

## HAVE MOVED

My stock to the store lately occupied by C. Humphrey Taylor,

I am still in business and can give you anything in the line of Fancy Goods you may want for the Christmas season.

I have added to my varied stock a large assortment of Boots and Shoes, as well as a choice lot of Confectionery for the Christmas season. Call and ask prices.

## ARTLAND VARIETY STORE.

A. G. BAKER.

## NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

PROPOSED C. P. R. BRANCH FROM AROOSTOOK, MAINE, TO LIME-STONE SURVEYED.

Interesting Variety of News from many Points.—Centreville is Rushing as Usual. The Mock Parliament.—Newsy Items from Bristol, Fort Fairfield, Me.

## Centreville.

JAN. 6.—H. B. Scholey passed Sunday at his Mill. Miss Lena Burt, Jacksonton, visited relatives last week. Willard Carr, Woodstock, and C. E. Garden, Ansonville, B. C., passed Sunday in Centreville, the guests of R. W. Balloch.

H. W. Peppers returned on Saturday after a two weeks vacation pleasantly passed in the Celestial, and was cordially welcomed by his numerous friends. J. E. Alexander has now a stock of furniture and to any in the county. He has added a line of coffins and caskets to his stock, and his large cases is constantly increasing.

Roy Lee has entered the employ of C. M. Sherwood as clerk. He has charge of the hosiery department.

H. T. Scholey, Collector of Customs, was conveyed to his house with illness last week. J. G. Simonson and Chas. Cliff were in Woodstock last week.

Miss Bessie West gave a delightful children's party on Thursday evening. The young folk had good time.

Harley White intends to learn the tailoring business with A. J. Lee. Deer are quite numerous in this vicinity. A lot of ten were recently seen in the woods near J. D. Perkins' residence.

The young ladies of Centreville intend to give a large and party at an early date. The affair will be kept secret until all the plans have been arranged.

At the meeting of the R. T. of T. on Monday evening, Miss Bertie West and Mrs. Wilmot Harold were chosen leaders to entertain the members during the next quarter. The officers elect will be installed at the next regular meeting. Elaborate preparations are being made for the banquet Tuesday evening.

There were a number of skating accidents last week. Master Jack Lee in attempting to cut the edge vine backwards, fell, and severely cut his knee with his skates. Dr. Brown dressed the wound, and he will be confined to his home for several weeks. A popular young lady discolored her eye by a fall, and is now not "at home" to callers.

Hon. G. W. White resumed the debate on the repeal of the Canada Temperance Act at the session of the Mock Parliament on Wednesday evening. He was followed by Rev. Jos. A. Hall, C. E. McClintock, H. J. Clark and J. J. Gallagher. The leader of the opposition gave notice that he would at the next session introduce a resolution to the effect that the House had no confidence in His Excellency's advisers. This was a direct want of confidence vote, and an ending time is expected.

## Oakville.

JAN. 3.—Accidents seem quite fashionable here. Mr. W. Briggs was kicked by a horse, and E. Carter cut his foot badly. Both are now rapidly recovering.

Most of our people go armed now; either deer or fawn would be suitable game.

Xmas and New Years day passed away very quiet here owing to the lack of snow.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kickney and family spent Xmas with friends in Lower Bloomfield. Some young ladies I chanced to hear talking were very anxious to know if it would be proper for them to go into the "blacksmith" business, perhaps "The Imp" could settle the question. Hay sells for \$8.00 per ton in this great metropolis.

"Who ate the pills?" "Oh! for the wings of the dove" so that we might go to some place of perpetual snow and have a sleigh drive.

As I read the Waterville news, the thought came to my mind that if the Americans should invade Canada that would be a good quarter in which to raise an army.

We have good skating on the mill pond here, also horse trotting in which most of our local sports indulge.

It was William London not (Johnston) that he here to spend Xmas with his family.

We have a "select" blacksmith here. Now if you want good work just give him a call. I understand that Mr. Carter thinks that I would mind my own business; better practise what you preach my friend.

## Jacksonton.

JAN. 4.—The Misses Carrie Hartt, Phoebe Hartt and Laura Burpee arrived home from Fredon where they have been attending Normal school. Miss Helen Dunham is home to spend the Xmas holidays.

W. A. Connolly of this place, received a kick from a horse, the result being a fractured rib. The Patrons of Industry are doing a good work here. They have meetings once a fortnight. The members seem to take pride in making them interesting. If your Farmington correspondent will be present and see the members assembled in their lodge room he would think that the majority of the members were a long time from the lodge, and he would also have their policy examined, I think, to his satisfaction.

We would like to hear some of the musings of that wicked Imp in connection with the war scare that has been the talk of the nation recently.

## Bristol.

JAN. 6.—Mr. Theodore Rogers and Miss Bertie Dyer, second daughter of Mr. Thos. Dyer were

## OYSTER SUPPER.

Jacksontonville L. O. L. No. 79 will have an oyster supper in the hall at Jacksonton on THURSDAY, the 16th day of January inst. Oysters will be served on the tables at 7.30 p. m., at the usual price. A number of prominent speakers will be present.

Apprentice Boys Band. Also, a good program of music and other entertainment will be provided.

Come one, come all, and we will do you good. By order of the committee.

JAS. A. GOOD, Sec'y of Com.

married on New Years evening. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. E. Brooks, in the presence of a large number invited guests. The bride was the recipient of many elegant and useful presents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wetmore spent last week in Fredericton and vicinity. Mr. Harrison had charge of the station in Mr. Wetmore's absence.

Dr. J. G. Atkinson's family arrived from Charlotte county on Friday to take up their permanent residence here. The Dr. will occupy the house and office of his brother the late Dr. M. C. Atkinson.

Both departments of the school reopen today, the same teachers being in charge.

Rev. G. A. Giberson has been holding special revival services in the Free Baptist church, and after the morning service yesterday, baptized three candidates in the river. The meetings will be continued through the coming week. Four were received into church membership on Saturday, one of whom Mr. Isaac Lewis was granted a license to preach.

The Bristol Union Sunday school was reorganized last Sunday, and G. H. Boyer was again chosen superintendent, G. S. Wiggins, assistant, and O. R. Merritt, sec'y. Teachers were also appointed for the various classes. The secretary's report showed a marked improvement for the year.

Victoria L. O. Lodge will hold its regular meetings on the first Monday of each month instead of the fourth Wednesday as formerly.

The last few days have been very cold, and the river is again full of floating ice. Business is almost at a stand still for the want of snow as the roads now are in a dreadful condition.

John Morrison of Pictou N. S. has been engaged as clerk in A. W. Phillips store.

Last Friday evening the members of Court Sterling, I. O. F. met at the residence of Dr. G. W. Somerville, Court Physician, and presented him with a complimentary address and a handsome silver dinner casket. The doctor who was taken completely by surprise made a very feeling and appropriate reply. A treat prepared by the visitors was then passed around, and he party after a most pleasant time broke up at a hour.

## Fort Fairfield, Me.

JAN. 3.—Frank E. Griffith, Presque Isle spent New Year day with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burpee, and Irvine Dibblee returned to the Fort on Monday last from their homes in Woodstock, where they had been to attend the Mason's Ball.

Herbert C. Holmes, of the Drug firm of Palmer & Holmes, was married on Christmas Day to Miss Cora G. Reynolds of Caribou.

The friends of T. Emmett Milmore, in Fort Fairfield are sorry to learn that he has gone to his home in Woodstock.

On Tuesday last we had such a gale of wind as to blow down many barns and sheds in the outlying districts, and to blow over and break the smoke stack of Stevens Electric light station.

On account of this accident the town was clothed in darkness Tuesday night, and those who had stored away all their lamps had an unexpected game of Blind Man's Buff in the attic, looking for the same, when they found that the Electrics did not come on.

There has been excellent skating on the Mill Ponds for about a week, and every evening crowds are seen going off swinging their steels in their hands.

Miss Bedell, of Andover spent the first part of the week in town.

On Wednesday, Dr. Murphy was suddenly called to Andover; his father had a very severe paralytic stroke, and has lost the use of one side of his body.

The "Silver Star Comedy Co" put on their second piece this season on New Years night. The name of their play this time was "Strife". The house was well filled, the parts well taken, and considering the short time the company has been rehearsing, the whole affair was a grand success. After the play those who cared to, remained in the hall and had a very pleasant dance.

A movement was started here first of the year to close up all the stores at 6 o'clock two nights a week during the winter months. So far, this move has been very successful, with the exception of the drug stores, much to the joy of the clerks.

Chas. Miles of Andover has completed the survey of the proposed C. P. R. branch from Aroostook Jct. to Limestone, and reports it a very easy route over which to build a railroad. If this branch is built it will knock about three props from under Fort Fairfield.

The Golden Rod whist Club has its regular meeting to-night.

Potatoes are still away down to 40cts and are coming in very slowly.

## Nortondale.

JAN. 2.—We want snow badly. Business is good, but if the roads were in a better condition it would be a great deal better.

The Jones boys have returned home from Tobique on account of having lost a horse. They report about fourteen inches of snow up there.

I see by the late papers that Santa Claus had discovered the north pole without the aid of a flying machine. Hurrah for Santa, he must be a native of Nortondale.

Isaac Stewart and son are hauling logs off their own place this winter.

I am glad to learn that our teacher, Barry Shaw, is going to remain with us next term.

## Richmond.

JAN. 3.—The Presbyterians held a concert in the church at Richmond Corner on Xmas Eve. Rev. Joseph Baker and family left Richmond for Matapedia on the 27th Dec. They will be much missed by their many friends.

B. Currier spent a few days in Richmond, the guest of Mr. J. Hatfield.

Mr. and Mrs. B. McIntyre. Houlton, spent Xmas Day in Richmond.

Edwin Kinney left Richmond on Tuesday for Louisville, to attend a Dental College.

Albert Reid, Misses Lena and Annette Hall have gone to Sackville.

Miss Jennie McIntyre spent Xmas Day in Richmond.

## The Transvaal Again

The Transvaal is an independent Dutch republic established in the virgin wilds of Africa by descendants of Dutch settlers at the Cape of Good Hope. These people first left the Cape, dissatisfied with the colonial administration, and went to Natal. But Great Britain found that they were upon British territory, and they moved beyond the Vaal river, where they set up a government and conquered the Kaffirs. There have been several disputes with England, but the Imperial government has recognized their independence, claiming only to exercise an influence upon their foreign policy.

There are eight hundred thousand people in the Transvaal republic, but less than 90,000 are white, and the Dutch—the Boers, as they are called—are the ruling class, having the suffrage and controlling all the affairs of state, holding the offices, etc. In the meantime number of English settlers have gone in, and they are constantly agitating for the franchise and for a share in the control of the government to which they pay heavy taxes. But this was a matter to be settled in that country, and certainly not by force.

Dr. Jameson, of the British South Africa Company, collected an army on British

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FOR 1896.

DIARIES : FOR : 1896.

Xmas Goods  
LEFT OVER

Sweeping Reductions

NO REASONABLE OFFER REFUSED.

The BAZAAR,

Masonic Hall, Main Street, Woodstock.

territory and started with them for the Transvaal country, apparently expecting to overturn the government by force and to annex the territory. There are in South Africa now a great many adventurers from different parts of the world, many of them rather reckless persons, and to raise a force was by no means difficult. But the Boers are good fighters, as the war of 1880 showed, when they withstood the attacks of regular British troops, and Dr. Jameson and his forces were easily broken up. The leader is, himself a prisoner. As soon as he started the British government disavowed all responsibility for him and made a strong effort to prevent his march. There must necessarily be some unpleasantness with Germany over their action, and perhaps the question of colonial responsibility will arise, for Jameson set out from British territory.—St. John Globe

## Town Elections.

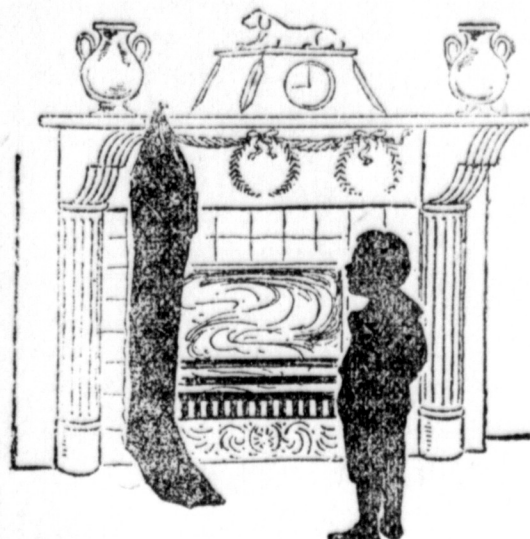
The following is the part of the new law controlling our town elections, describing the making and marking of ballots. The point about which electors are to be careful is to mark a cross (X) opposite the name of the candidate for Mayor, and candidates for councillors that they wish to vote for.

Each ballot to be used at an election for Mayor and Councillors shall contain the names of all persons nominated for the office of Mayor, if there be more than one and also the names of all persons nominated for the office of Councillor, if there be more than six. The said ballots shall be prepared and printed under the direction of the Town Clerk, and shall be substantially according to the form (A) in the Schedule to this Act, and shall have stamped thereon a fac simile signature of the Town Clerk, and no ballot shall be legal without such signature. The presiding officer for each poll at the election shall be furnished by the Town Clerk on the day preceding the election, with a sufficient number of ballots for use at such poll, and shall at the time the same are so furnished to him deliver to the Town Clerk a receipt therefor, specifying accurately the number of ballots so delivered to him. When an elector, during the time the poll is open, shall demand a ballot of the officer presiding at such poll, he shall, if duly qualified to vote, receive one such ballot and no more, unless he shall, before leaving the polling booth, return such ballot to the presiding officer with a statement that he has spoiled the same and wishes it destroyed, in which case the presiding officer shall destroy such ballot, and deliver him another in its stead. The elector receiving such ballot shall mark thereon, opposite and to the right of the name of each candidate for whom he votes, and within the parallel lines containing the name of such candidate a cross, and shall then fold his ballot and deliver the same folded to the presiding officer to be deposited in the ballot box. If any ballot for the office of Mayor or Councillor be deposited with more names marked thereon as voted for the office of Mayor than one, such ballot shall be void so far as relates to the office of Mayor; and if such ballot be deposited marked with more than six names as voted for the office of Councillor, such ballot shall be void as far as relates to the office of Councillor. No ballot shall be void for the reason only that the elector has not voted for as many candidates as he might legally have voted for. Each candidate may if he thinks proper, be represented at each polling booth, on the day of the election, by an agent who shall be a duly qualified elector, or he may be present himself at once polling booth. Only one elector at a time shall be admitted to the polling booth in addition to the candidates or their agents, and until such elector shall have voted and withdrawn from the booth no other elector shall be permitted to enter. Neither the Town Clerk nor any presiding officer shall, at any time or place, deliver to any person any ballot except as herein provided.

## NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Legislature of New Brunswick at its next session for an Act to incorporate the village of Andover in the County of Victoria for the purpose of providing a system of water supply and for protection against fire.

## WONDERING!



If Santa Clause will ever be able to fill it.

There is no reason why it should not be filled considering the prices at which

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All of the very best quality. My goods are stamped and warranted. Call and learn prices and be convinced I am giving GOOD BARGAINS.

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The new discovery for curing cutaneous affections, removing discolorations from the cuticle, and bleaching, brightening and beautifying the complexion. It is as pure and mild as dew, and so harmless one may drink a whole bottleful without any bad effect. It is so simple a child can use it. Apply at night—by moistening the skin with it—the wonderful improvement apparent after a few applications will surprise and delight you, as the skin will become soft, smooth, clear and white, and remain so. Those, however, who are troubled with eczema, tetter, acne, blotches, eruptions, or other cutaneous affections, should apply Derma-Royale several times each day. They need suffer no longer from any defect of the skin.

There never was anything like it.

It quickly removes the worst forms of freckles, moth-patches, brown or liver spots, blackheads, sallowness, redness, tan, and every discoloration of the cuticle. One bottle usually cures the most aggravated case, and thoroughly clears, whitens and beautifies the complexion. It has never failed—IT CANNOT FAIL. Derma-Royale is the only cutaneous preparation that is *incontestably endorsed by all who have used it*. We have already received over thirty thousand testimonials, which prove every assertion we make. We will be glad to send FREE by sealed mail, testimonials and portraits of leading actresses, society ladies, and other prominent people, to any one who writes for them.

Derma-Royale is highly recommended by physicians and dermatologists, and its sure results warrant us in making the following offers:

**\$500 REWARD!**—We will give Five Hundred Dollars Cash for any case of eczema, tetter, pimples, blotches, moth patches, brown or liver spots, blackheads, ugly or muddy skin, unnatural redness, freckles, tan, or any other cutaneous blemish (excepting birth-marks, scars and those of a scrofulous or kindred nature) that Derma-Royale will not quickly remove and cure. We will also give Five Hundred Dollars to any person whose skin can be injured in the slightest possible manner, or to any one whose complexion (no matter how bad) will not be cleared, whitened, improved and beautified by the use of Derma-Royale.

Put up in elegant style, in large eight-ounce bottles, with "Derma-Royale for the Skin and Complexion," and "The Derma-Royale Co., Cincinnati, O.," blown in each bottle. None genuine unless put up in these bottles. Manufactured only by

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metic given at home. Classes will be formed for teaching these branches by the subscribers at the beginning of New Year. CHAS. McLEAN, T. C. L. KETCHUM.

## DRESS MAKING.

MISS C. A. MOXON has opened a Dress Making establishment over Garden Bros. drug store, where she will make and fit dresses. She has had a valuable experience in this line and can guarantee satisfaction in all her work.

Nov. 31.

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