

LOCAL TOPICS.

THE THERMOMETER has been down to some very low tricks of late

THE new town council will meet on Friday evening for the first time.

FEWER BROS., Woodstock, are doing the plumbing in the new hotel at Caribou.

A CHAPTER of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been formed in connection with St. Luke's church.

WORD from lumbermen is to the effect that there is just enough snow to make good working in the woods.

AN EVENING WITH BURNS.—On Friday evening the Presbyterian Guild will spend an evening with Burns.

A TEMPERANCE MEETING in the town hall on Sunday evening was addressed by Rev. Mr. Corliss and Mr. Sloat of Grafton.

THE ranks of the Presbyterian choir have been strengthened by the presence of Miss Nellie McLean and Miss Jennie Lindow.

SUDDEN CHANGES in the weather these times. Thermometer away below zero on Monday morning, and April weather on Tuesday morning.

FOUND.—A little silver butterfly pin was picked up in the Opera House after the ball on Wednesday last and has been left at this office for its owner.

THE KNIGHTS of PYTHIAS of this town are preparing to celebrate the anniversary of their order, February 19th, by a grand concert in Graham's Opera House.

SKATING RACE.—George Glew and Frank Sullivan skated a race in the rink on Saturday evening. Glew winning by a quarter of a lap. Quite a crowd witnessed the contest.

WHEN the new street committee, of whomsoever it may be composed, gets into harness, they should insist on the observance of the by-law with respect to obstructions on the sidewalk.

A. O. H. DEBATING SOCIETY.—Some time in the near future the A. O. H. Debating Society will discuss the question as to which would be best for Carleton county, High License or Prohibition.

CORRECTION.—Mr. J. R. Murphy states that in his speech after the election, he said "several" churches of the town were praying for his defeat and not "all" the churches, as appeared in last week's report.

SKATING.—The ice rink has been well patronized since its inception. Skating is the fashionable pastime just now. A hockey club has been organized. A carnival will be held a week from this evening.

A HOCKEY CLUB has been organized in town. G. H. HARTISON is pres., A. D. Holyoke, sec. treas. They play on Monday evenings after 9 o'clock in the Skating Rink. The membership of the club is now about twenty-four.

CHANGES IN RAILROAD SERVICE.—The new time table came into effect on Sunday. The changes as far as Woodstock is concerned are not very great. The Gibson train arrives at 10.45 and departs at 12.30. The express going south leaves at 10.17 p. m. An accommodation goes down at 10.20 a. m. The express going up leaves at 1 o'clock. A mixed train goes up at 6.10 a. m.

A VERY CHARMING EPISODE occurred in the Advent church on Sunday evening. The congregation had commenced to sing "When Jesus comes again." They had finished the first verse when the electric lights deliberately went out. Elder Denton asked the congregation not to move. Everybody knew the hymn, and they sang till the lights were turned on again. To one who was not present, it is almost impossible to convey an idea of how perfectly sweet the music sounded in the dark.

TO GO ON WITH THE ACTION.—It will be remembered that some time ago the old council was notified by Mr. F. B. Carvell, counsel for Mrs. Mary Glidden, that if the town did not settle up he would enter an action for damages. The town has not settled and the new council will probably find a present of a suit at law when it starts into business. Mrs. Glidden was hurt, as told already by THE DISPATCH, by running against the hydrant on Maple street. It is the case is carried to the courts it will probably prove quite interesting.

A FIRE AND AN ACCIDENT.—A small blaze at Mr. Green's, at the Lower Corner, on Friday afternoon, called out the hose company. About the only dangerous incident in connection was a smash up. Stanley Street was driving down the road when a double team going at full gallop ran into the rear of his sleigh, breaking it up badly. His mare became convinced that it was her duty to kick and started to do so, but George Thompson caught her bridle and held her head up till she cooled down. Mr. Street got out of the wreck and was driven home, none the worse for the accident.

H. PRICE WEBBER concluded a very successful engagement of four nights in Graham's Opera House last evening. All the plays have been admirably put on the boards and "East Lynn" last night in particular, was first class in every respect. Miss Grey as Lady Isabel scored an emphatic success for her great acting and her costumes were elegant. Mr. Webber promised to return next season and Woodstock people are glad to know this for he is the most reliable and respectable manager that visits us. The company opens in Fredericton tomorrow night for a weeks engagement.

WOODSTOCK MARKET.—Hay is dull. Loose hay is worth \$6.00 in town. The pressers are paying \$5.50 at the barn. Loose straw fetches \$3.00. Oats, 30c. to 32c.; Potatoes have risen a little because there are so few coming in. They are worth from 75c. to 90c.; eggs, 14c. to 16c.; butter, 17c. to 18c.; beans, \$1.50 to \$1.75; buckwheat, per bus. 32c.

buckwheat meal, per cwt. \$1.10 to \$1.25; turnips, 50c; cheese, 10c; green hard wood, \$2.25 to \$2.50; dry hard wood \$3.00; beef by the quarter 4c. to 5c; lamb by the quarter 5c. to 6c. Turkeys, geese, ducks and chickens have fled the market, there are none to be had. Pumpkins, squash and carrots are things of the past as far as Woodstock market is concerned.

ORDINATION.—Upper Queensbury church called a council on the 16th of January, to take into consideration the advisability of setting apart E. C. Jenkins to the work of the gospel ministry. The council convened at 2.30 p. m. Mr. Jenkins having been called upon to relate his Christian experience, and being called to the ministry, was interrogated by Rev. J. C. Bleakney as to his views of doctrine and church polity. These having been found satisfactory the council unanimously moved that the church proceed with his ordination. The following programme was carried out in the evening: Sermon, Rev. Thomas Todd; ordaining prayer, Rev. J. C. Bleakney; charge to the candidate and hand of fellowship, Rev. O. E. Stevens; charge to the church, Rev. A. F. Baker; benediction, Rev. E. C. Jenkins.

RICHMOND PARISH S. S. ASSOCIATION will hold a convention on Friday, Feb. 1st., in the Presbyterian church at Oak Mountain. There will be two sessions, at 2 o'clock and 7 o'clock p. m. It is expected that Rev. Mr. Lucas, prov. field secretary, will teach the Sunday school lesson for Feb. 3rd at the afternoon session. Subjects for discussion in the evening will be, 1st, Teachers preparation for their work, opened by Rev. Mr. Barker. 2nd, How can we best interest parents in Sunday school work, opened by Rev. Mr. Frizzle. Every Sunday school is requested to send a large delegation, and on Sunday, Feb. 3rd, it is expected that Mr. Lucas will visit the school at Monument at 10.30 and Kirkland at 2 p. m., and address a mass Sunday school meeting in the Methodist church at McKenzie Corner at 7 o'clock. Collection in aid of Prov. S. S. Association. All are cordially invited to attend.

THE A. O. H. of Woodstock paid out in the year 1894, the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars in sick benefits to their members. The officers of the lodge for the ensuing year are Jas. McManus, pres.; Jas. B. McRae, vice-pres.; John P. Malaney, rec. sec.; Thos. L. Fewer, fin. sec.; John Thibadeau, treas. The following committees were appointed, standing com., finance and audit com., sick com., literary and entertainment com., employment com. The officers were installed by county president R. F. Waddleton. The Ancient Order of Hibernians, at the National convention held at New Orleans in May, 1892, and at the last national convention held at Omaha, Nebraska, in May, 1894, voted the sum of fifty thousand dollars to endow a chair in the Catholic university at Washington, to teach the Celtic Language and Irish history. The call has been issued for the amount by the national officers calling for an assessment on all members of the order in the United States and Canada to be paid by March 15th, '95.

PERSONALS.

W. L. Drier, Cornell, is at the Victoria. E. S. Gilmore was in Woodstock last week Arch. Woods, Montreal, is registered at the Victoria.

Wallace Bell, of Bristol, was in Woodstock on Saturday.

Rev. Ernest W. Simonson took Canon Neales' duty on Sunday.

Miss Gray, Bangor, has been visiting Mrs. C. D. Dickinson Woodstock.

Dr. M. C. Atkinson, M. P. P., returned to Bristol on Friday morning.

C. F. K. Dibblee came home on Saturday, and will remain several weeks.

T. C. Burpee C. E. and wife of Presque Isle were in Woodstock on Sunday.

Guy Saunders has gone to New York, where he will remain for some months.

H. B. Connell, who has been in Chatham for some time, has returned to Woodstock.

Miss Stevens, daughter of Judge Stevens, is visiting the Misses Brown at Greenbank.

John T. G. Carr and wife, of Hartland, were at the Mock Parliament on Friday evening.

Mr. Parkins, son of Rev. Joseph Parkins, who has spent his life in Newfoundland, is in Woodstock.

James Hurst is on the road in the interest of Dickinson & Titus, who manufacture ladies wrappers in Woodstock.

Harry E. Currie, locomotive engineer, is compelled to lay off for a short time on account of rheumatism of the eyes.

W. R. Snow is confined to his house with a severe attack of congestion. His many friends will be pleased to hear, that he is convalescent.

Conductor Stanley Street, who has been confined to his bed a long time, is able to be out again, and his friends hope he will in time be able to resume work.

Rev. Mr. Phillips was not able to take the services in his church Sunday, owing to ill health. The pulpit was supplied by Mr. Denton in the morning and Mr. Kearney in the evening.

W. R. Gillen, Hartland; LeB. L. Moores, Cornell; C. Humphrey Taylor, Hartland; Ezra Briggs, Red Bridge; G. E. Davis, Presque Isle; registered at the Victoria hotel on Monday.

John C. Stulen, who inspected the new bridge across the St. John at Woodstock, is inspecting the iron for the Park Avenue Viaduct for the elevated railway at New York. He will be there for five or six months.

2 Neglects and the Result.

Neglect cold in the head and you will surely have catarrh. Neglect nasal catarrh and you will as surely induce pulmonary diseases or catarrh of the stomach with its disgusting attendants, foul breath, hawking, spitting, blowing, &c. Stop it all by using Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure, 25 cents a box cures.

Call at E. M. Campbell's Studio For your Christmas photographs, Main St. next door below H. V. Dalling's store.

NORTH AMERICAN LIFE.

The Annual Statement of its Affairs Promptly Forwarded to Ottawa at the Close of the Year.

On the 1st inst. there appeared a short notice in several of the daily papers advising the policy-holders of the partial result of the successful operations of this home company for the year 1894.

Notwithstanding the business depression which has prevailed throughout the Dominion during the past year, it appears the North American Life Assurance Company has had a wonderfully successful year, and the figures show that the remarkable progress which it made in every department in 1893 has been repeated during the past year. When the report is presented at the annual meeting, which we learn will be held about the close of this month, it will be found that the figures will show that the insurance issued will exceed that of any previous year in the history of the company.

The cash income, both for premiums and interest, will show the largest increase yet made, now totalling about \$560,000. What will doubtless be of great interest to policy-holders and others concerned in this progressive company, is that notwithstanding all the increases which have been made, this was accomplished at a lower ratio of expense than that of the previous year. The business has evidently been conducted in a conservative and careful manner, for the amount put by during the year foots up about \$200,000, making the amount of assets held by the company at the close of 1894 about \$2,000,000. The large sum of \$245,000 was added to the reserve fund, which now stands at over \$1,500,000, while the surplus has very largely increased during the year, and is now about \$340,000. If the paid-up guarantee fund of \$60,000 be added to this, it shows that, over and above every liability, the company holds for the security of its policy-holders a surplus of about \$400,000, proving, if anything, that the holders of policies in this company have undoubted security, besides a large surplus being accumulated for their benefit.

While the figures quoted all tend to show that this progressive company has met with marked success during the past year, it is also gratifying to note that while receiving large sums they are also paying considerable amounts for the benefit of their policy-holders, and during 1894 they disbursed in this way, for matured endowments, profits, death claims, annuities, etc., over \$133,000.

It is to be hoped that when the reports of other Canadian companies are ready for publication they will show a like satisfactory state of affairs to that of the North American. —Toronto Globe.

Orillia's Prominent Furniture Dealer Gives Facts. Orillia, Feb. 10th, 1794.

EDMANSON, BATES & CO., Gentlemen,—About three or four weeks ago I had an attack of Itching Piles. I tried two or three different remedies recommended by druggists as "the best and only cure" etc., etc., but got no relief. About the time I was beginning to despair of finding any relief, with some slight misgivings I bought a box of your Pile Cure, which I am pleased to say gave me almost instant relief and permanent cure. I consider your Ointment a God-send. ALF. J. DEAN.

W. R. Richardson, of Hartland, Has in stock a good assortment of Woollen Goods, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps—in fact everything usually kept in a general store, and can sell as cheap for cash or for Farm Produce as any one on the ground.

DIED.

CARR.—At Woodstock, on Sunday, the 20th of December, Mrs. James Carr.

GRAY.—At Good Corner, Carleton Co., Jan. 14, 1895, of rheumatic fever, Janie E. Gray, youngest daughter of James and Martha Gray, aged 16 years and 8 months.

J. B. McRAE, MERCHANT TAILOR, (Shop over Merchants Bank) MAIN STREET. Custom Tailoring done promptly, and in the Latest Styles. Excellence of work guaranteed.

It Means Tariff Reform.

The vesture of the new French president with his official powers took place in the library of the Versailles Palace. M. Faure is a tall, imposing figure, whose lines show the training he got in early life as a mechanic. Although a millionaire shipowner he has simple tastes. His election is a blow to the protectionist party. The substitution of reciprocity treaties for the Meline tariff is only a question of time. M. Meline's newspaper organ, La Republique Francaise, admitted yesterday that Faure's election would mean the same as tariff reform. The result of the election is received enthusiastically in Lyons.

Harvard Wins.

For the fifth time Harvard defeated Yale at joint debate at Sander's theatre. There was a full house and a debate between representatives of the two colleges was never more closely contested. The question was: "Resolved, That the attempts of employers to ignore the associations of employee and to deal with individual workmen only, are prejudicial to the best interests of the party."

The Brooklyn Strike.

A correspondent to THE DISPATCH speaking of the strikes in Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "All is excitement here now over the strike. Matters are getting worse rather than better every day, until now they have ordered out the National Guard to protect people and property."

Perhaps you don't know that we sell a splendid line of Driving Harness. But we want you to KNOW and to SEE it as well.

If it isn't good you are not forced to BUY.

Our agent at Bath, Mr. M. A. Smith, has this Harness, too BALMAIN BROS.

Woodstock, Jan. 9, '95.

WANTED.

An Agent to represent us in Woodstock and vicinity.

10 to 30 per cent. commission, payable with the order. NOT necessary to know the business, as we have self-measurement blanks, etc., that simplify the work. All advertising matter supplied free. Write

THE PILGRIM PANTS CO., (Ltd.) ST. JOHN, N. B.

BUSINESS COURSE

Fredericton Business College

At about 25 per cent less than other business colleges. Instructions thorough in all commercial branches. Circular and specimens of penmanship mailed free. Before going to business college write for our circular.

FREDERICTON, BOX 295.

A. W. YOUNG, Principal,

Hawker's Dyspepsia Cure,

" Pills, " Tolu, " Tonic,

Hood's Sarsaparilla,

Pink Pills,

B. B. Bitters,

Paine's Celery Compound.

WHOLESALE & RETAIL.

GARDEN BROS.,

DRUGGISTS.

Woodstock, Jan. 21, 1895.

ONE POUND OF

Elegant Note Paper

Only 25 cents.

Ask for the "Ladies Favorite" English Vellum Note Paper—Ruled or Plain. In one pound packages.

SQUARE

ENVELOPES

to match. One fold of the paper fits the Envelope.

Sold only at

THE "BAZAAR,"

MASONIC BLOCK, MAIN STREET, WOODSTOCK.

are reminded that we have a full stock of

STANDARD FASHION PATTERNS.

Call or send for

MONTHLY FASHION SHEET—Free.

These Patterns are having an enormous sale in the U. S. and Canada, and will be found perfectly reliable and cheap in price. Once tried, always used.

Price 25 cents, post paid.

CHAS. G. CONNELL, Pharmacist, Woodstock, N. B.

Should you want to make a harbour for your carriage that wants painting, bring or send it to McKenzie, the Sleepless Painter, who is always awake to do business in his line. Shop, Loane's Factory, Connell St., Woodstock. Address John McKenzie, P. O. B. x 209.

NOTICE.

R. W. Balloch

Has a Fresh Supply of

LAURANCE,

and other

SPECTACLES,

And can suit your Eyes,

Reasonable Prices.

Centreville, January 7th, '95.

Connell's Curative Compound

For

PILES,

Cuts,

Chaps,

Styes,

Pimples,

RINGWORM,

Salt Rheum,

Irritated Skin,

Barber's Itch,

Scratches,

Bruises,

Eczema, Burns, AND

All Skin Diseases.

C. C. C.

Price 25 cents, post paid.

CHAS. G. CONNELL, Pharmacist, Woodstock, N. B.

Should you want to make a harbour for your carriage that wants painting, bring or send it to McKenzie, the Sleepless Painter, who is always awake to do business in his line. Shop, Loane's Factory, Connell St., Woodstock. Address John McKenzie, P. O. B. x 209.