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### NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

#### A CENTRAL SOUTHAMPTON MAN BECOMES INSANE.

**Spruce Logs on the River Bank Bring High Prices.**—A Northampton Farmer gets \$100 for 70 Pieces.—Wedding at Perth Centre.—Bristol Items.

#### FLORENCEVILLE.

Rev. A. H. Hayward, who bought the John McKay place, is repairing his house and making many fine improvements. He has leased a lot of his land to Danks & Hamilton who are building a carriage factory and blacksmith shop. The hall above will be for the Foresters.

Andrew D. McCain, son of H. H. McCain, M. P., who has been in Boston for the past two or three months looking after the hay business, has returned home. He says there is a grand demand for the best quality of hay.

Allison McCain, who some four years ago bought the John Parkin's place on the Centreville road, has made great improvements in his property, and is now erecting a handsome house.

There was a splendid shower here on Friday afternoon last, which had an invigorating effect on the grass and other crops.

Hood Kinney is building a showy and convenient house in Greenfield.

The Foresters are making great preparations for their picnic to be held on the 6th of June.

Florenceville has been somewhat at a stand still during the past few years, but now it is experiencing something of a boom. Young men are making things lively driving around in their fine new turn outs.

An old mill built by Saml. Taylor and the late S. G. Burpees, fell over on to the beach the other day.

The farmers are about through sowing oats. The new Chatham mills have been largely used, and have materially affected the quality of the seed. Farmers cannot be too careful about sowing good clean seed oats. The old hay is about cleaned out but there are lots of last year's oats. They are now bringing 25cts. a bushel.

#### PERTH CENTRE.

We had a heavy rain storm Friday night which was much needed. The forest fires prevailed all over the back country here and did much damage, destroying a large amount of lumber and wood ground and it was feared they would reach the river. A great many persons stayed up all night in this place and Andover on Thursday night, 21st, in case their buildings would be burned, but fortunately the rain on Friday night prevented the fire from doing further damage.

Hon. John Costigan was in town last week. James Cameron and wife, formerly of Andover, arrived in town on the 21st from Grand Rapids, Wis., where Mr. Cameron has been in business for over 22 years.

Miss E. M. Parker took advantage of excursion rates. She went to Woodstock on Saturday and returned on Tuesday.

About 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening the 20th inst., could be seen carriages and numberless pedestrians wending their way to the residence of Mrs. Catherine Craig in response to an invitation to be present at the marriage of her daughter, Annie, to W. D. Appleby of this place. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. G. A. Giberson, assisted by Rev. Mr. Jenkins. The bride was handsomely attired in old rose silk trimmed with silk lace. After the ceremony tea was served to 30 couple. Later in the evening ice cream and fruit were passed around. The presents were numerous and costly.

On the 23rd a number of young people drove to Grand Falls and back and spent a very pleasant day.

C. C. Gibs arrived in town one day last week being very sick.

Several rafts owned by G. T. Baird got loose Saturday and went some distance before being held.

Geo. Street and Fred. Street of Ft. Fairfield, were in town Sunday.

Rev. G. A. Giberson preached here on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Appleby took the early train on Monday for Woodstock to select furniture for their new home.

John Larlee went to Woodstock Monday on business.

#### CENTRAL SOUTHAMPTON.

The weather here, taken as a whole, has been very dry for a long time past.

The grass in places is looking quite green. This is due, no doubt, to the dampness it derives from the frost and snow, and what rain has fallen.

Mrs. Coombs and her infant son arrived safely from Lowell on or about the 25th ult. She and her husband are living in the house of William Shiley of Canterbury.

On Tuesday evening, the 9th inst., after the meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. which is held in the F. C. B. church of this place, Mr. Coombs gave a lecture, his subject being taken from the words found in the Bible, namely: "Thy word is truth." It was a discourse by which the hearers might be benefited. Mr. Coombs is holding special meetings in Canterbury this week.

The neighborhood was surprised on Friday on hearing the sad news that Arwood Miller, son of L. W. Miller was insane. He had acted strangely the day before, but that day on being interfered with by his father in regard to a notion of his, he assaulted him hurting him quite badly. Dr. Colter was summoned and advised his being taken to the asylum, which was done. He is 20 years of age.

News has come here of the death of Mr. Hagerman of Canterbury. He was engaged at Shogomoc in blasting rocks for a bridge in that place. His tools were noticed somewhere near the bridge, and it is thought that, as he was speaking about not feeling well, he had left them and gone home, but later on it was found that he was not at home and after that a search was made for him and he was found. It appears he had gone to the bridge, perhaps for a drink or to view under the bridge, and in some way had fallen in. He leaves two sons and three daughters to mourn their loss.

On the 24th ult. Mr. Trompley organized a singing school in this place. He has secured a class of about thirty.

Mrs. David Noble of the neighborhood of Blaine paid a visit to the place.

The family of Mr. Byron Cronkite has been enlarged lately by the advent of a girl in their midst.

#### NORTHAMPTON.

Since last writing for this column all nature has undergone a vast change. Winter has somewhat reluctantly loosened his icy hands and the fields and trees are again clothed in verdure. The old Rhine of America presents many attractions at this time of year and at once challenges the admiration of the tourist.

Owing to the almost unprecedented spell of dry weather the farmers are almost through seeding. Grass seed sown last year ~~was~~ very poorly in a great many cases owing to one heavy drought, and at the present time the outlook for both field and pasture is rather slim.

It is understood that Mr. C. F. Rogers who recently completed a course in the F'cton Business College, has rented the Southampton cheese factory for the summer and will be doing business on the old stand after the first of June. Miss Mary Rogers who was attending the above institution returned home recently.

Those fortunate enough to possess any amount of good spruce logs on the banks were decidedly in it this spring. One farmer only had about 70 or 75 pieces but he received \$100 for them. Among the heaviest operators were Mr. Aaron Dow who cut upwards of 200,000 feet of pine and spruce. All the lumber cut along here has been rafted and run below. Mr. S. A. Rogers, whose reputation as a successful raft runner is established on a good sound basis has had his hands full this spring.

A magic lantern show well attended, and a house here on Friday evening failed to draw out much of a crowd and those who went wished they had remained with the majority.

The hills the last few days have been veiled in smoke arising from numerous bush fires. The ground is very dry and the universal wish is for rain. If the blossoms are not destroyed by frost this ought to be a pretty good year for fruit.

#### BRISTOL.

Rev. H. D. Worden of Hartland exchanged pulpits with Rev. A. H. Hayward on Sunday.

The parish Sunday school convention will meet at Bath on Thursday next at 10 a. m. There will be also afternoon and evening sessions. Miss Lucas of Sussex will be present, besides pastors and local workers.

Several political meetings were held in this parish last week, and were addressed by Dr. Colter and others in the interests of the Liberal party. The meetings were well attended, and the doctor met with a cordial reception everywhere. The prospects are that he will get a good majority in Kent again.

Miss Bessie Fraser spent Sunday at her home Grand Falls.

Today (Monday) is being generally observed as a holiday in the public schools, but that is all there is to denote that it was the Queen's birthday. The stores and other places of business are open as usual.

The corporation Drive passed here on Friday, but the shores are again lined with logs. Mr. William Haining died very suddenly of heart disease at Beechwood on Friday. He had been as well as usual, and a few minutes before his death had walked to a neighbour's house. He was sitting talking, and all at once fell from his chair and immediately expired. He was about 75 years old, and formerly lived in Jacksontown. The funeral was on Sunday the service being conducted by Rev. D. Fiske. Mrs. E. W. Bell of Bristol was a daughter of Mr. Haining.

#### LAKEVILLE.

On retiring from the office of Sunday School superintendent the officers teachers and scholars presented Mr. Slawson Carvell with an address and hymn book as a slight token of their esteem and good wishes. The following officers were recently elected for the year: A. Hume, superintendent; Miss Enma Carvell, librarian; Miss Katie Watters, assistant; R. Burns King, secretary.

The spring has been remarkably dry, very little rain having fallen since the snow went off. The farmers are making good use of the fine weather and have their wheat, potatoes and most of the oats in.

Mr. A. B. Carvell had a number of men out to peel all week rafting birch lumber. He sent away two rafts and another went the 25th.

#### RICHMOND.

Miss Jennie McIntyre, Houlton, spent Sunday in Richmond.

Miss Kate Hay has returned from Houlton. Mr. Chas. Stokes has returned from the U.N.B. Mr. Clifford Campbell has gone to F'cton. He intends undergoing treatment at the Victoria Hospital.

George Wolhaupter was called home by the illness of his brother-in-law, William Stokes. The members of the Christian Endeavor intend holding an ice cream social in the manse, McKenzie Corner.

Miss Maud Atherton, McKenzie Corner, is at Mrs. Robert McIntyre's.

J. Albert Ried has returned home from Sackville.

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#### The Czar's Coronation.

On Wednesday took place the great triumphal entry of the Emperor and Empress into Moscow. Until today, the Emperor has not officially been in the city. In order to see the imposing spectacle, thousands of restless and anxious spectators thronged the streets all last night, and early secured places of vantage. Those who witnessed the coronation festivities of the late Alexander III in 1883 say that if possible the crowds are greater and the splendor more abundant. The utmost liberty consistent with proper discipline and order was allowed, and the faithful Muscovites and Russians from all over the empire had the fullest privilege of witnessing the official entry of their Czar into his ancient capital. For the most part the sun shone brightly, though a few clouds showed themselves about 11 o'clock. The decorations which had been injured by the rain had all been renewed and everything presented a

most brilliant appearance. Early this morning the streets were alive with people who had slept in or roamed about the streets all night, and crowds swarmed at every point along the line of procession. Every class of costume was visible among the crowds, and anyone skilled in the characteristics of Russian peasantry could have readily indicated from what part of the empire the different groups of spectators had come, so varied were their dresses. The street was gay with the trappings on the Venetian masts, which bore shields on which were alternately inscribed the arms of the Russian provinces and the decorations of the houses. No traffic was allowed on the line of procession after three o'clock this morning and at an early hour troops were marched on both sides of the roadway over the entire route. For many weary hours, the myriads of spectators of every rank and class who lined the route and filled the tribunals, pavilions, platforms and balconies sat or stood in their places waiting for the great event of the day, while the stolid soldiers after clearing the roadway kept the patient masses in their place. Little disorder was anywhere seen.

At 2.30 o'clock the cannon boomed, followed by eight other shots. This was the signal for every bell in Moscow to peal forth, and in an instant, led off by the bells of the Ivan Tower in the Kremlin, an indescribable jingle of the hundreds of bells in this muffled city broke upon the ear. At the sound of the first cannon shot the word of command was given the soldiers, who had previously stacked their rifles, and all now stood immobile at arms. The Emperor had left the palace and the procession had started. It was probably the most gorgeous scene that Moscow has ever beheld.

The cortege was headed by three squadrons of Circassians and Don Cossacks in brilliant scarlet uniforms. Big stalwart men they were, riding beautiful high mettled horses. At their head rode on a black horse Prince Dolgorouki, Grand Master of Ceremonies, in full uniform, followed by his escort and mounted drummers, and trumpeters of the horse guards. At their appearance the admiration of the crowd burst forth into hurrahs and shouts of pleasure, while the pressing of the throng that lined the pavement on both sides rendered it difficult for the soldiers that kept the way to preserve the straight line. The Cossacks were followed by a field marshal, leading a squadron of the Czar's Hussars of the guard, one company each of the guard regiments of Paulovsk, then a squadron of dragoons in dark green, followed by grenadiers with ancient helmets, engineers and chasseurs. After them came a high officer of the imperial stable leading fifty liveried footmen, lackeys, pages and other servants of the royal household on foot. Then followed another master of ceremonies, mounted on a white horse, leading a marshal followed by bearers of the imperial standard with the family arms of the Emperor. Behind the standard rode the deputies of Asiatic tribes and people of the east. No doubt this portion of the procession was the most picturesque. Gorgeously they were dressed, riding three abreast, on their richly caparisoned steeds—Calmucks, Kirgriz, Khivols—many with high, rich colored turbans and jewelled scimitars, representatives of the hundreds of races over which the great white Czar reigns. Behind them were borne five standards, on which were respectively emblazoned the arms of the Tcherkask, Armenia, Kabada, Georgia and Karatline by mounted unarmed men in robes of civil offices, the horses of each led by two subalterns.

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