

Town and Country.

A Happy New Year!
Have you sworn off?

Nomination in Sunbury on Friday.
Commence to-morrow, writing 1885.

The St. Stephen church has imported a lot of new stones.

Mr. C. D. Roberts is spending the holiday season here.

Mr. Edward Jack is in New Brunswick and will be home in January.

The mercury went down to 32 degrees below zero at Woodstock Friday night.

The York County Court, Judge Stedman presiding, opens on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

Mr. John C. Risteen, of Amherst, Mass., visited his friends in Fredericton last week.

Mayor Fenwick kindly entertained the inmates of the Almshouse to a Christmas dinner.

Watch night services at the Methodist Church to-night, commencing at half-past ten o'clock.

Mr. F. W. Bove of the Moncton Transcript accepted a position on the Halifax Chronicle staff.

Mayor Fenwick is to deliver an address on civic affairs in the City Hall, on Thursday evening, January 8th.

The Marysville Minstrel Troupe gave a pleasant entertainment in the Marysville Hall, Christmas night.

A well known post office official and an up-town young lady, are to form a matrimonial coalition next week.

Frank Brown and Harry Gregory are from the New York College of Physicians and Surgeons, for a short vacation.

Miss Florence Murray, the celebrated dramatic artist, is to occupy the City Hall stage on the evening of January 14th.

She claims in the Provincial Secretary's office, have presented to Mr. McLaughlin with a handsome silver tea service.

A Mr. T. W. Smith, who fractured his shoulder several weeks ago while skating on the ice, is again able to attend to business.

The Juniors were defeated Christmas by the Seniors in the Curling match, by fifteen points. There is to be a return match to-morrow.

The death of Mr. Henry S. Book is recorded elsewhere. He was a brother of the Auditor General, and formerly kept a book store in this city.

Mr. Andrew D. Macpherson, Secretary of the Central Fire Insurance Company, has our thanks for a very nice little Christmas gift, gotten up by the company he represents.

Gilbert Russell, in handling a load of stone to the bridge piers yesterday morning, with his team, went through the ice, but escaped fortunately with loss of the stone.

Major Stevens, editor of the Moncton Times, was married at St. John, on the 24th inst., to Miss Caldwell, and has gone south for a bridal tour. The Farnham's congratulations are extended.

Judge Wetmore will preside at the York Circuit Court, which opens on Tuesday, January 20th. The most interesting case to be tried, is in connection with the Queensbury Church scandal.

Seamus Mulhearn of Chatham, died yesterday at the age of sixty-five years. He was a native of Pictou, N. S., and in the Legislative Council from 1873 to 1878, and in the Senate from later date till his death.

Lester Peterson of Macnaman, sold to Mr. J. W. Tabor of this city, the 17th inst., an old dog and three piglets, one of which weighed as follows, the pig 342, 330 and 304 lbs., respectively, and the old dog 538 lbs.

Mr. J. Driscoll showed, last week, in the market, the fine carcass of a heifer, four and one-half years old, reared and fed by Mr. J. L. Jones. The animal was one-quarter Ayrshire and three-quarters Durham, and weighed when dressed, over 800 lbs.

The members of the Fredericton Brass Band, are to have a sleighride in the "Great Eastern" to-morrow forenoon, weather permitting. They will have there instruments along with them, and render a programme of music during the progress of the drive.

Chas Campbell, M. D., recently of Moncton, has gone to Fredericton to pursue the practice of his profession. The doctor has the best wishes of a host of friends for success in his new field.—Sun.

Dr. Campbell's case is noted elsewhere.

Mr. Edwards of the Queen Hotel was kindly remembered Christmas by his employee, who, through the clerk of the hotel, Mr. W. F. Nicholson, presented him with a beautiful silver spoon, suitably inscribed. It was imported by Mr. J. D. Fowler.

Boys Messrs. Tippet and Howard of the Methodist church, were kindly remembered Christmas. The former was the recipient of an elegant dressing case from his Bible class and members of the congregation presented Mr. Howard with a pair of Persian lamb gauntlet gloves.

The Albert Maple Leaf, learns that Rev. D. D. Currie has been elected to act as general superintendent of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of the province of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, with the head office in Halifax, and he has accepted the position and entered upon his duties, but will not leave the circuit for active work until next July.

On Friday evening the Fredericton Court of the Order of Foresters elected the following officers:—Court, Deputy Ranger, Ranger, H. C. O'Neil; Chief Ranger, Ranger, H. C. O'Neil; Vice Chief Ranger, Ranger, H. C. O'Neil; Recording Secretary, G. E. Cooper; Financial Secretary, J. W. Tabor; Treasurer, Edward Brown; Sr. Warden, H. C. O'Neil; Jr. Warden, Harry Burton; Sr. Deacons, Jas. Adams; Jr. Deacons, J. Caldwell; Court Physician, Dr. Currie.

It will be observed by our advertising columns, that Messrs. Wetmore & Winslow, Barristers, have been appointed Agents in Fredericton, for the Citizens Insurance Company, an institution that has done a large business in this locality, and stands well with the people. Messrs. Wetmore & Winslow now represent four companies, the Citizens, Norwich Union, Royal Canadian and the Travellers Life and Accident, and are prepared to assume fire, life and accident risks at reasonable rates.

Nearly one thousand children from the Methodist, Baptist, Free Baptist, and Presbyterian Sunday Schools, and half that number of adults, were present at the Union Temperance Sunday School Meeting in the Methodist Church, Sunday afternoon, Mr. J. W. Spurgeon presided, in the absence of Mr. J. W. Johnson, who was unable to attend. The addresses were given by Mr. H. J. Thorne of St. John, Rev. F. D. O'Leary and Rev. Geo. McLeod. Rev. W. Tippet said the prayers, and the children sang the hymns. The choir rendering Temperance and other hymns.

Past Master A. F. Street, has installed the following officers of Elram Lodge, No. 4, A. M., for the current year:—Past Master, W. M.; Jas. D. Fowler, S. W.; B. H. Babbitt, J. W.; Geo. Todd, (P. M.) Chaplain; Geo. F. Gregory, Treasurer; Charles Babbitt, Secretary; A. J. Foley Parker, S. D.; George H. Davis, J. D.; S. L. Morrison, S. S.; J. G. Adams, J. W.; A. Morrison, Jr. (P. M.) I. G. John Lawson, Tyler.

A ball will be given by the Lodge, in their hall, at the end of January.

On Monday evening, December 22nd, the ladies of the Baptist Church at Lakeside Corner, Sunbury County, held a very successful Fair. The proceeds were for the benefit of the Church, and of an excellent work of benevolence. After the concert, which was most thoroughly enjoyed by all present, the ladies of the Church, the work of the ladies of the Church, was disposed of by lot, and out of eighty-one tickets sold, the proceeds were for the benefit of the Church, and of an excellent work of benevolence. After the concert, which was most thoroughly enjoyed by all present, the ladies of the Church, the work of the ladies of the Church, was disposed of by lot, and out of eighty-one tickets sold, the proceeds were for the benefit of the Church, and of an excellent work of benevolence.

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"Gilbert Elliott took the part of Monte Cristo, and considering the fact that he had four distinct characters to assume, was highly successful. At the close of the fourth act he was called before the curtain. Lytell always makes a character amusing, and he got all the humor possible out of the disappointed tailor Caderousse, and the disappointed shoemaker Crispin. Lytell will appear in the City Hall next Monday and Tuesday evenings, presenting Monte Cristo and The Romany Rye.

RE-OPENING OF THE CITY HALL.

The Concert last night.

Every available seat in the City Hall was filled last night, on the occasion of the re-opening of the hall, and the large audience was interested in the examination of the improvements in the stage and gallery, and the general verdict was that the changes have been very materially added to the convenience and comfort of the hall. The stage has been deepened seven feet, and the width increased. A handsome new drop curtain is an attractive feature of the improvements, and in the gallery, there has been a complete transformation. The rear rows of seats have been raised, so that a fine view of the stage can be had from every part of the gallery, and the number of seats is increased by sixteen, while all are made available, and will sell as readily as the best in the auditorium. The whole cost of the improvements will be in the vicinity of \$700, including the drop curtain, a sum which will be decreased nearly one third by the receipts of the concert last night.

The entertainment last night, taken all in all, was a success. There were certain parts that were susceptible to improvement, but since the performers kindly lent much time to the rehearsal, it would scarcely be generous to criticize harshly. The Fredericton Brass Band, always welcomed for the high character of its performance, opened the programme by a selection, "Solitude," and subsequently rendered in desirable style, "Pleasant Memories," and the "Rifle Galop," all eliciting rounds of applause. The absence, through illness, of Mrs. John Black, was a disappointment, but Mrs. Hilton Green kindly filled the number, and sang quite acceptably, "Song and Rapture," also responding to the enthusiastically expressed desire, to sing the choruses by fifty voices. The absence, through illness, of Mrs. John Black, was a disappointment, but Mrs. Hilton Green kindly filled the number, and sang quite acceptably, "Song and Rapture," also responding to the enthusiastically expressed desire, to sing the choruses by fifty voices.

Finally, a large and well selected set, Billman made a capital hit in his rendering of "Will o' the Wisp," and surprised those who had not the pleasure of hearing him before. His response to an encore, was not so well appreciated, but he made an excellent encore, and will be welcomed again on the stage. Mr. Parker sang two comic solos in his own inimitable style, being second both times, and his "General Jumbo's Army," abounding as it did in local military humor, was keenly appreciated. Some of Mr. Parker's selections are a little little old, but their reputation, evidently entertained the audience. Miss Stanger's efforts as a vocal soloist, were tolerably good, and the entire programme was creditably carried out. The direction of the concert was in the hands of Prof. Caldwell, who also played the accompaniment, and he, with the best part of the work, is entitled to much credit for his enterprise.

The urgent order of the English Government to Portsmouth to hold all available men of the southern division of the Royal Artillery in readiness to go to Gibraltar is considered significant. It is regarded as a hint to the Continental power that England will be prepared to defend her course in Egypt.

The latest news from Khartoum, says General Gordon has captured a considerable quantity of grain by his steamers, and now frequently receives supplies from the villages along the eastern bank of the Nile. He is making his own power, and the chances of his holding out until Lord Wolsey reaches him are very good.

The Fredericton curling club bonspiel, held at Fredericton, N. B., January 13, 1885. Committee: T. G. Loggie, H. B. Allen, J. S. Neill, J. K. Grieve, R. Barker, W. K. Allen.

On the fourth page is a fine photograph by Burkhardt, of the valuable cup presented by F. B. Coleman, Esq.

The following is the programme:

The bonspiel, held under the auspices of the Fredericton curling club, will begin on the 13th January, 1885, at 1.30 o'clock, p. m.

A cup presented by F. B. Coleman, Esq., will be offered in competition and will become the property of the winning club.

Ice has been selected in front of the city, on the River St. John.

The games will consist of twenty-one ends and will be played under the rules of the Royal Gledonian curling club. An umpire will be appointed by the clubs on their arrival at Fredericton.

Every exertion will be made by the Fredericton curling club for the entertainment of visitors.

Conditions of Match.

Each club shall send four rinks.

Each club will draw and play club games, and at the conclusion of the first series of the games, winning clubs will then draw and play club games until the cup is won.

No. 1. H. M. Campbell, Chas. L. Richards, A. H. F. Randolph, D. L. Babbitt, H. G. Ratter, D. L. Hazen, W. G. Loggie, skip. John B. Grieve, skip.

No. 2. J. H. Hawthorne, J. D. McPherson, R. S. Hayward, R. S. Barker, W. K. Allen, skip. E. H. Allen, skip.

No. 3. H. Wilmut is spare man for No. 1; T. O. Allen for No. 2; J. R. Kerr for No. 3; J. W. McLeod for No. 4.

St. Andrew's Curling Club of St. John, has elected the following skips to represent the club in the competition:—John White, A. O. Skinner and A. C. Jardine, and the Thistles of the same city, will send Mr. G. L. Thomson, James Kennedy, Alex. Miller, Geo. L. Britton, skip.

No definite word has yet been had from the Newcastle and Chatham clubs.

New Brunswickers Abroad.

Good Words for Fredericton and Woodstock Boys.

(From the Canadian Amateur.)

Spurred on by the Lockwood, formerly of Woodstock, are extensive contractors in Wicks, Ontario. They have been very successful.

Mr. Wm. Riler, from Woodstock, came out four years ago, to Minneapolis. Last spring he moved to Neilhart, Mont., where he is living.

We regret very much to hear that Mr. S. J. Clark, manager of the Minneapolis office of the St. Paul Globe, is down with a severe attack of congestion of the lungs. Mr. Clark was formerly a resident of Fredericton, New Brunswick.

Mr. I. S. G. Van Wert is still doing a large business in the lumber trade. He is now the gentleman. He will surprise them some of these days.

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A BUDGET OF NEWS.

Called, Clipped and Collected from Everywhere.

Everything indicates that the reception to be given in Montreal to Sir John Macdonald next month, will be a great success.

The Montreal City and District Savings Bank, distributed ten thousand dollars among the city charities, Christmas.

The January number of *Lippincott's Magazine* contains a very interesting paper by Mr. James M. O'Leary of Ottawa, on the Premier of Canada.

Prof. Henton of Seville College, and Miss Lich, daughter of the Principal of that Institution, were married at Seville, Christmas.

The Catholic Union of London have arranged to give a great banquet to Lord Ripon, ex-Viceroy of India, on the 10th February next.

The Governments of Tasmania and Queensland have joined with Victoria in a protest against the annexation by Germany, of a portion of New Guinea and the neighboring islands.

A fine seam of coal has been found at Crowfoot, crossing 800 miles west of Winnipeg, on the Canadian Pacific Railway. It is 14 feet thick, 100 feet below the surface, and is a stratum of good quality.

Dr. Muir, a minister of the Free Church of Scotland, has become a convert to Puseyism, and appeared recently in St. Andrew's Episcopal church in Glasgow, in gorgeous vest

