting Reports on Missions, Literature, and Temperance.

The Government Guilty of Breach of Faith With the Prohibitionists.

Will Celebrate Next Year the 100th Anniversary of the N. S. Baptist Association.

PEREAUX, N. S., June 24.—The forty-ninth annual meeting of the Central Baptist Association convened on Friday, June 23rd, at Pereaux, Kings Co.

This association embraces the Baptist churches in the counties of Kings, Lunenburg, Halifax and Hants. The place of meeting was the new house of worship dedicated but a few months ago, a comely and commodious structure standing in the beautiful valley just below the famous 'look-out' of Pereaux.

Towards this edifice were made special efforts, and the new house of worship, formerly Miss DeWitt's, at Pereaux, as an expression of regard for the memory of three noble preachers who long served the good of which the association forms a part, viz., Rev. Edward Manning, Rev. A. S. Hunt and Rev. David Froeman. To the memory of the first named the bell was dedicated, to the memory of the second the pulpit and pulpit chairs, and to that of the third a stained glass window back of the pulpit.

The association opened the following offices for the year: Rev. A. C. Chute, of Halifax, moderator; Rev. Howard Bars, Wolfville, secretary; H. L. Kempton, last secretary; John Bentley of Halifax, treasurer.

At the first session addresses were delivered by Rev. A. C. Chute and Rev. W. H. Jenkins, the former speaking upon "The Purpose of the Covenant Meeting," and the latter upon "The Church and the Believer." The remainder of the afternoon was occupied by a discussion called forth by these papers.

The evening service was devoted to the work of the B. Y. F. U., an address of welcome was delivered by Rev. W. H. Hutchins, pastor of the church entertaining the association, which was responded to by Rev. Z. L. Flash of Halifax. Two wholesome and helpful addresses were made by Rev. A. A. Shaw of Wolford and Rev. G. R. White of Hantsport.

On Saturday morning the young people's work had further consideration, after which the general interests of the association were resumed. The moderator welcomed five new pastors who had taken churches in the association during the week, viz., Rev. G. R. White of Hantsport, Rev. H. B. Smith of New Germany, Rev. H. Baker of Falmouth, Rev. J. Webb of Lower Aylesford, and Rev. J. D. Spidell of Gasperaux.

An animated discussion was participated in by many of the delegates over a report which proposed abandonment of the association entirely and a giving over of its work to the district committee. But there was not a dissenting voice in the body, and such radical measure, whatever may be the issue will be such a reorganization as shall bring a general address in the denominational concerns.

THE ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON.—The afternoon service was held at the Baptist church, Halifax, from 8 to 10 o'clock. The text was, "The parable of the trees." The portions specially selected were parts of verses 11, 12 and 13, being the replies of the fig-tree, the vine and the fig-tree, each of which declined to leave their spheres of usefulness and fruit-bearing to be "promoted," according to the invitation of the trees.

Among other things that this oldest of parables taught, was that care and trouble were the inseparable companions of a public man, and that inferior were ever the most ready to accept leadership, and also that such leadership ended in distress, if not disaster. The replies of the three trees to the proposition were condensed to the words "self-fulfillment" as the theme of the sermon, the performance of the function or duty forced upon the individual or church. The child should be allowed to be a child, and not promoted to a position, as he is in this generation, from babyhood to manhood. There is no promotion possible above pure manhood and womanhood. The noblest thing a Christian could do was to be a Christian, and there was no interference between Whitefield with his ceaseless activity and Elizabeth Wallbridge in her invalid's chair, both fulfilling themselves in their special spheres. The Christian church must be a spiritual body doing spiritual work in a spiritual way. Moses did what God commanded him, but not in the way he hid to do it, and therefore he was punished. The Baptist church, if it stood for anything specially, could surely be said to stand for it, absolute loyalty to the Bible; 2nd, absolute constancy of the individual to God and God alone; 3rd, regeneration, an antecedent condition of membership in a Christian church; 4th, implicit obedience in all things to the head of the church. This preaching, pleaded for personal piety, for church spirituality and for denominational loyalty. Self-denial and consecration were the two virtues that yielded large returns, but in order to secure them, faithful and continuous work must be done. The sermon was listened to with great interest.

THE W. B. M. UNION.—At the close of the associational session the audience remained, and Miss Amy Johnson of Dartmouth, provincial secretary of the W. B. M. U., took charge of the meeting. Mrs. H. Rogers, Falmouth; Mrs. Naidor, Wolford; Miss Mabel Parsons and Mrs. Walter Higgins occupied the platform. Miss Johnson made a helpful address. She said marching orders for the union were "Go ye, pray ye, freely give, and talk ye" of all His wondrous works. Earnest addresses were given by Mrs.

Walter Higgins, Miss Parsons, Mrs. Naidor. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Baker. A beautiful solo was sung by Mrs. A. A. Shaw of Windsor.

ACADIA INSTITUTIONS.

On Saturday evening the church was crowded for the educational meeting. The report of the Rev. H. R. Hatch was read by Rev. A. C. Chute. President Trotter then gave a practical address on the needs and work of the institutions at Wolfville, and paid a fitting tribute to the departing teachers, Miss Winifred Crowell, for eleven years instructor at Acadia seminary, and Miss True, for four years principal, and expressed his pleasure at the acceptance of Rev. H. McDonald to the principalship. During the year 33 young ladies were enrolled at the seminary, 61 at the academy, and 137 at the college.

The Rev. W. H. Hall then gave a few facts concerning the Forward Movement fund.

The report on missions was then read by Rev. Z. L. Flash, and spoken to by Rev. J. W. Manning, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. This was an earnest appeal for more spirituality, and consecration of money and time to the great cause of missions.

On account of the lateness of the hour, Dr. Saunders of Halifax declined to give his address on the "Church and Denominational Literature," but delighted the audience by his apt and humorous remarks. A collection of music was furnished by the choir.

On Sunday the pulpits of the surrounding country were filled by ministers attending the association. The Rev. E. B. Bates in the Methodist church, Rev. W. Colpitts at the Free Baptist, and Rev. Z. L. Flash at the Baptist church, Canning; Rev. H. B. Hatch, last church; Rev. H. C. Simpson, Dartmouth; Dr. Kempton, Kentville; Rev. C. E. Pines, Port Williams; Rev. B. M. Nobles, Canard; Rev. F. S. McGrover, Berwick; Rev. J. B. Morgan, Wolfville.

PEREAUX, N. S., June 26.—Large numbers of people assembled at the church at Pereaux on Sunday to listen to the matter presented by the visiting preachers. A strong doctrinal sermon was preached by Rev. A. C. Chute of Halifax. The theme was Justification by Faith. The righteousness of Christ is counted as belonging to the believer. Faith, not only from the penalty of sin but from its woeful practice. The old and base heredity is in the ruthless grip of a new heredity, and mightier, in the veins of the runaway slave, the blood which cleanses from all sin. This doctrine throws us wholly upon the Saviour, and it animates our drooping courage to know that finally victory will crown our arms.

The afternoon service was given up to Sabbath school work. An excellent paper was read by C. W. Roscoe, inspector of schools, on Normal Work for Sabbath Schools. This was followed by an impressive address by John Burgoynes of Halifax on the Home Department.

In the evening Rev. A. Shaw delivered a short, sharp, testimonial discourse, after which short testimonies were given by Dr. Saunders, Rev. A. Webb, Colpitts, B. Smith, W. E. Hall, Bates, A. C. Chute, J. Burgoynes and others.

A meeting in the interests of higher education for women was held on Sunday evening in the Central Baptist Church. The house was filled to overflowing, and the address was delivered by Miss Mabel Parsons of Halifax; Miss Susie Elder, Hantsport, and the Rev. H. A. Baker, Falmouth.

A very large audience greeted the Rev. J. W. Manning, while at Pereaux one hundred and forty delegates were grouped about the church.

PEREAUX, June 27.—At the Central Baptist Association considerable business was transacted. A report on statistics was presented by Dr. B. H. Eaton.

There are 55 Baptist churches in the association, which embraces Halifax, Falmouth, Hantsport, Berwick, and other places. The total membership is 2,000, of whom 1,000 are non-resident members. Berwick has 200, the largest number.

The Hantsport church reported the adoption of individual communion cups, the first Baptist church in the province except Yarmouth to adopt the custom. The action was heartily endorsed by the body, and other churches in the association.

The report on benevolence, presented by Rev. D. H. Simpson, closed by strongly urging individual churches to give systematically and proportionally to all local and denominational objects.

The report on missions was presented by the chairman of the committee, Rev. Z. L. Flash, pastor of the North Baptist church, Hantsport. He gave a concise statement of the work which the maritime Baptists are doing in foreign home, Grand Ligne and the Northwest.

There have been 28 years of patient, steady effort to evangelize the 2,000,000 of Telegoons of India. They have now 7 churches, 18 missionaries, and 314 members. The sum of \$1,115 has been raised by the Home Mission Board. A county mission in Halifax and a general missionary have been supported, the total expenditure being \$8,000. Work in the Northwest has been done, with the result that 68 churches and about 20 missions have been established. This year has been one of the best in the history of the west.

In the report on denominational literature, by Rev. B. H. Nobles, he said that it is viewed from one standpoint, it is emphatically "the book age." Books, magazines, papers, have become the Israel's seed, numberless as the sands of the seashore. The report recommended the remarkably cheap and wholesome books of the Bible Institute Association of Chicago, present, D. A. Moody.

The report was brought in by Rev. A. A. Shaw of Windsor, was passed after considerable discussion. A short digest only can be given.

This has been a year of unusual interest to the friends of the cause of temperance. Never before in the history of Canada has there been manifested such general interest in the subject during the year.

In two ways the year has been an eye-opener. It has opened our eyes to the great increase in temperance sentiment, and the masses in which the people's representatives disregard the plain spoken demand of an intelligent electorate.

"We greatly deplore the action of the dominion government in refusing to give effect to the expression of the people, and consider such refusal to be a breach of faith with the prohibitionists of Canada. We further affirm it is our earnest conviction that the bounden duty of our government is to enact at the earliest possible moment a prohibitory law for the whole dominion should be coerced by a single province.

"That Quebec has spoken against such a measure, does not alter this judgment. It is more fitting that the minority be coerced than that the whole dominion should be coerced by a single province.

"We learn with the deepest regret that the executive of the Dominion Alliance has failed in this crisis by the unwillingness to accept a bill which falls so far short of the demands of the electors.

"We would earnestly urge on all the electors in this association the duty of securing the nomination and election of both local and dominion parliament members of men only who will not only pledge themselves to support by voice and vote the cause of total prohibition, but who shall be themselves total abstinence.

The whole chatting of the association was an exceedingly pleasant and profitable ending to a series of sessions. It took place on Monday evening. A hearty vote of thanks was presented to the hospitable people of Pereaux for their kindness to the strangers within their gates. Much credit is due to the moderator, Rev. A. C. Chute of Halifax, the pastor of the church, Rev. W. Hutchins and to the managing committee for the admirable manner in which affairs were conducted.

Next year will be the 100th birthday of the Nova Scotia Baptist Association, which was organized at Yarmouth. A committee has been appointed to arrange for a suitable celebration.

A powerful sermon by the Rev. H. A. Baker, the blind preacher, the association broke up to meet at their centennial next year.

The business meeting of the W. B. M. U. met on Monday afternoon in the Baptist vestry at Pereaux and was presided over by Miss Amy Johnson of Dartmouth. Reports were given from the following societies: Kingston, Mrs. Wheeler; Lakeville, Mrs. Margaret Freeman; Falmouth, Mrs. J. W. Williams; Mrs. Naidor; Randon, Mrs. M. M. Canard; Miss Avora Dickey; Mrs. A. Martel and Mrs. Eaton; Berwick, Mrs. Simpson; Lower Aylesford, Mrs. W. H. Canning; Mrs. M. Parsons; Yarmouth, Mrs. M. M. Canard; Chester, Mrs. Jenkins; Wolfville, Mrs. Freeman; Canning, Mrs. Sheffield; Pereaux, Mrs. McKean.

A very large and enthusiastic public meeting was held on Sunday evening in the Rev. A. Martel's church, at Canard. A very eloquent address on education was given by Rev. H. A. Baker. A sketch of the ladies' schools previous to 1899 was given by Miss Mabel Parsons, a graduate of Acadia seminary. These were then amalgamated in one seminary, which has about 170 graduates.

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Commit verses 17-20. 8. But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

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Together With County Items from Correspondents and Exchanges.

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THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY, publishing weekly 8,500 copies of THE WEEKLY SUN, challenges the circulation of all papers published in the Maritime Provinces. Advertisers, please make a note of this.

Shediac is rapidly filling up with summer visitors. The steamer James Donville, wrecked in the Yukon, was insured for \$50,000.

Prof. E. N. Robertson of Charlotte town left Wednesday for Calgary, where he will spend his vacation.

A class of 102 young people was confirmed in St. Bernard's church, Moncton, by His Lordship, Bishop Sweeney on Tuesday.

The body of Matthew Conroy, who died in Boston on the 28th inst. of pneumonia, was taken to his home at Newburg Tuesday for burial.

In consequence of measles in the Protestant Orphan Asylum the usual school examination there will not take place this week.

On account of the demand for bananas in the United States, the price of July market, the price has taken a sharp rise, and the advance here has been considerable.

On June 24th, J. A. Woolaver of Mill Creek, N. S., caught in his well the largest shark ever captured in the Bay of Fundy. It weighed two tons, according to the local papers.

J. A. Glendinning of Acadia college, Mr. Porter of the U. N. B. and A. Robb left Wednesday morning for Northfield to attend the students' conference, which opens this week.

The Messrs. Lantaulm are now using the schooner Ocean Traveller, with a tow boat, in saving the materials from the str. Casellan, which was wrecked near Tarnouth.

The Halifax Herald says that Halifax has been betrayed. We hope not. At 150 years of age, its years should be respected if nothing else. It is really good had. - Kentville, N. S. Weekly.

Adv. E. W. Jones of Middleton, N. S., a graduate of Acadia in the class of '98, has been awarded a scholarship at Harvard valued at \$150. Mr. Jones will attend that institution during a course in mathematics and physics.

Hallstones the size of peas fell at Springhill, N. S., on Monday. This fall was a most unique one, in that it is the first one recorded by Halifax papers in recent years where hallstones in Nova Scotia were smaller than hen's eggs.

The Sun's Wellville correspondent writes: "Dr. D. F. Higgins and wife, and Miss Elizabeth Higgins, teacher of modern languages, at Acadia Seminary, Wellville, have gone to St. John to spend a short time at the home of Rev. M. C. Higgins, Carleton."

The board of management will recommend to the common council tomorrow that the Sun Oil company be given water at their warehouse at Barrack point at \$50 a year for ten years with the usual tax for protection purposes added.

The death occurred at the General Public Hospital Wednesday of Oscar Merchaud, the young man who fell from a staging on Dr. Eric's new building a few days ago. Merchaud was only twenty-seven years of age and belonged to Montreal.

Pain cannot stay when Bentley's Liniment is used. For sprains, strains and bruises it is without an equal. Penetrating yet clean to use bicyclists and all athletes depend on it to remove the soreness experienced from hard training. It simmers up the joints and keeps the muscles in trim. All dealers. Regular size 10c. Large bottles 25c.

White Cottons 36 in. wide, 8c, 7c, 8c, 9c, and 10c, yard, the best value in the city.

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It will be to the advantage of people living in the country to buy from us and save time and money, as our PRICES ARE THE LOWEST.

Don't forget the place 335 Main Street, North End.

To cure a headache in ten minutes use Kumford's Headache Powder. 10c.

Grocers report a great increase in the sale of UNION BLEND TEA.

The St. Stephen wrapper factory has suspended operations.

Favorable progress is being made on the project for the further utilization of the water power at St. George.

Bark R. Morrow has been chartered to load lumber here for Buenos Ayres at \$2.

A petition has been prepared and is now being circulated praying the minister of justice to return to the penitentiary Israel McLaughlin of Carleton, who has served thirteen years of a life sentence for entering a house at Hampton and attempting to administer chloroform.

Sportsmen complain in the northern New Brunswick papers that the Miramichi is being ruined as a fishing stream, for want of protection. The same complaint has for the past three years been made regarding Dunk river, which was once the best stream on the island for trout fishing. - Sumner, P. E. I. Journal.

Manager Wagon of the Dominion pulp mill, Chatham, is at the Royal. He says the capacity of the mill will, within the course of a few weeks, be increased from 30 to 120 tons per week.

Mr. Wagon visited the Miramichi yesterday. He regards it as the best establishment of its kind that he has ever seen.

At the general public hospital Wednesday morning doctors amputated the left foot of William McCuskey, the I. C. R. employe who was run over by a shunting engine on Tuesday and had his foot terribly crushed. The amputation was at the ankle. McCuskey is doing well, and no further trouble is apprehended.

The Sun's Bathurst correspondent writes under date of June 27: "The Ward, son of Daniel Ward, died suddenly at Molus river on Saturday night. He had been suffering from heart trouble lately, but was at work nearly all day Saturday. His death occurred a few minutes after retiring. The deceased was aged twenty-six years, and leaves a wife and four children."

W. J. Pitman died at his residence, 52 St. James street, Wednesday about half-past eight. Mr. Pitman conducted for some time a hairdressing establishment on King square. He has only been seriously ill for about a fortnight, but never recovered from an attack of kidney trouble from which he suffered about two years ago. Death was due to this ailment together with a complication of disease. He leaves a wife and an infant child.

Says a Carleton letter to the Bangor News: "Owen Jones of London, England, is visiting his brother-in-law, T. P. Chapman, Esq., P. E. I., of St. Stephen, and is here in the interest of the English syndicate who controls the largest part of the nickel mines, situated near St. Stephen. He will confer with the other local capitalists interested and it is expected that some definite work in regard to developing these mines will be immediately accomplished."

The Baptist Foreign Missionary board held a regular meeting Wednesday afternoon in the office of the secretary. After routine business had been disposed of the question of adding to the number of workers in the field and the necessary financial aid was discussed. It was finally decided that the president and secretary be empowered to make an appeal to the denomination for additional funds, and that, if possible, several missionaries be sent out in the fall.

A Hatfield's Point, Kings Co., correspondent writes: "While Geo. T. Whitenect's family were away on the Peninsula excursion on Thursday last, some miscreant poisoned a very valuable Newfoundland dog belonging to Mr. Whitenect. An attempt was made to poison the animal about four weeks before, but the dose was not strong enough to kill. When poisoned the dog was tied up in his usual place. It is hoped the guilty party will be brought to justice."

Under the head of a dramatic treat, a Butte, Montana, paper of the 22nd inst. says: "The citizens of Butte have a rich dramatic treat in store for them this week in the presentation of the popular Irish melo-drama, 'More Stars Than Smiling.' The author of this play is a brilliant young Canadian lawyer residing at St. John, N. B. Mr. Carleton wrote the drama during his leisure moments and it was produced by a New York publisher and was afterwards published at many of the leading theatres in the United States and Canada."

A FAMILY POISONED. Soon after eating dinner at Chatham on Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Ruddle, and Mrs. Walsh, who were doing the family washing, were taken very ill, and Dr. J. S. Benson pronounced it a case of belladonna poisoning. They had eaten roast lamb, with dressing, March 30th, and the belladonna was in the dressing, and was not nearly so ill as the others, and it was therefore surmised that the poison had been introduced with the summer savory. An inspection of the closet where this was kept resulted in the finding of a box of catarrh smoking mixture that Mrs. Ruddle's father had obtained beside the summer savory box, and it was evident that the dressing had been flavoured with this poisonous mixture. Mrs. Ruddle soon recovered, but Mr. Ruddle and Mrs. Walsh were prostrated and crazy, suffering great pain, and are still on the sick list. It was fortunate that Mr. and Mrs. Ruddle's little boy was absent that day. - World.

THE MINERAL INDUSTRY. The Scientific Publishing Company, of 758 Broadway, New York, will have ready for issue early in July volume seven of above work. The book will contain nearly one thousand pages, copiously illustrated, including numerous diagrams and working drawings. Price \$5.00. The book is indispensable to all interested in mining and metallurgical matters. This noteworthy volume includes the usual statistics of the mining world for 1898 in all the important markets, dividends paid and assessments levied by mining companies, together with a complete and faithful summary of the mineral statistics of the world. Richard P. Rothwell, the veteran editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal, is the editor of the work, than whom no man in America is better fitted for it.

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The Sun's Parisboro correspondent writes under date of June 28th: "Ech. Roland, Dexter, cleared for Calais last Friday with 100 tons coal. Sch. Urbrain S. Llewellyn, cleared for Bar Harbor on Saturday with 100 tons coal. Sch. Oakfield arrived at West Bay last night to load deals for (George McKean. A. L. Tucker has purchased from Capt. Patrick McLaughlin the sch. Helena N. S. for \$30,000. The launch of the terno schooner Wanda, built this spring at Port Greville, which was fixed for last week, was postponed on account of the non-arrival of the launch. The launch is now announced for Dominion day."

S. D. White of Montreal, who has been here for several days, returned Monday. Mr. White is connected with Montreal cold storage companies, and his visit here was in connection with the establishment of cold storage by a local company. It is understood they have secured from the U. N. B. a site on the Long Wharf, property, Architect R. C. John Dunn has been engaged, and in company with Mr. White will prepare plans and estimates for the proposed building and plant, and with these the company will be able to talk to the local government, who are to assist the enterprise.

An adjourned meeting of the pew holders of Trinity church, was held Tuesday evening in the school room of the church, for the purpose of electing a pastor to succeed the late Venerable Archdeacon Brigstocke, who died on March 30th last. The meeting was held about five o'clock, Wednesday morning by a large number of the members, seven lay members present out of a total enrollment of ninety-three. In addition to those qualified to vote, there were during the early part of the meeting a number of ladies, members of the congregation, and other persons.

The meeting failed to make a selection, and after four ballots had been taken it was decided to adjourn until July 11th.

Guests at the Royal hotel, Campbellton, were turned out of the house about five o'clock, Wednesday morning by an alarm of fire. The reason for the alarm and the fire was that the building and the barn adjoining in flames, and all went to work to help to save property. The fire department lent valuable assistance and succeeded in saving the house, although the damage was done by smoke and water. The barn and contents, including sleighs, etc., were burned, and the proprietor, John Sproul, lost heavily. The house was destroyed. The fire is supposed to have started in the kitchen. The loss is estimated at \$2,000. The hotel building, exclusive of the barn, was insured for \$1,000 in the western. F. R. Butcher will go up to adjust the loss.

A POLICE COURT. At the police court, Tuesday, the case of Robert L. Todd, of Milltown, who was arrested for smuggling cigars and violating the inland revenue laws, was taken up. H. A. McCowan appeared for the government, and Mr. Albertson, Mr. Lott, and other officers of the department were present. The prisoner was defended by A. G. Blair, Jr., who advised his client to plead guilty. After some discussion as to the value of the goods seized, the magistrate imposed a fine of \$75.

Despite the loud complaints about the loss from the old Long wharf, the bay, Mr. Conroy, of that wharf, is proceeding in the work of filling the water full of these dangerous obstructions. Harbor Inspector O'Brien made a complaint at the police court, Monday, and Mr. Conroy, on his agent will be summoned.

RIVER COLLISION. The tug Dirigo was run into near Parry's Point by the tug Admiral Tuesday night, and rather badly damaged. The Dirigo was coming down river and the Admiral was going up. The Dirigo was clear and the Admiral's crew says that they blew her whistle five or six times on the starboard side, but no answer was given. The Admiral, his alarm, came on and struck the Dirigo on the starboard side, damaging her quite seriously. The Admiral backed off, turned round, but the Dirigo's people say, did not return to see what damage the other boat had received. The Dirigo came down to the harbor.

CHARGES PERJURY. ALBERT, June 23. - A sensation was created here today when it became known that a warrant was issued by Willard O. Wright, J. P., at the instance of Captain Edmund Kenzie, for the apprehension of Charles D. Reid, of Riverside on a charge of perjury. The alleged offence took place in the court of Thomas Leahy, J. P., where Reid was sued as endorser of a note. Judgment was given against Reid, and the hearing on the review takes place before Judge McLean at chambers tomorrow in St. John. W. A. Trueman for Reid, J. H. Dickson for Kenzie. It appears that the information was laid on the 26th instant, but Reid cannot be found.

PERSONAL INTEREST. Dr. Oronchuk, of St. John, and Dr. L. O. Prentiss, is expected to be at the High School of New Brunswick, where he will open a summer school on the evening of July 11th.

Miss Jennie McGoldrick and Miss Kathleen McGoldrick, daughters of Ald. McGoldrick of this city, distinguished themselves at the examination in connection with the closing of Mount St. Vincent convent at St. John, N. B., by securing the first and second prizes, one for the excellence of her work in the studio, and the other for penmanship. Miss Kathleen McGoldrick won a medal in the elocution class, and also carried off prizes for excellence in the home science department and in the music department. A certificate of promotion in music was awarded to Miss Kathleen McGoldrick.

A band of Dutch belted cable will shortly be placed on Sir William Van Horne's island property. - St. Andrews Herald.

Wm. Dyas, a divinity student from Acadia university, has been engaged to supply the Albert street Baptist pulpit, Woodstock, for the summer.

Fred L. Dyer of St. John has been appointed teacher of the St. Andrew's grammar school, in place of Mr. Brodie, resigned.

The men of the drives are all up at Grand Falls. They hope to bring all the lumber with them on their down trip. - Dispatch.

The Star line announces that steamers will be started from St. John to Fredericton and Intersecting points. There will also be a Saturday afternoon boat to Wickham.

Sir Sanford Fleming, one of the most active of all Canadian statesmen that nowhere in the world can be found the perfect rest from worldly bustle that Halifax affords. He spends every summer here in retreat at his Elmfield Lodge, on the North West arm. Sir Sanford is now at Elmfield.

Miss Jessie Hatfield was knocked down on Charlotte street last evening by a bicycle ridden by a young man named Mullin. The lady was quite badly hurt, and had to be driven to her home on Carmarthen street. Dr. Price attended her, and says the lady suffered severe injuries about the back.

Poster Calder, one of Grand Manan's most popular and successful school teachers, proposes to spend his vacation in sailing back to Grand Manan from Boston the little vessel which was lost to Grand Manan. Mr. Calder rescued the Grand Manan boatman, Machias Seal Island, and which was afterwards taken into Boston. - Beacon.

Miss Sadie T. Everett, youngest daughter of ex-Ald. E. A. Everett of Fredericton, was one of the 112 young ladies to graduate from the Boston normal school last week. Miss Everett completed the prescribed course necessary to qualify her as a school teacher, and was granted a diploma.

S. S. Montenegro sailed Thursday, carrying the largest cargo of lumber ever sent from Canada. The agents are Wm. Thomson & Co., the shipper, Alex. Gibson, and the stevedore, H. S. Gregory. The cargo consists of 2,130 1-4 standards. Some time ago a steamer started with a slightly larger cargo, but had to return and land a portion of her deckload. The Montenegro therefore stands at the head.

A pleasant entertainment was held last evening in the parlors of the Seaman's Mission, when the following programme was carried out: Solo, Mrs. C. W. A. McDonald; reading, Geo. Price; solo, W. P. Nobles; organ selections, Mrs. Ada Thompson; solo, Mr. Howe; solo, Geo. Price; solo, Miss E. Stewart; solo, Mrs. Stewart; reading, Mr. Stewart; solo and chorus by the choir; solo, Miss Stewart. In addition to the above programme a number of appropriate selections were given during the intermission refreshments were served.

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JUNE WEDDINGS.

A few friends gathered at the residence of James Fowle, Paradise row, Monday evening, when Thomas Thompson and Miss Matilda Day, both of St. John, were married by Rev. M. S. Trafton. A very pleasant evening was enjoyed.

St. Rose's church, Fairville, was the scene of a pretty but quiet wedding on Thursday morning, when James Whelby, who is well known in ball ball circles, was united in holy matrimony with Miss Elizabeth White of South Bay. Miss Minnie White, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid, while B. L. Foley attended the groom. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. Collins. Mr. and Mrs. Whelby will reside on City road.

A quiet ceremony was performed at St. Peter's church Wednesday morning by Rev. Father Gummig, when John Conacher was united in matrimony with Miss Agnes Kennedy, youngest daughter of Roger Kennedy, Hilliard street. The bride looked very charming in a white traveling suit, trimmed with white, and had to match her bridesmaid, who wore Miss Agnes Kennedy, who was also dressed in a blue and white costume. Mrs. Conacher was accompanied by Harry Mullolland. A wedding breakfast was served after the ceremony at the residence of the bride's father, after which Mr. and Mrs. Conacher left by the C. P. R. for a wedding trip through the United States. On their return they will reside at 31 Ellwood street. The presents were very numerous and beautiful.

Rev. F. J. McMurray officiated at the marriage at the cathedral Wednesday morning of Peter McGinnis of Carleton - one of the well-known McGinnis brothers - to Miss Katie O'Leary of Pond street. Miss Grady was bridesmaid and Frank H. Newcomb was a day or two ago to join the vessel as pilot. The new boat ought to be a great convenience to the residents along the seaboard.

A pretty wedding was celebrated Wednesday evening at the residence of Mrs. Robert Lister, Acadia street, when the bride, when Miss Annie Laura, daughter of Mary A. Hanselpecker of Scottdown, Queens Co., was united in marriage to Capt. Robert L. B. Palmer.

The bride was attired in a beautiful suit of blue trimmed with white satin and chiffon, and carried a bouquet of white roses. The bride was attended by her two little nieces, Maude Ester of Annapolis and Maggie Hooper of St. John. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. J. E. Estey of Ansover, brother-in-law of the bride, assisted by Rev. Geo. C. Palmer of Sussex, cousin of the groom. The bride was the recipient of many valuable presents. Mrs. Palmer will receive her friends at 79 Acadia street next Wednesday and Thursday.

Miss Annie B. McCarty and Richard McNeil of Waltham, Mass., were married on Tuesday at St. Mary's church, Waltham. They left Boston on the 7 o'clock train for Cape Breton, where they will stay a month.

At Christ church, Vancouver, B. C., recently John B. Humphreys of Oregon City and Miss Ada B. Hoyt of Woodstock, N. B., were married by Rev. R. Norman Tucker. The bride is the daughter of William Hoyt of Woodstock, and has many friends in Carleton county. - Dispatch.

E. A. Donkin, recently appointed a superintendent of the Dakota division of the Great Northern railway, is a Nova Scotian, commenced as a ship-patcher at New Glasgow. - Wintap Telegram.

Although past his flat mile stone, Hon. Judge Steadman is apparently as spry while taking his daily stroll about the streets as he was half a century ago. - Fredericton Reporter.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

HOPEWELL HILL, Albert Co., June 20.—The s. s. Tonberg sailed from Grandstone Island last night for Great Britain with mails. The s. s. Morning Star arrived in the river yesterday with freight from St. John.

ROY DOWNING, son of Mariner Downing of Caledonia, had one of his legs broken yesterday while at work on the log brow at Carleton's mill.

ANDOVER, June 21.—Andover court of Foresters held their annual anniversary—thanksgiving service in Trinity church on Sunday last at 2.30 p. m. They marched in double file from their hall to the church and back. Rev. S. B. Ellock delivered a powerful sermon from Galatians 6 chap., 2nd verse: "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."

The firm are making preparations to celebrate Dominion day in right royal style. The statue labor is now being performed in the district through the parish. The road machine is used a great deal and makes good roads. One of those belonging to this parish to the writer's knowledge has not been under cover for the past year, it is used by everybody and the repairing not attended. If better care is not taken it soon it will be rusted out.

ANDOVER, June 21.—C. LeBaron Jones, C. E., and son Roy Miller, who are now home for a short time, are engaged on the Bangor & Aroostook railway construction. This company are extending their road from Caribou to Van Buren, some 21.5 miles, via New Sweden. A. M. Carter from the south has the contract for the whole work, and is doing all the clearing himself, though sub-letting the grading. There are at present about 300 men on the whole work, and a much larger force is required to finish the contract by the first of October.

Maner Giberson of Arthurette has found on the Serpentine some very good specimens of quartz rock containing gold. A quantity of it has been sent to Montreal to be tested. The prospects seem so bright that a company has already been formed to develop the mine.

On the evening of the 20th inst. a severe thunder storm visited this section of country. A barn owned by Mrs. Giberson of Aroostook Junction was struck by the lightning and burned.

The old chief of the Indian village, who was well known and much respected by the people of this village, died a few weeks ago, and on the 19th Frank Francis, commonly known as Big Head Francis, was elected to take his place.

Wm. E. Spike and bride—nee Miss Scott of Hillsboro, Albert Co.—arrived home on the 20th inst. Rev. Arthur Ross succeeded Rev. H. G. Gratz as pastor of St. James' Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Neil McQuarrie is spending the summer with friends and relations in Alma, Albert Co. Mr. Hilyard and Mr. Pringle, an engineer from Toronto, are here in the interest of the pulp mill at the Narrows. Mr. Farrel, the Indian agent, is at Pesty's hotel.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., June 26.—Last week twelve members of the Algonquin staff arrived by C. P. R. from Boston, amongst them William James, who last year filled the position of house porter so satisfactorily to all the guests.

Sir William C. Van Horne, accompanied by his sister, Miss Mary Van Horne, arrived in his special car, attached to the regular train, Friday last. They detained at the Bar road and crossed to Minister's Island. Sir William left again by special a few hours later.

Mrs. Russell Bradford met with a painful accident last Thursday. She fell on a step-ladder while engaged putting some articles on a cloth line, and sprained and fractured some of the small bones in her left wrist.

Erna Mead, who with his wife resided in St. Andrews for some months past, died very suddenly last Friday from an attack of hemorrhage. His remains were interred yesterday afternoon in the Rural cemetery, being first taken to All Saints church, where the funeral service was read by the venerable rector, Canon Ketchum, who also read the commitment sentences at the grave.

The late Mr. Mead was a quiet, well informed, and thrifty Englishman, and a word carrier by trade. Many specimens of his work can be seen in some of the theatres and other buildings in Boston. He leaves a widow and son to mourn the loss of an affectionate husband and father.

Rev. A. Parkin, Methodist, a native of Newfoundland, at present stationed at Boletown, N. B., preached both morning and evening yesterday in Greenock Presbyterian church. Rev. Chas. Comben occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church here at both services yesterday, and was greeted by large congregations of his old hearers.

Fred Rigby has arrived from King's College to spend the holidays. Rev. E. W. Simonsen, curate of All Saints, returned from St. John Friday.

SHEFFIELD, Sunbury Co., June 24. Miller F. Reid from Marysville and George Reid from Manganerville spent last Saturday night and Sunday with friends in Sheffield.

Allen Harrison, merchant, of Sheffield Academy, has sold out his stock in trade to Miss Julia Taylor, and has gone to take charge of the homestead of the late William Harrison, his father.

Deer in Lower Sheffield are becoming very tame and bold, and seem to be taking advantage of the liberal government's protective law. Hollis Bridges of Lower Sheffield turned some of his cattle to pasture last spring, and two of them got away from the driver. Yesterday one of them was found in a wretched condition. The other one is still at large.

The Star line steamers have advertised to take passengers to and from St. John on Dominion day for 50 cents, or passengers may remain in St. John over Sunday.

SUSSEX, June 27.—Ellis Ann Lydie, the only daughter of Andrew McAfee, was married at St. John's church in Watford, this morning at 10 o'clock to Rev. Allan Smithers, rector of Watford. The morning was all that could be desired. Flugs floated from the home of the bride to the buildings across the street. There were many public indications of the popularity of the bride. Rev. A. A. Slipper performed the marriage ceremony, assisted by Rev. Scovil Neales, rector of Trinity church, Sussex, and Rev. Mr. Lockward, rector of the Episcopal church of Clementsport, N. S. The bride entered the church upon the arm of her father as the choir sang the hymn The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden. She was attended by Miss Maudie Smithers as bridesmaid, and little Annie Slipper as maid of honor. The groom was supported by Rev. C. P. Hanington, rector of Norwinton.

The bride was married in a travelling suit of gray cloth with white hat to match, and carried a prayer book. The bridesmaid, Miss Maudie Smithers, wore a very pretty gown of pink organdy muslin with hat of black and white chiffon trimmed with ostrich plumes and pink roses, and carried a shower bouquet of pink carnations. The maid of honor, Miss Annie Slipper, wore a white spotted frock with loops of blue ribbon and white hat trimmed with white chiffon and lilies of the valley, and carried a basket of carnations. The ushers were Robert Seely and Arthur Partridge of St. John, who acquitted themselves admirably. The church was filled with guests, many being present from Sussex to witness the event. After the marriage ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, where lunch was served, at which Rev. Mr. Slipper, in proposing the health of the happy couple, referred in a very neat manner to the loss of the parish of Watford was sustaining in losing one who had been an earnest worker. What is Watford's loss is Albert's gain. The groom replied in a very suitable and pleasing manner. The bride and groom left for their home in Albert by the C. P. R. this afternoon, and were followed to the Sussex station by a large number of friends who did not forget the customary showers of rice as the train pulled out. The teachers and Sunday school children decorated the church for the occasion.

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