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CORRESPONDENCE.**Andover.**

Victoria county court, Judge Stevens presiding, opened on 21st inst. No criminal business. Civil docket made up as follows:—

Scott vs Larlee.
Sirois vs Sullivan.
Turner vs Lawlor, et al.
Demerchant vs McNair.

Scott vs Larlee was tried at last Mich term at which a verdict was found for the defendant, verdict was set aside and a new trial granted on the ground that the verdict was against evidence. At the trial this term a verdict was found for plaintiff for nominal damages. Thos. Lawson for plaintiff, T. J. Carter for defendant.

On Friday, Sullivan vs Sirois was tried and resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff for amount of note and interest and costs. F. LaForest for plaintiff, Thos. Lawson for defendant.

At the adjournment of court on Saturday Demerchant vs McNair was being tried, T. J. Carter for plaintiff, Thos. Lawson for defendant.

Turner vs Lawlor et al was settled out of court, T. J. Carter for plaintiff, Carleton & Ferguson for defendant.

The Trinity Church Sewing Circle held a fancy sale and tea on the evening of Thanksgiving Day, realizing some \$87.00.

Demerchant vs McNair resulted in a verdict for plaintiff for \$106.00. Court adjourned sine die, Nov. 26th.

Judge Stevens left for Edmundston on Tuesday to reside at the November term of the Madawaska county court.

Richmond.

Nov. 26.—Miss Kate Esterbrooks and Miss Phillips Woodstock are visiting Miss Belle McIntyre.

Miss Clara Kirk and Mr. W. C. Delong were married on Wednesday the 21st inst.

Mr. Elliotts Murchie's house Kirkland, was burned to the ground Wedne day 14th. His barns were saved through the efforts of his friends. Mr. Murchie's loss was considerable.

His lordship Bishop Kingston confirmed twelve candidates at Richmond Corner and eleven at Kirkland on Wednesday last.

There was an unusual stir at the "Corner" all Wednesday afternoon and instead of the usual "how-do-you-do" people greeted one another with "are you going to the concert?" And the answer was invariably yes. Accordingly at an early hour the hall was filled with people. To get a seat was impossible and to get room to stand barely attainable. The harmony of the evening was somewhat disturbed by a gentleman from the "Creek" who was plainly under the influence of the "ardent" but he was at last induced to go home and once more peace and quietness reigned. The concert was pronounced by the audience to be a good one. The duets given by the Messrs. Reid were perhaps the most attractive part of the programme. The recitations were well rendered and well selected. Perhaps the one most appreciated by the audience was given by Master Lasky. A stump speech given by Mr. Edward Kinney late of Montana was listened to with great interest by all. The concert was also a success financially as the large sum of \$35. was taken at the door.

Grand Falls.

Miss Annie Burpee, of Ft. Fairfield, is spending a few days in town the guest of Miss Howard.

Miss Jen Barnes, of Easton, returned to her home Saturday after a pleasant visit.

Miss Annie Fraser returned Friday from Andover where she attended the wedding of her friend, Miss Mary Bedell.

Joseph Kirkpatrick, of Ft. Fairfield, spent Sunday at the Hammond House.

Mrs. Wm. Alexander is home again after a pleasant visit of several weeks in Presque Isle.

We are having delightful weather. The sleighing is good although the roads are quite icy, and the young folks are enjoying the fine skating on the river.

Florenceville.

Nov. 26.—Mr. Richard Wheeler has moved into his new house. Mr. Gillespie of Bath has taken the house lately occupied by Mr. Wheeler.

Mr. McKintyre held services in the Baptist church last evening.

Florenceville Council R. T. of T. sent a delegation of five to District Council held at Woodstock last week.

The special Missionary for R. T. of T. W. J. Thompson has been here for three days and while here initiated a good many into the Royal and some in the Select-Degrees.

Death of Judge Peters.

Hon. B. Lester Peters, judge of the St. John county court, died at an early hour Sunday morning at his residence on Pitt street St. John. He was stricken with paralysis about six weeks ago, since which time no hopes had been entertained for his recovery. His death therefore, was no surprise. He was born in St. John in 1827 and was educated in the grammar school here. He was a son of the late B. Lester Peters, who was also a lawyer. The elder Peters was a magistrate and held court in St. John for the trial of civil and criminal cases. His son on his admission to the bar in 1850 became clerk with his father. Later on he was made clerk of the police court, the late John Johnston being the magistrate. He was for many years police magistrate of St. John, and in 1881 was elevated to the county court bench.

Cut Down.

The taxation of costs in the Ellis contempt case was settled on Saturday in St. John. The bill of costs was noticed at \$2,731.81, but a mistake was detected in the addition, reducing it to \$2,716.31. \$1,415.71 was struck out and the bill taxed at \$1,301—less than one-half the amount for which it was noticed. The amount of Currey's original bill was over \$3,600. Nearly all these charges went off.

Princess Bismarck III.

VARSIN, Nov. 25.—Princess Bismarck, who has been indisposed for some time, has grown worse, and Dr. Schwinger has been summoned to attend her.

Indisposed is stubborn but R. D. C. overcomes it.

Happy Wedding.

A pleasant company, numbering in all about 125, gathered at the residence of James A. Barter, Avondale, on Tuesday evening last. The occasion was the wedding of Miss Louisa Barter to Mr. D. W. Kyle, of Bath.

The bride was very becomingly attired in a dress of cream crepon trimmed with broad satin and silk lace, and was attended by Miss Fronie McLean who wore a dress of Nile green crepon trimmed with lace and ribbon. The groom was supported by Mr. Sherry Murphy. The groom's present to the bride was a handsome gold brooch, and to the bridesmaid a beautiful gold chain bracelet.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. H. Hayward assisted by Rev. Mr. Williams. After the wedding Mr. Kyle and his wife went to Gibson. They will return to their home in Bath after a couple of weeks. The following presents were given by those whose names appear opposite the gifts:—

1 doz. silver knives and forks, James White and Miss Agnes Travis; silver pie knife, Sperry Shea; doz. silver initial teaspoons, Mr and Mrs C H Gray and Mrs W E Cubberson; 1 doz. teaspoons, Miss Lasky and Mr E Lasky; silver butter knife and sugar shell, Mr and Mrs G A Brittain; silver sugar shell gold lined, Miss Jennie H Northrop; silver souvenir spoon, Percy Barter; silver teapot, W H Banks; silver butter cooler, Mr and Mrs M J Thorne; butter cooler, Mr and Mrs Flosom; silver butter cooler, Thomas Baker; silver butter cooler, Mr and Mrs R Goldsworthy; silver spoon holder gold lined, Mr and Mrs G F Burpee; silver cream pitcher gold lined, Mr and Mrs J W Cheney; silver cream pitcher gold lined, Mrs E D Thomas; silver pickle castor, Mr and Mrs J Cambridge; silver fruit basket, Rev A E Chapman; silver cake basket gold lined, Mrs A J McLean; silver card tray gold lined, J F Tilton; silver card tray, Miss Fronie McLean; silver mounted sugar bowl Dr and Mrs Atkinson; silver salt and pepper duster, Miss A Hume; silver salt and pepper duster, Miss Ella Tompkins; silver napkin ring, Mrs M C Smith; carving set, Carey Shaw; lemonade set, S Murphy; lemonade set, Mr and Mrs Rideout; glass water set, Homer Kinball; glass water set, R W Demmings; glass salver, Miss Alice Welsh; ruby glass castor, Miss Annie Dougherty; ruby glass set, Mrs E D R Phillips; ruby glass water set and ruby glass berry set, S G Barter; glass breakfast castor, Howard Dyer; pair glass pickle dishes, Misses Thomas; perfume case, Miss Addie Tracey; fancy easel mirror, Miss Kate Stewart; plate mirror, Mrs C H Phillips; hand lamp and pair vases, Mr and Mrs J Brown; hand painted vinegar bottle, Miss Miriam Kyle; vase lamp, Mr and Mrs S W Sherwood; W Scoley; cabinet holder, Mrs M J Stockford; glove and handkerchief case, Mr and Mrs S A Sherwood; landscape view, Harry Barter; decorated dinner set, Mr and Mrs J Kyle; crocheted toilet set, Mr and Mrs Clark; rocking chair, Mr and Mrs J E McCready; doz. linen napkins, Mrs Albert Brittain; linen table cloth, J McLeod; linen table cloth, Miss Alice Sherwood; picture scarf, Mrs C J Lasky; picture scarf, Miss Maud Kyle; picture scarf, Wm Loane; crazy sofa pillow, Mr and Mrs Dell Lawrence; fancy mat, Mrs Israel Tracey; hand painted banner, Mrs Jas McLeod; hand painted banner, Mrs S G Barter; preserve kettle, C J Lasky; centre table and bedroom set, Mrs J A Barter; parlor suite and extension table, Mr J A Barter; plush and celluloid work box, P Appleby; silver dinner castor, five bottles, Mr and Mrs R D Ross; set Christy bread knives, W Carpenter.

Princess Alix of Hesse.

The Princess Alix Victoria Helene Louise Beatrix of Hesse, the prospective empress of Russia, is the youngest and only unmarried sister of the Grand Duke Ernst Ludwig, who was married on April 19 to his cousin, the Princess Victoria Melita of Coburg and Edinburgh. Princess Alix of Hesse is the most attractive and winsome of the as yet unmarried European princesses, writes a correspondent in the Philadelphia Telegraph, and although she is not of royal rank, being merely the daughter of a German petty sovereign, the late Duke Ernst Ludwig of Hesse, and as such not even entitled to the predicate of royal highness, yet she is the favorite grand-daughter of Queen Victoria, and is allied to all the reigning families of Europe. She was born at Darmstadt on June 6, 1872.

From infancy she has shown a marked character and individuality of her own, and, indeed, persons have been heard to regret that her mother, Princess Alice of Great Britain, died when the child was only 6, for with many straitlaced persons princesses and princesses have no right to have wills or characters of their own, but ought all to be modelled on the same pattern, stiff, amiable, dull patient, thick skinned, and above all wholly lacking in the sense of ludicrous. Now all these supposed requirements of a princess of the blood the Princess of Hesse absolutely lacks save, perhaps, the quality of amiability. She is not stiff, but lively, graceful, and even wonderful to relate, "elegant," in the Parisian sense of the word. She is not patient, but quite the reverse; nor is she thick skinned, being most sensitive, impulsive and sympathetic; while as for her sense of the ludicrous, it is so keen that she keeps her friends and companions in a perfect state of merriment by her pretty wit. So far as physique is concerned, she has that greatest charm and beauty of all, what the French call la beauté du diable. Like the Czarowitz, Princess Alix is in poor health. What her ailment is has been kept a profound secret by the members of her family, but it has become known that it is of a nature to have rendered retreats and periods of seclusion necessary on several occasions, and that the physicians entrusted with the care of her health were renowned specially for nervous and mental treatments.

Her three elder sisters—the Princesses Victoria, Elizabeth and Irene—are already married, to Prince Louis of Battenberg, the Grand Duke Sergius of Russia, and Prince Henry of Prussia respectively. It will be seen that the Hesse family is closely linked with the Russian imperial house, for the Czar's mother was Princess Marie of Hesse, while his brother and now his son have both sought their brides in the same quarter. The marriage of Princess Alix to the Czarowich will make her the niece of her own sister, the Princess Elizabeth. The court circle in St. Petersburg, and the Russian people generally, are not particularly delighted with her choice as the wife of the Czarowich. They would have preferred infinitely to see Grand Duke Nicholas wed one of the magnificently Montenegrin princesses, or else some princess of the great families of Russia itself, for there are many houses in Russia whose ancestry is quite as illustrious as that of the Czar, and in whose veins the Romanoff blood runs purer than in the veins of the reigning family. Another reason for their dislike to the match lies in the fact that Princess Alix is a Lutheran. Soon after the announcement of the royal couple's betrothal the Czar's confessor, Janytschew, went to Darmstadt to prepare her for the conversion to the Greek church, Russian law necessitating that the Czar's wife be of the Orthodox Greek church. The priest found her persistent in her loyalty to the Lutheran church, and returned to St. Petersburg almost in despair. Her firmness won the day, however, and the Russian Holy Synod was obliged to make an extraordinary concession in admitting her to the Greek church. The princess refused to declare her former religion accursed, or that her conversion was due to the conviction that her own religion was not founded upon truth, as is required by the law of the Greek church. She merely made the declaration that she had joined the Greek church in order that she might be of one faith with her future husband, and the Holy synod accepted her declaration as sufficient. All of the many other German-born princesses who have married into the Russian royal family readily embraced the Greek faith, with the exception of Princess Marie of Mecklenburg who in 1874 wedded the Czar's brother, the Grand Duke Vladimir, and retained her old church.—Boston Herald.

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How he Saved Half the Fine.

A Portland man who has just returned from a hunting trip in this section vouches for the entire truth of the following story as he had it direct from the sheriff of the county. A man who lives in the Mount Katahdin region went into the office of a justice of the peace a few days since and inquired about the penalty for hunting deer with dogs and very particularly as to whether one-half the fine did not go to the informer. The justice consulted the game law and assured him that it did. "Very well," said the man, "I want to complain of myself and settle." The justice could not back out and so gave the transgressor "a clean bill of health" upon payment of one-half of the penalty. It seems that the man got wind of the fact that a game warden had got the "drop" on him on his deer poaching with his dogs and was only waiting an opportunity to arrest him. Hence his shrewd bit of diplomacy.—Bangor Commercial

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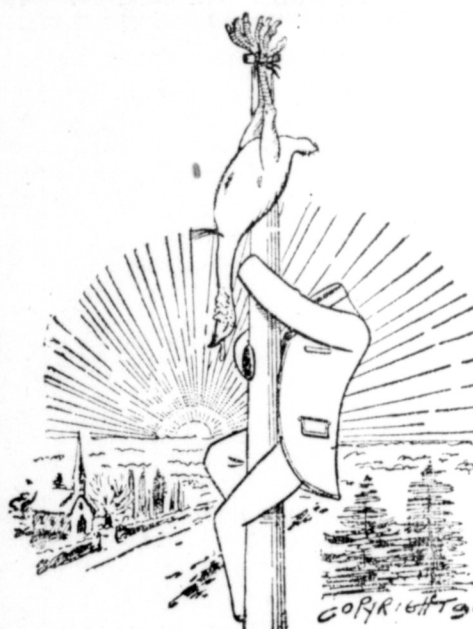
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