

## NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

## WATSON SETTLEMENT.

Jingle bells! jingle bells! sleigh bells; but hark! I hear wedding bells—peal on peal afar, and near the hurrying to and fro and clattering of furniture ere the morning star; while citizens whisper "next week! next week!"

Our Sabbath School under the faithful superintendency of Mr. Hall is still open and with its very proficient teachers proves a great source of instruction to the community.

The Epworth League is alive, although the inclement weather has prevented its weekly meeting. John Watson, who has been ill for some time, is now visiting friends at Canterbury Station.

Miss R. May Guy, Greenville, spent a few days here, the guest of Miss Addie McBride.

The many friends of A. Stewart and E. Wilson are pleased to see them at home again.

Aubrey Henderson, Debec, spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Miss Maggie Rhoda, Canterbury, is the guest of Mrs. J. H. Brice.

A. Bell has built a fine granary which adds to the appearance of his place.

Thomas Smith was agreeably surprised Friday evening by a band of young friends, many of whom were from southern regions. He and Miss Smith greeted them heartily and all had a "jolly good time."

George Gartley and sons are rushing business with their excellent machine. I frequently see their fine team passing by loaded with "toll."

Deer hunting is the order of the day. On the 23rd inst., one youth, a marksman bold, with two boon companions, started very early in the morning towards the deer frequented wood. "Each breast beat high and dazzled was each flashing eye." Alas, how soon the change! when crossing a brook he suddenly passed through the ice. The cool bath condensed his hopes to such an extent that the deer ceased to attract him and he returned home to hang behind the stove.

Has the Oakville scribe been assassinated?

Teacher what bird went south last?

## TOBQUE RIVER.

A few inches of the "beautiful" fell on Saturday night, greatly to the dissatisfaction of the "small fry" who have been skating morning, noon and night for some days past. By the way, Young Canada shows a good many of John Bull's traits, and among the more prominent ones is the right to grumble, if things do not suit him. He is a contrary young scamp, preferring the thing that isn't to the thing that is. And a little more by the way, Older Canada is pretty much the same. He could run the weather on a much better plan than Providence is doing, if he only had the chance O Tempora, O Mores!

The good people of Arthurette are very busily engaged in storming the forts of darkness. Revival meetings have been going on for four weeks and many young people are turning to the right. Even such a hardened old sinner as the writer wished the work Godspeed and hopes that many will remember their Creator in the days of their youth.

J. F. Tweedale, E. S. Grant, D. Wright, J. B. Stevenson and James Wright stood at the head of the list in the Engineer target practise on Tuesday last.

Speaking of Thanksgiving reminds us that there is less of defiance and more compromise in the notes of that musical bird, the Turkey Gobbler, than there was a Bristol. Probably he is like Falstaff and not greedy of the honor that is in store for him (and us) when we render thanks for the good things received during the year.

Mr. Cuthbert Blackburne a Baptist licentiate had a Thanksgiving service on Thursday.

The members of the late Patron Lodge Arthurette had an oyster supper at G. W. Lawson's, St. Elms, on the same evening.

## LINDSAY.

Your correspondent notices by this week's Sentinel, that he is misrepresented in the "Wakefield Centre Items." He did not fall on his face while descending McGrath's hill, and takes this opportunity of warning that correspondent to be careful what he says in the future. He merely fell on his hand. The Wakefield Centre correspondent will please not get offended.

Your correspondent notices that Lindsay pork is going to market quite brisk lately.

Your correspondent congratulates Mr. Laurier on his settlement of the "School Question" and don't see what the "Tories" have to find fault with now. The man who can make a settlement to suit everybody has not been born yet. The Liberal government deserves praise for the way it has conducted business during its four months tenure of office.

## MIDDLE SIMONDS.

We are glad to see the slight fall of snow, which has made fair sleighing.

Our village has sustained a great loss by the deaths of Melbourne Ebbett and John Kelley, who were highly respected. The funeral of Mr. Ebbett was held on Friday, the sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Colpitts, and the Foresters performed their last rites to their deceased brother.

Geo. Raymond's threshing machine is being run by Samuel Burke, assisted by James London. They are threshing for H. W. Shaw at present, who probably has a week's work.

Wanted:—To know how the roads are on the upper end of Simonds. "Get up, Bess."

Our school which is being taught by Mr. Draper, will be under the direction of Frank Kelley. Next term Mr. Draper will occupy the school at Benton formerly taught by Mr. Kelley.

An oyster supper will be held in the Orange Hall on Xmas eve, the proceeds will go towards finishing the new Baptist church.

## SISSON BRANCH.

## DEPOT CAMP.

As there have been no "items" from this camp and fearing our friends might labour under the delusion that we were all dead I will try to undeceive them. We are alive in fact very much so. That is the Majority are, the small minority don't count anyway.

The mud has about all frozen up and there has been quite a lot of snow but by the way it is raining now it looks as if there would be "Oh what a difference in the morning" It looks too bad to see the "beautiful" disappearing so rapidly just as we are learning to appreciate it, but we have the happy thought to console us that it cannot be any worse than it has been.

A stranger arriving at the "depot" have might be excused for thinking on first sight that we had struck a small sized town in the woods.

Prominent among the buildings is the private residence of Mons. John Tortin our excellent "chef" and his wife. The next building of importance is the "Beaver House" the official residence of Edwin Melville, book keeper Mr. J. E. McCollum who is so well known among business men, lumberman and "hanty boys" as a hale fellow will meet and a thorough gentleman to do business with or work for. His two foreman Messrs Trafton and Murdoch are both thorough woodsmen and first class fellows. Mr. McCollum has six pair of horses, three in each camp at present and expects to have more shortly, five pair are engaged "skidding" while the sixth is shore logging.

We cannot claim as big an average "yarding" as the "Little Cedar Brook" correspondent credits Hale's crew with, and while we would not doubt our friend's veracity we must call his attention to the fact that it is much easier to "yard" that amount with a pen, than with horses.

Two of our young men paid a flying visit last week down river. Of course it was purely on business but we have no doubt that the fattest calf or if it is too late in the season for veal the fattest turkey was killed in honour of the occasion.

Thos Thistle merchant tailor of Hartland is making a tour of the camps taking the boys measure for clothes and there is strong talk of him making two or more wedding suits for some of the boys.

Mrs. J. Tortin the cook's wife who has been dangerously ill is convalescing. Her mother and brother paid her a flying visit last Sunday.

Our obliging totter Bert Sweetie, should be appointed government mail carrier, we think, by the amount of mail he carries, and oh, what amusement some of them would cause should they be placed before the unsympathetic eyes of a cold world, but luckily they seldom are.

Mr. McCollum intends going down river this week.

What, oh what ails the boys on "Baker Branch" can they blow a little?

Mr. Jondrey the well known Jeweller made the rounds of the camps and did a good business. Honest goods and fair prices being his motto he is always welcomed by the boys.

Messrs Gillespie Bros sub-contractors to Mr. McCollum have two pair of horses hauling cedar and are doing good work.

## RICHMOND CORNER.

A poet here has found a subject for the muse in the supper given in the Orange Hall on the 12th ult. It quite explains itself.

Just listen friends and I'll tell to you

Of the last event this fall,

Which was an Orange supper,

That took place in the Orange Hall.

The roads were bad the night was dark,

The moon hid by a cloud;

But considering disadvantages,

We had a fine large crowd.

Some folks they grumbled about the price,

And said it was too high,

But when they saw the good things

They could not pass them by,

For everything there was in fine style,

You could not find fault if you tried

For all that came there for a time

Seemed quite well satisfied;

There was everything you wished to eat

And peanuts for to sell,

Then they had speeches up above

And a dance below as well,

McBride he played the violin,

The music it was fine,

And your girl and you could shake a limb

When ever you felt inclined.

Some thought the dance was out of place

And said they would not go,

Since they had the preaching up above

They should not dance below.

But I'm sure they've done worse lots of times,

That, I am sorry to say,

But the one most expected who did not attend

Was the Master Henry Hay.

The tables they were waited on

By maids, both young and gay,

And when you called for anything

It was brought without delay,

They were not like the girl in the song

"She never came back any more."

For they fetched beefsteaks

And your pies, and your cakes,

And other things by the score.

There was music from the organ,

And Professor Reed was there,

You never could forget him

With his beautiful wavy hair.

He sang and played some pieces,

His voice was low and sweet,

And the music that he played that night

I'm sure, could not be beat.

So when supper it was over,

And they could eat no more

The remaining cakes were then all sold,

And the dancers took the floor.

There were a few from town there,

With their paper cuffs and collars;

Everybody enjoyed themselves;

And we made seventy dollars.

And then they had a waltz or two,

And round the room did whirl

While others came up to the stand

Just for to treat their girl,

And I pity them that had none

They must have been too slow,

There was lots of girls in the place

And willing for to go.

But at last the fun was over

The crowd all went away,

And some of them looked so sleepy

That I'll bet they slept all day,

But if they ever have another,

I hope they will make us a call

For we would like to have their money

To finish the Orange Hall.

And now my piece is ended

I have told you all the news,

And all the mistakes you find down here

I'm sure you will excuse,

And if it does not suit the public,

A worse one I will try,

So thanks for your kind attention,

I will bid you all good bye.

## WAKEFIELD CENTRE.

While John Irvine was visiting at Mr. Charles Fitzpatrick's he was taken very sick. The attack though severe was of short duration.

William G. Hopkins has got well and now one of his children is very sick.

Charles Caldwell has had an increase in his family—a little girl.

A young fellow from Aroostook County, with cataict on his eyes passed through here a short time ago. He carried a few lead pencils, I suppose to make it appear less like begging, but he asked charity also. He wished to raise money enough to have a surgical operation performed on his eyes.

## CENTREVILLE.

Once more the snow has disappeared after being with us for a brief period, we are in hopes that it will come to stay the next time, as it is far more enjoyable to ride in a sleigh than a wagon at this season of the year.

Mr. Simondson's saw mill, which is situated a short distance below the village, is nearing completion. He received the boiler and engine last week and will soon have them in position. This mill, when finished, will afford a good opportunity for getting custom sawing done on short notice, and in a first class manner.

I am very sorry to learn that Miss Kate Cahill intends going to Chicago in the near future, to accept a position in the office of the White Sewing Machine Manufacturing Company.

It is also rumored that Fred Tweedie is anticipating a trip West about the same time.

Fred Gibson has accepted a position as clerk in Sherwood's store.

Good skating on the mill pond was enjoyed by the young people one night last week.

Dr. Cody has been visiting friends here for the past week.

I am glad to learn that Bertie West is rapidly recovering from the effects of her late accident.

Work is still proceeding on the railroad; although it is frozen too hard for working in the clay, still they are blowing away at the rock, and will continue to do so for some time. About four miles are ready for the rails in this section.

Charlie Cahill paid his parents a flying visit last week.

I am glad to see Miss Julia Sloat out again after her recent illness.

## CRAIG'S CAMP—MIRAMICHI.

Our crew is now quite small as some of our men have gone out.

We have had some cold weather, but recently a change in a rain storm.

The river is not yet frozen over, although ice has been running for a week.

A few days ago Amos Shaw while swamping a piece of road cut his foot. He is to work again.

James Ryans, one of our choppers, went out with a lame wrist.

You know  
We always did

Keep an excellent stock of LADIES' DRESS GOODS and we have some Grand Values to show you now. Our whole stock must go. We positively must clear out our store, no matter what the sacrifice in value, and your chance is now open to get good value AWAY DOWN IN PRICE. There is a tide IN THE AFFAIRS OF WOMEN which taken at the flood leads on to

**G. W. VANWART'S DRY GOODS STORE.**

**We are going out of business  
and are Selling Cheap.**

Barrie Cascoyne, while chopping a tree, on the 25th ult., cut his foot quite badly and will be laid up some time.

Newman Shaw, our teamster, handles the reins very well.

Israel Craig, our cook, went out for a few days, but his son has taken his place and we still have a good cook.

Dear readers, just think of a poor boy sitting on the top berth with his feet hanging over the foot pole, and a pine split across his knees for a writing desk, and then think of a lumberman's life.

## BATH.

Thanksgiving day was observed here by a thaw. Some people in this district who are considered weatherwise, were rather disconsolate last week. They stored up their waggons for the winter, which tempted fate and they now have them out again.

John Bohan's logs which have been hung up near the head quarters of the Monquart since last spring, have lately been successfully floated into his mill pond and quite a number of them made into lumber.

Christopher Cummins, one of our popular young men, left here a few days ago, to seek his fortune in Boston. He has the best wishes of his many friends.

Death, that dreadful terror of mankind has lately visited us and taken off one for whom we all cared. Last week, Byron Shaw, a resident of Beeswood, but doing business in Bath as a blacksmith, left us for his home beyond. He leaves a widow and four children, two of whom are small. They all have the sincerest sympathies of the Bath people.

Professor MacLellan graduate of the New York school of Phrenology and Psychology, was here with us a few days ago. He gave one public seance in his special science and numerous private ones at the hotel. He pleased the people but took their money.

Charles Appleby, editor of THE DISPATCH lately surprised us with a visit for which we are in doubt whether to be pleased or otherwise. Of course, we are always glad to shake the hand of the genial editor, but since his return to Woodstock, we have been flooded with hand bills and posters galore, the nature of which has surprised the natives.

Through some of them Bohan & Co. notify the public that after January next they will deal with nobody but people with cash, while John McCready one of our esteemed blacksmiths, uses more of them in his own cause and for the same reason. The plan, if it will work will no doubt benefit both trader and reformer.

Whitfield Gibson, always hustling, is at present in the woods with a crew, intending to do extensive lumber operations on Trout Brook, one of the tributaries of the Tobique.

The farmers of this parish who hauled into market a vast amount of farm produce while the snow lasted are at last discouraged by the low prices. They however are anticipating a big advance in prices on landing of the first Beaver liner in St. John. We hope their anticipations may be realized.

Charles E. Gallagher, one of our many enterprising traders loaded two cars of cattle for the St. John markets last week. A man like that helps the people out.

Black foxes, very rare and very valuable have been seen several times during the fall. It is reported that Dr. Cummins, on his numerous visits throughout the county has seen as many as five. It would be a fortune for any man to catch one.

Rev. A. S. Gibson has lately been giving a series of revival meetings throughout the country and has reaped quite a harvest. Several individuals have been reclaimed to christianity and baptised at his hands.

At last Bath has awakened to the necessity of its amusement loving public, of late years any show or showman travelling through here have been at a loss for accommodations in which to exhibit. But the ever genial John Healy, if reports are true, is erecting a theatre on his premises and will paint it green.

## BRISTOL.

Dr. Green, of Centreville, will be at Glassville, on Tuesday, Dec. 15th, and at Bristol on Monday, the 22nd, when his professional services will be at the disposal of any one requiring them.

The True Blues have their concert tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Jones went to Woodstock on Friday.

The Union Sunday school is preparing to hold a concert and Christmas tree in Bristol on Christmas eve.

The annual meeting of Victoria Orange Lodge will be held on next Monday evening, and a full attendance of members is requested.

Rev. Dr. Fiske preached in the hall on Sunday evening. The District Council of the R. T. of T. meets at Florenceville on Tuesday afternoon. In the evening there is to be a temperance rally.

Miss Mattie Bell, teacher of the primary department of the school, went to Fort Fairfield on Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving with her brother Dr. Bell.

Joseph Curtis went to the woods on Wednesday with a crew to put in by the thousand for Mr. Walsh.

A. P. Kinney gave a very good magic lantern exhibition in Bristol hall on Thanksgiving evening, showing famous battle scenes of the late American war.

Snow enough fell on Thursday last to spoil the skating and make good sleighing, but rain came on Saturday and the ground is again bare and the roads very icy. The river is again free from ice.

WOODSTOCK DAIRY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Woodstock Dairy Association was held at Cedar Hill school house on Monday evening, Nov. 30. There was a good attendance of members and it was unanimously resolved to continue the meetings.

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## CHESTNUT &amp; HIPWELL,

Opposite Small & Fisher Co.,

WOODSTOCK, N. B.

The secretary submitted his report for the past year which showed a healthy balance on hand, and after those present had renewed their subscriptions the meeting proceeded to the election of officers as follows:—Pres. F. B. Bull, V. P., C. R. Carman; Auditor, S. Peabody; Directors, C. L. Smith, M. P. P., C. H. Perkins; I. E. Shipp. Mr. Raymond having offered the association the use of his Babcock test, Mr. S. Peabody was appointed to invite Mr. J. F. Tilley to attend the next meeting to explain its use, and members were asked to bring samples of milk to be tested. Messrs. Carman and Perkins were appointed a committee to secure members, and the meeting adjourned to meet again on Monday evening Dec. 7th, at 7.30.

## DIED.

MARCY.—At Woodstock, N. B., Nov. 18th, of phthisis, after an illness of 3 years, borne with resignation to the divine will, Elsiebet, aged 41 years, wife of J. S. Marcy and daughter of Murdoch and Elsiebet McKinnzie, of East Glassville, N. B. BURDET.—At Middle Simonds, Nov. 25th, of diabetes, W. Milburn Ebbett, in the 40th year of his age. Leaving a wife and 3 children to mourn their loss.

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