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EARTHQUAKE CAUSES DESTRUCTION AND LOSS OF LIFE IN ITALY

Tidal Wave Sinks Five Hundred Boats.—People are Panic-Stricken.—Thousands are Homeless.—Whole Villages Destroyed.

An earthquake which visited South western Italy on Monday destroyed many lives and devastated much property. Telegraphic communication having been destroyed, the extent of the destruction is not yet fully known, but it is reported as the worst earthquake experienced for many years.

THOUSANDS KILLED.

The city of Messina has suffered probably more than any other place. The latest information coming indirectly from that region saying that two-thirds of the town was destroyed and several thousand persons were killed.

PEOPLE PANIC STRICKEN.

At Catania, the panic stricken people, fearing new shocks, absolutely refused to re-enter their houses, and they are camping in the squares which are free from water and the surrounding country. The tidal wave sank five hundred boats there, and did great damage to several large vessels and steamers, including the Austrian steamer Buda.

The effects of the earthquake were aggravated by fire from an explosion of gas, the flames which swept across several of the streets, adding terror upon terror.

VILLAGE WIPED OUT.

In Calabria, the region around Montelone, was most affected. The village of Ste. Fancini, the inhabitants of which number 2,300, was practically destroyed. Only five persons were killed, but many were injured.

Thousands of people abandoned their homes, although a terrific rain storm prevailed, and filled the air with lamentations and prayers. In some places, such as Prizzo, Corcona, Santa Severina and Piscopio, the people had the courage to enter the churches, almost while they were falling, and carry out the saints. They bore these in procession through the open country, invoking the mercy of God.

In the mountainous regions inland, the population has taken refuge in grottoes and caves where peasants and priests, soldiers and persons of gentler birth are living in common. Their bed is the ground and trees burn to keep off wild animals.

In Albi alone 2,000 people are homeless.

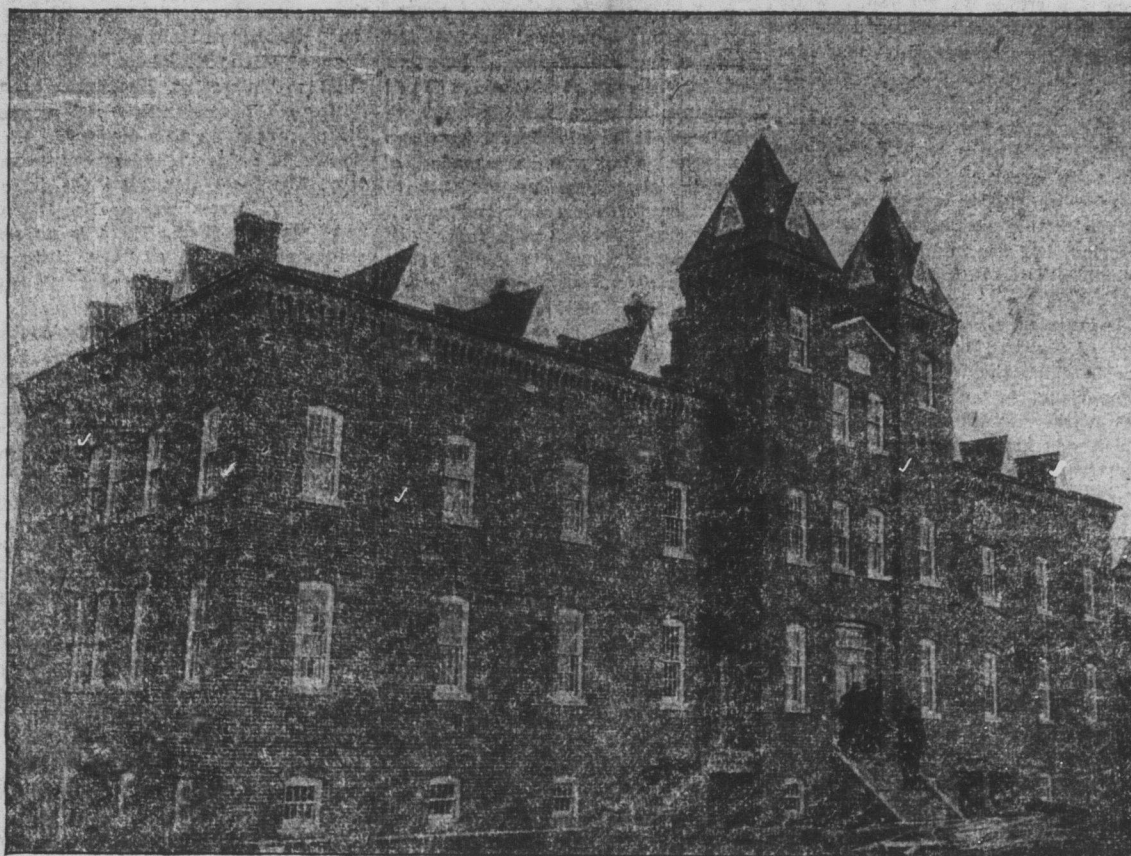
HAVOC BY TIDAL WAVE.

Extraordinary scenes are reported at Cantania. Following violent earth shock at 5.20 a. m., the sea rose in a tremendous wave, which wrecked many smacks. A second tidal wave caused further great damage and wreckage. Awakened by the shock the inhabitants fled panic stricken from their homes into the streets and squares. Processions were organized and soon all the churches were filled with weeping crowds imploring Divine mercy.

A very severe shock was felt at Caltanissetta, a city of Sicily, and although much damage was done, no one was killed. The shock created greater alarm, and notwithstanding the downpour of rain, the whole population remained in the streets throughout the day and marched in religious procession.

WAS OF DISTINGUISHED LINEAGE.

Dr. Guilford Shaw Reed, who died suddenly recently of aneuria pectoris at his residence, Riverbank court, at the age of seventy-one, had lived for more than forty years in Boston. He was a native of Annapolis County, Nova Scotia, the son of Granville Bevil and Leah (Green) Reed, and through his Tory ancestors was descended in the direct line from Roger Williams, Governor John Greene, Dr. Pierre Gallaudet, one of the Huguenot founders of New Rochelle, and other well-known Colonial families. Dr. Reed was of quiet and studious tastes and of lovable character. He was a member of the Victorian Club and other societies. He leaves a widow, the daughter of John Berryman, of St. John, and two daughters, Miss Helen Leah Reed and Ethel, the wife of Everett Morse, of Boston.



ANNAPOLIS COUNTY HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

Stopped Runaway Horse

A reporter in the Halifax Mail writes: The other morning a man stepped from his carriage to do some business, leaving his wife and child of three years to look after the horse. The animal took fright and the terrified woman let the reins drop to hold her child more closely. Consequently, the horse had nothing to check him, and the farther he ran the more frightened he became. One man tried to stop him, but was struck by the wheel and thrown to the ground. Unfortunately these happened to be very few on the street at the time. A lady by the name of Mrs. Brett had just turned the corner and was walking slowly toward the runaway. Noting at a glance the helpless condition of woman and child, she stepped boldly out in front of the animal, causing him to rear. When he came down she caught the bridle and spoke kindly, yet firmly, to the animal. With one hand she patted his pretty neck and in a few moments he stood quiet still. Occasionally he would indulge in a shiver. The animal was not vicious, only ed by a small boy striking a steel mud frightened. He became frightened along the sidewalk which should be strictly forbidden in town or city. When Mrs. Brett was asked if she realized that she risked her life to save the woman and child, she replied that she could afford to be selfish. She considered the incident not worth talking about. "Anyone should have done what I did, when they could plainly see that had the horse not been checked in its mad career before it reached another dashed to pieces." She refused to give her address, as she wished to avoid newspaper notoriety. A grocer near by told her name, but refused to divulge her address.

(We are informed that the heroine of the above incident is the lady of the name given who is well known in Bridgetown.—ED.)

FARMERS' WAREHOUSES.

A correspondent of the Halifax Chronicle writes:—The success of the "Farmers' Warehouse" at Lawrence town, Annapolis County, has encouraged fruit growers in other parts of the Valley to make a move in a similar direction. Already there are warehouses at Berwick and Lawrence town controlled by the apple growers themselves, and the orchardists in Aylesford, Middleton and Paradise are organizing preparatory to making a move in the same direction. Bridgetown and Round Hill are so expected to fall into line. The object of the "Farmers' Warehouse" is to have uniform packing, reduction in freight rates for the individual shipper, less use for the middle man and consequently more profits for the growers.

Y. M. C. A. Notes

As a means of increasing the social life of the Association, it has been decided by the cabinet to reserve Thursday evening of each week, from 7.30 to 9.30 p. m., as social night for senior members, when various parlor games and music will be in order. These evenings will be in charge of the Social and Rooms Committees. Each member has the privilege of inviting one young man friend, and all the ladies interested in the Association are welcome without any special invitation, and we hope that many will find time to help in making these gatherings a success.

Book Notices

An interesting and well printed booklet, descriptive of Nova Scotia and its opportunities has been issued by the direction of the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, and is circulated through the Department of Industries and Immigration of the Provincial Government, as well as by agencies in the British Isles. While the main object of the issue is to disseminate information about the Province in Great Britain and other countries, a limited quantity is available for circulation in Nova Scotia. Any one desiring a copy should apply to ARTHUR S. BARNSTEAD, Secretary Industries and Immigration, Halifax.

Gabrielle Amethyst is the title of a new book by Miss F. W. Musgrave, of Auburn, Kins Co., just published. The story is one that will be read with interest by any who enjoy fiction of serious purpose. It follows a pleasing love story and touches delicately upon a modern social problem. The spirit of the book is uplifting in its aim and effect.

Steamer Granville Sold.

It is reported that the steamer Granville, which has been on the Annapolis-St. John route, with Captain Collins as master, the past two years, has been sold to Connors Bros., of Black River, N. B., who will put her on the route between St. Andrews and St. John. The present owners of the Granville have given an order for a new boat to be built at Shelburne to be ready for delivery the latter part of April next. She will be fitted with an electric light plant run from a separate engine and dynamo, for not only illuminating her cabins, but for side lights, running lights, etc. Also a powerful search light for navigating the river and other dangerous places at night. She will have steam steering gear and fitted with all modern improvements.

A. C. F. A. at Bridgetown

Annapolis County Farmers' Association met in annual session at Bridgetown on the 18th inst. Col. S. Spurr in the chair. Secretary reported of the work of the year. 22 institute meetings held. Speakers, Dr. Standish, W. H. Woodworth, R. J. Messenger, L. D. Robinson. Membership 202. Great interest was shown at the meetings of Dr. Standish at Middleton and Lawrence town. Secretary also reported correspondence and action of Directors re the proposed exhibition in the autumn of 1909 at Middleton.

A resolution was passed asking the Government to give \$1,000.00 toward the prize list as to the Exhibition at Kentville this year.

Col. S. Spurr was selected to represent the Association on a delegation to interview the Government. Subjects of interest were discussed: The Inspection of Fruit, Thinning.

How to Help the Quality of Fruit—introduced by Mr. F. H. Johnson. Injurious insects, particularly the canker worm, was started by Mr. F. W. Bishop.

Mr. Frank W. Foster spoke in his usual practical manner of the dairy-keeping interest.

Officers for the ensuing year were chosen, viz., Col. S. Spurr, President; F. W. Bishop, Vice President; A. Owen Price, 2nd Vice President; L. W. Elliott, Secretary-Treasurer.

Wedded at Annapolis.

Annapolis, December 23.—The home of Captain Norman and Mrs. Louise of this town, was this morning the scene of a very interesting event, when their daughter, Miss Louise was united in hymen's silken bonds to Howard Abbott, Bridgetown. The bride looked very pretty, adorned in a travelling dress of blue cloth with hat to match. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. How, B. D., the rector of St. Luke's, in the presence of a number of invited guests. After the ceremony a sumptuous repast was served and the happy couple driven to the station, where they took train for Halifax en route to St. John, where they will reside. The bride was the recipient of numerous and costly presents, showing the esteem in which she is held in the community. There was a number of friends at the station to see them off and to congratulate on the happy event.

NEW YEAR RESOLVE.

To be true through and through.
To work square,
To fight fair,
To help and share
And lessen the burden
Another must bear.
To trust God
Through good and ill,
And His help and doing His Will

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AT THE COUNTY INSTITUTIONS

The Day was Celebrated with Fun and Merry-Making.—Santa Claus Appeared Riding on a Mule to Distribute Gifts from Tree.

To The Monitor-Sentinel:—

The present writer has had the privilege for several years of attending the Christmas festivities at the County Hospital and County Home, and has noticed with great satisfaction the very marked evidence of appreciation by the inmates of these Institutions of the efforts made by the Managers to please them and to introduce an agreeable chance into the somewhat monotonous routine of their daily lives.

On the recent Christmas the preparations made were of a more elaborate character than any heretofore attempted. It was very plainly seen that much time and careful thought had been expended in the tasteful decoration of the rooms and in the numerous and varied gifts with which the Christmas trees were loaded. None of the inmates were forgotten and all were well supplied with useful and suitable presents, and Santa Claus himself arrived in time to see to their proper distribution. On former occasions he made his appearance on foot. This time he came, not with his traditional reindeer, but actually on the back of a mule. This animal displayed the usual vicious tendencies of his kind, and administered several severe kicks to persons standing near, and even to Santa Claus himself. Fortunately, a well known physician had been invited to the celebration, probably because it was feared his services might be required for such an emergency.

The presence of the Bridgetown Band added much to the enjoyment of the evening. The selections chosen were well rendered and highly appreciated. A humorous song by a gentleman, accompanied by the organ, was well received. Several brief addresses were made. Refreshments were distributed. A large number of visitors joined with the inmates in cordial congratulations to Messrs. Hiltz and Myers, and their assistants for the great success of their Christmas entertainment.

Mr. Hiltz in a brief address in which he extended the compliments of the season to all present and expressed his thanks to the citizens who had made the occasion possible by their willing and generous donations, gave voice to the hope that before many months a hall might be erected in connection with the Institutions to be used for religious services and occasional entertainments for the profit and pleasure of the inmates. It is understood that he has had the promise of several sums for this purpose. These and other voluntary contributions, supplemented if necessary by a small grant from the County, would make possible a need-

ed addition to the buildings which are so successfully administered and such a credit to Annapolis County. VISITOR.

Bridgetown, Dec. 28th, 1908.

To The Monitor-Sentinel:—

Mr. Hiltz has put into my hands the list of contributions by the people of Bridgetown towards the recent Christmas entertainment in the County Hospital and County Home, and also the receipted bills showing the expenditure.

The contributions reach the very creditable sum of seventy-one dollars (\$71.00), and of this amount there remains in hand \$4.76, which it is proposed to use in giving to the inmates of the Institutions their usual sleigh-drive. Messrs. Hiltz and Myers wish me to give expression to their very sincere thanks to the kind donors.

Yours truly,
CRANSWICK JOST.

We, the undersigned, do hereby cheerfully contribute the amount set opposite our respective names, for the purpose of providing the usual treat and entertainment for the inmates of our County Institutions on Christmas Day.

W. G. Clarke,	5.00
O. S. Miller,	5.00
O. T. Daniels,	1.00
M. E. Armstrong,	1.00
Fred B. Fay,	1.00
J. E. Lloyd,	2.00
J. Harry Hicks,	1.00
J. H. Hicks & Sons,	2.00
Karl Freeman,	2.00
C. L. Piggott,	2.00
H. H. Johnston,	1.00
H. M. Chute,	1.00
W. H. Cochran,	2.00
I. M. Otterson,	1.00
R. A. Crowe,50
Edwin L. Fisher,	1.00
W. A. Warren,	1.00
Abner Williams,	1.00
A. D. Brown,	1.00
Moses & Young,	1.00
R. W. Elliott,	1.00
J. I. Foster,	2.00
J. W. Ross,50
W. E. Reed,	1.00
Dr. DeBlois,50
Strong & Whitman,	3.00
J. W. Beckwith,	3.00
Mrs. Annie Shand,	5.00
A. S. Lewis,	1.00
Forest Connel,	1.00
Mrs. Isabel Harding,	1.00
Miss Annie Outhit,	5.00
Mrs. J. R. DeWitt,	1.00
S. N. Wear,	2.00
Rev. E. Underwood,	1.50
E. Russell,	1.00
Rev. A. J. MacDonald,	2.00
W. H. Roach,	7.00
W. J. Hoyt,	1.00
Total, H	\$71.00

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

New Year

Will sell Round Trip Tickets at FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE to all points on the Intercolonial Railway

Going December 31st, 1908, to January 1st, 1909.

Return January 4th, 1909.

THROUGH ISSUE.—First Class One Way Through Fare to points beyond Montreal in Canada. Port Arthur, Ont., Detroit, Port Huron, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and east thereof.

Going December 31st, 1908, and January 1st, 1909. Return January 4th, 1909.

FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE TO MONTREAL, added to FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE and ONE THIRD FROM MONTREAL.

Going December 24th, 25th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, January 1st.

Returns till January 5th, 1909.

For Fares to points on local connecting lines apply nearest Ticket Agent.

Prince Edward Island Railway.

TENDER.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside, "Tender for Freight Shed on Wharf, Charlottetown," will be received up to and including THURSDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1909, for the construction of a freight shed on the wharf at Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Superintendent, Charlottetown, P. E. I., and at the Chief Engineer's Office Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.

D. POTTINGER,
General Manager.

Railway Office,
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Dec. 23rd, 1908. 3 lps.

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BAKING POWDER

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officially approved ingredient for
a wholesome, high-class powder.

There is greater deception in the sale of baking powders than ever before.
Closely observe the label and be certain of getting Royal.

WE wish to extend to our friends our best wishes for a PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

To those who have given us their patronage during the last year we tender our sincere thanks and solicit a continuance of your confidence and support during the year 1909.

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Table listing magazine subscriptions for 1909 with prices. Includes titles like 'The Century', 'McClure's', 'Review of Reviews', etc.

I shall be pleased to forward you my Catalogue of other Clubbing offers, if you wish the same.

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Table comparing Manufacturers Life in 1907 with 1906. Columns for Net Premium Income, Interest and Rents, Total Income, Assets.

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ORIGINAL STORY

Written For the Monitor Sentinel Prize Competition

The Test

(By "Morris Morton.")

On a summer afternoon two women sat together on the veranda of a pleasant, old-fashioned country house. Before them stood a small table littered with writing materials and loose pages of manuscript. The younger appearing of the two, seated in a low rocker, was reading with an air of critical absorption a page from a portfolio in her lap, while the other watched her from over the top of a carelessly held magazine with a look of mingled envy and admiration.

The two were the same age but one did not look more than twenty-five, while the other looked at least five years older. Both were attractive with a certain similarity of type and coloring, but one had that subtle indefinable distinction about her suggestive of travel and culture and a wide knowledge of life—the distinction of the well bred woman of the world—which the other seemed, in comparison, to lack. They were alike but with a difference—a difference which was keenly felt by the woman who watched, and which caused her to indulge in a reverie tinged with bitterness.

She, Beth MacLane, was a nobody, the wife of a country lawyer, tied down with four small children and the cares of household management in a district where it was almost impossible to get good help. She had seen nothing worth while of the world or its people. She was out of reach of art—of culture—the best of every thing—fettered by a routine of petty duties—while the woman opposite her was her old college chum, now her guest, Josephine Dale Denton, successful author and magazine writer, famous, travelled, cultured—everything she, herself, longed to be, and which she, told herself, she might have been. That was the pity of it. She knew she could have written and written well. If it were not for the children she could, perhaps, even now be something. But four children and literature! The combination was not feasible.

Josephine Denton dropped the close ly written page she had been reading and impulsively reached for her friend's hand. "Beth," she said, "that is good—wonderfully good. It is perhaps a trifle crude in construction but the thought is there and it goes home to one. I like this little child-poem of yours, too. It is sweet and full of feeling. My dear, you are wasting a talent which you certainly should cultivate."

"It's no use, Jo. I might have done something once, perhaps, but now—what time do I get for that sort of thing? Oh, it is a great mistake for a girl to marry as young as I did and tie herself down as I am now. I married at twenty to find at thirty that I have spent the best ten years of my life in doing housework and taking care of children. Don't think me unhappy, though. I have not been. It is only since I have seen you and what you have made of your life that I realize all I have missed out of mine. Do you know, I would give anything on earth to have written your "Triumph's Evidence."

"Ma-a-ma-a! Ma-a-ma-a!" A boyish voice reached them in urgent appeal and her eldest child, a boy of nine, came running through the hall, out on the veranda and thrust himself breathlessly between his mother and her guest. A frown of annoyance gathered on the mother's face but the rebuke she would have uttered died on her lips at the little fellow's look.

"Mamma, have you seen Willie? Has he come to the house? He followed me down to the creek and— He paused, out of breath. The mother had risen. "Where did you leave him?" she said, her voice sharp with anxiety. "By, he followed me when I went down to look at the oyster punt and Fatty Moran and Dick Johnson were over in Dick's orchard and they called me over an' I told Will to sit down on a haycock, 'side of the creek an' wait for me. They had a squirrel trap up to the house an' I went up to see it an' we forgot 'bout Willie till just now, an' we all went down to the creek an' he wasn't there."

"Come with me and show me just where you left him," she said, trying to speak calmly, but with a sickening sensation of fear clutching at her heart. She followed the child, running nimbly through the garden and orchard, down through the marsh to the creek where the tide had come in covering all traces of footprints. Conscious only of the horrible wretch which oppressed her, she walked along the bank till she reached the sluice through which the stream tumbled to the river in an angry, sullen roar. Then, with a prayer in her heart, she climbed the high and looked down on the muddy water which came rushing through, churning itself into a yellow, seething foam and there—caught on the brush at one side of the sluice—was the little ribboned sailor cap Willie had worn.

In an agony of despair she turned and saw her friend coming to her. The friend to whom she had just said, "I would give anything on earth to have been the author of your book"—while her baby—her little three year old baby had been brought home. Now, what would she not give just to feel the soft little body safe in her arms again. What were books, what was fame, what was anything on earth compared to him? Her friend stood beside her, and pointed to the little bedraggled cap with its blue ribbons fluttering in pitiful jangle against the breeze. Her friend put her arm around her. "Beth, dear, do not look so. Have hope. The little cap may have blown off his head into the creek and been carried out by the tide. Don't despair, dear."

Then as the other only looked at her with blank, unseeing eyes, she turned to the boy. "Jackie," she said, "run to the house, just as quickly as you can—out straight across the fields—and tell Mary to telephone in to town to papa to come home as soon as he can get here."

The boy started off on his errand but the mother made no sign of having heard, and continued to stare out over the water with hopeless, pathetic eyes, while her friend stood beside her vainly searching for words with which to comfort and reason with her. If only the father of the child were here, she thought, and turned to watch Jack as he sped swiftly and had almost reached the fence when she saw him come to an abrupt stop beside a large bayonet, and stand beckoning them, while his voice, weak from running, reached them faintly: "He's here!"

When Josephine Denton reached the spot, the mother already had her baby in her arms, his dimpled face rosy with sleep, the tousled yellow ringlets curled tightly against the moist, little forehead and the big blue eyes fixed in baby wonder on his mother, who laughed and cried in a breath, as she kissed and hugged him over and over again. "Me was doin' home," he said, in grave explanation, "an' me 'tapped an' wested."

VIOLATIONS OF BANK SECRECY.

A recent legal action arising out of the violation of a customer's confidence by a leading chartered bank recalls the celebrated cases that arose through a somewhat similar delinquency on the part of the now defunct Ontario Bank toward the financial managers of the Southern Confederacy after the close of the American civil war. Certain funds of the Confederates were handled by Jacob Johnson, who deposited them with the Ontario Bank as a means of avoiding the possibility of adverse action by the Federal authorities. In Canada there was safety against possible confiscation. The money was handled in the southern interests, and in the ordinary course of such necessary business as was involved there were many withdrawals and deposits. Many obligations incurred in New York and other American cities were discharged through checks and drafts on the Canadian deposits, and the business necessarily resulted in financial relationships with several prominent American financiers and business men.

When the American authorities began to clear up some charges of treason they sought evidence in the Confederate accounts of the Ontario Bank, and the bank officials, in complete disregard of their natural and traditional obligations to customers, turned the accounts of Jacob Johnson over for inspection. These accounts did not reveal any evidence against the men specifically charged at the time they were sought for examination, but there were many entries that seemed to involve other prominent Americans in complicity with the southern junta. A number of arrests followed the inspection of the accounts, and prominent Americans in New York and other cities were forced to defend themselves against charges that might have involved the extreme penalty of the law. One of the men incarcerated and seriously injured as a result of the Ontario Bank disclosures was afterwards elected Mayor of New York. This event has become historic in the annals of Canadian banking as well as in the annals of American political reconstruction. It is about the only prominent case in which a Canadian bank was unfaithful to its trust in the matter of disclosing the business of a client. It would be indeed bold of a client that no official has made any claim that no official has made improper use of his knowledge to favor friends in litigation, but Canadian banking is happily free from conspicuous acts of treachery and from betrayals of the trust of clients and customers.—Toronto Globe.

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FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION. For 1908 to 1909 the following officers have been elected: President—Miles Chapman. Senior Vice-President—E. E. Archibald. Secretary—S. C. Parker. Assistant Secretary—J. H. Cox. Treasurer—George W. Munro. Auditors—W. M. Black and J. Elliott Smith. Executive Board—The President, Vice President and Secretary, ex-officio; also G. C. Miller, P. Innes, R. J. Messenger and A. C. Starr. Exhibition Committee—A. C. Starr, Fred H. Johnson, F. C. Whitman. Publication Committee—The President and Secretary, ex-officio; and John Donaldson. Delegates to the Farmers' Association—A. S. Banks and M. K. Ellis. The County Vice Presidents remain practically the same.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT AT MAHONE BAY. Mahone Bay, Dec. 28.—A shocking accident occurred here shortly after ten o'clock this morning, whereby Ruby, the fourteen year old daughter of Captain Benj. Hamm, of the tern schooner Edyth, lost her life. The eight year old brother was told to take a supposedly unloaded gun up stairs, and in passing through the room he pointed the gun at his sister and the hammer of the gun caught in his clothing and fell causing the discharge of the gun, the contents of which struck Ruby's right cheek tearing a gaping hole in the brain, causing instant death. The unfortunate girl was in the act of putting her rubbers on preparatory to going to church. All the clerical men spoke most feelingly about the accident in their pulpits this morning and the whole community sympathized with the bereaved family.

INCURABLE HEART TROUBLE

LOOKED FOR DEATH IN A SHORT TIME.

Entirely Cured by "Fruit-a-tives." Gentlemen.—The days of miracles are not all past and I feel that my complete recovery, from what seemed inevitable death, is practically a miracle. I suffered from severe Indigestion and Dyspepsia for nearly two years. I could not take food without fearful distress and I became almost a skeleton as the result of the suffering. I could not do any work and became so run down and weak that I could hardly walk. I was attended by two experienced doctors. They both pronounced my case heart failure and incurable and I looked forward for death in a short time. I not only had the doctors but after they gave me up I tried many remedies and treatments but got no better.

At this time my son asked me to try "Fruit-a-tives" and from the outset of taking these wonderful tablets I was better and gradually this medicine completely cured me. I took a large number of boxes, perhaps a dozen, and now I am entirely cured and I have gained over thirty pounds in weight. I am now so well that I have sold my farm and bought 200 acres more land. I make this statement voluntarily for the sake of humanity, and I am convinced that "Fruit-a-tives" is a wonderful remedy that will cure stomach trouble where doctors and everything else fail.

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RACE TRACK GAMBLING.

Once in a while the steadily demoralizing influence of the race track is demonstrated. A young bank clerk says an exchange, scarcely out of his teens was last week committed to the penitentiary for four years on charge of embezzlement, the outcome of "playing the races." Thousands of young men who do not graduate into a penal institution are unfitted for business and to some extent violate the laws of God and man through this open sore in our body social. If these "meets" were conducted with a definite aim of developing a high grade of horse-flesh or giving those who are fond of excitement an opportunity for merely satisfying their desires along this line, little could be said against the race track, although the cruelty to the horses and danger to their riders is always a feature to be regretted. These racing affairs, however, as has again and again been demonstrated, are founded upon the gambling instinct and the excitement of the race is hardly considered in the fever that accompanies the prospect of profit and loss in betting. Meanwhile young people are being drawn to perdition and criminals manufactured in our very best homes. There is need just now for strong, plain words on an evil that is sapling the very foundations of business and social life. With mothers at afternoon bridge and fathers playing the stock markets, it is little wonder that the boys develop a taste for putting their money on the wheel of fortune or fast horses.

ILL HEALTH IS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN ANY CURE.

This country is now filled with people who migrate across the continent in all directions seeking that which gold cannot buy. Nine-tenths of them are suffering from throat and lung trouble or chronic catarrh resulting from neglected colds, and spending fortunes vainly trying to regain lost health. Could every sufferer but undo the past and cure that first neglected cold, all this sorrow, pain, anxiety and expense could have been avoided. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of colds, and can always be depended upon. Use it and the more serious diseases may be avoided. For sale by W. A. WARREN, BRIDGETOWN, N. S. E. ATLEE, ANNAPOLIS ROYAL, and BEAR RIVER DRUG STORE.

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THE GIFT OF NOVA SCOTIANS TO THE PRINCESS.

A London letter says: The Princess of Wales, in driving to and from the Guildhall recently, wore a fur coat of special interest, for it was presented to Her Royal Highness by the women of Nova Scotia. Made of the very finest mink, all trapped in Canada, it is of more than three-quarters length, the collar being formed of three complete skins, small, and soft as sable. The cuffs are similarly made, and there is a double row of gold buttons on which the Prince of Wales' plume is raised in Canadiana of different color. The garment is composed carefully of materials found in the Dominion, including the gold.

I was cured of Rheumatic Gout by MINARD'S LINIMENT. Halifax. ANDREW KING.

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ELECTRIC SHOCK NEARLY FATAL. Monday night, while the wind and rain storm was raging, the telephone lines in the college woods became entangled by branches of the trees, causing a little disturbance in the office wires. Harry Dill, of Avondale, the young lad who is learning the business, being inexperienced gave himself a severe electric shock while attempting to adjust matters. Mr. MacDonald was in Mount Upslake at the time attending to the business of the company, and young Dill, acting on his own responsibility, and not having been long experienced in the business, did not realize his danger. He was charged with 1,500 volts, which seemed to paralyze to some extent his right side. He was taken to his residence at Mr. H. A. Shaw's, where he is recovering. His escape from death under the circumstances is considered miraculous.—Windsor Tribune, Dec. 11th.

Programme of Short Courses at Agricultural College:

Short Courses at the Agricultural College, Truro, N. S., will be held January 5th to 15th, 1909.

The Faculty will be assisted by the following:—W. T. Macoun, Horticulturist, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa; J. H. Girdale, B. S. A. Agriculturist, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa; L. S. Kilcock, B. S. A., Professor of Cereal Husbandry, St. Anne de Bellevue; R. Robertson, Manager Experimental Farm, Nappan N. S.; W. C. MacDougall, Dairy Inspector, Sussex, N. B.; J. Standish, V. S., Walkerton, Ont; G. H. Vroom, Dominion Fruit Inspector, Middleton, N. S.; Miss J. Hamilton, Teacher of Domestic Science, Truro, N. S., and a number of our leading farmers and fruit-growers from the Maritime Provinces.

A Seed Fair is to be held at Coleridge Friday, January 8th. Send for Prize Lists.

COURSES FOR MEN. Beef Cattle—Care, management, selection and judging, Jan. 5th and 6th. Dairy Cattle—Care, management, selection and judging, Jan. 7th and 8th.

Swine—Care, management, selection and judging, Jan. 9th.

Horses—Care, management, selection and judging, Jan. 11th and 12th.

Sheep—Care, management, selection and judging, Jan. 13th.

Poultry—Care, management, selection and judging, Jan. 14th and 15th.

Field Husbandry—Judging grain, soil cultivation, fertilisers, etc., Jan. 5th to 9th.

Horticulture—Gardening, fruit-growing, marketing, spraying, etc., Jan. 11th to 13th.

Veterinary Science—Jan. 11th to 15th.

Insect and Fungus Diseases, Weeds, etc., Jan. 6th to 9th.

Optional class by arrangement. Dairying—Care of milk, butter-making, cheese-making, milk-testing, etc., Jan. 14th and 15th.

Interested students may continue after these dates.

Special evening lectures will be arranged at the request of students.

COURSES FOR LADIES. From January 5th to 15th, classes in Domestic Science, Dairying, Horticulture and Poultry will be provided for ladies. Arrangements will also be made so that those interested may attend a number of the most important classes in the course.

Students would materially assist the faculty in arranging the course for ladies, if those who purpose attending will forward their names as soon as possible, of a sufficiently large number apply on or before the 24th of December, much more satisfactory arrangements can be provided than if the faculty of the college have no means of knowing how many will report. Last year some 12 enrolled themselves in this course for ladies. This number should be increased at least four fold.

Write to the Principal for further particulars.

TUITION FREE. Tuition free to all students from the Maritime Provinces.

No books are required. At the same time good Reading Courses are recommended.

Last year, 175 students, ranging in age from fifteen to three-score and ten, and hailing from all parts of the Maritime Provinces, enrolled in this course. This number promises to be exceeded in the next Short Course.

Farmers and farmers' wives, sons and daughters, should make every effort to come.

Here is an opportunity too for the men from the city to get practical instruction in the various branches of farming.

Practically, all Railways and Steamship lines will grant Single Fare Rates on the Standard Certificate Plan to students attending this Short Course.

Board may be secured in Truro at from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per week; i. e., from \$5.00 to \$6.00 for the whole course.

It is important that students should report to the classes promptly on Tuesday morning, January 5th. At the same time, those interested in some special subject may come at any time and leave at their own option.

For further particulars apply to M. CUMMING, Principal Agricultural College, Truro, N. S.

DISEASES CURED BY FRESH AIR. People generally don't realize what a panacea fresh air is. According to a discussion in the New York Academy of Medicine among the diseases which fresh air is said to cure are insomnia, anaemia, delirium, pneumonia, typhoid and all other fevers, tuberculosis of the bone as well as of the lungs, and almost every other classified ailment. Only in cases where subnormal temperatures are a feature is the open-air treatment questioned.—Boston Globe.

CELEBRITY Why Not Both

Joe Hilling, the quaint philosopher whose maxims are full of homely wisdom, once said: "The longer I live the more I believe a good set of bowels are worth more than good set of brains. Celery King makes good bowels." 250 cts or by mail. S. C. Wells & Co., Toronto.

THE KODAK AS A CURE FOR "BOOZE."

(C. F. R., in Toronto News.) He was a spasmodic booze fighter. He was not drunk all the time, but when he did go on a spree he was the limit, and one of the worst-looking messes that you ever saw.

At one period of his life he would only get on a bat about twice a year, but the desire grew, and the breaks became more and more frequent.

He had a good job, most boozers have—or had once.

One day his boss called him into the private office and said: "I hear you have been absent for a couple of days on a drunk. Now this has got to stop, that is all. Good morning."

"Good morning," replied the employee, walking out crestfallen. He had kept straight longer than usual this time, and worked harder than ever.

One morning he was missing. One of the clerks had seen him the night before, but he didn't social for the boozers was a good fellow with the boys.

Well, he returned as usual, torped up, but red eyed and shaky. The buzzer rang and the messenger boy told him he was wanted in the office.

"I hear that you were drunk again. Is my information correct?" "Yes, sir," was the reply.

All boozers are not deceitful, although a lot of them are; and this fellow was one that admitted the corn.

The boss liked him and pitied him. Then he outlined a plan to have him take a course in a sanitarium.

He went, and came back an M. A. "a master of alcohol," as the bunch jokingly referred to it at the sanitarium.

He kept as straight as a string for a long time, nearly two years, but one night he fell.

But he recovered before anyone got wise. Again he fell.

No man can keep straight if he is an ex-boozee fighter, and is running into barrooms all the time.

He had been doing this, taking soft drinks.

The boss fired him, but he was such a good man that he got another job when he pulled himself together.

But in all his escapades he had a cum who stood pat, who dug him up, drove him home, cleaned him up and looked after him like a brother.

One day after he had got nicely going on his new job he received a package marked "Personal" and securely tied.

It was sent to his home address and he opened the package in the quiet of his room.

It was a series of photos of himself snapped by his friend, photos of himself when drunk.

One of the photos was taken while he was in the act of staggering across the street, with his hat in his hand, his hair dishevelled, and his necktie over the back of his collar.

A second photograph showed him in a lane off Queen street West, with two of the toughest mugs you ever put your lamps on. They were standing together. He was eating a piece of bologna, and one of the fellows was taking a nip from a flask.

The third photo, which was marked "exhibit C" showed him asleep in the shadow of the ridge that runs along the tracks in the direction of the Barracks. He was a dream.

Exhibit "D" showed him leaning up against a pole with an elegant jaeger, and several kids guying him.

Date and day and the words: "This is what you looked like when you were full" were the illuminating words that graced the back of the photos.

Sitting on the edge of the bed, he then and there vowed that if and booze were forever bad friends, and every day finds him hating it worse.

The kodak and the views of himself had done the trick.

He had always said: "Oh, I'm not so bad."

But the kodak called him a liar, and he couldn't deny it.

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Joker's Corner.

RAPID TRANSIT BY TROLLEY.

I bought a ticket to the 6 o'clock performance at Park street subway the other evening. Seats were selling at five cents each, straps same price standing room only, without straps ditto. I gave the man at the box office a quarter; he laid down the ticket and twenty cents change. A woman got the ticket and a man got the change.

Just then the ticket seller shoved out another ticket and I got it. The man who paid for the ticket told me it was his ticket. I told him I saw it first. I told him to wait a minute at the window and somebody else would pay for his ticket. Then I went inside.

As soon as a car came along I tried to get on. The conductor stood in my way. He told me I couldn't get on until the car stopped. I told him I couldn't get on then. Just then the car stopped. I took a strange hold on it and squeezed inside.

I saw a vacant seat in the parquet but before I could reach it somebody else was sitting on it. There was another seat beside it. I was going to sit down when a lady said it was reserved. I then went to sit down on the other side, but somebody pushed me and I sat down on the floor.

The conductor yelled at me that passengers were not allowed to sit on the floor. I asked him if passengers were allowed to stand on other passengers for the boozers was a good fellow with the boys. I got up and fell into a seat.

A man in front of me was hanging to a strap. He had a mess of salt mackerel. He couldn't hold the mackerel and the strap, too, so he gave the mackerel to me. He gave them to me right in the face. I gave them back to him in the neck. I told him I didn't like mackerel.

Just then a woman passed. The car turned a corner and she sat down in my lap. I told her if she would get up I would give her my seat. She got up. I did, too, but before she could sit down another woman got the seat.

The woman thanked me. Four men fainting and one man threw a fit. The car lurched and I made a grab for a strap. I missed the strap and rang up three fares.

The conductor came in and wanted to know who rang up the fares. I told him he must have done it in his sleep and he charged three fares to the company.

Just then a large man snatched my strap away from me. He said there was another vacant strap on the car behind.

Suddenly the car stopped and I went on. As I passed a passenger he asked me if I was going far. "No," said I, "I think I'll lay over here," and I did.

By the time I got straightened up all the straps were taken, so I held to another man. He told me to take my hands off him. I told him if I did I would fall. He told me if I didn't I would also fall.

Just then the conductor yelled: "Please move up front!" The car stopped and everybody moved up front. I got jammed in between a bootmaker and a lobster.

My ear began to itch, but I was squeezed so tightly that I couldn't raise my hand to scratch it. I asked the bootmaker if he would mind scratching my ear for me. He asked me which ear, and I told him the one on the right. He went to scratch my ear and scratched the nose of a man to my left.

The man who got his nose scratched wanted to fight, but there wasn't room.

A woman called to the conductor that she wanted to get off at Commonwealth avenue. The conductor sent word back to her that she could get off if she could get out.

She said she couldn't get out so she would ride to the end of the line and walk back. Just then a man asked the conductor for a transfer. The conductor asked him where he wanted a transfer to. The man said he didn't care. The conductor said he felt the same way about it, and the car went on.

A man asked the conductor what we were waiting for. The conductor told the man the car had a hot box. A woman wanted to know why somebody didn't open a window.

Just then my eye caught an advertisement, which said: "Space to let in this car!" I told the conductor I would like to have about a dime's worth. He told me to close my face or I would fall into it.

I closed my face and bit a man's ear. The man asked me if I bit his ear. I told him I did, but it was an accident. He said he would see me again some time and settle. He said he would settle then, but he was afraid if he let go of his strap somebody else would get it.

I told him not to take any chances on losing the strap, for I would trust him for what was coming to me.

Suddenly the conductor called out my street. I began to crawl over the passengers toward the back platform.

When I got off, my street was half a mile farther back than it was a few minutes before.

"A MAN CONVINCED—"

Mrs. Browne was shocked beyond words to hear her small son speak of little Jane Smith, who had spent the afternoon at the house, as a "damned fool."

"Why, Charles," said his mother, "where did you hear such talk? Come right to the bath-room and have those nasty words washed out of your mouth."

After a thorough cleansing of the small mouth with nasty soap and water, Mrs. Brown asked: "Now what do you think of little Jane?" "Just the same as I did before," was the reply, "only I don't say it."—The January Delineator.

SAME EFFECT. "Cyril," said his mother, as they sat down to the breakfast table, "did you wash your face this morning?"

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A FLATTERING INTEREST. James was watching a man paint a house. He seemed to be very interested, when he said to the painter: "Fall down and see how fast you will come."

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1908.

Sunday School Christmas trees appear to be out of fashion in Bridgetown,—or rather it is a fashion that Bridgetown has never appeared to favor. And yet it is an institution which has much to recommend it, both from a religious and a social point of view. Christian churches cannot make too much of the day which celebrates Christ's nativity,—the greatest event in the world's history. It is the day of the Child, too, and no occasion could be more profitably used to inculcate by religious teaching and by emphasis on the giving habit the lessons He came to teach.

For many years a certain number of young girls, to supply this omission in the prerogative of the Sunday Schools, annually provided a Christmas tree and treat for the poorer children of the town, who would otherwise have had a scanty Christmas or none at all. These young girls received ample encouragement and aid from the townspeople. A tree was provided beautifully decorated and bearing fruit, confectionery and simple gifts. Before the gifts were distributed, (some times by the old Santa himself,) one of the town clergymen addressed the children briefly on the meaning of the day, a few Christmas carols were sung, then refreshments were served, after which the distribution of gifts sent all home happy. But when this little band became scattered, some leaving town and others taking upon themselves new cares and responsibilities, there seemed to be none to carry on the work so well begun, consequently for the past two years there has been no organized attempt of the part of the town people to provide for those whom Santa Claus passes by. Let us hope that another Christmas some provision may be made for these little ones.

We are close upon the end of the year 1908, and as we pause for a moment upon its threshold looking back through its vista of sunshine and shadow, we must pronounce it good. Perhaps progress and advancement in Bridgetown have not quite kept pace with some previous years, but on the whole it has kept up a steady healthy growth. In an early issue we shall review some of the improvements made during the year just passed. The outlook for the coming year is much brighter than the prospects of a year ago, and with all sincerity we wish our many readers a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

AN INNOVATION IN ROADS.
Interest is growing in the crusade for "good roads" in the United States, and in many parts of the country stretches of model highway have been constructed by good roads commissions to serve as examples to the residents of each locality. Much valuable instruction has been imparted in this manner, but apparently no plan had been discovered for overcoming the difficulties of road building in a sandy soil. Harper's Weekly, however, tells of a new method of construction suitable to such a condition, adopted by a Minnesota man, George W. Cooley, State Highway Engineer of Minnesota, has designed a road that is serviceable in spite of a sandy foundation. A section of his new construction is located at Cambridge, in Isanti County. In this district there is nothing but sand for a top soil, and it is impossible to preserve the road without adding some other material. Mr. Cooley finally decided that sawdust was the component necessary, and a four-inch layer of this was raked into a stretch of road which had been carefully graded. Passing teams thoroughly ground together this mixture, and whenever ruts were worn in the surface they were filled with fresh sawdust. The fine particles of wood gradually rot, forming a heavy loam with the sand, and the result is a firm roadbed, suitable to all ordinary traffic.

Obituary.
MRS. W. H. MacKENZIE.
Although for many years an invalid, the death of Mrs. MacKenzie occurred quite suddenly at two o'clock on Sunday morning. She was seized with an attack of cerebral hemorrhage on Saturday afternoon and did not regain consciousness during the few hours she survived. In her death, her family has sustained a sad loss, for though quite helpless and frequently prostrated with illness, her brave and cheerful spirit endowed the home with the "mother presence," and her passing leaves a void which cannot be filled. Besides her husband she leaves three sons, Arnold and Harry at home and William, who is in Newfoundland and who, summoned by a telegram on Saturday night, notified him of his mother's illness, left for Bridgetown and is still journeying, unconscious of the fatal termination. He will probably receive the sad intelligence on reaching Halifax.

Mrs. MacKenzie is also survived by four brothers, J. Frank Crowe, of Halifax, Harry J., of Newfoundland, Edgar, of Windsor, and Fred, of Newfoundland. All but the last named were present at their sister's funeral.

The funeral service was held on Monday afternoon, Rev. W. H. Warren officiating. In his address Mr. Warren, who had known Mrs. MacKenzie many years, paid the following tribute to her memory:—
"He had always entertained a high opinion of her many sterling qualities, her gentle disposition, her unassuming manner, and her marred interest in the welfare of others, especially in the growth and prosperity of the church. She was never lacking in the spirit of true benevolence, but what she did was so unostentatious that few were really aware of her many-sided charity. She was esteemed and beloved by the church of which she was a faithful member and her place was regularly filled till failing health prevented this privilege. In the deep and trying afflictions through which she passed she remained cheerful and hopeful, confiding in the Guiding Hand to which she had committed her eternal well-being. Though hedged in by unbroken silence she wore the smile of resignation, and to the last continued to be bright and sociable. Concluding he said, "We shall miss her in our community, but she begins her brightest new year in the glorious scenes of a higher and sweeter life."

Offered \$1,000 An Acre for Orchard

Horticultural possibilities in New England are appreciated only in part. However, each year sees more light dawning on this question among fruit growers. As a specific instance of what is possible may be mentioned the experience of James M. Pike, of Kennebec county, Maine. Some time ago he was offered \$5,000 for a five-acre apple orchard. It has paid him better than 10 per cent. on investment for a number of years back and is good for 25 years more. Recently writing The New England Homestead he says, "This orchard is not for sale even at a 50 per cent. advance on the price named." Continuing, he says, "\$1,000 per acre for a good, young fruit orchard is no more money at all. The only thing about it is that farmers here in New England do not appreciate what good orchards mean. We are not educated up to such high figures for land values, but we are coming to see light. Solon Chase, one of Maine's familiar fruit growers, has 1 1/2 acres of Spys that pay him \$500 to \$1,000 a year and they are good for 30 years more. "My brother, living in Franklin county, Me., was offered \$4,000 for a four-acre orchard of Baldwins, five years ago. It has paid him better than 10 per cent. ever since and the orchard could not be bought for the price named at this date. A small portion of farmers here are getting their eyes opened as to fruit growing and there is no better place in all the United States for raising apples than in Maine. If one wishes to get an idea of the value of fruit land, let him go to California, into the Hood river valley to buy fruit land and he will soon find out that there is as good a chance in New England to raise apples as anywhere, with only one-fourth of the expense. "I could mention scores of farms under my own observation that are returning \$200 to \$500 an acre annually in the form of an apple crop. I have shipped my apples to Europe for five years direct from the orchard and have done much better than I would have by selling to local markets. Of course, it would not do for every man to ship in the fall or to keep them until late winter. Men must be governed by their facilities for keeping fruit as well as other modifying conditions."

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will all ways cure my coughs and colds."

Tupperville.
Miss Bessie Kent is at home from Annapolis for Christmas.
T. B. Chipman is in Yarmouth in the interests of his fur business.
The Misses Nellie and Emma Chipman are at home for a vacation.
Messrs. Potter Bros. went to Clementsvale Thursday for Christmas.
Mr. T. H. Chipman has gone to Montreal to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. J. L. Grant.
F. H. Willett is loading cars with apples for shipment to London. Samuel Chipman and others having been loading cars with hay.

Belle Isle

We most heartily wish the Monitor and Staff a Happy New Year.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Ray are spending the holidays with relatives at Yarmouth.

Miss Mary Clements, of Yarmouth, made a flying visit to her relatives here last week.
Mr. Johnson Nelly, of Meadowvale, spent a few days last week with his uncle, A. P. Nelly, Esq.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McLean, of Bridgetown, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Dodge for Christmas.
Mr. Leslie Gesner, of New Haven, Conn., is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Gesner.

Miss Annie Bent and brother, Clifford, spent Christmas with their sister, Mrs. J. L. Elliott, at Mount Hanley.

Mrs. Frank B. Mills and little daughter, of Granville Ferry, are visiting her parents, Capt. William Y. and Mrs. Gesner.

Lower Granville

Captain Harvey Hudson returned from Boston on Wednesday.

Gilbert Shaffer, Jr., and E. R. Connors went to Lynn on Wednesday to visit their children and friends.

Paul Shaffer, wife and child came from Lynn on Saturday to spend the winter with his grandfather, E. W. Shaffer, Esq.

The death of William J. Croscup, Esq., took place on Sunday at the residence of his son-in-law, F. W. Thorne, Jr. Mr. Croscup had reached the advanced age of 92 years. He leaves two children, Mrs. Thorne, and Capt. Clarence W. Croscup. He was a man of strict integrity, an obliging neighbor and a consistent member of the Baptist Church.

Capt. L. H. Porter came from New Orleans on Wednesday. After spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. Porter, he left on Saturday for Boston. He rose from that city to New York to take passage on Saturday for Liverpool en route to Belfast, Ireland where he will remain a year, superintending the construction of seven large steamships building in the yards of Workman, Clark & Co., for the United Fruit Company.

Port Lorne

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sabean are home for a short stay.
Mr. Ernest Ray is doing a big business cutting wood this winter.

Mrs. Edmund Hall is visiting her mother, Mrs. Emma Brinton, during vacation.

Mrs. Thomas Templeman, who has been spending a few weeks in Boston, has returned home.

Johnson Beardsley is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Beardsley.
We are sorry to report that Capt. J. D. Anderson, who has been ailing for some time, is now confined to his bed.
North Division is still prospering. Seven new members were initiated during the last quarter. The following are the officers elected for the ensuing quarter: W. P.—Israel Banks; W. A.—Elva Healey; R. S.—Benjamin Beardsley; F. S.—Denison Beardsley; Treasurer—Eunice Anderson; F. W.—George Beardsley; Chaplain—Bertha Neave; Conductor—Guy Starratt; Assistant Conductor—Georgia Hall; T. S.—George Corbett; O. S.—Loring Beardsley.

POSTAGE STAMP CHEATS.

Foolish Persons Who Run the Risk of Going to Prison.
"You would be surprised," said a postoffice clerk, "at the efforts people make to avoid the payment of postage. And quite often it is not the work of children either. The most common trick is to take the stamp that has been canceled by hand and the impression just touches the edge of the stamp. After pricking the marked edge with a pin or cutting it with a pair of shears to resemble the punctured edge of the stamp or tearing away that part the stamp is put on an envelope for postage. These as well as underpaid letters, unless they have a foreign destination, where postage is then collected, are marked 'Returned for postage' and sent back to the sender. Second class matter, as a roll of newspapers, is often sealed against inspection by having the stamps overlap the cover. Whether foreign or not it is returned for postage. When it again shows up, the mistake rectified, upon inspection it is usually found to contain written letters, photographs (unmounted), jewelry, merchandise of all kinds, making the package underpaid; hence it is again returned."

"But the limit of foolishness comes when a person tries to efface the indelible ink from the stamp and with half the features of the stamp rubbing or rubbed away and some of the ink still remaining affixes it to an envelope, with the address of the sender upon the back to facilitate investigation. "This, though, is stretching it a little too much: A postcard that had been put through a cancelling machine and delivered to the addressee had the canceling impression and the address scratched off with the aid of a sharp knife and a new address substituted and a written message pasted on the reverse side."

AN OLD GORMANDIZER.

One Man Who Lived That He Might Slightly Eat and Drink.
In a little yellowed English magazine, dated April, 1904, I came across the following amusing scrap:
If the Duke of Q. does not extend his life beyond his present term, he will not be for want of culinary comforts and those other succulent arts by which longevity is best promoted. His grace's sustenance is thus daily administered:
"At 7 in the morning he regales in a warm milk bath perfumed with almond powder, where he takes his coffee with a bittern's milk, and when he retires to bed. He rises about 9 and breakfasts on cafe au lait, with new laid eggs just parboiled; at 11 he is presented with a two warm jellies and rusques; at 1 he takes a real cutlet a la Maintenon; at 3 jellies and eggs repeat; at 5 a cup of chocolate and rasques; at 7:30 he takes a hearty dinner from high seasoned dishes and makes suitable libations of claret and madeira; at 10 tea, coffee and muffins; at 12 sups off a roast poulet, with a plentiful solution of lime punch; at 1 in the morning he retires to bed in high spirits and sleeps till 8, when his man cook, to the moment, waits upon him in person with a hot and savory real cutlet, which, with a rotation of wine and water, prepares him for further repose that continues generally uninterrupted till the morning summons to his next bed."

"In this routine of living comforts are the four and twenty hours invariably divided, so that if his grace does not know, with Sir Toby Belch, 'that our life is composed of four elements' he knows at least with Sir Ague Cheek, 'that it consists in eating and drinking.'"

A Reason For Thanks.
The impecunious author of a new dress and endeavoring to observe the hang of it by means of a round mirror on top of a high chifonier. Every woman will appreciate what that means.

"Oh, dear," she exclaimed as she thought with some pathos, "I haven't seen the bottom of my skirt since I was married."

Her husband looked up, brute that he was, and remarked:
"Well, you can thank your lucky stars for that."

REPEAT ORDERS

Repeat orders are coming in daily to the
Hayward Clothing Store
Call and inspect our stock and prices.
We take this opportunity of thanking you for your past patronage and soliciting a continuance for the coming year.
Hayward Clothing Store
UNION BANK BUILDING

W. W. WADE, BEAR RIVER

Jewelry

New designs in all kinds of Jewelry. Before sending away or buying anywhere, get our price. All goods guaranteed.

P. R. SAUNDERS
Jeweller, Optician & Photographer

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will all ways cure my coughs and colds."

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPERS.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

to all our friends and patrons: The past year has been the most successful in our career. We beg to thank you one and all for your share of patronage extended to us. We have earnestly endeavored to merit your confidence not only by the quality of our lines, but in reasonable charges and courteous attention to your several wants. For 1909 we promise a continuance of the best service we are able to offer.
Yours very sincerely,
W. A. WARREN, Pim. B.,
Chemist and Optician.

ARE YOU SHORT OF FUNDS

Don't give up because you cannot afford to go to college. Our influence will go to you and we will make a bookkeeper of you and a good one, too, right where you are. We back our course with our reputation and charge only a moderate price. If you can't complete the course, you may only for what you get. \$25.00 covers a full course in Double Entry payable in installments. Write now.

Maritime Business College
HALIFAX, N. S.

WISHING YOU A HAPPY & PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

HARRY M. CHUTE

Weak Eyes

No need to suffer with your eyes from bad Glasses, or have your children. A great many eyes have been ruined in this way.
Have them attended to by a man who makes a speciality of this work and nothing else.
It will cost you no more. (Do you know that?)
Consultation and examination free.
St. James Hotel, Bridgetown, every Thursday.
Jones' Hotel, Bear River, every Friday.
Main Office, Annapolis.

HENRY KIRWIN,
Oculist Optician.

REPEAT ORDERS

Repeat orders are coming in daily to the
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Call and inspect our stock and prices.
We take this opportunity of thanking you for your past patronage and soliciting a continuance for the coming year.
Hayward Clothing Store
UNION BANK BUILDING

W. W. WADE, BEAR RIVER

Black Prince's Hose are ideal for children; elastic ribbed tops.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DISTEMPERS.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

By attending our Saturday Special Sale, and we can save you money—this year.

GROCERIES	GROCERIES	
ONIONS, 8 lbs. for	GINGER, pkg.	.06
LARD, lb.	ALLSPICE, pkg.	.06
BEANS, lb.	CINNAMON, pkg.	.06
PICKLES, lb.	PEPPER, pkg.	.06
BUCKWHEAT, 7 1/2 lbs. for	MIXED SPICE, pkg.	.07
GRAHAM FLOUR, 7 1/2 lbs. for	SODA, 2 lbs. for	.06
BONELESS FISH, 2 lbs. for	COLMAN'S MUSTARD.	.08
VINEGAR, gal.	YEAST CAKES, pkg.	.04
HOUSEHOLD AMMONIA, bot.	BAKER'S COCOA.	.13
RISING SUN STOVE POLISH.	CORN STARCH, pkg.	.07
GUST-O, pkg.	COWAN'S ICING, pkg.	.09
WORCESTER SAUCE, bot.	TOMATOES, can.	.10
TOMATO SAUCE, bot.	CORN, can.	.09
SULTANA STOVE POLISH, can	PEAS, can.	.09
SOAP, cake.	074 FINE APPLE, can.	.15
PRUNES, lb.	STRAWBERRIES, can.	.15
MINCE MEAT, lb.	PEARS, can.	.16
LEMONS, doz.	PEACHES, can.	.18
SEEDED RAISINS, pkg.	40c CHOCOLATES, lb.	.36
CURRENTS, pkg.	MIXED CHOCOLATES, lb.	.25
RAISINS, lb.	MIXED CHOCOLATES AND CREAMS, lb.	.13
BUTTER COLORING, bot.	CHIPS, lb.	.22
BLUING, 2 pkg. for	NATIONAL BLEND TEA, lb.	.27
MIXED CAKES, 2 lbs. for	RED ROSE 40c. TEA, lb.	.35
BAKING POWDER, can.		
CREAM TARTAR, pkg.		

NINE CENT SALE FOR NINE DAYS

9 cents
For any article in our 10 and 15 cent store in the Masonic building commencing Jan. 2nd. 4th. 5th. 6th. 7th. 8th. 9th. 11th. 12th.
We took this store for the Christmas holidays and our time is now up. Before we close we will hold a

9 cent Sale

on the above dates, any article in this store is yours for

9 cents

You will find lots of articles there for which you have been paying twice the price we are asking now

9 cents

You will find a large assortment of Dry Goods, Notions, Fancy China, Bric-a-Brac and Fancy Goods.

If you wish to redeem your Rebate Checks, bring them in before Jan. 8th. 1909.

Wanted:— Print Butter, 23c cash, 25c trade any day

Wishing our Friends and Customers a Happy New Year.

W. W. CHESLEY

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

To all our customers and friends we extend the compliments of the season, wishing them all joy and prosperity in the coming year.

ANNIE CHUTE

FROM JANUARY 1st. TO JANUARY 15th. 1909.

80c WILL PAY FOR \$1.00

worth of Dry Goods, Furs, Boots, and Shoes, Lamps, Fancy Goods, China, Glass and Crockery Wares.

IN STOCK

Choice Groceries, Spices, Extracts. Try Salada Tea.

A new stock of Herbageum for feeding cattle. In exchange for Cash, Butter and Eggs.

W. W. WADE, BEAR RIVER

LOCAL AND SPECIAL.

IF YOUR SUBSCRIPTION HAS EXPIRED

You will confer a favor by renewing promptly, hereby securing the reduced rate for subscriptions paid in advance.

Open air rink all over town this week.

The philanthropist is now sprinkling ashes along the sidewalk, and pedestrians are grateful.

Turkeys are truly a luxury at 24 cents a pound. Chickens are 15 cents a pound, and the market is not overstocked.

Congratulations to the Spokville Tribune on its splendid Christmas number. The master workman on the Tribune is E. W. McBride, formerly of Annapolis.

Dr. deBlais was summoned to Paradise Monday to attend the injuries of Mrs. Rupert Chesley, who fell on the ice, breaking her right arm above the wrist.

The Davison Lumber Company are beginning full operations at their Springfield mill on February 1st. This news will be welcome to a large number of people, says an exchange.

It is a little bit early in the season for farms to be changing owners, but we understand Mr. John Currier has sold his farm to Millicent Messenger. She has lately returned from the west.

Friday next (New Year's Day) being the "Feast of the Circumcision," there will be Divine Service with Holy Communion in St. James' schoolroom at 10.30 a. m. There will be no evening service.

The Western Chronicle, Kentville, issued a very handsome Christmas number, the work, which was entirely the product of the office, comparing favorably with the highest standard of typographical excellence.

The annual Sunday School tea and entertainment of St. Mary's Church, Belleisle, will be held in Belleisle Hall next Saturday evening. The entertainment, which is open to the public on payment of ten cents admission, will commence at 7.30 sharp. Proceeds toward the S. S. fund.

A report having been circulated that Rev. J. D. Spidell, Baptist minister, of Kentville, was obliged to resign his charge on account of ill-feeling through his having taken an interested part in the recent election in the cause of moral reform, a resolution was passed at the last prayer-meeting service commending his efforts in the recent electoral contest and assuring him of the support of his church.

Special missionary services will be held in the Parish of St. Clement during the first week of the New Year as follows:—At St. Matthew's Church, Deep Brook, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5th, at 7.30 p. m.; at St. John's Church, Bear River, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 6th, at 7.30 p. m.; and at St. Edward's Church, Clementsport, on Thursday evening, Jan. 7th, at 7.30 p. m. Missionary addresses will be delivered on each occasion by the Rev. W. C. Wilson, of the Diocesan Missionary Agent.

The preacher at all the services in St. James' parish next Sunday will be the Rev. W. Charles Wilson, of Springhill, and Agent of the D. M. Mr. Wilson is well known in the provinces and also in the United States and England on account of his splendid work he has done in connection with the hospital at Springhill, having been instrumental not only in getting it built but also securing means for its maintenance together with a capital sum ample sufficient for its permanent equipment. He is a very fluent and impressive speaker. His address to St. James' parish is to further explain its aims and objects of the Diocesan Mission Board.

The usual Christmas morning service was held in St. James' Church, the sacred edifice was very tastefully decorated with evergreen, the pulpit especially pretentious. The music was very good and well rendered, their being augmented for the season. The Anthem was Stimpert's "Gloria." The Rector preached an appropriate sermon from Isaiah IX, 6. The congregation was as large as usual, possibly on account of the break in the weather. It much to be regretted considering this was the only service held in town to celebrate a day which is yearly commemoration of the incarnation of Christianity. The Rector of St. James' was well remembered by an especially good "of-ory" collection.

LOCAL AND SPECIAL.

Eggs are still holding their own at 30 cts. a dozen, and the supply is short at that.

The marriage of Mr. Howard Abbott, of Bridgetown, to Miss Louise Roon, daughter of Captain Norman Roon, took place at Annapolis on Wednesday last.

Christmas passed very quietly in Bridgetown. Service was held in St. James' Church, the other churches having their Christmas sermons and music on Sunday. Family gatherings marked the day in the time-honored fashion.

The Misses Jackson held a dance in Longley's Hall, Paradise, on Monday night at which a large number were present, including some Bridgetown young people. Music was furnished by violin and organ. Refreshments were served during the evening and a general good time was enjoyed.

The new skating rink was opened to the public on Wednesday evening last. The Bridgetown Brass Band enlivened the occasion with some of their best selections and a roodly number of young people tried the ice and pronounced it good. The rink is now open every evening when the weather permits. Season and single tickets are being sold.

The Junior Mission Band of the Baptist Church gave a Christmas concert in the church on Sunday afternoon when a very pleasing program was rendered, consisting of songs and recitations. The program was under the direction of Mrs. E. C. Young, the president of the Band. Three young girls, Thelma Lewis, Connie Lloyd and Mabel Marshall were made life members of the Band.

On November 24th, by Rev. W. C. McAllester, D. D., Mrs. Alma M. Sweet, of Nova Scotia, was united in marriage to Mr. Amos L. Banks, of Waverley, Mass. Mrs. Sweet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marshall, Clarence, is widow of the Rev. E. H. Sweet, well known as preacher and writer in New England, and on the Pacific Coast. Beaton Banks is one of the leading citizens and generous supporters of the Baptist church, of Waverley.

Another story submitted in the Prize Competition appears in our issue today, the third to be published. The last of the four selected by the judges as the four best stories submitted will be published next week, and with it a coupon for "votes" which we hope all our readers will make use of. The order in which the stories have been published is no guide to the selection of the judges, who were at loss to pronounce on any, where each of the four had such excellent points.

Christmas at the County Institutions was indeed a merry one. Trees bountifully laden with gifts for the inmates, entertainment provided by the Bridgetown Band, and old Santa's appearance with a mule as his steed was indeed a treat that cannot soon be forgotten by the spectators. Through the medium of the Christmas tree fund, every inmate of the Institutions received presents, a very large number of whom would not have received any gifts except for this fund. The staff of the Institutions extend heartfelt thanks to those who contributed toward the fund, to the Bridgetown Band, and to all those who in any manner contributed toward the happiness of the people of the Institutions.

CARD OF THANKS.

The Inglewood School wishes to extend to their teacher, Miss Annie Longley, their hearty thanks for her kind remembrance of each pupil at Christmas time, and to wish her a Happy New Year.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. W. H. MacKenzie and family desire to express their deep gratitude to their many friends in Bridgetown and elsewhere for the various acts of kindness and sympathy shown them through the illness and death of Mrs. MacKenzie.

AN UNUSUAL OFFER.

Mr. W. T. McCluskey, who is representing the D'Israeli Asbestos Company, returned to Bridgetown today, and in order to satisfy prospective investors that the proposition affords a genuine opportunity to make money he is prepared to take any one to inspect the property at D'Israeli, free of all charges, in the interests of any local syndicate that wish to be convinced that the property is as represented in every particular.

Any amount of happiness can be manufactured in the mind. This being true, there is no reason why anyone should be unhappy for a single moment.

PERSONAL.

Mr. R. A. Crowe spent Christmas in Halifax with Mrs. Crowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Burns spent Christmas in Clementsport.

Mr. Rupert Willett, of St. John's, was in town the first of the week.

Miss Nell MacMillan, of Annapolis, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. R. W. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks and Miss Marquerite are spending a few days at Clementsport.

Miss Lyle McCormick spent Christmas at Digby with her sister, Mrs. W. B. Stewart.

Mr. Frank Ruggles, of the Bank of Montreal, Woodstock, spent Christmas at home.

Miss Jennie MacMillan, of Sherbrooke, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. F. L. Milner.

Mr. Kenneth Craik, who is connected with the Windsor Foundry, spent Christmas at home.

Mrs. Joseph Berry, of Clementsville, is spending a few weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. Harry Hicks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Crowe and son, Lawrence, have been guests at the home of Mr. James Quirk during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hills will be "at home" to their friends on the afternoons of the 26th, 27th, and 28th of January.

The many friends of Miss Hattie Walsh, who has been ill for many months, are pleased to see her able to be out again.

Mr. Dan Owen, who is a student at Kings, is spending part of his holidays in Bridgetown, a guest at the Grand Central.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Strong and sons, of Halifax, have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Strong during the week.

Misses Winnifred Webster, E. A., and D. Webster, Kentville, spent a few days last week with their aunt, Mrs. Woodward, Granville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Graham returned from Halifax on Wednesday last and are the guests of Mrs. Graham's mother, Mrs. Kinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berry, of Clementsport, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Chute, during the past week.

Mrs. H. E. Williams, organist of the Methodist Church, Upper Granville, was very kindly remembered on Christmas Eve by the congregation.

Rev. A. S. Lewis has been confined to the house with a severe cold during the week. His services on Sunday were conducted by Rev. W. H. Warren.

Messrs. J. Frank Crowe, of Halifax, and Edgar, of Windsor, were in town the first of the week attending the funeral of their sister, Mrs. W. H. MacKenzie.

All persons having bills against the Municipality of Annapolis County are requested to file the same duly attested with the Clerk of said Municipality on or before the 31st December, 1908.

E. H. PORTER, W. C. HEALEY, T. G. BISHOP, Finance Committee. Lower Granville, Dec. 21st. 1 ins

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

Malaga Grapes 18c. a lb. at MRS. WEIR'S.

Xmas Candles at reduced prices at MRS. CONGDON'S.

Sweet Florida Oranges, 25c. dozen at MRS. WEIR'S.

Regular 15c. Xmas Ribbon Candy for 10c. per lb. at Mrs. Congdon's.

The great bargains in Dress Remnants still continue at J. W. BECKWITH'S.

WANTED—Any quantity of Good Yellow Eye Beans at C. L. FIGGOTT'S.

The rivers of bargains flow steadily on six days in the week at J. W. Beckwith's.

Good Sweet Oranges for 20c., 25c., 35c., and 50c. per dozen at MRS. CONGDON'S.

Clear Clover Honey, Annapolis County product, at 20 and 25 cents jar, at J. E. LLOYD'S.

A large quantity of heavy Flannel Blankets, worth \$3.00 per pair, are now on sale at J. W. Beckwith's for \$2.50 cash.

We have another lot of Fat Herrings in barrels and half-barrels, and a special line of South Shore Cod.—J. E. LLOYD.

Red and Black Currant Jelly, Cranberry Jelly, Wild Strawberry Jelly, Wild Raspberry Jelly, pint jars, at 20 cents.—J. E. LLOYD.

J. W. BECKWITH will give twenty per cent cash discount on all the balance of his stock of Furs; also twenty per cent discount on balance of Ladies' Coats from this date.

LOST—A Mole Skin Muff on Friday evening, December 18th, between Lloyd's store and Chute's Road. Finder will kindly return it to the Monitor Office and receive reward.

NOTICE. Miss Eliza Bonnett is prepared to give lessons on piano or organ; also to play for social gatherings. Please leave orders at Mrs. P. Nicholson's.

HOOP-POLES WANTED. Wanted at once any quantity of good hoop-poles. Apply to JOHN BOCKMAN, at the apple ware-house, Bridgetown.

NOTICE. Beginning January 1st, 1909, we will close our Meat Market on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings at 5 p. m.—MOSES & YOUNG.

To any customer whose cash purchase of DRESS GOODS together with any other purchase amounts to \$5.00 or more during January, 1909, J. W. Beckwith will give 25 per cent discount, which will make the purchasing power of \$4.00 equal to \$5.00.

FOR SALE. 67 Feet Leather Belting 4 and 4 inch, Counter Shaft, Hangers and Wooden Pulleys. BRIDGETOWN FOUNDRY CO. Nov. 23rd, 1908.

J. W. Beckwith is now giving 20 per cent. of men's, boys' and children's overcoats for cash. His stock is new and good value without the discount. \$8.00 purchases a \$10.00 overcoat, \$6.40 purchases an \$8.00, and so on down.

FOR SALE. 1 yoke Working Oxen, 4 years old. 2 Parrow Cows. R. S. LEONARD, Paradise.

FOR SALE. An old horse, fine worker, double or single, in any spot or place. Would exchange for yearling or sucking colt. GEORGE L. PEARSON, Paradise, N. S.

WANTED. Wanted to rent a fruit and hay farm with privilege of purchasing. Desirous of exchanging Bridgetown property with same. MRS. WM. A. MARSHALL, Bridgetown.

LOST. At the Thanksgiving service at Paradise held in the vestry on the evening of December 2nd, a valuable pin set with brilliants was lost by Mrs. J. Carey Phinney. Mrs. Phinney would be very grateful if any one having found it would return it to her, and would reward finder.

STRAYED. On to the premises of the subscriber a white sheep, smutty face black legs; square crop on left ear, half crop and silt in the right ear, with notch underneath. The owner can have it by proving property and paying expenses. C. R. GOLDSMITH, Belleisle, Dec. 29th. 2 ins.

ASK FOR MINARD'S AND TAKE NO OTHER. Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

THE Bridgetown Importing House. We wish all our friends and customers a Bright and Prosperous New Year. J. W. BECKWITH.

While Wishing A Bright and Prosperous New Year. To our many friends and customers we take this opportunity of thanking them for past favours and solicit a continuance for 1909. STRONG AND WHITMAN.

Lumbermen's Supplies. See These Special Prices. Why not call and take advantage of our marked prices on a line of goods that seem to meet the requirements and family need, at this season of the year? HAPPY NEW YEAR. We extend to our customers, one and all, our hearty thanks for their liberal patronage in 1908 and wish them one and all a Happy and Prosperous 1909. J. I. FOSTER.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DANDRUFF. Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds." MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GARGET IN COWS.

HOLIDAY GOODS

Our Stock is Now Complete

Table Raisins, Seeded Raisins, Seedless Raisins, Muscatels and Valencia's, by the box or quarter box.

Currants, Dates, Figs, Citron, Candied Orange and Lemon Peels, Dried Peaches and Apricots.

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During the four years, from October, 1904, to November, 1908, there were eleven coal mine disasters in America and Europe, causing the loss of 2,646 lives and nearly half as many injured. The horror of these accidents is that in most cases the miners at work are nearly all killed. In some instances whole ranges have perished miserably before help could reach them, though they were known to be alive after the explosions occurred, and every possible effort was made to rescue them. People who enjoy the comfort of coal heating and grumble at the cost seldom think of the miners' risk, or of the sad record of disaster, death, maiming, suffering misery and family bereavement that lies behind the coal bin. There is no labor more dangerous than that of coal mining, and some of the brightest intellects since the days of Davy's invention of the safety lamp have sought means for lessening the chances of accidents in mines. But fire-damp and other subterranean

gases are so pervasive, illusive and extremely difficult of control that no really effective plan has yet been devised to overcome the dangers they menace. Scientists tell us that the gas of coal is passing, that electricity will take its place, for they calculate that the exhaustion of the supply is already in sight, at least in Europe and America. Instead of being alarmed at the prospect, we should rejoice and pray that the time when we can dispense with the use of coal may be hastened.

FOR A LAME BACK.

When you have pains or lameness in the back bathe the parts with Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it over the seat of pain, and you may be surprised to see how quickly the lameness disappears. For sale by W. A. WARREN, BRIDGETOWN, A. E. ATLEE, ANNAPOLIS ROYAL, and BEAR RIVER DRUG STORE.

SERIOUS DEPLETION IN FUNDS

HARD TIMES HARD ON THE POOR CONSUMPTIVE

Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives Makes an Urgent Appeal for Money.

\$25,000 Required to Cover Bank Overdraft and Provide for Maintenance of Poor Patients.

These headlines tell the story of our needs. They are heavy and urgent.

Many times during the past twelve months the question has pressed itself upon the Trustees, "Can we continue the work further?" Every month brought its quota of accounts for salaries and wages of staff, bills of butcher, milkman, eggs, groceries, heavy coal bills—a serious item—and other uncontrollable expenses so long as the doors were kept open.

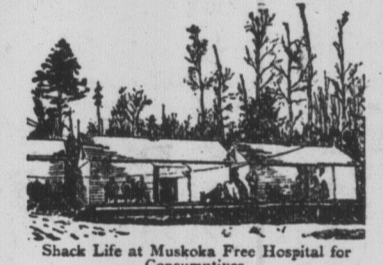


These had to be paid somehow.

Contributions—especially after the turn of the year when the financial depression was felt at its keenest—fell off to such an extent, that each month the burden became heavier.

During all this period there was only one thing to do, and that was to lean on our banker—swelling the bank overdraft.

The trial was the severest in the history of these Muskoka Homes, in which nearly 3,000 persons, stricken by the dread white plague, have been cared for.



Shank Life at Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives.

But never for a single hour did the doors of the Free Hospital fail to swing open, and give a welcome to suffering ones without money and without price.

The good news has gone forth of a rich harvest the wide Dominion over.

Friends, we come to you at this time, when the clouds of depression are being lifted, asking that you now—in the direness of our extremity—help to lift the burden being carried—not for any personal gain, but solely, alone, only on behalf of suffering sisters and brothers.

Our plea is on behalf of the sick ones.

What will you give? Do not say nay. Help generously. Help all you can. Help now.

Contributions may be sent to W. J. GAGE, Esq., Chairman Executive Committee, 84 Spadina Avenue, Toronto; or J. S. ROBERTSON, Sec.-Treasurer, National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, Canada.

GIRDS HIMSELF FOR HIS TASK.

When Mr. Taft was at Hot Springs Arkansas, he is reported as having turned down his wine glass. "Yes," he said, "and it is going to stay down. I am not going to drink anything again."

A friend explains that this was done earnestly and quietly, and without any thought of pose and show pretence. It was not even done, we are told, from the hygienic or calisthenic point of view—although Mr. Taft is fat and alcohol is said to hurt fat people more than lean people—but the position he took was moral and very serious. The "World" comments that Mr. Taft has undertaken a tremendous job and he needs all his nerve and cool consciousness. "An Atlas burden has been laid on his shoulder. He girds himself to his great task. Wine is for those who don't care—Dolce far niente and 'Vive la bagatelle are the words of wine songs—men drink to escape from reality to a no man's land of 'fancy and fooling.' But Mr. Taft intends to come to close grapple with realities. Life to him is real and earnest. So he turns down his glass. His example cannot fail to be inspiring to thousands of others.—M. Witnes.

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He was swimming with superb vitality and pluck, although he had swallowed considerable salt water while rising through broken seas. His periodical meals were of the wildest, and their method a miracle of calculation. It reminded me of the sea lions' feeding time at the zoo, when the keeper flung the fish from afar, and the clumsy-looking creatures caught them every time and signalled for more.

But jokes were at an end when it was seen to be inevitable that Burgess would have to swim over the terrible Goodwin Sands—those famous shoals of the English Channel on which have been lost ships by the score and lives by the thousand.

Captain Egilston came down the tug's ladder for a talk with his Herculean charge. "Can't take the 'Sims' over the Goodwins, Burgess," he said, anxiously. "You see, if it had not been for the haze, McKeen here could have headed a different course for us, and avoided the Goodwins altogether. Then you could have fished to the westward of Calais, and fetched in at Cape Blanc-Nez. Better give it up today. What's d'ye think?"

But Burgess shook the salt drops from his face, as he rose magnificent, and said he was in grand trim and would push on even over the dreaded Goodwins. "The feeding boat will do for me, Cap," he said, "and we can meet again in calmer seas beyond."

It sounded like a last farewell! Already I could see the broken water, white and boiling in the shallows, whose vortex was reached when we were just three hours out.

But the giant Yorkshireman was trying very fast. An hour later, the bearings made him four and three-quarters of a mile off, and three-quarters of a mile off the North Sea. At ten minutes to one Burgess complained of cramp for the first time, but it wore off. Weidman, recalled by Dr. Watson, swam to the tug on some silent mission. Mew remained by Burgess' side anxiously watching for signs of collapse.

But there were none. The superb human machine appeared to move as perfectly as when the man first took to the water under the chalk cliffs of St. Margaret's. "I ought to have done it within fifteen hours," he said sadly, as he thrashed through the heavy seas. "I guess that haze put us out a bit." Suddenly he stiffened. A look of great pain shot across his earnest face. "I'm in trouble," he said. "Come nearer," called the doctor, half rising with a big pitcher of hot water in his hand from the tug's bailer.

A few powerful breast strokes, and the giant's body came awash. At the same time the hot water was poured over the cramped muscles. Burgess smiled his thanks and set off again. But McKeen shook his head over the chart. "It's eight miles now," he whispered mournfully. "I reckon he won't beat that four-and-a-quarter this trip, anyway!"

It was past one o'clock in the morning. The haze had lifted from the sea, and the swimmer's eyes told us he knew the truth. He shook his head and smiled bravely. Slowing up and greeting the anxious Mew, he swam beside him with a cheery "Well, the tide's beaten me again mate."

Then came cramp which no hot water could assuage. Our pilot was bent over the lamp-lit chart. "He's been swimming exactly eighteen hours," McKeen said. "He's covered just over forty-two miles. Up with him, boys."

With an "All together," we lifted the giant up out of the dark swell put him to bed on the tug, and then turned her nose back to the cliffs of England.

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Paradise

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Mrs. Masson, of Aylesford, spent Sunday with Mrs. Rupert Chesley.

Miss Stella Vidito, of Maine, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. D. C. Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Phinney expect to visit friends in Yarmouth this week.

Mr. Haviland Morse, of Boston, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Morse.

Miss Marion Spurr, of Deep Brook, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Hilda Longley.

Mrs. Chipman Archibald, of Waltham, called on old friends in this place on Monday.

Mrs. Calnek and sister, Mrs. Harris, of Granville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Longley.

We understand that Mrs. Chesley met with a painful accident on Monday, slipping on the ice and breaking her wrist.

The Literary Society met at the home of Mr. Louis Balcom on Monday. A New Year program was carried out and a pleasant evening spent.

Miss Chesley had a pleasant surprise for the pupils of the primary department in the form of a Christmas tree, Santa Claus appearing and distributing the gifts.

Miss Ella Longley and Reginald Longley are home for the holidays from Normal School, and Misses Claire Gódspeid and Frances Ruggles and Mr. Roy Balcom from Acadia.

The children of the Sunday School greatly enjoyed the concert and trees which were prepared by the teachers and given on Wednesday evening. The trees presented a very handsome appearance and were laden with gifts for all.

South Williamston.

There were several family reunions in this place on Christmas Day.

Dr. V. D. Shaffer and W. B. Bishop were visiting at their old home last week.

Mrs. Alma Golden, of Brooklyn, Queens County, is visiting her sister Mrs. Byron Morse.

I. B. Bishop and daughter, Clara, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Morgan at Crossburn.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Chute, of Berwick, were recent guests of T. B. Charlton and family.

Miss Blanche Bishop went to Bear River on Saturday for a few days' visit among relatives.

William A. Marshall and sister, Edna, are visiting their brother, Dr. Marshall, and other relatives in Bridgewater.

T. G. Bishop recently sold part of the farm he purchased from I. V. Bricker last spring to Mr. Lorenzo Hanley, of Greenfield, Queens Co.

Our local fur dealer, Mr. William FitzRandolph, has handled thus far this season \$15,000 worth of raw furs. He has recently made two large shipments, one to New York and the other to London.

The Annapolis Valley Fruit and Produce Company, Limited, have now several barrels packing apples in their new warehouse. They recently made a sale of about 1,500 barrels of Nonpareils and Golden Russets, No. 1 and No. 2, at \$3.20 per barrel, f.o.b. Lawrenceville. Their whole crop the past season found a ready sale at good prices.

Greywood.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Stalling, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. George Buckler spent Christmas with Mr. Buckler's parents at Dalhousie.

Messrs. Lawrence Orde, William Dunn and Joseph Steadman spent Christmas at their homes here.

The marriage of Mr. Wallace Orde and Mrs. Maudie Durling took place on Wednesday. We wish them a long happy married life.

Annapolis.

Mr. Tom Buckler, of Bridgetown, was in town over Sunday.

Mrs. S. M. Brown, of Boston, is visiting relatives in town.

Mr. M. Blackburn, of Aylesford, spent the week end in town.

Mr. Charles Whitman arrived home from Halifax to spend his holiday.

Misses Ethel and Violet Blackie left for a visit to Halifax on Saturday.

Miss Grace Robinson, of Wolfville, is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Robinson.

Mr. Ainsley Holdsworth was the guest at the Methodist parsonage for Christmas.

Mr. H. B. Burnham arrived home on Wednesday last, returning to Montreal Monday.

Messrs. Lou, Jim and Frank How spent Christmas at the Rectory with their parents.

Mrs. James Crowe and Mrs. A. M. King spent the week end visiting friends in Digby.

Mr. S. Farley, of Dalhousie University, is supplying St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Miss McMillan, of Sherbrooke, Guysboro Co., is visiting her uncle Mr. M. McMillan.

Mr. F. B. Arnold, of Halifax, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mills over Sunday.

Doctor and Mrs. McLaughlin spent Christmas with the latter's parents at Belmont, Colchester Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Nourse, of Boston, are visiting Mrs. Nourse's mother, Mrs. Norman Roop.

Mr. N. Hardy, after spending the holiday season at home, returned to Liverpool, N. S., on Monday.

Miss C. Hardwick is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hardwick.

Messrs. H. B. Crowe, Dan Owen, and Hal Atlee are home from Dalhousie College for the vacation.

Miss Bessie Crowe left Saturday for Rothesay, N. B., on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henderson.

Mr. B. B. Hardwick, the Pyles Pearline representative, arrived home in time for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. Harry Corbett arrived home from Summerville, E. C., to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Corbett.

Miss Margaret Wood and Miss Gardner spent Christmas with the former's sister, Mrs. Andrews, Halifax.

Misses Margaret and Ethel Leavitt, of Halifax, spent the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Leavitt.

Mr. Delaney Harris arrived on Thursday to spend Christmas with his family, returning to New York Monday.

Mr. Harold Bishop, who is attending Kerr's Business College, St. John, is spending his holidays with his mother.

The ninth annual meeting of the Annapolis Royal Board of Trade takes place next Monday evening, January 4th.

Mrs. Piper and Miss Katharine Piper, of Bridgetown, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. MacDaniel.

The many friends of the Rev. Father Summers, of West Pubnico, are glad to see him among us again for a few days.

The new ferry boat, which is to ply between Annapolis and Granville, was launched from A. D. Mills & Sons' shipyard on Thursday last.

Capt. Norman Roop, of the schooner G. Roop, spent a few days with his family, returning Monday to Liverpool, N. S., where his vessel is now loading.

A. J. Knight, Chief Game Commissioner, was a guest at the Queen Hotel Monday night. He is on his way to Yarmouth to attend a meeting of the N. S. Guides' Association. Dr. E. Bree goes from here as a delegate.

Bear River.

S. S. Bear River sailed for St. John on Monday.

Harold Crouse spent Christmas with the home folk.

Capt. N. W. Chute went to Boston last week on a visit.

There was a cantata service at the Baptist church on Sunday evening.

Miss Daisy Millikan and Mr. Harold Crouse return to St. John on Monday.

Miss Blanche Bishop, of South Williamston, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. George Crouse.

The regular watch night service will be held in the Methodist church on Thursday evening at 11 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Munro and son Don were guests of Mrs. Munro's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rice.

Misses Jessie and Daisy Millikan spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Frank Jones, at the Bear River Hotel.

Miss Maud Woodworth went to Digby on Monday to visit friends. She will return after the New Year.

Mr. Frank Milligan, divinity student of Dalhousie, occupied the Methodist pulpit very acceptably on Sunday evening.

Mr. Herbert Potter, who has been confined to the house for some time, left for Halifax on Tuesday, under the care of Mr. Augustus Copland, where he will enter the hospital for treatment.

Mr. R. V. Harris, who has been making quite an extended tour in Europe and England, arrived in Halifax on the 27th and will visit his sister, Mrs. W. A. Purdy, in Bear River for a time, before returning to his home in Oregon.

On December 26th, the death occurred of Seth Wade, aged 31 years, leaving to mourn their loss a wife and four children—Harry, in the United States, George, Miss Arnie and Mrs. Fred Chalmers living at Bear River. A few days ago Mr. Wade had a second attack of paralysis. Interment was in Mount Hope Cemetery on Monday.

Albany.

Mrs. Sawler recently visited her people in Kentville.

A Happy New Year to the readers of the Monitor-Sentinel.

The Misses Bessie and Hettie Fair are home from their schools to spend the Christmas vacation.

Miss Stoddart, our teacher, closed her school for vacation on Friday, 18th, by Christmas recitations and music. Each one of the pupils was remembered by a gift from their teacher.

Mr. Albert Whitman, who has been in the West for the past three years, returned home on Wednesday, 16th. His wife accompanied him as far as Port Medway, Queens Co, where her parents reside, and will be here soon after Christmas. We all extend a hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Whitman, as they intend to make Albany their future home.

Miss Blanche Bishop, teacher at South Albany, held a public concert in her school on Friday, 18th. We understand a large number were present from both sections and also some from the Valley. Those who attended report a very nice concert. A Christmas tree adorned with presents formed a very pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment.

Victaur.

Best wishes for a Bright New Year to Monitor-Sentinel and staff.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Chipman are spending a part of the holidays in Belleisle.

Mrs. J. A. Bartheaux and little son Burpee recently spent a few days in Lawrenceville.

Grant Morse arrived from Boston on Saturday and will spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Amrose Morse.

Mrs. Whit Ruggles and two sons spent Christmas with Mrs. Ruggles' father, Mr. Charles Parker, of Weston, Kings County.

Hampton.

Mr. Britton, a student at Acadia College, is spending his vacation here, preaching at Hampton and St. Croix. This week he is holding special meetings at Hampton. He is very earnest and shows marked ability.

Our Sabbath School, under the superintendence of Deacon Edward B. Foster, is making great progress. Deacon Foster seems to be the right man in the right place. A concert was given on Sabbath evening last and as a Christmas concert it was a decided success. The whole school took part in the exercises. The special features were exercises by the small boys and girls. May they live long to enjoy these pleasant seasons.

Centre Clarence.

Young people's parties seem to be the order of the day.

Mr. William Sproule is visiting relatives in New Brunswick.

Gladstone Bishop, of Halifax, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Laur Bishop.

Prof. Miller, of Prince Edward Island, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Messenger.

Mrs. Joseph Palmer is spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Neely, at Brooklyn.

Services for Sunday, Jan. 3rd—sermon, 3 p. m.; Sunday School, 2 p. m.; Consecration meeting, 7.30 p. m.

Mrs. C. S. Balcom, after spending several weeks with her parents at Lawrenceville, returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. Edwin Whitman and children are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Whitman's sister, Mrs. Wallace Bruce, of Centrelea.

The various teachers at home for the holidays are Miss Clara Rumsay, Miss Laura Foster, Miss Flossie Chute, and Stuart E. Leonard.

Miss McClatchy, daughter of Rev. Mr. McClatchy, pastor of Paradise and Clarence Churches some years ago, is visiting the Misses Annie and F. H. Marshall.

On Sunday Pastor H. H. Saunders preached an impressive sermon from the text found in Ps. XC. "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom;" also the 9th verse, "We spend our years as a tale that is told."

On Sunday evening last the Missionary Convocation Meeting under the auspices of the W. M. A. S. was held, and the following program was rendered:

Music, "Joy to the World."

Scripture Reading—Mrs. Peerson, Provincial Secretary.

Music, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing."

Prayer—Miss Jackson.

Address—Mrs. E. J. Elliott, President of the Society.

Recitation, "Christmas in Bethlehem,"—Ruth Ward.

"Notes from the Field,"—Mrs. F. W. Ward.

Recitation—Evelyn Smith.

Music, "Are you sowing the seed, Brother?"

Reading, "Work at hand"—Miss Agrie Jackson.

Recitation, "Two Christmas Eves"—Addie Chute.

Lucy Hayes has been quite ill the past two weeks of bronchial trouble. A number here are still down with mumps. The old and young are alike afflicted.

Fred Ramsay, of Perotte, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burke.

Mrs. Amanda Morse, of Upper Clarence, is visiting her niece, Mrs. Wiswall Cover.

The fishing vessels are about all in. Fishermen had a chance to get their Christmas dinner ashore. Weather has been fairly favorable of late.

Captain Apt had an accident happen to his vessel by another vessel hooking into the rigging, damaging the cross-trees and other slight damage to the rigging, which will delay operations for a few days.

Christmas Day passed very quietly here. The children only were in evidence, going from house to house "setting the Christmas trees." Quite a number of "Snickels" were out Christmas eve, which made sport for the small boy.

Port Wade.

Our young people are all home from their respective schools and places of study and business.

The Clam Supper held under the auspices of Seymour Division, Sons of Temperance, realized the sum of \$26.00.

Misses Mary Tanch and Lena Withers have opened rooms for dress-making in Annapolis. We wish them success.

The Misses Tanch entertained a number of their young friends on Christmas eve, when a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Springfield.

Mr. Irving C. Mason has returned from Montreal.

Miss Estella Roop and Mr. Eaton are visiting at the home of Miss Roop.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Freeman upon the arrival of daughter.

Miss Kathleen A. Baker, of Margareville, is spending her vacation with Miss Grace Grimm.

The invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Grace Grimm and Mr. Arthur G. Hirtle on Thursday evening, December 31st.

Among those who spent Christmas in this place were Edwin Langille, Kentville, Elam Langille, J. F. Dent, Atwood Bent, William Freeman, of Digby, and Willard Mailman, of Hantsport.

On December 24th a very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Saunders, when their daughter, Olive, was united in marriage to Percy McNayr. The Wedding March was played by Miss Minnie Tretheway. Rev. E. H. Howe performed the ceremony. The bride was dressed in cream cashmere and was attended by her sister, Frances Saunders. The presents were numerous and valuable, including \$250.00 in money. They left on Saturday morning for their future home in Boston.

We thank our patrons for their support during the last year and extend to all our wishes for a Happy and Prosperous Nineteen Hundred and Nnie.

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Miss Christina Willett is visiting relatives and friends in St. John.

Mr. Rupert Willett, of St. John, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. William W. Troop is spending the holidays with her sister in Truro.

Master Joseph Troop is spending his vacation with relatives in Dalhousie.

Miss Hester Withers has returned from a visit with her sister in Tuperville.

Misses Genie Mills and Bessie Young are spending the winter in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eaton are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

The W. M. A. S. for January will meet at the home of Miss Annie Bent Belleisle, Jan. 7th.

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Round Hill

Mrs. Faulkner is the guest of Mrs. Bernard Saunders.

Mr. R. G. Whitman is visiting friends in Boston.

Mr. W. M. Bailey, of Middleton, spent Sunday with friends here.

Mrs. Tom Rice, of Bear River, is visiting her son, Mr. C. C. Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. Allister Chipman spent Christmas with friends here.

Mr. Kenneth Rice spent Christmas with friends at South Farmington.

Miss M. Reeks, of Fall River, is visiting her brother, Rev. John Reeks.

Mr. P. C. Bancroft spent Christmas with his brother, Mr. A. D. Bancroft.

Miss Herbert, of Kentville, spent Christmas the guest of Mrs. H. B. Whitman.

Mr. Harris, of Annapolis, has just placed a furnace in the house of Mr. A. T. Spurr.

Mrs. P. W. Milner and little granddaughter are visiting her son, Mr. Frank Milner.

Mr. Lovett FitzRandolph is spending his holidays with his father, Mr. Fred FitzRandolph.

Miss Grace Sanders and Messrs. Armstrong are spending their vacation with their parents.

A dance will be given in the Round Hill Hall on Wednesday evening. A large number of invitations are out.

Centrelea.

James E. Brooks, after spending Christmas here, left on Monday for Halifax.

A pie social was held in the Temperance Hall recently for the benefit of the church.

The Misses Grace and Pearl Brooks arrived home from the United States last Wednesday.

Lloyd Caldwell is home from Quebec, where he has been attending the Military School.

Miss Lola Caldwell, teacher at Carlton's Corner, is spending the holidays with her parents here.

Mr. Major Messenger left on Wednesday for Lynn, where he expects to remain the winter with his family.

Messrs. John and Bradford Hutchinson spent Christmas with their sister, Mrs. C. L. Denton, at Moncton.

Miss Ella Messenger, who has been in Halifax for the last few weeks, is spending a few days at her home here.

Mrs. A. Beals, of Inglisville, and little son, Theodore, are spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Bishop.

Mrs. T. T. Messenger arrived home Saturday from Yarmouth, where she spent Christmas with her daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Phinney.

Mr. Milledre Messenger, who has been in the West for the last five years, has purchased the John Curran farm and will take possession in the spring.

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