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LOCAL TOPICS.

The sleighing is now first class, the best we have had this winter.

The COTTOLINE business at Noble & Trafons is worth going to see.

Mrs. CRILEN, mother of Mrs. Walter Treacart, Upper Woodstock, died on Saturday last.

CARLETON DISTRICT LODGE L. O. L. will meet at Bristol, Tuesday March 17th, at 2 o'clock p. m. There will be a public meeting in the evening.

FORESTER McLEAN is improving his building on the corner of Main and Queen Sts. He is putting in a large bow window in the central part of the second flat.

ON THE WAY.—Mr. J. T. A. Dibblee M. P. has committed the bill providing for a vote on an extension of the sewerage system for the town of Woodstock.

THE B. Y. P. U. parlor concert which was to have been at the residence of Mayor Saunders on Monday evening, was postponed to Monday evening the 16th inst.

MR. C. L. TILLEY, who has sent several carloads of cheese to the English market, has heard from one lot, sold. He gets 8cts a pound which he considers satisfactory.

CHAS. JOHNSTON aged 21 died on Saturday evening after a long illness the result of typhoid fever. He was a fine young lad and very popular. The funeral was on Monday.

THE CARNIVAL at the Rink on Friday night promises to be a grand affair. More costumes will be present than at any other former carnival. Six handsome prizes will be given, and are now on exhibition at Garden Bros.

WORK is progressing at a good rate on the Woodstock railway bridge. There are four large and two small spans on this side of the island, and large spans on the other side. The crew expect to finish this side of the island this week.

UNFORTUNATE BOY.—A young son of C. Herb Phillips, Clear View, was born on the 29th day of February on this year. The poor little fellow wont have a birth day till the year 1904, but he seems to bear up manfully under his calamity.

W. B. JEWETT, JEWELLER, is showing a beautiful line of sterling silver goods. He has 24 different patterns of souvenir spoons, many of the designs have not been seen in Woodstock before. See Mr. Jewett's advertisement in DISPATCH next week.

A. O. H.—The Woodstock division intend celebrating St. Patrick's day by a musical and literary entertainment in their hall on that evening, the committee in charge intend to spare no pains or trouble to make this affair one to be long remembered.

Look out for the famous world beater—The John Bull & 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.

OUR NEIGHBOR, The Press came out in a new form on Monday. It is now a neat well printed quarto paper with six columns to a page, and presents an appearance creditable to the proprietor and to the town. The day of the large folio newspaper is about over.

Mrs. E. M. CAMPBELL died at Grafton on the 4th inst., after a brief illness of inflammation of the bowels. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn a grievous loss. Their many friends in Grafton and Woodstock join in the deepest sympathy, for Mrs. Campbell was known and beloved by a large circle of acquaintances. Her maiden name was Ida L. Given and she was born in Plymouth, Me. At the time of her death she was thirty-five years of age. The funeral was on Saturday, Rev. J. H. Macdonald officiating.

WHO WILL WIN?

Oak Hall Voting Contest.

Mrs. Cupples.....	480
F. A. Good.....	390
Miss Mulherrin.....	273
Miss Neales.....	162
Miss Good.....	160
H. W. Peppers, (Centreville).....	121
Miss Ella Smith.....	98
Miss A. P. Comben.....	92
Miss Fisher.....	49
Miss Ena L. Gill, (E. Flor.).....	52
Miss M. E. Coen.....	31
Miss Louise Upton, (Hartland).....	27
C. T. Hendry (Florenceville).....	26
Miss McLeod.....	25
A. W. Clark, (Coldstream).....	16
Isaac Draper (Benton).....	10
Miss Ina H. Semple (Glass).....	8
Miss Becca Guy.....	5
T. V. Hunter (Grafton).....	5
Miss Cahill.....	3
Miss Bessie Fraser (Bristol).....	2
Miss Carman.....	1
Miss Bertie M. Harold, (Centre).....	1

DAVID UNDERHILL sold his farm at Middle Simonds recently to Cook Bishop of Centreville. Mr. Underhill has purchased the Ephraim Hallett farm at Hartland. Mr. Underhill will move at once to his new farm. Mr. Bishop is now moving to Middle Simonds.

HOULTON CARNIVAL.—Out of four prizes awarded for costumes at the carnival at Houlton on Monday night, three were captured by Woodstockers. Miss Minnie Collins, Dr. G. B. Manzer and R. G. Lee were the fortunate people. A sled load of young people were over from Woodstock.

TEMISCOUTA RAILWAY.—An Ottawa correspondent to the Toronto World recently wired his paper as follows:—Mr. Charles Riordon of Toronto and his solicitor, Mr. R. H. Bowles, were here two days last week with Mr. Boswell, the manager of the Temiscouta Railway. Mr. Riordon would like to meet with a purchaser for the road.

THE Patrons of Industry of Jacksontown will have their concert on Thursday evening the 12th inst., in the lodge room at Upper Jacksontown, entertainment to commence at 7.30 sharp. An excellent programme has been prepared consisting of farces, music, tableaux, recitation and dialogues. Admission 20 cents for adults and 10 cents for children under twelve years.

LUMBERING.—D. H. Keswick says the 25th of this month will find most of his lumber on the brow. Tedlie has all his yarded lumber in now. Crawford will finish hauling on the 25th. Welch, on the Miramichi, is about through hauling. Lynch will soon be through. There seems to be no doubt but that everyone will get their lumber all in, and this will of course mean good times.

THE Woodstock & Centreville surveying party are getting along first rate. At the time of writing they have reached Payson's lake, a distance of some ten miles from the point at which the survey commenced. Mr. Killeen is now in Fredericton. He was on his way there from New York, and was caught in the washout on the Maine Central being delayed several days. He will be in Woodstock shortly.

A SAD EVENT occurred on Saturday last in the death of Miss Maud Vanwart, daughter of Mr. Jacob Vanwart. The young lady who was twenty-two years old, has been ill for some time, and her death was not altogether unexpected. She leaves many friends among the young people of town and particularly among the congregation of the Albert Street Baptist church in which she was an active worker. She was an active member of the B. Y. P. U. The funeral yesterday was largely attended.

MR. LAURANCE, the celebrated oculist optician, will be at the Wilbur House, Woodstock, Thursday and Friday March 12th and 13th. Mr. Laurance has been visiting Woodstock for a number of years, and has in that time fitted some hundreds of persons with his celebrated spectacles, and he can guarantee, where no actual disease of the eye exists, perfect vision and satisfaction. Mr. Laurance warns the public against using imperfectly fitted spectacles as one half the persons using glasses at the present time have had their sight ruined by being fitted by peddlers. It takes years of experience, such as Mr. Laurance has had to fit lenses perfectly, and anyone who wants to get perfect sight where no disease of the eye exists, should call on Mr. Laurance on the days mentioned.

THE DISPATCH had an interesting talk with Mr. A. F. Fawcett who is conducting a somewhat unique business at Craig's bridge, near Canterbury station. He makes blocks for the shoe trade, and this winter has sixteen men engaged in the undertaking. The blocks are made from maple wood, and the hands have to be experienced. They belong to Bangor, Me., where business of this same kind has been carried on for many years past. Mr. Fawcett is the only party engaged in this business on this side of the line. It is extensively followed on the Maine side of the boundary. Under the McKinley tariff there was a duty of 30% on all blocks going into the states, but the Wilson bill left the blocks on the free list. The average output this season has been 5000 blocks a day, of which 800 have been Arctic. This with seven choppers is considered a marvellous average. Mr. Fawcett spent some time in the factory at Brocton, Mass., where he learned just how to handle the blocks in which he deals so successfully.

THE Armenians became a very popular class of sufferers through the concert given by the Eubretorian club for their benefit in the opera house last Thursday night. The club, composed entirely of ladies, deserve credit for their managing ability. Programme: Piano duet, Mrs. Geo. Mitchell and Miss Nan Bull; vocal solo, Mrs. A. A. Brewer; reading, Miss Lily Jordan; tableau, Misses Mary Fisher Duncan, Jessie Munro, Mary D. Clark and Mary Clark; piano solo, Mrs. Wendell P. Jones; trio, Mrs. J. V. Skillen, Mrs. Geo. Mitchell and Miss Munro; reading, Miss Georgie Augherton; violin and piano, Miss Baird and Miss Nan Bull; tableau, Mrs. Will Skillen, Misses Helen F. Jordan, Annie Rankin, Isabel Watts, Mary D. Clark, Allie

Bull; chorus; vocal solo, Miss Munro; tableau, Mr. Walter Everett, Mrs. Brewer, Misses Lily Jordan, May Clark, Isabel Watts, Nan Bull, Blanche Dibblee, Cora Smith, Georgie Augherton; recitation, Miss Pearl Skillen; solo, Mrs. A. A. Brewer; tableau, Miss Pearl Skillen. The younger people of Woodstock are getting alive, and striking out in an endeavor to try something new. They are not willing to stagnate even though they may live in a rather small town, and their efforts deserve the patronage and encouragement of the public.

THE Carleton County court opened on Tuesday morning. The petit jury was composed of Wm. A. Reid, Shep. Burtt, Chas. Wilkinson, Wilmet Burtt Edgar Kilpatrick, Joseph York, R. W. Hume, G. W. Melville, Jas. Campbell, R. W. Raymond, Wilmet Rideout and Elijah L. Shaw. Judge Stevens presided. Several cases had been ready for trial but were settled at the last moment. Nixon vs. Quint and Furge was undefended. Mr. Carter for plaintiff proved his claim and verdict was given for plaintiff for \$162.54. In C. P. R. vs. Maddox, Mr. Carvell moved for costs of the day for not going to trial pursuant to notice. Mr. Connell contra, the judge took time to consider. In the cases Waugh vs. Jewett, Cavanaugh vs. Jewett, Cavanaugh vs. Sherry, Waugh vs. London, Waugh vs. Stokoe, Waugh vs. Strong, judgment quasi nonsuit was granted. Court adjourned in the afternoon.

PERSONALS.

John McLean, Quebec is at the Victoria. E. T. Berteau, St. John, is at the Wilbur. T. J. Carter, Andover, is at the Wilbur House. Harry Clark, Presque Isle, spent Sunday in town.

H. H. Oogood, St. John is at the Victoria Hotel. English Brayley, Montreal, was in town on Saturday.

W. V. Moore, the well known St. Stephen traveller, is at the Wilbur House.

H. S. Miles, dominion fishery inspector will be here today to inspect the new fishway pier.

F. E. Griffith of Presque Isle, is spending a few days with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Griffith.

J. E. McCollom, Hartland, and J. R. Richard, son, Brighton were recent arrivals at the Victoria. C. LeB. Miles and Mrs. Miles, Andover, were in town the first of the week, on their way to Fredericton.

Miss Berna Main and Miss Nettie Thompson left on Saturday for a visit of two weeks with friends in Woodstock.—St. Croix Courier.

Mrs. C. W. Morehouse and her little son Tommy of Kilburn, are spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Brewster, and other friends here.

Miss Laura Dixon, Tracy Mills, who has been visiting Mrs. Charles Whennan in town, was called home on account of the illness of her sister.

Mrs. Woodford Ketchum started on Monday for North Carolina, where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. Barber, formerly of this town.—Aroostook Times.

Rev. Dr. Chapman received news on Friday of the death of a brother in Cumberland Co. Nova Scotia. The doctor left on Saturday to attend the funeral.

Thomas Toms, Centreville, an old and highly respected resident of the county lies very ill at his home. His daughter, Mrs. Chas. Whennan, of Woodstock, has gone to see him.

H. V. Dalling has lately returned from a trip to Derby on the Canada Eastern R'y. He found the employees of the road more than a crowd. He met a lot of his old friends whom he had not seen for 20 years, and they made life rather pleasant for him. Mr. Dalling was away a week.

A New Paper.

A new journalistic venture in the provincial field appears in the Northumberland News, a paper published in Newcastle and of which J. DeVeber Neales is editor. It is a large well appearing paper, and has evidently a goodly advertising patronage already. It is a believer in the principles of liberalism as defined by the resolutions adopted by the liberal convention held at Ottawa in 1893 and will advocate the platform as laid down at that convention believing its adoption by the people of Canada inductive to the best interest of our country.

E. M. Campbell, Photographer, has secured the services of a first class man at his studio where he is in a position to do better work than ever. The studio will be open at all times during business hours and a competent operator will be in attendance constantly. All orders promptly attended to. The Hartland Studio is closed for the present.

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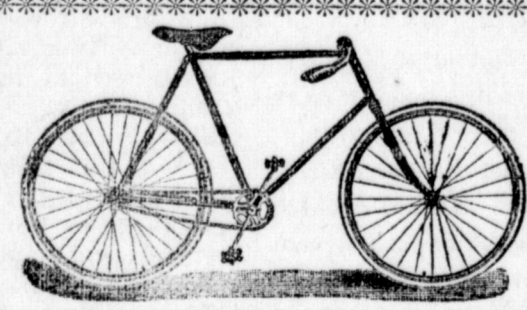
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BALMAIN BROS.

FEB. 10, '96.

To Guard The Fishway.

The fishway which was put in the Medux-nakik stream last autumn, is now well protected, and it is time that it was. During the early autumn and winter it filled up with a mass of sticks and stones and rubbish. A large square pier 16x16, of hemlock logs, filled in with heavy stone, has been built 12 or 14 feet above the mouth of the fishway, by Mr. G. A. Perley of Sunbury Co. He completed the work yesterday. Logs and ice will now have no chance to spoil the salmon's pathway. A log extends from one side of the pier to the sluice way to the mill, and another in an opposite direction from the other side of the pier down to the dam. Thus the fishway is completely guarded. The job appears to have been well done.

Nearly Killed Two Women.

OLDTOWN, Me., March 10—Grace D. Irving, aged 53, and Jonnie Irving, aged 50, two maiden sisters living in a farm house near here, were brutally assaulted by Luther Antoine, who had for ten years been employed upon the farm as a man of all work.

Both were beaten upon the head with an iron bar and otherwise maltreated and left for dead in an outhouse. Antoine attempted suicide by drowning in Pushaw stream, but abandoning that course, returned to the house and shot himself through the head, death being instantaneous.

One of the victims, Jennie, was fatally injured, and it is improbable that Grace will survive. Antoine was regarded as a simpleton by the people of Oldtown.

BORN.

BURNS.—At Woodstock on the 8th inst., to the wife of Michael Burns, a son.

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