

LOCAL TOPICS.

CATHOLIC PICNIC today.

SHAMROCK BALL this evening.

JAMES McMANUS is raising his house on Connell street and placing a new foundation under it.

THE COUNTY SCHOOLS outside of town, re-opened on Monday morning after the summer vacation.

AMONG the few things saved from the late fire in D. A. Grant's establishment was J. R. Murphy's pneumatic trotting gig.

FROST.—Some of the farmers say there was a frost on Friday night, but it was so light they have yet to learn of any damage it did.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. Mr. Murray, a student at the McGill University, preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday.

NEW STORE.—Wm. A. Moore has purchased the stock in the Woodstock Tea Store, which closed doors last week, and has re-opened the business.

WHAT IT MEANS.—The removal of Craig's and Sawyer's mill from this town to Hartland will mean the loss of about forty employees to Woodstock.

W. C. T. U.—Carleton county W. C. T. U. will hold its annual convention in Woodstock W. C. T. U. hall, on Thursday, 16th inst., at 2 o'clock p. m.

THE C. P. R. have extended the platform at the Queen street depot so that passengers can alight from the north end of a train without landing in the mud.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. Fred Todd preached in the Albert street Baptist church on Sunday morning. Rev. Horace Estabrooks filled the pulpit in the evening.

TELEPHONE TO HARTLAND.—The New Brunswick Telephone Co. contemplate running a line to Hartland. The boom in business in that thriving centre makes such communication necessary.

HOLINESS CONVENTION.—There will be a holiness convention held at Lower Brighton Car. Co. commencing Aug. 19 to 26, a number of ministers and workers are expected. All are invited to come.

BANK CRACKERS.—At Fort Fairfield on Monday night the safes in the Post Office and in the C. P. R. depot were blown open and rifled. It is said the burglars got \$480. out of one of the safes.

A PHENOMENON.—William Raymond of Middle Simonds, saw a curious light in his hay barn one evening last week. On making examination he pulled out of the hay a small birch root, the end of which shone with steady phosphorescent glow.

COLLECTING THE IRON.—Mr. D. A. Grant is very busy setting things to right in his office on King street. He is straightening his books and accounts. A party of men are working on the ground where the factory stood and are recovering a good deal of old iron.

BAND STAND.—The Woodstock Cornet Band will at once proceed with completion of their band stand. The funds will be forthcoming. Some of the ladies are making preparations for a garden party to defray the expenses. The boys expect to have a new leader this fall.

THE COMING CIRCUS.—From reports in the St. John papers it appears that Cook & Whitby's circus which shows here tomorrow, is an excellent affair. The parade is spoken of as something well worth witnessing, and the ring exhibition as being quite up to the promises in the advertisement.

BASEBALL.—The excursion to St. Stephen on Friday was made the opportunity for the Benton and Milltown baseball teams to engage in a match, which resulted in a victory for Benton by a score of 13 to 6. When the victors arrived home the event was celebrated by a bonfire in their honor.

GRAIN CROPS.—The heavy rain of last week, though it caught some farmers with part of their hay crop yet in the field, was a good thing. The grain was ripening so rapidly under the intense heat that it was not filling well. The rain delayed the ripening process and will give the heads another chance to fill up before harvest.

LUMBER OUTLOOK.—The lumber outlook is not particularly encouraging. The price of logs in St. John is \$9.00, the highest price of late having been \$9.25 a thousand. There are ten or twelve million feet of lumber remaining along the river, to be driven yet, extending all the way from the head of the Aroostook Falls to Fredericton.

VICTORIA MILL.—It was announced last week that Hale & Murchie's (Victoria) mill at Fredericton, which closed down for a couple of weeks had commenced operations again. This is good news in a dull time. The mill employs from eighty to ninety men, and saws deals and short lumber. The capacity of the mill is 75,000 feet a day.

BRIGHTON ENGINEERS.—Second corp. S.B. Colwell, 2nd corp. D. H. Keswick, 2nd corp. E. D. Haynes, and sappers Russell Hatfield, Rice Raymond, T. B. Thistle and A. E. Lewin of the Brighton Engineers leave today for the camp of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Infantry at Point Levis to undergo instructions in the new drill. They will be gone six weeks.

PROSPERITY IN CARLETON.—In a trip through Simonds last week it was pleasant to note signs of prosperity and comfort in the parish. A goodly number of the farmers had water conveyed in iron pipe a considerable distance to their buildings. It was exceptional to find a house without wire screen doors and windows. It does a man's heart good to see the advances that the county has made in wealth, prosperity and comfort. People from the west say that they find this part of the county slow, but after all it gets there, and it is a good place to live in.

THE WOODSTOCK FIRE CO. No. 1 went to St. John on Monday evening to take part in the parade in celebration of the governor general. The boys will not take part in the races as the fire at Grant's factory knocked them out. They have not had the opportunity to practise that was necessary to making a good showing in the competition.

BUYING SHEEP.—A DISPATCH correspondent met Coun. J. A. Lindsay on the road last week. He said he was negotiating for the purchase of sheep to be delivered in September. He sells his purchases to the Houlton slaughter house where they are killed and shipped from there to the Boston market. Mr. Lindsay says the prices will be about as last year, and low enough at that.

B. OF L. E.—HARRY E. Currie and wife took the Monday evening train for Montreal. Mr. Currie was chosen a delegate by the local division No. 341, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, to represent them at the annual union meeting of the order, which meets at Brockville, Ont., on the 17th of this month. This order covers Canada, the United States and Mexico. There are between 30,000 and 35,000 members in Canada alone.

CRICKET.—Several of the old cricketers, and others who have come to town since catalepsy set in, got hold of the remains of the outfit and enjoyed a pleasant practice game in the Park last Saturday afternoon. A very creditable crease was found. A scratch match was played in which one side with a team of six made the creditable score in two innings of 66. The other side went to the wall for but 19. There is material for a capital club in town, if a more adjacent place for playing could be secured.

EXCURSION TO ST. STEPHEN.—The excursion to St. Stephen under the auspices of the Albert Street Baptist and Methodist Sunday schools on Friday last, was well patronized. There were eight passenger cars and a baggage car. Between three and four hundred people left Woodstock, and another hundred was picked up on the way. The train reached St. Stephen shortly after eleven. The picnicers made the skating rink their headquarters. At half past six the train bringing the excursionists home, left St. Stephen and arrived at ten o'clock. Everything passed off well.

DEATH OF MRS. McCORMACK.—Citizens were grieved to learn on Thursday morning that Mrs. McCormack, wife of Mr. John McCormack, of this town, had past away the previous night. She had been in a state of ill health for some time passed, and although it was scarcely expected that she would recover, her immediate death was not anticipated. Mrs. McCormack's maiden name was Caroline Pettit. She was a daughter of a well known tanner in the early days of Woodstock. The funeral took place Friday morning, and was attended by a large number of people. A requiem mass was celebrated in St. Gertrude's church by Rev. Father Chapman.

A MIDNIGHT ROW.—Two men who have been working on the bridge got themselves into a serious mix last Wednesday night. They were creating a disturbance on King street, and when night watchman McCarron proceeded to quiet the noise, he found the offenders were not disposed to pay any attention to him. Finally he arrested one, but had great difficulty in getting him to the lock-up, owing to the interference of others. Stones were thrown at the constable, some of which took effect. With the assistance of the night watchman of the woolen mill another arrest was made. The two men, whose names are Wm. Merritt and John Steele, were sentenced to pay a fine of \$20 each or spend a month apiece in goal, by the police magistrate, the next morning. They have gone to goal. One of these came from Montreal. The other hired here.

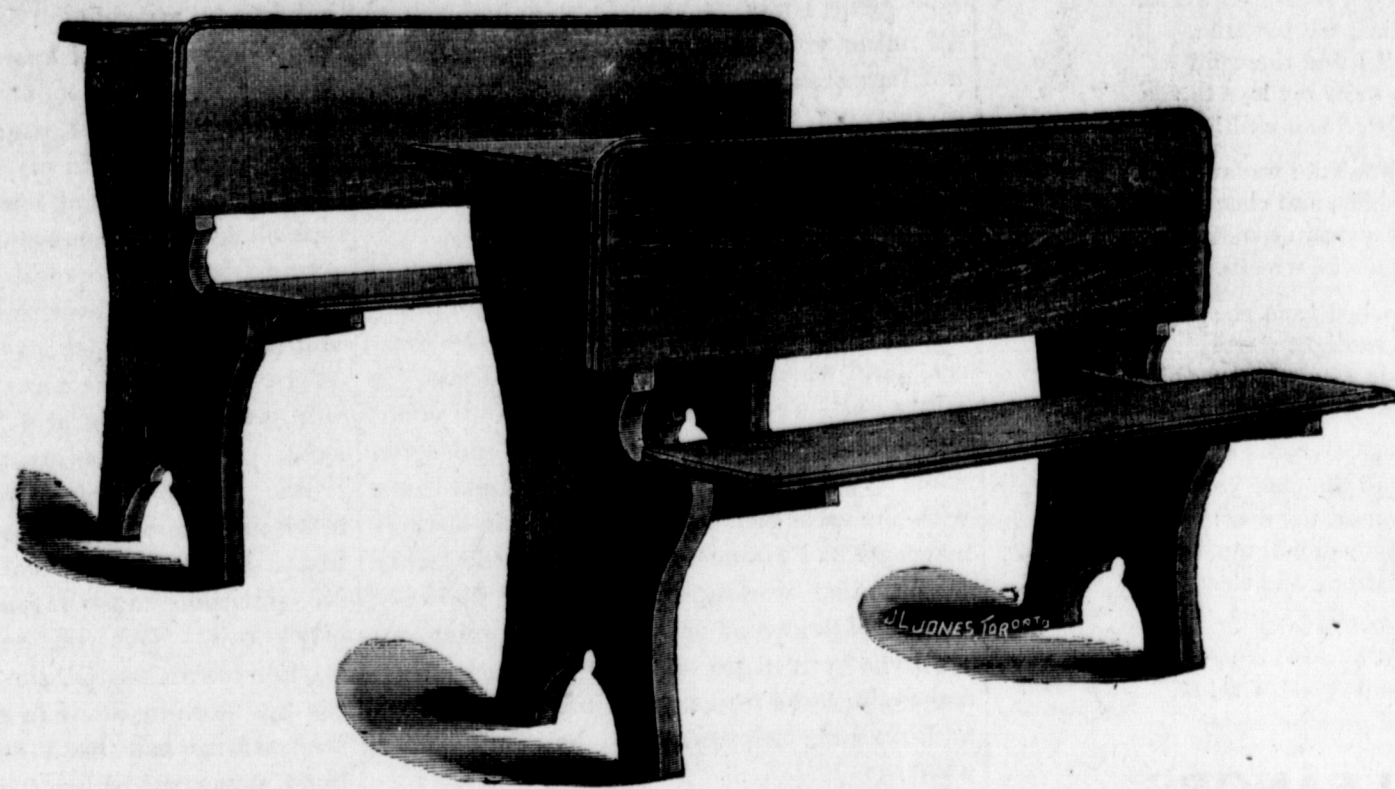
CHEESE INDUSTRY.—The dairy editor met Mr. C. L. Tilley the other day and inquired of him the prospects of the cheese industry this year. Mr. Tilley said the output this year promises to be somewhat disappointing considering the expectations. It will hardly come up to the output of last season. There is an unusual scarcity of milch cows, which is accounted for by the fact of last year's scarcity in the hay crop. What cows are supplying the factories are giving an excellent average. The horn fly is committing sad ravages among the cattle. Mr. Tilley thinks the excellent pasturage this year may do something to counteract the deficiency by reason of the relative scarcity of cows. He has sent two shipments of cheese to the West Indies, and is about to ship a quantity to England this fall on his own responsibility. Farmers around Woodstock will be glad to hear that Mr. Tilley still has the intention of starting a factory in their midst.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—The C. R. R. down express, No. 52, due in Woodstock about half past seven Saturday morning, met with a serious accident about three and a half miles north of Aroostook Junction. The rails spread and three cars jumped the track. One of them was a first class, and another a postal car. One of the cars which ran off had the trucks badly smashed and was badly damaged. Two persons were slightly hurt—Miss Bernice Norcross of "Jane" company, and brakeman John Beardsley of Woodstock, but their injuries are not considered at all serious. A wrecking train went to the scene of the accident from Woodstock and the delayed express came down on Saturday afternoon. The cause of the accident is unknown, and an inspection will be made at once.

A later report says that Miss Norcross was standing near one of the windows when the shock occurred, and was being hurled through the glass when John Beardsley, brakeman, seized her and drew her back. She received slight cuts about the head, and the brakeman had his hand badly cut. Had it not been for his prompt act the girl would probably have been killed, for the car landed on its side. F. Sawyer, express messenger, sustained severe injuries. All the passengers were shaken up and some bruised but these were the only severe injuries.

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PERSONALS.

Major Vince is able to be about again. J. R. Wetmore was in town on Monday. Rev. Horace Estabrooks, B. A., of Andover, is in town.

Miss Duncan left on Monday evening for St. John to visit friends.

Miss Roberta Murchie, St. Stephen, is visiting Miss Minnie Collins.

T. J. Carter, barrister, of Andover, registered at the Wilbur on Monday.

Alonso Brewer, of Boston, is in Woodstock visiting Henry W. Phillips.

Dalton McCarthy, M. P., was among the visitors at St. Andrews last week.

Ezekiel Sipprell, of Victoria Corner, celebrated his ninety-fifth birthday last Friday.

Mrs. F. W. Emerson, of Petitcodiac, is in Woodstock visiting Mrs. Williamson Fisher.

Miss Ella Keating of St. Stephen, is visiting Miss Georgie Augherton in Woodstock.

Miss Katie Orser of Lowell, Mass., is in Woodstock, making a visit to her cousin, Miss Cole.

Geo. Clark, of Manchester, Robertson & Allison's establishment, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. Charles M. Raymond of Providence, R. I., is in town visiting his sister, Mrs. R. K. Jones.

Miss Morehouse, who is visiting Mrs. Manzer in town, has been very ill. She is doing nicely at present.

Mrs. Thomas Smith, Woodstock, who has been seriously ill for about ten days is now on the way to recovery.

Miss Annie Hazen went to St. Andrews on Monday in company with some Houlton friends, to spend a week.

Miss McRoberts who has been visiting friends in Woodstock, returned to her home in Richibucto on Friday.

Mrs. Hugh S. Wright, left by the Monday evening train for Windsor Mills, P. Q. her old home, to enjoy a holiday.

W. T. Kerr went to Hartland on Saturday last to take charge of the superior school there. Mrs. Kerr accompanied him.

Hon. John Costigan, secretary of state, arrived in town by the early train on Sunday, and went up river on Monday morning.

Miss Alice Wetmore, of Moncton, returned to her home yesterday after a four weeks visit to her aunt, Mrs. Wm. Raymond, Middle Simonds.

Rev. Mr. Jones, principal of the Davenport (boys) school in St. John, was in town the last of the week, on business in connection with his school.

Blanche Estey, of Florenceville, returned from New York on Saturday. Her sister, Mrs. Brown, came with her. Bessie McGuire accompanied them to Woodstock.

J. A. Lindsay returned on Friday last from the meeting in St. Stephen of the I. O. F. Grand Lodge. He says the meeting was one of the finest which it has been his privilege to attend.

James Tibbits, of Fredericton, was in town on Monday. He told a representative of THE DISPATCH that he expects to move to California in the spring. He was out there a few years ago and met with good fortune.

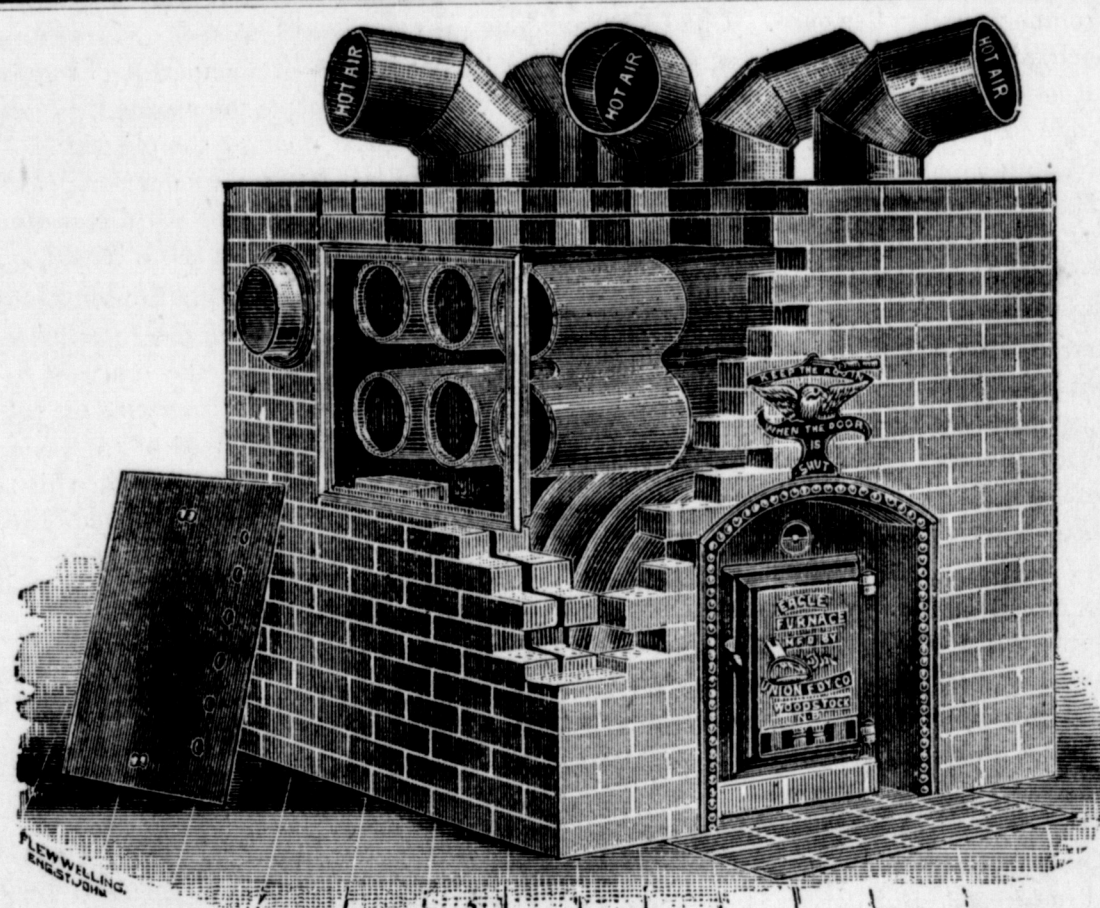
A. L. Estabrooks and Morris Craig returned on Monday from a fishing trip to St. Andrews. They visited Eastport and Saint Stephen. Mr. Estabrooks attended the meeting of the High Court of Foresters as a representative of Court Regina.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, will land in Halifax from London about the middle of September, or three months earlier than previously announced. He will make a tour through the Maritime Provinces before going westward. His stay in Canada and the United States will extend over six months.—St. John Globe.

S. J. Parsons left on Thursday last for St. John to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the Provincial Sunday School association, of which he is chairman. From St. John he went to Chautauqua, N. Y., to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the International Sunday School Association which takes place on the 17th and 18th of the month.

MARRIED.

PICKARD-CLOWES.—At Woodstock, by Rev. A. F. Baker, Harry Pickard, Temperancevale to Ada Clowes, of Waterville, York Co.
RITCHIE-PROSSER.—At Woodstock, by Rev. A. F. Baker, John S. Ritchie, of Woodstock, to Bertha Prosser, of Bridgewater Center.

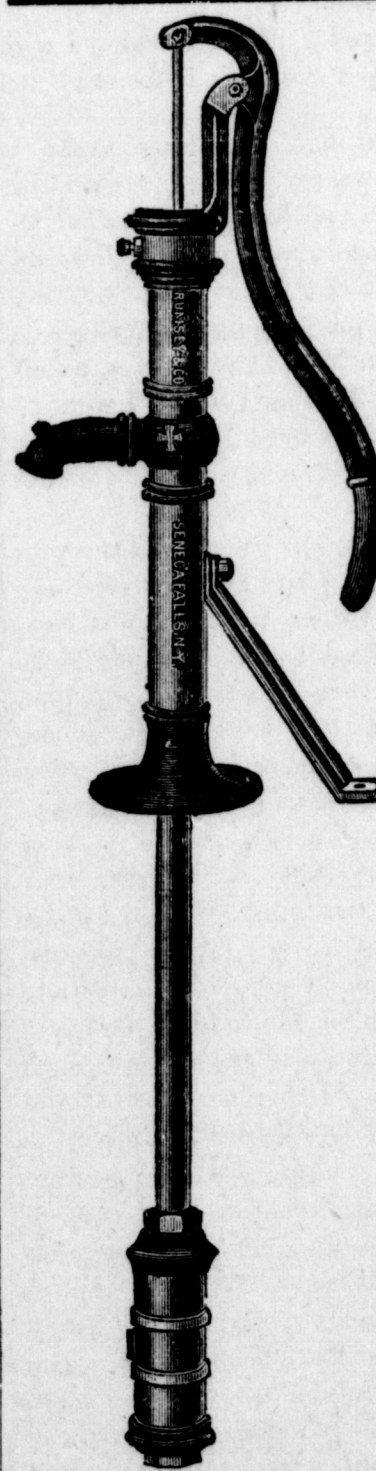


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