

A SMALLPOX SCARE.

Aroostook County Has Several Cases.

ONE DEATH HAS ALREADY RESULTED FROM THE DISEASE.

Caribou, Me., Jan. 7.—Quite an amount of excitement was created in Caribou on Sunday by the announcement that a smallpox victim had made his appearance in the neighboring town of Van Buren. One of the inhabitants of that town went to the village on Sunday morning to seek medical aid as he had been unwell for a day or two. His physician found his condition to be such that a consultation was deemed advisable and several other physicians were called in. After the examination they gave as their opinion that it was a probable case of small pox and the selectmen and board of health were promptly notified and arrangements were made for taking care of the sick man. Again great excitement prevails here this evening on account of the discovery of several new cases which makes a total of fourteen cases.

The board of health of that village has taken every precaution possible to prevent the spread of the disease and rigorous measures are being taken by the physicians to control it. On Sunday night one of the victims died, lowering the number of cases to thirteen, but by morning a new case was reported in St. Leonards, a village across the river from Van Buren, thus making the number again the same. In this town also means of stopping the spreading of the disease are being taken by the officials. The stores and public places as well as the schools have been closed. With this terrible disease so near at hand every person in this and neighboring towns should be vaccinated. If the disease continues to spread all communication with the neighboring town will cease. All trains to Van Buren are very likely to be stopped. Caribou will place a man at the station who will allow no person to travel back and forth and one will also be centered on the Van Buren road to prevent any travel from that direction.

A later despatch relates that a bad case has developed in Presque Isle, but it also states that the authorities have it under control. Things are getting rather hot for Caribou with this awful disease on all sides and it is by chance that Caribou has no case of it.

The people of this village are still very much excited over the condition of affairs in the neighboring towns in regard to small pox. The condition of the victims in Van Buren seems to remain about the same with no new cases. All travel with that town has been stopped. The man stationed on the Van Buren road allows no person from that town to enter this village from that direction. A lady who arrived here yesterday on the train from Van Buren was not allowed to stop here but was immediately sent back. Probably all trains for Van Buren will be cancelled in the near future. No more has been heard here about the case in Presque Isle which is probably well under control. A free vaccination has already been begun in this village and the doctors will probably visit the schools and vaccinate the scholars. Although several persons of this village have been exposed to the disease no cases have developed yet.

Five Days With Death.

A terrible Christmastide was spent by a family named Keenan, residing in the Dundas suburb of Loches, Scotland.

Some operations in connection with a gas main in the district had been in progress since Saturday last, and by some means an extraordinary pressure of gas occurred in Mrs. Keenan's house in Union-place.

The fumes were so strong that the whole family were rendered unconscious, and lay in the gas-laden atmosphere for five days.

On Wednesday night the pressure seems to have been somewhat reduced,

and Mrs. Keenan's eldest son William partially recovered from its effects, and endeavoured to rescue his mother.

He fell again into a stupor, however, and did not regain consciousness until yesterday afternoon, when he managed to crawl to the door and raise an alarm.

Though the house was full of gas, a policeman gallantly rushed in and brought Mrs. Keenan out into the street, where she soon returned to consciousness.

Returning to the house, he brought out the bodies of Mrs. Keenan's daughter Rose, aged fifteen, and a little boy of eight, who were lying beside her on the bed. Both had apparently been dead for some days.

William Keenan and his mother have been removed to the infirmary, where their condition is regarded as critical.—London Express, Dec. 27.

The Courtin' of Mary.

I'd been a courtin' Mary for a year or nigh about,
But she acted so contrary I'd completely give her out!
For though I never axed her, it wuz mighty plain she knowed
That I wuz needin' comp'ny on the matrimonial road!

Well—such funny things do happen—had a dance one Christmas nigh,
The cabin floor a-creakin' an' the fiddles goin' right,
The big oak fire a-blazin'—the' egg nog foam'n' fine.
An' "hands round" in the quadrille, an' Mary's hand in mine!

Warn't much in that—but listen! When the dancin' it wuz done.
An' likewise these yer kissin' games where fellers has sich fun,
They said: "Less play at Santa Claus!" the gals they laughed outright!
For they never played a game like that on any Christmas night.

But here's the way they worked it: They got a flour sack
An' hung it by the chimbley; then the fellers they stepped back.
An' went into another room, an' just as it would be,
They called me first, to find out what old Santa Claus brought me!

Would you believe it, fellers! I could scarce believe my eyes!—
The galls all clapped an' giggled at my evident surprise.
But, jest as sure as preachin', with her shiny eyes, an' black,
An' rosy cheeks, wuz Mary, smilin' on me from the sack!"

I didn't think a minute; didn't hear 'em cry an' call;
I throwed my arms around her—that old flour sack an' all!
An'—Squire Johnson comin' at that minute in the door—
Well, the present in the flour sack is mine for evermore!

WOODLANDS.

(Special Correspondence to The Herald.)
Dec. 31.—Quite a number of our young men who have been home spending Xmas have returned to the woods again.

We are sorry that our school teacher, Miss Blanche Gunter, who taught here last year, is not coming back.

Mrs. William Lealie, who has been sick all summer, is no better, she has a young daughter a fortnight old.

Mr. Amos Schwartz is very ill, Dr. Wainwright of Stanley is attending him.

Miss Ruth Saunders spent Xmas at Tay Creek with her cousin, Mrs. Geo. Thomas.

Miss Rebecca Stickles is spending a few days at Mr. John McDonald's.

Weary Brain Workers

All fagged out, ideas flow slowly as molasses, snap and energy gone! The buoyancy that made work a pleasure, that gone also. A doctor would say you are run down, enervated, neither eating or digesting enough. It's Ferrozone you need to brace up that fitful appetite and improve assimilation and digestion so that lots of pure strong blood will be formed to nourish the broken down system. Ferrozone will drive away the tired feeling, restore your spirits and energy, revive your ambition and strength for work. No tonic or re-builder like Ferrozone—try it. Price 50c. per box, or six boxes for \$2.50; at Druggists, or Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Hamilton's Pills cure Constipation.

Lifebuoy Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY

Will Soon be in General Use all Over Canada.

Montreal, Jan. 8.—First steps towards the institution of a system of wireless telegraphy through Canada, which will be a commercial rival to all existing telegraphy systems, were taken in the offices of Greenshields, Greenshields & Heneker, advocates Wednesday morning. For two hours Messrs. Willard R. Green and John D. Oppe, representing Marconi, were in consultation with Mr. J. N. Greenshields. Immediately after the consultation Mr. Green stated to a Herald reporter:—

"The Canadian Marconi Company will soon be an accomplished fact. We have been engaged this morning in drawing up the incorporation of the new company. The meeting will be continued this afternoon. As soon as the details have been arranged the scheme will be given publicity. At present all that can be said is that the formation of the company is well under way. The company's headquarters will be in Montreal. We are at present looking for offices. There are a number of prominent Canadians financially interested in the new enterprise. Their names will be given out as soon as the work of inauguration has been completed.

"We are confident that the enterprise will be a financial success."

"Will it have any effect upon the existing systems of telegraphy?"

"That remains to be seen. We are confident at all events that the undertaking will be a commercial success.

Within the next few months, if Mr. Green's prognostications are correct, wireless telegraph messages will be flashing from the summit of Mount Royal to every quarter of the Dominion. The company will be prepared to accept commercial work of any description. Mr. Green also firmly believes that the near future will see press despatches sent from all parts of the Dominion right into the newspaper offices by means of wireless telegraphy much more rapidly and much cheaper than by any existing system.

Mr. J. N. Greenshields is enthusiastically optimistic regarding the future of the Canadian Marconi Company.

"There cannot be the slightest doubt about its financial success. We would not go into the thing if we were not certain that its commercial value was beyond all doubt."

Why Sniffle and Sneeze?

Don't suffer any more with a cold in the head, just carry a Catarrhazone Inhaler in your vest pocket, use it now and again and you won't have colds. Catarrhazone knocks out a cold in ten minutes, kills a headache in five minutes, and hard racking coughs in half an hour. Inhale the pleasant Catarrhazone vapor five minutes four times daily and it will cure Bronchitis, Lung Trouble, Deafness, Asthma and Catarrh in any part of the system. Catarrhazone is the most direct, modern and scientific method, and is guaranteed to give satisfaction. Complete two months' treatment costs \$1.60, trial size 25c. Druggists or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

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COVERED BRIDGE.

(Special Correspondence to The Herald.)

Jan. 7.—The McLaggan bridge, which is being built to replace the one burned away by the fresher last spring, is being completed. Kenneth McLaggan is the contractor and George Ward of Fredericton, is to eman of the work, and is the right man in the right place. The bridge is giving general satisfaction already and those competent to judge express the opinion that it is the best bridge that spans the Nashwaak river, excepting of course the steel one at Marysville. This bridge does away with the inconvenience of parties having to ford the river or driving four miles around by Red Rock, in going to Stanley.

Most of our boys who spent Christmas at home have returned to the woods.

Jas. McLaggan has recently purchased a fine piece of horse flesh from Mathew McGivney.

Messrs. W. S. Hooper, C. A. Sampson, Andrew D. McPherson and J. D. Fowler visited here on Tuesday evening, Jan. 6, and installed the officers of the I. O. O. F. Speeches were delivered by the newly installed officers and visiting brethren. Although only established on Aug. 22nd, the lodge has 113 members and is steadily increasing in membership.

Our school has opened again with a

good attendance. Miss Neville, of Fredericton, is again in charge.

Our two popular merchants, Mathew McGivney and Postmaster McBeau, report having had a good holiday trade. In fact the whole season's trade was good and appears to be on the increase.

George Ward, of Fredericton, is here acting as foreman on McLaggan bridge, and his thorough knowledge of the work is a great assistance to the workmen.

NASHWAAK VILLAGE.

(Special Correspondence to The Herald.)

Jan. 6.—Mrs. Harry Campbell and family, of Stanley, spent a few days at the home of her father, Mr. James McNeill.

Mrs. Harold Gregory and daughter Pearl made a flying visit to the village a few days ago.

Miss Lizzie Clayton, who has been confined to her room with rheumatism, is able to be about again.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hoyle are rejoicing over the advent of a little son.

Mrs. H. F. Dunphy and little son spent a few days last week visiting her mother, Mrs. Luther Goodspeed, of Penniac.

The wedding of Miss Bessie McNeill to Mr. Maurice Macklin, of St. Marys, is announced for the 14th of January. May their life be a long and happy one, is the wish of their many friends here.

Horace Brown and Ferd Donphy are able to be out again after a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Mrs. O. White, of Fredericton, spent one day last week at her old home.

Mrs. Geo. Brown has returned home from Fredericton.

Mrs. M. White is visiting her son Odor White of Fredericton.

Miss Maude Miles has gone to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. S. E. Burpee, of Edmundston, Madawaska Co.

Our school opens on Thursday. Miss W. Stockall, of Moncton, teaches this term.

A little baby girl has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. T. Bradley.

Miss Lizzie McNeill, of Durham, is the guest of Miss Nora McNeill.

Frank Brown is getting better very slowly.

Got Lame Back or Lumbago?

No need of that now. That sort of pain can be knocked out in short order, for Polson's Nerviline, which is five times stronger than any other, penetrates at once through the tissues, reaches the source of suffering, drives it out and thus gives relief almost instantly. Not magic, but strength that gives Polson's Nerviline this power. You will think it magic however if you try it, pain goes so quickly. Sold by dealers everywhere, in large 25c. bottles.

Mad Act in a Church.

At Lucca, Italy, a young man, just out of a lunatic asylum, entered a church and asked a priest who was preparing to say Mass, that he might be his clerk.

They went back to the altar, and the clerk said the responses and performed the other ceremonies of the ritual with great decorum. The wine had been poured into the chalice prior to consecration, the clerk's eyes glistened, and suddenly giving two smart taps on the head of the priest, he snatched the chalice from his hands and drank its contents before he was seized. He was taken back to the madhouse.

What does it profit a woman if she gain the whole world of knowledge and lose her own health? Young women students, and school teachers, eager, ambitious, and full of energy, very often neglect their health in the struggle to gain education. They eat insufficient food and at irregular hours, they allow irregularity of the womanly functions to be established, and the result is that they become chronic invalids with all their education practically worthless. There is a plain road back to health for such as these, marked by the feet of thousands. It is the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for diseases of the stomach and digestive and nutritive organs, and Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription for diseases of the delicate organs of womanhood. A cure so certainly follows the use of these remedies that out of hundreds of thousands who have tried the treatment, ninety-eight in every hundred have been perfectly and permanently cured. Constipation, with its calamitous consequences, which is a common ailment of students, can be entirely cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

Kentucky Teacher (of infant geography class)—Tommy Blood may tell us what a strait is, Tommy Blood—It's just 'th' plain stuff 'bout nothin' in it.

Dummy King Crowned.

New York, Jan. 7.—A special cable from London to the New York Herald says:

People ask, why such awful extravagance at the Dabar? The answer is, it is absolutely necessary to impress the natives, who otherwise would have a very poor opinion of their Emperor.

If all stories are true, it looks as if some extraordinary tales have already been circulated among the mild and credulous Hindoos regarding their Emperor. Here is a remarkable instance: Mr. Labouchere has received a letter from a Hindoo gentleman of some standing, which says:

"We are having awfully serious news circulated in the papers here. Extracts purporting to be from one London paper and one Spanish paper impress us that the Emperor on his coronation day was so dangerously ill that he never was really crowned, for the ministers caused him to be personated by a beggar of Whitechapel. We really are very much concerned to hear this, and wonder why the government is inactive in taking any steps to punish the author of so foul a calumny."

Mr. Labouchere's comments on the seriousness of such stories being circulated in India are quite to the point, for only they who know how ignorant, super