

## Local Topics.

MAYOR JONES is still confined to his home through illness.

REV. G. A. ROSS and Rev. I. A. Corbett exchanged services on Sunday morning last.

THE New Brunswick militia will go into camp at Sussex this year in the month of June.

MISS HELEN CODY, of Centreville, has been granted a diploma by the Massachusetts General Hospital.

JAMES FOSTER, driver on the C. P. R. is confined to his home by a sprained ankle.—St Croix Courier.

MR. FRED SQUIRES of Bath who is in the class of 1906 at the U. N. B. has been elected track captain for this season.

THE ordinance of baptism will be administered in the Free Baptist church at the close of the evening service next Sunday.

A SUBSCRIBER sends us a post card to change his address to box 54, Monticello, Me., and does not sign his name.

REV. G. A. ROSS preached in the Advent Church on Sunday afternoon last. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Kearney was absent at an induction service.

CONDUCTOR BERRYMAN has been accorded a hearty welcome as he moved about among his friends this week, after his severe illness.—St Croix Courier.

RICHMOND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY will hold their Annual Seed Meeting at Debec, on Wednesday afternoon March 8th, a good attendance requested.

SINCE the Vim Tea Co. have taken over the tea business of Baird and Peters they have been putting Vim Tea on the market in bulk as well as in packages.

THE Rev. J. J. McCaskill of Fort Kent will lecture before the junior literary society of St. Paul's Church on Tuesday evening, March 7th, on the writings of Stewart Edward White.

THE Baptist quarterly meeting has been invited to hold its March session in the Free Baptist Church. The session will continue over two days, the first meeting beginning on Tuesday, March 7th.

THE FRIENDS of Wickham and Bellisle parsonage presented their pastor Rev. S. J. Perry with a handsome fur lined coat. The presentation was made on the 18th instant by Mr. James McCrea.

GEORGE FRAULEY, of St. George, was in town Monday, enroute to Woodstock, where he was taking a promising looking bay pacer to be handled by a driver there. The pacer is by Pure Wilkes, dam Carry R., and is threatened with a lot of speed.—St Croix Courier.

THE big dark bay pacer, with tail not quite in proportion with his body, that J. Wm. Smith, proprietor of the Queen, is driving these days, was purchased by him in Woodstock, and those who have seen him move say that he has a license to beat the best of them on the snow.—St Croix Courier.

DR. H. B. HAY, of Chipman, is at the Royal. He arrived Saturday, but had to drive a good part of the way, as the N. B. Coal and Railway Co.'s line has been blocked by the storms. Dr. Hay is en route to Ottawa and from there will go to Philadelphia to see his brother, who is not in good health.—St. John Times.

P. A. PAUL, captain of the Besenmök Hockey team of Fredericton writes as follows to the manager of the Woodstock rink: "I drop you this card to tell you that the Indian team that played in your town last night was not the French Village club. H. Staples got that team from St. Marys. We know the game and they don't. Please publish."

REV. J. B. GANONG, travelling Sec'y of the New Brunswick Sunday School Association, comes to the county this week to hold a series of conventions and meetings. At 7.30 p. m., Tuesday, March 7th, he will hold a meeting in the vestry of the Methodist Church "The business end of the work" will be the subject under discussion. All parish and county officers, and pastors and superintendents are cordially invited to be present. A. S. Calder County secretary treasurer.

LAST Wednesday at Fredericton the Directors of the Fredericton and Woodstock Steamship Company opened the tenders for the purchase of the Steamer Aberdeen. There was only one offer, from Messrs. J. P. Johnston of Woodstock, Robert Scott of Dumfries and David Munro of Southampton. Their tender was regarded as too low. The directors decided to continue the business and appointed Robert Scott as managing director.

THE Legato Club met with its leader, Miss Ata Denison, on Thursday afternoon. An interesting program was carried out; the first part consisting of duets and solos played by Misses Jean Sprague, Helen Hand, Margaret Fawcett, Marion Lindsay, Gertrude McManus, and Georgie Burpee. The latter part was devoted to the life and works of the Norwegian composer, Edward Grieg, and was illustrated with selections played by Miss Denison, assisted by Miss Bessie Neales.

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### PERSONAL.

Miss Catherine Rankin is ill with the grip.

Mrs. G. H. Harrison is ill with grip and tonsillitis.

Mr. G. P. Hovey, of Centreville spent Sunday in town.

Mr. E. R. Teed is spending a few days in St. Stephen.

Mrs. Rankin Brown is visiting friends in St. Stephen.

Dr. Owens, of Millville, was in town on Saturday last.

Mrs. John H. Watt is recovering from an attack of grip.

Miss E. Janie Clare returned on Saturday from Grand Falls.

Mr. J. C. Hartley took a business trip to Fredericton on Monday.

Mrs. C. S. Turner of Fredericton is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Baker.

Miss Maggie Baird left on Thursday for a short visit to Senator and Mrs. Baird at Andover.

Mr. Albert Simonson of Centreville is in Woodstock visiting his daughter Mrs. (Dr.) Prescott.

Arthur Sprague celebrated his fifth birthday on Thursday and entertained a party of little friends at afternoon tea.

Mrs. Guy B. Manzer entertained a number of her lady friends at a delightful five o'clock tea on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Lewis Bliss, of Fredericton, is spending a few days here, the guest of her mother, Mrs. Livingston Dibblee.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Aughterton returned to Boston on Tuesday, called back by the sudden illness of Mrs. Aughterton's mother, Mrs. J. Collins.

Miss Frances Britton left on Tuesday for Boston, Mass. where she will resume her professional studies in the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital.

Mrs. W. W. Hay entertained the Y. P. A. of St. Luke's on Wednesday evening. About thirty members of the association were present and the programme was interesting and enlightening. Refreshments were served about nine thirty. The next meeting of the society will be held on Tuesday, March 7th, at the home of Miss Lilian Jordan.

One of the most enjoyable functions of the season was the "at home" given by Mrs. C. L. Merritt on Wednesday afternoon, four till six, at her residence, St. Gertrude's street. The spacious drawing rooms were filled with guests, and the merry hum of conversation, blended with the dulcet strains of music, rendered by Prof. Dixon's orchestra. Delicious refreshments were served during the afternoon. Mrs. Merritt was assisted in the entertainment of her guests by Mrs. Wm Drysdale, Misses Helen Hand, Margaret Dibblee and Muriel Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Harry Smith entertained about forty of their friends at a delightful drive whilst party on Tuesday evening, eight till one. After a dainty supper, which was served about eleven thirty, the tables were removed and several charming values were enjoyed. Miss Hilda Bourne, who was the lucky winner of the lady's first prize was presented with a blooming plant. Mr. Baird won the gentleman's first, a paper knife. The consolation prizes fell to Miss Nora Dibblee and Mr. N. F. Thorne. Those present were:—Mrs. Allan Smith, Mrs. C. R. F. Dibblee, Mrs. C. P. Connell, Mrs. W. Connell and Misses B. Neales, L. Jordan, P. Balloch, A. Tracy, L. Smith, F. Browne, J. Browne, Sharkey, B. Dibblee, J. Porter, R. Dibblee, Rankin, Denison, Clarke, Bourne, K. Rankin, N. Dibblee, and Messrs. Retallick, Dibblee, Smith, Calder, Thorne, Brown, Alex. Brown, Loane, Peabody, Connell, McLeod, K. Connell, Carr, Baird, D. Connell.

Dr. and Mrs. Guy B. Manzer gave a most enjoyable drive whilst party on Friday evening at their charming residence, Chapel street. The guests filled twelve tables and about twenty-five hands of whist were played with much interest. A sumptuous supper was served at eleven thirty, after which the prizes were presented.—Mrs. George A. White, the winner of the lady's first prize, was the happy recipient of a cut glass bonbon dish. Mr. B. M. McLeod won the gentleman's first prize, a cigar case. Miss Fannie Smith and Mr. Allan Smith were awarded the consolation prizes. The guests were:—Solicitor-General and Mrs. Jones, Hon. Judge and Mrs. Carleton, Dr. and Mrs. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. White, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Manzer, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Loane, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Winslow, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Hare, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Belyea, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. F. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Manzer, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Skilleen, Mr. and Mrs. C. Comben, Mr. and Mrs. Sheasgreen, Dr. and Mrs. Hand, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. W. Balmain, Mr. and Mrs. R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Seeley, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lindsay, Mrs. Whitman, Mrs. D. Merritt, Mrs. Porter, Miss Hume, Miss Sharkey, (St. John), Miss Lilian Jordan, Miss Jessie Porter, Miss Fannie Smith, Messrs. N. F. Thorne, B. M. McLeod, F. McLardy, E. W. Mair.

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THE Expense Ratio of the Manufacturers Life for the year continues to show a decrease, and is lower than that of any other Company of a similar age on the continent.

THE meeting of the Epworth League on Friday evening will be addressed by the Editor of the "Sentinel" subject "Our Canadian Senate and its members." All are welcome.

THE third annual seed fair of the Carleton County Agricultural Society will be held in the opera house, Woodstock, on Tuesday March 7th, and not Friday as stated on the booklets which have been distributed.

THE parlor concert, under the direction of Miss Helen Hutchinson which met with such decided approval, will be repeated at the home of Mrs. Matthew Hutchinson, Upper Wicklow, N. B. on Friday evening March 3rd. 1905.

### Mrs. Creighton.

Mrs. Creighton a well known Halifax lady died in Woodstock last Wednesday of pneumonia. She leaves one son, James S. Creighton of the staff of the Peoples Bank of Halifax here and one daughter, Mrs. McKinlay of Halifax. Mr. Creighton started on the early train Thursday morning for Halifax, taking with him the remains of his mother for interment. He had the misfortune to get caught in a blizzard and the last report received was to the effect that he had not yet reached Halifax.

Mrs. Creighton came to Woodstock soon after her son was moved here and has been a resident of Woodstock practically ever since. She made many friends among all classes of people, young and old, rich and poor, and she will be missed by a large circle of friends as well as by her relatives.

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