

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

NORTHAMPTON.

William R. Patterson, who is going to college in South Bucksport, Maine, is here at present visiting his old home.

Oliver L. Davenport met with quite a painful accident recently. While unloading logs his team became frightened and drew the sled over his ankle. Dr. Kierstead rendered medical aid.

The revival at Greenbank was not concluded last week as before stated, but it is understood that they will end this week.

Ernest Crawford, of Kingston, Kings County, who has spent several months in this place, returned to his home on Tuesday last. Mr. Crawford is agent for the celebrated "La Tour" mineral water and intends to visit this county again next summer, when he hopes to make large sales of the water.

John E. Shea has been visiting at C. P. Bull's the past week.

To anyone meditating on taking a holiday we would recommend with all sincerity the following—take a trip by the People's Road to Mr. D. S. Gibson's lumber camp. On March 4th the day following the recent thaw, your correspondent had the pleasure of accompanying a sled load of young people to the above place. On the sled were Mr. Robert and Miss Jennie Rolston, Misses Kate and Annie Monteth, Miss Sadie Rogers, Miss Ella Ives, Miss Maria Bull and Messrs. J. Jarvis Bull and John E. M. Shea. On arriving at the camp the party were received by the Boss Mr. Chas. Orr and hospitably entertained, quite surpassing former efforts on similar occasions. Mr. Gibson's "cut" this winter is well up to the average and will probably exceed half a million. The party returned home by a different route and "good time" was the unanimous verdict.

ANDOVER.

The snow has been gaining rapidly this week, and notwithstanding the efforts of A. Kuyke and H. G. Gratz, the sidewalks are badly blocked after the blow on Thursday. But Mr. Perley has been out with the large snow plough and six horses, and the main street is very smoothly ploughed out.

Rev. Scovil Neales has returned from a visit to his new field in Sussex, and is now suffering from a severe cold.

We welcome to our village the new Baptist minister, Rev. Mr. Worden.

The supreme court opened on Tuesday, Judge Landry on the bench. Only one case came up, that of Lovely and Hanson, and it was adjourned till June.

St. James Presbyterian church took on February 28th a collection of \$7.68 for the Indian Famine Fund.

The ladies of this church are untiring in their efforts to clear the new church building of debt. On Tuesday, March 2nd, they held a picnic, tea and fancy sale in Beveridge's hall. Their efforts were well patronized by all the people of the village. The hall was tastefully decorated with evergreens and Chinese lanterns. The tables were spread with an abundance of delicacies. Andover never disappoints her guests in this respect. After tea an orchestra composed of Mrs. S. P. Waite at the organ, Miss Mamie Baxter on the violin, and Mr. George Wade on the banjo discoursed sweet music. Several fine solos were also rendered.

In the meantime the fancy table was well patronized, nearly all the year's work of the sewing-circle was disposed of. The proceeds of the evening netted about \$86.

MIDDLE SIMONDS.

Spring has come again. Some of the boys have come out of the woods and the rest will be out soon.

Mrs. George, of Michigan, is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. L. Shaw.

Mrs. P. Shaw has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Putnam Shaw.

There has been quite a bit of sickness here lately.

Our much respected teacher began his school here on Monday.

The Adventists have been holding special meetings.

The Orangemen intend having a patriotic concert on March 20th. A free invitation is extended to all.

The ladies of the Baptist sewing circle intend holding an oyster supper and refreshments, with fancy sale, March 25th, in the Orange hall. Admission 35 cents, supper included.

BRISTOL.

Rev. A. H. Hayward is holding special meetings in the hall each evening this week.

A. R. Gaines of Watt Junction is now in charge of the C. P. R. station here. Mr. Wetmore went to Fredericton last week.

The lumbermen are coming out of the woods. Joseph Curtis's crew came out last Wednesday and Wm. Rogers today (Monday) after a successful winter's operation.

About fifteen members of the True Blue Lodge drove over to Lakeville on Friday evening to visit that lodge, and had a very pleasant time. Lakeville will return the call this evening.

Miss Maud Dawson our popular music teacher returned to her home at Hillsborough on Wednesday last.

Mr. G. L. Davis has returned from Debec, where he had been spending the winter.

Elder Irving Barnes and Mrs. Barnes of Worcester spent a few days in Bristol last week, the guests of Mrs. Farley.

Miss Ella Brittain returned to Minnesota last week, she had been spending the winter with her parents here.

The Baptists are preparing to build a church in the village, and are getting the lumber on the ground ready for the spring.

KILBURN.

On the 20th Feb. a surprise party of about fifty came to the home of C. W. Morehouse where a very enjoyable evening was spent.

OAKVILLE.

Arthur Mesereau, our popular young blacksmith, was married a short time ago to Miss Angeline Dewitt, of Weston. Weston's loss will be Oakville's gain.

Rev. Mr. Frizzle has been making pastoral visits here. He is very much liked by the people.

Rev. Mr. White, of Houlton, is billed to lecture here on Wednesday evening, 17th inst. Mr. White is a very gifted speaker and will of course draw a full house.

Mrs. William Carter Debec, is visiting her daughter here.

Miss Ella Kidney sang a solo in the church here on Sunday evening 7th inst which (if I may be allowed the expression) was a "great hit."

Miss Kidney is a very excellent vocalist, she also holds the position of organist which she is indeed very capable of filling.

The Pope's Secretary Coming.

The Dominion Government has been officially apprised of the appointment of Mgr. Merrydelval private secretary of the Pope, as a delegate to Canada. Mgr. Merrydelval is 30 years of age.

Sent Up.

Abner Deboice was sent up to gaol for one month, with hard labor yesterday, for assaulting his mother.

Jonny—You're the meanest, hatefulest, spitefulest thing on him. Tommy—An you're the crabbedest, ugliest—Father—Boys, boys! You forgot your mother is in the room.

Personal.

C. A. Beal, St. John, is at the Carlisle.

E. H. S. Flood, St. John, is at the Aberdeen.

W. V. Moore, St. Stephen, is at the Carlisle.

H. H. Fairweather, St. John, is at the Carlisle.

Howard P. Wetmore, Halifax, spent Sunday in town.

Miss Earle Millville has been visiting Miss Hull in town.

Charles E. Duffy, Barrister, Fredericton, is at the Carlisle.

Miss Webb, Centreville, is visiting Miss Minnie Butt, Woodstock.

Robert Colwell is spending some days in town. He is at the Carlisle.

Miss Ada Watson returned on Friday from a long visit to St. John.

T. C. Bohan and wife, Houlton, Me., were recent arrivals at the Carlisle.

R. Longstaff and John Reid, Upper Knoxford, were in Woodstock on Saturday.

Mr. P. V. Fox has undertaken to lead the choir of the Baptist church for three months.

Jack Flewelling the popular clerk of Oak Hall is able to be around after an attack of grip.

William S. Queen of the Dominion Express Co. Winnipeg is visiting his father in Woodstock.

Ernest Whelpley and wife, St. John, spent Sunday with Mr. Whelpley's sister Mrs. D. S. Pitt.

A. E. Massie and bride arrived in Woodstock on Monday night. They are guests of W. H. Everett.

Mr. E. Atherton, who has been visiting friends in Woodstock and Fredericton, left for his home in British Columbia, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Merritt and Charles Merritt arrived home from Montreal on Monday. Mr. Merritt's health is improved.

J. Edgar Golding, Quebec; A. W. Scott, Moncton; C. E. Duffy, Fredericton; L. A. Miles, St. John; A. F. MacKay, Halifax, are at the Carlisle Hotel.

Hubert Seely has arrived in Woodstock, and is attending to his duties in connection with the Woodstock Woodworking Factory. His family will arrive here in June.

Among the arrivals at the Victoria: John McGrath, F. L. Baxter, R. J. Adams, Miss May L. Vinton, L. N. Cohoon, T. A. Akerly, St. John; C. H. Phillips, Clear View; Geo. A. Bedell, Andover; Alf Rae, Toronto; A. C. Ayer, Compton; T. S. Wilkinson, J. E. Fraser, W. A. Burden, Alex. Wisley, John Bird, W. L. McMurray, Fredericton; Frank Carpenter, G. F. Jewett, M. E. Betts, Houlton; Amos Downey, W. B. Webb, H. B. Clark, G. W. Burr, W. D. Balloch, Centreville; W. W. Melville, H. S. Murphy, Bath; H. E. Allan, Niagara Falls; R. D. Webster, W. E. Sweet, Houlton; G. E. Sherwood, Danforth; J. R. Hagerman, Florenceville; A. R. Foster, S. Ingraham, Simonds; James Balfour, Montreal; H. C. Eastman, Ft. Fairfield.

Canning and Pork Packing.

A meeting of the subscribers to the fund to start a canning and pork-packing industry was held in the office of Hartley & Carvell at one o'clock yesterday afternoon, for the purpose of coming to a decision with regard to the undertaking. At that time between \$6000 and \$7000 of the necessary \$15000 had been subscribed.

At the time of going to press the meeting had come to no actual decision as to starting the factory, but the prospect was that a favorable arrangement would be reached.

Reporters and Committees.

A vote was taken in the legislature on Monday on a motion of Mr. Tweedie admitting reporters to meetings of committees, at the discretion of the committee, resulting in 33 yeas, and 6 nays. An amendment by Dr. Stockton that strangers be admitted unless excluded by resolution of committee was lost.

President McKinley's Advice.

Mr. Wm. McKinley was duly inaugurated President of the United States, last Thursday. In his address delivered immediately after he was sworn in, occurs the following:

Lynching must not be tolerated in a great and civilized country like the United States; courts, not mobs, must execute the penalties of the law.

The declaration of the party now restored to power has been in the past that of "opposition to all combinations of capital organized in trusts, or otherwise, to control arbitrarily the condition of trade among our citizens," and it has supported "such legislation as will prevent the execution of all schemes to oppress the people by undue charges on their supplies, or by unjust rates for the transportation of their products to market."

This purpose will be steadily pursued, both by the enforcement of the laws now in existence and the recommendation and support of such new statutes as may be necessary to carry it into effect.

It will be our aim to pursue a firm and dignified foreign policy, which shall be just, impartial, ever watchful of our national honor and always insisting upon the enforcement of the lawful rights of American citizens everywhere.

Our diplomacy should seek nothing more and accept nothing less than is due us.

We want no wars of conquest; we must avoid the temptation of territorial aggression.

War should never be entered upon until every agency of peace has failed; peace is preferable to war in almost every contingency.

Arbitration is the true method of settlement of international as well as local or individual differences.

Upon our invitation a treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain was signed at Washington and transmitted to the senate for its ratification in January last.

Since this treaty is clearly the result of our own initiative; since it has been recognized as the leading feature of our foreign policy throughout our entire national history—the adjustment of difficulties by judicial methods rather than by force of arms—and since it presents to the world the glorious example of reason and peace, not passion and war, controlling the relations between two of the greatest nations of the world, an example certain to be followed by others, I respectfully urge the early action of the Senate thereon, not merely as a matter of policy, but as a duty to mankind.

The importance and moral influence of the ratification of such a treaty can hardly be over-estimated in the course of advancing civilization. It may well engage the best thought of the statesmen and people of every country, and I cannot but consider it fortunate that it was reserved to the United States to have the leadership in so grand a work.

More About Crete.

The Gladstone-Labouchere and general Liberal contention that Crete ought to be united with Greece has led to some public enlightenment on the exact justice of the Greek claims, the position of King George toward certain of the powers, and what might have been the results of union upon Crete. It has transpired that King George, since his settlement on the throne, has been drawing annually from England, France and Russia a pension of £12,000, each power giving him £4,000 per annum, with the understanding that that sum shall continue during the good behavior of himself and subjects. There are these who look upon the Greco-Cretan trouble as a pre-arranged scheme to save the king and his dynasty from a revolution which would embarrass the king and guarantors. Auent the Greek claims, racial and religious, there are now voices heard protesting that the modern Greek is the merest mongrel, making fraudulent use of tradition, a most indifferent Christian, and ever wanting Crete for the purpose of robbery. It certainly can be affirmed with accuracy that the people of the Ionia Islands, ceded to Greece through Mr. Gladstone's regret the change from property and no taxation under Britain to diminished trade and heavy imposts under Greece.

A letter issued by the Geographical Commercial Society, of Paris, from a Syra correspondent, declares that the Cretans distrust Greece and want autonomy. Under the Turk, the Cretan Christian has been exempt from military service, paid with much irregularity their imposts, and have long had a quasi-independence. Annexed to Greece they would be liable to military duty, be burdened with taxation, and a mob of Greek functionaries to rule over them and collect the taxes. This is, of course, ex-parte evidence, and it does not in any way agree with the statements of the leaders of the Cretan insurgents, who declare that they will fight to the death to free themselves from every semblance of Turkish rule and who protest that they desire annexation to Greece. Probably Lord Salisbury and other European diplomats care little for the cry of Crete for the Cretans, but it is obvious that autonomy similar to that of the Island of Samos would commend itself to statesmen. Samos has a purely Christian population, and so differs from Crete, where about one-fourth of the people are Moslems. Samos, be it noted, though entirely Greek, has refused to become part of Greece, preferring autonomy with an annual tribute of 300,000 piastres to the Sultan to being ruled by Christians of the same race.

Ottawa's Plucky Mayor.

Mayor Bingham, of Ottawa, is a daisy. His civic soul is not to be chained to sewers and back taxes. No sirree. He soars to the realms of the True, the Good, and the Beautiful, and will certainly be heard of before long, as hob-nobbing with Smiff, the gentlemen who writes the leading articles for this journal. The Mayor gave a luncheon last week, to over 300 ladies. All sets of society were represented, Salvation Iessies, the leaders of upper-tendem. Sisters of Charity, all were mingled, and not a masculine being was present but his Nibs the Mayor. Lady Grant proposed the Mayor's health, and the way the dear girls sang, "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" caused the gods to turn hand-springs in their astonished delight. Bingham dear boy, thought there be no man knighted this year, you shall be that one. 'Tis said. —Bobcageon (Ont.) Independent.

An Evangelist Who is Down on Bachelors.

A Georgia evangelist named Culpepper is down on bachelors. "I want to see our men marry," he says. "Let them marry young. I'd rather have them marry at fifteen than at thirty. Young men who arrive at the age of twenty-two and are still bachelors I am for taxing \$1.00. If they are still unmarried at twenty-three I would take them \$200, at twenty-four \$500, and so I would go up to thirty. Any man who wasn't married at thirty I would be for sending to the penitentiary. God meant that man should marry. A bachelor is only half a man."—New York Sun.

The most agreeable of all companions is a simple, frank man, without any high pretensions to an oppressive greatness; one who loves life and understands the use of it; and obliging alike at all hours; above all, of a golden temper, and steadfast as an anchor. For such a one we gladly exchange the greatest genius, the most brilliant wit, the profoundest thinker.—Lessing.

There is something lacking in the sincerity of the man who goes into the temple to acknowledge the good gifts of Providence to him if he has done nothing through the year or on this day to uplift his fellows, to bring sunshine into sunless hearts, and to distribute in some measure the benefactions which we all hold in trust for the benefit of the helpless sons and daughters of men.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

But, after all is said, one must confess that the true modern significance is that of the feast day—the family feast day. It gathers the scattered branches together from far and



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wide to sacrifice at the altar of family love, where are enshrined the Lares and Penates of the old home. The spectacle of three or four generations of a family assembled together from distant dwelling-places under the ancient family roof-tree is charged with the heart's truest poetry.

U. S. Tariff Legislation.

BOSTON, March 8.—A Washington despatch says: "Speaker Reed is determined that the new tariff bill shall be rapidly put through the House, and if possible through the Senate, without factious delay. He will have the co-operation of the administration fully as much through his own influence and his individual control over the House as through any outside assistance he may receive. There is not very much that the administration can do in the way of advancing tariff legislation beyond summoning Congress in extra session. The holding up of appointments which some have supposed might be a potent weapon will be of very little account.

The key to the situation lies with Speaker Reed and not with the President. It is in the power of the Speaker to prevent the enactment of any legislation by the House until the tariff bill will have been disposed of, and it is almost equally in his power to compel reasonably speedy action of the Senate. It is his present plan to have the tariff bill passed by the House early in April after a debate of a fortnight, and then to let the House lie on its oars while the country looks to the Senate for action. This can be accomplished by holding up the appointments of committees until after the tariff bill will have gone through, and Speaker Reed is quite ready to do this."

Charity among the rich simply means the propriety of the poor being miserable—that poverty is unfortunate, but not wrong. But God never meant to send the majority of mankind into existence to exercise the charity and religion of the minority. He sent them all into the world to be happy and virtuous, if not equal; and men have generated

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Dated this 8th day of February, A. D. 1897. By order of Town Council, J. C. HARTLEY, Town Clerk.

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