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Tignish Shore

Mr. P. A. Arsenault spent the Christmas holidays at his home in St. Anthony's.

Mr. Edward J. Arsenault, Secretary of the Home and School Association, attended the Red Cross Course in First Aid from Dec. 28 to Dec. 30.

Miss Aldona Arsenault spent part of her holidays in Charlottetown as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Aeneas MacKinnon.

Mr. Ralph Pitre, a student at St. Louis College, Edmundston, N. B., was at home for the Christmas holidays. Ralph is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Pitre.

Mr. Dominic DesRoche has gone to Moncton, N. B., where he will reside with members of his family who are now living there.

Among those who were at their various homes for the holidays were— Vera Gaudet, Doris Pitre, Evelyn Pitre, Melvina Pitre and Olive Pitre.

The final lessons in singing were given on December 19, by Rev. Sister St. Raymond of Holy Angels' Convent, Tignish. At the end of the period, the teacher, in a short address, thanked Sister St. Raymond for the excellent work she had accomplished at the Shore School and the pupils presented her with an appropriate gift as a mark of appreciation for her kindness. Present for the occasion were Mrs. Edmund Gaudet, Vice-President of the Home and School Association; Mrs. Ben. J. Pitre, Treasurer of St. Thomas Aquinas Society; Mrs. Arsenault, Mrs. Gaudet, on behalf of the district, thanked the Rev. Sister for the excellent training that she had given to the boys and girls of Tignish Shore.

The closing exercises of Tignish Shore School were held on Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 7.30 P. M. In spite of the severe cold, the schoolroom was crowded with parents, rate-payers and visitors.

The school-room was beautifully decorated for the occasion and a heavily-laden Christmas tree ornamented the front of the room. Mr. Ben. J. Pitre presided. A splendid choral program was ably carried out by the pupils. Among the numbers which were sung with splendid effect were: "The Maple Leaf Forever"; "Un Acadian Errant"; "La Chanson de L'Evangeline"; "Silent Night, Holy Night"; "Joy to the World"; "O December"; "A La Claire Fontaine"; and "The Magnificat."

Rev. Father MacDonald addressed the pupils and parents in French and in English. He congratulated the children for the splendid program which had been so well carried out. He then gave some salutary advice regarding the training of children and wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Appropriate gifts were presented to the teacher by the pupils and also by the residents of the village. A gift was also presented to Mrs. Francis DesRoches, who had played the accompaniment. The prizes were presented to the pupils by Father MacDonald, who was assisted by Mr. E. J. Arsenault, Secretary of Trustees.

Thanks

I wish to thank the Doctors, Nurses and Staff of the Victoria General Hospital, Halifax, N. S., and many others for lovely flowers, cards and visits during my year's illness. And wish them one and all a Happy New Year.

Leo Gressan, Borden, P. E. I.

West Cape and Vicinity

Mr. James Hudson who is employed in Summerside spent Christmas at his home in Casumpec.

Mrs. John MacLennan spent a very pleasant visit with her son Elmer and family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkinson of Springfield West were visitors to Summerside on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hudson of Port Borden were the guests of Mr. Hudson's parents Mr. and Mrs. Brenton Hudson, Casumpec.

Mr. Clayton MacLellan of Summerside was a visitor to Green Hill and O'Leary during the Christmas holidays.

Miss June and Sue Hudson of Summerside, spent their Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brenton Hudson, Casumpec.

Miss Blanch Matthews, Sandra Matthews, and Mrs. Alga Ellis of O'Leary were visitors to Summerside on Christmas day and while there were the guests of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hudson and family of Casumpec spent Christmas with Mrs. Hudson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Selker, Mount Royal.

Mr. Alvon Rix of Springfield West was a visitor to Summerside last week. Mr. and Mrs. Thera Ellis of O'Leary were visitors to Summerside recently.

Miss Rita MacLennan of Summerside was a recent visitor to O'Leary. Where she visited with friends.

Mr. A. Matthews who is employed in the Bank of Nova Scotia in Truro, Nova Scotia is spending Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, O'Leary.

The Bethel Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. Earl and Mrs. Kenneth Ellis on the evening of December 14th for their monthly meeting. The president Mrs. Ira MacDonald opened the meeting with call to worship. The program in the missionary monthly was followed. Thirteen members answered the roll call with a verse of scripture. After the meeting there was an exchange of Christmas gifts. A very profitable meeting closed in the usual way. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess to the members and a number of visitors.

The West Cape Women's Institute held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. David and Mrs. Edward MacDonald. In the absence of the president the vice president presided. Roll call was answered by Christmas grab bags, which were sold at the close of the meeting. Committees as follows Mrs. Edward MacDonald and Mrs. Horace MacDougall, Sick Committee; School committee— Mrs. Kenneth Ellis and Mrs. Lloyd Barwise. It was decided to send for twenty garments to be made for the Red Cross Society by the different members of the Institute.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. JOSEPH STEWART

There passed peacefully away at her home in Sea View on Thursday evening, Dec. 21 Mrs. Joseph Stewart at the advanced age of 80 years. The deceased was a woman of fine qualities as a home maker, a good friend and neighbor. In spite of her advanced years took a deep interest in all the worthwhile things of life. Endowed with many fine qualities of character which endeared her to a host of friends. A kind and loving mother her place in the home can never be filled. The late Mrs. Stewart had been an invalid for the past four years suffering from a heart affliction which she bore with a patient and submissive spirit to the will of the Divine Master. Despite the most skillful medical aid and tender nursing she gradually weakened and passed peacefully away on the above mentioned date surrounded by her loved ones. The funeral was held from her late residence on Saturday, Dec. 23. The service was conducted by the Rev. D. Campbell assisted by Rev. Mr. McGowan, was largely attended by friends from far and near who came to pay their last tribute of respect. Mr. Campbell's message was full of comfort and sustaining hope and paid a fitting tribute to the life of the deceased. Rev. Mr. McGowan led in prayer. The hymns sung were "There is a Green Hill Far Away", "The Sands of Time Are Sinking" and "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling". Mr. Andrew Johnson sang with deep feeling "We Are Going Down the Valley One by One" with Mrs. Lorne Campbell at the organ.

Left to mourn the loss of a kind and loving mother are three sons and six daughters, namely, Edna, Mrs. Amos Adams, Sea View; Blanche, Mrs. Hal Rogerson, Westmoreland; Edith, Mrs. Morris Waddell, Crapaud; Hattie, Mrs. Orien Gamble, Westmoreland; Alice, Mrs. Harvey Woodside, Summerside; Sadie, Mrs. Roy Stevenson, Medford, Mass.; Messrs. Arthur and Horace, Sea View and George, Summerside. Also two brothers, Mr. John M. Constable, Long River and Mr. Marshall Constable, Clinton.

The pallbearers were the five sons-in-law, Amos Adams, Hal Rogerson, Morris Waddell, Harvey Woodside, Orien Gamble and Gordon Constable, Borden. Joseph Davison, Kensington, morician. The remains were conveyed to Malpeque cemetery and tenderly laid to rest beside her husband who predeceased her 25 years ago. Kind sympathy is extended to the family in their bereavement.

Alma and Vicinity

Miss Rae Barbour, Mr. Gordon Barbour and Robert McVassey visited in Rosebank recently.

Miss Florence Dunbar and Miss Jean Donald, students at P. W. C. spent their holidays at their respective homes.

Miss Lillian McInnis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McInnis, is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Mary Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Crockett, Charlottetown were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hammond Crockett, Woodvale, one day this week.

Miss Irene Kinch, R.N., of Halifax, and Miss Rita Kinch of Tignish, spent Christmas at the home of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Murray and family spent Christmas evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McInnis, St. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Brendon Wallace and son spent Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wallace.

Mrs. John P. Wallace returned home after spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. William Gaudet, Pleasant View.

The Misses Irene and Patricia Gaudet, St. Louis, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Gaudet are visiting relatives in this community.

The Misses Rae and Isabelle Donald of the Income Tax Department, Charlottetown, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Donald.

Mr. Wendall Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Murray and Mr. Ray Murray motored to Streetsville, Ontario, recently. Wendall expects to spend the winter months in that city.

Mrs. Arthur Rennie was hostess to the Alma Women's Institute on Dec. 14. Fifteen members and two visitors answered the roll call. The different committees gave their reports and new ones were appointed. The contest put on by Mrs. Ralph Rennie was won by Mrs. Con'Brien. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by committee in charge. Mrs. Allan Clark invited members for next meeting.

A Christmas concert was presented by the pupils of Alma School on Thursday the 21st in the school house under the direction of their teacher, Miss Catherine Wallace. The school was gaily decorated with Christmas decorations and in one corner stood a beautiful tree from which Santa distributed gifts to teacher and pupils. During intermission home made candy was sold. Both teachers and pupils are to be congratulated on their very fine Christmas entertainment. Santa arrived to the joy of all and distributed gifts to all the children in the school; also a gift to Miss Zena Barbour, organist; to Mr. Isaac Dunbar, chairman, and to Mr. Leigh Dunbar, doorkeeper, and to Mrs. Frank Kinch for the use of her organ.

Bloomfield Corner

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pineau and family spent the Christmas holidays at their homes in Bloomfield and Piusville.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pineau were recent visitors in Howlan at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pius Doiron.

A special meeting of St. Anthony's Legion was held at the home of Mr. Arthur Martin recently.

Mr. Tilman Gallant of Saint John, N.B., spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. John T. Gallant of Piusville.

Mr. Aubin Gallant of St. Joseph's University of N.B., is spending his holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gallant, Piusville.

Mr. Robert Martin has returned to his home after spending some time in the Veteran's Hospital.

Little Vincent Martin is spending his holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin. Vincent attends the School of the Blind in Halifax.

Mr. Louis Jones, postmaster of Bloomfield, spent Christmas with his wife in Summerside. Mrs. Jones

Post Nuptial Shower For Mr. & Mrs. Crozier

Neighbours and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell, Malpeque Friday evening, Dec. 29th, 1950, to tender a post nuptial shower and welcome the young bride to the community. While Mrs. Campbell played nuptial music, Miss Marion Campbell and Mrs. Thane Adams, escorted the bride and groom to the two prettily decorated chairs in the living room. A daintily trimmed basket, heavily laden with gifts was carried in by Misses Harriet Campbell and Gertrude Crozier. The parcels were opened by the Misses Iris Murphy and Thelma Campbell while Mrs. Charles Cole read the accompanying verses of good wishes. The gifts were arranged by the Misses Virjone Crozier and Joyce Campbell. Mr. Crozier on behalf of his bride expressed his thanks and all joined in singing "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows." Lunch was served to all and the evening was pleasantly enjoyed by dancing to the music of the Campbell orchestra.

has been in hospital for over a month after her unfortunate accident.

Her friends and neighbors regret to hear that Mrs. Edward McKenna had to be taken to Summerside Hospital for treatment. All wish her a speedy recovery.

The E.C.W.I. held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. George Horne. The president opened the meeting with "Silent Night" followed by the Creed. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The committees reported satisfactorily. It was decided to buy the pupils Christmas treats, also to bring fruit to the sick and elderly people of the district. Mrs. Kentford Horne invited the members to her home for the January meeting. An interesting contest was put on by Mrs. R. F. MacAusland who also as the Red Cross convener gave out Red Cross work. Luncheon was served and the meeting adjourned with the National Anthem.

Freetown Notes

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, Mrs. Austin Scales and Mrs. Russell Burns were visitors last week to Charlottetown and Hunter River.

Miss Evelyn Rogers of Ottawa, arrived on Saturday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Rogers of Lower Freetown.

Mrs. Doris Toombs and son Earl of Summerside, spent Christmas day in Freetown, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Scales and family.

Mrs. Russel Burns visited over the week-end in Summerside at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Burns.

Dr. Allison Deacon, Mrs. Deacon and family of Shediac, N. B., arrived last week on the island and will spend some time visiting in Freetown and Charlottetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Burns of Lower Freetown, spent Sunday in the village, the guests of Mr. Burns' brother and sister-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Edison Dammarell.

Mr. Norman Clow, who has been a patient in the hospital in Halifax for several weeks has sufficiently recovered to be able to spend the Christmas holidays at his home in Freetown.

Miss Winnifred Burns of the Civil Service Department of Ottawa, arrived on Friday evening to spend the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Burns of Lower Freetown.

Prince of Wales College students spending Christmas holidays at their homes in Freetown include Shirley Lewis, Mary Lewis, Ruby Drummond, Charlotte Cairns, Georgina Cairns, David Scales and George Reeves.

Sincere sympathy is expressed to the relatives of the late Mr. Daniel E. Matheson, whose death occurred in Regina, Sask., on Dec. 19, after a brief illness. Mr. Matheson, who was in his fifty-eighth year is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Matheson of Springfield and a nephew of Mrs. Samuel Drummond of Freetown.

It has been no easy task at this season of the year, handling the great volume of mail for local delivery as well as for rural mail carriers, but it has been carried out smoothly and efficiently by our genial post-master. One mail carrier remarked — "people used only to send Christmas cards to friends far away, now they mail them to their next door neighbor."

The recent severe snow and wind storm wrought considerable damage in Freetown and vicinity.

Several barn roofs were blown off and trees blown down. The old skating rink building near the village was utterly demolished. Electric power was off for a while but was soon restored; telephone communication was impossible, and days later — still in. Horses, sleighs and tinkling bells are the order of the day.

Word was received recently by Mr. and Mrs. Colby Lewis from Mr. and Mrs. Donald Longworth of San Jose, Costa Rica Central America, announcing the birth of a daughter on December 19, Mrs. Longworth (nee Jean Lewis) is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. Longworth have been living in Costa Rica for the past two years, where they are missionaries under the Latin American Mission. Before going to Costa Rica they resided in Guelph, Ontario.

Alberton and Vicinity

Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Young of Pictou were guests of Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Cunningham during the Christmas season.

Miss Fernie Wilkie and Miss Bea Wilson of Charlottetown were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wilkie during New Years week-end.

Last Thursday evening members of St. Peter's Anglican Sunday School held their annual Christmas concert. The children were trained by their teachers, Mrs. H.W. Matthews, Mrs. Freda Wallace, Mrs. Clayton Travers and Mrs. Hubert Campbell, assisted by Mrs. J. R. McMahon and Mrs. W. J. Phillips and a very pleasing sacred program was presented. The rector, Rev. J. R. McMahon presided and also gave a very fine talk to the children at the end of the program. The concert opened with the congregational singing of "O Come All Ye Faithful" after which the following numbers: Recitation — "A Cheery Welcome" — Linda Wallace and Wanda Fraser. Exercise — "Holy Night" — Judy McMahon, Muriel Jeffrey, Helen Matthews and Peggy Millan. Scripture Read — David Oulton. Recitation — "Dolly's Greeting" — Helen Matthews. Exercise — "Christmas Bells" — Jimmy McMahon, Diane Matthews, Peggy Millman and Ian Oulton. Recitation — "A Christmas Thought" — Marion Smith. Exercise — "Bethlehem" — Linda Wallace.

Wanda Fraser, Vera Fraser, Jackie Fraser, Eric Smith, Wendy Skerry, Olen Fraser, Bobby Fraser and Judy Fraser. Recitation — "Christmas Spirit" — Norma Rayner. Christmas Tableau — Carol — "How Far is It to Bethlehem?" — Carol. "Away in a Manger" — By the Sunday School. Recitation — "Mary's Lullaby" — Helen Millman, Carol — "Gently Sleep" — Ruth Jeffrey. Hymn — "Who is He in Yonder Stall." Carols — "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" and "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing." Following a message from the rector and the Benediction, the children were presented with gifts and treats from the Christmas tree.

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