

## LOCAL TOPICS.

BREWER'S drive of hemlock on the Keswick is hung up on account of water being low.

MR. WILLIAM PLUMMER of Jacksonville, snared forty-eight foxes within the last season.

BEAVER PLUG is the highest grade and richest flavored Chewing Tobacco made. Try it.

JULIUS T. GARDEN, sprained his ankle while lifting a soda fountain in his store on Saturday.

"DON'T be deceived." Insist on getting the genuine Tonka Smoking Mixture; 10 cents a package.

A MEETING of the Amateur Athletic Association will be held in the Press office Friday evening next, at 8 o'clock sharp.

DR. KIRSTEAD has moved into the house on Chapel St. recently vacated by Rr. Rankin who is now living a few doors further up the street.

THE UTOPIA deserve the thanks of the public for the pleasant entertainment given under their auspices in the opera house on Monday night.

SOME sparks from the engine one day last week set fire to the grass in Mr. Sharp's orchard which spread and destroyed a large number of his apple trees.

CROSSLEY AND HUNTER, evangelists, who have been doing such a good work in the maritime provinces, will open a short season in Woodstock beginning on the 24th of May.

ON Wednesday last Mr. C. T. Coombes, was inducted, and granted a license in the Free Baptist church, by Rev. C. T. Phillips. Mr. Coombes comes from Lowell. His present charge is in York county.

MR. CAMP, the proprietor of the new tannery at Cardigan Station, is rushing things along. He has all the vats in position, and expects to be ready to work at tanning in a few weeks. He will employ, it is said, about 60 men.

ON WEDNESDAY night last someone cut loose a shear boom that the C. P. R. had put out to prevent logs from going back of the island at Upper Woodstock, on account of the damaged bridge pier. It has been replaced by a new one.

SPEAKING of business, several prominent merchants of Woodstock say that last Saturday was the best day they have seen for two years. Two men who have been in business for one year only say it was the best day they have seen in their time.

CHAS. KETCHUM, who lives down the road about three miles, met with quite a serious accident on Saturday afternoon. While driving home his horse ran away, and threw him out. He was badly bruised and is now under the care of Dr. Hand.

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.

THE Agricultural society has decided upon Oct. 7th, 8th and 9th as the dates for holding an exhibition in Woodstock. Probably most of the societies in the county will join in the undertaking. There is no reason why it should not be a first-class fair in every respect.

BROKE HER LEG.—A serious accident occurred on the main road to Andover just outside the residence of John Willet recently. Mrs. J. Peat while returning from Andover in company with her husband accidentally caught her foot in the wheel breaking her leg in two places.

DR. R. M. MILLER, graduate of the Pennsylvania Dental College, arrived here Saturday, to take a position in the dental parlors of Dr. G. B. Manzer. Dr. Miller will have charge of the mechanical department and will devote his whole time to the manufacture of artificial teeth.

THE Y. M. C. A. Athletic exhibition in the opera house last week was a good one. The skill of the very young boys brought many a round of applause from the house. Little Miss Payson's club swinging was a thing of beauty. The exhibition has been a great stimulus to those interested in a Y. M. C. A. in Woodstock.

## WHO WILL WIN?

## Oak Hall Voting Contest.

Mrs. Cupples.....	1767
F. A. Good.....	1668
Miss Ena L. Gill, (E. Flor.).....	1399
Miss Mulhern.....	1160
Miss Neales.....	963
Miss Ella Smith.....	769
Miss A. P. Comben.....	761
H. W. Peppers, (Centreville).....	732
Miss McCormack.....	669
Miss Good.....	463
E. C. Crawford.....	455
Miss Ina H. Sample (Glass).....	301
Miss Louise Upton, (Hartland).....	210
Miss McLeod.....	185
Miss Becca Guy.....	171
Miss Fisher.....	148
Miss M. E. Coen.....	143
Isaac Draper (Benton).....	93
Mrs. Henry Hay.....	85
Miss Spear.....	83
C. T. Hendry (Florenceville).....	72
A. W. Clark, (Coldstream).....	61
Edna Brooks, (Newburg Junct).....	55
Jennie M. Squire, (Up. Kent).....	25
Miss Georgie Baldwin.....	18
Miss Alexander.....	18
Miss Cahill.....	10
Miss Bessie Fraser (Bristol).....	8
Allen Rideout.....	1
Jerome Porter, (Four Falls, Vic.).....	1
Mabel Barker.....	1

Total 12495

## CIRCUIT COURT.

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Mr. Gregory—Now you said you got it by letter. I want to ask whether that letter came from Ottawa, and was signed by Mr. Costigan, and was in his hand writing?

Ans—I received it from Ottawa.

Mr. Gregory—Was it signed by Costigan?

Mr. Robidoux—The letter was signed by Mr. Costigan, in which this communication was.

The jury were in deliberation about three hours. They returned with a verdict of 25c in favor of the plaintiff.

## QUEEN AGAINST THE TOWN.

Opening of the Celebrated St. Gertrude Street Case.

The court opened at 10 o'clock sharp on Monday morning, when the case of James M. Queen vs. the Town of Woodstock was taken up. The special jury are Sanforth Ingraham, Joseph Pearson, Geo. McLeod, J. G. Campbell, J. H. Jameson, Whitfield, Shaw, J. A. Robins.

Mr. L. A. Curry, Q. C. assisted by Mr. J. N. W. Winslow appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. A. B. Connell, Q. C. for the defendants. His Worship the Mayor, and Couns. Leighton and R. B. Jones sat at the barristers' table beside Mr. Connell.

After Mr. Curry moved for trial, Mr. Connell asked that the jury be allowed to view the premises, and His Honor agreed to adjourn the court at 5 o'clock p. m. when this duty could be performed.

Mr. Curry said:—This action is brought by Jas. M. Queen against the town of Woodstock for trespass. He claims it to be done by the town and their town officers, on his land. We will prove to you that Mr. Queen purchased the property on which he lives in the town of Woodstock on Broadway street opposite or near to St. Gertrude St., that he has been in possession of the property, made improvements on it, built a lawn within the bounds of the lot on which he erected his house. We will also prove that the town, some years after this lawn had been built within the terms of the boundaries in his deed, sent their officers and men to cut and carry away a portion of this lawn, which they did, leaving the lawn in very unsightly condition. The town, continued Mr. Curry, set up the plea that they were not guilty, that the lot was not the plaintiff's, as alleged, that the town had lesion or right of way as the street in question was a public highway. To this last plea the plaintiff demurred, claiming that the property never was a highway, and no proceedings were ever taken by the town to make it a highway.

Jas. M. Queen, the plaintiff, the first witness. He said he had lived in Woodstock something over eight years. He was in possession of the property, on or near St. Gertrude St. When the witness was testifying to the Washburn deed, by which he claimed the land, Mr. Connell on behalf of the town said that he claimed that the Washburn's had no right whatever to the streets in question. Witness continuing, said that he entered into possession immediately after the purchase in March 1894. The lawn he built cost about \$75.00. The whole property cost about \$3300. He took possession of all the land up to what was known as the Bull line and was in possession ever since. Prior to last autumn, no one interfered with him. He, then, narrated the circumstances connected with the removal of the lawn on the 5th of November. The town authorities came along, tore down his fence, his lawn, in spite of his protesting. They took thirty-four feet off Broadway and 215 on what they called St. Gertrude St.

To Mr. Connell witness said that Mr. J. N. W. Winslow was agent for the Washburn estate, and it was with him the witness negotiated for the purchase of the land. His father and his family lived with him. His father ran the place, and he gave him house to live in for his board. Mr. Winslow did not make out the deeds at first, to his father. In taking possession he did not take possession of anything not mentioned in the deeds. He did not know where the George Bull line was, of his own knowledge. He could not name anyone who told him which was the Bull line, excepting his father. The original plan of the Washburn property was produced, on which is marked the "Geo. Bull north line," and "St. Gertrude's St. four rods wide." The plan was then submitted to the jury for their edification.

Continuing witness said:—I could not tell how far St. Gertrude St. extended by the plan. The plan was the same as when I made the purchase. I do not remember of seeing St. Gertrude street marked on it. I did not notice that the White and Washburn line ran as it did, on the plan.

Ques.—Did you know that the land laid down on the plan was known as the W. and W. land?

This was represented as the plan, I gave \$275.00 for lot 170. Don't remember having any conversation with father concerning the part lying between 17 and Broadway.

Did you not take that part as a speculation, running your own risk as to the possession? Yes, I took lot between 17 and 18 as a speculation.

And ran your own risk?

Yes.

Can you tell me on that plan where the house was built?

It was built partly on lot 17 and 18.

I would not contradict you if you stated one half of my house was on lot 18.

Does not the S. E. corner of your house come 35 or 36 feet above the Bull line? I believe 30 or 40 feet. I can't swear that my house was not placed in the situation it is, because there was a doubt about the title.

Mr. Winslow told me there was a doubt about Washburn title to lot beyond No. 17. The public travelled that way to grave yard.

A. E. Hanson, government engineer, gave evidence with regard to a plan which he drew for the benefit of the plaintiff. To Mr. Connell, I made the basis of my plan, the plan in the record office made by H. M. G. Garden in 1837. Here the original plan was put in evidence. I have not the street laid out on my plan as shown on the Garden plan. I was engaged to make the plan by the plaintiff. The old man gave me instructions and assisted me.

This closed the case for the plaintiff.

Mr. Connell then addressed the jury on behalf of the defence. The defence admitted certain things were done on November last as asserted, but they denied that there was any encroachment on Mr. Queen's land. It was necessary for Mr. Queen to prove that he owned the land. Some 58 or 59 years ago in the town of Woodstock the land now under dispute comprised a part of two farms one owned by Geo. Bull, and the other known as the Smith farm, the Bull the southerly, and the Smith the northerly farm. About that time the road marked on Mr. Garden's plan was dedicated to the town. Two rods was taken off each farm, so as to form a four rod road, which is now known as St. Gertrude St. Some time after that some conveyances were made. In 1854 a portion of the Smith land was deeded to White and Washburn, but by that conveyance the road laid out by Bull and Smith was confirmed and referred to as a road. Later, a re-conveyance was made, White and Washburn deeding back the land to Sophia and Francis Smith. Immediately after 1837 the public began to use the road, not only from Main to Broadway, but, also from Broadway to the cemetery. The Roman Catholics of Woodstock have used this road ever since. Some 15 years past this road being rough, they used the road south of the Kearney house, but using the gate which is on St. Gertrude street. Five or six years ago they were prevented from going by Kearney's house and again reverted as a right to St. Gertrude St.

W. M. Connell said the land Queen's house was on, belonged formerly to the White and Washburn estate. He was agent for the estate for twenty-three years, having given up the agency two or three years ago. He had got plans drawn for Governor Washburn somewhere about 1882. He laid these plans (which were produced in court) before Mr. Washburn. He never conveyed land south of the northern line of St. Gertrude St.

The following gave evidence yesterday morning—Major Vince, P. Gallagher, P. McAnna, B. Smith, John Connor, E. M. Boyer, J. McManus, John Riordon, J. C. Hartley, Rev. Father Chapman.

THE Western Union Telegraph Co. have moved into a new office in the building that contained their old office. Their new quarters are very snug and neat.

COL. DIBBLEE is improving rapidly since his return to Woodstock. His eyes are getting strong, and he is generally building up under the benign influence of native air.

DR. F. M. PERRY and Mr. John Tenney took a canoe ride down the Meduxnekeag last Thursday. Mr. Tenney going as far as the falls, and the Dr. keeping on to Woodstock. They report having had an elegant trip, and enjoyed it so well that they are planning another. The Dr. returned by train from Woodstock Friday morning.—Houlton Times.

MISS ALINDA FISHER eldest daughter of the late Jas. Fisher, and niece of John and Williamson Fisher died suddenly from typhoid fever on Wednesday last. She was only 24 years old. The funeral was on Friday afternoon. Rev. Messrs. Todd and J. H. Macdonald officiating at the grave. The casket was covered with beautiful flowers sent by friends of the deceased. Two other members of the family Fred and Mina are sick with the disease. Edgar a younger son is convalescent.

To show the advantage of advertising it might be mentioned that Holloway's Red Blood Syrup, which was only introduced into this country within the last few months, has had such a wonderful sale as to make it almost impossible to supply the demand, and this all on account of bringing it before the public through such a splendid advertising medium as "THE DISPATCH." Of course to have large sales any article must have virtue. We can safely say no proprietary preparation has more virtue than Holloway's Syrup, and for pale, weak, nervous people cannot be excelled.

CHESTNUT & HIPWELL wish to thank the large number who have expressed their sympathy for their loss by the late fire, which expressions have come from all over the county, and in many cases have been accompanied by tangible assistance. Their new factory on Main street, almost opposite the Small & Fisher Co., is about complete, and any orders left there will be promptly filled. They also wish to thank all who assisted them in saving what ever it was possible to save out of the fire. Of some 50 wagons, twenty are now all ready for sale, and "the boys" will be glad of any patronage which may be extended to them. They may be seen at their new stand at any time.

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## NOTICE.

Local Board of Health, District No. 9. From and after the First day of May next, all persons are prohibited from keeping pigs or hogs within the limits of the Town of Woodstock. Any persons found violating the provisions of this notice will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law regulating such matters.  
Dated at Woodstock, N. B., this Tenth day of April, A. D., 1896. By order Board.  
J. C. HARTLEY,  
Secretary.

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