

POET'S WOOING.

Romance Commenced at Victoria Hospital

WILL CULMINATE IN A WEDDING AT ELGIN.

A Chapter in the History of Two Young Lives.

Mr. Theodore Roberts, youngest son of Rev. Canon Roberts, and well known as a successful writer, in both prose and verse, is to enter the matrimonial state on Saturday, and his many friends in Fredericton are showering him with congratulations in advance of the important event.

The prospective bride is Miss Frances Allen, daughter of Rev. Thomas S. Allen, Methodist clergyman of Elgin, Albert Co., and a pretty little romance is connected with the union of the young couple. Mr. Roberts returned to this city from Washington two winters ago in a very serious condition. It was believed by his friends that he was a victim of consumption, and little hope was entertained that he would recover. He entered Victoria hospital under the care of one of our noted physicians, whose modesty forbids that his name shall be mentioned, and who discovered that his patient had no sign of the white plague. An injury had resulted in the formation of a large quantity of pus on Mr. Roberts' lung. The Fredericton physician performed a delicate operation, and the patient gradually recovered till he is now a strong active young man, with, it is hoped, many years of health and usefulness before him.

But the noted physician was not the only agency in restoring Mr. Roberts' health. A pretty, pink cheeked nurse at the hospital had the care of the celebrated patient, and with great care she cooperated with the physician in bringing back the bloom of youthful, and vigorous health to Mr. Roberts. She did more. Her tender solicitude and care, her attractive personality, made a deep impression on the young poet, the germs of love took root within him, and Saturday's wedding will be one of the practical results of those long months the patient spent at the Victoria Hospital. The wooing commenced on a sick bed and pursued with fervor through the succeeding months, terminated in a betrothal, and the wedding is the logical result.

Both the young people are much esteemed in their large circle of friends, who will unite with the Herald in wishing them all possible happiness in their married relations.

The wedding is to take place at the bride's home at Elgin on Saturday, and Mr. Roberts' parents, Rev. Canon and Mrs. Roberts, his sister, Mrs. Archie Macdonald, and his brother, Mr. W. C. Roberts, will accompany the prospective bridegroom on his interesting mission, leaving here Thursday evening.

The ceremony will be performed by the bride's father, assisted by the bridegroom's father, and there will be no bridesmaid or groomsmen.

Mr. Roberts and his bride will sail from Halifax next Monday on the steamship Ontario for Bartadoes, where he has an important literary engagement.

MARYSVILLE NEWS.

Faithful Employee Retires---New Sidewalks Needed.

(By our Own Reporter.)

Nov. 24.—Mr. Alexander Brogan, who has been in the Gibson employ for the last seventeen years, has for the present severed his connection with the company. Mr. Brogan has been a faithful, upright and honest man and was very popular among his fellow workmen, especially those employed in the dye houses, where he has worked for so many years. Mr. Brogan intends going extensively into the fish and produce business and have his delivery team constantly on the road. The Herald joins in wishing him success in his new venture.

The many friends of Frank Merritt will be sorry to hear he is confined to his bed through sickness.

A few days ago a stranger visiting Marysville complained about the disagreeable sidewalk between the Canada Eastern Station and the post office. He also mentioned a long stretch on

White Row without any sidewalk at all and it certainly is in a very bad state, yesterday the mud being ankle deep which makes the walking very disagreeable. Now that we have a nice new public building we should have new sidewalks to correspond and then our hostling little town will be in fairly good shape.

Several of our young men have returned from the woods; it being the first year for a great many of them they naturally have some very interesting yarns to spin.

Word was received from Jamaica a few days ago to the effect that Mrs. Fred Rowley, of that place, presented her husband with a bouncing baby girl. Mr. Rowley is the eldest son of Mr. Alfred Rowley of this place.

Mr. Alfred Rowley returned this week from Dalhousie, where he has been visiting his son, the doctor.

Mr. Robert Johnston, who left here a few weeks ago for Jamaica, has reached his destination, and is doing well.

A free lecture on Japan our Ally in the far East is advertised for Tuesday, 24 inst., to be held in Marysville Hall. As everybody is invited and as the lecture is to be illustrated with coloured lantern slides made by native Japanese artists, there is likely to be a good turnout. A collection for Missionary Work of the Church of England will be taken. The lecturer is the Rev. Cooper Robinson, for fifteen years a missionary in Japan.

DOINGS AT GIBSON.

Royal Council Meeting---An Interesting Programme.

(By our own Reporter.)

Nov. 24.—There was a fairly good attendance at Royal Council last evening, it being their annual rally meeting. In the absence of Hiram Bradley, Richard Harvey occupied the chair, and after the regular business of the session had been gone through with the following programme was carried out:

Speech—Fred Todd.

Dialogue—Misses Violet Patterson and Marjory Titus.

Recitation—Miss Bessie Clarke.

Solo—Miss Brooks, of Nova Scotia.

Recitation—Mabel Farjoy.

Chorus—"Where's My Wandering Boy Tonight."

Recitation—Miss Wallace.

Reading—Louise Farjoy.

Recitation—Grace Harding.

Reading—Mrs. Joseph Bolster.

Reading—Mr. Harvey.

Recitation—Martha Clark.

Mr. Todd's speech was very interesting. He gave a brief history of the Council, how their hall had been burned down several times but they had at last managed to build a hall of their own, which was formally opened to the public on the 15th of December, 1894, and which is still standing and is a credit to the community in as much the Council owns the hall. Royal Council were extended an invitation to visit Star next Wednesday evening on which occasion they expect to have their rally and a good time is promised. Refreshments will be served.

RIVER NAVIGATION CLOSED

And the Fleet has Gone into Winter Quarters.

Navigation on the St. John river has practically closed and the river men are busy getting tugboats, seamans and sailing craft into comfortable quarters for the winter. The Victoria is now snugly lying in Marble Cove, St. John, where she will be fitted up for next year's work. The Aberdeen has been taken below the falls so that extensive repairs may be made to her before she lays up. The May Queen made her final trip from Grand Lake on Thursday last and is lying at Indiantown, prepared for the winter. The Crystal Stream passed down through the falls yesterday morning and will run no more this season.

The Majestic is tied up to her wharf at Indiantown, while the Hampstead, which left for up river yesterday afternoon, will run as long as the river keeps open. All of the boats belonging to the Fredericton Boom Co., including the Hero, Fenchon and Laona, have arrived at Indiantown and they with most of the togs belonging to the D. D. Glasier company, have been placed in winter quarters. The Flushing, however, is still at work in the harbor.

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Mr. James Menihan of St. John, who was one of the principals in an interesting event this morning, registered at the Queen last evening.

NARROW ESCAPE

Mr. Jas. Pollock Met With a Serious Accident.

CAUGHT IN BELTING AT GLOBE LAUNDRY.

Whirled Around Several Times and Dashed to the Floor---His Injuries.

A serious accident and one which might have been attended with fatal results, took place at the Globe Laundry shortly after one o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. James Pollock, a man about thirty years of age, who is employed as an engineer at that establishment, was working around one of the washing machines when in some manner his clothing caught in the belting.

He was whirled towards the ceiling with great rapidity, revolving five times around the narrow circuit traversed by the belt, and was finally thrown with great force to the floor, a distance of about seven feet. Nearly all his clothing was torn from his body.

Dr. Crockett was called and ordered the injured man conveyed to the Victoria hospital.

On examination at that institution it was found that he was considerably bruised about the head, body and limbs and is suffering great pain in the region of his left breast and side. The full extent of his injuries cannot however be ascertained at present.

Those who were present at the time of the accident say it was wonderful how Mr. Pollock escaped instant death.

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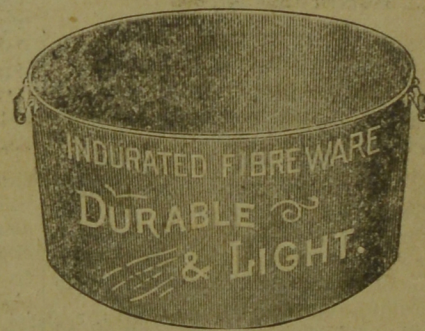
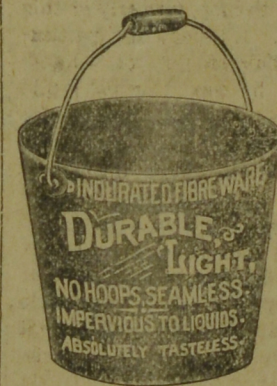
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