The Latest and Most Important Reading Matter Selected From This Week's News for the Charlotteto wn Guardian's Saturday Subscribers

MONDAY

—PAINFUL INJURY.—Mr. Henry Lowther, North Carleton, had the misfortune last Saturday of getting his hand quite badly hurt while cranking his car.

ISLANDER'S DEATH—Word has been received in this city of the death at Everett, Mass., of Mr. Thomas Fennell, formerly of Charlottetown, and a brother of the late Mr. Robert Fennell, formerly a partner in the hardware firm of Fennell and Chandler.

—MANY HAPPY RETURNS.—A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Lowther, North Carleton on Saturday last when about fifty of the neighbors and relatives assembled to celebrate the seventy-seventh birthday of Mrs. Lowther, who is remarkably active for her years, she doing practically all the housework herself.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.—The minister, Rev. W. B. Muir preached two eloquent sermons at St James Church yesterday, in the morning taking as his text, "Unto us a Child is Born." „Before Abraham was, I am," and in the evening "In a Manger." Special Christmas music was rendered by the Choir, which, in the morning sang the anthem, "While Shepherds watched," and in the evening the anthems, "Of the Father's Love Begotten," and "It came upon the Midnight Clear.' Mr. A. G. Bruce sang the solo, "Nazareth," at the morning service. The Church was very artistically and appropriately decorated for the occasion with spruce and flowers.

MRS. A. D. BREHAUT

Laid to rest. The funeral of the late Mrs. A. D. Brehaut took place from her late home at Village Green, Sunday, December 6th to Pownall Cemetery. Over one hundred carriages followed the remains to its last resting place. She leaves to mourn the loss of a dear loved one her husband, two sons, Vernon and Willard at home, also one daughter, Mrs. Heber Weeks, Fredericton and two brothers William and George W. Ballum, Mt. Albion. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Littlejohns assisted by Rev. Mr. Landsay, Pownal United Church choir attended the hymns "Nearer My God to Thee," "Rock of Ages" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" were well rendered(the pallbearers were John Campbell, James Noy, Lloyd Ballum ,Henry Jenkins, Percy Darrach, Wilfred Wood.

Funeral was under direction of Jenkins Bros.

RETURNS HOME FROM FOX JUDGING TRIP—Mr. Wendell Worth, one of the judges of the Bureau of Economic Fox Standard, of the American Fox Institute, arrived home on Thursday evening from a trip abroad to spend his Christmas holidays at his home here. Mr. Worth leaves on return this morning. He has been absent on his present trip for three months. During that time he visited a number of the New England and Middle West States. He covered a great deal of territory, and was in many ranches. With regard to the fox industry in the United States, he says that it is in a flourishing condition, the ranchers are optimistic over the prospects, and this year the prices have been strong. In the majority of cases the American ranches had a very good increase, practically all the foundation stock has come from Prince Edward Island. In course of time the United States promises to be quite a strong competitor with this Province in the production of high class foxes. In scoring the different foxes, Mr. Worth awards certain points for general appearance, guard hair, under fur, brush, etc. He scores from thirty-five to fifty foxes a day, the Brackett system being used. Pelting had not started during Mr. Worth's stay although a number of the ranches were preparing for it.

The death occurred at his home 262 Queen Street on Tuesday December 15th, 1925 of Thomas Butler in his 80th year. The late Mr. Butler had been in good health until about three months ago when he found it necessary to enter Hospital for treatment but owing to his age no great hopes were held for his recovery. The deceased had followed the sea from his earliest years and had many escapes from a watery grave. He was a member of the crew of the S. S. Columbia in 1885 whilst outward bound from Boston was wrecked in a storm and practically all hands perished. Possessed of and iron will and constitution he clung to a piece of wreckage for three days and nights and was finally rescued by a passing ship after he had let go and was endeavoring to swim to some haven of safety. Of late years he was employed on the S.S. Minto and since the inception of the carferry has been a member of her crew in the engineering department. Of a kind and loving disposition he made many lasting friendships with shipmates and small children to whom he was greatly attached. There is left to mourn their loss a sorrowing widow, four daughters Mrs. Earnest McInnis, Mrs. Isaac Curmore Mrs. W. S. Hughes all of this City, Mrs. Alfred White of Pictou one son William of Sydney also one sister the last of his family Mrs. Johanna Lawlor of Charlottetown. His funeral took place on Thursday morning to St. Dunstans Cathedral where a High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rev. M. McDonald. The pall bearers were Chief. Thos. Ranaghan John Connoley James Faredy Frank Riggs James Coyle John Edmonds. Services at the grave were conducted by the Rev. P. McMahon who also attended him during his illness administering the last Rites of The Catholic Church of which he, was a firm and devout member.

ISLANDER HONORED—Lemuel A. Seller, L. L. B., of this city, but who is now located in Strassburg, Sask., has been elected Mayor of that town by acclamation.

LAID TO REST.—The funeral of the late Capt. Arthur Vatcher was held yesterday afternoon from his late residence to the Peoples' Cemetery and was very largely attended, the local firemen marching in the procession in a body: The services were conducted by Rev. W. M. Ryan, and the pall-bearers were as follows: Capt. John Martin, Capt. Ernest Heartz, Lieut. John Connolly, Messrs. Harry Mathieson, Tommy Howatt, and Frederick Trainor. The fire bell was tolled out of respect to the memory of the deceased.

SERIOUS FIRE.—Quite a fire occurred at Summerville on Christmas morning, when the home belonging to John Thomas Power was completely destroyed with all its contents. On Christmas Eve after leaving his two children at the home nearby, of his brother, Michael J., Mr. Power returned home Just before again leaving to attend the Midnight Mass at Cardigan he thoroughly extinguished the kitchen fire ,even putting water on it, because he always was very careful of fire. At five o'clock on Christmas morning the flames were discovered by Oliver MacNeill, a neighbor. Then, however, it was too late to save anything. Everything that was to be found in a well equipped farm home Mr. Power had. His loss is estimated at $2,500 which it is understood is partly covered with insurance.

SERIOUSLY ILL.—The many friends of Mrs. Fred M. Clay, will be surprised to know that she is now in the Hillcrest Hospital, Pittsfield, Mass. Mrs. Clay is the wife of Rev. F. M. Clay, who is the pastor of a large Church in Virginia. Mrs. Clay previous to her marriage was better known as Doblea Brien. Mrs. Clay was brought from Virginia for the operation for it was there Rev. Clay was operated on a few years ago. The operation of Mrs. Clay was one of the most delicate ever performed in this hospital. Dr. Tracey, a New Brunswick man and a graduate of McGill performing the operation, under the care of her daughter Mrs. Fallon who is a graduate nurse of Darlington, Conn., and two other graduate nurses. Rev. Clay is at her bed side and everything science has provided for such a case is being used and there is said to be a fighting chance for a recovery. Rev. Clay would be glad to receive correspondence from any of his wife's friends.

Last night at the Baptist church, at the conclusion of the regular service, a formal farewell was said to Professor and Mrs. Ball, who will leave in a few days for Moncton, where Prof. Ball will become organist and choir director of the United Church.

For almost three and a half years the Professor has filled a similar position with the Baptist Church in this city, during which time a very high standard of musical excellence has been maintained. The departure of Prof. Ball will mean a distinct loss to the art of music, not only in the Baptist Church, but to the city at large. During his residence here he has conducted the Choral Society, the Orpheus Eight, and has instructed the pupils of Prince Street and West Kent schools, as well as carrying on a large private class.

Last evening addresses were read by Mr. E. D. Sterns, on behalf of the congregation, and by Dr. Yee in the interests of the Choir. The presentation of a purse of gold, subscribed by the Choir and congregation, was made by Miss Mary Chandler.

Professor and Mrs. Ball both made reply, expressing their regret at leaving Charlottetown, in which they had made many lasting friendships.

TUESDAY

—MINISTER REMEMBERED—The Baptist Parsonage at O'Leary was the scene of a pleasant surprise when Rev. Mr. Copeland's parishioners paid him an unexpected visit. They came well provided with bounteous donations and the evening passed very quickly with music and singing.

Principal Moran of the Union Commercial College received word yesterday that twenty-seven of his students had been awarded Penmanship Certificates from one of the leading Penmanship Institutes in America "The Zanerian." The remarkable improvement in penmanship is seen by comparing specimens of writing on entrance and those submitted for certificates.

Prin. Moran is arranging special work along this line for the new classes which start on January 5.

Following is list of certificate winners:

Mary D. Jenkins.
Evelyn Mae MacGillivray.
Margaret Ranahan.
Lauretta McGuire.
M. Ena Hornby.
Ethel Hamill.
Elsie MacInnis.
Charles E. Praught.
Jeanette Saunders.
Geneva Blaquire.
Emma Wisner.
Eleanor Leard.
Erma Lane.
Alfred MacEachern.
Eva Frost.
Katherine M. Fraser.
Margaret Forsythe.
Georgena Vickerson.
Ruth Harper.
Freda Donovan.
Lea Frederick Dawson.
Helen McIsaac.
Mary MacLeod.
Mary Duffy.
Nellie Garrett.
Louise Cox.
Marion Holmes.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT—On Christmas Eve, Mr. J. A. Clark, Superintendent of the Experimental Farm and Mrs. Clark were presented by the staff and employees of the farm with a handsome rocking chair as a Christmas gift. Mr. Clark, on behalf of Mrs. Clark and himself, made a fitting acknowledgment.

PASTOR REMEMBERED—The members of the Charlottetown Baptist Church very generously remembered their pastor and family during the Christmas season. In addition to many personal gifts, Mr. and Mrs. Eaton received a magnificent automobile robe from the ladies of the church. These continued expressions of good will on the part of the people were highly appreciated by Mr. Eaton and family.

—FAREWELL GIFT—Rev. Gordon Stevens has been transferred from West Cape to Minto, N. B. His pastorate here has been pleasant and successful. His many friends are sorry to see him go. They, of Springfield, gathered at the parsonage to express their regrets at his going and presented a nice gift to show appreciation. The folk at O'Leary followed suit, meeting at the home of James McWilliams, where a very pleasant evening was spent and a purse of $50.00 was given as a token of their best wishes.

NAVY LEAGUE BALL.—Upwards of two-hundred and fifty happy and smiling dancers enjoyed the ball at the Navy League last night, which was held under the auspices of the Blue Jacket Club. The novelties were unique and numerous including a grand cracker containing a large number of prizes, which was pulled for by two teams, baloons, confetti, electric sparklers, streamers, etc., etc. The many beautiful gowns of the ladies were a delight to the eye, as well as the magnificent setting, appropriate to the occasion. Mr. Dixon's orchestra fully lived up to its reputation as a band of skilled musicians. The dance broke up in the small hours and left in its stead, tired feet, but many happy remembrances of a huge success. It is the intention to hold another dance very shortly. The chaperones were: Mrs. Mathieson, Mrs. O'Donell, Mrs. Chandler.

BURIED SUNDAY.—The funeral of the late Robert C. Buntain of Wheatley River was held from his late home Sunday afternoon. Owing to the roads being in a very bad condition and the Rev. Mr. Aitkins, who was to conduct the services in the home, having to drive from Stanley Bridge, was late in arriving and the Rev. Mr. Baxter of Hunter River took charge of this service which was very impressive. The service at the grave was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Aitken and Rev. Mr. Baxter. The late Mr. Buntain was a man of high integrity and fine character, and was held in high esteem by his fellow-men, as was shown by the large concourse of people who followed his remains to their last resting place. Beautiful floral tributes from kind friends covered the casket. The pall-bearers were his four brothers, Alexander, John Hedley and Herbert, also his two brothers-in-law, D. Bulman and Henry Ross.

An able and interesting talk on the manufacture of soap was given by Mr. Henry Lapthorn at the weekly meeting of the Charlottetown Y's Men's Club, held last evening in the Y. M. C. A. Parlors.

Mr. Lapthorn, who himself for many years was a manufacturer of this household necessity, explained very vividly the processes involved in converting the principal ingredients of soap, namely, tallow, caustic soda or potash, and rosin, into the finished product, and pointed out that the addition of such ingredients as washing soda and talcum, were what made the difference in the prices of the ordinary cheaper soaps. The speaker mentioned the different improvements that had helped to develop the manufacture of soap on a large scale, such as cutting, embossing, and wrapping machines, and also the conversion into useful products of the large amount of waste lye that was usually discarded in old-fashioned processes of soap-making.

In the course of his remarks Mr. Lapthorn made reference to the soap factory that was at one time operating here, and which in its most flourishing days employed about twenty five persons.

But the retail demand, he said, seemed to insist on imported goods, and householders would buy foreign soaps in preference to that produced by the home industry, even when they had to pay a higher price. And the result was that the factory in time was forced to suspend operations, and ultimately to close down altogether.

During the meeting a New Year's Greeting from the Y's Men's District Governor, Mr. W. R. Pearce, was read by the Secretary.

—THE RIGHT SPIRIT—The Christmas spirit seems to be in the air. The friends of Rev. Mr. Lattrie, O'Leary, gathered into the Manse with a goodly supply of necessities and luxuries for the season's enjoyment. They spent a very enjoyable hour and on leaving all hoped there would be many returns of the day under the same circumstances.

BEQUESTS BY THE LATE MR. L. E. PROWSE—By the will the late Mr. L. E. Prowse has made the following bequests:—Charlottetown Hospital $1,000; P. E. I. Hospital $1,000; Mt. Allison University $1,000; St. Vincent Orphanage $500; Protestant Orphanage $500. The balance of the estate is divided amongst the members of the family with the exception of a few small private bequests.

—APPOINTMENT—Mr. Arthur E. Grady, son of Mr. Sampson Grady, Summerside, has received word from the Department of Marine and Fisheries that he has been appointed Light House Keeper at Indian Point in Summerside Harbor. Mr. Grady, who is a returned soldier, will make a good man for the job and is to be congratulated upon his appointment which dated from December 18.

The officers of St. John's and Victoria Lodges, A. F. and A. M. were installed in office last evening by Past Grand Master J. M. Murley, assisted by Marshal C. H. Dingwell, the installation ceremony being held in the Masonic Temple. The newly installed officers are as follows:

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 1.

W. M.—William Schofield, P. M.
S. W.—A. W. M. Allan.
J. W.—N. D. MacLean.
Treasurer—J. Lester Douglas, P. M.
Secretary—Ernest Kemp, P. M.
Chaplain—J. M. Murley, P. M.
Marshal—A. J. Houle.
S. D.—J. W. Johnston.
J. D.—Frank Nicholson.
S. S.—William J. Carr.
J. S.—Frank Vanlderstine.
I. G.—W. H. Smith.
Tyler—S. B. French.
Trustee—L. MacDonald, P. M.

VICTORIA LODGE, NO. 2.

W. M.—Howard Ward.
S. W.—W. G. Hogg.
J. W.—P. Palmer.
Treasurer—H. Simpson.
Secretary—H. S. MacLeod, P. M.
Chaplain—E. T. Carbonell, P. M.
Marshall—C. H. Dingwell, P. M.
S. D.—H. MacEwen.
J. D.—L. A. MacDougall.
S. S.—Walter Bears.
J. S.—Arthur Garrett.
I. G.—Weston Whitlock.
Tyler—S. B. French.
Trustee—W. J. Drake.

WEDNESDAY

—LAID TO REST.—The body of William Woodside, Summerside, who passed away on Sunday morning, was laid to rest Monday morning in St. Paul's cemetery, High Mass of Requiem was celebrated in St. Paul's Church by Rev. Father McCabe who also officiated at the grave.

GOOSE SUPPER ENJOYED.—On Saturday eve, Dec. 26th, about a dozen neighbors were invited to the home of Miss Elizabeth McLeod and her sister Eldon, where an excellent goose supper accompanied by many modern delicacies was served. England, Ireland and Scotland were credibly represented around the festive board. After supper some hours were spent in music, jokes, and conversation. A most amusing feature of the evening was an enigmatic address by the hostess to each guest present, resulting in much merriment. Immediately before leaving the guests were again invited to the dining-room where a huge Christmas cake was 'unveiled" by Miss McLeod and a buffet lunch of coffee and cake was greatly enjoyed. After thanking Miss McLeod for a pleasant evening all departed radiating good will and cheer which the softly falling snow could not dampen.

CORNWALL COMMUNITY CLUB—The Community Club at Cornwall held a very successful play on Friday evening the eighteenth entitled "The Old District School." The following were the characters: Deacon, Tidd, Bruce Mcdougall; John Jacob Astor, Seymour Scott; Patience Preddifoot, Norma Murchison; Ben Butler, Percy Boyle; Tooty Frooty, Ida MacLean; Cornelius Vanderbilt, Gordon Boyle; Peruna Jones, Kathleen MacLean; Jim Blaine, Stanley Hyde; Christopher Columbus, Watson Livingstone; Petey Barnum, John Heartz; Bustin Brown, Allie MacLean; Daniel Webster, William MacPhail; Lydia Pinkham, Ethel Ling; Jesse James, Leonard MacDonald; Liza Ann Snodgrass, Ina Livingstone; Semanthy Small, Helen Crosby; Mehitable Honswoggle, Lillian Hyde; Brigham Young, Roy Crosby; Mrs. Amanda J. Quancenbush, Tillie Boyle; Ezekiel Simpkins, teacher, Gordon MacMillan. The play was much enjoyed by the large audience, the sum of eighty-three dollars being realized.

PASTOR REMEMBERED—Rev. M. D. Macdonald, Murray River, was pleasantly surprised Xmas day, on receiving a registered letter in the mail containing a nice little sum of money, as a Xmas gift from his people of St. Andrew's United Church, Belle River. He wishes to thank them all for their kind thoughts of him.

SERIOUS FIRE—A serious fire occurred at Green Road on Christmas Eve when the splendid dwelling belonging to Mr. Charles Toole was completely destroyed, only part of the furniture being saved. Only for the kind assistance of neighbours the outbuildings would also have been destroyed. The loss is estimated at $3,500 with a small insurance.

—DIED AT COLEMAN.—The death occurred on December 24 at the residence of her son ,Mr. James McKinnon, Coleman, of Mrs. Neil McKinnon at the advanced age of 83 years. Mrs. McKinnon had resided with her son for the past 10 years and previous to that lived in Western Canada and Summerside. Her husband during his residence here was a prominent citizen taking an active part in public affairs. There are left to mourn two song and six daughters. The funeral took place on Christmas Day the remains being la'd to rest in the People's Cemetery Summerside, beside her late husband.

—CHRISTMAS CLOSING.—The semi-annual examination of Kensington High School was held on December 23, in the presence of a goodly number of interested persons. The classes in the various rooms were examined ,by Messrs. Jas. Pendergast and J. A. Ready, Rev. G. T. Spriggs, Rev. A. W. Robertson, Mrs. (Dr.) E. G. Gillis, Miss Ruth McArthur. The result of the examination demonstrated that good results are being attained in this high centre of learning, and that, at the end of the school year, as good ends will be attained as the quality of the work doing can guarantee.—Y.

—LEWIS—SILLIPHANT—A very pretty wedding was solemnized at six o'clock Saturday morning December 26th, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Silliphant, when her daughter Mildred Weddall, was united in marriage to Mr. Lloyd George Lewis, of Summerside, Rev. F. E. Boothroyd officiating. The only guests present were the immediate relatives. The bride looked charming, wearing a suit of international blue broadcloth with squirrel trimmings, and black velvet hat, and wore a corsage bouquet of yellow roses and maiden hair fern. The Wedding march was played by Miss Dorothy Silliphant, assisted on the violin by Master Albert Silliphant, niece and nephew of the bride. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. Roy W. Silliphant. The house looked very beautiful being decorated with Christmas trimmings and an abundance of holly which was sent especially for the occasion by friends of the bride in Vancouver B C. The ceremony took place under a brilliant arch which was also very beautifully trimmed with tinsel and holly and from which hung a large wedding bell. After a dainty served breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis left on an extended trip through Canadian and American cities, the bride travelling in a beautiful fur coat, the gift of the groom. Previous to her marriage, Mrs. Lewis was a very efficient teacher on the staff of the Summerside High School. The groom who is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonah R. Lewis of Freetown, is a practicing barrister at law in the town of summerside, and a member of the law firm of Messrs Stewart and Lewis. The very large number of beautiful and costly wedding gifts, also many cheques, received from friends testified to the popularity of the young couple.

The death occurred at the City Hospital Monday night of Martin Walsh, a well known and highly respected citizen.

The deceased who was born in Summerville, P. E. Island, about 65 years ago came to the city when nine years of age to attend the Christian Brothers School.

After completing his course he leaned the trade of carpenter with his brother, the late John Walsh, who at that time conducted a large lumber yard in this city.

When quite a young man the late Martin Walsh went to St. John's, Newfoundland, where he followed his trade. Here he married Mary Jane Williams in 1880.

Returning to this city about thirty-eight years ago, he worked at his trade at which he was an expert, and in 1896 was appointed to a position in the car shops of the P. E. Island Railway, the duties of which he fulfilled faithfully and efficiently.

Last November, deceased retired under the Provident Fund and as was noted in this paper at the time was presented with an address and gold headed cane from his fellow workmen.

About this time his health began to fail and his physician advised a visit to a Montreal Hospital in the hope that an operation would restore his failing health.

On his return he seemed to improve and was about as usual when he was taken suddenly ill last night about nine o'clock and was at once hurried to the City Hospital.

Despite all that could be done, however, he passed away about two housr later.

The late Martin Walsh was of a most kindly and friendly disposition and his acts of charity well known. He was a prominent member of the B. I. S., and a faithful member of St. Dunstan's congregation.

Besides his sorrowing widow he leaves to mourn three daughters, Margaret, teacher in Wellington School, Cambridge, whom he visited early last summer and is now en route home, and Annie and Millie at home.

A sister, Mrs. John Lafferty resides at Peake's Station and three brothers, Peter in Hartford, Conn., Michael, Little Pond, P. E. I., and Edward on the old homestead in Summerville.

The annual Christmas Concert and Christmas Tree of the Zion Church Sunday School was held last evening in the school-room, which was filled with an audience that packed it to overflowing. Mr. A. A. MacDonald acted as chairman, and the following program was very successfully carried out:

CALEDONIAN CLUB—The monthly meeting of the Club was held last evening, the President, Mr. J. G. McFadyen presiding. A number of reports were received from various committees and after discussion adopted. The financial statement for the year submitted by the treasurer, Mr. John McPhee was of a satisfactory nature. The standing committees for the year were appointed, and the Burns concert committee reported progress was being made with the arrangements for the concert to be held on Monday and Tuesday, January 25th and 26th.

Standing room was at a premium last night in Heartz Memorial Hall, when parents and children gathered to enjoy the annual Xmas concert.

Every number, particularly of the little kindergarten tots, was thoroughly enjoyed, and reflected great credit on those responsible for training the children so thoroughly. At the close of the program Santa Claus arrived amid great enthusiasm and after cordially greeting the children, proceeded with his usual generosity to present a gift to everyone in the audience.

St. Paul's Sunday School had their annual Christmas treat and Children's Concert in the Parish Hall last evening. The Hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The children sat down to a delicious tea at 5.30 and then had some time for games, etc., before their concert.

There is nothing more popular to parents and friends than a children's entertainment, and fathers and mothers were there in goodly numbers. Younger and older children made their contribution to the programme. Special mention should be made of a splendidly executed pageant of Christmas by the C. G. I. T. conducted by Mrs. J. E. Purdie and "Christmas in Many Lands," the latter under Miss Louise Haszard's direction. Lois Miller and little Delys Owen made special hits with their recitations though all were of high order. A group of choir boys as coon comedians brought down the house.

Santa Claus arrived just at the right time with candy and gifts and distributed the Sunday School prizes for the year's work.

THURSDAY

—ENTERS HOSPITAL.—Mrs. John Andrew Hughes, Freetown who is critically ill has entered P. C. Hospital for treatment.

PAINFUL INJURY—The many friends of Mr. John T. Ferguson, Marshfield, will regret to learn that he met with a serious accident on Monday night about ten o'clock. Mr. Ferguson went to the barn with Mr W. H. Gibson, who had been spending the evening with him, to get his horse preparatory to going home. In doing so one of the other horses in the stable kicked Mr. Ferguson between the knee and thigh, causing a bad fracture of the leg. Medical aid was quickly secured and Mr. Ferguson is resting as well as can be expected.

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT.—Mr. Arthur M. Thomson, nephew of Mr. J. L. Thomson of this city, has been appointed to the control of the Anchor Line steamers in New York. Mr. Thomson is well-known

WINSLOE SERVICES.—The United Church of Canada, Rev. W. H. Palmer, Minister. Services Sunday January 3rd. Winsloe North 11 a.m. Winsloe South 3 p.m. Highfield 7 p.m. Preaching service at Princetown Road, Tuesday, January 5th at 7.30 p.m. Annual meeting of the Trustee Board at the close of this service. Annual meeting of the Trustee Board at Winsloe South, Monday, January 4th at 7.30 p.m.

—OIL MEN WIN—The Governor's Island ambassadors "struck oil" in Summerside last night when they decisively defeated the Senators by the score of 11—2 The match was interesting from the fact that the Charlottetown line-up introduced some of the former hockey stars, including Ivan Reddin, one of the fastest forwards of the Good Old Victoria club, Spurgeon Diamond, who won his spurs guarding the nets against the Granites, the world's amateur hockey champions, "Chic" Williams of last years Boston Maple Leafs, George Buntain, also a former member of one of Boston's fast teams, Dewar of last year's Abegweits and several other stars. The Summerside team was at no stage of the game in a class with the visitors, there being no senior men on the line-up from Summerside. In the first the ambassadors scored four, adding another tally in the second period and five more in the third period. The Senators got their two scores in the last period. Mr. Arthur Allen, Summerside, refereed. There was an hour and one half skate afterwards with St. Paul's Brass Band furnishing good music.

A JOYFUL GATHERING—The Annual Christmas Concert of The Salvation Army Sunday School was held in the Citadel on Monday evening. The Hall was filled by an appreciative audience who thoroughly enjoyed the splendid programme rendered by The Young People of The Corps. Great credit is due to Young Peoples Sergt. Major Mrs. Crocket and her workers for the success of the effort. The following programme was given: Opening Hymn, Hark the herald Angels Sing; Prayer, Captain Reynolds; Song, Hurrah for Merry Christmas, School; Recitation, An act of Courtesy, Russell Carr; Concerted Recitation, Christmas Wishes, 10 children; Star Drill, (Recitation by Jean Waye), 16 girls; Action Song, Jack Frost, Primary Class. Recitation, Ivan Clarke; Recitation, Christmas is Coming, Dorothy Davis; Vocal Solo Holy Night, Mrs. J. Richards; Dumb Bell Drill, 10 Boys; Electrical Club Swinging, Capt. Reynolds. Recitation, The Night, Ruth Hood; Playet, St. Nicholas Children, children in costumes; Vocal Duet, Santa's Accident, Mrs. Crocket, Mrs. Davis The last item informed the waiting crowd that in his journey Santa had stopped at a well to drink, and also had fallen in. However, with the assistance of six small brownies who appeared, he was soon drawn up from the well, amid the shouts of the children. He seemed none the worse for his dip and was soon busy stripping the heavily laden tree. In closing Adjutant Davis announced that as in former years the programme would be repeated on New Year's night.

That the summer tourist traffic into Prince Edward Island has in the past few years grown by leaps and bounds, is clearly shown by statistics that have been made available to the Guardian by the P. E. I. Tourist Association. The work that has already been done by this Publicity organization in fostering what promises in time to be the Province's greatest industry, has even now multiplied many times the annual revenue that the Island derives from this source.

This years summer passenger traffic was thirty percent greater than that of 1924, and in 1924 the number of people coming to Prince Edward Island during the holiday season was approximately 36,000, which would make the number for 1925 about 47,000. Twenty one hundred cars crossed over to this Province in the summer months of 1925, compared with fourteen hundred in 1924, and eight hundred in 1923.

It has been said by some that the Island has a short tourist season, and therefore is not so attractive to tourists as those places that enjoy longer summers, but this year the tourists began to pour into the Island early in June, and the tourist business was still booming in September ,thus giving this Province a season of at least twelve weeks, which is as long as the season in almost every well-known tourist resort.

A conservative estimate of the bona fide tourists who visited P. E. I. this year would place the number at about eleven thousand, and according to the Government bureau of statistics the average tourist, in his stay of about two weeks, leaves behind about seventy five dollars. Thus it can be seen that the industry was worth to the Island last year approximately $825,000. It is interesting to compare the revenue from this comparatively new industry, which requires no capital to operate, with that derived from the other leading industries of the Province, which generally operate with a heavy overhead. Though the fox industry yields $2,750,000 into the Island this year, this was returns on an investment of approximately $20,000,000. Likewise with the other industries, the incomes in nevery case represented interest on a large capital investment. But the amount of money invested in tourists by the Island this year was less than $5,000.

Although the big months for tourist traffic this year were July and August, the season started exceptionally early, and by the 19th of June five hundred and twenty seven cars compared with three hundred and twenty seven in 1924, came through St. Stephen, the American gateway for tourists coming into Eastern Canada.

Nova Scotia had 115,000 summer visitors and New Brunswick 100,000, in 1925. This is an increase in both these Provinces and a sign that the traffic is turning eastwards, after having almost exhausted the possibilities of Western Canada and the United States, and now evidently looking for new playgrounds. The tourist supply is therefore being brought nearer to Prince Edward Island every day, and people are now obliged to open their eyes to the fact that a wonderful investment is being offered to them. Ontario has taken full cognizance of that fact, and this year will expend a sum of $35,000 for the furtherance of the tourist trade in that Province.

During the present Christmas season the prevalence of American money here was remarked upon by many, and this is only one other indication of the returns the traffic brought the Island during the present season.

Great credit is due to the local association, not only for the splendid campaign of propaganda it has carried on, but also for the service it rendered to the visitors by the establishment in this city of a large and centrally located office, with which was combined the headquarters of the Women's Institutes, whose display of handicraft made the office a very interesting and instructive place for tourists to visit.

It has been stated on good authority that the local tourist association is the best equipped, the best organized, and best run organization in the Maritime Provinces.

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