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WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 1899.

Important insurance legislation is at present before the Dominion parliament. It is a government measure and as it touches the interests of nearly a quarter of a million Canadian policy holders, its progress is being carefully watched.

The Middlesex Wood Working Co., have the contract for building a new vestry in connection with the Baptist church at Digby.

The Merchants have agreed to adopt early closing again this year and commencing on June 1st the Bridgetown stores will be closed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

The Driving Park Directors have decided to open the park to the public from today till the 24th inst., and speed will be permitted on the race course.

The committee of the Local's Supper will be dispersed in Gordon Memorial Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Foster has sold his house on Granville Street east to his brother, Mr. H. M. Foster, of Hamilton, and has purchased in return some of land in the same locality from Mr. W. D. Sheehan.

The Nova Scotia Electric Lighting Co. are canvassing the town for lights, under the new twenty four hour system, to be introduced in a few months, and are meeting with much encouragement.

The "open session" of Olive Branch Division last Thursday evening was largely attended by friends and members of the order.

Mr. F. L. Milner, the local agent of the New York Life Insurance Co., received a check for \$2000.00 last Saturday through Mr. A. Mosher, the special agent.

A general movement is being made in the country to interest people in the proposed Granville and Victoria Beach railway and to secure a strong support from the sections through which the line will run.

The Ancient Colony. Right Rev. Bishop Hawley, of St. John's, N.B., is responsible for the following opinion of Newfoundland affairs.

Local and Special News.

May 23rd is Empire Day. The cherry trees are in bloom. Two choice new milk cows for sale.

Mason's Grand Lodge convenes at Annapolis Royal on June 15th. Just received, a full line of Men's and Boy's spring & summer caps.

Mr. John E. Sanborn has put up a neat garden fence along his property on Grand street. In ready for J. W. Beckwith's great Maultin and Carpet sale, which begins next week.

Mr. T. D. Ruggles is having important business and improvements made to his house on Granville street. The steamer Yarmouth is now on the Yarmouth-Easton route, and the Boston is being fitted for summer travel.

There is a strong prospect that a large apple warehouse will be erected at the railway station here next autumn. WANTED AT ONCE - A half dozen good house carpenters.

The teachers' institute for the counties of Digby and Annapolis will meet at Weymouth on the 25th and 26th instants. Mr. C. E. Forth, of Wolfville, has leased a building at Wilton Station, and will manufacture confectionery for the valley trade.

An expert will visit the Torbrook iron mines next June in the interests of a German company, who are being interested in this property. Mr. C. C. Snaps, who recently sold his farm at Cawston's Corner, has rented Mr. B. B. Hardwick's place at Annapolis for the summer.

The house and lot, situated in Englishwood, made vacant by the death of the late Edward Jackson, is offered for sale. Apply at once to R. Shipley.

The social at West Dalhousie on the evening of May 24th at residence of James N. Jackson, proceeded very off duty remaining on Baptist Church. The Citizens' band of Yarmouth and St. Patrick's band of Halifax have been engaged to furnish music at the Queen's Birthday sports at Kentville.

Mr. Naughton, the somewhat notorious moonshiner who has been serving a sentence in Annapolis Jail, made his escape last Wednesday night and is still at large. The Driving Park Directors have decided to open the park to the public from today till the 24th inst., and speed will be permitted on the race course.

Mr. O. G. Gies, of Truro, practical piano and organ tuner, is in the valley. Parties wanting his services will please address him at P. O., Bridgetown and Middlesex, N.S. The Bridgetown Cheese and Butter Co. are making their third days each week. The manufacturers of cheese has not yet been commenced. A fair supply of milk is coming in.

Flashlight Division of Hampton, will pay Olive Branch Division a fractional visit tomorrow (Thursday) evening. A full attendance of the members of Olive Branch is requested. Mr. Foster has sold his house on Granville Street east to his brother, Mr. H. M. Foster, of Hamilton, and has purchased in return some of land in the same locality from Mr. W. D. Sheehan.

The oldest inhabitant does not remember a period when so many deaths have taken place in this community as during the past few weeks. The local undertaker, O. H. Reed, had five bodies in caskets at one time last week. The committee of the Local's Supper will be dispersed in Gordon Memorial Church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

For carrying letters from Yarmouth to Boston for the year ended June 30th, 1898, the Dominion Atlantic received \$1,862.50, and the Dominion Atlantic \$699.09. The Dominion Atlantic received the following for the year ended June 30th, 1898: Halifax and Kentville, \$10,867.36; Kentville and Kingsport, \$20,112. The Nova Scotia Electric Lighting Co. are canvassing the town for lights, under the new twenty four hour system, to be introduced in a few months, and are meeting with much encouragement.

Local and Special News.

New car wagon for sale. Apply to E. C. Young, Bridgetown. The packet Hester is in port with a good freight from St. John's.

Mr. R. M. McDermott, of Round Bay, has been engaged as Secretary-Treasurer for the Curry Bros. & Bent Co. The schooner F. W. Loring arrived yesterday from Parson's with cargo of slack coal for Curry Bros. & Bent Co.

The custom office has been removed to Randolph's building, the rooms formerly occupied by Olive Branch Division. Fred R. Fay Esq., is moving his office from Randolph's building to the rooms lately occupied by Mr. H. J. Crowe in Lockett's building.

The new front to the Grand Central Hotel will have a metal finish on the outside walls and will add greatly to the appearance of the house. The memorial service to the Y. M. C. A. hall last Sunday afternoon, in memory of the late James Bowler, was an impressive one and was largely attended.

A full attendance of all members of the Bridgetown Band is requested for tomorrow (Thursday) evening, as business of importance will be brought before them. Dr. Armstrong has had a telephone instrument placed in his office, and will be connected with the line on the south side of river after the Central has closed at night.

The Curry Bros. & Bent Co., have contracted to build Mr. N. E. Chute's new house on Church road. They are pushing work in Digby. Mayor Sturges' block is already finished outside, and inside work is well advanced. It will be finished this month. The frame of Mr. Lettich's building is now being put up.

A meeting of the Town Council was held on Monday evening to discuss the D. A. Railway's proposition to retrace the stopping of the Bluecoat express at this station, but no decision was reached. A proposition to pay the railway company a sum somewhat smaller than the amount they have named as the probable cost of erecting their water tanks at the station, was favorably considered.

OBITUARY. ABRAHAM BEACH. Another break was made in the ranks on April 13th, when the oldest member of the church and our senior deacon, Abraham Beach, of Prince Albert, died at the Master's call to come up higher. He was 87 years and eight months old when he was called to his rest.

After two days' confinement at the Lynn Hospital, Joseph Churchill Wade died in that institution on the 14th inst., having died due to a complication of diseases, coupled with the feebleness of advanced age. The deceased was born in Granville in 1814, removing thence to the States, more than twenty years ago. He is survived by a widow, two sons and three daughters, two of whom, Mr. John B. Wade and Mrs. Charles Hill, reside in this county.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Policeman Fidler is sick with pneumonia. Mr. O. F. Ruffin went to St. John on Monday on a business trip. Mrs. Wm. Legge left for New York on Wednesday last to visit her mother.

Mr. A. E. Hatch left on Thursday last to visit his daughter, Mrs. Colburn, of Dover, N. H. Mr. and Mrs. Matler take possession this week of Mr. L. R. Paine's vacant house, which they have rented for a year. Mr. John Ervin left last Monday for Ottawa in the interests of the Granville and Victoria Beach railway.

Mr. Fred C. Crossbill, D. A. station master, has been ill for several days and unable to attend to his work. Rev. O. W. Wark, who was at one time stationed at Paradise, has received a call to the West End Baptist Church, Halifax. Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Ruggles are occupying the house recently vacated by Mr. Wm. Legge, while their own residence is being remodelled.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Farn have gone to Aylesford to spend the summer. Mr. Farn's health is somewhat improved and he is able to give some attention to architecture. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cross wish to thank their many friends in Bridgetown for the kindness and sympathy shown during the illness of their little brother, John, who died on the 10th inst. The funeral services were held at the Y. M. C. A. for the beautiful wreath given by them, also to many kind friends for other floral decorations.

The new grades of Union Brand Tea appear to fill a long felt want; 25, 30 and 35 cents per pound; every one appears to have a stock of them and grocers report a big demand. Every body wants tea.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

A new find of gold has been made at South Brook, Upper Stewiacke. Karl Crossman, a Truro lad, left last week on a cycling trip around the world.

The quantity of coal shipped by the Cumberland railway and coal company during the month of April, exceeded that of any other month in the history of the company, aggregating about 18,000 tons.

It is estimated that the Galician colony in the Canadian Northwest will number fully 10,000 people by next autumn. TENDERS TENDERS TENDERS

TENDERS will be received by the subscriber until twelve o'clock, noon, on Saturday, May 17th, 1899, for the building of a Vestry Building of a Vestry in connection with the church in Clarence.

JOHN HALL. Lawrenceville, May 17th, 1899. the best that is used. Top Corning, Spindle, Canopy Top Spindle, Concord, Handy Waggon, Light and Heavy Express, and Double-seated Carriages, Road Cars, Truck Waggon.

BRIDGETOWN DRIVING PARK Queen's - Birthday - Sports! 3-Minute Race (Trot and Pace), Purse, \$100.00. TORBROOK, D. A. PERFECTION BLEND, blk. g., F. W. STRAIDMAN, Kentville. DASH, b. g., JOHN HALL, Lawrenceville. PRINCE, br. g., C. F. DEWITT, Bridgetown. KAIZER, b. g., W. F. GIBBONS, Bridgetown.

Bicycle Races between heats; one quarter mile, one half mile, mile and two mile Bicycle Races will be contested. These races are open to Annapolis County, and suitable prizes will be given to the winners.

Tug-of-War A Tug-of-War between two local teams will take place. Bridgetown Brass Band will furnish music. General admission, 25c; Grand Stand, 10c. H. RUGGLES, Secty.

Now is the time to prepare to give insects and fungus pests a warm reception. We are ready for them with a full line of SPRAY PUMPS of the best makes. Call and we shall be pleased to show them to you.

Our prices are right! Spray Pumps from \$1.00 to \$10. A full line of FARMING IMPLEMENTS always on hand. The celebrated "Red Bird" Bicycles on exhibition at our warehouses.

MAILER'S Grand Inducement Sale! As an inducement to get all customers to trade with us we shall offer any Suit or Overcoat in our store at COST PRICE for TEN DAYS ONLY.

Sale begins Thursday, May 11th, and closes Saturday, May 20th. Our "Perfect Fit" brand is the best value for the money in Canada, but at cost price we expect to have tremendous sales. Remember it is for TEN DAYS ONLY.

During Inducement Sale prices are from \$3.50 up to \$10.25. A visit will assure you of the genuineness of this offer. Our SWELL BLUE TWILL SERGES and FANCY SCOTCH TWEEDS in single and double breast are the perfection of tailor's art.

Our Fancy Check Worsteds in single and double breast for Sunday wear are unsurpassed for fit and style. MAILER'S Bridgetown and Lawrenceville PRODUCE TAKEN IN EXCHANGE.

New Advertisements.

DRESSMAKING. The MERRIS BARNER, who has been to their shop at Miss Lockett's, Queen St., Bridgetown, will be able to advise all patrons they will be pleased to discuss all styles in dressmaking, and to make all moderate charges.

TO LET! The stores formerly occupied by the late W. M. Forsyth in the Masello Building Possession can be given at once. Apply to ERNEST B. FAY, ALBERT MONAGHAN, JOHN W. ROSS, Bridgetown April 2nd, 1899.

BUYERS OF CARRIAGES. should bear in mind that our N. S. Co.'s goods are second to none, but are on top. All those who have used them pronounce them the best that is used.

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Our River of Bargains Flows Steadily On New Goods Constantly landing at our Store. We have made every preparation in our importations for the Spring business to prevent so much of Annapolis County trade from going to Toronto and other cities. I guarantee to meet prices advertised in the catalogues of departmental stores for any line of goods that we may have in stock.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON. SPRING, 1899 - - - SPRING, 1899

Our NEW SPRING STOCK is now about complete, and is the best stock we have ever had the pleasure of showing. As we buy all our goods (when possible) direct from the manufacturers and for SPOT CASH only, we claim we are in a position to quote lower prices than many of our competitors.

DRESS GOODS. Black Cashmeres, Henriettes, Silk Warp Henriettes, Poplins, Serges, Lusters. Colored Cashmeres, Serges, Poplins, Worsteds and 6-4 Suitings with Many Lines of Fancies from 14c double width.

PRINTS. 100 Pieces New Prints; all new goods. Not a yard of old prints in our store. See our line of 10 Cent. ALL FAST COLORS. WASH GOODS. Fancy Waist Gingham, Chambrays, Piques, Muslins and Ducks.

LADIES' CAPES. See our lines of Ladies Capes at \$2.25 and \$3.50. LADIES' SKIRTS. Ladies Skirts in nice Plaids and Stripes. Prices \$1.75 and \$2.50. CURTAINS. 100 Pair New Lace Curtains; Prices 35 cents to \$5. All New Goods. No old stock.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON. WANTED: Butter, Eggs and Wool. TINWARE. Go to Crowe's Tin & Stove Store for your Tinware.

McLELLAN, the Tailor. MURDOCH'S BLOCK. BRIDGETOWN. If your wardrobe needs replenishing it will be to your advantage to examine these goods.

MISS LOCKETT. next Tuesday & Wednesday, April 11th and 12th, will show the ladies of Bridgetown and vicinity, the latest in Pattern Hats, Bonnets, and Millinery Novelties.

FOR SALE. 1 Clydesdale mare, 5 yrs. old, weight 1400 lbs. 1 bay horse, 6 years old, weight 1175 lbs. 1 bay horse, 5 years old. 1 bay horse, 12 years old.

FOR SALE OR TO LET! The property situated in Kingston Village and known as the William H. Jackson place, containing 100 acres, 60 acres in bearing, also orchard of 100 trees, 60 trees in bearing. Also plenty of hay, corn, clover, and other crops. All in good repair, and well possessed. Apply to J. E. BURNS, Bridgetown, April 26th, 1899.

LAWRENCEVILLE.

Services for Sunday, May 21st: Baptist 11 a. m.; Episcopal 3 p. m.; Methodist 7.30 p. m. Mr. Geo. James is home from Toronto, where he has been spending his studies.

It is reported we are to have outdoor band concerts weekly during the summer. One baseball nine are getting into shape, and will soon be issuing challenges for friendly games with other teams.

Our firemen have reorganized and got themselves into working order. The company is made up as follows: Capt. C. H. Whitman; Lieut. H. H. Daniels; A. A. Daniels, L. R. Miller, W. K. Hall, H. A. Grant, R. Lynch, R. Sheehan, J. H. Beyer, B. Jefferson, Geo. Wallace, E. C. Schaffner, L. Brown.

An enjoyable time was had by the members and congregation of the Methodist church last Friday evening in the vestry. Mr. T. T. Messenger, of Massachusetts, was in town Monday.

J. A. and W. Brown are with Curry Bros. & Bent, Bridgetown. Dr. A. A. Schaffner has purchased part of the James estate and will soon erect a house thereon.

Mr. Simpson will occupy the Tomlinson house when completed for a habitation and ice-cream parlor. H. H. Whitman, who has been confined to his home for a few weeks, is able to get out a little each day.

Miss Lela Miller is clerking at H. H. Whitman's. Several Americans are here fishing and report good catches. Officers from Halifax will be here this week on a fishing trip.

A drinking fountain for horses at the head of street up from the bridge would be a good thing. Several said they would help erect one. It is something that much needed and would be a blessing to thousands of horses this summer.

Springfield, May 18th. Mrs. S. T. Loban presented her husband with a beautiful horse on Wednesday last week. A number of our stream drivers are returning home. Mr. N. H. Phinney, of Lawrenceville, was in town Monday.

Mr. J. G. Grimme is adding two bay-windows to his house. Woodbine Division is flourishing; several parties are invited to the sale of such liquors may be permitted for medicinal or sacramental purposes, or for bona fide use in any trade or manufacture, such sale to be made by vendors appointed for such purpose, and to be subject to such regulations as will insure the due observance of the act.

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TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION.

Ottawa, May 10.—The committee of members favorable to the cause of prohibition which has been charged by the Dominion Alliance with the preparation of a resolution to be laid before parliament to gain the sanction of that body to whatever recognition may be granted for the result of the recent plebiscite, has fixed upon the following, which will be moved by Mr. Flint, seconded by Mr. Ball (P.E.I.), on the earliest opportunity:—

Whereas, it is desirable that legislation should be enacted having in view the further restriction of the liquor traffic in Canada, and that such legislation should be uniform in all the provinces and territories of the Dominion;

Therefore, resolved that in the opinion of this House it is expedient to enact:— (1) That subject, and except as hereinafter provided, the sale of intoxicating liquors in every province and territory of Canada should be prohibited.

(2) That the act prohibiting such sale should not come into force in any province or territory in which a majority of the qualified electors therein, voting at an election shall have voted in favor of such act.

(3) That upon such vote in favor of such act being duly certified to the governor-in-council, such act shall be brought into force in said province or territory, and shall remain in force therein for four years and thereafter until the same shall have been repealed in such province or territory. Such repeal shall not take effect therein until a majority of the qualified electors of such province or territory voting at an election shall have voted for the repeal thereof, the proceedings for such repeal to be similar in all respects to those for bringing the act into force.

(4) That in order to avoid unnecessary expense and to secure the largest possible vote, the voting provided for in the said act shall take place at a general federal election.

(5) That the act, in coming into force, suspend the operation of the Canada Temperance Act in any part of the province or territory where the same may be in force, and that such suspension shall continue until the act in force in such province or territory.

(6) That while the said act is in force in any province or territory, the sale of such liquors may be permitted for medicinal or sacramental purposes, or for bona fide use in any trade or manufacture, such sale to be made by vendors appointed for such purpose, and to be subject to such regulations as will insure the due observance of the act.

(7) That while the said act is in force in any province or territory, no brewer or distiller shall be permitted to sell his products except to vendors for the purposes of the said act, or for export from the said province or territory to some place beyond the limits where the said act is in force, such sale to be subject to such regulations as will insure the due observance of the act.

(8) That while the said act is in force in any province or territory, no such liquor shall be permitted to be brought into such province or territory from any other province or territory in Canada or from abroad, except for sale for the purposes of the said act, such importation and sale to be subject to such conditions and restrictions as will insure the due observance of the act.

(9) That the provisions herein made in said act for the enforcement of the same and for the proper application of all fines and penalties imposed thereby.

JOINT HIGH COMMISSION.

Washington, D. C., May 12.—The statements of the press of London and Canada respecting the reasons for the recent failure of the negotiations with Canada have occasioned much surprise in the official world of Washington. Those statements assume that the Canadian made the offers of concessions, the United States commission, standing by existing conditions, the fact, as understood by the press, is directly contrary to that view. There are certain facts tending to contradict the statements of the British press, which the Associated Press is now able to make known for the first time.

Take the question of trade with Canada, for example. It is positively known that the American offered absolutely free trade in mineral products, an enlargement of the free list of forest, an important concession of duty on lumber, and on most agricultural products. It is also known that they offered liberal terms for the adjustment of the Behring Sea sealing question and offered to enable the United States to purchase the Alaska boundary, which yielded to Canada's view in respect to alien labor in the lake fisheries and offered reciprocal mining privileges. Indeed, if the opinion in well informed circles here is to be trusted, nearly every offer or concession proceeded from the side of the United States, the Canadian, after declining to commit themselves to any definite proposition on the foregoing topics, the Alaskan boundary excepted. In fact, it is believed that the distinct offer of concessions for a settlement came almost wholly from the United States commission.

COUNTERFEIT DOMINION BILLS.

There is every reason to believe that counterfeiters are causing a considerable number of spurious one dollar Dominion bank notes to be circulated in and about Montreal. At least five of the leading banks have received notice of the matter and are taking steps to guard against it.

The notes are of the Princess Louise issue, and bear the date of Montreal, June 1, 1878. The paper is of a light cream color, and the appearance of having undergone considerable use, and the ink in most cases is faded in proportion. The paper thin, and the trained fingers, feel somewhat coarse; that soft, silky texture of the genuine note is wanting. The press of the Princess Louise is badly executed, the profile being made up of almost straight lines, and presenting a forerunner's appearance.

The numbering of the notes is faulty, as some of the numbers are alike, and that bright hue and does not present that faded appearance which would correspond with the rest of the note.

St. Martin's, Que., May 16, 1899. C. C. RICHARDS & Co. GENTLEMEN.—Last November my child struck and in his knee causing inflammation so severe that I was advised to take him to Montreal and have the limb amputated to save his life.

The doctor had advised us to try MINARD'S LINIMENT, which we did, and within three days my child was all right, and I feel so grateful that I send you this testimonial, that my experience may be of benefit to others.

LOUIS GARNIER. Philippines Still Hot Out. Madrid, May 14.—The Filipino commission has issued a manifesto to the press declaring that the "Filipino government" will reject all negotiations for peace on the part of the Americans, based upon any scheme of autonomy, and will demand that the United States fulfill the agreement made before the declaration of war with Spain. The manifesto denies that General Antonio Luna has surrendered and asserts that Major General Lawton is routed, and that the hospitals are filled with Americans, hundreds of whom are insubordinate.

Southern Race War. New York, May 14.—The National Afro-American Group of the United States has issued a proclamation calling upon the colored people of this country to set apart Friday, June 2, as a day of fasting and prayer, and has called upon all colored ministers to devote the entire hour of the following Sunday, June 4, to special exercises in order that "God, the Father of mercies, may take our deplorable case in his own hands, and that if vengeance is to be meted out let God himself repay."

Open Door in the Sudan. Cairo, May 13.—Early in September, when the railway to Khartoum will be completed, General Lord Kitchener, Sirar of the Egyptian army, and governor of the Sudan, will open the Sudan to traders and will be admitted duty free, but small registration fee will be levied at Wady Halfa. Europeans will be allowed to acquire land in the country.

Andrew Carnegie, the great Pennsylvania iron and steel manufacturer has sold out and will sell his declining years outside of business. He is worth over \$150,000,000 and within the past forty five years he has given away \$17,000,000 in public gifts.

A MARCH TRIP

AT A MEMORABLE SESSION OF A JAMAICA LEGISLATURE.

HOW MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT ARE MADE AND EXERCISE THEIR LEGISLATIVE FUNCTIONS IN THIS CHERRY COUNTRY.

(Continued.) One of our friends in the importing trade of Kingston in very much exercised over the political manoeuvres of the rulers of this country just now. Today, March 21st, the Governor protempore the legislative council, the Jamaica house of parliament. It is supposed to meet again tomorrow at 5 p. m. interesting developments are looked for at this coming session, and it is expected that the Governor is about to adopt measures to deny the will of the people's representatives in some very important matters regarding the revenues of the colony. Our friend wishes us to attend this meeting, and volunteers to secure a place among the spectators, though a crowd is looked for, as is the talk everywhere, and business is almost suspended for the moment.

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