

LOCAL TOPICS.

The ice rink was opened on Saturday evening last, and was very well patronized.

The drawing for George Chase's Allandorf colt was held at the head quarters of Horse Co. No. 1 on Christmas night. Harry H. Jones was the winner.

H. V. DALLING official inspector of watches for the C. P. R. from McAdam north, and on the Gibson branch, made his last official trip for the year to Edmundston this week.

MRS. THOMPSON GRAHAM, of Maxwell Settlement, York County, fell on the ice and fractured her arm at the wrist. Dr. Griffin was hastily summoned and attended her injuries.

The Rev. D. E. Brooks held service at Hartland on Sunday morning and in the afternoon at Pembroke he conducted the funeral service of the little daughter of Melbourne Gray.

WHILE THE MANUFACTURERS LIFE shows an increase of 50 per cent. in surplus it shows a decrease in expense ratio. Consequently for absolutely safe insurance and large profits insure in company.

REV. C. FLEMINGTON held a temperance meeting on Saturday night at Hawkshaw and reorganized the old Pokioik division of the Sons of Temperance. Mr. Hiram Manuel was elected the first worthy patriarch.

EDGAR W. MAIR left on Saturday for his home in Campbellton where he is remaining a few days. He went to see his sister Miss Kate Mair who expects to leave for Japan where she will engage in missionary educational work.

The annual session of the New Brunswick Adventist Christian Conference will meet in this town this week, commencing Thursday evening and continuing over Sunday next. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come to these services.

MISS ELLA DEWITT, of Foreston, eldest daughter of Abner DeWitt, died at her father's home on Monday, December 21st, of consumption, at the age of 23 years. The funeral was held on Wednesday the 23rd, the Rev. D. E. Brooks officiating.

ROY N. DOW, of Woodstock, who has been attending the Houlton Business College, has been placed by the school with Mr. A. E. Astle, who is erecting the Maine Building for the St. Louis Exposition. Mr. Dow will act as book-keeper and clerk, and will have the privilege of seeing the big fair, in connection with his duties.—Houlton Pioneer.

THERE WAS A family party at Amasa Plummer's Hartland on Christmas, when the mother now in her 88th year, and five brothers, including the best, dined together. The other brothers were G. Fred of Fort Fairfield, Charles W. of Jacksonville, J. W. of Fort Fairfield and A. E. of Waterville. Charles W. Plummer leaves in a few days to visit his daughter the wife of the Rev. Harry C. Rice of Moncton, after which he will go to Michigan to visit his other daughter, the wife of the Rev. John Dystant.

A PLEASANT meeting of the Carleton County Agricultural Society was held at the record office on Saturday afternoon. Judson Briggs, president, C. F. Rogers secretary, and C. H. L. Perkins gave interesting reports on the Midwinter Fair at Amherst. It was announced that the grant of \$800 had been received from the provincial government and had been used in paying some outstanding debts. It was resolved to ask the county council for a grant for a seed fair to be held in Woodstock on March 22nd and 23rd.

CHARLES STEVENS met with a painful accident yesterday afternoon. He is employed in the supply department of the Burlington Ry. and while at work moving supplies, a heavy iron fell on his right hand, cutting off the end of his index finger. On account of the accident it will be some time before he will be able to resume his duties.—Courier Post, Hantsburg, Mo. Mr. Stevens is a Woodstock man who left home about four years ago for the west. Other members of his family are at present living in Minneapolis.

F. I. WILMOT WATSON of Woodlawn, Richmond, had a bad accident in Houlton last Wednesday. He was driving down Main Street when near Mr. Plummer's residence his four year old Wilks mare became frightened of a covered van on wheels and ran away. Mr. Watson soon saw the utter futility of attempting to hold her, but the square was full of teams and he thought it was up to him to guide her as best he could through the labyrinth, and this he did successfully. He also succeeded in steering the mare on to the bridge, but here he encountered two teams, his pung struck one of the sleds, he was thrown out, the pung smashed and the mare kept on the run. After she crossed the bridge ran into a sled and injured a woman, a Mrs. Hall, who was badly hurt. Mr. Watson felt very keenly about the injury to Mrs. Hall.

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MISS ANNIE McLEAN of Bristol has taken the school at River de Chute, N. B.

LENAS BROOKER and Miss Helen Kinney both of Bristol were married at Bridgewater on Monday last.

MRS. SYDNEY BRADGON of Hartfield Corner who was operated on for appendicitis on Sunday the 20th, died last week.

NEXT Sunday morning the Rev. Z. L. Fash will preach a New Year's sermon at the Baptist Church. In the evening the subject will be "The Unpardonable Sin."

Two weeks ago at Vandine's camp on the Tobique in one of J. J. Hale's lumber operations, Duncan Brewer yarded 1500 logs in six days work. This is said to be a record breaker.

By request, the play, "Ferguson of Troy" played at Lakeville Christmas night, will be repeated in the same place Saturday evening, January 2nd. New specialties will be given between the acts. Admission only 15 cents.

A WATCH NIGHT service will be held in the Methodist Church on Thursday evening. There will be no services held this week on Wednesday or Friday evenings in that church. The watch-night service will begin at 11 o'clock.

MISS S. L. TURNER received a telegram on Monday morning containing the sad news of her father's death at Old Ridge, St. Stephen. She left by the Monday night express for home to be present at the funeral, which took place Tuesday.

The members of the Richmond Presbyterian church will hold a basket social at the Orange hall, Richmond Corner, on New Years Eve and they will hold another social at Foresters hall at Debec on New Years night. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Benton Methodist held their Christmas service on Sunday evening, Dec. 20th. Special Hymns and Anthems were rendered by the choir in a manner highly creditable to themselves and to their painstaking conductor Mrs. W. H. Murchie who also is organist. Rev. C. Flemington preached from the text "A day of gladness and feasting and a good day and of sending portions one to another." (Esther 9:19) and a special thank offering was taken up which amounted to over thirty-five dollars.

The concert in Burnham Hall Christmas Eve given by the East Elorencville Comedy Co. was a great hit. The Company put on as good a program as ever was given in the Hall. The parts were well acted. The step dancing and wire walking were both well done and required a good deal of nerve and practice. The closing piece "The Black Statue" was a go from start to finish and was acted to perfection. We feel sure if the same crowd has another show they will be well patronized.

MR. SOLOMON GUIOU, who lived about three miles out of town on the Ashland road, died Tuesday afternoon, aged 79 years, from an attack of blood poisoning, complicated with diabetes. The funeral will take place Friday forenoon at 10 o'clock at the F. B. church. Mr. Guiou will be remembered as having been employed as flagman at the North Main street R. R. crossing, a position which he relinquished some five years ago. He will be buried in Jacksontown, N. B., which was his home prior to his coming here.—Presque Isle Star-Herald.

The ladies of Christ Church Guild, Glassville held a very successful fancy sale and supper on the evening of the 23rd of December. Ninety seven dollars was realized towards the building fund of the new Anglican church. The ladies of this guild deserve a word of commendation because in a little over six months since their organization they have raised nearly one hundred and fifty dollars for church purposes. They, and all concerned in the building of the new church thank the public for their very generous patronage.

DURING Christmas week the south window of I. E. Sheasgreen's drug store attracted a great deal of attention on account of its novel decoration. The centre of attraction was a shiny little "coloured pussen" about two feet and a half high dressed in fancy costume. He was no stuffed article, but a real, little ducky. He sat there in state, "the cynosure of neighbouring eyes," "and bore his blushing honours thick upon him," but you couldn't see him blush. A young lady who stopped to admire said, "doesn't he look natural!" Just then Ran moved and the laugh was on the young lady.

I. E. SHEASGREEN is exhibiting outside his door a curiosity such as has never been seen in town before. Two eels, one 2 feet long and the other about 18 inches, crawled into a hollow hemlock log in the river near J. Albert Hayden's mill and settled themselves for the winter. On Monday the log was hauled up into the mill and on cutting into it Ike Hamm found the eels, burrowed into the rotten wood, and frozen stiff. He cut the log so as not to disturb their eelships and sent the piece containing them to Mr. Sheasgreen. The eels are frozen stiff but people who know say they are not dead and in a few days they will be placed in water and given a chance to thaw out.

PERSONAL.

Will Allingham of Montreal, spent Christmas with his parents here.

Charles Walker of the Bank of Nova Scotia, St. John, spent Christmas at home.

Guy C. McAdam, of the U. N. B., is spending his holidays at his home in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Loane, of Ashland, Me., are spending the holiday season in Woodstock.

Miss Fay Cambeq who has been studying at Mount Allison, is spending the holidays at home.

LeBaron Dibblee, of Millinockett, Me., took his Christmas dinner with his parents in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Graham, Hartland, spent Christmas with Mrs. Graham's father, in Woodstock.

A. D. Holyoke, inspector of agencies for the Great West Life, is spending a couple of weeks at home.

Miss Harding, of Halifax, who has been visiting Miss Brown, of Greenbank, returned home on Monday.

Mr. W. R. Snow spent Christmas in St. Andrews, the guest of his brother-in-law, Nathan Treadwell.

Mr. William Baker, of Annapolis, N.S., has been spending the past week with his brother, Dr. I. W. N. Baker.

Mrs. A. E. McLeod and her daughter, Avora, of Parrsboro, N. S., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hay.

Mrs. (Dr.) Mann, of Houlton, was in Woodstock last week visiting her mother, Mrs. H. R. Baird, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Gibson and their little daughters are spending Christmas in Moncton with Mrs. W. H. S. Cox.

Mr. Hallam T. Drysdale, of McAdam, is here to spend Christmas with his mother and friends at Marysville.—F'ton Herald.

H. A. Bailey, of the staff of the head office of the Peoples' Bank of Halifax, at Halifax, is spending the holidays with his brother, Arthur G. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Howe of Presque Isle who have been guests of Mrs. Howe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lindow for some days, left for home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Palmer and their little daughter of Fredericton, spent Christmas in Woodstock, guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tilley. On their return home they were accompanied by Miss Dottie Brewer.

The ice crop at Woodstock is being harvested. The ice is thick and solid and clear.

The guests of the Carlisle were regaled with a particularly inviting dinner on Christmas day. The menu cards were a triumph of typography.

MISS HELEN M. GOOD has decided not to re-open the kindergarten for the present. She left on Tuesday evening for Denver, Col., where she will be with Mrs. A. G. Brewer and Miss Kate McLeod.

MISS LIZZIE SPRAGUE, daughter of the late Rev. S. W. Sprague and Mr. Frank Kearney were married at the home of the bride's mother, Beechwood on Wednesday last. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. E. Brooks.

NEW YEAR TOKENS.

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