

DIED

At Newlands, on the 8th January, 1900, Malcolm McLeod, Q. C., aged 65 years. [Funeral leaves house on Wednesday at 2.15 p. m., for railway station, thence to Sherwood.]

At North Rustico, on the 19th December, in her 74th year, Janet, beloved wife of Norman Gillis.

LIFE IN THE WEST

An Interesting Descriptive Article By D Jenkins.

Having lived over two years in the Northwest, I felt a strong inclination once more to visit the "right little island," and to look upon the old familiar faces. I have been well repaid for the long weary journey, by the exceedingly kind and cordial greeting I have met with on my return—a reception most gratifying and a kindness I fully appreciate.

It may interest your readers, at this slack season, if I give some little idea of the life in the West. I will not give a description of the journey, which has been often repeated, more than to say that owing to the failure of the man I had engaged to go out in charge of my car of stock, I had to go with him myself; and I may add that I never made the trip so pleasantly. I enjoyed the roomy and airy caboose infinitely more than the close and stuffy Pullman in which, on a warm night, you cannot sleep for the heat and on a cold one you are kept awake by the cold,—to say nothing of the fear of microbes for which the heavy plush upholstery and the thick blankets form a very cosy nest.

I found the conductors, with but two exceptions, courteous and obliging, and was always invited to take a seat in the cupola of the caboose, from which elevation, in a revolving chair, I got a complete panorama of the country through which we passed. I got into trouble once, owing to the conductor being ordered to proceed at once where he told me he would be detained half an hour. I had scarcely landed on the platform when I saw the train move off. I had some difficulty in overtaking it, and should have had much more, but that I had taken the precaution to note the number of the train as well as that of the car, which the man in charge of a car of stock should always do. I got on a passenger train for which I had to wait some hours and thus could not find my train. I then wired to have my car left at a station till I came up. By this means, I at once overtook my horses. This accident added two days to the length of my journey:—moral, keep close to the conductor.

When I first started into ranching I was induced to go into partnership with a man who had a lease of 13,000 acres at a cent an acre. This I thought must be a great advantage; but I soon found out my mistake. The horses did not approve of the grazing, and went off to find something more to their taste, and settled down on the Kootenai River, from which part nothing could keep them. So I decided that as the horses would not stay with me, I must stay with them. I took up a ranch on the Kootenai, dissolved the partnership, and there kept them still.

We are situated a few miles from the Rockies and about twice as far from the Montana border. The climate on the whole is very fine, though the weather is uncertain. Changes come without notice and quite suddenly. The worst of the climate is the want of rain and the high winds. But for the last few years they have had abundance of moisture, and the wind does no harm. One gets used to it, anyhow. On the Kootenai we have far less wind than at Pincher Creek and that neighborhood. Half way into the town, the snow, when it falls, lies quite level. Beyond that it is blown away very soon, and there is poor sleighing.

Horses and strong cattle live out all winter and find their own food. The grass, which is short and dry, cures in the sun, if the summer weather is favorable, and is nearly as nourishing in winter as in summer. Spring is the hardest time on stock, and if it is protracted they fail somewhat. But if the spring is fine, horses will be sleek and fat in April. The yearlings sucking dams, sometimes are not much larger than themselves. Calves and weak cows have to be fed. The practice now is to wean the calves in November and feed them on green oats and hay. Weak cows are kept in the pasture and fed in stormy weather.

I think, perhaps, I have gone about as far as your readers will care to follow at one time. I will give more in detail the life in the West and a short description of Manitoba and the political changes there, and the jubilation in Winnipeg over Hugh John's great victory.

Yours, etc., J. T. JENKINS.

—Councillor Hooper requests us to state that he did not say at the Council meeting last evening that he would never offer for re-election but it was not his intention to offer this year.

Success comes to those who persevere. If you take Hood's Sarsaparilla faithfully and persistently you will surely be benefited.

LOCAL NOTICES

Miss Burris will reopen her classes in dancing and deportment in B. I. S. Hall, Kent Street, on Tuesday 9th inst., at 8 p. m. Private class Wednesday 8 p. m. Juvenile class, Thursday at 2.30.

Band Saturday Afternoon.—The rink managers have decided to have the band every Saturday afternoon till further notice. This is an experiment, and will depend on the encouragement they receive whether it will be continued throughout the season. So bring your friends next Saturday. T. S.

Boys oil tan moccasins \$1 a pair at R. K. Joist's. Fancy moose moccasins at R. K. Joist's.

We are selling glass ware at a discount of 25 per cent.—W. P. Colwill. For January magazines visit Carter's bookstore.

Come and get a bargain in crockery for 30 days. We will sell our stock at a big discount.—W. P. Colwill.

SUPREME COURT

In Session To-day—Feeling Reference to the Late Malcolm MacLeod, Q. C.

The Hilary Term of the Supreme Court opened this forenoon at eleven o'clock, the Chief Justice presiding. The following Grand Jurors were sworn in:—

Patrick Blake, Charlottetown, foreman; Walter Matheson, Charlottetown; Murdoch McLeod, West River; Charles McMillan, Alberry Plains; Geo D Davison, Charlottetown; Daniel Mullin, St Peter's Road; Duncan Matheson, Vernon River; James H Gregor, Brackley Beach; W H Egan, Hampton; Frank Boyer, Busbury; Arthur Dickenson, New Glasgow; John McQuarrie, Victoria; George Stevenson, New Glasgow; James G McCallum, Brackley Point; John Gunn, Clifton; George W Wakeford, Charlottetown; James Shaw, Brackley Point; D O M Riddin, Charlottetown; Nathaniel Pearson, Winsloe; Neil Macdonald, Hampton; E F Purdy, Charlottetown; David McQuarrie, Crapaud; Hector McLeod, Royalty.

The Chief Justice, in the course of his charge to the Grand Jury, made a feeling reference to the death of Mr. Malcolm MacLeod, for many years a leading member of the Bar and a good citizen in the fullest sense of the term. His Lordship said: There is another subject, a more mournful one, to which I feel it my duty, my sad duty, to allude.

Those of you who are accustomed to attend this court will hereafter miss from among the members of the Bar the presence of one who for many years, many years was well known and familiar figure.

I refer to Mr. Malcolm MacLeod, whose sudden and unexpected death yesterday afternoon caused a shock to this community.

Mr. MacLeod was an eminent counsel. In his death the members of this court, for whom I am sure I may speak individually as well as collectively, feel that they have lost a greatly esteemed and highly valued friend, the Bar has lost an able, accomplished and high-minded advocate, and the community has lost a worthy citizen whose conduct and example in every relation have been of the most admirable character.

MERCHANTS' BANK OF P. E. I. Annual Meeting To-day—The Report of the Directors.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of Prince Edward Island was held at the Banking House this forenoon. There was a good attendance of shareholders, and the directors and cashier were highly complimented upon the excellent showing made during the year. The directors' report reads as follows:

DIRECTORS' REPORT. The directors have pleasure in presenting to the shareholders the twenty-ninth annual report of the bank's business for the year ending 30th December, 1899.

The net profits for the year have enabled your directors to pay the usual 8 per cent dividend and to add \$15,000 to the rest account making the amount at credit of that account \$80,000.

Since the last annual meeting agencies of the Bank have been opened at Summerside and Alberton.

The offices of the Bank have been carefully inspected during the year.

Sgd. BENJAMIN HEARTZ, L. L. BEER, ARTHUR PETERS, W. A. WEEKS, SAMUEL PROWSE. Charlottetown, January 9th, 1900.

The old directors were re-elected. At a subsequent meeting of the new board Mr. Benj. Hertz was re-elected president and Mr. L. L. Beer vice president.

I. O. O. F.—The following officers were installed last evening at St. Lawrence Lodge, by A W Mitchell, D D G M, after which the newly-installed Noble Grand, entertained the brother's at an oyster supper. The toasts usual on such an occasion were given and responded to in a hearty manner:

- NG—J McDonald. V G—A Down. RS—Nelson Younker. FS—D R McLennan. Treas.—Robt Rattray. Warden—W Bearisto. Cond.—J J McKinnon. RS NG—I Lane. LSN G—J Kennedy. RSV G—Jas Waddell. LSV G—Geo Chandler. RSS—J J Prowse. LSS—A A Kennedy. IG—F Harper. OG—W C Whitlock. Chap—F Seller. J P G—W A Martin.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Alexander Martin, M. P., is in the city.

Mr. H. D. McEwen, of Morris, is visiting Charlottetown.

Mr. E. B. Williams, of Summerside, is registered at the Hotel Davies.

The death of Mr. Chalmers Gilmour, who married Miss Lucy Pope, daughter of the late Judge Pope, is announced.

The death occurred at Freetown, on Monday morning, of Mrs. Patrick Lamb, who was sister of Rev. Father McGuigan, assistant Parish Priest of Grand River West, and of Mr. George McGuigan, merchant, of Hunter River. Mrs. Lamb was thirty years old,—and her husband and one child survive her.

Local and Other Items.

PRINCE OF WALES COLLEGE re-opens to-day.

CONCERT.—Remember the concert in the A. O. H. Hall, on Tuesday evening, 16th, in aid of the City Hospital. See programme in another column.

BOSTON COMEDY COMPANY.—The Boston Comedy Company re-enters "British Born" at the Opera House to-night. There will probably be a large audience.

BOARD OF TRADE.—The Board of Trade holds its annual meeting to-morrow night at 8 o'clock, in the Masonic Temple Bldg. Election of officers, council, etc. Full attendance required.

LECTURE.—Rev. Mr. Wightman will deliver his popular lecture, "Our Lady of the Snows," in the Methodist Church at Stanley Bridge, on Tuesday, 16th inst. Public cordially invited to attend. Doors open at 7 o'clock, lecture at 8. Admission 10 cents. Proceeds in aid of the Church.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—The first debate of the Young Men's Debating Society takes place this evening at 8 o'clock, in the Y. M. C. A. Rooms. All young men are asked to attend. Subject—"Is a man the creature of circumstance or the maker of his own fortune?"

HOCKEY.—The hockey season opens on Friday with two matches for the senior and intermediate championships of Prince Edward Island between the first and second teams of the Abegweit-Crescents and the Victorias. There will likely be two hot games.

ROLLO HOSE COMPANY.—At the annual meeting of Rollo Hose Company last evening, Thomas Pickard was elected captain, Joseph R. Darke, first lieutenant, and B. Newsome, secretary. After the meeting, lieutenant Darke entertained the members of the company at Carter's restaurant.

CITY SCHOOL BOARD.—The regular monthly meeting of the School Board was held last evening. The enrolment for the month was 1341. The average attendance was 1145. There were 5 cases of corporal punishment. A committee was appointed to look into the law regulating annual expenditure and report. A committee will wait on the finance committee of the city council with respect to the issue of debentures for sewerage in West Kent and Prince Street Schools.

THE RED CROSS.—The working meeting of the Ladies Aid to the Red Cross Society yesterday afternoon was attended by a large number of ladies, and a good deal was accomplished. These meetings will be continued all day to-day, tomorrow and Thursday. Since our last report the following contributions have been received: C C Gardiner, \$5; Mrs Joseph Hensley, \$1; Mrs W Longworth, \$1.50; Mrs Arthur Newbury, 75c; Miss May, 75c; Roger Farquharson \$1; Mrs B Rogers, 6 yards bandage flannel; 6 bottles lithia tablets, 12 bottles lemonade tablets; Mrs James Peake, 8 yards bandage ointment; Miss Laura Young, 1 hot water bottle; Mrs W H Aitken, 5 cans concentrated lemonade; Senter McLeod & Co, 30 yards flannel; J. D. McLeod & Co., half dozen bottles of beef extract; Mrs. F. L. Haszard, \$2.00 worth of castle soap; Mrs. Henry Anderson, \$1.00; Miss Mercy Coles \$1.00.

From Souris the following have sent donations of flannel:—Mrs. C. H. Sterns, Mrs. J. G. Sterns, Mrs. MacFarlan, Mrs. Mutart, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. J. R. McKay, Mrs. B. C. Cox, Mathew & McLean

The public are asked to send in further contributions. Enough has however been sent in in the way of flannel and blankets. Such things as malted milk, jelly tablets, effervescent salts, toilet soaps, calves' foot jelly (not in glass) absorbent cotton, old white cotton and linen, etc., etc., will be appreciated. A lot of work has to be done by Friday night and volunteers are wanted. Those who cannot attend the meetings may take work home with them—This includes the making of night shirts, nightgales bandages, etc., etc.

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We offer you a good assortment in colored and black—principally black.

Buy Now The balance of last year's Jackets, worth up to \$10.00, now \$3.00 each

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We are particularly strong in Women's Rubbers this year—they are giving you satisfaction. Goodyear's Croquet—worth 45 cents. C R C Croquet—good and strong 50 cents. "Gipsy"—medium toe, our standby 55 cents. "Dorothy"—stylish—toe cap 55 cents. "Juliet"—bright and dainty 55 cents. "Price"—round toe, for the new shaped boots 55 cents. "Storm"—covers the foot well over 60 cents.

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