

CITY NEWS.

Recent Events in and Around St. John.

Together With Country Items from Correspondents and Exchanges

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TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The following Travelling Agents of The Sun are now calling on Subscribers, etc.: EDGAR CANNING, in Albert Co.

THE SUN PRINTING COMPANY, issuing weekly 8,500 copies of THE WEEKLY SUN, challenges the circulation of all papers published in the Maritime Provinces. Advertisers, please make a note of this.

The order retiring all colored porters on the I. C. R. goes into effect on April 1st.

The Parrboro Leader says that an effort is being made to interest capital in the erection of a pulp mill at Moose River.

It is a conceded fact that Tuttle's Elxir is the best family and horse liniment on the market. Juddington & Merritt, agents, St. John, N. B.

His Lordship Bishop Courtney of Nova Scotia will leave for England with his daughter next month by s.s. Labrador from Portland-Yarmouth News.

Edward Cosman, the superintendent of the Government Marine Hospital, Bunker Island, has resigned. He has sold his farm to Placide Gaudet for \$2,500. Mr. Cosman purposes going to the Klondyke-Yarmouth News.

The Marine Board of Examiners yesterday granted certificates to the following persons for off shore: Aldon Garrison, Yarmouth, master; William R. Molloy, Lachlan Cameron, Lepreau, St. John; Forbes McIntosh, Smith's Cove, Digby county—all mates.

Work on the flat-bottomed Yukon river steamer James Donville, building at the north end of Granville street bridge, is getting on very satisfactory. Her cost is now on and it is expected that she will be launched in a couple of months—Vancouver World.

Postmaster Hamilton a few days ago made an announcement that if there were a John D. Duff he desired to see him. John D. Duff of Fairville, blacksmith, answered the call, learned of the death of an uncle and that he was one of ten heirs to an estate of about \$10,000.

The causes of death reported at the board of health office for week ending March 28 were: Bright's disease, 1; general debility, 1; chronic bronchitis, 1; membranous croup, 1; tubercular meningitis, 1; phthisis pulmonalis, 1; convulsions and teething, 1; convulsions, 1-3.

G. R. Sangster of Moncton arrived here on Friday from Citra, Florida, where he owns a large and valuable property. Mr. Sangster, who was seen at the Victoria last night by a Sun reporter, said the orange crop this season would be a failure, owing to frosts. Mr. Sangster is bringing here a lot of phosphate, taken from his property down there.

The death occurred on Sunday of John McDaniel, a well known native of this city. Deceased up to a few months ago was manager of the Central house at Woburn, Mass., when ill-health compelled him to return to his home in this city. Jack's friends were legion, and his death will be heard with the deepest regret. He was thirty-nine years of age, and leaves a widow and two children.

James R. Hornbrook, James Kerr, Lewis Frazer, Joseph Hornbrook, John Keohan, Solomon Law and Richard Nickerson, farmers, of Mount Middleton, have formed themselves into a company to be known as the Mount Middleton Cheese and Butter Company, and will proceed at once to erect a factory for the manufacture of cheese and butter. In the organization of the company, James R. Hornbrook was elected president and Solomon Law, vice president—Sussex Record.

E. M. Walker of Digby sold the Yarmouth fire department last week a pair of horses weighing over 2,500 lbs. for \$550. He afterwards purchased one of the department's greys for \$150. He imported by steamer Boston a handsome pair of matched Clydesdale bays mare, weighing 3,000 lbs. They came from Ohio, and the fire department wished to get them instead of the pair they now have, but Mr. Walker declined, as he wanted them for stock purposes in Digby county—News.

Any of our readers who intend building a lawn or garden fence will find it to their advantage to place their order for same with the Wire Fence Mfg. Co. this city. Their all-metal ornamental fencing is first class in every particular, while the cost is comparatively low. The company make a specialty of wire counter railings, wire guards for store fronts, etc. The manager, Mr. A. J. Macdonald, will be pleased to see any intending purchasers at the factory, Water street, on wharf north side of ferry floats. See advertisement.

The death occurred about two o'clock 29th inst. of B. V. Roberts, the well known ship owner.

The marriage took place at Clinton, Mississippi, on March 12th, of Warren Franklin Hatheway Geldert, a native of this city, to Miss Evelyn Foster Green, daughter of Wm. H. Green. Mr. Geldert is a nephew of W. Frank Hatheway of this city.

Robert Bustin has invented and secured the patent in Canada, United States and other countries on skates of various kinds, including hockey, speed and pleasure skates. A Sun reporter saw samples of the various kinds last evening, and judging from those shown Mr. Bustin has an article that will sell like hot cakes next season.

William Kierstead, postmaster of Kiersteadville, picked up on the ice at Kingston creek on March 19th a large valise containing ladies' and gentlemen's wear. The owner can have the same by applying to William Kierstead of Kiersteadville, Springfield, Kings Co.

A frame building at Waterford, Kings Co., the property of Beaconsfield lodge, L. O. A., was destroyed by fire Saturday night. The upper part of the building was used by the lodge and the lower portion occupied by Bliss Dodds, who conducted a general store. The building was insured for \$500 in the Imperial and the stock for \$600 in the Western Assurance company.

A slight fire occurred in the factory of the Lordy Furniture Manufacturing Company Saturday night, that, while extinguished before any great loss ensued, if it had not been discovered at the time would undoubtedly have attained as serious an extent as the fire in the adjacent building a few days ago. The flames Saturday night were subdued just as they were breaking through the roof and before there was time to spread. The loss by fire will be small, but the damage done by water will be considerable.

Harold Lee, a young son of William G. Lee of Wall street, had a narrow escape from drowning in the river at Indiantown on Friday afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock. About that time he fell from a boat into the water near the ferry slip and was in a precarious condition when rescued by Captain Chas. C. Taylor of the Olivette. The boy was taken into Clarke's saloon, where he was cared for until his father arrived and had him conveyed to his home. Captain Taylor is deserving of all praise, as undoubtedly he was the medium of saving the boy's life.

A correspondent writes: A number of the brothers and sisters in Christ met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Edith Wenn and held a prayer meeting at the close of the meeting. Robert Ellis presented Mrs. Wenn with a well filled purse on her behalf. Mrs. Wenn made a suitable reply, after which refreshments were served. The gathering broke up by singing "God be with you till we meet again." Mrs. Wenn wishes to express her heartfelt thanks through your paper to the many friends, for it was principally through their efforts that the purse was made.

The Mission services at St. Mary's church were brought to a very successful close Friday evening, when a large congregation assembled. The pastor, in an address marked with deep feeling, referred to the earnest work of Rev. Mr. Bareham, and stated that the visible fruits of the mission were a cause for devout thankfulness. He regretted that it was not possible to have continued the evangelistic services further, as they were increasing in interest and power for good. Mr. Bareham returned to his parish on Friday and many of the people who worship at St. Mary's, as well as others, will have a warm feeling for his untiring efforts in their behalf, and will be glad to welcome him when he again visits the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel B. Carpenter celebrated the twentieth anniversary of their wedding on March 18th at their residence, Wickham, Queens Co. Although the evening was stormy, about sixty guests were present. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter received a number of useful and costly presents, which testified to the high esteem in which they are held. After the guests had done ample justice to the bountiful repast spread by the host and hostess, T. W. Carpenter, M. P., made the presentation, which was followed by speeches, recitations and music. After wishing Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter many returns of the day the company separated for their homes, all highly pleased with the enjoyable evening they had spent.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

CHATHAM, N. B., March 28. To the Editor of the Sun:—Three disconsolate drummers met the other day at Chatham Junction. They were waiting for a chance to go for somebody. These knights of the road had got off the east-bound express bound for Chatham, only to wait one hour and forty minutes for a train to Chatham town. One wicked toy asked his neighbor, a supporter of John V. "Why did you not go to the high Newcastles?" "Oh," answered the other, "the station agent led me to believe that there was a close connection, and you know time tables of the new brand are near as will they appear? The train men are standing it well. But the question is, Did these men sin or their parents that they should be compelled to dally run the gamut of a string of questions as to the movements of trains?" ONLY A DRUMMER.

P. S.—CHATHAM JUNCTION, March 28. Express train an hour late; more people waiting.

PASSAMAQUODDY INDIANS WILL ENLIST.

EASTPORT, Me., March 23.—A battalion of troops has been organized among the members of the Passamaquoddy Indian tribe, whose reservation is at Perry, on the St. Croix River, above this place. When it is fully completed its service will be offered to the national government in case war with Spain should occur. These Indians can muster about 100 fighting men.

SUSSEX NEWS.

The Orange Hall at McAfee's Corner Totally Destroyed by Fire.

SUSSEX, March 23.—The venerable mother of Rev. C. W. Hamilton was the recipient on Saturday evening of a birthday gift of \$75.50. The presentation took place at the Methodist parsonage in the presence of a few friends and was accompanied by an appropriate address, signed by all the donors—the children and grandchildren of the recipient. The address was read by Rev. Geo. Steel of St. John, who added a few fitting remarks of his own. Seventy-five dollars of the above amount were in gold and designed to represent the number of years attained by Mrs. Hamilton. The old lady retains to a remarkable degree both her physical and mental faculties. Though taken wholly by surprise by this expression of esteem in which she is held by her posterity and deeply moved thereby, yet she acknowledged the gift in a few fittingly chosen words. After the congratulations of friends had been extended, light refreshments were served. Mrs. Hamilton, who has been during the recent illness of her son, returns to Sackville this week.

News reached here early this morning that the Orange hall at McAfee's Corner, in the parish of Waterford, was discovered to be on fire about 10 o'clock last night, and notwithstanding that every effort was made to subdue the fire, the building was totally destroyed. The upper flat was used by the Orangemen for their meetings and other meetings, while the lower flat was occupied by H. Bliss Dodd as a country store. A portion of the goods, who has been in the building was insured for five hundred dollars in the Imperial, and the goods in the store for six hundred dollars in the Western. Both companies are represented by Major T. Edwin Arnold, the local agent in Sussex.

Bushe & Mills, the well known merchants occupying the brick block here, have purchased the store, stock in trade and good will of John S. Writts, situated a short distance from the railway station in Penobscus, and took possession this morning. H. Palmer, son of the late Sheriff Palmer of Queens county, who has been in the employ of Bushe & Mills for several years past, and who is very popular, will conduct the branch of Bushe & Mills business.

S. H. White of the firm of S. H. White & Co., who had been on a visit to his home, who is attending an educational institution in Boston, has returned home.

His Lordship Bishop Kingdon will hold confirmation services in Trinity church, Sussex, at 7.30 tomorrow, Tuesday evening.

A horse owned by Mrs. McLean of the village of Upper Corner, which was driven by Mr. Adam, a commercial agent at Upper Corner, this afternoon, stumbled on a stone, falling, breaking one of its legs badly. The animal was shot, no hopes of its ever becoming useful again.

ACROSS THE BAY.

The Schooner Gladys Capsized in the Bay and Fate of Crew Unknown.

DIGBY, March 23.—Sunday morning about ten o'clock the schooner Bee, Capt. Wm. Cronk, of Grand Manan, arrived in port and reported having been alongside of a schooner bottom up about ten miles off shore. Capt. Chas. Lewis with the tug Marina at once started out to look for the wreck and if possible to bring it ashore. He found it about where Capt. Cronk reported, and made a line fast to the wreck, but was unable to bring it in, owing to the heavy ebb tide and the sails being set and under water, but succeeded in raising her bow far enough to learn the name, which is Gladys. When Capt. Lewis left it the wreck lay about ten miles N.W. of Point Prime light. The crew blew very heavy last night from the north, which would bring the wreck close on to this coast.

The schooner Gladys, 148 tons register, built at St. Martins, N. B., 1882, being double topmast rigged, Capt. Cronk, command and crew, were by Arthur W. Adams, St. John, N. B., sailed out the Gut on Wednesday, 18th inst., loaded with piling for New York, having been loaded at Saw Mill creek, Annapolis county, by Kenny & Shaffer of Bridgetown, and has not since been heard of. The crew are believed to be in the wreck are entertained. Capt. Lewis passed a quantity of piling adrift in the bay.

Capt. Lewis also reports the wreck as having a new foresail, which is set, and some canvas alongside in a fatigued condition, and could see the anchors and chains on her bow, the rudder gone, flying jib stowed, and says the vessel's bottom is of spruce with a splice in her shoe, and is supposed to have carried five hands. There is no word of their having landed anywhere along the coast.

In the police court this morning two cases against C. A. Jordan for Scott act violation were tried. In the first case, called for ten o'clock, only one witness was examined. He stated he had not drunk any liquor for eleven months. The case was dismissed. The second case was called at 11 o'clock, when two women were the witnesses. These witnesses swore they got no liquor and had only been in Mr. Jordan's place when looking for work. The case was dismissed.

A. W. Adams received a despatch from Digby yesterday which stated that the vessel's mainmast is gone and her stem stove in. This would indicate that the disaster may have been the result of a collision.

Tug Storm King left at an early hour this morning to look after the vessel. Capt. Ewing, representing Cowie & Edwards, goes in her.

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FIT-REFORM Clothing for men and Young Men is made to take the place of custom clothes. The clothes are the same—the custom tailor so proudly displays. The making is one by the highest class workmen. The trimmings are identical with those in the tailored suit you are now wearing.

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Opening Day.

The Spring Opening Day will be next Thursday, March 31, and some novel features will be introduced:

- Opening of the Fit-reform Parlor.
- Music by Harrison's Orchestra.
- No Selling of Goods.
- The New Children's Department.
- Decorations of Plants and Goods.
- The Booklet, "Logic of Dress," given away.
- Worth seeing and hearing. Everybody is invited.

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DORCHESTER.

Stephen Beecham Given One Month in Jail—Personal Matters.

DORCHESTER, N. B., March 23.—At two o'clock today, Stephen Beecham, charged with having at Moncton on the 17th of February, ulto, wounded one Thaddeus Bowser, was tried before Judge Wells under the Speedy Trials Act. The evidence for the prosecution went to show that Beecham in trying to force open the door of Bowser's house, for the purpose of preventing Bowser from beating his wife, who is Beecham's sister, got into a fight with Bowser, and in that fight struck Bowser on the mouth with a knife or other sharp instrument. On the other hand the accused, who took the stand on his own behalf, and the other witnesses called to support his case, swore that the only blow struck was with his fist, and was struck in self defence.

Judge Wells decided that the prisoner had no right to enter the house nor interfere with Bowser, although the evidence went to show that Mrs. Bowser was not well treated by her husband, but as there did not seem to be any evil intent on the part of the prisoner, he would only impose a slight penalty, one month's imprisonment in the county jail.

Judge Wells returned to Moncton this evening.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson has returned from Boston, where he was in attendance at the Sportsmen's exhibition. John MacLean of St. John, inspector of customs, was in town today.

At the last session of the legislature a bill was passed authorizing the department of agriculture to import a quantity of wheat and other seeds for distribution in the province. The department has already received orders for about one thousand bushels of wheat from agricultural societies and others. Two car loads have been purchased, and are expected at St. John in a few days. From these cars orders already received will be filled.

Another lot will come later, which will be placed in the hands of D. J. Purdy, north end, St. John, who will receive and fill any orders sent him from any one in the province requiring seed wheat.

The varieties purchased are White Russian, White Fife, Red Fife, Wellman's Fife, and Campbell's White Chief.

The department has also ordered a quantity of Swedish grown purple top turnip seed, orders for which can be either sent to D. J. Purdy or the deputy commissioner of agriculture at Fredericton.

"Thirty-three years ago this year we had another such spring as this," remarked an old and respected citizen to a Sun reporter yesterday afternoon. "I remember the time well. It was the spring of the first confederation election and also the spring of the assassination of President Lincoln. March of 1885 was just like the March of the present year. On April 14th we had a snow storm, and six inches of snow fell. It only remained on the ground a day however."

AMHERST.

Accidentally Shot Dead—The Insurance Award in the Recent Fire.

AMHERST, N. S., March 23.—Edward Cormier, a married man about thirty-two years of age, was accidentally shot dead this morning in Tyn-dall road woods, about nine miles from here. He was in the employ of Jackson & Co., Tintish, and as usual with a boy went to his work cutting wood in the woods. He took with him his loaded gun. He laid the gun up against a log and commenced his work. He then went to remove the gun and lifted it up by the muzzle, when it went off, the contents entering his breast and killing him instantly.

The adjusters in the Rhodes, Curry & Co., Ltd., fire today finished adjusting the loss and awarded the amount of \$24,835.

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Glasses can be Always Replicated or Exchanged by Mail, as the Value of Every Purchase is Registered.

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PARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

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Dated this 23rd day of February, A. D.

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ONE CAR WINDSOR SALT, In 10 and 20 lb. Boxes, also 200 lb. Bags.

Two Tons Charlton Co. Buckwheat.

50 Boxes Tea, 10's Each, At \$2.00 per Box.

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SEED WHEAT.

The Department of Agriculture having imported a quantity of Seed Wheat of the following varieties—WHITE RUSSIAN, WHITE FIFE, RED FIFE, WELLMAN'S FIFE, and CAMPBELL'S WHITE CHIEF—have placed same in charge of D. J. Purdy, St. John, North End, to whom all orders should be addressed.

As the stock is limited orders should be sent early.

Five hundred pounds of "Swedish grown" purple top turnip seed, which has been ordered and is expected here in time for this year's seeding, can also be had from Mr. Purdy.

CHAS. H. LABILLOIS, Commissioner of Agriculture, Fredericton, March 24, 1888.

WANTED.

WANTED—Farmers' sons or other industrious persons of fair education to whom \$50 a month would be an inducement. I could also engage a few ladies at their own homes. P. H. LINCOLN, Toronto.

WANTED—Teachers, Barristers, Physicians and others of similar training for high class soliciting. Will pay forty dollars weekly on demonstration of necessary ability. BRADLEY-GARRISON COMPANY, Limited, Toronto.

VESSELS WANTED—To carry 500 tons John from and 200 tons meekling and from New York to Sackville. Write stating the rate of freight per ton to Rogers, Brown & Co., New York, for terms, and Whitehead Brothers for sand, or to CHARLES SAW-CUTT, Sackville, N. B.

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