

LOCAL TOPICS.

REV. MR. TRAFTON baptised one candidate on the river on Sunday.

FOR MAYOR.—Coun. Murphy announces himself a candidate for the mayoralty.

WM. TAYLOR will be a candidate for the office of town councillor in Queens' ward, in the coming election.

DELANCY SMITH, on the Houlton road, had our bushels of beans stolen from his barn on Thursday night last.

TO THE ASYLUM.—Nicholas Owens of Bath was taken to the lunatic asylum on Saturday by deputy sheriff Foster.

TO CLOSE.—By agreement among the merchants all the shops in Centreville will be closed on Christmas day.

THE next meeting of the Woodstock Dairy-men's Association will be held on Dec. 31st, instead of Jan. 31st as stated last week.

WINTER BICYCLING.—Talking about our severe New Brunswick winters, is hardly consistent with bicycles flying around at Christmas time.

A LOT OF BUTTER.—Three brothers at Victoria Corner, whose names are Birmingham, have sold 6,500 lbs. of butter to Smith & Co. of Woodstock. This is a pretty large output.

THE RINK.—Owing to the soft weather the rink could not be opened on Monday as anticipated. It is hoped, however, that it will be ready for skating this week. Notice will be given.

COUN. GEO. L. CRONKITE entertained a number of gentlemen including members of the local government at a supper in Williamson's restaurant after the meeting on Thursday evening.

A BROKEN PANE.—There is a window pane broken in the Town Hall, and as the town is too poor to put a new glass in, a piece of old sheet iron has been stuck up to keep the wind and rain out.

MR. J. R. INCH, chief superintendent of education will address a public meeting on Thursday evening, held in Graham's Opera House in connection with the session of the Teachers Institute which opens tomorrow morning.

A STRAIGHT CUT.—The president of the Board of Trade has received word from Mr. E. Tiffin general freight manager, to the effect that a change has been made in the freight tariff, and that the nuisance of the rebate arrangement is done away with.

FOR A SIDEWALK.—A petition is being circulated and signed generally, for the erection of a sidewalk to the new bridge across the river. It must be apparent to everyone that a sidewalk is very desirable, and must be a necessity as the traffic over the bridge increases.

A CORRECTION.—In the last issue of THE DISPATCH reference was made to an action against the town, to be brought by Mrs. Frank Glidden. A mistake was made. The lady who was hurt by the hydrant is not Mrs. Frank Glidden, but Mrs. Mary E. Glidden, widow of the late Augustus Glidden.

WARNING TO BOYS.—THE DISPATCH learns that during the past few weeks quite a number of window panes in the basement of the Methodist church have been wilfully broken by boys throwing stones and snowballs. As several of the guilty parties are known it will be well for them if such actions are not repeated, as they will, no doubt, pay dearly for their fun.

AN INJURED EDITOR.—Mr. Jas. Watts met with a distressing accident on Wednesday evening last. It was very slippery, as many a pedestrian can remember. He was going to service in the Methodist church. He slipped and fell, sustaining a painful injury to his side. His face was also badly cut. Fortunately the injuries while painful are not serious.

ALMOST AN ACCIDENT.—On Friday night when the accommodation coming down got to Teddie's bluff she struck a large rock that had rolled down onto the track. She drove the rock along in front of her for a short distance. The shock broke the pilot and the ash pan on the locomotive and a brake bar on a box car. This was all the damage done and it is rather a wonder it was no worse.

THE W. C. T. U. will meet on Thursday next, Dec. 20th, to distribute baskets, prior to Xmas, as formerly. All persons, merchants, druggists, or grocers, etc., having any donations to contribute will kindly send them to their hall on that day between the hours of 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. Gratefully acknowledging the kindness shown in the past, a continuance of the same is solicited.

15 Years of Itching.

Wm. Golding, commercial traveller, 30 Esthcr-st. Toronto, says: For 15 years I suffered untold misery from Itching Piles, sometimes called pin worms. Many and many weeks have I had to lay off the road from this trouble. I tried eight other pile ointments and so called remedies with no permanent relief to the intense itching and stinging, which irritated by scratching would bleed and ulcerate. One half a box of Chase's Ointment cured me completely.

PERSONALS.

Wm. S. Saunders paid a business visit to Montreal last week.

Mrs. Walter Fisher, Fredericton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. K. Jones.

Mr. Carey, editor of the Times, Houlton, paid THE DISPATCH a visit on Friday last.

Stanley Neales arrived home from Boston on Saturday to spend the Christmas vacation.

Maudsley Davis, Jack Dibblee and Ethel Stewart, arrived home from the Rothesay school, for the holidays, on Saturday.

C. W. Jenner and his daughter went to Saint Stephen on Saturday, where Miss Jenner will make a visit to her grandmother.

Rev. Canon Neales, who was in Fredericton last week, in connection with the trial of Rev. Mr. Little, of Sussex, came home on Saturday. The trial is postponed to the 8th of January.

W. H. Everett has in stock his usual Christmas supply of all sorts of fancy goods, books, stationary, toys, etc., suitable for Christmas presents.

The College Building. To the Editor of The Dispatch: I have read with much interest the letter in your last issue written by "Justice," bringing before the public a few facts as to the shamefully uninhabitable condition of our Grammar school building. Had he written over his own signature he would still further have done his duty. I think we who have children to educate, and at the same time preserve in bodily health, have stood the regime of the present branch of trustees long enough. They must either have failed to inspect the building and be ignorant of its deplorable state of unfitness, or else they look upon the health and comfort of the scholars placed under their care as a matter of no importance whatever. When the scholars have to sit at their work with the same amount of clothing on, that they wear out of doors in a zero atmosphere, and bring mats to place under their feet as protection from the chilling wind that blows through the cracks in the floor, it is self-evident that there is something radically wrong in the management. In some of the rooms when the stoves are fired up so as to produce a comfortable temperature, the atmosphere is so filled with smoke that it becomes decidedly uncomfortable. It has been so cold in the 9th grade room this winter that the scholars were allowed to leave their seats and cluster round the stove, their teacher being humane enough to sacrifice the discipline of the class, rather than see the scholars suffer. As a rule the pupils who sit near the stoves are parboiled and those furthest away par-frozen. Under existing circumstances the teachers, one and all, deserve credit for being able to retain the attention of their pupils and get anything like satisfactory results in the examinations. An excessive amount of heat or cold is certainly not conducive to mental exertion. Take the inhabitants of the torrid and frigid zones to illustrate this fact. It does seem an utter absurdity to be teaching the children the laws of hygiene when they are surrounded continually by an entire disregard of the principles taught. Example, by an object lesson in the shape of better sanitation, would, I think, have a more lasting impression than the precept. I visit, in my journeyings, all towns of any size in the province, and I am safe in saying that we head the list for having the worst Grammar school building. Many villages put us entirely to shame in this respect. What is the use of incorporation, if it is not to get united action in all matters pertaining to the public welfare? Surely the comfortable and healthful education of the coming generation is one of the most important. If the board of trustees persist in shutting their eyes to what is so apparent to others, then I am thoroughly in accord with "Justice" in thinking that it is necessary for those who have children to educate and are not afraid of a little extra expense to devise some means to bring about a change in the management of the school affairs of Woodstock. Respectfully yours, HUGH S. WRIGHT.

IN ST. GERTRUDE'S church on Sunday morning Rev. Father Chapman in the course of his sermon referred in sympathetic terms to the death of Sir John Thompson the Canadian prime minister.

Dr. Boyd and wife spent a few days last week with their daughter Mrs. William N. Hand.

Woodstock Markets. Loose hay in town sells for \$6, at the barn \$5.75. Oats have made a slight advance to 31c to 32c. Pork, 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c. Beans, \$1.50. Butter, 17c to 18c. Beef, 4c to 5c. Turkeys, 10c a pound. Chickens, 7c a pound. Geese, 7c a pound. Ducks, 50c per pair. Lard, 10c to 11c. Eggs, 20c.

FRIENDLY ADVICE Is Sometimes Appreciated.

At this late hour before Xmas we would remind you not to put off your Xmas shopping until just the day before, because there is always a big rush then, and you cannot get the attention and time that you would like PERHAPS. Come now and

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We have the Most EXQUISITE PERFUMES In Saffin Lined Boxes, from 60 cts. to \$2.50 each, Just the thing for a Lady.

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A good Story Book with your purchase, if it goes to 50 cts and over.

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H. M. TWOMBLY, OF YARMOUTH, ME., will teach a class in Vocal Music, in Royal Templar's Hall, King St., Woodstock, ON.

FRIDAY EVENINGS. Terms: \$2.50 for 12 evenings tuition, including Book of Instruction.

Mr. Twombly has the best references from the Lee Normal Academy, Me., where he was formerly a teacher, as well as from parties in Carleton County. All parents and children interested in the cultivation of the voice are requested to be present at the first lesson on Friday evening, when Mr. Twombly will explain his system of teaching.

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Holiday Presents,

For here you can get what you want with very little trouble. It is proper to present such

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At all hours, including

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And, in fact, everything that goes to make up a First-Class Bill of Fare.

JUST ARRIVED FOR THE CHRISTMAS TRADE:

10 bbls. P. E. I. Oysters. 10 bbls.

Malaga Grapes, 20 bbls. Apples, 10 bbls.

Ontario Cider, 20 gals. Providence River

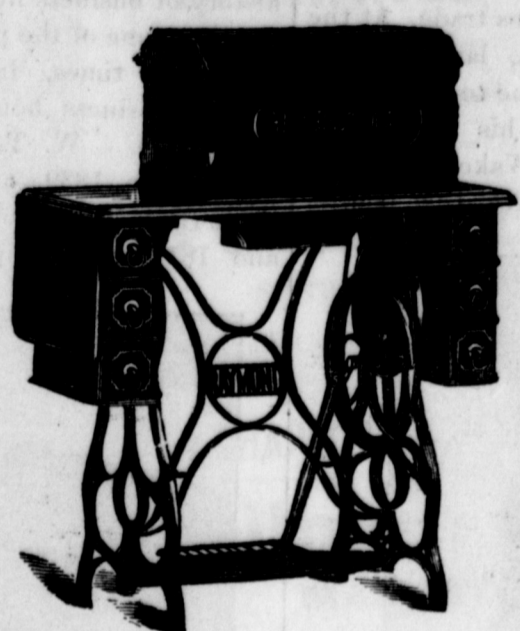
Oysters arriving each week during the holiday season.

I have in stock the best imported and domestic Cigars to be found in the town. Confectionery, Oranger, Lemons, Nuts of all kinds, Canned Goods, etc., constantly in stock. I defy competition and will sell during the holidays at a sacrifice price. Don't forget, when you are in town, and give us a call and you will be sure to go home both pleased and satisfied.

John M. Williamson.

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Goods, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps—in

fact everything usually kept in a general

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For 2 years I was dosed, pilld and plastered for weak-back, scalding urine and constipation, without benefit. One box of Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills relieved, 3 boxes cured. R. J. Smith, Toronto.

A Caution! A Warning!

If, on blowing the nose in the morning, lumps and flakes are discharged colored with blood, especially on one side, lose no time in applying a remedy. Catarrh of the very worst kind has become seated, the walls are sore and full of small ulcers, and if not soon cured will be hard to cure and eradicate. "A stitch in time saves nine." Use Chase's Catarrh Cure.

A man may point his finger this way, or that way, but people will not pay much attention to it as long as they are able to determine which way his toes are turned.