

Benton Item
January 2nd, 1882
The Christmas holidays have come and gone, and another year has dawned upon us which we hope will bring joy and happiness to all readers of the Sixstringer.

Having come to Benton for a few holidays, I would not be doing right to go away again without mentioning what is going on in this village. Business seems to be as good as usual; early, bright days, are being had, and a rapid rate of the New Year, we should judge, will be in running order; trade is good and the farmers are having their share of patronage.

The inhabitants enjoyed a horse trot on the ice yesterday (New Year's Day); some of the neighbors from Oak Mountain, had paid for a fun also, which resulted in a good time generally.

Ranger says that one of the respected citizens of this village is going to turn himself into a "Bent" and not a false rumor.

Your correspondent at Peol kindly asked me to mention that he had been there the Saturday night before Christmas, but not having time to write anything before it would be out of place to say much about it now. I will say, however, that the entertainment proved a success; Santa Claus was there, and also his Beloved, who said she did not mind being with the Santa. The readers of the Sixstringer probably noticed that Santa was also at East Rivermouth and participated in the good time there.

Wishing you, Messrs. Editors, and the readers of the Sixstringer, the compliments of the season, I remain,
Yours, CORRESPONDENT.

Another correspondent writes:
The annual meeting for election of officers of the Benton Sabbath School was held on the evening of the 22nd Dec. Our superintendent informed the meeting that owing to his appointment to the office of the Secretary of the County Convention, he did not wish to be nominated for the office of Superintendent for another year. The meeting then adjourned until the Tuesday evening following, when the following resolution was passed:
Resolved, That this meeting hereby expresses its hearty thanks to S. J. Parsons, for his services and successful attention to the interests of this Sabbath School during the past year; greatly regretting his absence from the school this year, and prays for his success in his new and wider sphere of usefulness.

After this the meeting proceeded to elect the following officers:—David Porter, Supt.; John Hendry, Asst. Supt.; Aaron Campbell, Sec. The school is in a healthy condition, and the care of such a good staff of officers will, no doubt, continue to prosper.

Central Northampton Items.
Jan. 3, 1882.
The Union Sabbath School recently organized at this place, held its first Festival on New Year's night. A large number were present, and the literary exercises, comprising the following programme, were executed in a very commendable manner. Mr. S. A. Rogers, the superintendent, occupied the chair, and Miss Ella Gill presided at the organ. Singing by school, "King of the Heavens"; Address by Superintendent; Recitation by Fanny Lee; Singing by the small children; Recitation by Annie Cline; Singing by school, "Bringing in the Sheaves"; Recitation by Alice Montith; Song, "Praising our King"; by the Misses Gill; Recitation by Edith Rogers, Lily Gill, Rita Montith, Kate Gill, Kate Montith, and Jas. Patterson; Song in character, "New Year's Greeting"; by little Lily Gill, her sister playing the accompaniment; Dialogue by Miss Clara Montith, Miss Lena Rogers, Margaret Rogers, and H. N. Cornell; Singing by Mrs. Gill and Miss Laura Grant; Recitations by little Alice Gill and Ella Lee; Song by Ella Gill, Florence Bell and Maria Bell; Dialogue by the Misses Gill.

To Mrs. Jessie Gill is much credit due for her indefatigable efforts in preparing the children for the occasion, for the programme was exhausted, and the entire company were served to a bountiful and enjoyable feast.

Prize—Rev. J. McG. McKay presented in the school house on Tuesday evening.

Mr. J. A. Roulston, who for the past number of years has been residing in California and Nevada, has recently been on a visit to his friends here.

Miss Helen Shea and Miss Pauline Shea of Gratton, leave next week for Seattle, Washington Territory, where they will join their father.

Our general pedagogue Mr. A. Plummer is absent from the place enjoying holidays.

Dr. Dix is indisposed.

Surprise parties are still on the heat, and the services of Prof. Barry, as well as those of Prof. Albert, are often required.

Quite a number of parties are being held, and the boys and girls, who have sent their teams to the woods.

Among the wants of the place are a temperance society, a post office, and a few more; and the latter, there is neither within a distance of about six miles.

Peel Items.
Dec. 28th, 1882.
Notice was given through the columns of the Sixstringer a short time ago of the intention of the young people of Peel to have a concert and Xmas tree on the 23rd inst. The school room had been beautifully trimmed with evergreens and hung with Chinese lanterns for the purpose. Long before the appointed hour the room was filled to overflowing. At 7 p.m. the meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. B. P. Rackliffe, and the entertainment with the "Centennial March," after which the following programme was presented:—Singing, "Merry Christmas"; recitation, "If I were a man"; singing, "We've Met Again"; recitation, "The New Year"; recitation, "Nobody's Child"; duet by Mr. B. P. Rackliffe and Frank Harmon; recitation, "Patter of the Shingle"; tableau, "Sheet Music"; dialogue, "Above the Sky"; duet by Dr. Rackliffe and son; recitation, "Little Mischief"; tableau, "Disturbed Bliss"; solo by B. P. Rackliffe; recitation, "Advice to Little Boys"; dialogue, "The Unwilling Witness"; duet by Dr. Rackliffe and son; reading, "The Bad Boy in Love"; tableau, "Pulling the Tooth." The chairman, Mr. Cooper, then gave a reading, after which Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus were introduced to the audience and received with great applause. After making a short address they began to unload the trees that were being under their burden. Among the many beautiful presents found on the tree were a lovely gray album and book holder presented to Miss Lydia Irvine from her pupils of the day school; an autograph album for Mr. J. W. Donnette from the children of the day school; a picture of Dr. P. Rackliffe, from his music class. Closed by the choir singing "Good Night." Your correspondent feels quite satisfied that the company enjoyed the thinking that Peel is capable of getting up an entertainment second to none in the county.

"THROW PHYSIC TO THE DOGS, I'LL NONE OF IT."
We do not feel like blaming Macbeth for this expression of disgust. Even nowadays most of the cathartics are great repulsive pills, enough to "turn one's stomach." Had Macbeth ever taken Dr. Pierce's "Purgative Pellets" he would not have uttered those words of contempt. By drugs.

"... They who cry loudest are not always the most hurt." Kidney-Wort does its work like a Good Samaritan, unostentatiously, but with great thoroughness. A New Hampshire lady writes: "Mother has been afflicted for years with kidney diseases. Last Spring she was very ill and had an alarming pain in the back, which she attributed to a cold. Kidney-Wort proved a great blessing and she is completely cured."

At ALL SEASONS, but particularly during the winter, persons whose lungs and chests are weak should take every precaution against cough or cold, as the breathing organs if naturally feeble, are especially susceptible to its ravages. In such a case ordinary prudence dictates the prompt use of a reliable specific. The only cough remedy is too often inefficient. The best substitute for them is the highly sanctioned, long-acting, and reliable, "Kidney-Wort." It is a powerful and reliable remedy, and is well known for the action of Cat Liver Oil and is particularly marked in lung, rheumatic and strumous diseases. In this preparation it is characterized by peculiar purity. The phosphorus in hypophosphites furnishes a vital element of the blood, brain and nervous tissues, and the time and healthful recreation healthy and healthy. This remedy has also been used with the most beneficial effects in cases of scrofula. As it is exceedingly dangerous to permit a cough to gain headway, the early use of the medicine is urged upon those whose throat or lungs are affected. Look for the face of your signature on the packages and the firm's name blown on the bottles.

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