OUR NEWS BUDGET FOR OUR SATURDAY SUBSCRIBERS

TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ackland were at "Home" on Thursday evening December 28th to the Kingston Male Choir (under the direction of Mrs. Everett Holmes), their wives and friends. An evening long to be remembered was enjoyed by all with music and song.

HOME ON LEAVE—Lieutenants W. R. Burnett, Gordon Storey and Alison Rogers of the Prince Edward Island Highlanders (Black Watch,) arrived home on leave on Saturday afternoon to spend New Year's with their respective families.

IN HOSPITAL—Many friends of Mr. E. F. (Ed.) Acorn will regret to hear of his illness in the Prince Edward Island Hospital where he underwent an operation yesterday. His condition last night was described as "being as good as could be expected."

PASSES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS— Mrs. George Matheson of Dundas passed away after only a few days illness, her funeral was held on Sunday. Mr. Richard Matheson leader of Grade eleven at Montague is a son. We extend to him as well as other members of the family our sincere sympathy. L

CITY CLERK'S BOND—The sum of $5,000, being the full amount of the bond of former City Clerk G. P. Nicholson, was paid into the City treasury last week by the London Guarantee and Accident Company, under which Mr. Nicholson was bonded. This item is listed under "Suspense Account" in the special audit prepared by Messrs D. F. Archibald and W. A. Morrell.

FUNERAL AT YORK SUNDAY—Funeral of the late Hammond S. Vessey was held from his residence at York on Sunday afternoon. Following a short service at the home the funeral services were held in York United Church and were conducted by the Rev. J. A. Nicholson, assisted by the Rev. Mr Mabon. Interment York Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Harold Watts, Wendall Vessey, Leigh Vessey, Frank Vessey, Elmer Brown, Leith Brown

***MR. JAMES MacLAREN.** — Citizens of Montague were deeply shocked over the death of Mr James MacLaren who passed away at his home in Montague, 5 o'clock Thursday morning after a very brief illness, a cold developed into pneumonia. This is especially sad at this time as Mr. MacLaren had gone to Boston to attend the funeral of her sister who died suddenly. Another sister passed away about six weeks ago. Mrs. MacLaren is coming by plane from Moncton. The Guardian extends heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. MacLaren in her deep sorrow.—L.

..***FUNERAL SERVICES** — The funeral of the late Egerton Norton of Georgetown Royalty was held from the Christian Church Montague, on Friday at 2 o'clock. The church was filled to capacity. Rev Mr. Outhouse conducted the service. The hymns were: "Nearer My God To Thee," Abide With Me, and a Trio "I am Waiting for the Morning" was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beck and Mrs. D. J. MacLeod. The pall bearers were: Messrs. L. B Mellish, R. Beck, R. Mellish, W. MacDonald, Henry MacLaren and J. Stewart. Interment was in the New Cemetery Montague. L.

With a heavy fall of snow adding a real wintry touch, hundreds of citizens yesterday attended the various receptions and other functions marking the advent of a New Year.

Reception were held at Government House, at the Mayor's residence and at the Bishop's Residence

At Government House His Honour Lieutenant Governor LePage and Mrs. LePage received over 500 callers. His Honour was attended by his aide-de-camps Lt. Col. James Parker Hooper, M.C., V. D., Lt. Col. Lewis Trueman Lowther, E. D., Lt. Col. Cecil J. C Stewart, M.C., Lt.-Cmdr. J. J. Connolly and Private Secretary, Mr. Bruce Wonnacott.

Mrs. D. J. Riley and Mrs. Pearl MacKinnon presided over the coffee pots. Ushers were: Mrs Bessie Waller and Mrs Mark McGuigan while assisting in serving were Mrs. L. T. Lowther, Mrs. J. J. Connolly, Miss Ephigenie Arsenault, Mrs. St. Clair Trainor, Miss Lena McLure, Miss Ruth Rattenbury, Mrs. Elliot Full, Mrs. Nettie Stewart, Mrs Cecil Stewart, Miss Jean McDonald, Miss Jean Gill, Mrs. Reuel LePage, Mrs. Parker Hooper, Miss Pauline LePage, Miss Ruth Heartz, Mrs. Louise Carruthers, Mrs. Ross McEwen, Mrs. Lloyd Wonnacott, Mrs. Arthur Cudmore, Miss Catherine Rogers, Miss Doris MacDonald, Miss Georgie Burns.

Music for the occasion was supplied by O. K. Presby's Orchestra.

At the residence of Mayor Fraser, close to 500 called to pay their respects. Guests were received by His Worship and Mrs. Fraser. Mr. J. A. Fullerton assisted His Worship

Mrs. B. Roy Holman and Mrs. H. Lapthorne presided over the teacups. Mrs. Dr. J. P. Blanchard ushered the guests while assisting in serving were Mrs. Dr. H. McIntyre, Mrs. Russell Chandler, Miss Phyllis Foster, Miss Helen Hyndman, Mrs. H. C. Brown, Mrs. J. F. McLeod.

At the Bishop's residence callers were presented to His Excellency Most Rev. J. A. O'Sullivan by Rev. P. McMahon, D. D., Rector. Messrs. Pius Murnaghan, Bert Steele and Frank Butler ushered the callers while Rev. Louis Dougan, Rev. Geo. McCormac and Rev. Fr. Keefe assisted.

At the Charlottetown Hotel 1940 was ushered in by a Dinner-Dance that saw 125 couples attend. The Dinner was held at 10 p. m. with the dance starting at 12.05 and continuing until 3.30 a. m. Music was supplied by Al. Blanchard's orchestra.

Merrymakers also held forth at several parties and dances held elsewhere throughout the City.

At the Forum the largest crowd ever to attend a Midnight Skate—over 400 being in attendance—ushered in the New Year skating, the skate winding up at 2:15 a. m. O. K. Presby's Band supplied the music.

"Very quiet" was the manner in which police officials described the celebration with no accidents being reported.

WEATHER FORECAST — For January—1 to 8 begins clear and cold. 9 to 14 some storms with snow. 15 to 22 milder with rain or sleet. 23 to 27 fair and cold. 28 to 31 changeable.

HIGHEST SALES IN TEN YEARS—Business conditions with R. T. Holman, Ltd., Summerside and Charlottetown, were exceptionally good during the Christmas season with the Christmas eve sales being the highest in ten years officials of the company stated yesterday.

Mrs. Annie D. Dixon, wife of the late Joseph M. Dixon of Poxnette Mills, Belfast, passed peacefully away, Dec. 20th, 1939 at the home of her daughter Mrs. Alexander J. MacLeod, 35 St. James Place, Winnipeg, Man. Mrs. Dixon, who was 88 years old was born in Clyde River, Lot 31 and went west in 1912

The death occurred at his home, Longworth Street, Saturday afternoon of Mr. Hugh F. Connors, for sixteen years a member of the civic board of Water and Sewer Commissioners and a former member of the City Council. Mr. Connors, who was in his 72nd year, had been in poor health for several months prior to his death.

There passed away at her home in Summerside on Saturday evening about five o'clock, Mrs. McMurdo, widow of the late William McMurdo. Mrs. McMurdo was 90 years of age and had retained all her faculties until the end although an invalid for the past year. She was most highly esteemed for her beautiful Christian character and friendly disposition.

—RECEIVES APPOINTMENT— Rev. G R. Harrison, Rector of St Mary's Anglican Church, Summerside, and St. John's Church, St. Eleanors, has been appointed Archdeacon of the Anglican Churches on Prince Edward Island. His appointment which came from his Grace the Very Reverend Archbishop HacKenley of Halifax, became effective on New Year's Day—S.

—QUIET WEDDING—A quiet wedding was solemnized on Saturday evening at St. Mary's Rectory, Summerside, Rev. G. R. Harrison officiating, when Miss Charlotte Mildred Muirhead, teacher at St. Eleanor's High School, was united in marriage to Mr. Harold Sutherland Bagnall of Central Bedeque. Their many friends wish them much happiness.—S.

TEMPERATURE DROPS TO ZERO—Sunday night the temperature reached the lowest mark of the season when the thermometer reached the zero mark, accompanied by a very heavy white frost, Mr. Warren Burns, meteorologist at the Experimental Station stated last night. Yesterday the temperature remained stationary at 24 degrees above throughout the day with a drop being recorded as night settled in. 12 inches of snow fell from Saturday at noon until yesterday evening, it was also stated.

Corporal Raeburn C. Stewart of the No. 6 District Signals spent the Christmas holidays visiting his home in the city, returning to duty on December 26. Corporal Stewart's brother Sherman A. Stewart of the Provincial Bank Staff Charlottetown is a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital, where he has recently been operated upon for Mastoids, and his many friends will be pleased to know that he is making a good recovery. Both young men are sons of Mr. John A. Stewart, formerly of West Point, Prince County.

WEDNESDAY

—CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY— Miss Mary A. Schurman of Bedeque who recently celebrated her 85th birthday at her home in Bedeque, received many callers and messages of congratulations. Miss Schurman who is a charming hostess in spite of her years, was assisted in entertaining by Mrs Albert E. Wright.—S.

RECEIVE HONOR— The current issue of General Orders, a Royal Canadian Army publication, announces the award of the efficiency medal to two Charlottetown ranks: C. E. Praught, C. Q. M. S. and J. A. Richard, S. Sgt. both of the 21st Field Ambulance Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, C. A. S. F. At a recent muster of all ranks of the unit at headquarters, the medals were presented by the Honorary Colonel H. D. Johnson, M. D. and the Officer Commanding, Lt.- Col. J. J. Blake.

—ENGLAND - PALMER NUPTIALS—A very interesting wedding took place in Summerside, P. E. I. on December 15, when the Rev. W.J. Philips, Milton, P.E.I., united in marriage Miss Claretta (Tuts) Mae England, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. England, O'Leary, P.E.I. and Capt. C.R. Palmer, Fisheries Inspector, Roseville, Prince Edward Island. The bride wore a dress of Petunia brocaded crepe with accessories to match and wore a corsage of yellow roses. The young couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacRae, Summerside, P.E.I. A host of friends throughout the Island join in wishing the happy couple "bon voyage" through life.

—WEDDING BELLS— A quiet wedding was solemnized on Saturday afternoon at the Presbyterian Manse, Rev. William VerWolf, officiating, when Miss Marion Jessie Getson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs William Getson, of Kildare Capes was united in marriage to Mr. Sidney James Murray of the Royal Canadian Artillery and son of Mr. and Mrs Hugh Murray, Bedeque. The bride was very charming in a wedding dress of grey silk crepe with blue accessories. She was attended by Miss Una Murray, sister of the groom, who wore a wine wool crepe dress. Mr. Reginald Murray supported the groom. After the ceremony the bridal party motored to the home of the bride's parents where a wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Murray returned to Bedeque on Monday and were tendered a reception and shower at the home of the groom. The young couple received many lovely gifts and the best wishes from their many friends. S.

..*Friends are glad to see Mr. Archie Hume out again. Mr. Hume has been in Camp Hill Hospital for some time receiving treatment and returned to his home in Montague about two weeks ago. L.

Heartfelt sympathy of many friends will go out to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ward, 91 Elm Avenue in the loss they have sustained by the death of their bright little three-year-old son in the Prince Edward Island Hospital Monday.

Miss Beatrice Blanchard, former student of French Literature at the Sorbonne University in France, was the special speaker at the regular meeting of the Charlottetown sub-division of the Catholic Women's League held last night.

—APPOINTED TO HOSPITAL STAFF—Miss Irene Champion, formerly of Kensington and former graduate of the Prince County Hospital has accepted the position of head nurse at that hospital. Miss Champion had a position with the Alexandra Hospital, Montreal. She was one of many applicants who applied for the position to the Hospital Board.

..***FUNERAL SATURDAY**— Mr. James MacLaren's funeral was held on Saturday at 2 o'clock from his late home in Montague, when a large number of pupils assembled to pay their tribute of respect to the one who had gone on. Rev. C. E. Armstrong conducted the service assisted by Rev S.E. Hayward. The Hymns were "Unto the Hills around do I lift Up" "The Lords My Shephard" and a favorite of Mr MacLarens was sung as a Trio. "There's A Land That is

SAD NEWS RECEIVED — Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Stead, Hunter River received the sad news of the death on Dec. 26, of their granddaughter H. Joyce age 8 years, daughter of Mrs Hazel Stead Riley and the late Charles W. Riley. Death was due to abscess on brain. Interment took place at Etzkom Cemetery, Alta where the remains were tenderly laid to rest beside her father who died seven years ago, and her grandfather J. Cesar Riley who predeceased her by six weeks

Mr. J. P. Hillion of the local Y. M. C. A. Board of Directors, has recently been appointed as Charlottetown's representative on the War Service Committee of the Canadian Y. M. C. A. National Council. Mr. Hillion's knowledge and experience in military life; his intimate associations in the councils of the Canadian Legion, another auxiliary service officially recognized by the Canadian Government in the present war; makes him particularly acceptable and qualified for the responsibility he has undertaken.

—FRACTURES ANKLE—Friends of Mr. Walter Callbeck, manager of the furniture department of Brace McKay Co., will regret to learn that he is confined to the house with a fractured ankle. Mr. Callbeck was walking home from the office Saturday evening when he slipped on the icy street at the corner of Fitzroy and Spring Streets. He was assisted home by a passerby. Mr. Callbeck will be obliged to remain in the house for some days but is resting quite comfortably. S.

Interested for several years in the Fairer than Day". Interment was question of British immigration and settlement in Canada, Major General M. L. Hornby, of Lethbridge, Alberta, is at present in Charlottetown in the course of a tour which has taken him from coast to coast in connection with this important matter.

General Hornby is urging on provincial government that they invite representatives of the overseas settlement organizations in Great Britain to visit the provinces and examine the opportunities for settlement of British families on farm lands, also that they join with the Dominion Government in a conference on immigration and settlement in order to formulate plans to be offered to the Old Country authorities.

THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE P. D. MURPHY—The funeral of the late P. D. Murphy took place on Saturday to All Saints' Church, Cardigan. The large attendance, which included several members of the Knights of Columbus, bore silent testimony to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. A Solemn Requiem Mass was chanted by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Murphy, assisted by Rev. P Walsh as deacon and Rev. J. C. McDonald, D.D. as subdeacon. Rev. R. V. McKenzie acted as Master of Ceremonies. Among the clergy seated in the Sanctuary were: Rt. Rev. Monsignor McDonald, Rev. F. McQuaid, Rev. Owen Kiggins, Rev. F. L. Mullally, Rev. Basil Croken, Rev. Walter McGuigan, Rev. George A. McDonald, Rev. Dr. O'Hanley, Rev George McCormac, and the pastor, Rev. M. J. Rooney. The active pall bearers were, Russell McLaren, Jack Sullivan, William Agnew, Daniel Shaw, Edward Redmond, and L. C. Allen. The honorary pall bearers were, Senator J. A. McDonald, William Flynn, H. F. McPhee, A. R. McInnis, Philip Rossiter, Andrew McDonald, Harold Brothers, and Gerald McDonald. After the final absolution was given, the remains were conveyed to All Saints' Cemetary for burial.

***CLEARING ROADS**—All paved highways in the Province were open to motor traffic yesterday afternoon, it was announced last night by Mr. L. B. MacMillan, Deputy Minister of Public Works.

The Reverend A. LeDrew Gardner, who succeeds the Reverend Archdeacon H. D. Raymond as Rector of St. Paul's Church, arrived in the city last evening to take up his new duties. The Guardian extends a very hearty welcome to both himself and his wife, neither of whom has ever previously visited the Island.

FAMILY BEREAVED—Mr. Frederick Roberts, Villa Ave., received a telegram yesterday stating that his brother's wife, Mrs. John L. Roberts of Winchester, Mass., had passed away after a lingering illness. The late Mrs. Roberts was formerly Miss Elizabeth Shaw of Winsloe North, P.E.I. Both Mr. Roberts and the late Mrs. Roberts have many relatives and friends here who will learn with regret the news of her death and extend to Mr. Roberts and family heartfelt sympathy.

LEAVES FOR INDIA—Miss Audrey DeBlois left Monday morning for Vancouver on return to Kangra, India, where she resumes her work as one of the missionaries of the Canadian Church Missionary Society. She has been on furlough throughout the past year spending several months in England, and the remainder of the time with her brothers and sisters here and in Toronto. Miss DeBlois has completed twenty five years in missionary work in India and now enters upon another five year period.

CELEBRATE 25th ANNIVERSARY—On Saturday evening December 30th, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Macdonald were at home at their residence 5 West Street, on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding. Despite the storm there was a large number of callers. Mrs. B. W. LePage and Mrs. H. H Shaw poured coffee and Mrs. Bessie Waller ushered the guests. Miss Laura Hodgson, Mrs. Arthur H. Roper, Miss Dorothy Lowther, Miss Helen Tidmarsh and the Misses Jean and Doris Macdonald assisted in serving. During the evening vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. A.H. Roper and Mrs. K. S Rogers as accompanist. Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald were the recipients of a beautiful gift of silver from the staff of the Patriot Publishing Company also gifts from individual friends as well as telegrams and letter of congratulations.

SHARP-LOCKERBY WEDDING—The marriage of Miss Jean Sharp, daughter of the late Willard Sharp of East Bideford to Lloyd Lockerby, son of J R. Lockerby of Hamilton, took place on New Year's Day at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. L. M. Murray, Charlottetown. The couple were unattended. The bride was attired in royal blue chiffon velvet and carried a bouquet of Talisman roses. After the ceremony the wedding party had luncheon at the "Charlottetown." The bride has been a teacher of the High School at Summerside, and the groom is King's County Field Representative for the Provincial Department of Agriculture. The hearty congratulations of friends from city and country are being extended to the popular young couple.

THURSDAY

ATTENDING YACHT MEET — Mr. A. Malcolm Irwin of Charlottetown left for Moncton where he will attend the annual meeting of the Yacht Racing Association of the Northumberland Straits of which he is secretary. Island yachts played a major share in the Association's annual championship regatta at Shediac last year and performed meritoriously. Charlottetown yachts took two firsts, two seconds and one third. Borden and Summerside yachts were also successful. This year, the regatta is to be held at Summerside, according to a decision reached following last year's competition.

..***FUNERAL HELD**—The funeral of the late Egerton S. Norton of Georgetown Royalty was held from the Montague Christian Church on Friday afternoon. The deceased was a valued member of the church for a great many years, where he was loved and respected by all he came in contact with. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, the Rev. W.L. Outhouse. He leaves to mourn, his wife (nee Catherine Dewar), also the following children: Edison of the Bank of Nova Scotia in Boston, Mass.; Professor Homer Norton of Iowa, U.S.A.; Jessie, wife of Preston Beck, Charlottetown; Fred, at home; also a sister, Miss Lena Norton, who resided at home; one brother, James E. of Winnipeg.

The Hymns sung were Nearer My God To Thee, Abide With Me. The Montague Trio of Mr. and Mrs. R.W. Beck and Mrs. J.D. MacLeod sang that beautiful hymn Only Waiting, which was a favorite of the deceased. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Lincoln Dewar, Robert Dewar, George Dewar, Douglas MacLaren, Murray McKenzie, C.N. Bissett. The Honorary pallbearers were: L.B. Mellish, Robert Mellish, Henry MacLaren, Robert W. Beck, John A. Stewart, John James Stewart, C.H. McQuarrie, Penna Moar, Wilfred MacDonald, Ivan MacDonald. The ushers were: Keith MacKinnon, Roy MacKinnon, Ralph Beck, Reggie Mellish. Interment took place in the new cemetery in Montague. M.

—TRANSFERRED — Mr. Roy Lockhart, son of Dr. A. A. Lockhart, who is a wireless operator for Trans-Canada Airways, has just been transferred from Winnipeg to the new station at Moncton, which has just been opened. Island friends wish him continued success in his chosen profession. S.

LAST MONTH DRIEST — December 1939 was a darker, drier and calmer month in this province than the same month the previous year, figures released from the office of Warren Burns, weather observer at the Charlottetown Experimental station revealed yesterday. Total precipitation in December 1939 was 3.99 inches as compared with 4.85 inches the previous year. Islanders saw the sun shine for only 52.7 hours for the month in the past December. The year before they had approximately three additional hours of sunshine for the month.

RETURN TO STUDIES — Mr. Lemuel Prowse and two sisters, the Misses Doris and Margaret, left yesterday morning on return to the University of Toronto, after spending the Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. L Prowse. Others returning yesterday were Fraser Macmillan, son of Mr. and Mrs J. A. Macmillan and Frank MacMillan, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. MacMillan, to McGill University; Allison McLeod and Neil Price, to Acadia, Wolfville, N. S., and Seaman Newson, Kingston, to the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, Truro.

W.M.S. MEETING— The monthly meeting of the W. M. S. of Lorne Valley met at the home of Mrs. Murdock MacDonald on Dec. 13th. The meeting was opened by repating the missionary Creed in unison. There was eight in attendance. Prayer was said by Mrs. D. Shaw and Scripture read by Mrs. A. MacDonald. Mrs. R MacCannell gave a lovely reading and a dainty lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. M MacDonald. Next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. R MacCannell. Meeting closed by repeating the Creed in unison.

FERRY HELD UP — The ferry Fairview was tied up at her dock in Charlottetown last night after a day spent in battling ever deepening ice on the harbor between the City and Rocky Point. The boat left Charlottetown yesterday morning at 8.30 and did not reach her berth on the Rocky Point side until 11.30. The return trip was made in thirty minutes. The next crossing was cancelled after the boat was stuck for some hours. When she broke free Capt. Jerry Doucette brought his craft back to the dock in the City Last night the possibility of continuing the service much longer was considered doubtful unless mild weather arrived shortly. The recent storm piled much snow on the ice. Since then it became wet and now has frozen making heavy going for the ferry.

NEW MINISTER ARRIVES—The Rev. A. Ledrew Gardiner, new rector of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Charlottetown received greetings from his new parishioners yesterday. He arrived in the city Tuesday night to take over his new charge. The Rev. Mr. Gardiner comes to Charlottetown from Halifax where for the past seven years he has been rector of St. James' Church He replaces the Rev. H. D Raymond, D. D., who was forced to resign a few months ago because of ill health. The new rector is a native of Newfoundland. He was ordained to the ministry at Wycliffe College, Toronto, in 1926 and since then has held charge in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. This is the first time he has been in this province, he said tonight.

—ANNUAL MEETING W. M. S. TRINITY UNITED CHURCH — The annual meeting of the W. M. S. Trinity United Church was held in Epworth Hall on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hammond Johnson presided. Mrs. (Dr.) Campbell had charge of the devotional period. The reports of the different committees were received and passed and showed that the Society was in good standing the financial report being especially encouraging. The election of officers took place and was as follows: President, Mrs. Hammond Johnson (re-elected); 1st Vice President, Mrs John Johnstone; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. A. P. Jamieson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. T. M Linkletter; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. George A Bowness; Treasurer, Mrs. George Sheen; Christian Stewardship, Mrs. W.K. Llewellyn; Friendship Secretary, Mrs. H. R. Crockett and Mrs. T. H. E Inman; Supply Secretary, Mrs. George McInnis and Mrs. R B. Rankin; Associate Helpers Secretary, Mrs. J. S Hinton; Temperance and Citizenship, Mrs L. E. G. Davies; Missionary Monthly, Miss Minnie Wright; Literature Secretary, Mrs. Major Townsend; Press Secretary, Mrs. T. M. Linkletter; Mission Circle, Mrs. Annie Hunter; Baby Band, Mrs. George Callbeck and Mrs. Firth Bowness; Mission Band, Mrs. Harold Nicholson; Pianist, Mrs B. R Sharpe. The officers were installed by Mrs. L. R. Allen. Meeting closed with the Benediction. S.

—VISITING IN SUMMERSIDE —Mr. and Mrs. George Walton and son Francis of Moncton were the guests New Year's of Mrs. Walton's sister, Mrs. Charles MacDonald. They were accompanied by their niece, Miss Theresa MacArdle. S.

FUNERAL SERVICE — The funeral of the late Mr. H. F. Connors was held Tuesday morning from his late residence 38 Longworth St., to the Church of the Most Holy Redeemer. High Mass was celebrated by Rev. C. McKenna C.SS.R. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. A Webster, J. A. MacMillan, Chester W. S. McLure, John Callaghan, M. W. Reardon and James Campbell. Service at the grave was conducted by Rev. R. Bains, C.SS.R.

MRS. SPURGEON MacARTHUR. —Many friends throughout the Province will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Spurgeon MacArthur at the home of her daughter Mrs. A. R. Matthews, Elm dale, on Jan. 2 1940 after a short illness. She was 71 years of age and leaves to mourn the loss of a devoted mother one son Edgar, West Royalty; one daughter Janetta, Mrs. A. R. Matthews, Elmsdale; also eight grandchildren and one great grand child. The funeral service will be held in the Elmsdale United Church on Thursday afternoon.

— CELEBRATES 84TH BIRTHDAY — Mrs. Louis MacMillan of Miscouche entertained last Wednesday in honor of her mother, Mrs. William H. Schurman of Linkletter Road, who was 84 years old that day. Mrs. Schurman who has now completely recovered from her very serious illness of last summer, was the life of the party joining in the fun and merriment with the younger people. Mrs. Schurman received many nice gifts and messages of congratulations. Mrs. McMillan served a sumptuous lunch and before leaving one and all wished Mrs. Schurman many happy returns.—S

LEAVING FOR OTTAWA—Mr. W. J. Reid leaves for Ottawa this week to attend a meeting of the Bacon Board and Advisory Committee, which will be held in the federal capital on Jan. 8. Mr. Reid, who is chairman of the Maritime Chamber of Agriculture and president of the P. E. I Co-operative Livestock Marketing Board, is the only Maritime representatives on the newly created Advisory Committee which will work in conjunction with the board established for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the bacon marketing agreement between the governments of Canada and the United Kingdom.

AWARDED CONTRACT — The firm of J. P. Porter and Sons, Ltd., Montreal, was awarded a contract for repairs and improvements to the Railway wharf in Charlottetown, it was officially announced by the federal department of public works in Ottawa Jan. 1st. This firm had charge of the dredging operations at the Wood Islands terminal last summer. The manager of the firm, Mr. J. P. Porter, is well known in the Province and is a keen follower of harness racing. He owns a stable of race horses in his own Province and also has had several in this Province. His horses here are at Wellington McNeill's stables.

—HOUSE GUTTED BY FIRE — The residence of Mr. James Lewis at North Market Street near the trotting park was badly gutted by fire on Tuesday night. The family were away at the time and a neighbor noticed the interior of the house ablaze. The fire was discovered shortly after 9.30. The fire is thought to have started from an over- heated stove pipe and ran up between the walls. The house was quite small but had only been built a short time. Considerable damage was done to the interior of the house and some of the heavier pieces of furniture were damaged. The loss is partly covered by insurance. Much sympathy is felt for the family who suffered much discomfort through the fire. The firemen were promptly on the scene and soon had the blaze under control. S

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS —The regular meeting of Alpha Rebekah Lodge No. 10 I.O.O.R. was held Tuesday evening. District Deputy President, Miss Helen McEachern, assisted by Mrs. Beatrice Lapthorn as Grand Marshall, and the following Grand Officers, Mrs. Ruby Houle, P. P. R. A., Mrs Alberta Patterson, Mrs Frances Tweed, Mrs. Annie Garnhum, Mrs. Blanche Stewart, Miss Ethel J. Sutherland, Miss Flora Nicholson, installed the following staff of officers for the ensuing term: Noble Grand—Mrs. Lulu Nicholson. Vice Grand—Mrs. Margaret Matheson. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Pheobe Pound, P. N. G. Financial Secretary—Mrs. Jean Crockett, P. N. G. Treasurer—Miss Norma Younker. Warden —Mrs. Jean McLean. Conductor—Mrs. Mary Thomson. Chaplain—Miss Winnie Burns. R. S. N. G.—Miss Muriel Lowther. P. N. G. L. S. N. G.—Mrs. Mae Adams, P. N. G. R. S. V. G.—Mrs. Flora McInnis, P. N. G. L. S. V. G. —Miss Mary Gunn. Inside Guardian—Mrs. Ruth White. Outside Guardian— Miss Sadie Love, P. N. G. Pianist —Mrs. Helen McEachern, P. N. G. Jr Past Noble Grand —Miss Muriel Dover. Short addresses were given by the newly installed officers and refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

FRIDAY

—IN HOSPITAL — Friends will regret to learn that Mr. H. T. Holman entered the Prince County Hospital on Wednesday for an operation.—S

After receiving the last rites of his church, Peter H. Greenan passed to his eternal reward on December 11th, following an illness of several months.

—VISITING IN HALIFAX— Mrs. Clarence Harris is visiting in Halifax, N. S., the guest of her sister, Mrs. MacDonald.—S.

There passed peacefully away on Dec. 8, 1939, Mr. John O. Boulter of Rose Valley. He was confined to his bed only for a short period of time. Death had no terror for him he knew in whom he had trusted.

***PURCHASES PROPERTY** — The property of the late Mrs. Jemima Martin of Montague was sold by public auction on Wednesday to Mr. William MacLean. M.

—VISITED IN ALBERTON— Mr Fred Ahearn returned to Dartmouth on Wednesday after visiting his home in Alberton and also his brother, Mr. Ted Ahearn Summerside. Fred enlisted in the P. E. I. Highlanders and was home on leave.—S.

—LEAVE FOR CH'TOWN — Mr. Justice A. C. Saunders and Mrs. Saunders left yesterday morning to take up their residence in Charlottetown for the remainder of the winter. They will be residents at the Charlottetown Hotel. —S

P. E. I. GRADUATE— Ruby Isabell MacLean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Gordon MacLean, Cornwell, was one of the 96 who graduated from the Household Training School for Attendant Nurses in Boston. Graduation exercises were held in the Copley Methodist Church, November 23, 1939.

—FLEW FROM WINNIPEG —Mr. Roy Lockhart who has just been transferred to the new Trans Canada Airways station at Moncton from Winnipeg, flew all the way in one of the company's planes. He was accompanied by his wife, formerly Miss Bessie Jenkins of Winnipeg. Mr. Lockhart is the son of Dr. A. A. Lockhart and is well known on the Island, especially in Kensington.

—PRESENTATION AT INDIAN RIVER—Rev. R. F. McDonald, pastor of Indian River parish was pleasantly surprised Christmas eve when the Catholic Women's League of Indian River and other parishioners called at his home and presented him with a beautiful chair. The address which accompanied the gift was read by Mrs. James L. Saunders Another surprise was the presentation of a matching ottoman from the Diocesan Council of the C. W. L. which was presented by the Diocesan President, Mrs Leslie G. Ramsay. Although completely taken by surprise Father McDonald expressed his appreciation in his usual gracious manner.—K.

"That on the night of Dec. 20th, 1939, the deceased came to his death in Charlottetown, by a truck passing over his head driven by Harold Currie, accompanied by Rueben Higgins, and by negligence in not summoning medical aid." This was the text of the verdict brought in by the jury empannelled to inquire into the sudden death of Mr. James Dunphy of Johnson's River, which occurred on the said night. The inquest was held yesterday in the City Police Court. Dr. J. D. MacGuigan of Charlottetown was the coroner and he conducted the inquest.

PLOWS BUSY—Heavy drifts of snow in the country, yesterday and Wednesday night, tied up motor traffic in many sections of the Island. The only highway, known to be open last night, was the stretch between Charlottetown and Montague, it was announced by Mr. L. B. MacMillan, Deputy Minister of Public Works. The plow stationed in Montague came through to the Ten Mile House, where it was met by another sent out from the City. A plow left Charlottetown yesterday for Summerside but due to heavy drifts was forced to turn back after bucking the banks to Fredericton. From Summerside to Borden was reported blocked also. The plow at Summerside is undergoing repairs after a break-down which occurred while snow fighting Wednesday. It is expected that this plow will be in operation again today. Condition of roads west of the Prince County capital was unknown last night. A plow left for Morell yesterday but at a late hour last night it was not known if it got through.

BIRTHS

HARPER — In Charlottetown on January 1, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Harper, City, a son.

MACDONALD—At Orwell on Dec 24, 1939 to Mr. and Mrs Leo R MacDonald, a daughter Florence Augusta.

RAYNER—At Summerside January 1st, 1940 to Mr and Mrs. Weston Rayner (nee Helen Clark) a daughter, weight 7 1-2 lbs. Helen Elaine. S.

BURDEN — At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, Dec. 24, to Mr. and Mrs. James Burden, City, a son James Ronald.

LINKLETTER— At Prince County Hospital, January 1st, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Emery Linkletter, Linkletter Road, a son.

PATTON—At San Fernando Trinidad, on Dec 31, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. John R Patton (nee Isabel Andrew) a daughter.

MARRIAGES

MCDONALD - ANDREW — At the United Church Manse, Montague, Dec. 27, 1939, by Rev. S. Hayward Vera Elizabeth Andrew of East Royalty to Russel Gordon McDonald of Montague.

DEATHS

McDONALD—At Souris River, Dec. 24, 1939, Mrs Daniel A. MacDonald in her 73rd year.

McNABB — In Roslindale, Mass., Dec. 31, Agatha De E Hughes, beloved wife of James A. McNabb

McQUARRIE—At Milton on Jan. 3rd, 1940, Mrs. Thomas McQuarrie, aged 87 years.

FRASER—At his home, St. Peter's Bay, P. E. I., December 9, 1939, William Harvey Fraser, aged 77 years.

DINGWELL—At the P. E. I. Hospital on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1940, William B. Dingwell, age 64 years.

PIERCE—On Wednesday, January 3rd, 1940, Mrs. Samuel C. Pierce in her 77th year.

MacQUARRIE—At Milton, Jan. 3rd, 1940, Mrs. Thomas MacQuarrie, age 87 years (formerly of Rice Point).

CONNORS—At his residence, 38 Longworth St., Dec. 30, 1939, Hugh F. Connors, aged 72 years.

WARD—At the Prince Edward Island Hospital, January 1, 1940, George Cromwell Ward, aged 3 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ward, 91 Elm Avenue.

CONNORS—At the P. E. I. Hospital, Dec 31, 1939, Vernon Edward Connors, aged 20.

SHEA—At the Sacred Heart Home, Charlottetown, on December 31, 1939, Catherine Shea, aged 89 years, dearly beloved wife of James Shea, formerly of Tignish.

McPHEE—At the City Hospital, Jan. 1, 1940, Veronica McPhee aged 54 years.

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