

LOCAL NEWS

Christmas post cards and booklets at Williams' Specialty Store.

ACCEPTABLE.

One of those down quilts at Edgecombe's, or a pair of their warm, Scotch blankets would make a nice Christmas gift.

TO SPEAK AT WOLFVILLE.

Mr. F. B. Carvell, M.P., who was in the city yesterday, left by the evening train for Wolfville, N.S., where he will address a political meeting in the Liberal interest.

BREAK OF NATURE.

Mr. George F. Wilkes, confectioner, brought to The Mail Office yesterday a ripe strawberry which he placed in his garden in the forenoon. A ripe strawberry at this season of the year in this climate is a curiosity.

MR. BARNHILL DEAD.

Mr. W. F. Barnhill, a prominent merchant and lumberman of Fairville, died yesterday after a long illness. He was fifty-two years of age. Mr. A. P. Barnhill, K.O. of St. John, is a brother.

DESERTERS GAVE UP.

John D. McNeil, aged twenty-two, and John A. McKeigan, aged twenty-three, both of Cape Breton, gave themselves up to the police last night at St. John as deserters from the Royal Canadian Garrison Artillery at Halifax.

ST. JOHN LAWYER DEAD.

Mr. H. H. Pickett, a well known St. John lawyer, died at his home at Mount Pleasant yesterday after a lingering illness. He was a native of Andover and was forty-four years of age. His mother before her marriage was Miss Harriet Beckwith of this city. He was a young man of ability and his death is deeply regretted.

NEW BANK BUILDING.

Manager George W. Babbitt of the Bank of Nova Scotia at St. Andrew's says that the bank has purchased a lot from the St. Andrew's Land Company and that the work of erecting a modern bank building in that town will be begun at once. Manager Babbitt is a son of Deputy Receiver General G. N. Babbitt, I.S.O., of this city.

SALE OF WORK.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the Main Street Baptist Church, Marysville, held a very successful sale of work in the Oddfellows' Hall, Marysville, Thursday evening. There was a variety of useful and fancy articles on sale, also a candy stall and lunch counter, which were well patronized. The proceeds are in aid of the church funds.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

Fredericton Royal Arch Chapter, F. & A. M., at the regular convocation last evening, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: R. S. Barker, M. E. High Priest. John Allen, E. King. D. Crowe, E. Scribe. M. Tennant, Treasurer. The officers will be installed on the second Thursday in January and it is expected that the M. E. Grand High Priest and officers of the Grand Chapter will officiate in that ceremony.

SPRUCE AND PINE DEALS.

Farnworth's & Jardine's monthly wood circular, dated Liverpool, Dec. 1, says of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia spruce and pine deals: "The import to the Mersey (including Manchester) amounted to 1,630 stds., against 1,910 stds. during the corresponding period last year and practically all to Liverpool; deliveries from store were up to expectation, and the stock at Manchester has been considerably reduced, but is still heavy; for the remainder of the year it is expected that arrivals will be very light; values are barely maintained. Pine deals are in limited request at unchanged prices.

HIS CREW WON.

Friends of Arthur N. Carter, son of M. E. S. Carter of Rothesay, who is a Rhodes scholar at Oxford University, will be interested in the news that he was a member of the Freshmen rowing team of his college, which won the prize—"a silver spoon oar." At the same college with Mr. Carter is a son of Professor Dyde of Alberta. Professor Dyde was formerly a member of the faculty at the University of New Brunswick and is well known in Fredericton and St. John. Mr. Carter is to spend the first week of his Christmas vacation in London. Then he is to visit Switzerland and he plans to spend the last three weeks of his holidays in Berlin.

New Valenciennes Laces, 1/2 dozen on card, worth from 10 to 20c. per yard. Choice for 60c. per card, at Williams' Specialty Store.

We Are Specialists

in the Shoe Pack business. Come! Put down your money and let us pick your packs for you. We know how. No trouble. Come Along.

Men's 6 in. \$2.15
The other fellow's \$2.50
Men's 10 in. \$2.85

Draw String \$3.00
\$3.50 the other fellows asked first but now they are down to \$3.25. Will they get to the McMauss price.

McManus & Co.
The Cash Shoe Store

YOUNG WOMAN
RESIDING IN CITY
IS LEFT PROPERLY

Mrs. Otto Leslie Steele Formerly Miss Sarah Smith of St. Stephen Receives Word of Death of Wealthy Uncle

Mrs. Otto Leslie Steele at present residing at the Empire House, Queen Street West, in this city is understood to be one of the heirs of property valued at \$100,000 or more which comprises the estate of an uncle of hers who died recently in the Canadian West.

Mrs. Steele was interviewed on the subject at the Empire Hotel today by a reporter of The Mail, but proved very reticent.

"None whatever," was her reply to a request for information upon the subject.

The young woman also expressed considerable surprise that the press representative had learned that she had received a telegram containing the information that her uncle had passed away leaving considerable wealth.

Mrs. Steele was married in this city by Rev. Neil McLaughlan about two months ago. Mr. Steele is an employee of the Foundation Company, Limited, which had a crew making repairs to the Highway Bridge. His bride was formerly Miss Sarah Smith of St. Stephen.

The heirs to the property are understood to number several. Some are living in Charlotte County and others in the United States.

We have another case of Women's Rubbers, 39c. pair, at Williams' Specialty Store.

AGED RESIDENT
OF NASHWAAK
DROPPED DEAD

Benjamin Stewart of Taymouth Stricken By Heart Failure Last Night at His Home--Eighty-Nine Years Of Age

Benjamin Stewart, a well-known resident of the Nashwaak Valley, dropped dead at his home at Taymouth last night. Heart failure was the cause of death. Up to the time of death the late Mr. Stewart had appeared to be in good health. The deceased was a well-known farmer and was one of the oldest residents of the Nashwaak, being eighty-nine years old.

Four sons survive. They are Moses at home, Martin of Taymouth, Nicholas of Marysville, and Benjamin at home. Three brothers also survive. They are David and Jesse of Miramichi, and John of Taymouth. Mrs. Sylvanus Rideout of Barker's Point, is a sister.

The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon with service at the house at one o'clock. Interment will be made at Taymouth cemetery.

ORANGEMEN TO ATTEND

The funeral of the late Daniel E. Seymour will be held from his late residence at two o'clock Sunday afternoon and will be under the auspices of L. O. L., No. 32 of Nashwaaks of which the deceased was an esteemed member. Rev. Dr. Kierstead will conduct the service.

Christmas goods in dolls and fancy lines, lower priced than elsewhere. See them. Williams' Specialty Store

LOCKETS

Large oval and Round Plain Locket, Bright and Roman Finish, Round Pearl Set, Hand Engraved, Plain, Square and Heart Shaped. Plain Locket Hand Engraved without extra charge. Priced \$1.00 to \$25.00.

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Chocolate Sets, Whip Cream Sets, Nut Bowls, Cheese and Cracker Dishes, Brush Trays, Fancy Plates, Dresser Sets

Fancy ornaments in China and Bronze Our High Grade China Stock Patterns offer you opportunity for selecting a most pleasing gift.

Colwell & Jennings
The Home Furnishers

What will you buy for

Xmas Presents

It is sometimes a problem but one easy of solution if you visit
"EDGECOMBE'S"

We offer a few suggestions, which will enable you to cross off many names from your gift list

For Women and Girls

A Dress Length in Silk or Wool, A Silk Waist, A Pair of Gloves, lined or unlined, A Box of Handkerchiefs, H. S. Embroidered or Initialled, A Fancy Shopping Bag in Leather or Chain, Dainty Neckwear, A Pretty Kimona, Dainty Whitewear, Tea Aprons, Laundry Bags, Work Baskets, Bedroom Slippers, Toilet Sets, Elegant Cut Glass and China, Silver Dishes, etc.

For Men and Boys

A Nice Overcoat
A Suit of Clothes
A Smoking Jacket
A Necktie or muffler
A Dressing Case
A Suit Case
A Pair of Gloves
A Silk Umbrella
A Box of Handkerchiefs
A Collar Box - Arm Bands
A Sweater Coat etc.

For Young Folks

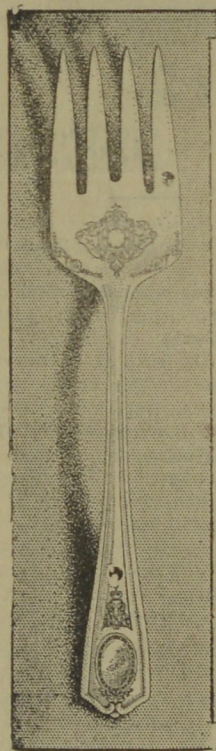
A Knitted Cap or Hood
A Teddy Bear
A Pretty Doll
A Coat or Dress
Fancy Mitts or Stockings
A Rain Coat
A Set of Furs
A Flying Machine
A Pair of Kid Gloves
A Box of Handkerchiefs
A Natty Suit of Clothes etc

Come early and often.

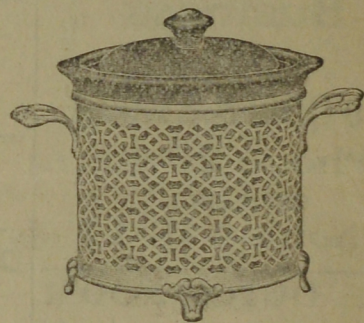
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are always High-Class

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McIntosh Red Apples

Put up in eight quart kettles only

Ontario Spy Apples, Bananas, Grape Fruit, Lemons, Cocoanuts, Malaga Grapes, Naval Oranges, etc. Naval oranges are better this year than usual.