

LOCAL TOPICS.

REV. MR. GODFREY occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Lucas took the evening service.

JOHN F. TILTON with the firm of W. H. Thorne and Co., St. John, was in Woodstock last week. His many friends were glad to see him again.

JOHN M. KEEFE, Lakeville, and F. Arnold Jewett, Waterville, were in town Saturday on their way to Fredericton, where they will take a partial course at the Fredericton High School.

RICHMOND Agricultural Society will hold a meeting at Debec on Tuesday morning 12th inst. to hear reports of delegates from the Midwinter Fair at Amherst, and transact any business which may come up.

AT SEVEN o'clock on Saturday morning the mercury stood 24 degrees below zero at Woodstock. Monday morning went it one better, for on that morning the thermometer got down to 37 degrees below.

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.

JAMES REID, aged 66, died at his home Richmond, on Thursday, December 31st. One brother, John Reid survives. Mr. Reid was a prosperous farmer and was well and favorably known. The funeral took place on Saturday morning, Rev. Mr. Kearney officiating.

MR. AND MRS. CHIPMAN H. GIBERSON, of Bath, who have been living at Carey, Me. for some months, left last Wednesday for Enderby, B. C., where a position with the Okanagan Lumber Co. awaits Mr. Giberson. Already a great number of good men, old friends of Mr. Hale have gone to Enderby, and others will go in the spring.

At a meeting of the corporation of Christ Church on Tuesday evening, December 29th it was stated that from various sources a salary of \$800 could be offered a curate to assist Archdeacon Neales in the parish and adjoining missions. The corporation passed an unanimous vote requesting the rector to endeavor to secure the services of Rev. Mr. Bastin, who officiated here on Christmas day, and who at present is in charge of the mission at Temperance Vale.

A. R. WETMORE, C. E., government engineer was in town last week in connection with the laying of a new flooring on the river bridge, between Woodstock and Grafton. The flooring has stood for a number of years in spite of the heavy travel. It is likely the floor will be double, although it seems there is quite a question as to the superiority of this plan over the heavy single planking. Mr. Wetmore, accompanied by Mr. W. P. Jones, M. P. E., went out in the country to examine some bridges.

A VERY handsome new stained glass window has arrived here, to be placed at an early date in the west end of St. Luke's church. It is made up of three large lights, each light being in memory of one of three earnest churchmen, who have all died within half a dozen years past, viz. Charles Raymond, Benjamin H. Smith and William F. Dibble. The subject of the window is the Transfiguration. It comes from Wailer, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, where all the windows in St. Luke's were made. The windows will probably be in place next Sunday.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Board of Managers of the General Missionary Society of the Reformed Baptist Alliance was held at the residence of P. J. Trafton, Woodstock, on Wednesday, December 30th. Among those present were the Rev. S. A. Baker, of Hartland, editor of the King's Highway, the Rev. H. C. Archer, of Grand Manan, business manager of the Highway, the Rev. M. S. Trafton, chairman of the board and C. K. Short, general treasurer, of St. John. The board considered five applications for work in the missionary field, among them those of Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Saunders of the State of New York.

JOHN C. MCKAY, a native of Florenceville was on December 14th elected Mayor of Wetaskiwin, a thriving town in Alberta on the C. P. Ry. about fifty miles south of Edmonton. Mr. McKay left Florenceville some twenty years ago and after trying Wisconsin, Colorado, Washington and California, settled eleven years ago in Wetaskiwin, then a mere hamlet. Today it is one of the coming towns of the West. Since the business portion of the town was destroyed by fire last June it has all been rebuilt with handsome, substantial buildings and the town presents a more prosperous appearance than ever. Mr. McKay served in the town council for two years, and in his election for Mayor he defeated his opponent, Dr. Walker, one of the strong men of the town by a handsome majority. Mr. McKay with his wife and family was in Carleton County last winter visiting his relations.

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JOHN C. COLE, of Sydney, C. B., was in Woodstock last week on business.

MESSRS. DONALD and Archie Fraser have gone to Scotland on a business trip.

FRANKLIN RANKIN, son of Dr. Rankin, fell from the loft in the barn last week and broke his wrist.

THE COTTON mill at Marysville, N. B., has been compelled to shut down on account of the cotton famine.

MR. HALLAN T. DRYSDALE, has resigned his position with the C. P. R. and expects to go west in the spring.—Gleaner.

C. FRANK RIDEOUT, of Middle Simonds, had an operation performed on his foot at the hospital yesterday morning.

THE Wakefield Parish Sunday School will hold its annual convention at the Free Baptist church Upper Waterville Jan 13th, 1904.

PHYSICIAN say there are 20,000 cases of lagrippe in Toronto. Deaths average 15 a day. In many cases entire families are laid up with the disease.

MISS HAZEL WELCH, who is studying nursing in Boston, underwent an operation for appendicitis last Wednesday night. The operation was a success.

MRS. FASH, wife of the Rev. Z. L. Fash, left on New Year's day for Port Williams, N. S., to attend the funeral of her mother who died suddenly of apoplexy.

GEORGE CLARK, who has been in the employ of the Baird Co., Ltd. for the past year, left Monday for Fredericton, where he has accepted a position with J. Clark & Son.

REBECCA J., wife of Henry Briggs, of Bellville, died on Sunday morning. The funeral will be held this morning at ten o'clock, interment being made at Lindsay.

M. GILLESPIE who has been spending a holiday at home here for some months leaves on this evening's express on his return to the Klondyke where he has some mining interests.

CHARLES H. ELLIOTT, of the law firm of Carter & Elliott, Andover, was in Woodstock yesterday, on his return from his old home in Newcastle where he had been spending the holidays.

REV. J. C. BERRIE who is in Queens Co. attending the funeral of Rev. Mr. James will not be home until today. In his absence the Rev. Mr. Godfrey will take the services in the Jacksonville Methodist Church.

A NUMBER of young people, Misses Cora and Julia McCollom, Miss Sadie Currie, Holland Birmingham, Walter Townsend and Garnett Birmingham drove from Hartland and spent New Year's evening with Miss Townsend.

AT THE Star Bible class examinations held in the Free Baptist church, on December 27th, the following persons received first rank honors:—Miss Leora Harmon, 92; Miss Helen Watson, 90; Mrs. Patterson, 89; Raban Vince, 89; Miss Hoyt, 87; Miss Nellie Brown, 85; Miss Lottie Campbell 76.

ON Thursday afternoon the employees of Connell's Foundry presented the foreman, George E. Phillips with a handsome case of pipes, and expressed their regret at his severing his connection with the concern. Mr. Phillips has taken charge of the town pumping station and electric light system.

THE THRIVING town of Hartland has a new paper, The Brighton Chronicle, of which the Rev. A. J. Prosser, Free Baptist clergyman, is the editor and E. C. Morgan business manager. It is styled "a monthly periodical, devoted to the religious interest and general welfare of the Brighton parish and adjacent communities."

REV. A. A. RIDEOUT, a New Brunswicker, has accepted a call to the Pine Street Baptist Church, Lewistown (Me.). Mr. Rideout was formerly pastor of the Marysville Free Baptist Church and is a very fluent speaker. Since his graduation at the University of New Brunswick last May, he has been studying theology at Bates.

At the Adventist church next Sunday at 3 p. m. the pastor will deliver the first of a series of prophetic discourses taking as his theme the Monarch's forgotten dream and its significance. In the evening he will speak upon Daniel's purpose, a theme appropriate to young men, who are especially invited to attend. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and hear.

AT THE last regular meeting of the Centreville Agricultural Society it was resolved to hold a basket social in Sherwood's Opera House on Saturday evening, January 16th, for the purpose of raising money to put up a building suitable for a show room on the grounds of the society. The ladies far and near are being invited, and this is also intended as a further invitation for them to prepare and bring a lunch basket for two. The gentlemen belonging to the society and all others who do not are requested to attend and have a good time. No charge for admission to the opera house. Tea and coffee will be made in the commodious kitchen attached to the opera house and served to those who wish.

PERSONAL.

Reg. Wright, St. John, is visiting Donald Connell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burpee, of Calais, were in Woodstock last week.

Miss Tracy, of Tracy Mills, is visiting Mrs. Charles Wheatman.

Mrs. B. J. Griffith went to Boston last week to visit her father, Mr. Frank Bird.

Miss A. Isabel Smith, of Houlton, spent Sunday in Woodstock with her parents.

J. H. Tompkins and family, of Minot, North Dakota, are visiting friends and relatives here.

Misses Katherine and Jessie Denison left on Monday afternoon for Boston.

D. Perry Fitzgerald, of Glassville, was in Woodstock on New Year's day on his way from Fredericton.

Mr. Wilbur of Dorchester, a student at the U. N. B., spent the holidays with his sister, Mrs. J. S. Eagles.

Miss A. Gertrude O'Brien, of the manual training school, returned to Woodstock Saturday last from Fredericton.

Miss McLeod, of Andover, who has been spending the holidays with Miss Hall in Woodstock returned home on Monday.

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Newspaper Publicity.

In its issue of December 15th, The King's Highway requested that some one present a lady's saddle for the use of Mrs. Sanders, a missionary in South Africa. In its issue of December 31st The Highway published the following announcement:—"We wish to acknowledge with thanks the gift of a side saddle by Sister (Paul M.) Taylor, of Norfolk, Virginia, (nee Bessie Burt, of Hartland,) for the use of Sister Sanders in South Africa. We are glad to hear from Sister Taylor, and that she is living in the will of God and is identifying herself with christian work in her new home in the south, and that she has not forgotten the home work." This is but another proof of the kindness of a woman's heart, as well as of the fact that if you want to reach the public the quickest way to do it is through the columns of a paper.

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January 6, 1904—21.

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