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JANUARY 12, 1898.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

ST. GEORGE-EST BEAUCHE, QUE.

New Year day, the great fete day of Quebec, has come and gone and nothing remains of it but pleasant recollections of good a time or painful ones in the shape of enlarged heads of a hilarious one. The day here was very stormy and rough out doors, but inside it was as far as our personal experience went pleasant; very pleasant. In spite of the inclemency of the weather the younger portion of the male population turned out en-masse to call upon their lady friends, and—well, if some of them did have to be taken home in a hack, nobody thought it at all improper, the occasion justified it. What can you expect when a young man makes his call on a lady friend or a friend's friend and she greets him at the door with a kiss of good fellowship and then asks will you not drink my health in a small glass of wine? Surely you would not expect him to refuse so reasonable a request so pleasantly put. And then he must of course drink the health of the mother and the rest of the ladies of the house and when this thing occurs at intervals of a half hour from seven in the morning until midnight, there is apt to be a foundation laid for a headache, especially when one is from a "Scott Act" town. From our own experience we must admit that New Year kisses and champagne form a very intoxicating, although pleasant beverage.

The attendance at the churches was small both on New Year and Sunday, but today (Monday) we attended one of the largest funerals we ever saw in a small town. The deceased was one of St. George's oldest and most respected citizens who departed from this world with the exodus of the old year.

About fifteen inches of snow fell on New Year's Eve and morning and since then the wind has been trying to see how high it could pile the drifts and has been so successful that outside the roads are almost if not entirely impassable. And the lucky ones who do not have to go out doors are smiling in happy contentment while those of us who have to face the music are wearing faces that would make the fortunes of a cartoonist.

Wishing our many friends a happy New Year, we will say an revoir.

BIGGAR RIDGE.

Just before Christmas, on Thursday 23rd Nov., Chalmers Somerville, son of Thomas Somerville, Esq., of this place, met with a severe accident, which might have been fatal. As he was returning home on horse back from his father's lumber locus operandi, he was thrown from his horse, which is supposed to have shied at something on the road. The boy was thrown head downwards on a rock, and completely stunned. When he was shortly afterwards found, he was quite insensible—to all appearances dead. He was carried home and Dr. Welch, of Glassville, immediately summoned, under whose treatment he is slowly recovering. Much sympathy is felt by all people here both for the little fellow and his friends. He is a great favourite with both old and young as he is regarded as a very bright, smart, intelligent and industrious boy.

ARTHURETTE.

Conc. Arthurette No. 747 I. O. F. elected the following officers for the ensuing year:—C. R. J. F. Tweedie, V. C. R. A. Brymer, R. S. J. B. Stevenson, F. S. M. Crawford, T. A. Smith; Chap, Rev. J. R. Hopkins; S. W. Alex Crawford; J. W. Manzer Giberson; S. B. G. A. Camber, jr.; J. B. Odbur Campbell; Phys, W. J. Weaver, M. D.; C. D. Robert Knowlton; Trustees, John Ryan, Albert Brymer; Finance, John Ryan, W. J. Weaver, M. D.

Howard Giberson, Bath, who was among Hale's camps with a phonograph, brought away \$64.00 with him as a reward for his labors.

Wicklow is well represented on the Tobique road since the snow. A great many people from that section are hauling hay and oats to Hale's depot.

The foresters had a great dance on the 27th. Wade and Murphy's orchestra furnished music. In Arthurette Riverside District E. D. Jewett remains for another year. No school in St. Elmo, Three Brooks and Odell.

Mrs. Leonard Reid who has been away for some weeks visiting her daughter is expected home on Friday the 7th inst.

J. B. Stevens who was nearly knocked into the kingdom come by a falling tree is getting around again.

T. Hilyard, St. John, is visiting his operator's work on the head of the Tobique.

Harvey Giberson and Hermon Campbell are down with typhoid fever. The former is very low.

D. F. Millen passed through a day or two ago to his new home on Sisson Ridge.

Mr. Blackburne is here again as Baptist missionary to the Tobique.

The church of England and F. C. Baptist sewing circle are again in full blast after the holidays. As a rule, we are apt to laugh at that kind of thing, but as an independent witness, the writer is forced to admit that the ladies of the societies do more to keep up the financial side of the denominational affairs than do the male members. Nothing succeeds like success; and the ladies are successful enough to raise the major percentage of the church revenue by their efforts.

Assyrians, Armenians and Arabs have been rather less plentiful up here since the Snider-Hartsgrove affair last fall. If they only keep away the county ought to give those fellows a handsome bonus, as a reward for their conduct.

Perhaps, as this is the season for making resolutions, it would be a good resolve to speak more frequently to THE DISPATCH than for some time past. But, what is the use, resolution would only be broken, so guess we won't resolve.

Compliments of the season to staff of THE DISPATCH.

SISSON RIDGE.

Our school opened on Monday the 3rd, with Miss Carrie M. Blake, our former teacher in charge. She is an excellent teacher and justly popular.

Misses Jessie and Fanny Brown started on Monday the 3rd for Fort Fairfield, where they will visit their brother, Charles, and other relatives and friends.

D. F. Mullin, a licentiate of the Baptist denomination, is moving his family into a part of Ralph Briggs' house. He will labour here for about a year.

James McNair's camp that was so terribly scourged with typhoid fever, has been burned to the ground. As nearly as your scribe can learn there have been 19 cases of fever contracted there from which 4 deaths resulted.

A donation party was held at Three Brooks on New Year night for Rev. Mr. Gratz, over \$12 in cash was realized, beside other things of value and use.

Owing to the heavy storm on New Year's day the T. V. R. train was an hour late at Plaster Rock Station.

It seems as if Tobique has been forgotten, but we wish to remind the public Sisson Ridge is as busy as ever. The long wished for snow has come at last and by the teams passing we must infer that everyone seem taking advantage of the good roads.

We are pleased to say that our esteemed preacher, Rev. D. F. Milan has moved into our midst, with his family. He is at present residing in Mr. Briggs house.

A sewing circle has been started in this place with Mrs. Wark, president, Mrs. Asa Marston, vice-president, Mrs. W. Wright, treasurer, and Mrs. Douglas Giberson secretary. The circle met for the first time at Mrs. Wark's when a very pleasant afternoon was spent and quite a large amount of work done. It met again at Mrs. Asa Marston's eleven members being present besides visitors. The ladies have been very kindly invited to Mr. Gallop's next week.

Misses Ella Wark and Minnie Sisson of this place spent a few days in St. Elmo, the guests of the Misses Reid.

WATSON SETTLEMENT.

Arthur Bell, a man of 78 years of age has a cancer in his throat.

Miss Alma Campbell who has been ill for two years with catarrh of the stomach, is now on the way to recovery.

Our school is taught by Miss Gray of Hartland, a graduate of the University of New Brunswick. She is boarding at Thomas Gartley's.

CENTREVILLE.

G. Leverett White spent Saturday in Woodstock.

Fred Tweedie drove to Woodstock and returned on Saturday.

R. W. Balloch returned from Fredericton on Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Flewelling and Miss Maggie Scholey went to Woodstock on Monday, where they intend spending a few days.

Eugene B. Clark, John Page and David Hamilton left for Fredericton on Wednesday, where they will attend the U. N. B.

Rev. J. E. Flewelling spent Friday and Saturday in Woodstock, the guest of his son, John Flewelling.

Mrs. Thos. Parlee, wife of Rev. Thos. Parlee, Westfield, came to the village on Thursday to pay a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. White.

Fred A. Gibson, who has spent the last two weeks in the village, returned to Stanley on Monday, where he is employed, as a clerk, in the store of John A. Humble.

MAPLE VIEW.

We have lots of snow up this way now. It has come down for the last three days to suit all round. It was much needed. The river has been closed for a week which together with the snow makes the "toters" look more pleasant.

One of Mr. McNair's camps had to be broken up on account of typhoid fever. The infected camp is being cleansed preparatory to putting in a new crew.

Gao, Sadler of Perth Centre spent Xmas with his parents here.

Miss Nellie Sadler is visiting relatives at Andover.

Miss Gertrude Flanders is visiting friends at Centreville.

Mr. Puddington delivered an interesting and instructive Xmas sermon last Sunday evening. A good number assembled to hear him. Miss Annie Flanders presided at the organ in the absence of our organist, Mrs. C. W. Vincent.

Mr. Odbur Sharp has gone down from Mr. Hale's winter resort, to spend a few days at his home in Nortondale.

BEDELL SETTLEMENT.

The long looked for snow has come at last and the roads are in fine condition.

Miss Queenie Price after spending her vacation home has gone to attend the Normal school for the remainder of the term.

Miss Jennie Kennedy spent a few days with her sisters Mrs. William and Mrs. Henry Montgomery.

Miss Annie McKee who is attending Normal school spent her Christmas holidays at home.

Miss McKenzie Corner correspondent wishes to know anything further about the merry-ground of this settlement they had better call in and get a free ride.

Our teachers Miss Welch and Miss Tacey have taken charge of our schools again.

William and Henry Montgomery are doing an extensive trade in the wood business.

Miss Lena Slipp met with a serious accident while skating but we are glad to learn she is recovering.

William Miller's son has left for Montreal hospital.

James H. Forrest is seriously ill.

George Kennedy's hay press is busily at work in this settlement.

Mrs. J. W. Montgomery is recovering from her recent illness.

Master Harry Ray spent his Christmas holidays at his grandfather's John Montgomery.

Miss Nita Montgomery spent a few days with her friend Miss Becca Guy, Greenville.

Miss Hunter spent a few days with her sister Mrs. Jas. Montgomery.

HARTLAND.

There is to be an apron and necktie carnival in the rink on Monday Jan. 17th which promises to be a pleasant affair. The duty of each lady who wishes to skate is to make an apron and a tie to match. The tie is enclosed in an envelope, and the apron is worn by the owner. The gent has the privilege of choosing an envelope and it is then his duty to see that the owner is properly waited on during the evening. This will no doubt be enjoyed by all who attend. The best of order will be maintained.

The schools in this village opened on Monday (3rd) with a good attendance. It was found necessary to open another room. The attendance was as follows: Principal's room, 45; Miss Up-ton's, 32; Miss Pass', 32.

The Hartland Board of Trade met on Monday last with a good attendance of the business men.

Although nothing decisive was done, yet progress may be reported.

Miss Robin Hay returned from Montreal on Tuesday last.

Miss Blanche Kelly went to Fredericton on Friday there to teach a large class of pupils in piano forte.

Misses Kate Phillips, Mabel Phillips, Flo Phillips, Drucella Vanwart and Robt. Phillips of Woodstock spent part of New Year's in the village.

John Gillen who was laid up for a few days last week is able to be out on duty again.

BRISTOL.

A most brilliant social event of the season took place last Thursday evening when Mrs. G. A. Brittain held a reception at her beautiful residence in honor of her son Mr. C. W. Brittain and his bride (nee Miss Ena L. Gill) who had recently returned from an extended wedding tour. The guests, over a hundred in number, were received by Miss G. A. Brittain and Mrs. C. W. Brittain who was handsomely attired in a costume of white brillantine. Little Miss Queenie Wiggins, as maid of honor, did her part with much grace, and in a ladylike manner. The hostess assisted by her daughter Miss Ella Brittain served the guests with refreshments. Some choice and very appropriate music was rendered by Miss Hattie Wheeler of Florenceville. The guests who represented Bristol, East Florenceville, Florenceville, Centreville and other places departed about 10 p. m. having spent a most enjoyable evening, and leaving behind them the warmest expressions of happiness for the future of Mr. and Mrs. Brittain.

Miss Ella Tompkins, who for some years has been organist in the church and Sunday school was at the close of the year presented with a handsome piece of silverware, accompanied by the following address:—

Dear Friend,—The undersigned residents of Bristol appreciating your kindly labors in connection with the Sunday school, and the different church services of the place, during the past few years, beg you to accept the accompanying gift, as a slight token of the very high esteem in which you are held. Trusting that its acceptance will afford you as much pleasure, as is given us in the presentation we are very respectfully, Alva Phillips Mrs. M. Colwell, Mrs. Wiggins, Mrs. W. McIntosh, Miss M. Bell, Geo. Davis, Minnie Colwell, A. A. Brittain, H. Cliff, Dr. Atkinson, Mrs. John Rogers, Mrs. W. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. McLean, Alice Merritt, Arthur Estabrooks, Duncan Rogers Mrs. DeLong, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Tompkins Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Boyer, Somerville.

Zulu Chief Railroad.

A Zulu chief, full-blooded and 6½ feet in height, is now courier for the "Midland" tourist car route, his run being from Chicago to Los Angeles, says the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

This courier, R. J. Von Dickersohn, is one of the most remarkable men in the country. His life would fill a volume comparing it to a tale of the lamented Baron Munchausen, so wild and strange are his adventures. If he would return now to Zululand he could take command of a tribe of warriors over 1000 strong.

The Zulu is 40 years of age. His skin is of a darkness which the least exertion causes to shine with a lustre like soap bubbles. His eyes are large and bloodshot. The chest measures 42 inches, and his hair, kinky, and close-cropped, covers a truly aboriginal head. In the fashion of Dutchmen, he wears a stubby beard and thin mustache.

Von Dickersohn, whose Zulu name sounds like Washoti-Kikoko, was captured while a young man in a fight between Dutch traders and his tribe. He became separated, and with his assegai was fighting valiantly, when felled by a blow from the gun in the hands of Peter Von Dickersohn, an estimable merchant of The Hague, who resuscitated the African and took him in his employ as body servant.

He entered the employ of Von Dickersohn, took his surname, and learned to man a boat on the rivers of western Africa. After a year of service he suddenly severed his connection, and was next heard of dealing on the markets of Constantinople. From there he wandered all over Europe.

From London he worked his way over to New York as a soker, and, desiring to study the social question between labor and capital, eventually entered the service of the Pullman company. One day an Englishman, touring this country, who Von Dickersohn had heard say that he had visited Africa, was surprised by hearing in excited Zulu an admonition to look out, as the train was going off the track. The Britisher jumped clear off of his seat, and was only held by Von Dickersohn from jumping off the train. The Englishman understood Zulu.

Agricultural Meetings!

The Farmers meetings, under the auspices of the Commissioner for Agriculture, the Provincial F. & D. Association, and the Carleton County Farmers and Dairymen's Association, will be held as follows:

BATH, Afternoon, Friday, Jan. 25th.

CENTREVILLE, Evening, Friday, Jan. 25th.

HARTLAND, Saturday Evening, Jan. 29th.

DEBEC, Monday Afternoon, Jan. 31st.

WOODSTOCK, Monday Evening, Jan. 31st.

A meeting will probably be held on the Afternoon of Saturday, Jan. 29th, at some place not decided upon.

Parish Vice Presidents of the C. C. F. & D. Association in the localities where the meetings are to be held, will kindly see that suitable arrangements are made.

Further particulars later. By order of Committee, SAMUEL WATTS, Secretary.

Woodstock, Jan. 4, 1898.

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Ladies' Gloves, Hosiery and Underwear,

In this department my stock is more complete than usual. Some great bargains.

Fine Silks

For Waists and Trimmings. These silks are the best ever offered in town at the prices.

A Broadcloth

Dress or Sack is a wonderfully comfortable thing for winter weather. Come in and look at the goods I have in this line.

A Splendid Lot

Of Sacks, Mantels and Dress Goods, suitable for this season of the year—is selling at cost.

WISHING YOU A MERRY XMAS.

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The Narrow Way!

We are travelling this week in the same old way, except that we have considerably increased our gait for the Holiday Rush. Our usual way is

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We are not selling our goods at cost, that isn't reasonable, but we are selling on very small margins. Our goods are all new, not carried over from previous years, but imported especially for the

Christmas Trade of 1897.

In Silverware, Watches, Clocks, Jewellery, Novelties, etc., our stock can't be beaten in the province. We want you to come in, look over our goods, and you will be satisfied that what we say is true.

See our Christmas Window. See our Christmas Store.

Carr & Gibson,

31 Main Street,

Woodstock.

SUCCESS

Is the word for the Great Clearance Sale of which so many wise people took advantage Christmas week. To those who were unable to get in during the cold snap, we would say the sale still continues, but the choicest goods are going rapidly, and you had better not delay, for the Bargains you heard of will soon be all gone. The good news is spreading—make your choice now.

To those who have trouble with their Eyes, we would advise to attend to the matter at once, as we expect to be leaving the town about the first of February, if possible.

W. B. JEWETT, Jeweller and Optician.