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Paper by Rev. A. J. MacDonald

Read at ANNA. Co. Presbyterian Jubilee. Interesting Facts Concerning the Early Days of Presbyterianism in Bridgetown.

(concluded.)
For a year no move seems to have been made to secure a successor. At last, on July 23d, 1876, a unanimous call was given to Rev. Isaac Simpson, but the congregation at Upper Musquodohit secured his services. Towards the end of the year (1876) the congregations seem to have united in choosing another man, but though Mr. Logan, of Kentville, was appointed to preach and preside, nothing further was heard of the request.

In April, 1877, Annapolis and Bridgetown applied to Presbytery for moderation in a call to Rev. Wm. Stuart. This call was cordial and unanimous and was accompanied with a guarantee of \$700.00 stipend. Nothing further is heard of this call.

Another year of such supply as Presbytery could secure, and then another call, this time in favor of Mr. Roberts, July, 1878, but as this was not unanimous, (no signatures from Bridgetown), the call was set aside. A Presbytery commission was appointed to enquire into the state of the congregations. They report that the people manifest great interest in the welfare of the congregations, they hoped to be a unit when they called again and to raise the \$500.00 stipend and dispense with the supplement.

On November 15th, 1878, a unanimous call was tendered Rev. J. M. Sutherland, of Pictou, but he felt it his duty to decline.

In March, 1879, another call, which like many preceding ones was both cordial and unanimous, was extended to Rev. John Cameron, but he also declined. Instead of being discouraged the congregations seemed all the more determined to secure a pastor of their own, as on August 26, 1879, a hearty and unanimous call was given to W. H. Grey and accepted. His ordination was appointed on October 22nd at Annapolis. Rev. P. M. Morrison, moderator; Rev. Robert Latz preached. Rev. Morrison addressed the people.

Only a few months passed when the congregation of Bridgetown entered upon troubled times and within a year of his settlement Mr. Grey tendered his resignation. The Annapolis congregation were urgent in asking that Mr. Grey be retained as pastor but in the interest of all concerned Mr. Grey adhered to his resignation, and on February 13th, 1881, the congregation was declared vacant.

Pledgers for and against separation of the two sections occupied the next year until early in 1882 Presbytery decided that Bridgetown should be disjoined from Annapolis and united to Digby as a mission station. In August, 1882, Rev. Mr. Maxwell, who had supplied the congregation for a time, intimated to Presbytery that he would enter upon the work on condition that he be allowed to retire whenever he saw fit. These terms were accepted; accordingly a unanimous call signed by 27 members and accompanied by a guarantee of \$450.00 was sent to and accepted by Mr. Maxwell. Induction service was held November 14, 1882. Rev. Mr. Wylie presided and addressed the minister. Mr. A. Rogers preached. Mr. A. Gunn addressed the people.

For a time all went well; then Annapolis found their burden heavy and asked to have Digby joined to them but Presbytery deferred action as this would affect Bridgetown. On April 25th, 1885, a crisis seems to have been reached, for the Secretary of the Board of Managers wrote Presbytery that the congregation could only raise \$200.00 a year. Mr. Maxwell deemed it advisable to tender his resignation, which was accepted, to take effect October 17th, 1885, after a ministry of nearly three years. During the first of these years, Bridgetown and Digby were supplied during summer by Mr. C. A. E. Cameron, then a student at Princeton, and during the winter by such supply as Presbytery could secure. In Digby the reformed Episcopal church was glad at the disposal of our people

by Hon. E. R. Oakes. The proposition to buy the property which was abandoned, when the cost was ascertained. In 1883 Bridgetown and Digby were separated. Mr. G. Green, a student in Princeton, supplied Bridgetown, and Mr. Hullock, Digby and Bay View.

Arrangements were made in autumn whereby Bridgetown was to have services every second Sabbath during the winter, the congregation agreeing to pay \$225.00, the balance necessary to be given by the H. M. Board. During this year while Annapolis seems to have lost in numbers, Bridgetown seems to have gained for Rev. Mr. Hamilton, who had supplied Bridgetown part of the summer, reported (1884) that he had been paid, and that he was willing to remain for the winter, on certain conditions. Digby was to receive every third Sabbath from October to May; Bridgetown the remaining Sabbaths; Digby to pay \$90; Bridgetown \$355.00 and H. M. Board to pay the balance.

During 1885 Digby was supplied by Mr. Byington, and Bridgetown by Mr. G. H. C. McGregor, a brilliant and saintly young student of Edinburgh University. In a letter to his father Mr. McGregor reports:

Increase in morning services, 25 to 470.
Afternoon services, 50 to 150.
Prayer meeting, (began with 8), to 42.

Raised for all purposes, \$100.00 to \$450.00.
He gives as one of the secrets of his success, "constant contact with people." The fragrance of his services are not yet lost.

About December 1st, 1885, Bridgetown asked Presbytery for moderation in a call, promising \$450.00. They urged Mr. McGregor to return in the spring, promising \$750.00 and a manse. Presbytery considered it advisable to delay action, and Rev. John Cameron was appointed to supply for a short time. Being requested to remain for the winter, Presbytery agreed to supplement at the rate of \$4.00 per week.

Again before the year closed the congregation urged Presbytery to grant moderation, but Presbytery decided to wait till Mr. McGregor (who was in the graduating class at Edinburgh) should be heard from. But Mr. McGregor could not see his way clear to return to the field where his labors had been so successful. Though Lawrenceston, Middleton, and Wilnot were added to Bridgetown, regular services do not appear to have been given.

In April, 1886, Presbytery received a communication from Bridgetown asking for Mr. Cameron's appointment. It was accompanied by a guarantee of \$325.00 for one year. Mr. Cameron accepted "as ordained missionary."

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Fruit Growers at Middleton Representatives to Conduct Tests in Five Counties. F. C. Whitman Talks on Transportation of Fruit. Howard Bligh on the Foreign Market.

About two hundred delegates to the annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association convened in Morrison's Hall, Middleton, at the opening session on Monday afternoon. Many noted horticulturists were present.

The President's opening address was oral and very brief. He stated that a more elaborate review of the year's work would be presented by him to the Secretary and incorporated in the proceedings of the Association. He referred to the previous practice of keeping efficient Presidents long in office, notably Dr. Hamilton, and J. W. Bigelow, and the subsequent arrangements by which shorter terms of service have been in vogue, and asked that as he had served two years in the presidency, that he be now relieved from such duties. He spoke very highly of the grand work done by the executive in the past year, and suggested that now a younger man should succeed him in office.

Secretary Parker followed with a resume of the work done by the Executive Committee during the last year with respect to the Provincial Exhibition, the arrangement made with the Government for an increased grant to the local exhibition for Hants, Kings, and Annapolis Counties, the success of our exhibitions at the Royal Horticultural Exhibition in London in 1908, the work done in selecting lands for an experimental orchard, the investing of some of the money of the Association in Glace Bay bonds, the Act passed during last session of the legislature for the incorporation of small Fruit Growers Association, the attention given to the transportation question, and the efforts successfully made toward exterminating the Brown Tail Moth. This report was fully discussed by many members of the Association.

PUBLIC MEETING.
The Tuesday evening session was a particularly interesting one. Morrison's opera house was filled to its utmost capacity. Dr. W. F. Reid, president of the Middleton board of trade, gave a hearty welcome to the association, the governor and other prominent visitors.

R. S. Eaton is replying congratulated the town upon its enterprise and gift for hospitality. Governor Fraser urged the farmers to work on the farm, study on the farm and stay on the farm; he also urged his hearers to a higher appreciation of the varied resources, the intelligent people and the splendid laws of Nova Scotia. The address was full of solid advice and numerous anecdotes.

A. C. Bell, ex-M. P., followed in a witty and polished address, which charmed the audience. S. W. W. Pickup, M. P., welcomed the fruit growers to Annapolis county and congratulated them upon their successful gathering and upon their splendid apple crop. He hoped to see the whole valley from Annapolis Royal to Windsor, in orchards. Mrs. Elliott sang a solo and also responded to a hearty encore.

Hon. O. T. Daniels spoke of the proposed experimental orchard, which he said nature had plainly intended should be located in Middleton. P. Innes presented a report of the committee on the experimental fruit station, showing that the selection was between the Elderkin farm, near Wolfville, and the Robinson farm near Kentville, the final choice having been left to Sir F. W. Borden. At the close of the session, as Governor Fraser left the hall, he was serenaded by the Middleton band.

BROWN TAIL MOTH COMMISSION.
The report of the Brown Tail Moth Commission was submitted by Prof. Smith, of Truro, at Wednesday's session of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association.

The Professor said that in searching for the Brown-tailed Moth the work had been done chiefly in the County of Digby and many specimens were found. Later, 700 of the moths were sent to him from Westport. These had evidently come from Massachusetts. He found in the specimens plenty of males, but no females were found with eggs. These insects were attracted by the lights of steamers and then were swept over to us by strong westerly winds and gathered first about our own light-houses.

He did not think that we had very much to fear from their invasion. The Professor knew of no parasite destructive to the Brown-tailed Moth but fungus diseases have affected it. He advised the growers to place no reliance on parasitical destruction of the insect, but use efficacious destroyer in man, though the English sparrow and the Dragon fly destroy some of them. Even the Tussock Moth, which has many parasites, is not always held in check by them, but seasons that develop its parasites are hard upon it.

On motion the following persons for the Counties below named were appointed to conduct experiments, each with twelve apple trees in the matter of summer sorting, and were requested to report the results they obtained at the annual meeting of this Association in 1909:
Kings County—John Donaldson, E. E. Archibald, Arthur Starr, M. Ellis, Annapolis County—G. C. Miller, E. J. Elliott, R. J. Messenger, Fred Johnson, Fred Chipman, Hants County—J. L. Stevens, William Sanzter, Lunenburg County—William Hebb, Daniel Durland, Queens County—William Freeman.

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Written For the Monitor Sentinel Prize Competition
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(By "Lillian.")
Mrs. Hannington experienced all those troubles that most housekeepers have with what they are pleased to term their "bird help."

her mistress.
"Sure, ma'am, an' they're in the teapot; you said they were for tea."

guel! What have you done with him?"
"I flung him out into the garden, ma'am."

McKENZIE AND MANN PURCHASE NEW RAILWAY.
Toronto, December 14.—D. D. Mann Vice-President of the Canadian Northern railroad, stated today that his company had purchased from the Virginia lumber company, the Duluth, Rainy River and Winnipeg railway which extends 95 miles through the state of Minnesota from Fort Frances to Duluth.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1908.

The "oldest inhabitant" cannot recall more delightful and seasonable Christmas...

Let the cynic jest of Merry Christmas as he may. There is something in it and we cannot afford to do without it.

"Christmas comes but once a year. Do not make a jest of it; 'Tis a season of good cheer; Cynics spoil the zest of it. Now a respite, brief repose, Let us make the best of it; Drown our many weary woes; Christmas, we are blest of it."

MISS BERTHA TAYLOR'S WILL

The will of the late Bertha Louise Taylor, disposing of an estate worth about \$15,000, was admitted to probate yesterday.

To niece, Edna Gray Taylor, \$300. To niece, Louise Thorne Rupples, \$300. To niece, Margery Bell Taylor, \$100.

The balance of the estate is to be divided into four equal parts, of which the two brothers above named are to receive each one part.

DOG FISH PLANT AT CLARK'S HARBOR.

At the dogfish rendering plant here, work has been finished to the turning of a key, and the long range of buildings has been locked up for the winter months.

Repeat it:—Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds.

Obituary.

FRED J. REED.

On Monday morning last the relatives and friends in Bridgetown of Fred J. Reed, youngest son of the late J. Bath Reed, received the sad intelligence of his death in the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal.

Mr. Reed is survived by a widow and young son, also by two brothers, Mr. William E. Reed of this town and Mr. S. E. Reed of Boston.

After finishing his education here he went to Halifax where for many years he was connected with the dry-goods house of G. M. Smith & Co., Halifax, as head of one of the departments.

The body is to be brought to Bridgetown for interment and will arrive on today's express via St. John and Digby.

Mr. Reed was just in his prime, being 42 years of age.

THE FUNERAL OF REGGIE CHUTE.

Mr. and Mrs. Burpee Chute returned from Boston on Saturday accompanying the body of their son, Reggie who died from the effects of a second operation for appendicitis on the Wednesday morning previous.

On Sunday afternoon the funeral service was held at the house, and a very large concourse of people gathered, including the pupils of the public schools and the Baptist Sunday School and most of the representative citizens of the town.

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GOLDSMITH-PATTERSON.

A quiet wedding took place in Bridgetown on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd, 1908, when Miss Minerva Frances Patterson was united in marriage to Mr. Hugh Arthur Goldsmith.

FOSTER-YOUNG.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of the bride's brother, Parker Young, on Wednesday evening, December 16th, when Isabella H. Young and Charles W. Foster, of Port Lorne, were united to marriage.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Burpee Chute desire to express their grateful thanks to the public of Bridgetown, the Mission Band of the Baptist Sunday School, the High School Class, and many personal friends for the many acts of kindness and evidence of sympathy which they have received since the death of their little son, Reggie.

Death of Mrs T. A. Neily's Mother

A Digby despatch of December 18th says:—A telephone message from Waterford, Digby Neck, announced the death last night of Mrs. Francis J. Denton, aged 88 years and two months, widow of the late Jacob Denton, who passed away last Saturday morning.

MARKET REPORT. Eggs, doz., \$0.30. Butter, lb. prints, .24. Cheese, lb., .16. Potatoes, bus., .45. Turnips, bus., .50. Carrots, bus., .50. Squash, lb., .04. Beets, bus., .50. Parsnips, bus., .50. Chickens, lb., .10. Poultry, lb., .13. Bacon, lb., .18. Flour, 50 lb., \$5.90 to \$7.75. Corn Meal, Bag, 1.50. Middlings, bag, .04 to .15. Beef, per carcass, .054 to .073. Lamb, per lb., .12 to .15. Pork, per carcass, .12, .14. Agent, .08.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mrs. H. E. Brown will serve Christmas Dinner on Christmas Day from 12 o'clock noon till 2 p. m. Tickets, 50 cents. Send in names by Wednesday, 23rd. inst., if possible. Following is the menu:— Tomato Soup. Turkey. Goose. Sirloin Roast. Turnip. Squash. Chopped Carrot. Cranberry Sauce. English Plum Pudding. Sauce. Mince Pie. Apple Pie. Apples. Squash Pie. Oranges. Confectionery. Sodas. Tea. Coffee. Cocoa.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

New Year

Will sell Round Trip Tickets at FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE to all points on the Intercolonial Railway. Going December 21st, 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. Return till January 5th, 1909. For Fares to points on local connecting lines apply nearest Ticket Agent.

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GIFTS FOR MEN

Gents' Suspenders: A very large stock to select from, made expressly for us by the largest manufacturer in Canada. Gents' Handkerchiefs: Plain, Cambric, Linen and Silk Initial Handkerchiefs by the box. Men's Umbrellas: New line just opened this week. Mens' Mufflers: Black, Grey, White and Navy, just the proper style for Xmas gifts. Gents' Neckwear: We are more than prepared in the line of Men's Neckwear, a line in which we always lead, all colours shapes and prices. Gents' Underwear: Stanfields Unshrinkable Underwear "guaranteed Unshrinkable" from \$1.00 per garment to \$1.40. Men's Overcoats, Reefers, Ulsters, Fur Coats, Fur Collars, Cardigans, Sweater Coats, Sweaters, Gloves, Hosiery, Shirts, etc., any of which will make a suitable Xmas gift.

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In St. Mary's Church, Belleisle, the services on Christmas Day will be at 8 a. m. (Holy Communion) and 3 p. m., evensong and sermon.

Mrs. Hector MacLean had the misfortune to fall recently breaking two of her ribs. She is just recovering from the effects of the accident.

Max Piggott, son of E. S. Piggott, had the misfortune to break his right arm by falling upon the ice when coming out of W. W. Chesley's store on Saturday morning.

There will be service in the Church of England, Lawrentown, Christmas Day, and the celebration of Holy Communion at 7.30 o'clock p. m.; also service for Sunday, December 27th, at 7.30 p. m.

The invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Mabel Folsom Longley and Mr. Harold Graham Longley on December 31st, at 7 p. m., at the residence of her father, Mr. J. S. Longley, Paradise.

The difficulty between the N. S. Telephone Company and the Round Hill subscribers is not yet settled, but the manager has promised to see the subscribers personally and to lay the matter before the directors.

The Outlook.—The body of Mrs. Ester (Moore) Charlton passed through Middleton on Wednesday for burial at Burlington, Kings County. The deceased was a native of Brooklyn, Annapolis County, and has been living in Boston for several years with her sons.

M. W. Graves met with a bad accident a little more than a week ago from the effects of which he has hardly recovered. He fell through an open trap-door at the factory, bruising himself badly and receiving a severe shock from which he was confined to his bed for several days.

Friday next being Christmas Day, there will be divine service in St. James' Church in the morning at 11 o'clock. In connection with this service the Christmas Communion will take place for which preparatory service will be held this (Wednesday) evening in the schoolroom at 7.30.

The Middleton Band made its first public appearance on Tuesday night by playing in front of Schaffner's Shoe Store at the close of the fruit growers' meeting. The playing was remarkably good and the citizens of Middleton realized that they once more have a town band.—Outlook.

Harry L. Dennison, K. C., secretary of the Liberal association of Digby County, has been appointed town clerk of Digby, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Clarence Jameson, who was elected M. P. for Digby County, October 26th. He was selected from among eight applicants. Mr. Dennison is a native of Kentville, but has practiced law in Digby since February, 1897.

Extraordinary affliction has visited Mrs. T. A. Neely of this town within a very short period. Last week's issue of the Monitor-Sentinel announced the death of her father, Jacob Denton, of Waterford, Digby Neck, which occurred on Sunday, the 13th inst., also the death of her grandson, Reggie Olate, which occurred on the 16th inst. Today's Monitor relates the third bereavement to occur within a period of four days, the death of her mother Mrs. Jacob Denton, which occurred on Thursday night, the 17th inst.

MARRIED

GOLDSMITH-PATTERSON.—At the Mansie, Bridgetown, Dec. 9th, by Rev. A. J. Macdonald, Hugh Goldsmith to Miss Frances Patterson, both of Bridgetown.

BOCKMAN-BENT.—At the Mansie, Bridgetown, Dec. 16th, by Rev. A. J. Macdonald, John Elvin Bockman, of Bridgetown, to Miss Annie Pauline Bent, of Belleisle.

DIED

WADE.—At Bridgetown, December 17, Mrs. Abel Wade, aged 78 years.

J. W. Beckwith wishes all his friends and customers A VERY HAPPY XMAS.

PERSONAL

Mr. Carmon Johnson is at the Methodist Parsonage for the holidays.

Lemoine Ruzgles and Robert Roberts are at home from Kings Collège.

Dr. Louis Saunders and Mrs. Saunders, of Middleton, were in town on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hicks will spend Christmas with the latter's parents.

G. E. Hoyt, of Buffalo, New York, arrived home last week to spend Christmas with his family.

Mr. Arthur Foster, of the staff of the Horton Collegiate School, has been in town during the week.

Rev. A. C. Borden, returned missionary from Japan, spent a day or two of last week with Dr. Jost.

Miss Annie Jefferson arrived from Boston on Friday and will spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Jefferson.

Master Stephen Thorne, of Lower Granville, is spending the Christmas holidays with his grandmother, Mrs. Edward Marshall.

Principal Bustin and Mrs. Bustin left yesterday to spend a portion of the holidays with Mrs. Bustin's mother at Melvera Square.

Mr. N. M. Smith, who has been a resident of Tupperville, for two or three years, is now living on the Hanswood place, Belleisle.

Mrs. Hastings Ruzgles, of Bear River, was the guest of her brother-in-law, Mr. Reginald Ruzgles, at the Grand Central Hotel for a day or two this week.

Misses Nettie Bishop and Jennie Fellows and Mr. Frank Johnson, of Pictou Academy, and Miss Laura Graves, of the Normal School, Truro are spending the holidays at home.

Miss Ella F. Longley returned from Truro on Saturday, and her brother, Willard V., arrives today to spend their Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Longley, Paradise.

Christmas Entertainment at the Kindergarten

The two primary grades of the public schools held their annual Christmas entertainment on Friday afternoon last. Miss Florrie Cochran and her kindergarten grade assembled with the pupils in Miss Bess Hoyt's room and a nice program of recitations and singing was rendered, after which a real Santa Claus distributed gifts from a beautifully decorated tree. The little ones were delighted with their entertainment and the teachers felt well recompensed for their trouble.

Following is the program:— Recitation, "Omening Speech"—Hattie Anderson. Recitation, "A Lull for Santa"—Ethel Danis. Chorus, "A Dream of Santa Claus" Recitation—Alfred Milner. Recitation, "Five Fat Turkeys"—Five little boys. Song, "Away in a Manger"—Eight girls. Recitation, "A Guide to Santa"—Clarence Shuter. Recitation, "The Spiciest Dine."—Lorna Condon. Recitation, "A Note to Santa."—Gerald Hoyt. Recitation, "Santa Claus"—Hazel Freeman. Recitation—Marion Marshall. Song, "Jack Frost"—Seven girls. Recitation—Eileen Freeman. Recitation—Dorothy Bent. Recitation—Edith Giles. Chorus, "Santa Claus is Coming." Recitation—Beatrice Roberts. Recitation—Kathleen Williams. Recitation—Marion Crowe. Recitation—Ira Piggott. Chorus, "Now the Day is Over."

REV. MR. GREATOR'S RESIGNATION

The vestry of Christ Church met last evening when an intimation was made by the rector, Rev. F. P. Greator, that it was his intention to ask the congregation to consider his resignation as the term for which he accepted, 4 years, is nearing completion. The church wardens were appointed a committee to confer with the rector in regard to the matter, but the resignation will have to be dealt with at a parish meeting. The rector had already retired at Granville Ferry, when he was prevailed upon four years ago to accept the vacancy at Christ Church caused by the resignation of the Rev. F. Wilkinson, and in taking up the work he stipulated at the time that he would only remain 4 years. The rector during his term in Dartmouth has been very popular.—Dartmouth correspondence in Recorder.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Pure Honey at J. I. Foster's.

Sweet Florida Oranges and Malaga Grapes at MRS. WEIR'S.

4 lbs. Xmas. Candies for 25 cts., at J. I. FOSTER'S.

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

One car of Sewer Pipe just arrived at Freeman's Hardware Store.

See those \$3.75, \$4.00 and \$5.00 Ladies' Coats at J. W. Beckwith's.

When buying your Christmas presents do not forget a Season Ticket for the Open Air Skating Rink.

Finest assortment of Fancy Boxes of Chocolates for the Xmas trade at J. E. LLOYD'S.

Good Sweet Oranges, 25c. doz., at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

2 lbs. Figs for 25c. at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

Grapes, Oranges, Nuts, at lowest prices at J. I. FOSTER'S.

4 lbs. Dates for 25c. at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

Ladies' "Nansen" Mufflers, 50 cts., at J. I. FOSTER'S.

4 lbs. Good Clear Sugar Candy, Piggott's mixture, for 25c.

Fancy Knit Silk Neckties, 45 cts., at J. I. FOSTER'S.

2 lbs. Xmas Mixed Candy for 25c. at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

Fine Fat Salt Mackerel at J. E. LLOYD'S.

Ladies' Back Combs and Barettes at J. I. FOSTER'S.

2 lbs. Cream Candy for 25c. at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

Let us frame your pictures. We have a fine assortment of mouldings and guarantee good work.—J. H. HICKS & SONS.

Nuts, Oranges, Dates, Popcorn Balls, also a fine lot of Christmas Candies, at E. J. BURNS.

Full line of Groceries at E. J. BURNS.

Try 3 lbs. of good Cream Candy for 35c. at MRS. WEIR'S.

Dollars saved now by buying your Boots at Kinney's Shoe Store.

Buy your Mince Meat at MOSES & YOUNG'S, 10c. per pound.

The chance of a life time now to buy your Boots at Kinney's Shoe Store.

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

FOR SALE

1 yoke Working Oxen, 4 years old. 2 Farrow Cows, 2 years old. R. S. LEONARD, Paradise.

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

STRAYED

On to the premises of the subscriber a white sheep, smutty face, black legs. The owner can have it by proving property and paying expenses. C. R. GOLDSMITH, Belleisle, Dec. 21st.

NOTICE

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

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

When buying your next black or blue suit, see that goods are stamped "Briny Deep Serge" every three yards on the back.

For the last two weeks owing to our desire to accommodate our advertisers the extra composition given our types has obliged us to go to press several hours late. Our advertisers in general have however shown due appreciation of our difficulties and the extra efforts we have made in their behalf. Unfortunately however last week a few slight mistakes occurred. In one case it was an error of the printer, in another illegibility of copy, and in the third the error of the advertiser in writing copy. The error made by the printer was in W. W. Chesley's adv. where he was made to offer a cent more a lb. for butter than he intended. Last it should be thought that he was trying to deceive his customers we agreed to make this statement.

4 lbs. of good Mixed Candy for 25c. at MRS. WEIR'S.

Try one of the five-cent sample packages of Salada Tea at E. J. BURNS.

Mixed Nuts, 16 cts. lb., at MRS. WEIR'S.

Buy your Mixed Nuts, Cocoanuts, Grapes, Oranges, Candy, Dates, Raisins, at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

Xmas Candy for sale at C. L. PIGGOTT'S.

Go to C. L. Piggott's for Fancy and Staple Crockery.

CALL AT J. Harry Hicks' for a nice Umbrella and Walking Sticks for Xmas presents.

It pays to use storm ashes. Better have us quote you prices.—J. H. HICKS & SONS.

A very acceptable Christmas present would be a pair of the \$1.00 Nickel Plated or the \$5c. polished Steel Rink Skates for sale at A. R. BISHOP'S.

GET YOUR GLOVES at J. Harry Hicks' the best assortment in town; in fact everything in Men's and Boys' Furnishings to suit.

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

Get your Xmas Candy at the Central Grocery, where it is sold at cost for one week.

Take your cash to J. W. Beckwith's and watch the purchasing power it has.

A Morris Chair makes a very suitable Christmas gift. We are showing a fine assortment.—J. H. Hicks & Sons.

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.

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.

J. W. BECKWITH has sold more Ladies' Northway Coats this season than ever. Ask your neighbor who has had a Northway Coat what her opinion is of them and you will get the answer that she will have no other.

Wicker Rockers and Arm Chair, Oak Rockers, Parlor Tables, Couches, etc., specially suited for the Xmas trade, at J. H. HICKS & SONS.

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

J. H. HICKS & SONS are showing a nice line of "Barnet Work" for a nice line of "Barnet Work" for a nice line of Collar and Cuff Boxes, Glove Boxes, Mirrors, Key Boards, Nut Bowls, Tea Racks, Pipe Racks, etc.

J. W. Beckwith is now giving 20 per cent. off 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

67 Feet Leather Belting 4 1/2 and 4 inch, Counter Shaft, Hangers and Wooden Pulleys. BRIDGETOWN FOUNDRY CO. Nov. 23rd, 1908.

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.

WANTED

A BEAGLE (Rabbit dog). Must be trained. Underaged will desire to try before purchasing. Address, stating price, etc., W. E. TUPPER, Digby, N. S.

Ready for 1909

If you are going into business, you should be trained first. You should know how to write usual business papers and the law concerning them, how to keep books and analyze a balance sheet. Your chances for promotion will be better also if you can write shorthand and operate a typewriter. Are you ready? If not, we can train you. Our fourteen two-hours of your command. Booklet and calendar free.

Maritime Business College HALIFAX, N. S.

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

LADIES' NORTHWAY COATS



Our sales of Ladies' Coats thus far this season are in excess of any corresponding period, owing to the fact of the style, fit and durability of the Northway coats becoming better known. We have opened our usual large assortment of Ladies' Fur Collars, Stoles and Muffs and invite inspection.

DRESS GOODS

If you will look through our stock of Dress Goods we feel confident that you will be able to make a satisfactory selection, as our stock which is the largest we have ever shown comprises the newest effects and best values.

WATSON UNDERWEAR

In the above make we have all grades, prices and sizes in children's misses', women's, boys' and men's.

J. W. BECKWITH

See These Special Prices

A FEW MORE BARGAINS

Saturday, Dec. 26th.

Flannelette Sale Wash Boards

A few lines to clear. at 6c. 8c. & 9 1-2c. per yd. This is a first class wash board. It is yours for 22c.

Berry Set Toilet Sets

A Fancy China Berry Set for 75c Ten piece Toilet Set. \$2.15

GROCERIES GROCERIES

Table listing various grocery items and their prices, including Lard, Flour, Sugar, Tea, etc.

Weak Eyes

No need to suffer with your Eyes from bad Glasses, or have your children. A great many Eyes have been cured in this way. Have them attended to by a man who makes a specialty 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.

W. W. CHESLEY

Repeat it—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

Xmas Gifts AT BRIDGETOWN BOOK STORE

Books

We have the largest stock of Books for Christmas Gifts ever shown in Bridgetown, including Standard Fiction, Boys' and Girls' Books, Gift Books, Bibles, etc. Henty's and Alger's favorite Boys' Books ONLY 25 cents. Choice Standard Fiction in good binding ONLY 75 cents. Standard Authors Sets, as Dumas, Crawford, Dickens, Scott, Cooper, Collins, at BARGAIN PRICES. Don't fail to examine this offer.

Bibles

A fresh stock of Bibles in all prices. Finest bindings and type at \$2.00 to \$2.50. Special bindings, good quality, ONLY 55 cents. Other styles at popular prices.

Stationery

Nothing nicer than a box of fine Stationery for a Christmas gift. We have a full line in attractive boxes at prices from 20 cents to \$1.00.

Leather Goods

Bags and Purses in all varieties. Gentlemen's Traveling Cases at \$1.50 to \$3.50. Writing Portfolios, Post Card Albums, Pipe Cases, Book Covers, Watch Brackets, etc.

Appropriate Gifts for Ladies

Brush and Comb Sets, Mirrors, Trinket Cases, Manicure Sets, Vases, etc.

Appropriate Gifts for Men

Smokers' Sets, Brush Sets, Fountain Pens, Pocket Books of all kinds, Photo Frames.

Children's Department

Children's Toys and Dolls at Bargain Prices. Santa Claus can afford to fill the Children's Stockings well, if he takes advantage of the EXCEPTIONAL VALUES we are giving in our Toy and Doll department. Games of all kinds.

Fancy China

We are closing out a line of Fancy China suitable for gifts at PRICES THAT WILL SURPRISE YOU.

Fountain Pens

A fine line of Fountain Pens at all prices from 25c to \$6.00. Call at the Book-Store and get your Fountain Pen filled free with Carter's Fountain Pen Fluid.

Music

Latest and most popular music of day coming to the Book-store every week. Fine display of Calendars, Christmas Cards and Christmas Post Cards. Post Card Albums from 10 cents. Our usual line of Choice Confectionery including Moll's Chocolates.

H. M. Chute

1908 CHRISTMAS 1908

A HINT TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS FOR USEFUL PRESENTS

FOR LADIES	FOR BOYS	FOR MEN
SKIRTS, JACKETS, WRAPPERS, UNDERWEAR, GLOVES, HOSE, HOSIERY, HANDKERCHIEFS, UNDERSKIRTS, BLANKETS, OVERSHOES.	GLOVES, TIES, SHIRTS, SUITS, REEFERS, CAPS, SWEATERS, HOSE, MUFFLERS, OVERSHOES, RUBBERS, LARRIGANS.	OVERSHOES, RUBBERS, SHIRTS, GLOVES, GAUNTLETS, CARDIGAN JACKETS, UNDERWEAR, SUITS & OVERCOATS, BRACES.

In fact everything for Christmas presents for young and old 25 per cent discount for three weeks.

JACOBSON & SON, QUEEN STREET.

HOLIDAY GOODS

Our Stock is Now Complete

Table Raisins, Seeded Raisins, Seedless Raisins, Muscatels and Valencias, by the box or quarter box. Currants, Dates, Figs, Citron, Candied Orange and Lemon Peels, Dried Peaches and Apricots. Oranges, Lemons, Grapes, Cocoanuts, Mixed Nuts and a variety of Christmas Candies. We carry a complete line of Fancy and Staple Groceries.

The Best Lamp in the World for Reading and Light, only \$2.50.

C. L. PIGGOTT, QUEEN STREET.

LEAVE YOUR ORDER EARLY.

For your Winter Suit or Overcoat in order that you may get it filled before the rush of the season's work. Our special ties are Oxfords and Hewson's Wools, a new line.

I. M. OTTERSON

JUST RECEIVED

DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURERS SLEIGHS AND PUNGS CALL AND GET MY PRICES BEFORE BUYING

F. B. BISHOP, LAWRENCETOWN

1908 Christmas 1908

For this trade we have a nice assortment of useful and fancy articles for the Gift Season. CHINAWARE, TOYS, GAMES, BOOKS, SLEDS; SKATES, DOLLS, CHRISTMAS CARDS, JEWELRY, ETC. BEAR COATS, CAPS, AND BONNETS, FOR CHILDREN. SPECIAL VALUES IN LADIES-AND CHILDREN'S FURS, TOQUES, UNDERWEAR, GLOVES, HOSE, ETC. ORANGES, GRAPES, NUTS, FIGS, DATES, RAISINS, SHELL-ED NUTS, POWDERED SUGAR. IN CANDIES, A LARGE STOCK, BEST QUALITY. ALL SPICES AND EXTRACTS, IN BULK AND PURE. All goods at lowest Cash Prices, for Cash, Butter and Eggs.

W. W. WADE, BEAR RIVER

Farm for Sale SLEIGHS

The subscriber offers for sale his valuable farm in Granville, a short distance from Bridgetown. Nice orchard with standard varieties. Buildings in good repair. Possession given any time. For particulars apply at—MONITOR OFFICE. JOHN HALL. Lawrencetown, Nov. 19th. 1908

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR SALE EVERYWHERE. Repeat it—Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds.

The Bar-Room

(Toronto Globe.)

Is the bar-room a burden or a benefit to the community in which it is located? That question is pertinent to the campaign on license reduction now being conducted in Toronto and many other municipalities throughout Ontario. If the bar-room is a burden it ought to be abolished. If it is a benefit it ought to be retained and defended. Leaving aside for the moment the moral aspects of the question, and the influence of the bar-room on the social life of the people who support it or are affected by it, what are the bearings of the average bar-room on the business, prosperity and industrial progress of the community which it serves?

It is accepted as a sound maxim of the political economy that any institution which does not produce something valuable or which does not stimulate the production of something valuable is burdensome to the community in which it operates. The ordinary manufacturing industry, taking raw materials and converting them into articles of greater value, whether foodstuffs or ornaments, clothing, or implements, or articles of art, is a benefit to the community. The output of its investment of capital and labor adds to the wealth of the community. So, too, with the institutions of trade and commerce and the facilities for transportation and travel. They contribute to the convenience and comfort and productive power of the people. It is so also with the institutions of education and culture and recreation. They stimulate the production of something valuable. Every school, every gymnasium, every library, every art gallery, every church, every house of entertainment, in fulfilling each in its own way its proper and legitimate function, renders a positive benefit and justifies its place in the community.

Can the same be said with any intelligence and honesty of the barroom as known anywhere in Canada today? Certainly it does not add to the community's wealth by producing anything valuable. It does not manufacture. It is licensed only to sell intoxicating liquors. That is its legitimate function. Its services as a social rendezvous, whether good or bad, are incidental. By its fruits as a place for the selling and drinking of intoxicating liquors the barroom is to be judged.

What are the fruits of the barroom? Does the liquor sold over the bar stimulate the productive power of the men who buy it and drink it? Does it make their muscles stronger, or their nerves steadier, or their eyes clearer, or their mental movements surer, or their moral judgment sounder? It does not do any of these things. In most cases it does the very opposite. The money paid to sell the liquor for which it is exchanged tends to lessen at every point the power of the men who drink it, and so it diminishes their economic value to the community. Neither employer nor employee is permanently benefited by the services of the bar-room, and every industry and mercantile institution and profession suffers loss, often very serious loss, either directly or indirectly, through neglect or incapacity or dishonesty on the part of habitual drunkards.

Careful students of economic conditions in England today regard the drink habits of the workmen as the tap-root of poverty and industrial depression. On this point the deliberate testimony of John Burns is of final authority. The percentage of earnings spent in drink measures the difference between comfort and poverty for the individual, and the drink itself is destructive and diminishes working power that in the growingly fierce competitions of the industrial world Britain is seriously handicapped. To the degree to which the drink habit obtains in Canada its economic effects are at least as injurious as in England. In proportion as a community supports a bar-room the productive power of its workpeople and the returns upon its capital invested in legitimate business enterprises are both affected. Every man whose power is decreased or made unsteady or destroyed is an economic loss and tends to become an economic burden.

The logic of political economy makes for the abolition of the bar-room. Where complete abolition is inopportune or impossible the reduction in the number of licenses is both rational in itself and justified by experience. The bar-room, whether as a saloon or as an appendage to a hotel, has no defensible place in the industrial world, and its maintenance is an inevitable economic burden on the community.

We may be as good as we please, if we please to be good.—Barrow. MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DANDRUFF. Repeat it—Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds.

Joker's Corner.

NOT AN IMITATION.

Many stories have been told concerning Mr. Beerbohm Tree, who has just given a new interpretation of Mephistopheles. The actor-manager's passion for realism is well known, and one day during the rehearsals of "The Tempest" which, as everyone knows, opens with a rale at sea, a furious storm was actually raging outside, and great gusts of wind and rain made themselves heard repeatedly. Mr. Tree was specially anxious that the opening scene of the play should be rendered as true to nature as possible, and time after time he made the men whose duty it was to suggest to the audience the ungodly fury of the elements repeat their efforts. Presently a blinding flash of lightning, followed by a deafening peal of thunder, swept through a narrow window above the scene dock and illuminated the stage. "That's better," announced Mr. Tree "but I still think it might be improved upon." "If you please, sir," observed the master-carpenter, mildly, "that was a real one."

FEMALE FINANCIERS.

Stories about bank accounts owned by women, told in a London paper, are funny reading. Of one who was informed that she had overdrawn her account, it was stated that she wrote saying she was very sorry, and enclosed a cheque drawn upon the same bank, which she hoped would set matters right. Another who was called aside by the cashier and told her account was overdrawn by a pound, had rather the best of it when, taking a sovereign from her purse, she handed it to the cashier, expressing the sincere hope that her carelessness had not financially distressed the bank. Another story told is of a lady who entered a well known bank and presented a crossed cheque to the cashier at the counter, expecting him to cash it. After glancing at it, he looked up and said politely, "I'm sorry I cannot pay this across the counter," to which the lady replied sweetly, "Oh, shall I come round that side?"—Dundee Advertiser.

MARIAN'S GOOD TIME.

Ethel was going to take supper with a little friend. "Now, dear," said her mother "when you are leaving you must bid Marian's mamma good-night, and tell her you have had a very pleasant time." When the little girl returned, her mother asked her if she had done as she told her. "Not exactly, mamma," was the reply. "Marian took the biggest piece of apple and spilled lemonade on my new dress, so I couldn't say what you told me; but I told her mother good-night, and said I guessed Marian had had a very pleasant time."—Judge.

A CRUCIAL TEST.

He was the small son of a bishop, and his mother was teaching him the meaning of courage. "Supposing," she said, "there were twelve boys in one bedroom and eleven got into bed at once while the twelfth kept down to say his prayers, that boy would show true courage." "Oh!" said the young hopeful, "I know something that would be much more courageous than that! Supposing there were twelve bishops in one bedroom, and one got into bed without saying his prayers!"—The Bytander.

SAVED SOMETHING.

"Can you help me, ma'am?" asked the itinerant, at the door. "I was burned out last night, and lost every thing." "Lost everything?" "Yes, everything, ma'am." "Well, you don't seem to have lost your nerve. You were around here last week and told me the same story." "What!" said the judge. "You expect me to send your husband to prison when you acknowledge that you threw five flatirons at him and he only threw one at you?" "Yes; that's all right, judge," said the irate woman, "but then, the one he threw hit me."

"I'm afraid," said the country editor, "that young Blackstone won't like the write-up we gave him today." "Why?" asked his assistant. "I wrote of him as a 'thriving young lawyer,' but the intelligent typo made it 'thiving.'"

FOR ECZEMA, TETTER AND SALT RHEUM.

The intense itching characteristic of the ailments is almost instantly allayed by Chamberlain's Salve. Many severe cases have been cured by it. For sale by W. A. WARREN, BRIDGETOWN, A. E. ATLEE, ANNAPOLIS ROYAL, and BEAR RIVER DRUG STORE. Repeat it—Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds.

To Make the System Injurious From Tuberculosis

TRAIN FOR BUSINESS

A New York despatch says—After making the statement that three-fourths of mankind is subject some time or other to the taint of tuberculosis, Dr. Simon Flexner tonight affirmed that a preventative had been discovered which will greatly lessen the "white plague." This announcement was made at a meeting held in the Museum of Natural History in connection with the international tuberculosis exhibition, and in the presence of some of the most eminent experts in bacteriology in the United States.

Dr. Flexner, who is director of the Rockefeller Institute, told of the many experiments which had been conducted there on previous occasions, which proved that the newly found preventative had in many instances rendered its subject immune against tuberculosis attacks. The antidote is called tuberculin and acted upon the system as a sort of anti-toxin.

"Fully 75 per cent of all human beings," said the expert, "are at some time in their lives subject to tuberculosis lesions of the lungs, of greater or less extent. Most times they have only to prevent more serious infection, and a high percentage of them heal themselves and what is more, fortify themselves against further attack."

"Experiments upon animals have shown that if there is a partial infection, which can be overcome by combative processes of the body, the system is made immune and the infection may be increased to a remarkable degree before the animal fails to fight it further." Dr. Flexner expressed great hope that the use of tuberculin would greatly reduce the wide-spread ravages of "mankind's greatest foe."

Dr. E. L. Trudeau, honorary president of the tuberculosis congress, said that tuberculosis was still in an experimental stage. The public should bear in mind, he added, that the chief means of fighting tuberculosis was not by any preventative that would give relative immunity, but in eradicating as far as possible the causes of the disease. Fresh air, nutritive food, and the isolation of all afflicted with the disease, he concluded, were the chief methods in fighting tuberculosis successfully. Since the lonely cot built in the Adirondacks for the outdoor treatment of consumption in 1885, the good work had continued, until now there were 200 sanatoriums in various parts of the United States.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

INSANE MAN MURDERS HIS TWO LITTLE GIRLS.

Windsor, December 14.—News reached here from Wakefield, Mass., giving the exact story of the terrible tragedy reported from that place a few days before, in which a former Hants county woman figured. The first despatch stated that a man named Hiram L. Badger had gone violently insane and murdered his wife and little girl. The true version is that the man Badger murdered his two little girls. His wife, who was a Miss Charlotte Singer of Georgetown, Hants County, and niece of Constable Singer of Windsor, was away in Boston at the time of the murder. The details of the case are horrible in the extreme. The father became jealous of his wife, and in a fit of frenzy shot both children while they were sleeping. After killing the children he smashed in their skulls with an axe. The eldest, named Florence, was about fifteen years of age, the others a few years younger. After the insane man had completed the shocking act he started down town shooting right and left at everybody in sight. A clerk in a drug store was the only one hit, although several had emptied his revolver he threw it violently through the window of a meat market. It took six men to arrest him. This news was received here by the uncle of Mrs. Badger, who forwarded the news to her parents.

TRAIN FOR BUSINESS

Most men train their brains and almost entirely neglect their bodies.

They do not seem to realize that keenness of judgment and clearness of thought depend as much on the body as on the brain itself. Any man can prove this to his own satisfaction by attempting to decide a weighty business problem while suffering with an acute attack of indigestion or a violent spell of biliousness. The amount of work that the brain can do depends much on the healthfulness of liver, bowels, kidneys and skin. "Fruit-a-lives" are fruit juices in tablet form. They act directly on liver, bowels, kidneys and skin—and enable these vital organs to rid the system of all impurities. Thus the blood will be kept pure and rich, the brain active, digestion sound, and life made pleasant. "Fruit-a-lives" are now put up in two sizes—the new 25c box as well as the regular 50c size. If your dealer does not carry them, write Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

The Little Sisters Christmas

(continued from page 2.)

meant to look after babies," said Mabel. "I'm so sorry, dear!" "Oh, I wish you two wouldn't talk like that," cried Peggy. "I'm so ashamed!" "All right, we'll stop talking," said Mabel, quickly. "but we'll remember." They would not let Peggy lift her hand to any of the work that day. Mabel managed the babies masterfully. Arma moved quietly about, accomplishing wonders.

"But aren't you tired, Arma?" queried Peggy. "Not a bit of it, and I'll have time to help you with your Caesar before!" "Before what?" asked Peggy, but got no answer. They had been translating famously when, in the late afternoon, there came a ring at the door bell. Peggy found Hazen bowing low, and craving "Missus Peggy's company." A sleigh and two prancing horses stood at the gate.

It was a glorious day. Peggy's eyes danced and her laugh rang out at Hazen's drolleries. The world stretched white all about them, and their horses flew on and on like the wind. They rode till dark, then turned back to the village, twinkling with lights. The Brower house was alight in every window, and there was the sound of many voices in the hall. The door flew open upon a laughing crowd of boys and girls. Peggy, all glowing and rosy with the wind, stood utterly bewildered until Estlin rushed forward and hugged and shook her.

"It's a party!" she exclaimed. "One of your mother's waffle suppers! We're all here! Isn't it splendid?" "But, but, but—" stammered Peggy. "But, but, but—" mimed Estlin. "But this is your vacation, don't you see?"

THEIR HOPE, THE PEOPLE

Muskoka's Brave Battle for Needy Consumptives.

It is poor consolation to needy consumptives to say that the Government should make provision for the thousands who suffer and die from tuberculosis in Canada every year. The Government should do a great deal more than they have yet dreamed of doing. But they are not doing it, and in the meantime twelve thousand die annually in the Dominion, from this dread disease.

As the situation is to-day, what would be the fate of many consumptives many of whom have been refused admission because of his or her inability to pay. The Government contribute \$1.50 per week per patient. The cost of maintenance is \$3.25 a week. The difference in the cost of maintenance of all needy patients has through these years been made up by private philanthropy.

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, Mr. J. S. Robertson, 347 King Street West, Toronto, writes us that, with the financial depression of the past year, the funds of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives have suffered greatly. At the commencement of the winter season the Trustees have to face a heavily overdrawn bank account and have many obligations to meet. Despite these financial worries every applicant is receiving careful consideration and patients are admitted as promptly as beds are made vacant. All through these years the institution has been maintained, not by any rich endowment, for such does not exist, but by the generous contributions of the masses of the people—the small sums rather than the large ones. We frankly say that we do not know, in our experience, of a more worthy and deserving charity, and our hope is that the readers of these lines will respond to the appeal that is now made for funds for the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives. Contributions may be sent to Mr. W. J. Gage, 81 Spadina Ave., Chairman of the Executive Committee, or J. S. Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer of the National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario.

THE HOME

CONFIDENCE OUTRAGED

By Mrs. E. M. Adams. She has always been "mother's little darling" and she runs to her mother with every trouble...

Her boy hearing and repeating her boy hearing and repeating her boy hearing and repeating...

Time passes. Charlie has low associates. His mother's heart is broken. Weeping, she prays, "O why has this fallen on me?"

Four mother, she did not know. "Dear Charlie" came so continually with that first unclean story...

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HOME-MADE SWEETS FOR CHRISTMAS

Stuffed Dates. Cut open the dates and remove the stones. Fill the cavities with English walnuts or blanched almonds...

Glaze Nuts. Put two cups of sugar in a saucepan with one cup of boiling water and one-eighth teaspoon cream...

Dipped Walnuts. Melt fondant over hot water and flavor; then dip halves of walnuts and lay on oiled paper.

Cream Mints. Melt fondant over hot water and flavor with a few drops of oil of peppermint; then drop from tip of spoon on oiled paper.

Bonbons. Shape fondant into small balls, previously flavoring or working into the fondant chopped nuts or shredded cocoanut...

To Make White Fondant. Put 2 1/4 pounds granulated sugar, with 1 1/2 cups hot water and 1-4 teaspoonful cream of tartar into saucepan and heat slowly to boiling point...

Cultivate the habit of looking for the best side of things and keeping your attention fixed on it. It is astonishing how much good there is in the world if you look for it resolutely...

THE OLD FOLKS. Few of us realize the tragedy there is in growing old. To feel that life is thrust into a corner while the world in which he once bore an active part goes whirling on without him...

IF YOU WANT TO BE LOVED. Don't contradict people, even if you are sure you're right. Don't be inquisitive about the affairs of even your most intimate friend...

THE BENEDICTION OF GLADNESS. Let thy day be to thy night. A letter of good things. Let thy praise go up as birds go up, who when they wake shake off the dew and soar. So take joy home...

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...

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Yet, suddenly, in the midst of this depressing period we lay aside care and doubt and malice, and begin to think how we can make others happy. We feel, as at no other time, the real closeness of our relationship to our fellows—and all because of something which happened thousands of miles away sixteen hundred years ago. Christmas is a miracle.

Business may have been dull, and plans may have miscarried until we feel that we cannot afford to spend a dollar for Christmas gifts. What of it? Shall we make that an excuse for maddening the lives about us by regrets and complaints? Surely that is not so cheap or love so solid that either can be bought with a gift or lost for the lack of it.

The secret of the "Christmas spirit" is simple. We are happier at the Christmas season than at any other, because then for a day or a few days, we succeed in putting our own desires underfoot. In seeking joy for others we find happiness for ourselves.

Why should we have this spirit out for a day or a season? The spirit of love and kindness which came into the world with the Babe who was born in Bethlehem is not for a day, but for every day and for all eternity.—Youth's Companion.

A THOUGHT FOR THE POOR. Do we in these busy days just before Christmas, when we are spending so much time, consideration and money to the end that our dear ones shall be made happy—do we give the proportion of thought to those who are not of our household, or of anybody's else's—the poor and unfortunate? One feature of Christmas tide that cannot be overdone is giving comfort to the needy, and the season offers an opportunity for actual giving without the danger of "pauperizing" the recipient, on the one hand, or wounding his or her feeling of independence, on the other.

Almost every one knows of some family where there is a continual struggle for the bare necessities, with no margin for luxuries, even at Christmas time, or some old person, lonely and poor, or others who need a few Christmas extras, especially accompanied by a kindly, friendly greeting, would be the rays of sunshine in a shadowed place. Or if one does not know of any such, the many philanthropic and charitable societies can point one to any number of cases of genuine need, and the warmth and cheer of Christmas is immensely increased, both for the one who gives and the one who receives, by the judicious exercise of sympathetic charity.

THE OLD FOLKS. Few of us realize the tragedy there is in growing old. To feel that life is thrust into a corner while the world in which he once bore an active part goes whirling on without him, must more than account for the "peculiarities" of old age. Make Christmas at least bright and helpful to the old folks. Do not count expense or trouble in visiting the old home and cherishing the hearts of those who gave thought and effort to your welfare when you were getting your start in life. When you miss the dear old faces from the fire-side you will wish many and many a time that you could run in and say a pleasant word or leave some little love token. The sweetest recollections you will have in after life will be those which call to mind the little things done to smooth the way for those on the other side of the hill on their way down into the valley of shadows.

THE BENEDICTION OF GLADNESS. Let thy day be to thy night. A letter of good things. Let thy praise go up as birds go up, who when they wake shake off the dew and soar. So take joy home, and make a place in thy great heart for her, and give her time to grow, and cherish her. Then will she come, and oft will sing to thee. When thou art working in the furrows, say, Or wedding in the sacred hour of dawn. It is a comely fashion to be glad—Joy is the grace we say to God.—Jean Ingelow.

HOW ONE DOCTOR SUCCESSFULLY TREATS PNEUMONIA. "In treating pneumonia," says Dr. W. J. Smith, of Sanders, Ala., "the only remedy I use for the lungs is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. While, of course, I would treat other symptoms with different medicines, I have used this remedy many times in my medical practice and have yet failed to find a case where it has not controlled the trouble. I have used it myself, as has also my wife for coughs and colds repeatedly, and I most willingly and cheerfully recommend it as superior to any other cough remedy to my knowledge." For sale by W. A. WARREN, BRIDGETOWN, N. S. E. ATLEE, ANnapolis ROYAL, and BEAR RIVER DRUG STORE.

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Revived From Apparent Death

New Haven, Conn., December 16.—In the course of a sermon to Yale students in Woolsey Hall, the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott declared that he had been witness of a case of an apparently dead person being revived.

"Some years ago," he said, "I was called to the bedside of a dying paralytic. I comforted the family and as I knelt at the bedside of the woman she drew what was apparently her last breath, and the physician said she was dead. Nevertheless, he drew forth an electric wire, attached it to some mechanism, and passed an instrument over the seemingly dead woman's body. In a few moments what was lifeless took on animation, the eyelids opened, she presently saw those about her, soon spoke to them and finally sat up in bed.

"That woman recovered, lived two years and died of another disease. I saw that resurrection from apparent death. I can well believe that those who are dead are not far away and that they can be summoned back to a greater life by the great Master Physician. We play a little game, we do our little work, at night, like children, we are called to rest just as a mother calls her reluctant child and puts why they should be at rest, to rise fresher and brighter on another morning. Other creations of God are completed before they die, but no man is complete in this life, for what man ever lives a full and complete life?"

"What man ever uses all the rooms we call life, science, music, art, literature? Scientific men will tell me immortality is imagination. Very well, but I will not grovel in the dust. I will walk in the sunshine and the sunlight. If a man dies, the evidence that he will live again will have to be very strong in order to convince others. I think all men will not die, for if a man has really lived he does not die. I am not sure about all men. It may be that some men have become so sensuous, so animal, that they may die, and if they die I see no reason why they should live again. But the man who lives a life of service and ministry does not die.

"Resurrection is the uprising of the spirit from the body. You ask why has not God given some visible or audible demonstration of it. How can you know of the sunshine of another sphere? How could the unborn babe know of the life into which he presently enters? So also can you and I know little or nothing of the glory of that other life. We are not equipped to comprehend it. There is little reason to believe that life ceases with the death of the body as to believe that music ceases when the violin is destroyed."

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Sealed Tenders

Sealed tenders for the Collection of County rates in the various Wards of the County of Annapolis are requested for the year 1909.

1. Tenders to be filed with O. S. Miller, Clerk of the Municipality, at Bridgetown, on or before 12 o'clock noon of January 2, 1909.

2. All tenders to be marked "Tenders for Collection of Rates," and to name the proposed bondsmen.

3. Collectors must guarantee the amount of each rate roll and the collection thereof, subject only to any losses the Council may see fit to adjust.

4. The committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

FREEMAN FITCH, JOHN PIGGOTT, D. M. OUTHIT. Committee on Tenders and Public Property.

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Sealed Tenders

Tenders will be received by the undersigned at the office of the Clerk of the Municipality till December 31st, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the following supplies for the County Institutions.

FLOUR for 3 months; brand and grade to be stated. CORN MEAL for 3 months, barrel and bag. SUGAR for 3 months; granulated and brown. KEROSENE OIL for year, per gallon. BEEF for year; fore and hind quarters, roasts, soups, stews.

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FREEMAN FITCH, JOHN PIGGOTT, D. M. OUTHIT. Committee on Tenders and Public Property.

Hurray for Christmas!

EVERYTHING TO PLEASE THE CHILDREN. Nuts, Oranges, Grapes, Figs, Dates Raisins and Chirants, also a nice lot of Penny Goods. Fancy Boxes of Chocolates and Bonbons, Candy Tors, Watches, Pop Corn Balls, Fancy Biscuits. NEW GOODS ARRIVING EVERY DAY. Mrs. A. J. Weir

Take Notice

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Lawrencetown.

Mr. Frank Wheelock is home from Yale. Dr. Hall arrived home from Truro this week. Sorry to report Mr. John Schaffer on the sick list. One of our blacksmiths shed fifty-eight horses last week. Miss Bagnell returned to her home in P. E. I. on Monday. Miss Etta Wheelock is home from Kentville for the holidays. Miss Carrie Hall, of Halifax, is spending the holidays at home. Miss Moses went to Yarmouth on Saturday to spend the holidays. Mr. John Leck, of Truro, spent Sunday the guest of Mrs. Palfrey. Rev. and Mrs. L. Wallace are guests of Mrs. (Dr.) L. R. Morse. Miss Bertha Newcombe, of Port Matilda, arrived home last Friday. We extend to Monitor and staff a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The merchants all seem to be receiving a fair share of the Christmas trade. Mrs. James Miller, of New Germany, has been a recent guest of Mrs. Morgan. Mrs. Willett, of Tupperville, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. E. Bancroft. Miss Purdy returns to her home in Bear River on Thursday to spend Christmas. Mrs. Nichols spent a few days recently the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. L. Hall. Mrs. W. W. Bent and little daughter, Grace, arrived home from New York last week. Messrs. Edward Daniels, Charles Miller and Lamert Whynard are home from Acadia College. Rev. William and Mrs. Brown are to Halifax this week to spend Christmas, the guests of their daughters. Church services for Sunday 27th.—Methodist, 11 a. m.; Episcopal, 7.30 p. m.; Baptist, 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Mrs. Leander Elliott and little grand-daughter, of Clarence, were recent guests of her sister, Mrs. Pollard.

North Williamstown.

Mr. and Mrs. O. DeLancey spent last Thursday with friends in Bridgetown. We are pleased to learn that Mrs. Emerson Green, of Brickton, is convalescent. Miss Margaret Stevenson, of Brickton, spent Monday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Stevenson. Mrs. D. M. Charlton, who has been confined to her room during the past two weeks, we are sorry to report is not much better.

Miss Edith Moore, who has been teaching in New Brunswick, arrived home last Saturday to spend her vacation. She was accompanied by her cousin, Miss Sadie Moore, of Mechanic Settlement, N. B.

THE INFLUENCE OF MERCHANTS IN A COMMUNITY. If there is any one class of citizens in any community who underestimate their power and influence, we believe it is the retail merchants. As a rule, the business men of any community are regarded as above the average in ability, and we believe that such impression is well founded. Such being the fact, however, places upon business men greater responsibilities. The growth and development of a town rests largely with these people. The moral sentiment of a community depends, to a great extent, not only upon the views that these men hold in regard thereto, but the activity displayed by them in regard to the morals of a town. No agency is better fitted to bring about improvements, both commercially and morally, in any community, none have weaker interests at stake, none participate in the benefits to a greater extent than the business interests of a town.—The Southern Merchant.

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Bear River.

Schooner Neva arrived from Boston on Monday. Frank Jones, Esq., went to Boston Monday on a visit. Mr. Frank Milligan is visiting his mother, Mrs. Frank Jones. Mr. W. K. Tibbet arrived Saturday on his usual vacation call. Miss Florence Vroom will arrive from Sackville on Thursday. Mrs. I. D. Vroom, who has been very ill, is somewhat improved. Mr. W. D. Ryerson leaves Thursday to visit his son, Harry, at Somerville, Mass. Misses Walker and Woodman are spending their vacation at their respective homes. Miss Jennie Phinney is spending her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Phinney. Miss Cora Harris, of the teaching staff at Digby Academy, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Harris. Mr. Walter Ruggles arrived from Sackville on Monday to spend his vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lenest Ruggles. Messrs. George Rice and Atlee Clark arrived on Friday from Dalhousie and Acadia Colleges, to spend the Christmas vacation with their parents. Mr. Bernard Milbury arrived Saturday from Oregon on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Milbury. It has been ten years since Bernard has made a visit to his native town. Dr. Fitzmaurice, who spent some weeks last summer at the Bear River Hotel, after enjoying the fishing season in Newfoundland, has returned to the Hotel again, possibly for the winter. A Christmas concert, under the auspices of the Mission Band, was held in the Methodist church on Sunday evening, when readings, dialogues and singing was rendered by the young folk, the singing by five colored girls being much enjoyed by the large audience present.

A very pleasant surprise was given the Rev. John Phalen at the Methodist Parsonage on Monday evening when a number of the friends and members of the congregation met together and presented the reverend gentleman with a nice con coat, the coat being donated by friends of the whole circuit. Mr. Newman Daniels is arranging for a large cut of timber for his mill. Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Poole are going to spend their Christmas with relatives in Windsor. Mr. B. W. Saunders is going to Boston to spend the Christmas season with his sister, Mrs. Charles Hinds. Miss Charlotte E. Dargie is spending a few days of her holidays with her cousin, Miss Maude Dargie, Bridgetown. Rev. G. W. Schurman, of Middleton, was requested by the family of the late F. J. Reed, of whom he was a dear personal friend, to be present and assist in conducting the last rites. Mr. Schurman was, however, unable to attend owing to an additional bereavement in the death of a sister's son, who was accidentally killed at Springhill, yesterday. The closing day of school for the Christmas holidays was marked by a very interesting entertainment. The school-room was well filled with the interested parents and friends of the pupils. Addresses were made by Mr. James A. Quinlan and Mr. Norman Longley, congratulating the teacher, Miss Annie Longley, on the successful management of the school. Santa Claus appeared on the scene and had his picture taken. Miss Longley received many nice presents from her school.

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Clarence.

Mrs. A. J. Wilson has returned from a week's visit at Bear River. We are sorry to report Mr. N. B. Foster not much improved in health. Mrs. Almira Tetton, of Jordan Falls, Sheshburne, is visiting with Mrs. Ann Betton. Miss Mary Beals, who has been spending a few days at Lawrence-town, has returned home. Mrs. Lizzie Griffin and daughter, Hortense, of Wolfville, are spending the holidays with relatives here. Mr. Harding Gardener, who has been engineer for R. B. Fisk the past few months, has returned to his home in Brooklyn, Queens Co. A Pie Social was held in the Clarence Hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 16th. A very pleasant evening was spent and the sum of \$13 was realized. The money will be used for the new horse stalls. On Friday afternoon, members of the Clarence East school and the Maple Leaf Mission Band entertained their parents and friends. A very interesting program had been prepared by Miss Wotton and was enjoyed by all present, after which the presents were distributed, and oranges, candy nuts, and fancy cookies were passed to the guests. The program was as follows: Music, "Christmas"—School. Scripture Reading. Prayer. Music, "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"—School. Recitation, "Happy Christmas to You." Exercise, "Happy Christmas." Music, "Christmas Bells are Ringing." "Beginning of Christmas"—Victor. Recitation, "Christmas"—Edwards. "Luther's Cradle Song"—Two boys. Recitation, "Two Christmas Eves."—Addie. Music, "Silent Night"—Two boys. Recitation, "Santa Claus on the Train"—Pearl. Recitation, "Star of Bethlehem"—Edith. Exercise, "Jesus"—Five boys. Music—1st and 2nd grades. Exercise, "Peace, Good Will to Men." Music, "Rise Out." Essay, "Christmas Tree." Recitation, "Legend of Christmas Tree." Motion Song, "Hark, the bells are ringing"—Four girls. Recitation, "Christmas Tree." Music, "Snow-flakes are falling." Remarks.

Edwin Ryder, Esq., is in very poor health at this writing. "Merry Christmas" to Monitor and staff, correspondents and readers. Mumps is still on the war-path here. Some of its victims are quite sick. The life-boat is here and the life-saving crew expect to go on duty soon. Lena Keans is home from school in Digby to spend holidays with her parents. Very good sleighing here and some are hauling wood from the mountain on sleds. Capt. Abram Holmes is afflicted with rheumatism but expects to be out soon. The last part of the week being fine and calm, the fishing vessels made a big haul. A little stranger came to the home of Capt. Wm. and Mrs. Ryder for Christmas—a girl. The Elmer, Capt. J. W. Snow and son, James, arrived here Thursday night from St. John loaded with bait. The school of Victoria Beach, as it closed for holidays, presented their teacher, Mrs. Ellis, with a purse of money. Lizzie MacWhinnie and Delma Snow teachers, are home from their schools in Digby to spend the holidays with their parents. Myrtle Covert and Ruby Wood are home from the Consolidated School, Middleton, to spend the holidays with parents. Mr. Halliday's school concert held Saturday evening was quite interesting, showing some hard work done by both teacher and scholars.

Port Wade.

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Fruit Growers at Middleton.

(Continued from page 1.) FUNGI AND FUNGICIDES. In discussing R. S. Eaton's paper on "Summer Sorting" Prof. Smith brought out the fact that such summer sorting would eliminate injurious insects, which in itself is a matter of the first importance. He then proceeded to give an address upon the subject, "Fungi and Fungicides"—he said that he had to conduct a large correspondence on this matter—many persons had sent to him specimens of insects for identification. In future he wanted persons to be very careful to put their names upon the packages, as he had been unable in some cases to give replies for lack of knowledge of the parties. This correspondence has largely increased since the advent of the brown rot. Many take an interest in diseases affecting plants and he desired to call attention to the fact that many of our trees and plants are affected by injurious diseases, or in other words by injurious plants of lower orders. It is therefore desirable to have some definite place to which such affected plants could be sent, in order to discover remedies. Otherwise diseases might sweep through the fruit belt with disastrous effects and yet they might be brought under control if the plants were carefully examined for pests. He then asked the diseased specimen of plants should be forwarded to him for examination. Plants are affected by diseases in various parts, some in the roots, others in stems, branches, leaves or flowers. All parts must be examined before passing judgment. Usually any unnatural growth or any exuding juices are had indications. Bacteria core out in such juices. In such cases juice and bark should be removed for examination. Some trees depend on fungi for vital support. A tree must have fungi to help feed its roots. Other trees are killed by them. He directed specimens to be put up in a tin or metal box with a full account of all abnormal appearances. He was anxious to procure samples of diseases of all plants and an assortment of all insects. The results of examinations of these will certainly be for the good of the Province.

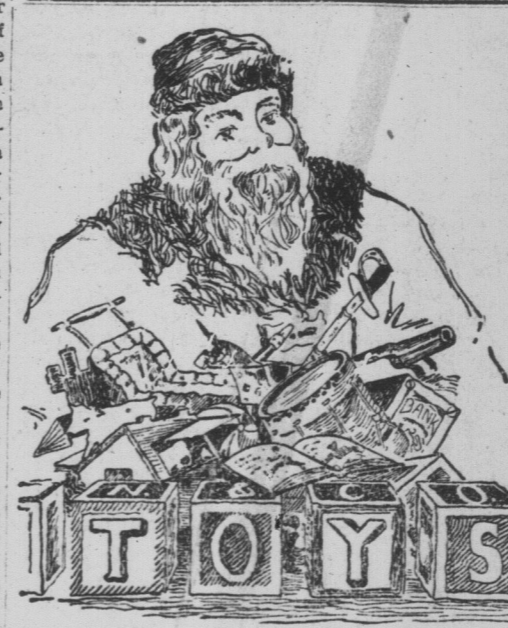
THE USE OF CLOVER. The professor knew of no plant being found directly beneficial to the apple. The clover is valuable in orchard cultivation because it has growing upon its roots little residences, tubercles, in which bacteria reside. These bacteria are minute plants which develop the power of taking the nitrogen of the air and making it into material which can be used by the clover plant, and the clover plant makes this into nitrogenous food for the apple tree. This is why clover is so useful in an orchard. Science generally comes in at the end of a proceeding to tell us the why. After farmers had been instructed in practice that clover is beneficial to orchard soil, science comes lagging along and says it is so. Farmers point out the way and science offers the explanation. Remembering this the Professor said that a half century ago men really knew not what fungi were. Before that they were called excrescences, or black knot, or such as the case might be. The first attempt at systematic classification of fungi was made in 1822. Pasteur afterward discovered bacteria. His researches revealed the study so that as a science it dates from about 1872. Later it was noticed that certain grapes which grew along the roadside at Bordeaux, France, were much better and healthier than those farther within the vineyard. The fact caused much wonder. The fences were really covered with a wash that contained some copper solution. Chemists set to work upon the subject and found that wherever the copper solution was in proximity to the plants they expected thrifter. Then lime water was used with the copper sulphate about 1886 and this is the history of the evolution of the Bordeaux mixture so widely used as a fungicide. Indeed the best results seem never to be obtained from a very much reduced solution. Salts of copper and salts of arsenic are all poisonous. In Paris green we have a combination of these, and thus we have a double poison. The reason why the Bordeaux does not poison the plant to which it is applied is because the lime in it protects the plant and merely allows the poison to reach the delicate fungi and thus kill them. The object to be sought then is to make the mixture sufficiently soluble to kill the fungi, but not soluble enough to kill the tougher tree. If we use very dilute copper sulphate with a strong solution of lime, copper hydrate is developed which is the best fungicide salt.

Transportation Problems.

F. C. Whitman, of Annapolis, then gave an interesting talk upon "Transportation." This, he said, does not rest wholly with the railway and the steamer, but starts at the orchard. Frequently the great injury may be done to the apples between the orchard and the railway car. This must be avoided by looking carefully to packing, proper barrels, temperature, and continuous movement. Apples may be directly hauled a long distance in 30 degrees of frost. Keep the teams moving and no freezing will occur. He discussed first the shipping of apples directly from the orchard to the steamer and secondly, from the orchard to storage. The box cars are usually good, but the apples should go direct to Halifax without stopping. He was content upon the whole with the farmers' packing of apples. In shipping Gravensteins early when the weather is warm it is advisable to loose the cars on arrival at port of shipment. The speaker treated 17,000 barrels by this method this year with best results. The loosing of the apples in the hold of the vessel is also extremely beneficial for rapid evaporation and lowers the temperature. He believed the rise in temperature in the steamer's hold to be at least partially due to the friction of the barrels, caused by the steamer's motion. Do not, he said, when the temperature is higher than 60 degrees. As to the storing of apples, the farmers must secure the best lot barrels, and it is up to this Association to make it impossible for a man to buy bad ones. The law does not go far enough; there must be a standard stave and a standard head. In conclusion, he stated that there is an

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advantage in sending fruit by the smaller steamers, carrying about 7,000 barrels, since in a steamer carrying 20,000 the harmful rise of temperature is much more in evidence. MARKETING THE APPLE. Howard Bugh then spoke upon the important for us to secure again, if "Foreign Markets." It is very impossible, the German market, which we have lost by reason of excessive duties. That market is particularly good for Gravensteins, Kings, Blenbeims and Baldwin. Before the duty was put the growers made more money in Germany than in England. The German fruit growers and merchants are anxious to have the duty removed. In France we have but a limited market. In certain years there is quite a demand for our Russets but they are not large general buyers of our apples. In Norway and Sweden we are gaining ground, and with judicious management and good transportation these markets will grow. The South African market has scarcely been worth to us the effort we made to gain it. We must send the very cream of our apples there or none at all, and our other buyers complain of this. These exhaust our present foreign markets, except the English one. There are in the cities of London and Liverpool, combines of buyers, and the result of their action is to drive down our selling price. The speaker watched this very carefully when in England last year. A full crop year will be disastrous to us, if there are full crops elsewhere. The