

## LOCAL TOPICS.

SNOW is welcome in December as flowers in May.

WHAT Woodstock merchant objects to the term "Lady of The Snows," as applied to this country?

AMONG the sixty students in attendance at the Walford N. S. school of Horticulture is H. B. Sloat of Tracey's Mills.

FROM golden locks to grey beard. Gifts for all ages, Noah's arks to exquisitely designed toilet cases, dolls if you want them at Garden Bros., the druggists.

FORTY-SEVENTH birthday anniversary of T. B. Bynum Dec. 24th at his residence in the evening from 3 o'clock until 10 o'clock p. m. Will give the reminiscences of his life.

THE Baptists of Jacksonville intend holding a Christmas Tree and Concert in the Baptist church on the evening of Thursday the 23rd. Admission fee 15 cents for adults; children under twelve, free.

SOMETHING NEW.—C. W. Sherwood & Bro. have ordered a fine assortment of capons, which will be on hand a week from today. They will be supplied by a competent poultry farmer, well dressed and ready to be cooked.

MAXIMUM values at minimum cost runs through all the goods now being displayed on our counters for Xmas gifts. Jewel cases, work boxes, toilet cases, at wholesale prices in comparison to what others ask. Garden Bros., the druggists.

SERVICES next Sabbath A. M. E. church Dr. T. B. Bynum pastor, Love Feast at 10.30 a. m., and at 3 o'clock Rev. Dr. Chapman of the Methodist church will preach. At 7.30 preaching subject "The Sacrifice Which is Acceptable to God."

THE concert by the Utopia Dramatic company under the management of Frank J. Morton, on Thursday evening Dec. 30 will be a good thing. Mr. Morton is a professional actor and is capable of excellent work. The local artists who will shine on the programme are the best in town. The features of the programme will be entirely new in Woodstock.

DOUBLE SLED.—C. M. Sherwood, Centreville, offers for sale, a two horse, second hand sled in good condition. The shoes are of imported hard cast steel, worth 12 cents per lb. A team will handle thirty hundred on these shoes, on bare ground, about as easy as twenty hundred on ordinary steel.

THE Y. P. S. of C. ENDEAVOUR in connection with the Free Baptist Church, intend having a concert in the vestry of the church Friday evening, Dec. 17th. A good program may be expected as the young people never do their work second rate. Come and enjoy a pleasant evening. Admission only ten cents. Don't forget the date Dec. 17.

AT the last regular meeting of Court Regina No. 652 I. O. F. the following officers were elected for 1898. R. M. Dennison Chief Ranger; Geo. F. Smith, Vice Chief Ranger; E. L. Hagerman, R. S.; W. B. Nicholson, Treas.; J. A. Lindsay, F. S.; B. R. Johnson, Chap.; W. J. McAlpine, S. M.; J. M. Fripp, J. N.; J. W. Wolverton, S. B.; J. R. Brown, J. B.; C. Esty, P. C. R.

A SAD accident is reported from Littleton, Me., a point some few miles above Houlton. A boy named Foster, about fourteen years of age, was fooling with a double barreled shot-gun. With him was a little fellow about twelve years old named Howe. The boys were snapping caps on what they thought was an empty gun. One barrel was loaded and went off, the charge entering young Howe and killing him. It was the old story, "Didn't know it was loaded."

A BUTCHER of this town, Philip Keefe, slaughtered a cow at a butchering establishment some miles below town. When the time came for disembowelling the animal within the paunch was found a half-inch chain with two dogs on it, making the total length twenty-six inches. It was what is commonly known as a dog chain among lumbermen. It was neatly coiled up. The only way in which this peculiar phenomena can be accounted for is that the chain had been in a pork barrel, and that the cow in licking the barrel had managed to get the chain so far down that its wisest course was to let it go the whole way. The health of the animal did not seem at all impaired by this dose of iron and she was in excellent condition when killed.

ONE DAY last week while Mr. H. C. Townsend was leading a cow to Fort Fairfield, the animal became unmanageable, perfectly infuriated and broke away from Mr. Townsend while coming down the Fort Hill. Mrs. Mary Everett, an elderly woman, was on the street at the time, and the cow made for her, catching her upon her horns and tossing her on the opposite side of the street. Then the mad beast crouched to the ground, frothed at the mouth and completely intimidated those who were near her. Mr. T. A. Fisher, having had some experience with wild cattle on the western prairies tried the lasso with good effect. Previous to this the animal had always been gentle and her ferocity at this time is supposed to have been caused by the discomfort she experienced in walking so far over rough frozen ground. Fortunately Mrs. Everett received no serious injuries but was of course a good deal frightened.—Corr. to Aroostook Republican.

## When You Dun a Man

In nine cases out of ten, if you dun him courteously, he will pay promptly. Send him a bill on good paper, well printed and enclosed in a comely envelope.

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THE DISPATCH PRINTERY.

Arthur J. Gray has a fine window full of Neckties.

CHOICE new Grenoble Walnuts at Noble & Traiton. Telephone 42-2.

SEE the yellow kid at the concert on Thursday evening Dec. 30.

Oak Hall is making a beautiful big, showing of Neckties in one window.

MISSSES TOMPKINS & WOLVERTON have a line of sailor hats, walking hats and other kinds that have been marked down from \$1 to 25cts.

THERE will be a basket social held in the Wakefield Baptist church on Tuesday evening Dec. 21st for the benefit of the pastor Rev. J. C. Bleakney.

TIM FIELDS is around with the anti freeze weather strips and it is a good one. Leave your orders at the Aberdeen Hotel or at W. F. Dibblee & Son's store.

A WARM FLOOR is half the delight of a room. G. W. Van Wart on King St., has just received 10 bales of carpets, rugs, and matings for the Christmas trade. Look at them.

THE lizard and beautiful crocodiles seals in various hues with plain or heavy corners in silver and gold best describe our purses. We can fix it all right with your purse. Try us Garden Bros., the druggists.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S bronze medal, which was awarded for the highest average made by any candidate from Carleton County, at the matriculation examination held in July has been received by Guy J. McAdam. The County Scholarship of \$60.00 to the U. N. B. was also won by him.

THE FUNERAL of Mrs. Stanley Street, whose death was reported last week took place on Thursday afternoon, Revs. Dr. Chapman and C. T. Phillips, officiating. The pall-bearers were W. W. Hay, H. V. Moores, George Balmain, W. B. Jewett. The casket was carried by the pall-bearers from the house to the grave, the distance being quite short.

MARGARET, wife of the late William Ebbett of Carleton Co., youngest daughter of the late Charles Estabrooks of Canning, Queens Co., died a few days since at the home of her brother, Judson Estabrooks, in Fredericton, and her remains were brought down and laid beside those of her parents and grand parents in the upper Gagetown cemetery, the Rev. Charles Henderson officiating.—St. John Sun.

AMOS C. DAY has been nominated for Councilman by the Republicans in Ward 6, in Lynn. His supporters say there is little doubt of his election and point to the fact that among the thousands of persons employed at the General Electric Company's works he has an enormous campaign committee, as nearly every one is his friend.—Boston Sunday Globe. [Mr. Day married a Woodstock young lady and is well known here.]

WILL S. QUEEN, son of William Queen, of Woodstock, died at Calgary of typhoid on Friday. He was 28 years old and had been in the employ of the Dominion Express Co. for 8 years. He had been on the route between Calgary and Vancouver when his most untimely death occurred. His brother, Wendell, will arrive in Woodstock tomorrow bringing the body for burial here. Miss Mary Queen, his sister, arrived from Boston on Monday.

WELLINGTON L. O. L. No. 51 held their annual session in Orange Hall Kirkland on Tuesday 7th the usual business being transacted. The following staff of officers were elected for the ensuing year: Thompson Graham, W. M.; George D. Davis, D. M.; Alex. Scott, Chap.; John W. Nicholson, R. S.; Thomas Slater, F. S.; Leslie Kennedy, Treas.; David Dykeman, D. C.; Hugh McCluskey, Sec.; standing committee, H. Gidney, W. Nicholson, J. Grear, T. McNarlin, E. Spiny.

THE MARITIME PURE FOOD Co are buying 40 tons of pork this season and are paying 5cts per lb. for it. They make it up into Ham, Bacon, Lard, Mess Pork, Saussages, Head Cheese, canned and pickled pigs feet. In previous years this amount of pork has been shipped from town and the amount of \$3,000 has been returned to us for it. Now the finished product is shipped away and our return is perhaps \$10,000 or \$12,000. So much for the enterprise of the promoters of this company.

THE REASON OF IT.—We learn that typhoid fever prevails in three of the lumber camps of Mr. McNair on the Tobique river. It is thought that unwholesome pork is the cause. We have also heard a suggestion which seems very reasonable. Formerly lumber camps used large open fires and mammoth "smoke holes." Up these smoke holes the disagreeable fumes from wet and filthy clothing and the poisonous gases from the breath of a score or more of untidy men were constantly passing. Today the camps are close and poorly ventilated and the great open fire is superseded by the cooking stove. In a word some venture the opinion that modern conveniences as applied to the lumber camps in many cases are not conducive to health. We are unable to judge in this matter from lack of personal knowledge.—Fort Fairfield Cor. to Aroostook Republican.

HOULTON ITEMS.—Frank H. Ingraham met with a serious accident recently. He was hauling out wood, when a log struck him on his leg, fracturing the bone. It was set by Dr. Nevers. This is a serious misfortune to Mr. Ingraham, as he has but one leg, having lost the other in an engagement during the civil war.

The explosion of a lamp in the residence of Dr. F. A. Nevers caused a slight blaze which called out the fire department. The services of the department were not needed as the fire was quickly extinguished by the inmates of the house.

The last race of the Law-Phillips series, which was being held at the Eastport roller rink, took place with Law the winner. It was a five mile race and the Houlton man had everything his own way. The Houlton skater is a speedy man and so is Phillips, but Law had with him youth and endurance, qualities which always count in athletic contests.

NORLE & TRAFTON are still leading in their sale of Raisins Clean Currants Citron and Pure Spice. Telephone 42-2.

MISS CLARA FISHER daughter of the late judge Fisher, and niece of L. P. Fisher of Woodstock died in Fredericton this week.

GEORGE DENT, who has been very ill for many weeks, with erysipelas, and other complications, is not showing much signs of improvement.

A MAN named Stairs, employed by George Moore, in the woods 40 miles above Houlton, met with an accident, cutting his foot badly. He was brought to Woodstock for treatment.

FREDERICK BLACK, who was hurt on the Acker bridge, is getting on well. . . . Horace Shaw, who cut his hand while working on the same structure, is also getting better.

HIPWELL L. O. L. No. 57 Middle Simonds, held their annual election on the 6th, inst. The following officers were installed. W. C. Rideout, W. M.; H. C. Shaw, D. M.; Berton Bishop, Chap.; B. Cox, F. S.; Wm. Hatfield, R. S.; S. E. Colwell, Treas.; D. W. Foster, Lect.; Gay Christian, D. C.; Melbourn Kearney, S. C.

AT the annual meeting of Woodstock Council R. A., held in Graham's Hall, Monday evening, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:—John Fisher, Regent; W. B. Jewett, V. R.; W. W. Hay, Orator; J. R. Murphy, Sec'y; Chas. McLean, Collector; Jno. McLaughlan, Treas.; Geo. L. Holyoke, Chap.; W. McDonald, Guide; A. B. Connell, Warden; C. W. Jenner, Sentry; N. R. Colter, M. D., Med. Exam.

Never Saw Clearly Before. HARTLAND, N. B., SEPT. 10 1897. MR. W. B. JEWETT.—It affords me pleasure to state that the glasses you fitted for me give perfect and complete satisfaction. Owing to the peculiar imperfection of my vision, I have heretofore been unable to get glasses to fit, so I can say, I never saw clearly until I got the glasses from you. FRED H. STEVENS, Editor Hartland Advertiser.

DIED. MCINTYRE.—Suddenly Dec. 8th., at his home Richmond, of heart failure, Thomas McIntyre aged 55 years and 7 months.

MARRIED. ORR-MURCHLAND.—At the Methodist parsonage Benton, Dec. 9th., by Rev. H. Harrison, B. A., assisted by Rev. H. Johnson, Charles M. Orr, of Waweig, Char. Co., to Julia Murchland of Benton, N. B.

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GARDEN BROS. THE DRUGGISTS.

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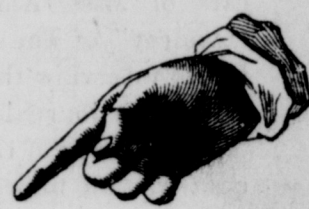
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