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LOCAL TOPICS.

EASTER DAY will fall this year on the 5th of April.

DAVID UNDERHILL, Middle Simonds, has sold his farm of 200 acres to Cook Bishop of Centreville.

COWS KILLED.—Last week the C. P. R. trains killed two cows at Florenceville, and one at Bristol.

LOST.—A linen and thread lace handkerchief. The finder will confer a favour by leaving same at this office.

GRAND masquerade carnival at the Houlton novelty rink tonight. A crowd of Woodstock people expect to go over.

HE COULD be no friend to the town who maliciously suggested, that, to be consistent, the town council should tear the placards off the streets.

EXCHANGE HOTEL.—It is said that Mrs. Burns Gibson, who is running the Brunswick House now, will take possession of the Exchange Hotel in the spring.

THE B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church intend holding a parlor concert at the residence of Mayor Saunders, Monday evening, March 9. A grand program of vocal and instrumental music. Silver collection.

LOCOMOTIVE No. 172 C. P. R., while hauling train No. 32 west one day last week, was shunting on the Benton siding when her rear driving axle broke. Another locomotive was sent from Woodstock to finish her trip.

ON TUESDAY of last week fire destroyed the barn of Elmer Gregg, who lives near Centreville. A lantern exploded causing the fire. The barn was well filled with hay, and contained a mowing machine, horse rake and other machinery. There was a small amount of insurance.

GEO. PERLEY of Sunbury Co., the contractor for the fishway in the Meduxnakik, has been in town for the past few days. He is engaged in building a pier to guard the fishway. A couple of men have been assisting him. Owing to the heavy thaw out, work has been somewhat impeded.

LUMBERING.—The recent rains unless followed by some snow and a steady period of cold weather will have a most pernicious effect on the lumbering interests throughout the province. There is yet about one third of the total cut on the yards and it would be impossible to haul lumber from the yards to the landings, in such weather as this.

A PETITION quite generally signed was recently sent to the Governor General asking for the pardon of Elias Worth, now in the penitentiary on a charge of criminal assault. Conn. R. B. Jones has received a notice from the office of the Secretary of State, saying that the case is not considered one in which there should be executive interference.

MARCH came in with a mild roar. It seemed to lay claim to the right of being regarded as a spring month. Rain and a mild wind was the bill of fare, its first day gave us. The snow was disappearing rapidly on Monday, and no matter how much comes now, little more winter may be expected. Just now it looks like a month of slush and mud.

THE LAST carnival in the roller rink takes place Friday evening March 13th. This is likely to be the grandest affair of the season as a great number have expressed a wish for another carnival and are preparing already for it. The same old prices will prevail and costumers will be permitted free to the rink. Several elegant prizes will be given to the handsomest and most original characters and to the "boy and girl" under 15.

THE MEMBERS of the 1st Woodstock Co. Boys Brigade will assemble at the Town Hall for a march and concert in Grafton on Friday next 6.30 p. m. instead of Thursday as ordered. It is to be hoped that the exhibition of drill and concert in the hall at Grafton will be well patronized as the proceeds from a small charge for admission will be applied to the purchase of a "Union Jack" for the school house and hall in that village.

WHO WILL WIN?

Oak Hall Voting Contest.

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| Mrs. Cupples | 265 |
| Miss Mulhennin | 187 |
| F. A. Good | 162 |
| Miss Fisher | 46 |
| Miss A. P. Comben | 33 |
| Miss Ena L. Gill, (E. Flor.) | 21 |
| Miss Ella Smith | 13 |
| Miss M. E. Coen | 7 |
| Miss McLeod | 5 |
| A. W. Clark, (Goldstream) | 4 |
| H. W. Peppers, (Centreville) | 3 |
| Miss Louise Upton, (Hartland) | 3 |
| Miss Neales | 1 |
| Miss Good | 1 |
| Miss Bertie M. Harold, (Centre) | 1 |

Look out for the famous world beater—The John Bull 5c cigar. The Best Smoker in the Land. Invented at the Time of the War Scare. Compare it with the best ten centers and see which is best. For sale by TAYLOR, DOCKRILL & CO., ST. JOHN.

BAPTIST QUARTERLY MEETING will convene with the Baptist church at Bristol, on the second Tuesday in March (10th inst.) at 7 p. m. The following ministers were appointed to preach, Rev. J. H. McDonald, on Tuesday evening, Rev. J. E. Cahill, missionary sermon, Rev. J. C. Bleakney, quarterly sermon. A full attendance of delegates is requested. Thos. Todd, Sec'y Treas.

CLARENCE A. KIRKPATRICK, who is just completing his second year at the Philadelphia Dental college, will be home this week. His brother, Dr. Kirkpatrick, of Woodstock, has sent for him to come and assist him in his office, instead of remaining for the spring term which lasts three months, and which is optional with any student who can fill the required term at practical work in an office.

WM. P. HAYDEN went to Hartland on Wednesday last to look over Sawyer's saw mill with a view to placing it in order for spring operations. There are about four millions of lumber in the pond now, and as soon as there appears a prospect of soft weather a channel will be cut through the ice from the sluice to the logs, and a crew will be put on to commence work. Mr. Hayden has been engineer of Sawyer's mill for nine summers.

On Monday a charge of a similar offence against A. E. Murray of Bath was tried. The same witness gave evidence, and he said that when a proposition was made that he should be driven across the line to avoid giving evidence, Murray did a good deal of the negotiating, and was the man, who was to drive him over. The magistrate made a conviction, and fined the defendant \$50.00 which is the penalty that the act specifies.

THE VOTING CONTEST.—Some people have expressed a fear that some of the newspaper offices in town will print hundreds of voting ballots separate from the issues of the newspaper and so flood the ballot box with them that votes collected in a legitimate way will not have a chance. This office will issue no ballots except those printed regularly in the issues of THE DISPATCH. People desiring extra copies of THE DISPATCH should leave their orders early.

THE Woodstock & Centreville survey party are getting along well. This late soft weather has, however, impeded operations quite a bit. The first route from town surveyed, was from a point on the C. P. R. near the crossing below town, some rods this side of the park, by the Catholic cemetery and up the creek to Lockhart's Mills, or near that point. The party got that far on Saturday. As it was so slumpy on Monday, the party was set at work on a different route from town, which would strike the creek a little beyond the limits of the town. As it rained on Monday afternoon they had to hold up.

FARMERS' COUNTY MEETING.—The quarterly meeting of the F. and D. Association of Carleton county will be held at Jacksonville at 2 o'clock tomorrow. This promises to be one of the best sessions yet held. A good programme has been provided and the public are cordially invited to attend. The officers of the association for the current year are W. J. Owens, president; Elisha Shipp, vice pres.; W. A. Taylor, sec. treas. Don't forget time and place of this meeting—Jacksonville Corner, Thursday, March 5. Buyers and shippers of farm produce are specially requested to be present.

SCOTT ACT.—Two convictions were made against Charles Phillips, Bristol, last week. In connection with the case arose cases of interfering with a witness, Walter Duffy. Sperry Shea was the defendant in one case, begun on Friday. Duffy alleged that he was brought down to town as a witness against Charles A. Phillips. He was at the Turner House in care of a constable. While in his room Sperry Shea came in and handed him a piece of paper, not in an envelope, but folded. On the paper were the words, "They can only keep you in gaol a few days; be plucky, we will use you well." F. B. Carvell appeared for the defence and claimed that no case had been made out against the defendant. A. B. Connell for the prosecution, urged that while the evidence was not as strong as he could wish, it was sufficient to convict the defendant of having tampered with the witness. The magistrate reserved judgment until Tuesday in order to allow the defendant to explain the paper which he gave to the witness.

DIED.

GILLIS.—At her residence, Washington, D. C., on Feb. 26th, Eliza Balloch, widow of the late John Gillis, of St. John, N. B., and sister of the late John Balloch, of Woodstock, and of W. Alexander and Robert Balloch, of Washington, aged 79 years.

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TO AMEND THE LICENSE ACT.

One Half The Voters Must Sign The Petition For License.

The legislature on Friday night passed the bill amending the liquor license act so as to provide that one-half of the voters of a ward should be required on the petitions of applicants instead of one-third as at the present. Mr. Barnes occupied the chair in committee.

Mr. Farris, of Queens, moved the adoption of the bill. He said that in Nova Scotia they have to have a petition signed by two thirds of the voters of a ward before a license can be granted, and in Ontario there must be a majority of voters, just the same as this bill asks for. Why should one-third of the people be in a position to say that licenses should be granted if a majority of each or any ward was opposed to the granting of licenses.

Solicitor General White strongly supported the bill. In his speech he read an opinion from the law clerk, Hon. Mr. Pugsley, that the House had not power to pass the measure, but he took the view that the House was competent to do so.

Dr. Alward, who said he would not vote for prohibition, opposed the bill, believing it was ultra vires of the legislature.

Mr. Lockhart spoke strongly in favor of the bill, and in the course of his remarks asked if he had understood the Attorney General to say that he (Lockhart) had gone to Fredericton in the last election and carried liquor there.

Mr. Blair—I did not say that. Were you at Fredericton Junction during the election—on election day?

Mr. Lockhart—No, I was not.

Mr. Blair—How near there were you?

Mr. Lockhart—About eight miles.

Mr. Blair—When I connected you with Fredericton Junction I had in mind the suggestion that there was some money used there.

Mr. Lockhart—I would have to take a back seat wherever the Attorney General is at an election when it comes to the use of money.

Mr. Morrow—Do you say that you did not spend money in the Sunbury election?

Mr. Lockhart—I do not say that. I believe in fighting fire with fire. We took no liquor into Sunbury, however, which the friends of the government cannot say.

Dr. Stockton disputed the opinion of the law clerk and favored the bill and so did Mr. Morrow, while Attorney General Blair opposed it, declaring that the bill was doubtful, unsafe and unwise legislation.

The debate was continued by Messrs. Pitts, Tweedie, Dunn, Porter, Killam, O'Brien (Charlotte), Shaw, Emmerson, Hill, Wells and Howe.

At 11 o'clock the vote was taken and the bill agreed to, the vote being:

Yeas—Mitchell, Emmerson, White, Pitts, Sumner, Stockton, Lockhart, Morrow, Smith, McCain, Lewis, Howe, Pinder, Black, Hill, Russell, Killam, Fowler, Wells, Farris, Porter, O'Brien (Charlotte), Beveridge, Dibblee—24.

Nays—Blair, Tweedie, Labillois, Dunn, Shaw, Alward, Martin, Johnston, Bertrand, Paulin, Legere, Mott, Sivewright, Richard, O'Brien (Northumberland), Scovil, McLeod, Veniot—18.

Sunday School Work in This County.

A very successful series of parish conventions has been conducted by the Field Secretary, Rev. A. Lucas, in this county during Feb., including thirty-two meetings in all. These have presented many indications of growth judging from the testimony of parish officers. The meeting in Woodstock was the crown of the whole, as it completed the organization of our county. Now, this what Sunday School workers call a banner county. Woodstock meeting was held in F. C. B. church on afternoon and evening of 26th. The afternoon was devoted chiefly to the discussion on the practicability of organizing. Jas. Watts was chosen as chairman and after a season of devotion, he called on the field secretary to state the reasons for organizing. His brief words were followed by free discussion in which pastors took part. A vote being taken, it was unanimous for organizing. A nominating committee was chosen. The committee met between sessions and reported late in the evening. The evening session opened with devotions led by Rev. Mr. Denton, members of the united choirs led the music, and addresses were delivered by Revs. Chapman, Phillips, McDonald and the Field Secretary. The nominating committee reported and the following officers were elected, C. N. Scott, Pres.; J. Flemming, Vice Pres.; T. A. Lindsay, Sec. Treas.; Messrs. Dennison, Connolly and C. L. Smith as additional members of executive committee.

This excellent meeting closed with hymn "God be with you," and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Mr. McDonald.

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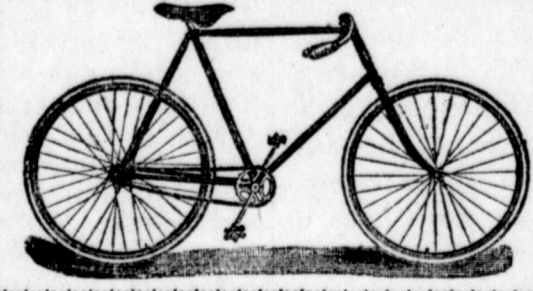
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BALMAIN BROS.

FEB. 10, '96.

City Fathers.

The meeting of the town council on Monday evening was not productive of any startling sensations. The mayor notified the council that he had been served with a writ at the instance of Wm. Hopkins, who claimed damages for falling from a load of hay, while the sewers were being built on Connell St. The matter was referred to a committee to consult counsel. Some eight different painters tendered for the repairs on the council chamber, and Coun. Gallagher was authorized to make a selection. The chairman of the electric light committee was authorized to procure 12000 carbons for the lights. By buying a great many at a time, the carbons can be got comparatively cheap. He was also authorized to ask for tenders for an electrician and lamp repair. A petition from the W. C. T. U. regarding minors smoking cigarettes and chewing tobacco was before the council, and the police committee was ordered to put up placards setting forth the law, and to see that the same was enforced. The chairman of the water committee, and the superintendent were authorized to find out the cost of a wood or steel conduit bridge across the creek and report to the council.

PERSONALS.

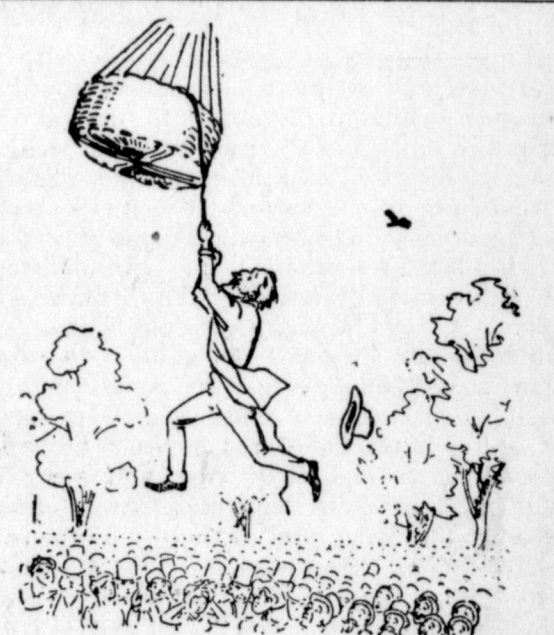
W. H. Berry, Pokiok, spent Sunday in Woodstock. Geo. Hazlett, Benton, was in town last week. He registered at the rink. John Diakin, proprietor of Rodney, Benton was up to the race on Friday. William Harris, Benton's popular blacksmith spent last Friday in town. Captain Lavery of the Benton base ball team was in Woodstock last week. Havelock Churchill left for Boston last Thursday, to go into the dry goods business. J. T. Lachance, Quebec, Inspector of the Manufacturers Life Ins. Co., is at the Victoria Hotel. He is about organizing the province in the interests of his company.

Agricultural College Burned.

GUELPH, Ont., Feb. 28.—This morning about five o'clock fire broke out in the chemical depot of the Ontario Agricultural College. The building was completely gutted. The loss is \$10,000. The insurance is not known at present.

BUSS LINE.

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New Board of Trade.

St. Andrews has recently organized a board of trade, and they have applied to Ottawa for incorporation.