

LOCAL TOPICS.

FATHER BRADLEY'S celebrated Newburg Pic-nic a week from today, the 11th.

AARON LAWSON has been appointed Vendor of Law and Probate Stamps for Madawaska Co.

STRICTLY new laid eggs are worth two or three cents more than ordinary stock at C. M. Sherwoods.

REV. MR. MAIMANN of New Denmark, preached two forcible and scholarly sermons in St. Luke's church on Sunday.

THE annual shooting matches of the Carleton Co. Rifle Association will be held on the Woodstock ranges on the 12th inst.

BALMAIN BROS. are building a warehouse next to A. C. Smith's building off Main street south. It will be 60 x 30 feet.

CONNELL BROS. have in stock some fine Syracuse Steel Plows, Farmers' Boilers and Hot Air Furnaces, and as usual Mowing Machines and Reapers.

THE dog tax must be paid by the 15th inst. or it will be one dollar for a gentleman and five for a lady dog that the owner will pay. The tax will be rigidly enforced.

AMONG those who have passed their final examinations and passed creditably at the Business College, Fredericton, appears the name of H. Couillard, Woodstock.

REV. MILES TRAFTON preached in the Reformed Baptist church on Sunday last. His sermons are highly spoken of. Mr. Trafton went to St. John on Monday morning.

E. M. BOYER is finishing a fine residence on the hill back of Queen street south. The situation is commanding and the building promises to be thorough and attractive.

OAK HALL has a fine line of just such stuff as a fellow needs for summer wear. Negligee shirts, silk or linen ties, collars and cuffs, straw or light felt hats, in fact everything.

THE monthly prayer meeting of the W. C. T. U. led by Mrs. George Saunders (subject prayer) will be held in their room Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, all are cordially invited to attend.

THE sudden death of Harry Bailey who lived on King street on Tuesday of last week, was a surprise. He was ill only a few days with Bright's disease. He was held in good esteem in the community.

S. PITCHARD, of Toronto, representing the Home Knowledge Association is spending a few days in town. He carries a magnificent up-to-date atlas which is given to all subscribers to the association.

REV. G. W. McDONALD left by the Alpha Friday for Yarmouth to take charge of the Reformed Baptist churches at Sandford, Port Maitland and Brazil lake. His son, G. B. McDonald, will assist him.—Sun.

XVI.—Sixteen young ladies of Woodstock are starting a club to be known as the XVI. They will probably have the room on the corner over Garden's Drug Store. This will be a new thing in town and it is to be hoped it will be a howling success.

MISS ELIZABETH U. YATES the well known temperance speaker is expected to lecture here about the 12th of August under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. of which further notice will be given. The reputation of Miss Yates should ensure here a crowded house.

THE committee of the Orange celebration desire through the pages of THE DISPATCH to thank Mr. Tabor of the Carlisle hotel for the generous and hospitable treatment he extended to one of their visiting brethren who was very ill while in town on the 12th of July.

CASSIUS CUTTEN, stepson of Rev. Dr. Chapman wet with a severe accident on Friday morning. He was working in the wood-working factory and while dusting a moulder his hand became caught in a knife and was so badly cut that Drs. Colter and Hand found it necessary to amputate one finger.

FRANK W. GILMAN, proprietor of the Yellow Bird, the great picnic cart, desires the public to know that it is available on all occasions for picnic parties. He has a coach in attendance at all trains and can supply a coach for weddings or funerals. He also lets double and single teams. Give him a call.

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THE INTERNATIONAL, a paper published at Wardner B. C., says that on the 20th inst. G. H. Garden, the engineer in charge of the surveying party that has been at work in the neighborhood of Cranbrook on the promised Crows Nest Pass road, returned to Wardner, and that evening the whole party went into camp just above town. The next day's work was commenced on the bluff at the west end of the crossing over the Kootenay river, at the point of the old Hogg survey. From the crossing Mr. Garden will work west and north along the line of the line of the survey, and continue the work to Moyle lake. Mr. Garden is a Woodstock boy, brother of J. T. Garden. Among his assistants is B. B. Van Horn, son of the president of the C. P. R.

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COLLECTOR W. T. Drysdale entered in charge of the Custom House on Monday. The same day the change transferring the Savings Bank Department to the post office, went into force.

ALBERT HAYDEN'S house on Main street caught on fire on Friday morning, through a defect of the chimney passing through the attic. The fire was only put out, after the house was drenched with water. Buildings insured in North British & Mercantile for \$1000, and furniture in the same company for \$750.

THE will of the late Mrs. S. C. Wilbur of Moncton has been probated at \$11,000, of which \$7,000 is personal. One-half the estate goes to the late Mr. Wilbur's children by his first wife; the other half to the children of Mrs. Wilbur's brother. [One of the heirs is Mr. Fred Wilbur, for sometime in the Bank of Nova Scotia here.]

MISS ELLA McALPINE daughter of John-son McAlpine died after a long illness, from typhoid fever on Wednesday last. This fatal disease has left Mr. McAlpine without wife or child. Great sympathy is felt for him in his severe bereavement. At one time Miss McAlpine was a clerk in B. B. Manzer's dry goods store. She had many friends.

DOGS are still causing havoc among the farmers' sheep. On Friday two were killed and eight wounded, belonging to John W. Bull on the Houlton road. One was killed and seven wounded of Robert Bull's flock. George Nickerson had four killed and three wounded. On Thursday night Geo. Flemming near Tapley's Mills lost thirteen sheep.

ROBERT M. FULTON of Mars Hill Me. died recently of apoplexy. He was born in Wakefield Centre in 1816. One brother survives him, Joshua B. Fulton, residing at Bridgewater. Another brother went to California in 1849 and is supposed to be dead. An aged wife and several children are left one of them A. J. Fulton, a physician at Blain, Me.

THE MARITIME WRAPPER Co. are working away at full blast now, and the outlook is for a large business this year. Four travellers are out, one making a trip to British Columbia which promises to be successful. Wrappers are turned out at the rate of fifteen dozen a day. Between 45 and 50 girls are at present employed. There is a ready demand for all the articles that the factory turns out.

J. T. MIDDLEMORE of Birmingham, Eng. brought four boys, from the celebrated home in that city, to Woodstock last Thursday with a view of finding them homes. They are fine, healthy looking lads.—Wm McGee, Brighton took one aged 13 years, Henry Blackmore took one aged 5 years; Wm Gray one aged 10, and Harry Golding one aged 8 years.

THE Victoria Hotel, Woodstock in order to accommodate its large and increasing number of commercial men, has secured a fine room on the second floor of Wm. Connell's new block on Queen St., as an additional sample room. Mat is looking after the arrangements of the room. He is putting in tables and shelves and making it a first class room in which to show samples. The light in the place is excellent.

JOHN McLAUCHLAN had a peculiar experience the other day, in receiving a letter dated sometime in June 1887. The letter was not all this time coming from Montreal where it was dated, but had reposed under the short step in front of the letter boxes in the post office here. When the step was taken up it was found. It was a receipt for \$82.00. W. H. Everett also got a letter which had been some years in reaching its destination.

CATTLE COMMISSION.—At a recent meeting of the Provincial Government, Hon. L. P. Farris, Mr. Smith, M. P. P. for Carleton, and Mr. Thomas Peters, of Hampton; the supposed new secretary of Agriculture, (to be known as the deputy commissioner) were appointed a Commission to proceed to Ontario to purchase cattle, as provided by the resolution and vote of the session of 1896 and also the revote of last session. The amount set apart for this purpose is \$30,000. The Commission will proceed to Ontario some time in August.

THE Catholic congregation of Newburg will hold their annual picnic on the grounds near their church on Wednesday Aug. 11th. Excursion rate tickets will be sold from points on C. P. R. good to return north next day. A train will leave Newburg Sta. for Woodstock the evening of picnic at six o'clock standard 6.30 local. Teams will be at the junction to carry people to and from the grounds, free. The usual picnic sports will be held and a good time, as usual may be expected. Admission to the grounds free.

SHERWOOD'S GROCERY near the Meduxnakeag bridge is a well supplied store. There can be found fruit and canned goods in all varieties, bananas, fresh and pure, pears and peaches, blueberries and raspberries in season. There is an excellent supply of canned goods, canned beans, peas, pumpkins, corn, tomatoes, Strawberries, Apples, Peaches and canned Fish and Meats. A large and varied assortment of biscuits just received from the Queen Factory, St. John.

O. O. DAVIS, editor of the Farmington Gazette, and Chas. L. Curtis, druggist, both of South Farmington, a town about twenty miles from Boston, wheeled into Woodstock on Thursday evening. They had come on their wheels all the way from Rockland, Me. to Houlton, a distance of nearly two hundred miles. From Mattawamkeag to Houlton they travelled on the old military road which they say was in good condition. Altogether they had a most enjoyable ride, the weather and roads being especially favorable. They put up at the Carlisle hotel while here, and expressed themselves as greatly pleased with Woodstock, hardly crediting the information that the population of the town was only some 4000, considering the stocks carried in the stores, the fine hotels and general appearance of the place. Mr. Curtis informed THE DISPATCH that he was particularly struck with the number of pretty girls he saw since crossing the boundary. These two genial and energetic wheelmen ran out to Newburg on Friday afternoon and took the afternoon train for Fredericton. They expected to go to St. John by boat on Saturday, and thence home to Boston by boat.

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THE belfry on the town hall has been repaired and painted. Next year it would be a pious plan to paint the hall itself.

IT is understood that J. Fraser Richardson at a recent meeting of his creditors, made an offer of ten cents on the dollar, which was not accepted.

A ST. JOHN TRAVELLER said of our shirts the other day: "If you always keep as good a line as you have now, you will do the shirt business in this town. He took four of our best. A. J. Grey Hatter No. 2 Main St.

THE members of the Utopia Club gave a very pleasant dance at their club rooms to some of their friends on Monday night. There were about fifty ladies and gentlemen and they complain that they enjoyed themselves in spite of the heat.

E. M. CAMPBELL will be at Hartland to attend the Foresters picnic and will be ready to make photos or tintypes on that day. He purposes remaining there one week after the picnic to accommodate all in that vicinity that wish work in his line.

ALTHOUGH the weather was doubtful in the morning, it became fine later in the day, and a large number of people were in attendance at the Record grounds where the ladies of the Baptist church had their supper and fancy sale. There was a good attendance and everything passed off extremely well. The grounds looked very pretty with the Chinese lanterns and other adornments.

E. M. CAMPBELL, photographer, Woodstock has the best photograph of town that has yet been made. It was taken from the hill in Grafton. It shows Bulls Island, Grafton point, the long bridge, both bridges over the Meduxnakeag, and in general is the most complete picture yet seen of Woodstock. It is large, 16 X 20, so that every detail shows up. Everyone should have one.

BICYCLE RACES.—A series of bicycle races will be held on the Woodstock track at 2.30 on the afternoon of August 13th. This will be an enjoyable afternoon of races and the first time such a meet was ever held in Woodstock. There will be a green race for those who have never competed in a race. There will be a one mile novice, half mile open, one mile handicap and a five mile race. Entries are expected from St. John, Fredericton and Houlton beside Woodstock. Beautiful and expensive prizes and medals will be presented to the winners. Entries received by J. S. Bailey Woodstock. Admission 25 and 10, Carriages free. Grand stand free.

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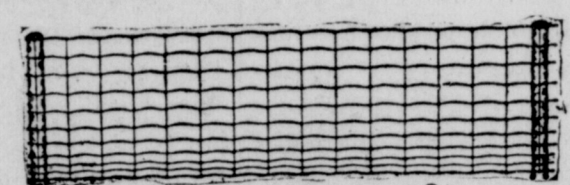
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