

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 The names will not be published, but The Dispatch must know who is accountable for everything that is inserted in its columns.

Kilburn.

The great natural bridge which the season of winter alone can form has again spanned our beautiful river St. John.

It is with considerable regret that we learn of the departure from our midst of one of our very estimable young men Havelock Morehouse who has recently left the village to take a course at the Business College in St. John. Mr. Morehouse who has of late been preparing for his college course under the efficient teaching of J. Fraser McCain is a very amiable young man and without a doubt will make a thorough success of his course. In leaving us Mr. Morehouse is accompanied by the very best wishes of all.

We were very loath a few weeks ago to accept the resignation of J. Fraser McCain who has successfully conducted our school here for the past three terms. Mr. McCain and his wife have gone to Portland, Me., where he intends to take a course at school. In Kilburn the young couple have made for themselves many friends and are followed by the kind wishes of all.

Christmas passed off briskly among us. On account of the very icy roads many predicted that Santa Claus would fail to appear, but we are happy to say that these philosophers proved but vain skeptics and that Santa arrived as usual at the appointed time and left behind him many pleasant remembrances notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions.

Speerville.

Rev. W. J. Fowler pastor of the Oak Mountain church spent last week the guest of his mother, who resides in Newcastle.

Miss Julia Speer who has been attending the Business College Houlton is home on her vacation.

A number of the young people from Speerville and Oak Mountain attended a concert given in the Methodist church Lower Woodstock Christmas Eve. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Miss Annie Kerr, Debec, spent Christmas at her home in Oak Mountain.

Newman Griffith employee of Joseph Speer has returned from a visit to his parents.

Miss Hannah Hemphill who has been spending the summer with her grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Femming has returned to her home in Knowlesville.

Mrs. Nelson McBride, Richmond, spent Sunday in this place the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. S. Speer.

Miss Louise Flemming, Lower Woodstock, spent a few days last week with her cousin, Miss H. Louise Speer.

Mrs. Rankin Speer, Speerville, spent New Year's with her brother who resides in Caribou.

A family dinner was held at the home of Stephen Claphane, Benton, at which all the family were assembled.

A number of the ladies and gentlemen from this place attended the horse trot on Eel River Christmas afternoon. They saw some good flyers.

Miss Katie Purvis, Woodstock, paid a visit to Oak Mountain last week the guest of her cousin Miss Lizzie Kerr.

Leigh Speer who has been hauling bark to Debec for the past week says the roads are in a bad condition owing to the recent storm.

Mrs. Duplacy, Fredericton Junction, has been spending the past week with her niece, Mrs. Stephen Claphane, Benton.

Miss Emma Speer who has been in the employment of Robert Scott, Debec, is now at her home in this place.

Miss Minnie Pedolin, who has been teaching Oak Mountain school for the past term has returned to her home in Newcastle, followed by the good wishes of her scholars.

Gardonsville.

The cold is almost more than we can stand. The mercury has been down as low as 42 below zero.

William Bell went to the woods on Monday with his team to haul logs for T. Lynch. Teams pass here every day for lumber camps on the Miramichi.

Will Briggs has returned from R. Stickney's camp on Burnt Hill.

The steam saw mill that was started last fall is nearing completion and when in running order will cut 30,000 feet of lumber a day.

The Rev. Mr. Bonnell is holding special meetings in the Free Baptist church here. James Bridges who has been spending a few weeks with his son at Aroostook Junction is home again.

Andover.

A number of students that were here for their Christmas holidays have returned to their studies; Roy Murphy and Carey Wright to the U. N. B., Gertie Sisson to the Normal school, Fredericton, and Beatrice Hopkins to Upper Woodstock.

Mrs. H. W. Beveridge, Mrs. F. D. Sadler and Mrs. B. Waite entertained about 130 of their friends Wednesday evening in Beveridge's hall. Pit was the game of the evening, vocal and instrumental solos were rendered, refreshments served, and a very pleasant evening spent.

The Scotch concert was held in Beveridge's hall Thursday evening and a good programme was well carried out. A Mr. Ross, of St. John, was present with the bag pipes and did much to enliven and entertain the company.

Miss Mary Turner, of Connell, is visiting Mrs. Jonathan Bridges, Aroostook Junction. Mrs. and Miss Baird were "at home" to about 160 of their friends New Year's day from 4 to 7. Andover orchestra and Mr. Ross with the bag pipes furnished music, and a very pleasant event was well carried out.

Rev'ds. A. H. Hayward and R. W. Dem-

ings are holding special meetings during the week of prayer. C. H. Elliott has returned from a visit to his old home in Newcastle.

Bristol.

Miss Dora Rogers returned on Saturday from Portland, Me.

Miss Annie McLean has taken charge of the school at Kilburn, and Miss Hope Crandall has gone to Rowena.

School reopened on Monday, the teachers being Mr. A. Cronkite, and Miss M. Hartley. There is a good enrolment in each department.

A Sunday School convention is to be held in the Baptist church on Thursday afternoon and evening.

C. A. Phillips spent last week in St. John. Walter Treacartin, Upper Woodstock, and Odber Shaw, Simonds, were in Bristol on Saturday.

Miss Alice Giberson will take charge of the Beaufort school next term.

Miss Lydia Lockhart has gone on a visit to her brother at Sydney, Cape Breton.

Mr. Henry Brooks and Miss Kate Stitham were married on Wednesday last by Rev. D. E. Brooks.

There was no service in the Hall on Sunday evening, as the Rev. J. H. Anderson is taking a vacation at his home on Prince Edward Island. Mr. Anderson will be home to take his appointments next Sunday.

A number of friends met at the residence of Rev. L. A. Lockhart on Thursday evening, and presented him with a sum of money. Mr. Lockhart intends leaving in a few days for British Columbia.

Frank Watson, Woodstock, spent last week in Bristol with his brother, Harley Watson.

Miss Eva Caldwell has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Tweedie at Upper Wicklow.

Mrs. R. D. Tompkins is seriously ill at the residence of her son, M. A. Tompkins.

East Florenceville.

A large crowd gathered here New Year's to witness a horse trot on the ice below the bridge. No records were broken.

P. R. Hayward our school teacher arrived in town Saturday after spending his holidays at his home in Ashland.

Miss Marian R. Tompkins has gone to Fredericton to take a four months course in Manual Training.

Miss Annie Darkis who just graduated from the Normal School will take charge of the River Bank school this term.

Miss Kate Jameson has been visiting friends at Perth the past week.

Mrs. R. Dole and child of St. John arrived in town last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Dole, intend living in the front of Mrs. Mooers residence.

W. F. Gallupe who has resided at Florenceville the past six years has moved to East Florenceville living in the front of the lovely house.

B. F. Smith, M. P. P., has secured the services of Wm. Deuchars a practical tailor and intends opening up a tailoring establishment in his building at the corner of the bridge.

Bath.

The thermometer registered 35 below zero Monday morning, which is the coldest in the memory of the present generation here.

A very successful concert was held in Phillips Hall on Dec. 23rd, in connection with the mission band. A silver collection amounting to \$9.50 was taken at the door.

An oyster supper was given by the Methodist sewing circle at W. W. Melville's on New Years Eve. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

Chip, Giberson and bride have gone to British Columbia where Mr. Giberson will enter the employ of F. H. Hyle, M. P. We wish them every success.

The schools opened on Monday, the advanced department in charge of Miss Alward, of Havelock, Kings County and the primary of Miss Kate Baker of this place.

H. L. Squires is at present in Sydney, C. B., on a business trip.

Chester.

Misses Lizzie and Annie Maddox spent their Christmas holidays at home. The former left on Monday to resume her studies at the Provincial Normal School, while the latter will take charge of a school for the present term.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fowler, Lakeville, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Squires recently.

Miss Minnie Turney, Plymouth, was the guest of Miss Helen Estabrooks last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Olmstead are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a little masculine stranger in their home.

Mr. Nevers and daughter, Hartland, are spending the winter with Mr. Nevers' son-in-law, J. Alpheus Parker.

Miss Mabel Estabrooks has gone to Upper Bloomfield to conduct the school there.

G. F. Squires, who has been confined to the house suffering from a swelling on the knee, is now able to be about again.

Misses Marion Estey and Lizzie Maddox were calling on friends at Chester last week.

Middle Simonds.

The holiday season passed off very quietly, the last few days being so cold that a person could take more comfort at his fireside than anywhere else.

Our school opens again this week with the same teacher F. R. Kelly in charge.

Court Simonds I. O. F. held its annual meeting on Dec. 31 when the following officers were elected: C. F. Rideout, C. R.; Miles Birmingham, V. C. R.; Aubrey Rideout, R. S.; H. H. Hatfield, F. S. and Treas.; Geo. L. Colwell, Chap.; David Shaw, Deputy; Geo. Hoyt, S. W.; Installation was conducted by the general organizer, S. G. Barter.

Miss Helen Raymond spent last week in Woodstock.

Mrs. W. C. Rideout is very low with anæmia. All the family are at home.

D. F. Munroe spent Christmas with his sister Mrs. P. W. Cass of St. Marys.

Licentiate C. Frank Rideout has closed his pastoral work on the Aberdeen Windsor field for the month of January on account of lameness in the foot. As an operation is

necessary he will enter the Carleton County Hospital on Tuesday of this week.

George Raymond has gone in the woods to haul logs for W. W. Shaw at Pole Hill near Hartland.

Sheriff Foster is spending the week in Fredericton.

Glenn Colwell spent New Year's at home. Elijah Bullock went to Moncton last week and returned accompanied by his brother, who will remain here for the winter.

Kirkland.

We have had a heavy fall of snow which makes the roads very heavy for travelling.

David Dykeman has gone to Rexton Kent County, where his father is seriously ill.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Golding has been made happy by the arrival of a little daughter.

Mrs. Allan McDougall and little daughters have been calling on relatives at the Corner. Mrs. Mary Kennedy and her son Freeman spent Christmas in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Slater jr. and two eldest daughters, visited A. J. Slater Christmas day.

There was the usual thank offering service in the Kirk on Sunday evening the 27th. The meeting was opened in the usual way. Mrs. Fowler then read an account of the W. F. M. society of this place, Etta Blue gave a very suitable recitation, Mrs. Fowler and Jennie Murchie gave a solo, Rev. J. W. Fowler gave a very interesting address on mission work. A collection was taken amounting to over \$11.00.

Kate, second daughter of James Hawkes, North Lake, died recently of consumption.

Mrs. Rhoda McNally, her daughter Mrs. Austin and baby, Mrs. Frank McNally and little son, also Percy McNally from Benton were visiting in this place.

Central Southampton.

Rev. J. J. Barnes held an annual service in the Free Baptist church New Year's eve. After the service N. W. Brown, on behalf of this and the Campbell Settlement churches, presented Mr. Barnes with an address and fur cap and mittens and Mrs. Barnes with a pair of fur mittens.

Miss Edith Miller, of Haverhill, Mass., is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Grant and family spent Christmas at St. Stephen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Barnes spent Christmas at Rockland guest of their daughter, Mrs. Arthur Estabrooks.

N. W. and Mrs. Brown were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Turner, or Meductic, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Way entertained a large number of their friends at dinner Christmas.

Mrs. Albert Clark, of Island Falls, is visiting her brother W. H. Clark.

The Suez Canal.

In point of length the Suez Canal exceeds all other great ship canals, its total being nearly ninety miles, of which nearly two-thirds is through shallow lakes. In 1895 the canal was so enlarged as to give a depth of 31 feet, a width at the bottom of 108 feet, and at the surface of 420 feet. The original cost was \$95,000,000, and for the canal its present form slightly in excess of \$100,000,000.

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That Murray V. Shaw, of the Parish of Peel, in the County of Carleton, in the Province of New Brunswick, labourer, pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, 58th Victoria, Chapter 6, intitled "An Act respecting Assignments and Preferences by Insolvent Persons" and amending Acts, did on the twenty-eighth day of December, A. D. 1903, make a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors to the undersigned, William A. Hayward, of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, Sheriff; and also, that a meeting of the creditors of the said Murray V. Shaw will be held at my office in the County Jail, in the Town of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, on Thursday, the Fourteenth day of January, A. D. 1904, at two of the clock in the afternoon, for the appointment of Inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the estate, and the transaction of such other business as shall come before the meeting.

And further, take notice that all creditors are required to file their claims duly proven, with the undersigned assignee, within three months from the date hereof, unless further time be allowed by a Judge of the Supreme or County Court; and that all claims not filed within the time limited, or such further time if any, as may be allowed by any such Judge, shall be wholly barred from any right to share in the proceeds of the Estate; and that the said Assignee shall be at liberty to distribute the proceeds of the estate as if any claim not filed as aforesaid did not exist, but without prejudice to the liability of the debtor therefor.

Dated at Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, this thirtieth day of December, A. D. 1903.
WM. A. HAYWARD, Sheriff, Assignee.

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BORN.

MILLER.—On Thursday last at Hartland, to the wife of S. S. Miller, a son.

HAMILTON.—At Connell Road, Woodstock, on Sunday, January 3rd, 1904, to the wife of Stanley Hamilton, a son.

MARRIED.

BILLINGS-WHEELER.—At Woodstock, December 30th, by the Rev. F. A. Currier, Levi Billings, of Millville, to Miss Minnie Wheeler, of Grafton.

Snow White Flour makes the Lightest Bread.