

Social Events.

Mrs G. Hugh Harrison entertained a large party of Ladies at Five o'clock Tea on Tuesday afternoon of last week. She was assisted by Mrs J. N. W. Winslow, Mrs J. S. Creighton and Mrs Geo. Balmain.

On Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs Wm. Balmain entertained a number of friends at Drive Whist. The prize winners were Mrs. Fred McLean, Hon W. P. Jones, Mrs F.B. Carvell and Mr. E. B. Manzar were awarded the consolations.

Mr and Mrs W.L. Carr entertained a large party of friends at Whist on Monday evening.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs J. N. W. Winslow entertained a number of friends at Whist.

Mr. and Mrs J. T. Allan Dibblee are entertaining a large party of friends at Whist this evening (Wednesday.)

Mrs. Godfrey Newnam entertained a number of friends at the residence of Mrs. Pool on Thursday evening last.

Late B. A. Everett Left Estate Valued at \$15,250.

The will of the late Benjamin A. Everett has been admitted to probate and letters of administration have been issued to his son Mr. Albert Everett and his daughter, Miss Carrie S. Everett who are named executor and executrix.

The estate was sworn at \$15,250, of which \$2,500 is personal property and the balance real estate. The real estate which is the Long's hotel property on King Street, is subject to a mortgage of \$5,000. Under the terms of the will the property is to be divided into seven shares one of which is bequeathed to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Everett and the remaining son and the five daughters of the testator are to receive the residue of the estate. The will is dated November 23rd, 1903, and is witnessed by Messrs. J. W. McCready and F. W. Porter. Mr McCready is the proctor for the estate.—Fredericton Herald.

Carleton County Orange Lodge.

The annual session of Carleton County Lodge, L. O. A. was held in the hall at Woodstock on Tuesday January 29th. Returns from the different lodges in the jurisdiction showed the order to be in a prosperous condition. Some important business was transacted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. R. McCready, County Master.

J. H. Hay, D. M.

Wm. Nicholson, Chaplain.

C. M. Shaw, R. S.

A. F. Lockhart, F. S.

A. E. Plummer, Treas.

James T. Montgomery, D. of C.

J. H. Forrest, Lecturer.

J. A. Lindsay and D. O. McIntosh, Dep. Lecturers.

The Rafting Business in Fredericton.

At a recent meeting of the stock-holders of the Fredericton Boom Company an order was passed recommending that the affairs of the company be wound up. As there has been some unaccountable delay in the proceedings Messrs J. A. and J. J. F. Winslow, two of the leading stockholders of the company, have applied for a winding up order and asked for the appointment of provisional liquidators.

As will be seen by a notice in today's DISPATCH Messrs Winslow & Allen, solicitors, will make application at the coming session of the legislature for a charter to incorporate another company to carry on the rafting business in Fredericton.

Wife of Senator King Dies.

Mrs Esther King, wife of Senator G. G. King, died at her home Chipman, Queens County, Tuesday evening of last week. On the occasion of the marriage of her son, Dr. King, of Cranbrook, B. C., Mrs King went to St. John, intending to go to the wedding, which took place in Andover, but was taken ill and obliged to return home. She continued to grow worse, with intermittent rallies, from that time till her death.

Death of Father McAuley.

The Rev. Father McAuley died suddenly at his house in New Ireland of apoplexy about 9:30 on Sunday morning. Father McAuley was recently brought into prominence by the awful crime committed in his house during his absence when his housekeeper was murdered. It is thought the strain caused by the crime and the subsequent trial and conviction of Collins had a good deal to do with his death.

British Columbia Elections.

The McBride government, conservative, in British Columbia, has been sustained by a majority of about six in a house of forty-two members. The result of the voting, so far as can be ascertained, is twenty four conservatives, sixteen liberals and two socialists. Among those elected are James Garden, brother of Arthur F. Garden of Woodstock, and Dr. J. H. King, son of Senator King.

Card of Thanks.

The family of the late Andrew Tweedie wish to express their thanks to their many kind friends for the sympathy and kindness shown them during their recent bereavement.

Inoculating the Empress.

In the article on physicians' fees, which The Dispatch published not long ago, there was mention of the fee paid to Doctor Dimsdale of London for inoculating Catherine II of Russia. The writer said that the fee of fifty thousand dollars, in addition to travelling expenses and a life pension, was large for such an easy operation. A correspondent sends the doctor's side of the story, as it was related by one of his friends. It appears that the operation was the least of his troubles, and that he earned the money.

Doctor Dimsdale did not want to inoculate the empress, for he was afraid of what might happen. Inoculation meant giving the patient the smallpox in a mild form; and sometimes it took a violent form instead, and the patient died. If this should happen with the Empress, Doctor Dimsdale was afraid the Russian authorities would hold him responsible. However, Catherine insisted, and gave the doctor a signed statement that whatever happened she guaranteed he would be held guiltless. Then, with many misgivings, Doctor Dimsdale inoculated her.

It went badly with the empress, who soon became very ill. As soon as she was delirious, the authorities arrested Doctor Dimsdale, charging that he was plotting the death of the empress. They paid no regard to his paper nor to his remonstrances, and the only point on which they seemed doubtful was whether they should put him to death at once, or wait to see what happened to the empress.

Then Doctor Dimsdale tried another line of argument.

"Of course," said he, "you can imprison me or put me to death, but if you do you will kill the empress as well as me. I am the only man in Russia who knows how to treat her, and unless I can watch her closely and do what she needs, she will certainly die.

Even Russian officials could not fail to see the force of this, so the doctor was told he might see the empress whenever he thought it necessary. Meanwhile he was kept in close confinement, and taken back and forth from Catherine's room under guard. And all the while he knew that if he did not save the empress' death was waiting for him, too.

At last the empress began to recover. When she recovered her senses, she was very angry at the way the doctor had been treated. She did everything she could to make it up to him. She paid him, besides the fee of fifty thousand dollars, ten thousand more for travelling expenses, made him a baron, settled an annuity of twenty-five hundred dollars on him, and promised him all sorts of good things if he would remain in Russia and become her physician.

But Doctor Dimsdale declined. Taking charge of an empress was too anxious a matter, and he wanted to get back to a practice among private people, where he would not be in danger of sharing his patient's fate so closely. So he went back to England.

Catherine always remembered him kindly, and when, a few years later, he married she sent him a set of beautiful china.

The Rulers of the Northwest.

Always feared by wrong-doers on account of their habit of turning up at unexpected moments, the Royal Northwest Mounted Police—to give them their full title, King Edward having recently prefixed the word "royal"—practically rule the Canadian northwest. Although there are less than eight hundred of them to cover some half million square miles of territory, their presence is ever felt, and many a would-be desperado returns whence he came when he sees the power of this little force. In every town and in every settlement the mounted police can be seen at some time or another; sometimes they make frequent visits to one part then they may not appear on the scene for several months. As the train rolls over the prairie, the "solitary horseman" appears, his coat a blotch of scarlet amid the apparently endless green. He is the one great symbol of law and order, and the authority of the British empire, ever on hand in the uninhabited wastes and frontier settlements. When his name is mentioned at any public function it is the signal for applause, and last fall when Parliament voted a million dollars for his support, both sides of the House joined in his praise. Nowhere does the "bad man" hold sway, and new comers are safer on the unsettled prairies than in many of the cities of the Continent. Cowboys rarely ride into the little town to "shoot-up" the place; they know swift justice and a short trial would be their lot. The little frontier towns of the Far North have one great advantage over similar towns in the United States. In Canada the law follows the people—there is no interregnum of lawlessness while the community is getting into shape and mood to organize itself, elect officers, and enforce statutes which have but a shadowy authority so far from the scene of their enactment. There the mounted police rule, and are always on the ground with the first settlers. If any of them are disposed to lawlessness, they are told "it doesn't go here," and the notice is speedily and effectively followed up. When a crime is committed the police

spare no pains to bring the offender to justice. Last year a murder was committed by an Indian some thousand odd miles north of the American boundary. In the spring, when the Indians came down to the nearest Hudson Bay post with their furs they reported the matter; from there the report was sent down to Kenora, and in turn the mounted police at Regina were notified. A police party was sent out into the unexplored wilds, and after a six weeks' trip in dog sleds and with snow-shoes they found the murderer and brought him and a number of witnesses down to civilization to appear before the bar of justice. In September, 1904, a prospector named Charles King, who said his home was at Mount Pleasant, Utah, murdered his companion, on the shores of the Lesser Slave Lake. The police were notified, with the result that King was arrested and brought down to Edmonton for trial. Over sixty witnesses brought down from the Far North gave evidence at the trial, and their testimony was so explicit that King paid the extreme penalty a little more than a year after he had committed the crime. The mounted police kept down lawlessness when the Canadian Pacific Railway was built across the continent; they fought during the Reil rebellion of 1885; they kept order during the rush to the Yukon gold fields, and many of them served with distinction in the Boer war. A party of them are now quartered at Herschell Island, in the far off Arctic Sea, keeping order among the American whales and the Eskimo. They are ever in Indian camps and visiting the lone shanties of trappers; they protect and help new settlers taking up land on the outskirts of civilization, and patrol over 800 miles of the international boundary.

Criminals are relentlessly hunted down. There is small chance of escape for those who commit a desperate crime. The trial follows in short order, and in many minor cases the offender is caught, tried, sentenced, and is serving his time within twenty-four hours of the commitment of the offence. Murderers get a short shrift, and hanging is the penalty. Appeals may be taken in capital offences, but are only granted upon grounds so clear that refusal would work a greater injustice. It is the almost absolute certainty of detection and capture, and the swiftness and severity of the punishment, that act as a deterrent to crime throughout the territory where the mounted police are supreme.

Many instances have been recorded of the pluck and perseverance of the members of this force. Once in the middle of winter, it was imperative that a dispatch should be sent to a far distant post. A young collegian, who had donned the red coat, volunteered to perform the mission. In the teeth of a blinding blizzard, with the thermometer registering fifty-three degrees below zero, he set out on his long journey. The dispatch was never delivered, the bearer never returned. After the snow had gone in the spring an Indian found a skeleton clad in a faded uniform. The fatal dispatch was in the pocket, and on it were written these words: "Lost. Horse dead. Am trying to push on. Have done my best." His dying hand had written a good epitaph.

DEADLY LA GRIPPE

Canada Again Being Ravished by an Epidemic of This Disease.

Winter after winter Canada is swept from ocean to ocean by an epidemic of la grippe, or influenza. It is one of the deadliest troubles known to our climate. It starts with a sneeze—and ends with a complication. It lays the strong man on his back; it tortures him with fever and chills; headaches and backaches. It leaves the sufferer an easy prey to pneumonia, bronchitis, consumption and other deadly diseases. You can avoid la grippe by fortifying your system with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. You can cure its disastrous after effect with this same medicine. These pills protect you, they cure you; they up-build you, the banish all evil after effects. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills ward off all winter ailments. They cure all blood and nerve disorders. They are the greatest blood-builder and nerve tonic science has yet discovered. Ask your neighbors, no matter where you live, and you will learn of someone who has been cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills after other medicines have failed. It is on the unbiased evidence of your neighbors that we ask you to give these pills a fair trial if you are sick or ailing. Mrs. Emma Ducett, St. Eulalie, Que., says: "Words can hardly express my gratitude for what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done for me. I had an attack of la grippe which left me a sufferer from headache and pain in the stomach. I used several medicines but found nothing to help me until I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. When I began them I was weak and very much run down. The pills have not only fully restored my health, but I gained in flesh while taking them. I recommend them to all sufferers."

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Change in Business.

The estate of the late E. Byron Winslow has secured control of the McFarlane-Neill Company at St. Marys, and a number of changes have been made there in the past few days.

The changes already made and to be made will include a reorganization of the company as well as the appointment of several new officers. Mr. Jasper A. Winslow, it is understood will become president, succeeding Mr. James S. Neill, who is to resign, Mrs. Walter McFarlane will continue as vice-president of the company and Mr. Albert E. Tweedale will continue in the position of manager, which position he has filled with the utmost satisfaction to the company for some years past. A new position that of Assistant-Manager, has been created and Mr. F. Edward Winslow, late of the Bank of Montreal, is filling that position, taking charge of the office work of the company. While Mr. James S. Neill owing to pressure of business, will no longer be an official of the company, he retains an active interest in the welfare of the company and will probably continue as a director. The McFarlane-Neill Company has a capitalization of \$100,000 all of which is paid up. It conducts a large enterprise at St. Marys, and has an enviable reputation in the business world. —Fredericton Herald.

Useless Salutes.

"I wonder," said the man of a statistical turn, "I wonder how much powder is destroyed daily in useless salutes?"

"There must be a lot," said the frivolous girl, "but I suppose women will go on kissing one another just the same."



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