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—The war situation in the East seems little changed. It is claimed with every appearance of truth that neither Japan nor Russia wants to fight. Such being the case, it will not be surprising if there is no war. People seldom come to blows unless one or the other of the belligerents has an inclination that way and we judge it is much the same way with nations.

Another feature is noticeable. They are doing so much talking that they are likely to exhaust any desire for any summary conflict. Should they do so it will be a very good example to set the Western nations.
 Russia is considered little less than barbarous. Japan is only emerging from a night of semi-barbarism. In however, they can bridge over their present difficulties without bloodshed, they will have accomplished something of no little importance to the cause of humanity.

—The Annapolis Spectator in a short reference to the Fruit Marks Act and the letter of Mr. E. A. Goodwin, in our last issue, says it is pleased to note that the Monitor is less sensitive as to the Act and Inspectors, etc. We would like our esteemed contemporary as well as our readers, to understand that we are not advocating the cause of either of the parties in this dispute. We have published very definite statements from Mr. Waugh and Mr. Goodwin. Mr. Waugh admits that six barrels of apples that he had marked as No. 1's, were at his request re-marked as No. 2's. Mr. Goodwin quite emphatically says that the whole lot, over 40 barrels, was No. 2. In fact, there is enough difference in the two stories to show that one or the other, or possibly both stories are twisted. This fact, however, reflects nothing on the Act and little or nothing on the Inspectors. The only questionable part of his performance being that he presented the packer after his packages had been re-marked. What we would like to learn is, was Mr. W. prosecuted for taking the apples to St. John marked No. 1, or was it for selling them to the Rev. A. C. Borden, B. D., who paid the line without knowing what it was for. This case, we believe, should be probed to the bottom. In St. John for some reason the Annapolis Valley apple packers, with a few exceptions, are regarded as a lot of rogues. The Spectator says that the St. John "bayer" when the market specifies him to a loss, whether the apples are good or bad, seeks questionable methods with the aid of solicitors and friendly inspectors, to make his loss as light as possible. We do not endorse either of these standpoints, and claim that such views should not exist. Just here is where the use of the Fruit Marks Act comes in. If farmers pack their apples according to the requirements they need not fear who sees them or where they are sent. If they do pack them according to law, however, and St. John buyers and inspectors have them condemned, as the Spectator says they do, it is a case requiring investigation. The Monitor is seeking information for the public on these points, but we want facts, not opinions. The Spectator very kindly contributed his opinion last week, but without adding greatly to the merits of either side of the question in issue.

—During the past two months the world, and especially our Western world has been shocked by terrible calamities by fire, the tragedy of the Iroquois theatre at Chicago being the worst. Of its horrors much has been written and read, describing the awful horrors that resulted from the wild rush from the burning structure. Closely following on that calamity there occurred a number of incidents showing clearly how a little preparation, a little discipline, could largely avert such calamities. A school building in New York City was found to be on fire. The teacher with admirable presence of mind led up his scholars for the fire drill to which they had been trained. In less than three minutes the building had been emptied of its hundreds of children. In another instance the flames broke out in a hospital for the insane. Here again, even in the case of these poor unfortunate organization and discipline triumphed, and the inmates were marched from the hospital and to another building without panic or loss of life. There were other cases of perhaps less striking aspect, but all serving to show that no institution in which large numbers of human beings are gathered should be without a particular method by which each individual can find an exit in the quickest possible time, and the inmates thoroughly drilled in following it. It is doubtful if many of our schools in Nova Scotia attempt a fire drill of any description. The school buildings as a rule not being of large size, this may not seem necessary. What excites, however, could be better, not only in the case of an exit but in the school, but as a training for the child no matter where he may be in after life.

It must be remembered also that there are even now many school buildings of several stories in the towns of the province, and if the consolidated school plan develops, there will be many more. The time therefore is not too soon for our schools to adopt a regular fire drill and to practice it as part of their weekly program.

Business Men Show Their Interest in the Y. M. C. A.
 Bridgetown was favored last week by a visit from Mr. Harry J. Crowe. He seemed not to have lost his interest in the welfare of the town. He is especially interested in the work of the Y. M. C. A., and expressed himself as much pleased with the work being done. Mr. Crowe has already contributed over \$1000.00 towards the work since May, and expressed his willingness to still cooperate with the citizens of the town towards the maintenance of the work. Several of the local business men have responded, and it is hoped that this will be but a leader to all the business men in the town identifying themselves with the support of this beneficial institution.

Local and Special News

—Wanted, at once: A capable girl to do general housework, by Mrs. S. N. Wynn.

—Snowbirds again delayed the transit of the D. A. R. yearling, the Halifax express being several hours late.

—A bono social will be held in Cashion schoolhouse to-morrow (Thursday) evening. Proceeds for school purposes. Admission 20 cents.

—There will be a communion service at Gordon Memorial Presbyterian Church on Sunday next, conducted by Rev. A. G. MacDonald, of Isaac's Harbor.

—Miss Ervin will open a painting class. A number have already signed. Any wishing to avail themselves of this opportunity will please call at her residence.

—The D. A. R. Halifax express was delayed by being run into a snowdrift near Antville yesterday, and as a result was over five hours late in reaching the station here.

—A basket social is to be held to-morrow (Thursday) evening, at the home of Mrs. Elson Best, Young's Cove, in aid of the church building fund. If the evening be stormy, the social will be held the first fine evening.

—At the meeting of the town council held Monday evening, the dates for the nomination and election to fill the vacancy on the council board were fixed for March 1st and 8th. The vacancy to be filled was caused by the resignation of Mayor Kelly as councillor.

—The boys employed in one of the Dominion Coal Company's mines at Glace Bay, C. B., went out on strike last week on account of a reduction of wages. A compromise was however effected on Monday, and they resumed work again at \$1.35 per day.

—The sleighing on Saturday and Sunday last was the best of the winter and seemed to be enjoyed by people from all sections. The town was visited on Sunday by parties from Middleton, Lawrenceton and Annapolis, who were out to enjoy the splendid runs.

—Says the Glace Bay Gazette: "J. Harry King has spent several years in Ontario, the Canadian west, and of late has been laboring in the maritime provinces. This is his first visit to Cape Breton. Mr. King preaches the gospel with great power, plainness and originality. He is engaged to speak at the union evangelistic service every night this week."

—The Rev. A. C. Borden, B. D., will deliver an address this evening at 7.30 in the Methodist church, subject, "Japan, the Co. try, People, and their Religions." The address will be illustrated by idols and other articles of Japan. Mr. Borden is a native of Wolfville, and has spent several years of successful labor in the mining field in Japan. Be sure to hear him; you will be well repaid. Collection for missions.

—Mayor Shaffer received a pleasant surprise at the meeting of the Town Council Monday evening, when the Councilors presented him with a handsome gold-headed cane in token of their respect and the very cordial relations that had existed between them during the time he has occupied the office. The presentation was graciously made by Councillor Marsh, and responded to by the mayor in feeling terms.

A despatch received from Fernandina states that the schooner "Helen Shaffer", Capt. Herbert Saunders, arrived in that port on Thursday, Jan. 21st, from Barbados. The captain reports in long 80.30 w., lat. 28.10 n., passed a large vessel with her decks level with the water, apparently about 800 tons. The Helen Shaffer has made two quick trips—two days from Mahone Bay, Nova Scotia, to Barbados, and seven days from Barbados to Fernandina.

—A very sad shooting accident occurred at Eastern Passage, Halifax Co., Friday, in which Daniel Gosham, 17 years of age, was shot and killed by his brother, two years his senior. Two boys, in company with another boy named Nangle, were out in a boat duck shooting at the time. The accidental discharge of the gun was caused by the boys attempting to change their positions in the boat. The charge entered the boy's body, and he fell over dead.

—Mr. G. W. Lantz, of Centerville, met with what to him a disastrous loss in the burning of his mill and its contents on Saturday evening last. The mill was run by steam and thoroughly equipped for the manufacture of staves, heading, shingles and laths. It occupied the building erected for hard wood mill about 3 miles back of Centerville, a few years ago. There being no fire in the building then was started by the machinery, Mr. Lantz had used one end of it as a camp for his workmen. His whole outfit, including bedding, stoves, provisions, tools, etc., was destroyed, with the mill and machinery. Mr. Lantz with his men, had taken their supper at the mill and afterwards came out to their horses in Centerville. A night-hawk saw the reflection of the fire about eight o'clock in the evening and informed the owner. They immediately set out for the mill, but were too late to save anything except some material outside the building. The loss will be close on \$2,000, and leaves the owner in a most unfortunate position.

—The death of Mrs. Samuel Bancroft of Round Hill, on Sunday morning last, was an unusual and noteworthy occurrence, and has aroused the sympathy of friends far and near for the bereaved family. Her narrow escape from death by poison four weeks ago was noted in these columns. Though about recovered from the effects of the poison she was still in a very weak state, and bordering on melancholia. Not having been out of bed for the past month, the family anticipated no rash get-up on her Saturday evening, however, she slept heavier than usual, and on awaking at about two o'clock Sunday morning found that she had left the room. An immediate search was made, and she was found at the foot of a tree in the orchard, where she had wandered barefoot and in her night dress. The night was exceptionally keen, the thermometer going to 10 degrees below zero. Life was practically extinct when she was found. It is not known, however, how long she had been gone from the house, but in her weak condition there is no doubt that she succumbed to the cold very quickly.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Lella Berry left for Boston on Wednesday last.

Miss Anna Sutherland, of Springfield, is visiting Mrs. B. M. Williams.

Mrs. Benson has returned from a visit of several weeks at her former home, Chatham, N. B.

Miss Lillie Bishop, of Lawrenceton, spent a few days last week in town, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Edward Marshall.

Miss Annie Marshall returned home on Wednesday, after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Stephen E. Thorne, of Lower Granville.

Miss Crowe, of Annapolis, who has been visiting her uncle, Mr. R. A. Crowe here for some weeks, returned to her home last week.

Miss Smith, of Digby, returned to home town on Monday, accompanied by Miss Angus James, who will spend the remainder of the winter there.

Mr. Harry J. Crowe, after spending a few days here last week, left on Saturday for New York on route to Europe, accompanied by Mrs. Crowe and son Lawrence.

Y. M. C. A. Social.

The Y. M. C. A. Social on Thursday evening last proved a very enjoyable and successful event.

The seating capacity of the main hall was well filled and the program was received with manifold approval, while the refreshments served at the close by the efficient ladies committee, proved delicious and satisfying, as well as stimulating to the social character of the entertainment.

The Y. M. C. A. orchestra, which was expected to furnish entertainment during this social part of the program, through unfortunate circumstances failed to materialize, which was a considerable disappointment. The claims of the gymnastics seem to have interfered to a considerable extent with the interests of the musicals included who compose the orchestra, but there is yet time to devote some of these winter evenings to practice, as an orchestra is too important an acquisition, both to the order and the music loving public, to be through lack of interest and neglect.

The readings of Mrs. Harlow and Miss Carolyn Piper, humorous selections in each instance, were given with excellent effect, and elicited the most hearty applause which always greets these popular entertainers. Miss Marion Doernase sang very pleasingly a couple of songs, responding in the first instance to an encore. Mrs. Armstrong, an accomplished pianist too infrequently heard in public, gave with tasteful expression a choice selection, responding with a second to an encore. Several piano solos were ordered through the evening by Misses Jost and Dodge, and Miss Dodge and Mr. Harry Bishop, adding considerably to the pleasure of the evening. A next sum was asked to the funds of the order from the proceeds.

Young Men's Christian Association, Annapolis County Convention, Bridgetown, Feb. 2-5, 1903.

PROGRAM.
 FRIDAY EVENING.
 7.30—Praise and Prayer, Fred Young.
 7.45—Work for College Young Men, W. L. Green, of Dalhousie University.

8.15—Bible Study, Its Effect on Life and Character, Rev. R. O. Armstrong, Weymouth, N. S.
 8.45—Work for Young Men in Small Towns and Villages, J. R. Boardman, International County Secretary, New York City.

SATURDAY MORNING.
 10.00—Institutes and County Work, conducted by J. R. Boardman, New York.—Is photo in the historical and State Policies.—The County Committee and Other Organizations.—The County Secretary.—Finance.—Distinctive Features of the Work.—The Associations Composing County Organization.—The Equipment Needed.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.
 2.30—The Corresponding Member, J. W. Whitman, Lawrenceton.
 4.5—Report of Annapolis County Work, L. W. Archibald, County Secretary.

7.00—The Importance of the Boys' Work, P. F. Moriaty, Halifax.
 8.30—Consolidation of the Specific Field, discussion led by J. R. Boardman.

SATURDAY NIGHT.
 7.30—Praise Service.
 7.45—A Glimpse of the Field for this Special Year, and some remarks to date, J. R. Boardman.

8.15—Value of Work for Men, H. B. Thompson, Truro, N. S.
 8.45—First Principles of Young Men's Christian Association Work, P. F. Moriaty, Halifax.

SUNDAY MORNING.
 10.00—Consecration Service.
 SUNDAY'S MEN'S MEETINGS.
 3.30—Bridgetown, H. B. Thompson, Truro, N. S.
 4.00—Lawrenceton, same meeting, J. R. Boardman, New York.
 4.00—Middleton, Baptist vestry, P. F. Moriaty, Halifax.
 8.15—Parade, Service, in Baptist Church.

—Mr. H. E. K. Whitney, Supt. of Boys' Mission of St. John, assisted by Harry Nixon, as whistler, and Harry Upton, as baritone soloist, attracted large audiences at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon, in the Methodist church Sunday evening, and in the Baptist church Monday evening. Mr. Whitney's trip is in the interests of the Boys' Mission, which is a work being done among the rough class of boys in St. John. In his different addresses he spoke of the great need of such a work being done and some of the satisfactory results from the work already accomplished. Harry Upton, who has a deep baritone voice, pleased the audience with his selections. Walter Nixon greatly delighted those who heard him in his clever whistling. In the Sunday services, after the whistling of each hymn there seemed to be a wave of suppressed appreciation. In the Monday evening service he received hearty applause, especially after giving the Mocking Bird, coming through the eye and the clever imitation of birds and animals. Mr. Whitney's description of some of his experience in the early part of his work, was interesting and amusing.

Basket Ball.

A large audience witnessed the tug game of basket ball at the Y. M. C. A. last Wednesday evening. The first game was between the "Alerts" of Lawrenceton and the "Bankers" of Bridge-town. The "Alerts" played an excellent game and had possession of the ball more than their opponents, but did not have good success in landing it in the basket. The "Bankers" played a strong game and won out by a score of 13-8.

The second game was between the "Mechanics" and "Clerks." Ed. Hicks for the Mechanics did some excellent work. Their team was set as evenly balanced as the Clerks, who are at present undoubtedly the strongest team in the league. The Clerks won by a score of 18-8.

The Mechanics are improving fast. They will meet the "Tartars" in a game to-night. Blake Engelson has been changed from centre to forward, and is playing a strong game. The "Tartars" are in good form, and a close game is looked for.

The business men will again meet the young men in a game of volleyball, to decide the championship, each team to play a game on Friday.

The game at Lawrenceton on Friday evening between the "Clerks" of Bridge-town and the "Forwards" of Lawrenceton was one of the liveliest league games of the season.

The "Forwards" went into the game with vim, and in a few minutes had scored 3. The "Clerks" now awake to the fact that there was work ahead of them, and the game was fast and furious, but played throughout in a good, natural, sportsmanlike manner. The first half stood 12-8 in favor of Bridge-town, and the final score was 25 to 15, also in favor of the Clerks.

The Alerts and a "picked up" team, captained by Roy Kennedy, kept the house entertained before and after the first half of the league game.

OBITUARY.

MRS. BANCROFT.
 Mrs. Samuel E. Bancroft, of Round Hill, whose death is described in another column of this issue, was before her marriage a Miss Parker, of Granville. Her youngest daughter, Mr. Charles W. Parker, aged about 44 years of age. She was the second wife of Mr. Bancroft and had no children. She was through life a most exemplary Christian woman, and a member of the Methodist church, of Bridge-town, and Rev. LeRoy Dakin, of Annapolis.

NOTICE!

Owing to various circumstances, I will have to remain at the old quarters for a short longer. I particularly request that debts due the estate of late Mr. Bancroft be paid within 30 days.
 GEORGE S. DAVIES.
 Feb. 3rd, 1903-42

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 S. Kerr & Son, Oddefellows' Hall.

Students can enter at any time. S. KERR & SON, Oddefellows' Hall.

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 "Like Mother Used to Make!"

DWIGHT'S COUGH MIXTURE is an old-fashioned mixture, but a good one, and a sure cure every time. Try it.

Prepared by
WEARE, J. E. Sancton
 The Druggist.

Advantage to the Public!
 After dissolving partnership with Jacobson I have decided to close out the remainder of our stock at a great reduction, and it will be to your advantage to call and see the bargains we are offering. It would take too much valuable space to mention prices of everything we offer. But as a sample we will mention prices of a few articles:
 Men's Raglanettes, regular price \$10.00, going now at \$7.25.
 Men's Suits in Navy and Blue, from \$27.50 to \$27.00.
 Boys' Suits, from 6 to 12 years of age, from \$1.50 to \$2.75.
 Men's Pants from \$1.00 to \$2.00, in Oxford and in Serge.
 A special sale of Men's Woolen Fleece Underwear from 55c to 50c, at the best that can be got.

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COHEN BROS.
 BRIDGETOWN AND WINDSOR.

Let Nothing Prevent YOU COMING

to this store when you are in quest of Groceries of the better sort. Your money will go as far here as anywhere for the same class of goods, and prompt and courteous attention to your orders characterizes our entire service. It will benefit you in many ways to deal with us, as one buying will probably show.
J. E. LLOYD.

SPECIALITIES THIS WEEK

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Central Book Store
 "The Delineator,"
 "Belcher's Almanac."
B. J. ELDERKIN
FOR SALE

Sleigh and Robe. Apply to
 JAMES IMRIE, Dartmouth
 or
 W. S. BENSON, Bridgetown
 January 19th, 1903.—14

FOR SALE
 One superior fallow Cow; one extra fine 2-year-old Cow, fresh; one fine greyling Heifer, coming to milk; May 19th, one Bull; one cow; one bull; one yearling; apply on farm to C. B. Cornwall, Clarence.
 Dec. 16th, 1902. MARY J. ANDREWS.

PIANO TUNING!
 G. O. GIBSON, of Truro, Piano and Organ tuner and dealer, will be in the Valley during January. P. O. address, Middleton or Bridge-town.
 One second hand piano case organ, six octaves at a bargain.
 Dec. 29th, 1902.

WOOD WANTED
 Teachers will be required up to the 1st day of March next, by the International Brick & Tile Co. Ltd. at their office in Bridgetown for the supply of 250 cords of wood for this year's use to be delivered in care of the siding or by teams at the brick yard. Teachers must state the quantity which each teacher will supply. Teachers will also be required for the repair of the wharf at the yard, also for 200 feet board measure of spruce plank and boards. The company reserves the right to reject all or any tender.
 JOHN EGVIN,
 Manager.

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25 per cent Discount!
 We have a few
 Lamps and Fancy Glass and China-ware

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 "Like Mother Used to Make!"
 DWIGHT'S COUGH MIXTURE is an old-fashioned mixture, but a good one, and a sure cure every time. Try it.

Parties wishing glasses fitted will govern themselves accordingly.
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 BRIDGETOWN AND WINDSOR.

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 —OF—
NEW GOODS!
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 on Overcoats still continues. Just think of getting a \$7.00 Raglan Overcoat for \$5.00, and a \$5.00 Ulster for \$3.50. All other makes in equal proportion. : : : : :
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CASH CLEARANCE SALE
 FOR
Two Weeks Only!
20 per cent Discount.

Heavy Colored Dress Goods, Ladies' and Children's Underwear (Vests, Drawers and Combination Suits), Wool and Cashmere Hose and Gloves, Knitted Goods, Fancy Flannelettes, Flannelette Underwear, Ladies' Umbrellas, Ladies' Fur Ruffs, Collars, Muffs, Children's Fur Collars, Ruffs and Sets, Fur-lined Capes, Quilts and Wool Blankets, Walking Skirts, Men's Cardigans and two best grades Winter Underwear, Men's Fur Coats, and Robes.

30 per cent Discount.
 Ladies' Wrappers, Blouses and White-wear, Ladies' Dogskin Jackets, Men's Dogskin Jackets, Men's and Boys' Underwear, Sweaters, Gloves, Men's and Boys' Winter Caps, Children's Suits ages 4 to 13.

50 per cent Discount.
 All Ladies' Jackets and Capes, Misses' Jackets and Reefers.

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Invitation to All!
 to examine our stock of Groceries, Crockeryware and Fancy Goods.
Holiday Specialities
 Dried Fruits, Figs, Dates, Grapes, Nuts, Confectionery, Fancy China & Lamps.
 Quality as good as the best. Prices as low as the lowest.
C. L. PIGGOTT.

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 Arriving this week, a large stock of carefully selected Confectionery of the best Canadian manufacture, complete in variety and choice in quality.
 Try our 4c. Chocolates.
 Grapes, Oranges, Pears, Apples Lemons, and all fruits in season New Stock every week.
Fresh Oysters
 by the quart or peck, or served on the half shell, or stewed to order.
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 Men's and Boys' Suits, Overcoats, Raglanettes, Reefers, Ulsters.
 Call early, examine our stock, and get our prices before you purchase.
A. D. BROWN
 Bridgetown, Dec. 30th, 1902.

NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY.

PORT LORNE.

Services for Sunday, Feb. 7th: Sunday school, 2 p. m.; preaching, 3 p. m.;... The school is closed on account of the measles. There are several new cases, with more to follow.

SPRINGFIELD.

A devotion will be held at the Baptist parsonage on Wednesday evening, Feb. 3rd. If weather is unfavorable, next fine evening. All are invited. Messrs. S. P. Grimm and J. C. Grimm leave today for a trip in Queen's Co.

CLARENCE.

Mr. Dimock Baker, of Kingston, was at M. O. Fries' over Sunday. The members of Port Lorne Division visited Clarence Division on Saturday evening. F. Fitch intends taking a trip to England in March to study the fruit business.

MORGANVILLE.

This is really an old-fashioned winter. Capt. Walker, of Clementport, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Berry the past week. We are glad to see Mr. Ernest Small among us again.

CLEMENTVALE.

Mr. Mortimer Sproule, of New Brunswick, and Miss Hattie Sproule, of Springdale, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sproule. Mr. Enoch Rawling, of Annapolis, spent Sunday at Mr. Chas. Long's. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Haddock, with their wife, Miss Jeanne, of Millville, are visiting at Mr. O. Floyd's.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Taylor, of Torbrook, are visiting among their relatives here. Miss Eva Rawling, of Clementport, spent a few days recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cameron. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown spent Sunday with their friends at Victoria.

Mr. Albert Sproule is in Truro attending the Nova Scotia Farmers' Association in connection with the return of his home he expects to visit Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Baird at Brookfield, Queens Co. Miss Lottie Cahue, of Springhill, Annapolis Co., spent Sunday with Mrs. Berpe's father. Mr. Sperr and daughter, who have been visiting at Mrs. Haddock's, returned to their home at Perotte on Friday.

BEAR RIVER.

[Telephone, Jan. 29th.] Mr. J. L. Strathairn, of the Union Bank, spent Sunday in Wolfville. School at Nova. Capt. Chute is ready for sea, being loaded with lumber for the West Indies. Miss Jennie Piggott, of Granville Ferry, is visiting her relatives here this week. Mrs. Thomas Baxter died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Weir, at Smith's Cove, yesterday morning, Jan. 28th, aged about 70 years. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kelley, having enjoyed a visit to friends in Bridgetown during their stay here. Bank. Edna M. Smith, Capt. I. M. Rice, of Hillsboro, N. B., is reported badly damaged at Liverpool, Eng., having been in collision with an unknown steamer.

HYMENEAL.

FLOYD-RILEY. One of the interesting events of the season occurred at the residence of Mrs. A. L. Danielson, Clementvale, last Wednesday, Jan. 27th, when Miss Jennie M. Riley was united in marriage to Mr. Curtis H. Riley. Rev. J. H. Balcom performed the ceremony, in the presence of a few friends. Precisely at 5:30 o'clock the couple entered the parlor, preceded by Florence Danielson wearing a long, and stood beneath an elegant arch. The room was also prettily decorated for the occasion. The bride was dressed in a blue suit with white trimmings and hat to match, while little Florence looked sweet in white dress and white picture hat.

At 8 o'clock the happy couple drove to their future home at Truro, and showers of rice and the best wishes of their friends. The bride received a number of useful and pretty gifts.

"The Caladonia 'Gold King'" tells the pitiful story of our country, the bodies of which may be seen from the main road sitting near each other on Mrs. L. B. Banks. Mrs. O. Giers had the misfortune to strain her wrist quite badly. Miss Elva Darling is visiting her Mr. Delaney, at Williamstown.

To the Ratepayers of the Town of Bridgetown.

Ladies and Gentlemen—

Having decided to retire from the Town Council at the end of this term I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you all for the support and co-operation which I have invariably received at your hands.

While the office I have held during the past three years may in some respects be an easy one to fill when supported by such able business men as sat in the Council during that period, there are certain duties and responsibilities which require careful consideration and attention. I have always felt that I could rely with the utmost confidence on the suggestions and opinions of the Town Council, and what ever credit the administration of town matters is entitled to is due largely to the co-operation of the various members of the Council. I believe that it will always be desirable to have experienced business men in the Council, for while the duties of Mayor and Council are heavy with them, no necessary reward, if the discharge of these duties was left to any but men who feel the full responsibility of the duties which they assume upon entering the Council, things would inevitably be very slack.

I am glad that I am succeeded in office by a man who has had six years' training in the Council, and who has previous business experience, and I speak for him the same support and co-operation you have always given me.

There is one duty which the Legislature wisely or otherwise has not left to the sole consideration of the Town Council, and that is the voting of money for extraordinary purposes. Such matters must be approved by a majority of ratepayers before the Council can act in the matter and they generally involve an increase of the town debt. There were two conspicuous instances of this during the time I sat in the Mayor's chair, that is to say, the new schoolhouse, and the railway damages.

As regards the new schoolhouse, I think all will agree that it was a necessity, that it was well and economically built, and that it is a credit to the town. The accounts show that it has been built and completed for a little less than \$10,000. About the railway damages there may be some difference of opinion, but as I look back at the matter now I cannot but express my regret that the ratepayers had not given this question a more careful, unbiased opinion before the vote was taken. The damage amount in round figures is \$10,000, since the land in the town was expropriated, the railway has been enlarged, and the most striking thing in connection with the transfer is the error that the company who got the benefit of the right of way through the town and through the Council's hands has availed our annual interest to the huge sum of nearly \$2,000.

There remains yet to be obtained by the town a sewer system. This is a very necessary, and yet the ratepayers will doubtless pause some time before still further increasing the debt. I cannot but think that proper economy upon the part of the town requires the town's own services and wants to be looked after before money is paid over to a railroad company which seems to have nothing at all in the country and which, when it is obliged to distribute large sums of money for which nothing appears to have been given in return. I have it in your mind, in view of the light that you already have on the question, which is not of Bridgetown was hoodwinked on the occasion of the railway vote. At all events, let it be a lesson to us in the future to look out for Bridgetown first and outside corporations afterwards—if at all.

Although I have retired from the Council, I do not feel that my interest in the town has been in any degree lessened. On the contrary, I shall continue to take a keen interest in all town affairs, and I have strong hopes that our town will continue to prosper in the near future more than it has in the past.

Thanking you again, ladies and gentlemen, I remain, Yours very truly, L. D. SHAFNER.

Valuable Antique Relics.

Mr. G. T. Upper has a valuable collection of ancient papers and documents purchased at the sale of the late John Trep. Among them are fac-simile copies of Magna Charta, Warrants of Execution for Charles I., King of England, and of Mary, Queen of Scots, the latter with the signature of Queen Elizabeth. Among the papers are a copy of the "English Mercury," published by authority for the prevention of false reports at the time of the Spanish Armada invasion. The News, published during the London plague in 1665. An Independent Chronicle of Boston, dated of 1728; two copies of the London Times, dated 1798 and 1801, a Weekly Chronicle of Halifax, dated of 1799, and a copy of the New York Herald of April 15, 1865, giving a full account of the assassination of President Lincoln. In the collection there is also a stone hammer used by the Miners in making Flint arrow heads, a number of the arrowheads themselves and several specimens of antique firearms. The collection would be a valuable one for a museum and came into Mr. Upper's possession for a trifling sum.—The Telephone.

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for the construction of a Shed for Wrecking Cranes and a Shed for Car Repair Shop at Station, N. S. Information may be seen at the Station Master's office at Station, N. S., and the office of the Chief Engineer, Montreal, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained. The conditions of the Specification must be complied with. D. POTTINGER, General Manager. Railway Office, Montreal, P. Q., January 29th, 1904.—11

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