

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

Correspondents must send their names with each week's contribution, or their matter will not be printed. The names will not be published, but The Dispatch must know who is accountable for everything that is inserted in its columns.

Centreville.

Mrs. Freeland McKenzie is seriously ill. Miss Baskin, St. John, who has been employed by Miss Toms as milliner, returned to her home Tuesday. Miss Fay Burrill accompanied her for Xmas vacation. Miss Ebbitt held her examination in the Primary Department on Friday afternoon. The pupils acquitted themselves very creditably, several prominent gentlemen gave addresses. Miss Ebbitt attended the Institute. Mr. Welch continued his school until Friday. George McClintock has moved into his new home. John Niles, Perth, and Nelson Niles, Bridgewater were in the village Sunday to attend the funeral of their father Wm. Niles, who died very suddenly Friday evening. Dr. Baker, Woodstock was in the village, on Saturday, called here in consultation with Dr. Peppers. Mrs. Harvey Kinny has been confined to the house the past week by illness. Wilmet Harold is rapidly improving from his severe sickness.

Union Corner.

J. A. Sullivan died on Monday evening, December 14th and was buried on Wednesday morning in the Catholic cemetery Houlton, Me. In the absence of Rev. Father McCarty, Rev. Father Murphy of Debec conducted the services. Mr. Sullivan leaves a wife, one child, a father and mother, one brother and two sisters to mourn their loss. The little saw-mill at Crane's Corner is at work sawing, and logs are being hauled by different parties. It is expected that they will be kept busy all through the winter sawing long lumber and shingles.

The semi-annual examination of the school was held on Wednesday afternoon, December 16th. The pupils were examined in all the different branches that were taught during the term, and acquitted themselves very creditably. It is expected Miss Kearney will teach the next term.

Rev. C. N. Barton was laid by a few days at his uncle's, with tonsillitis, but he recovered and was able to preach last Sunday as usual.

J. R. Barton and his youngest son Claud, expect to spend their Christmas at Annapolis Royal with Mr. Barton's daughter Mrs. E. Leroy Dakin.

Benton.

The recent rain storm added to the liberal coating of snow already on the ground, encouraged the children's hopes for a good skating season.

Reports says that good skating may be had on either of the millponds.

The village in general is beginning to take on holiday attire. The stores are resplendent with the customary "joys" which serve to bring the proverbial "gria" to the face of the small boy.

Scott Bros. have upwards of 40 men engaged in running their steam saw mill near this place. It affords labor to many of Benton's industrious boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunting of Kirkland spent Sunday in the village. Mr. Joseph Murchland, the oldest man of our village, who has been confined to the house for some time is able to be among us again.

Garibaldi Division, organized here some six weeks back, has now an enrolment of seventy stirring members.

The Debec Comedy Co. gave a well patronized entertainment in Lewin Hall on the evening of the 15th. Every feature of the affair was a decided success. The comedy "Captain Dick" was received with prolonged applause. Morley Flemming starred in his coon specialties and was heartily enjoyed. Others were worthy of mention but space does not allow.

Don't forget our own local talent on Christmas eve and Christmas night. The evening accommodation brought a happy bridal party on Saturday last. Mr. and Mrs. Wright receive the best wishes of the neighborhood.

Rumney says that another of Benton's popular young men, brings home a bride in the near future.

Middle Simonds.

The road across the river is the best it has been for years. Last week's cold weather froze the air holes across and the road is now perfectly straight.

W. C. Rideout attended the Winter Fair at Amherst, N. S. He reports a good time and an excellent fair.

The Union Telephone Co. have placed an office in this place. The box is at the residence of Wilmot Rideout.

Miss Viola Ingraham is spending her Christmas vacation with friends in Boston. Miss Inez Gray of Foreston, N. B. who has been staying with her aunt Mrs. Christian and going to school has gone home for Christmas.

Bristol.

M. A. Tompkins took a trip to Plaster Rock on Friday last.

Miss Alice Giberson returned on Friday from Normal school, and will take the school at Beaufort next term.

Miss Eva Caldwell, who has been attending the Halifax Ladies' College, arrived home on Friday.

School closed on Wednesday, and our teachers Mr. Cronkrite and Miss Hartley attended the institute at Woodstock. Mr. Cronkrite will spend his vacation at his home in Campbell Settlement.

Miss Annie McLean and Miss Jennie Somerville also attended the Teachers' Institute.

M. Welsh has moved his crew in from the Maddox place, and they are now nicely housed in his new building near the stream. R. B. Atkinson leaves today for a visit to Chicago and other points west, and reports says he will return with a bride in a few weeks.

Mrs. R. Burns, of Boston, has been visiting at Mrs. C. A. Phillips for a few days.

E. W. Bell whose saw and grist mill was burned a short time ago, will rebuild again, at the same place. It is twelve years since his first mill was burned.

Court Sterling I. O. F. held its annual meeting on Saturday night, and elected officers for the coming year as follows: Charles Estabrooks, Chief Ranger; E. W. Bell, V. C. R.; H. M. Tompkins, F. S.; George Tompkins, Treas.; John Farley, R. S.; A. J. McLean, Orator; G. H. Boyer, S. W.; C. W. Brittain, J. W.; M. A. Tompkins, S. B.; E. S. Lloyd, J. B.; G. A. Brittain, P. C. R.; J. W. Curtis, Court Deputy; Dr. Somerville, Court Physician; G. A. Brittain, J. W. Curtis, Trustees; J. Farley, C. J. Estabrooks, Financial Committee.

Central Southampton.

Merry Christmas. The heavy rain of Sunday night has taken all our snow.

The day school held its closing on Wednesday. A large number of visitors were present and listened to a very interesting program. All expressed themselves much pleased with the work during the past term and regret that they are unable to keep the teacher, Mr. Gregg, for another term.

John Young spent a few days of last week with his sister Mrs. G. A. Grant.

F. C. Brown, our popular merchant has a large and varied assortment of Xmas goods in.

Miss Alice Tabor who has been spending a few weeks in Woodstock has returned home.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Farnham, of the Central House, banqueting Mr. Gregg, some twenty-five sitting down to a well served supper of six courses. N. W. Brown as toastmaster proposed the following toasts:—Our King responded to by all singing God Save the King; The British Empire, responded to by Chipman Grant, who spoke of the vastness of the Empire and her large Navy, followed by singing Rule Britannia; The Governor General of Canada, by G. A. Grant; The Dominion Parliament, by Isaac Patterson, all singing The Maple Leaf; The Local House, responded to by Henry Freeman, who spoke briefly of our needs principally of a railroad down the beautiful valley of the St. John river, and a bridge across the river at the head of Grant's island; following this was a duet by Miss Eunice Schriver and Mr. Gregg; The Profession, responded to by Rev. J. J. Barnes; Our Guest, responded to by Mr. Gregg, after which Mr. Barnes on behalf of those present presented Mr. Gregg with a brief address and a Bible as a slight expression of their regard for him as a teacher and worker in our midst; The Ladies, responded to by Mr. John Young and Alfred Schriver; The Host and Hostess, by Mr. A. E. Farnham. The company broke up after singing, Auld Lang Sine. Those who have enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Farnham in the past need not the assurance that a very pleasant evening was spent by all present. Mr. Gregg left Saturday morning for his home in Kings Co.

John Brooks has bought the W. S. Tompkins place here.

Miss Ada Hartin, who has been teaching at Dow Settlement is visiting her sister Mrs. A. J. Way.

We are glad to see the smiling face of Henry Farnham in our midst again.

Rev. J. J. Barnes will preach an annual sermon in the F. B. church New Years Eve.

Lakeville.

The new curtains for the Orange hall arrived on Saturday night and are being speedily put into position. In the meantime the comedy company are getting themselves in thorough practise for the laughable comedy "Ferguson of Troy," on Christmas night.

Miss Myrtle Anderson arrived home from the Normal school to spend her Christmas holidays.

The Misses Nettie Bearisto, Bessie Carvell, Myrtle Fowler and Mr. John Keefe attended the institute in Woodstock last week. The latter read a very interesting paper at the last session which reflected great credit on one having been in the profession so short a time.

Miss Pearl Wilson is contemplating attending the Currie Business College after the Christmas vacation.

Collie King will sever his connection with William Wilson as clerk at the close of the year. We are sorry to lose him as he was a thoroughly competent and obliging clerk and will be much missed in the village.

Harry Carvell, jr., has resigned his position as bookkeeper with the company he was employed with at Fredericton and will remain home till after Christmas vacation.

Messrs. Stanley and Kilburn Annett, who left here a short time ago for Jersey City have secured positions on a railroad and are well pleased with their prospects. Their elder brother, Fred, has been on the same road for several years. It is intimated that Mrs. Annett and her youngest daughter, Cassie, will join them in the spring.

Rev. E. C. Turner preached in the Methodist church last Sunday evening. The choir furnished beautiful Christmas music. Mrs. Geo. Smith sang a solo "Birthday of a King," and the duet "Star of the East" was well rendered by Miss Mary Fowler and Harry Carvell, jr.

Mrs. Howels Corbett who has been under medical treatment in Montreal for some months past returned home this week very much improved in health.

Andover.

Roy Murphy is home for his holidays. Miss May Green has gone to Portland, Me., to visit friends.

Abraham Kuppey had his leg broken below the knee while at work in his shop. He is now resting quite easily.

Mrs. R. W. Demmings who has been to Boston for several weeks returned home on the 22nd.

D. B. Hopkins and his son, Harry, are now located at Bartlett Springs, California, where they expect to spend the winter.

Richmond.

Mrs. Andrew McIntyre and daughter, Helen, left for Los Angeles, California, Thursday of last week.

Clarence Curry who was taken to the asylum for the insane in October last died and was buried there last week.

Mrs. Thomas McIntyre was in Woodstock a few days last week.

Miss Irene Campbell has gone to Chipman, Queens County, to spend her vacation. She is visiting her friend Miss Harper.

Miss Hattie Jameison has returned from her school.

Mrs. John McLean who was badly bitten about the face by a dog is doing nicely. Dr. Griffin sewed up the wound.

Hugh Montgomery has been ill with weakness of the heart but is better.

Glassville.

The recent rains have taken most of the snow, however the road bed of ice is left.

E. D. Jewett of Florenceville and R. B. Atkinson of Bristol, teachers, have gone to their respective homes for the Christmas vacation. It is understood that Mr. Jewett will return to his school, but Mr. Atkinson intends going West.

Rev. J. K. Baristo exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Archibald last Sunday.

At a meeting of the Presbyterian Church here on Tuesday night of last week, Jas. Love, John McIntosh and John Anderson were elected elders for the church but it is understood that the first two named refuse to act.

What nearly proved to be a fatal accident happened at the home of Fawn Hannington last Saturday. The two year old child in trying to "duck the cat" in a tub of water, himself fell in and was found almost lifeless when removed. Dr. Somerville was summoned and after some time the child was brought to.

Miss Alice Cammick is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Rev. C. Frank Rideout spent most of last week at home.

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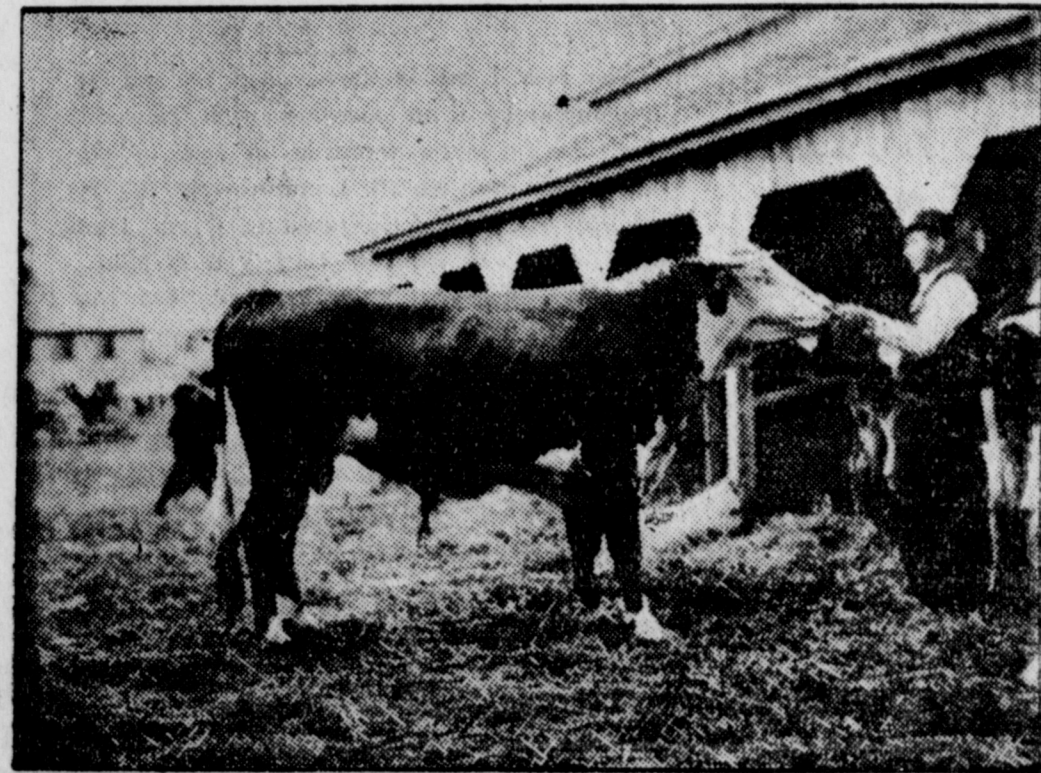
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