

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

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WOODSTOCK WHISPERINGS.

On the 4th of June Mrs. D. F. Merritt will give a grand ball for her daughter Jennie, who, on that day, will be 17 years old. Over 100 invitations have already been issued, and it is confidently anticipated that the fair and popular debutante will greet a very large assemblage of guest on the auspicious occasion.

Mr. William Jones, who is in the publishing business in Boston, and who frequently spends a portion of the summer in Woodstock, is here now, and is the guest of Mayor Jones.

Mr. Robert Smith, who was formerly a resident of St. John and who has for a number of years been leader of the choir of the Methodist church, left for Boston on Saturday last to accept a lucrative situation there. Before his departure he was the recipient of three addresses from his co-workers in the church. He will be greatly missed in musical circles and in his own church his place cannot easily be filled.

On Wednesday the new Episcopal church at Houlton, Me., of which Rev. Hudson Sawyer is rector, was consecrated by Bishop Neely, assisted by a number of clergymen, some of whom were from this diocese. The excursion train from Woodstock was well filled.

Rev. A. F. Brown, pastor of the Albert Street Baptist church, has accepted the call to Sussex church. His departure will be sincerely regretted. An eloquent speaker, an earnest worker and a man of broad Christian spirit his work here has been fully supplemented by that of Mrs. Brown, who is truly a noble woman.

Shortly after the advent of leap year, a very cleverly written article appeared in one of our local papers, describing a number of our most eligible young bachelors, who were presumed to be open to matrimonial proposals. As a result of this faithful inventory of the accomplishments of those young gentlemen, three of them have received bona fide proposals from St. John ladies, who are every way worthy of their espousal. One of the young gentlemen, the senior of the class, had already fallen a willing victim to leap year seductions, and having pledged his heart and hand, was not open to an offer. Another, who was described as the jolliest man in town, it is said he is trying to keep the soft impeachment a secret; but some way it leaked out, and his friends are congratulating him on his good fortune. The third one, who was mentioned as a very popular society man whose hair was rather thin on top, has been assured in the proposal received, that the lack of hair would not be considered an obstacle as his loss was more than compensated for by the fact of his popularity in social circles.

ST. STEPHEN SAYINGS.

ST. STEPHEN, May 30.—Mr. and Mrs. H. Graham's silver wedding, Monday last, was one of the best times of the year. At an early hour in the evening their residence on Marks street opened its doors to upwards of 125 guests, assembled largely from St. Stephen and Calais. After the usual interval of greeting dancing was begun and continued until about 3 o'clock. A recitation and two or three comic songs by one of the guests, Mr. L. Harris, added not a little to the pleasure of the evening. There were many beautiful gifts.

Mrs. F. Scammell is spending a few days with relatives in town.

A Great Masonic Event.

At the quarterly communication of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, F. A. M., held at Masonic Temple, Boston, March 14, the board of directors were authorized to make arrangements for the dedication of a monument to be erected to the memory of Henry Price, the first provincial grand master of Massachusetts. In accordance with this vote, the following announcement has been made by circular to all the lodges in the state:—

On Thursday, June 21, the most worshipful grand master, accompanied by the grand officers and Henry Price lodge of Charlestown, will leave Boston at 10 o'clock a. m. and proceed to Townsend Centre. At Ayer's Junction the company will be joined by St. Paul and Caleb Butler lodges of Ayer. At 11 o'clock a. m., or immediately after the arrival in town, a procession will be formed and march to the new cemetery in that town, where, at high 12, the newly erected monument will be dedicated in ample form. A collection will be served in the town hall at the close of the services. The party will leave Ayer for Boston at 3.15 p. m. The fare for the round trip for Boston will be \$1.25 and for the collection \$1.

On the following Tuesday, June 26, the grand officers, with the lodges and brethren generally, will assemble at the Masonic Temple, Boston, at 10 o'clock a. m. and proceed to some hall, to be hereafter designated, where an historical address will be delivered by the recording grand secretary, and other exercises will be held, suitable to the occasion. Following this a dinner will be served with all dresses by distinguished Masons, and appropriate music. Any master Mason may attend the exercises, but admission to the dinner will be \$2.

To commemorate the important services rendered to the fraternity by the father of Masonry in America, the most worshipful grand lodge has caused to be prepared a medal, copies of which in bronze can be obtained of the grand secretary, at \$2 each. It is particularly desired that as many of the lodges and brethren as possible from all over the state, should attend the exercises in Boston, June 26, and thus testify their reverence for the memory of the founder of duly constituted Masonry in America. All tickets or medals must be procured on or before June 21.

The medal is said to be the finest Masonic medal ever struck in this country. On one side is the arms of the grand lodge of Massachusetts, with the date 1732. On the reverse is a likeness of Henry Price, and in the outer circle his name and the words, "Founder of duly constituted Masonry in America." Below the portrait is the date of the celebration, "June 26, 1888." The whole is suspended from a handsomely designed cross bar.

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OUR PIONEER STOCK FARM.

Mr. William F. Todd's Model Establishment at Oak Point, Charlotte County.

To Mr. William F. Todd of St. Stephen is due the credit of establishing the first stock farm in the dominion for the breeding of trotters.

Throughout the United States there are several noted stock farms devoted to this purpose, from which have come the most famous trotters today in America, but it was left for Mr. Todd to say, if this business can be successfully carried on in the far west, it can be so as easily in the east.

Possessing a large farm of some 250 acres, covering the beautiful peninsula called Oak Point, that separates the St. Croix river and Oak bay, and from the highest point of which can be seen the grandest panorama of river, bay and mountain scenery that Charlotte county contains, Mr. Todd two years ago determined to locate here a stock-breeding establishment that in the future should make the name of his native county famous throughout the world. Being from boyhood a lover of horses, and possessing means to carry out his work, he was well fitted for the undertaking, and all who have the pleasure of knowing him today, of inspecting his stock, listening to his conversation and noting his earnest manner and calm deliberation, cannot fail to be imbued with his ideas, and believe in the sure success of his enterprise.

Having put his hand to the plough Mr. Todd never looked back. After building an extensive barn on his land for the reception of his first horses, he started west to buy stock, and was fortunate enough to be able to obtain the sons and daughters of some of the fastest trotters in America.

At the stock farm there are at present two stallions and five famous brood mares, while Mr. Todd has sent four brood mares to Massachusetts and Kentucky to noted horses there. It needs hardly be said that Mr. Todd is also the owner of the great Wilkes stallion, Lumps, record 2.21, for which \$17,000 was paid. Mr. France, owner of Red Wilkes and Wilton, says he is the best little horse that ever lived, and he timed him in his race at St. Louis, a quarter in 31 1-2 seconds, and a half mile in 1.04. Lumps is a son of George Wilkes, by the great Hambletonian. The dam of George Wilkes, the noted Dolly Spanker, is Henry Clay, the founder of the Clay family, who was sired by Andrew Jackson, he by Young Bashaw, by imported Grand Bashaw. Lumps' dam was by Pearsall, the sire of Lady Emma, 2.26 1-4, who was by Jupiter, by Long Island Black Hawk, a son of Andrew Jackson. Lumps will probably join the stud next year.

The four-year old stallion Elation, by Electioneer, out of Sallie Graham by Volunteer, is the king of the stables at present. He is a handsome bay horse standing 15 1-2 hands high. When led out by his trainer, with spotless coat, arched neck, and proud mien, he seemed conscious of his high birth, and well worth the \$7,000 his owner paid for him.

Edgardo, who shares the sovereignty of the stables with Elation, is a compact, noble looking horse, three years old, and showing already great speed. His sire, Rumor, has a record of 2.24, his grand sire of 2.26, and his grand dam, Lucy, has trotted under the wire in 2:18 1-4.

The great features of the stock farm are the brood mares, eight sisters, daughters of old Emeline, the most famous brood mare of her day. Of these sisters four, Adele Gould by Jay Gould, record 2:19; Alice Blackwood, by Blackwood, 2:29 1-2; Kate Taylor, by Aberdeen, record 2:23 3-4, and Daisy Hartshorn, by Aberdeen, record 2:34 1-4, are at the stock farm, all in foal. The other four are now in the states to celebrated horses. For these mares, Mr. Todd paid \$35,000, and he has already refused prices varying from \$2,000 to \$4,000 for the foals on the halter.

Here also is the white mare Fortuna, in foal to Rumor, and several others of like celebrity.

The large barn of brick, 140x43 feet, contains nineteen roomy and well-lighted box stalls, 12x14 feet, a commodious harness and grooming room, and a pleasant office and handsome parlor for Mr. Todd's friends, making one of the finest horse hotels to be found east of Kentucky. A second barn, 90x40 feet for mares with foal, is built close to the first structure, and is as complete in all its fittings.

Of the pleasant days spent in Charlotte county none is more firmly fixed in memory than that which was passed in company with Mr. Todd behind his fast horses, and listening to his entertaining talk. Success to him and prosperity to his splendid farm, of which the dominion has good reason to be proud!

A. W. MASTERS, JR.

"I have no reason to doubt your sincerity, Mr. Hankinson," said the young lady, with unaffected sadness, "but I saw you in that amateur game at the park last Saturday, and my feelings towards you have undergone a change. A young man that can't steal a bag on that one-eyed duffer, Limber Jim, and strikes out six times when Pudding Jake is in the box, is no good. I am sorry, Mr. Hankinson, but I can't sign you as a husband."—Chicago Tribune.

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TRADE AND INSURANCE.

The cotton combine has been run so hard by Mr. Alexander Gibson that it has been forced to give the St. Croix mill carte blanche to meet him on his own grounds. The Trade Bulletin, of Montreal, says that as those grounds extend from the maritime provinces to London, it is feared that this action is going to play havoc with the combine proper. The St. Croix mills having received permission to compete with "Kicker" Gibson as they see fit, by selling at their own prices, regardless of monopoly regulations, a fight may commence that will knock the combine into "smithereens." The public, however, should not lose sight of the fact that it owes a debt of gratitude to Mr. Gibson, who so pluckily withstood the action of the combine and forced it at last to cut loose the St. Croix cotton mills in order to keep them from sinking beneath the persistent worrying of the "bull dog."

A leading operator stated, a few days ago, that there was trouble ahead, as the mills had been over-producing again, and that stocks have been accumulating too fast for consumptive requirements. It would appear by this that the combine, not being able to keep production within legitimate requirements, will scarcely be able to control prices, especially as Gibson and St. Croix are in the breach. There are evidently squalls ahead, as the members of the combine appear to mistrust each other. The Trade Bulletin says that the first sale of Prince Edward Island oats ever made in Montreal was recorded the week ending May 18—20,000 bushels, 39 cents, at 32 pounds. The next week, 40,000 bushels were sold at 40 cents, and a number of cargoes of this grain are now sailing to Montreal instead of Great Britain, which has, up to this year, been the great market for this grain.

According to evidence and statements submitted to the Combines committee at Ottawa by Mr. Hugh Scott, the loss by fire in Canada was \$6,900,815 in 1884, of which there was insured \$3,820,324. In that year nearly \$7,000,000 was lost to the country, the greater part of which might have been saved if certain precautions had been observed. His company, he stated, gave great attention to seeing that proper safeguards were taken to prevent fires, and the result of their inspection has been very satisfactory. One of their clients had recently written that their place worth \$50,000 was saved from the fact that the company had taken the precaution to see that the place was supplied with fire pails. Mr. Scott urged that the question should be taken up by the government. Mr. Scott dwelt at great length on what he described as the "fire waste" in Canada, and the necessity for the government interposing and passing regulations for the prevention of fire in the same way as they have passed an act for the fencing in of machinery to prevent accidents.

Referring to a recent paragraph about counterfeiters of the Bank of B. N. A. \$5 bill, dated 1877, circulating in the Maritime provinces, it appears that this is a more recent attempt to work off bogus bills, some of which were put afloat as early as 1884. The bank had a new note prepared and issued upon the discovery of that counterfeit, and since that date, we are told, every \$5 note of 1877 issue, which has been redeemed, has been cancelled. A genuine \$5 note of the issue of 1877 is indeed now seldom seen.—Monetary Times.

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SAINT JOHN Summer Races.

DOMINION DAY.

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THE DIRECTORS OF THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY of the City and County of Saint John beg to announce the opening of their Driving Park (late Moosepath), on MONDAY, July 2 (Dominion Day), when a series of races will be held as below. First Race to commence at 3 p. m. sharp.

FIRST RACE. A TROTTER RACE for Colts, 4 years old and under. Purse \$100, divided 60 per cent. to first, 30 per cent. to second, 10 per cent. to third; entrance 10 per cent.

SECOND RACE. A TROTTER RACE for horses that have never beaten 2:50. Purse \$125, divided 60 per cent. to first, 30 per cent. to second, 10 per cent. to third; entrance 10 per cent.

THIRD RACE. Bankers' and Merchants' Cup, Value \$100. RUNNING RACE for horses bred and owned in the Maritime Provinces. Distance, one mile on the flat; best 2 in 3; entrance \$5. To be divided (in addition to the cup which goes to the first) as follows: 60 per cent. to first, 30 per cent. to second, 10 per cent. to third. At least three to enter and start. Cup to be won twice by the same person before becoming absolute owner. For conditions see handbills. Race to be run under the rules of the American Jockey Club. Overweight allowed if declared. In the Trotting Races there must be at least 5 to enter and 3 to start.

ENTRIES close MONDAY, June 25th at 11 p. m., and are to be addressed to the Secretary, at St. T. Golding's office, Watrous street. Entries if mailed on day of closing, will be accepted. All entries must be accompanied by entrance fee.

ADMISSION to the Grounds 50 cents; Carriages free. JAMES LEE, President. ARTHUR M. MAGEE, Secretary.

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5.40 a. m.—For St. Stephen, and for Bangor, and points west, Fredericton, St. Andrews, Houlton and Woodstock.

4.45 p. m.—For Fredericton and intermediate points.

8.30 p. m.—(Except Saturday night)—For Bangor, Portland, Boston, and all points west, (except Saturday and Sunday nights), for Houlton, Woodstock, St. Stephen, Presque Isle and Grand Falls, with Pullman Sleeping car for Bangor.

ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN. 5.45 a. m.—(Except Monday morning)—From Bangor, Portland, Boston and all points west, and from St. Stephen, Houlton and Woodstock, Presque Isle and Edmundston.

9.00 a. m.—From Fredericton and intermediate points.

2.20 p. m.—From Bangor, Portland, Boston and all points west, and from Fredericton, St. Andrews, St. Stephen, Houlton, Woodstock, Grand Falls and Presque Isle.

7.00 p. m.—From St. Stephen and from St. Andrews, Fredericton, Houlton and Woodstock.

LEAVE CARLETON. 8.00 a. m.—For Fairville and for Bangor and points west, Fredericton, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Houlton and Woodstock.

4.30 p. m.—For Fairville, and for Fredericton and intermediate points.

ARRIVE AT CARLETON. 8.40 a. m.—From Fairville. 8.05 p. m.—From Fairville and points west.

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As we desire to realize upon the assets for the purpose of paying the depositors and debenture holders within the shortest possible period, we shall be obliged to enforce payment at once of all amounts due.

Payment to be made at the office of the Society, Old Fellows' Building, Union street. Dated at St. John, May 19, 1888.

F. S. SHARPE, Trustees for security ARTHUR I. TRUEMAN, of Depositors and DE THOMAS WILLIAMS, of Debenture holders of and in the Saint John Building Society.

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