

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

INTERESTING ENTERTAINMENT AT CENTREVILLE.

Extended Report of the Doings of the Jacksonville Hobos.—Items From Knoxville.—From Every Nook and Corner.

CENTREVILLE.

MARCH 27.—The Centreville entertainment came to pass duly on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of last week, and from every point of view, including the monetary as well as the artistic, was a success. Several people drove from Woodstock to enjoy it, and the register book of the Exchange Hotel showed that the people of Florenceville had not been unkindful of a good thing.

Scholey's opera house, the scene of the mock parliament, where so many able and effective speeches had been delivered, and so many great questions of the day had been settled during the winter was now a scene of pleasure. S. A. McKenzie, Walter and Leland Clark, carpenter, had enlarged the stage and made and painted a set of scenes for it. The effect was fine.

The Centreville band furnished the orchestra, which was composed of Alf J. Lee, Charles Wilkinson, Barry Estabrook, Roy T. Lee, James O'Hara, John Simonson and Ed. West. The programme was pleasantly interspersed with orchestral music. The Tambourine Drill, the first thing on the program, was done by eight young ladies, Misses Maggie Scholey, Alice Wilkinson, Lizzie Cahill, Minnie Nicholson, Nellie Hawkins, Bessie West and Kate Cahill. They were dressed in black velvet bodices, low neck and short sleeves, edged with silver, and their skirts were of red decorated with silver bangles. They wore their hair down their backs. The tastefulness of the dresses was a measure due to the attentions of Miss Bertie M. West and Mrs. F. M. Brown. Dr. Brown had coached them for this drill as well as the flag drill, both of which they performed with grace and unerring accuracy.

The good night drill by eight little maidens in night dresses, doll in arms and each carrying a candle, was so pleasing to the audience that they were called back more than once. The eight children were, Fay Burt, Vera Brown, Belle Simonson, Frank Simonson, Winnie Clark, Mollie Cody, Rhoda Lee and Meda Hoyt. Miss May White must have the credit for teaching these little girls their movements which they knew perfectly.

The tableaux opened with 2 scenes from Faust. In the first Miss Helen Page represented Marguerite at her spinning wheel, Miss Julia Sloat as the nurse standing behind her. Miss Page sang "Love's Golden Dream." The second scene was Marguerite's death in prison; Miss Page as Marguerite, Miss Maggie Scholey, Laura Wilkinson and Helen Cody as Angels, and Guy Balloch as Gaoler. This tableau had required a deal of tedious preparation, and was a success. The wings of the angels were so perfect they might almost have flown away on their own.

Jack Lee and George Wilkinson reduced the house to hilarious laughter in a stable scene in Virginia. Their faces were black, fast black, they smoked much clay pipe and bad cigar, a bottle stood between them on the soap box that did service as a table, and those who know what the game is say they were playing poker. At any rate each had five cards in his hand. It was a good tableau and earned them a hearty round of applause.

Vera Brown and Fay Burt appeared in a tableau representing two of Raphael's cherubs. The curtain had to rise three or four times on this, the audience were so delighted.

A Tableau in three parts exhibited the course a lot of fellows are travelling. The first scene, a game of cards, by Herrick Scholey, H. W. Peppers, Freeland McKenzie, Guy Balloch and Leland Clarke. Second scene, the duel, Messrs. Peppers and Scholey principals, Leland Clarke and Guy Balloch seconds, and Dr. Brown surgeon. Third scene, the end of the game, Mr. Peppers lying dead, the other principal and his peppers leaving the field; the surgeon and second bending over the body, and Miss Minnie White coming on the field.

Before the Ball, Miss Phoebe Boyer arrayed for the ball by the assistance of her maid, Miss Alice Wilkinson.

After the Ball, Messrs. McKenzie and Peppers "rolling home in the morning with aching head and torn clay hammer."

Miss Nellie Herald, pianist, played the accompaniments during the evening.

Miss Lena Sherwood earned a reputation as an elocutionist with those who never had the pleasure of hearing her before by her rendering of "The Goblins."

H. W. Peppers regaled the audience with "the speech by the member from Kamouraska" and "Hank McGuffie."

The farce, "Ici on Parle Francais" was the first attempt at anything really dramatic ever made in Centreville and the result was decidedly encouraging. Herrick Scholey played the irate and excited Major. H. W. Peppers figured as Victor Dubois the seductive and insinuating Frenchman. Dr. Brown took the part of Mr. Spriggins. Miss Boyer was cast for Mrs. Spriggins and dressed and acted her part well. Miss Lena Sherwood figured as Angelina, Miss Minnie White as Julia the Majors wife and Miss Julia Sloat as the poor unfortunate maid of all work. Miss Sloat made a hit in her part which was one calling for considerable animation.

There is some thought of repeating the entertainment at some of the neighbouring towns. The participants had been at a lot of expense and trouble to get the entertainment in shape and should feel in every way satisfied with their success.

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Woodstock, N. B., 12th March, 1896.

JACKSONVILLE.

MARCH 30.—At the last meeting of the Independent Association of Combined Hobos the attendance was quite up to the average with the grand notorious hobo in the chair; officers all present with the exception of the political hobo. A motion was introduced by the grand foxy hobo, who stated that as the provincial government had passed a bill relating to the taxation of dogs, and it was his candid opinion that the dog act would be of great importance to our association and the whole province generally in contributing largely to the revenue, he considered it advisable for the Hobos to do everything in their power to encourage the dog raising industry, that to his knowledge quite a large number of the members of the association were not the happy possessors of dogs, where each with considerable pleasure and profit could keep not less than eight or nine. You are all doubtless aware that sheep and swine raising are uncertain and cannot be indulged in successfully unless a man has what is called "luck," and even then the market has, of late, been overstocked, but there is no such thing as luck, or being fortunate with regard to dogs, the dog crop never fails. It is a well known fact that the dogs of this locality are scarce and of an inferior class. And I propose that we appoint a committee of 6, having for its chairman, the venerable hobo of the apostle Paul, and to consist of Allen Burgundy, Sir Thompson, the fakir hobo, S. Harbino La Fire, some the whining hobo, Curd Sylvester and Goodie McBill to make a trip about the middle of maple sugar making to the Indian village on the Tobique to buy about 150 or 200 dogs some of both masculine and feminine gender, the latter preferred as the tax is 5 dollars a head per annum. I mentioned this to the hardware man in town, who seemed delighted with the scheme and said that if we could increase the revenue sufficient to build the Hartland bridge we would assist him out of a disagreeable position. The motion was carried unanimously. Clynic Gregory made a statement that he had received applications from several jid r-oids throughout the county, who, wishing to improve their social standing and had expressed their desire to unite with the Hobos. The grand notorious hobo informed Mr. Gregory that this was not the proper way to speak of these ladies in calling them "old maids." In future they would be termed "ladies of an advanced age who still retain their original appellations" or "unplucked blossoms from the matrimonial tree." Although they are a class of people he did not care to associate with very much, or lavish his affection upon to any great extent still he was duty bound to have them shown proper respect while under the protection of the Hobos. Jacques Armory introduced a bill to dispense with the services of the chaplain and the money which is expended in his salary to be invested in dulse, chewing tobacco, smoked fish, a new pack of cards and other refreshments to regale the Higgs when they visit us. The grand notorious hobo said that the money for refreshments to be provided for the "At Home" to be given on Easter Monday was already in the hands of the grand curd mixer hobo who had been appointed chairman of the entertaining committee and was under such heavy bonds that he could not possibly slip off with the boodle. But the motion to abolish the services of the chaplain was out of order and conflicted with the constitution and he considered the instigator of that motion to be more in need of spiritual advice than any hobo in the association as he had noticed that during the past year in the opening ceremony the very identical hobo who had made the motion sat with his feet perched up on the piano and ate raw onions. The club house on Wise's Lake is nearing completion, when finished it will be one of the finest structures in that vicinity, it will supply a long felt want and will be a popular summer resort. Already several United States senators have announced their intentions of spending the summer there with their families. To be continued in our next.

WAKEFIELD CENTRE.

MARCH 28.—I have often heard it asked—Where is Wakefield Centre? For the benefit of those who would wish to know I will tell them. It is about eight miles from Woodstock, by the Connell road running north. It is at a point where the back road, so called, strikes a cross road running past the old McGrath place. It is by no means the centre of Wakefield, but a small centre in it. Here the post office is kept by Mr. Henry A. Briggs, and a most careful and obliging post master he is, and he is ably assisted by his wife, who is a very competent woman and attends to the business and keeps everything in good order.

There is a cheese factory here, also owned and run by Mr. Henry A. Briggs, and I may say, without fear of contradiction, he, last season, made as good cheese as any in the county.

There are two school districts and part of a third in the post office district, which extends from Wiley's on the back road to the upper end of the Sixth Tier.

The school near the post office is taught by Miss Cadwalader, a very capable and energetic young woman, who is well liked by both parents and children, and who is conducting the school with marked success. The other school is taught by Mrs. Nicholas Sharkey at the upper part of the Sixth Tier. She is doing a good work, and one of the trustees and the secretary who visit to speak very favourably of her school. Inspector Meagher visited Miss Cadwalader's school Wednesday, but he has not turned up at the upper school yet.

Mrs. Caldwell, sen., has just got home from a three weeks' visit to her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Fewer in Woodstock.

Mr. William Fewer of Woodstock paid a flying visit to his friend, Mr. Charles Caldwell, yesterday. Miss Carrie Caldwell intends making a short visit to Woodstock.

Mr. Silas Wason had a horse kicked early last fall and I hear it has not got well yet. Miss Ella Frame of Newburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. James Johnston.

There is a great rustling among the rags around here now. Nearly every house one goes to the women folk are busy hooking mats. But I think the boss mat of the place is one hooked by Mrs. Gilbert Hagerman. It is three yards long, by 1 1/2 think, more than one yard wide, and she drew it all herself in less than two weeks.

KNOXFORD.

MARCH 30.—The young people here been enjoying themselves very much during the past week, coasting and skating here, and attending, special meetings, birthday parties and pie socials in the adjoining neighbourhoods.

Miss Belvina Kinney, Sprague's Mills is visiting friends here.

Robert F. Jones has a sick horse.

Mat hooking appear to be the order of the day. Miss Nellie McKay entertained a number of her young friends on Thursday evening. She intends spending a few weeks with friends in Carleton, Me.

A most remarkable incident of forecast was observed here recently when a lady of our acquaintance entertained a number of young folks with details found in a certain Woodstock paper which did not put in an appearance until several days after.

Knoxford is a very enterprising place judging by the number of teams seen upon the road almost any day, engaged hauling wood to Centreville, logs to the mills, oats to lumbermen on the Tobique and hay to the various stations.

Our farmers feel the need of a real railroad on which to ship their produce, as the political road has been rather unsatisfactory. We wait with patience the completion of the Woodstock and Centreville railroad.

The house occupied by T. A. Jones took fire from a flue burning out, during the heavy wind on Thursday last, but was seen by a neighbour, the alarm, given and the fire put out before any damage was done.

MOUNT PLEASANT.

MARCH 26.—Whitfield Rideout has returned from the land of Uncle Sam. Johnnie Campbell who has been at Island Falls has returned home. We are anxiously awaiting the organization of

the True Blue lodge. The required number, fifteen, have been obtained, and several others are ready to join.

Geo. J. J. Barnes and Mr. Puddington are having a revival at Gordonsville. There are twenty to be baptized Sunday morning.

The sewing circle meets at Samuel Crandlemires on the 1st Wednesday in April.

RICHMOND.

MARCH 28.—The Orange sociable held in the hall at Richmond Corner realized over thirty dollars.

Miss Mary Hay has returned from Woodstock. Mr. Robert Parks has returned from Limerick where he has been spending the winter.

Miss Nettie Hand has a severe attack of quinsy. Mr. Smith Adams, Calais, passed through Plymouth last week.

Mr. Wm. Hetherington and his sister of Andover are visiting friends in Richmond. Miss Lucy Tenny, Houlton, is the guest of Mrs. George Tracy.

While Mr. James Montgomery was unloading boards he got his foot caught under the pile breaking his leg.

GREENVILLE.

MARCH 30.—Our roads are in a very impassable condition the snow is nearly all off, and where there is no snow it is mud.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flemming on the arrival of a young son.

Mrs. George Guy has returned after a visit with friends at Richmond Corner.

Mrs. G. T. Holyoke and Master Willie are visiting friends in Charlotte county.

Mr. Samuel Shepherd has returned after spending the winter with his relatives in Keswick. We are glad to see him again.

A basket social was held at Milton Green's on Wednesday last. Quite a large crowd present and all had a good time.

Where are the potato buyers.

HARTLAND.

MARCH 30.—The woodworking factory is about completed with the exception of the boiler room. The machinery is expected this week. Mr. Richardson is doing a rushing business in his new store.

W. W. Hay of Woodstock, expects to open a dry goods store in the Burr building, next month.

There was a fire alarm on Saturday morning which called out the fire department. It was caused by the burning out of the flue in the residence of G. Boyer. No damage was done, and it was found unnecessary to turn on the water.

Three candidates were baptised here on Sabbath afternoon by Revs. Barnes and Coy.

J. G. Campbell is finishing his residence on the hill, and expects to move into it in about a month. He has rented his residence in the village.

Timber and hay are still on the move although the roads are in poor condition.

AROOSTOOK JUNCTION.

Potatoes are plentiful in this county. Never were half so many raised as in the past season, phosphate being plentifully used, expecting to take advantage of the Boston market, but alas! Five carloads have been shipped from Andover by J. C. Manzer to the St. J. h. market, and one to Liverpool, Eng., the price ranging from 30 to 40 cents. He hopes to load more carloads in April. Probably twenty or thirty carloads more could be shipped from this vicinity if there was a market to receive them.

Hay is very scarce, being worth from nine to ten dollars in the barn, according to locality.

The wife of Councillor Spike is very low with cancer.

Mrs. Chas. Turney has recently returned to her home at Gagetown, after having spent a couple of months with her sister, Mrs. Jabez Squires. Another sister is her constant attendant. Her life is wholly despaired of.

Mrs. D. B. Hopkins has been confined to her room during the winter with nervous prostration. She is slowly improving under the skilful treatment of Dr. Kilburn of Presque Isle.

Charles Hopkins is attending business college at Fredericton.

Important for Farmers.

The Remedial Bill has so completely monopolized the attention of parliament and of the country, that we are led to suppose that nothing is done in the house but to discuss that important measure. And it is very true that Hansard full of page after page of the debate on the Manitoba schools. It is interesting to note, however, that occasionally a member rises in his seat with some other object in view than discussing the question of education. On the 9th of March Mr. Mulock the member for North York, Ont., called the attention of the house to a matter pertaining to the department of agriculture. He said: It appears that the railway companies have recently issued a tariff rate, affecting the transportation of live stock which acts very hardly in the case of thoroughbreds used for pedigree purposes. Under the railway Act, provision is made for the classification of freights, and that provision has been taken advantage of, and pedigreed animals are classified in such a way as to very seriously hamper their transportation throughout the country. For instance, take the ordinary matter of thoroughbred stock. Young bulls of six months and over, but under twelve months, are classified now on the Grand Trunk Railway and Canadian Pacific Railway—these are my instructions—as weighing 4,000 pounds each. You can readily see what an enormous tax that is upon the farmers, or the breeders, who are engaged in buying and selling cattle of that kind. The way this matter affects the Government is this: The railway Act declares, that no railway company shall collect any toll on any freight, except according to the schedule approved of by the Government. No railway company can make a change in the schedule of rates, or by classification increase the burdens upon the customers of the railway, without that schedule being first sanctioned by the government. The railway companies cannot charge rates now as common carriers. Formerly, they were able to evade the Railway Act as common carriers. That was done away by the Act of 1888, and now they are not entitled to collect a dollar on any freight unless their tariff rates, including the classification, have first been submitted to, and received the sanction of the governor general in council. If the government has sanctioned the classification I refer to, I can only assume that they have done it under a mistake. I do not propose to make any observations in criticism of the government. I simply call their attention to the matter, as the spring is now on, and the tariff is operating very prejudicially to the agricultural interests. Unless it is immediately changed, it is going to have a very injurious effect.

Mr. Haggart. Are you aware when the change in the classification was made?

Mr. Mulock. I am not aware of it.

Mr. Haggart. Or that it was made?

Mr. Mulock. No, I am not aware that it was made with the sanction of the government at all. I am only informed—and I speak of course, subject to correction—that the railway companies have issued a schedule of

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| Assets..... | \$221,213,721.33 |
| Liabilities..... | 194,347,157.58 |
| Surplus..... | \$ 26,866,563.75 |
| Total Income..... | \$48,597,430.51 |
| This is about ten million dollars more than the annual revenue of Canada. | |
| Total Paid Policy-Holders in 1895..... | \$23,126,728.45 |
| Insurance and Annuities in force..... | \$899,074,433.78 |
| Net gain in 1895..... | \$61,647,645.36 |

NOTE.—Insurance merely written is discarded from this Statement as wholly misleading, and only insurance actually issued and paid for in cash is included.

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