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Mrs. Currie, wife of J. R. Currie of the Currie University, is seriously ill at her home Union St. Mrs. Frank G. Wilson accompanied by her two children, are visiting their many friends in this city.

FRIENDS PREVAILED

A Nervous Toronto Woman Walked the Floor During the Night for Hours at a Time—She Makes a Statement. TORONTO, ONT.—"I was troubled with nervousness. It was impossible for me to keep still and if the spells came over me during the night I had to get up and walk the floor for hours at a time. My blood was very poor and I was subject to bilious attacks. My feet would swell and I was not able to do my own house-work. I treated with two of the best physicians here but only received relief for a time. I became discouraged. One day a friend called and advised me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I laughed at the advice but I was prevailed upon and procured one bottle. Before I used it all I began to feel better. I took several bottles and also several boxes of Hood's Pills. Now I can eat and drink heartily and sleep soundly. Hood's Sarsaparilla has entirely cured me and also strengthened me so that I now do all my own work. I cheerfully recommend Hood's Sarsaparilla to all sufferers from nervousness, weakness or general debility." MRS. H. F. PARM, Degraasi Street.

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Miss Bailey returned from a visit to St. Stephen where she was the guest of Mrs. Harriet Clarke and Mrs. D. A. Melvin. The marriage took place in St. Stephen's church Thursday when Rev. D. J. Fraser united in marriage Miss Nita Golding daughter of Mr. A. W. Golding with Mr. James B. Gillespie. The bride who was unattended was attired in a brown travelling suit of cloth; the marriage was witnessed only by immediate relatives of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie are spending their honeymoon in the Upper Canadian cities. The Kennebecasis Yacht Club concert on Thursday evening was largely attended and brought together a most fashionable audience. The various numbers on the programme were most enjoyable and those whose names appeared in connection therewith acquitted themselves very creditably. Next week the attraction for theatre goers will be The Burglar, and The Empress of France, the latter to be played on Wednesday evening. William Harris and Augusta de Forrest the two leading people in the company are said to be exceptionally clever in their line of work. The Empress of France is a strong play, and of a style all too rare in St. John in these days of cheap repertoire. The engagement promises to be successful.

RICHIBUCTO.

Oct. 25.—The young gentlemen of Kingston entertained their friends at a pleasant dance in the Hall last Friday evening. A most enjoyable time is reported. Among those who attended from Richibucto were Mr. and Mrs. W. Forbes, Miss Jardine and Miss Nan McFarlane. Mr. R. H. Davis is attending court in Fredericton this week. Mrs. W. Lawson is spending a few weeks with relatives in New York. Mrs. C. H. Coperwaite arrived in town a few days ago. Miss Annie Ferguson is visiting friends in Chatham. Mr. and Mrs. H. Hutchinson of Buctouche who spent last week in town the guests of Mrs. J. Stevenson returned home on Saturday. Mr. W. R. Robinson of Kouchibouguac occupied the pulpit of Chalmers Church on Sunday evening. Mr. J. Pritchard of St. John was in town this week. Judge Wells of Moncton was here this week holding court. Judge Forbes of St. John and Professor Falconer of Halifax were in this vicinity last week, in the interests of the new library building in connection with the Presbyterian college in Halifax. Professor Falconer addressed a meeting in Chalmers' church on Thursday evening. AURORA

HAVELOCK.

Oct. 25.—A Surprise party was given to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sharpe on Monday evening. Mrs. B. G. Fownes' many friends are pleased to see her back once more. Miss Blanche O'Brien has returned to her home in Moncton. Miss Palmer of Sackville is the guest of her sister Mrs. Herbert Sharpe. Mrs. J. D. Seely entertained a few friends on Friday evening. Mr. Mrs. and Miss Davis who were visiting Mrs. R. T. McCready, have returned to St. John. Doctor H. Wilson of Montreal has been spending a few days here. Mr. Alex. Kingston was in St. John last week. Miss Belle Wilnot and Mr. J. E. Foster were the guests of Mrs. Robert Taylor on Saturday. Miss Annie Black of Moncton visited friends here over Sunday. Mrs. J. Webster and Miss Annie Webster visited Mrs. A. Hoyt for a few days this week. Miss Bert Davison of Annapolis was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Price on Sunday. Doctor Melbourne Keith of Harcourt, spent Sunday here with friends. Mr. Dudley Keith has returned to St. John to resume his studies. MAX.

WINDSOR.

Oct. 27.—On Monday evening Mr. Vernon Eville gave an organ recital in Christ church to a large audience. He was assisted by Mr. Lataat of New York, who has an exceeding fine baritone voice. His first solo, "Jesus Lover of my Soul," was very sweet also "The Lost Cord" was very well rendered. Mr. Colin Locke sang "There is a green Hill far Away," and was in particularly good voice and pleased the listeners exceedingly. It is to be hoped this is only a beginning of Mr. Eville's recitals. Mrs. O'Brien of Halifax is the guest of Mrs. Walter Lawson. Mrs. George Wilcox is visiting New York. Miss Shatford spent a few days with Miss Stamer on her return from New York.

PARRSBOBO.

[Progress is for sale at Parrsboro Book Store.] Oct. 26.—Rev. C. B. Gamming was the preacher at St. George's harvest home service. The church was most tastefully decorated, the flowers, fruit and vegetables being afterwards sent to the Cottage hospital at Springhill. The ladies of the Baptist congregation held a pleasant social on Tuesday evening at the residence of Mr. F. L. Jenks. Mrs. Vickery returned from Halifax with Mrs. C. Howard quite ill and is not yet able to be about. "A tip to Sweden" was the subject of a very in-

teresting lecture by Rev. W. G. Lowe on Tuesday evening. The lecture was illustrated by a large number of views in oil colors. Mrs. Townshend let on Wednesday for a visit in Montreal. Dr. Townshend accompanied her as far as Amherst. Mr. H. E. Gills, Annapolis, is staying at the Alpha. There is a general feeling of regret at the departure of Rev. E. H. Howe and his family who have this week removed to Kingston. Mr. Lawson Jenks has gone to P. E. Island.

DORCHESTER.

[Progress is for sale in Dorchester by G. M. Fairweather.] Oct. 26.—The death occurred last Wednesday of Mrs. Wheldon of London, Eng., after an illness of about six months. Mrs. Wheldon was a sister of Messrs. H. W. Palmer, M. B. Palmer, and P. Palmer and also a sister of Mrs. Joshua King. She leaves a husband and one daughter Miss Daisy Wheldon who has been here all summer to mourn her loss. The funeral took place on Friday at three o'clock from Mr. M. B. Palmer's residence to Trinity church and from there to the cemetery. Mr. G. R. Payzant returned from Canning N. S. last week. Miss E. M. Dibblee is visiting friends in Sackville. Mrs. H. G. C. Ketchum of Fredericton spent a day in town last week the guest of Mrs. G. W. Chandler at Maplehurst. Mr. R. W. Hewson of Moncton was in town today. Mrs. G. W. Chandler and Miss E. M. Dibblee spent a day in Sackville last week the guest of Mrs. J. F. Allison. PERSONNE.

GREENWICH.

Oct. 25.—Mrs. David Crowe of Fredericton made a short visit to her mother last week and returned home on Monday. On Saturday Mrs. Holder went to Fredericton to spend Sunday with her daughter. Miss Fay was the guest of Mrs. Fred Whipple last week. Capt. Peatman went to Dalhousie last week to join the stmr. City of Monticello. Mrs. Albert McCleary visited friends here last week. Mr. and Mrs. McLeod were in St. John last week attending the wedding of their granddaughter.

HAMPSTEAD.

Oct. 25.—Rev. W. H. Perry, free baptist clergyman, who has lately resigned his charge at Grand Manan, to take up a new field of labor at this place entering upon his new duties next Sunday. Mr. Perry's family have arrived here and have received a hearty welcome from the people. The free baptists feel gratified to know they have secured the services of a very energetic clergyman. During the last five years Mr. Perry has attended 200 preaching services per year, 185 baptisms and conference meetings, 84 funerals, 90 baptisms and has travelled, 18,000 miles.

BURROUGHS' MARRIAGE PLANT.

Beautifully situated for Making Runaway Couples One and at Home. The Rev. A. H. Burroughs, perhaps better known as 'Parson Burroughs,' of the city of Bristol, Tenn., probably bears the distinction of marrying the most runaway couples during the last nine years of any licensed clergyman in this country. Parson Burroughs is an ordained baptist minister of the State of Virginia. In August, 1889, he decided to give up regular preaching and moved to Bristol, Tenn., where he leased the Nickles House and established himself in the hotel business. The hotel building is a two-story and very dilapidated structure. He soon discovered that his location and his authority to perform the marriage ceremony could be put to a profitable use. During the first four months of his hotel life he had been called upon to marry eleven couples, nearly all of them being runaway couples, and in the case of either one or both of the contracting parties there were insurmountable obstacles in the way of their getting married in the State where they lived, for they were nearly all from the States of Virginia or West Virginia. He made an investigation and found that the marriage laws in the State of Tennessee permitted the marriage of any woman of twelve years of age or over and of any man of fourteen years of age or over without the consent of their parents or guardians, while in the States of Virginia and West Virginia the consent of the parent or guardian must be obtained for both parties for all ages under 21 years.



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The hotel kept by Parson Burroughs was most admirably situated for the marriage and entertainment of runaway couples. Bristol is what is known as the Twin City. It has a population of about 10 000 and is divided practically in the centre by its Main street. The State line between Tennessee and Virginia is the centre of Main street. The Union depot is situated on the Virginia side of Main street, and the Nickles House, where Parson Burroughs resides, is on the Tennessee side and only about 300 feet distant. When the good parson got these conditions all figured out he decided that keeping a hotel, preaching on Sunday as occasion offered and marrying runaway couples, if not wholly consistent, would be a source of profit, besides making a lot of people very grateful to him. A little judicious advertising soon brought his business into notice and business began to come his way.

During a recent interview Parson Burroughs stated that his business increased very rapidly until he reached his maximum number for a single year, as follows: In the last four months of 1889, 11 marriages; in 1890, 53; in 1891, 95; in 1892, 111. This last year was during the boom which at that time was spreading all over the South and which soon after came to a disastrous end. Since that year runaway marriages have not been quite so plenty, and the parson has not kept his tally by years. His total number of marriages for the past nine years, however, reaches the large number of 750, an average of over 80 a year. Marriages licenses in Tennessee are issued by the County Clerk, or a deputy by him appointed. The deputy in the city of Bristol is John R. Snow, and one of the recent licences by authority of which Parson Burroughs had made an eloping couple happy read as follows: 'State of Tennessee county of Sullivan.

'To any minister of the Gospel having the care of Souls, Judge, Chancellor or any Justice of Peace of Sullivan—Greeting: You or either of you are authorized to solemnize the rites of matrimony between James F. Branson and Ellen Taylor of your county, agreeable to the direction of the act of Assembly in such case made and provided.'

Parson Burroughs felicitates himself that he has never married a couple where the bride was under 14 and only one of 14. This 14 year-old bride was married to a man 21 years old. With one couple which the parson married the bride was 18 and the groom 70. Among the 750 couples there have been those of all ages and social and financial conditions. In nearly every case there was some circumstance which rendered it impossible for them to get married in any other State but Tennessee. While most of the couples who come to the parson to be married come from Virginia or West Virginia, his record shows the following other States as having contributed a small quota: North Carolina, Kentucky, Ohio,

Indiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan. Parson Burroughs' record for one day is four couples.

He said that he always left the matter of the fee to the generosity of the groom, with the result that his fees had run all the way from a 'thank-you-sir' to \$10. But the mere fee is not the only income from the business. The parson has fitted up in his hotel two cozy bridal chambers, and it is not uncommon for the newly married couple to decide to stay all night at the Nickles House. The parson, of course gets a liberal fee for their entertainment. He remembered one occasion when both bridal chambers were occupied by newly married couples. He also keeps on hand a fine assortment of marriage certificates designed for framing, or which, when properly filled out, he collects a fee ranging from 25 cents to \$1. This matter of a certificate he claims is a very popular feature of his business, for being mostly runaway couples they invariably want to possess themselves with the best possible evidence of their new relations when presenting themselves to their wrathful parents for forgiveness.

Parson Burroughs, as the time for the arrival of the trains approaches, puts on his most clerical looking garments and leisurely saunters over to the passenger station. If a couple bent on getting married should alight from the train the good parson never needs a second look to detect their errand. He has a quiet way of slipping up to them and letting them know that he is just the man they are looking after. Then, taking them in a carriage, if they are rich enough to pay for it, and on foot if they are not, he escorts them to the deputy County Clerk, where the license is procured, and back to the Nickles House, where the knot is firmly tied in the shortest possible time. It is said in Bristol that so expert has the parson become that he never makes a mistake. He never approaches the wrong party or allows the right party to escape him.

A New Profession.

To anyone acquainted with the complex characteristics of London life it would appear almost incredible that a man could make a living as a pickpocket by immediately restoring what he has stolen to its original owner. A detective officer, however, has recently informed the writer that such, indeed, is the case. For some time past an ingenious individual has made it his business to wait upon ladies as they leave theatres, calling their carriages, and aiding them to enter. He is decently dressed, very polite, and has a way of holding up the lady's dress behind—especially if the weather be wet—which is particularly pleasing to his patronesses. But it seems that his action in this respect is not nearly so disinterested as it might appear, for he makes his little courtesy a subterfuge for picking their pockets or removing any article of value within reach. His methods, however, are not those of the common thief, for he presently proceeds to the police station nearest at hand, and there delivers up his spoil, coolly stating that he has 'found it' outside a certain theatre. He, of course, furnishes also his name and address, and in due time his 'honest' action receives his reward. He has 'found' so many things recently that the police are anxious to find him.

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