

COUNTRY NOTES

Sights and Sensations of the Rural Districts.

Claudy and Kingsley.

The "beautiful snow" has come at last and has somewhat improved travelling. Mr. Griffith of Cardigan paid us a visit taking back with him Mr. John Cullian to remain with him through the winter.

There is trouble brewing for the young man, who borrowed a drag from a neighbor and went to the woods without returning it. Bring back the drag, Captain.

We are called on to record the departure of another good neighbor in the person of Mr. Henry DeLong, who has removed with his family to Teed Settlement.

We regret to hear of the death of Charlie McGlynn at Fort Fairfield, Me. Mr. McGlynn was formerly a resident of Kingsley.

Dame Rumor says that one of our popular young ladies' and gentlemen will be made one in the near future.

A large part of our population have joined the Methodist Church.

Word from William McGinn's camp states that Lawrence Burns of Kingsley, who was so severely injured by being struck on the back by a falling tree, is still very ill and unable to be moved; he will probably be laid up for the winter. Several of the crew are laid up with cold and sore throat. William McGinn and Herbert Donahoe of Claudy are among the number.

Horse-ail is quite prevalent this fall. The horses of Willie McCann and James Jameson are out again after a lively wrestle with the disease.

Two fellows, who are rather struck on the same girl, and who have gone to other parts for the present, left her two mittens to remember them by. The young lady says they are badly matched, but answer the purpose just the same.

Wm. Nealis, who lost his house and all its contents by fire last summer, has just completed the construction of another on the old site. ("Never say die.")

Mrs. John Barret of Presque Isle, Me., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Steen.

We sympathise sincerely with Mr. Albert Banks of Lower St. Mary's, who lost his wife on the 13th ult., who, himself has been a sufferer under treatment at the Victoria Hospital for some weeks, and who has a young daughter sick at home of consumption. His is a place where we could always feel at home in the cheerful society of himself, his good, kind wife and mirthful and affectionate boys. They were always the same and there was always a comfortable corner in both their hearts and home for us, and we shall never forget them.

WOLFIE.

Upper Keswick.

We are having our annual winter weather, snow, rain and mud with almost impassable roads.

Most of the men have gone to the lumber woods. Eber Stone went to Miramichi with Griffith Bros., but when he got there he found it was a man they wanted, so he came back home after staying one day.

The Herald of last week tells of the largest hog raised in Queensbury this year. The biggest hog ever raised in this place was born and brought up on Stone Ridge and lives there yet. It is not necessary to mention names as he is well known. He is at present agent for Mother Seigels Almanacks.

The woods are full of deer tracks and our local sports are busy following them, but so far without results. The average deer in the woods is not a fool.

I noted by this month's Godey's Magazine that Benjamin Franklin is dead again. How I do wish they would let him stay dead and give him a rest so as not to bring him up again every two months and make him die over just to give them something to fill up their paper with. Only a few weeks ago George Washington died and no doubt he will be compelled to die again several times during the coming year. It must be very unpleasant for these old fogies to be brought out of their graves and made to live over their lives and die about six times every year just to furnish material to fill up the average American magazine which cannot seem to exist without raking these musty old fogies out of their graves every second issue. It is a pity they cannot let them rest and find something modern to write about once in a while. It is downright cruelty and in the name of humanity I protest against it.

Wild ducks are plentiful here this fall, and the doctor keeps up a daily bombardment, but his aim must be poor, for he has shot nothing, but he hopes to if his ammunition holds out as long as the river remains open.

Wishing all a very merry Christmas, I remain, _____ SELAH.

Zealand Station.

Brewer's mill has shut down for the season.

Several of our young men have gone to Dyer Brook, Me., where they will be employed with Mr. Ora Gilpatrick in the last block business.

Our esteemed friend who lives just across the way, whose clock has refused to point out the fleeting hours, thought of a strange device to awaken him from his slumbers by introducing under his kitchen floor a proud game cock which he chanced to have with the remark to his noble spouse that he would be awakened early enough in the morning now. In consequence he slept the sleep of the just with the full and determined hope of an early resurrection. It being quite evident this proud bird had taken the hint or was disgusted with his new abode, it being a cold night, perhaps the music had frozen in his throat, however, he remained silent to the cause while his master slept on, on, and was abruptly awakened in the middle of the next day by a dig in his short ribs by his wife's elbow. As he sprang to the middle of the floor he cried out, "Did not the cock crow?" His better half replied, "No, he is like the clock, he is run down."

Some of our local sports have taken advantage of the recent fall of snow and have gone deer hunting.

Joshiway has moved from the old pound into his new residence.

Messrs. Staples & Sons have purchased a new wood cutter and intend doing a rushing business in the cordwood line this winter.

Word has just come in that the pushing lumberman of Bright, L. Burlock, intends operating this winter near his old permit Mud Brook.

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