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## NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

### ROYALTON.

A pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. S. M. Cronkite when Emma, youngest daughter of Henry Cronkite was married to Lorenzo Tracy of Tracy's Mills. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. DeWare in the presence of about fifty guests. The bride was attended by Miss Bessie Sloat while the groom was supported by Austin Adams. The bride was the recipient of many useful presents. The groom's gift to the bride was a very pretty gold watch chain and to the bridesmaid a silver napkin ring. Among the other presents were a bedroom set and table cover, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cronkite; parlor lamp, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Cronkite; silver butter dish, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Cronkite; china cake plate, Mr. and Mrs. DeWare; silver butter knife, Mr. Hazen White; glass berry dish, Etta Cronkite; silver pickle dish, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Tracy; china cake plate, Mr. and Mrs. Trueman Jones; parlor lamp, Mr. and Mrs. C. Simondson; hand painted splasher, Mary Turner; cheese dish, Lulu Cronkite; Mr. and Mrs. David Tracy, \$2.00; butter knife and sugar shell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sloat; china tea set, stand, Bessie Sloat; silver meat fork, Austin Adams; chenille cable cover, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Tracy; china pie plate, Bessie and Addie Toms; cream pitcher, Fred Cronkite; crumb tray and pickle dish, Iva Cronkite.

### THREE BROOKS.

The members of the Baptist church at Linton Corner held a pie social Saturday evening last the proceeds amounting to \$18.

The Edgar Bros. are operating this winter on Three Brooks.

We are pleased to see our friend, Mrs. Edgar, able to be out again after her recent illness.

Some of the young men of this place took advantage of the opportunity afforded by the late snow storm to give their young ladies a sleigh drive.

R. A. Estey passed through here today enroute for his home in the Celestial city.

The work on the Sisson Ridge Baptist church is being pushed forward rapidly under the skilful workmanship of Mr. J. Vincent.

Messrs Geo. Wade of Andover and J. Sutton of Fenton passed through here Thursday last enroute for Riley Brook.

Miss Rena Ross of Riley Brook has returned home from visiting her friend Miss M. McLaughlin of this place.

Mrs. T. H. Everett is visiting friends at Dow Flat.

Our school is progressing favorably under the efficient management of Miss M. McLaughlin.

The Baptist church at Linton Corner is nearing completion and will be ready for dedication the first Sunday in December.

Mr. Alex Crawford of Red Rapids paid a flying visit to this place today.

### HARTLAND.

A special school meeting was held last Tuesday evening to discuss matters relative to the erection of a new school house. A considerable number of ratepayers were present and considerable discussion arose. It was decided to build the new house on the same site on which the present house is located and at the money for building be hired for a term not exceeding 20 years. A committee was appointed to act with the trustees to procure plans and estimate the probable cost and report at the next meeting which will be held on Dec. 14th.

On Friday last Rev. and Mrs. Bailey arrived in this village, after an extended wedding tour to Niagara, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, etc. They have taken rooms at the Commercial. In the evening the band serenaded them. Mr. Bailey was presented with a fine chair and Mrs. Bailey with a beautiful mirror.

The merchants have agreed to close their stores at 8 p. m. on every evening except Saturday. This will hold good during the coming winter season.

Rev. C. T. Phillips preached in the F. B. church on Sabbath evening. Some special services will be held during the week. The singing was good and the choir is much improved by the addition of a cornet.

Miss Orchard the primary teacher is sick with the fever Miss Cora McCollum temporarily fills her position on the staff.

The band serenaded Col. Boyer on Monday evening last.

### BAIRDVILLE.

Not seeing anything in your paper lately from here, I thought I would write.

We had good sledding here all last week, and the farmers took advantage of it, hauling their pork and oats to Andover. Oats sold for from 22 to 25cts. cash. Stores did better. Judson C. Manzer, Scott & Kilpatrick, J. A. Perley, and D. R. Bedell paid cash. Pork 6cts. cash, 6cts. trade. Wm. Watson paid 7cts. for chickens.

Thrashing machines are keeping very busy now. Our school is vacant now. We had a very smart

teacher here this last year. She finished this last term out the first part of October, got paid off and hired again in another place. She came from Northumberland.

Annie Baird is going to school at Andover. Lida Baird went to Lowell, Mass., the first of September last, where she is working in a dress-making establishment.

Very quiet times around here just now. I will write some other time if there is nothing the matter with this.

### ANDOVER.

The Andover waterworks are about completed. The water was turned on Monday morning. It is now just a month after the time specified that the work should be finished and the delay has caused the village much inconvenience. The street through the village is left in a condition which cannot be described other than horrible. The sidewalks which were removed have been only partly replaced and these are none the better of being disturbed. There are places where the trench has not been all filled in. The state of the sidewalk and these holes render it unsafe for pedestrians to venture out at night without a lantern and even then it is better to take the middle of the street mud and all. But in the face of these facts we remember that the contractor Mr. Porter had many drawbacks to contend with, during the fine dry weather when the work could be prosecuted with advantage and profit there was delay after delay for lack of pipe, and then when the wet weather came on the work was seriously handicapped. In the face of the difficulties which presented themselves we feel that Mr. Porter did his best to get the service in operation as soon as possible and it is now our hearty wish that the work which is so nearly completed will in every way be satisfactory and quite up to the expectation of the commissioners and people.

### PEETH.

Emerald Division of the Sons of Temperance threw their division open last night of meeting and held a Gospel Temperance Social meeting. A strong chorus of voices supplied music, then there were duets, solos and appropriate recitations. Rev. Mr. Estey and Hon. Geo. T. Baird addressed the meeting. After the programme was finished the good ladies of Peeth passed around hot coffee and cake. There was a good attendance and most orderly. This first attempt of Emerald Division to hold a gospel temperance meeting was a decided success. After the lunch the meeting was called to order and all joined in singing God Save the Queen, after which the benediction was pronounced. It was not the aim of the Division to make money. But Union Hall is still unfinished and every effort is being made to gather funds to have it sheathed and rendered comfortable for the winter. Ten cents admission fee was asked at the door and six dollars and eighty cents were realized. The young people are preparing a concert and play to which they purpose to invite the public two weeks before Xmas, the proceeds of which are also to be devoted to the Hall. We hope that this shall be well patronized.

### The Growth Of Russia.

A recent article in a French publication directs attention to the striking increase in the population of Russia in recent years. The number of inhabitants in 1857 were estimated at 67,000,000; it is now fully 130,000,000. It is calculated that in 1910 it will have reached 150,000,000; between 1930 and 1940 200,000,000, and at the end of the twentieth century, 300,000,000.

The difference in density between the populations of western Europe and Russia is decreasing every day. It is true that the last census gives to Russia in Europe only 51 inhabitants per square mile, while in France there are 183, in Germany 235, in England 316, in Belgium, 518. But to find this average immense deserts in the north and south are included. In the habitable districts a much higher average is attained—9 to 144 in Muscovy, 181 to 194 in Portland, 194 to 207 in the greater part of the basin of the Dnieper.

The urban population increases even faster. St. Petersburg has already 1,567,000 souls, Moscow 988,000, Warsaw 614,000. After these three capitals appear two cities which have grown with wonderful rapidity—Odessa with 404,000 and Lodz with 314,000. Next come Riga with 282,000, Kieff with 230,000—and twelve other cities with more than 100,000 inhabitants, that is six more than in France. In twenty years the urban population has doubled. Certain critics like Ekaterinoslay have doubled in much less time. St. Petersburg probably will soon be surpassed by Moscow, which has the advantage of a central situation and an immense railway, sys-em.—Star.

### IMPURE BLOOD.

Mrs. Will Varner, New Canada, N. S., writes: "I have used Burdock Blood Bitters for Headache and Impure Blood. One bottle made a cure, I think there is no better medicine made."

### Direct Steamship Communication With Russia.

Ambassador Hitchcock, writing from St. Petersburg on Oct. 10, states that arrangements have been made with the United Steamship Company, of Copenhagen, to establish a line direct between Russia and the United States. The boats will make the experiment of running between St. Petersburg, Riga and New York. The advantage to the importers in the United States of this direct line, which has not hitherto existed will be in cheaper freights and avoidance of transshipment. The permanency of the arrangement will depend on the volume of tonnage furnished by shippers. This steamship company has been in existence some 30 years has a capital of about \$12,000,000, and owns over 120 steamers trading between various European ports. It has now a bi-monthly line to Newport News and New Orleans, the success of which has led its managers to consider the establishment of direct service to New York.—Ex.

### Free Text Books

An agitation is going on in the Province of Quebec in favor of the province providing free text books for the schools of the primary department. Quebec leads in this wise move. If we were more economical in provincial affairs, the children could have their text books free.

### To Raise the Maine.

The Acme Wrecking Co., of San Francisco, has requested the navy department for authority to raise the battleship Maine. It proposes to pass chains under the wreck by forcing passages through the mud with streams of water projected from hydraulic apparatus and attach the chains to a framework connected with a system of floating steel barrels.

Hidden.—Mrs. Joggins—"Willie, has your mother been buying a new rug? Willie—"Yes. You wouldn't know there was a hole in the carpet now, would you?"

### MARRIED.

BROWN-STEVENS.—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, St. Francis, Anoka Co., Minn., Nov. 7th, by the Rev. Mr. Swinerton, Fannie A. Stevens, of Woodstock, N. B. to Samuel F. Brown of St. Francis, Anoka Co., Minn.

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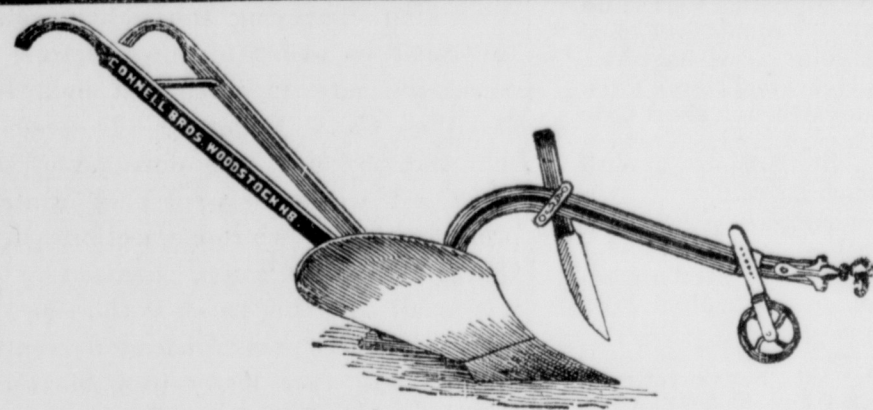
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