

SOCIAL and PERSONAL.

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after late home on Tuesday evening. The deceased lady was over ninety years of age and very highly esteemed, five sons survive her, James O'Brien, M. P. P., John O'Brien, Wm. O'Brien, Timothy O'Brien and Edward O'Brien, postmaster. The funeral takes place on Friday afternoon, her children, grand children and great-grandchildren number over sixty.

ST. STEPHEN and CALAIS.

[Progress is for sale in St. Stephen at the bookstore of O. S. Wall, T. E. Atcheson and J. Vroom and in Calais at O. P. Tremaine's.]

May 15.—Mrs C. A. Short of West Superior, Wis., with her two daughters, arrived here on Friday for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Breen. Mrs. Fred Borne, who has spent several months in the west, returned with her sister. Dr. and Mrs. Holland have moved from Mrs. A. E. Neill's residence on Church avenue, Calais, and are residing at the St. Croix hotel.

Mrs. A. L. Clapp is visiting friends in Waltham, Mass., before going to the western states.

Mrs. Henry B. Eaton and Mrs. Henry G. Pike have joined a party to visit Europe this summer. The party will be under the charge of Miss Eleanor Nelson, daughter of Frank Nelson of the Calais national bank, and will remain abroad until September, travelling through Great Britain, France, Switzerland and Holland. They leave Boston on June 5th in the steamship Cozmonwealth, of the Dominion line.

Miss Bertha Longfellow of Machias paid Calais a short visit last week.

Miss Walter McAllister has entered upon her duties as bookkeeper at the Holmes sardine factory office in Robbinston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Dowst, Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Eaton are among the number who are enjoying the fine fishing at Grand Lake stream.

Hon. Judge Stevens and Miss Grace Stevens have recently visited Mrs. J. Rankine Brown at her home in Woodstock.

Mrs. G. A. Carran and Miss Marion Curran have returned from Boston.

Major and Mrs. J. D. Chipman have returned from Montreal. They were accompanied home by their daughter, Miss Constance Chipman.

Colonel Toller of Ottawa is the guest of Madame Chipman this week.

C. H. Clarke and his daughter, Mrs. Frank V. Lee visited St. John last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Dowst returned from Grand Lake on Saturday.

Mrs. Worcester has returned to her home in Calais after an extended visit in Eastport.

Mrs. F. P. Woods and Mrs. W. L. Eaton have arrived home from Grand Lake stream.

Mrs. Sarah Buddoch has returned from Digby, N. S., and is residing with Mrs. F. I. Blair.

Mrs. W. Colby accompanied by Mrs. Jordan left on Monday for a visit in Portland. Mr. Gordon is a guest of Mr. Colby during their absence.

Edward Hanson and Mrs. Wm. McAlone went to Houlton last week to attend the funeral of their brother, Dr. Hanson.

A trusted employe in one of our leading manufacturing and an estimable young lady whose home is in Duke's ward are soon to be the principals in an interesting event.

Miss Minnie Hatfield and Mr. T. C. Dykeman of Queen's county are to be principals in a happy event which will be solemnized at the home of J. Harvey Genong in this town on June 12th.

Mrs. Cassie Quaid of Bailie has entered the St. Stephen business college for the stenographic course.

Latest styles of Wedding invitations and announcements printed in any quantities and at moderate prices. Will be sent to any address.

Progress Job Print.

ST. ANDREWS.

Miss Hanson, of Lepreau, has been elected secretary of the King's Daughters.

Mrs. J. H. Malsed, the Massachusetts lady who built a beautiful summer home at Bocabec Cove, is now occupying it.

W. V. Lamb, medical student at McGill college, Montreal, is home for the recess.

Capt. and Mrs. Melville N. Clark and child are occupying the Hartt cottage.

Rev. Thomas D. McLean, of Milltown, N. B., has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Union church Ludlow, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Milne, of St. George, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Hibbard, on Sunday.

Miss Annie Thompson, of St. Stephen, is visiting her brother, Albert Thompson.

Mme. Thebaud and Mlle. Thebaud have returned home from Montpelier, Vt.

Capt. Richard Keny, his wife and child are visiting friends in St. Andrews.

Recreation.

Gray alders swing above the shelving sand Their drooping tassels brown;
The banks of willow cope on either hand Flame out with crimson crown.
Down from the tufted mossy ledges green, Where sunlight flees all day,
Long ice backs toward the dorkling water leap, And break, and float away.

The russet meadow-lands are silent still, With linnets drowsing in the grass;
No bluebird sings by pasture fence or hill, His strain of long ago.
But hidden pulses thrill and quiver deep Beneath the sun-warmed sod,
Where life, half-wakened, stirs from wintry sleep To meet the smile of God.

—Mabel Earle.

Trends in Bermuda.

Bermuda is remarkable for the scarcity of land vertebrate animals. It possesses only one species of reptile, a lizard, and until 15 or 20 years ago there was no amphibians. At that time some of the hugh Guiana toads were imported from Demarara by the owner of a Bermuda garden, who thought these animals would clear his plants of insects. The toads thrived on the insects and spread over the islands, and now they are regarded with disfavor because they get into the cisterns which hold the rain-water that is universally used for drinking purposes in Bermuda.

The Eclipse Cyclone.

The remarkable discovery that a total eclipse of the sun develops a cold-air cyclone as the shadow sweeps across the earth has been made by H. C. Clayton through a study of the meteorological phenomena observed during the eclipse of May, 1900. During the eclipse the winds

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were practically reversed in direction, as the umbra moved from one side of the continent to the other, and there was an outflow of air from the shadow to a distance 1,500 miles. As the shadow progressed about 2,000 miles an hour, the eclipse cyclone, to keep pace with it, must have continuously formed within the shadow and must have dissipated in the rear almost instantly. Mr. Clayton believes that this discovery indicates that the fall of temperature at night must tend to produce a cold-air cyclone, while the heat of day tends to the production of a warm-air one, and thus the puzzling phenomenon of the double diurnal period in air pressure receives an explanation.

How Old is the Human Race?

This question receives an interesting answer in the latest edition of De Mortillet's 'Origin and Antiquity of Man.' The total number of years elapsed since, according to geological evidence, men first appeared upon the earth is placed at 238,000. Of this 78,000 years belong to the preglacial epoch, 100,000 years to the glacial, 44,000 years to the interval between the glacial epoch and the protohistoric and Neolithic, 10,000 years to the two last named epochs, and 6,000 years to the time elapsed since the beginning of the historic period in Egypt.

The Largest Photographic Camera.

A camera capable of making a photograph eight by ten feet in area is owned by the Chicago & Alton Railway Company, and was constructed to take a picture for the Paris Exhibition of one of the company's express-trains. The camera weighs 900 pounds, and the plate-holder when loaded, 500 pounds, making 1,400 in all. Two sets of Zeiss lenses were made for this camera, one being wide-angled with an equivalent focus of five and one-half feet, and the other a telephoto rectilinear lens of ten feet equivalent focus.

The Nineteenth Century's Comets.

During the nineteenth century 235 new comets were discovered, as against 62 in the eighteenth century. The nineteenth century also beheld a greater number of large and brilliant comets than did its predecessor. The finest of these were the comets of 1811, 1843, 1858, 1881 and 1882. In the year 1800 only one periodical comet was known, Halley's; now many are known, of which at least 17 have been seen at more than one return to perihelion.

Free Hydrogen in the Air.

Recent experiments by Professors Dava and Lavegne have demonstrated the existence in the atmosphere of a sensible proportion of free hydrogen. The presence of free hydrogen in the air has not heretofore been satisfactorily shown. It is regarded as probable that, on account of the high velocity of the hydrogen molecule free hydrogen cannot be permanently retained by the earth, and there must be a continual accession of hydrogen to this planet from interplanetary space.

Wireless Telegraphy At 200 Miles.

Mr. Marconi recently established improved apparatus for wireless telegraphy at St. Catherine's on the Isle of Wight and at the Lizard in Cornwall, and transmitted messages between these two points, which are separated 200 miles in a direct line across the water. The masts employed for elevating the instruments are 160 feet in height. In a distance of 200 miles the surface of the earth, owing to its curvature, falls off about five miles.

The Mule in Hypnotism.

Max Carnaveaux who gives exhibitions of his power in hypnotism, has declared that in future he will be more careful in the selection of his subjects for experiment. One of his favorite tricks was to persuade the man who submitted to him for test that he was a mule, and great merriment always followed the mulish antics of the victim while he was under the hypnotic influence.

But one day, down in Lyndon, Kansas,

A STORY WITHOUT WORDS.



Mr. Carnaveaux, feeling unusually sprightly and jovial, presumed a little too far on the good nature and geniality of the mule pro tem., and carried away by the strength of hypnotic suggestion, the man under the spell, suddenly kicked out with great violence and struck the hypnotist in the hand, fracturing one of the bones.

For a few weeks, therefore, there have been no hypnotic experiments of any sort and Mr. Carnaveaux has made up his mind to give up the mule trick and rely on animals of more peaceable and reliable dispositions.

He Attended the Wedding.

A gentleman, meeting an old Irish friend the unhappy possessor of a fearful back eye, and with his arm in a sling, asked him the cause of his misfortune. 'Well,' says Pat, 'it was at my sister's wedding t'other day; there was a chap there dressed up with bobtailed coat and white waistcoat; and says I, 'And who are you when you are at home?' I am the best man,' says he. 'Oh,' says I, 'we will see about that; and begorra he was.'

His Aim in Life.

People bother little boys so! All the tourists to his island home used to ask this one: 'What are you going to be, boy? what are you going to be?' and the boy had patiently replied at every interruption of his important undertakings: 'I am going to be a sailor and climb the masts.'

Last summer he took an ocean voyage and was very seasick, and the third day his father asked: 'What are you going to be, boy? what are you going to be?'

'I am not going to be a sailor and climb

the masts,' he replied. 'I am going to be a soldier and shoot cannon.'

A big uncle took the boy to see a famous cyclorama, where the smoke and carnage and realistic dead bodies in the foreground shattered another of his ambitions. To the teasing question, 'What are you going to be, boy?' came the answer in a burst of confidence:

'I am not going to be a sailor and climb the masts. I am not going to be a soldier and shoot cannon. I am going to be a bachelor and marry mamma!'

Progress—'How are your children getting on at school?' 'First rate. A'most as well as if they had stayed at home and played.'



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