

Destruction of Prices.

They have gone down to the Bottom Notch. We must clear out our entire stock.

We have 100 pieces of Dress Goods the former price of which was 75c. per yard, and which we are now selling at 25c.

Carpets that we were selling at \$1.00 per yard, are going at 65c.
50c. Carpets for 30c.

We must have everything cleared out by May 1st, as the store will be rented. Don't be unfair to yourselves and lose these opportunities of a lifetime.

G. W. VANWART,

KING STREET.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

NORTHAMPTON.

The recent downpours, while aiding materially the growth of grass, has been most disastrous to farmers whose lands are naturally flat and swampy. Farming is going to be delayed nearly two weeks in consequence.

William R. Patterson who is going to college in South Bucksport, Me., returned recently to spend the summer holidays.

Prominent among other builders of new houses this summer, I notice William Olmstead and Warren C. Bull, both beginning the erection of new residences.

Chas. W. Connell, our wide-awake and hustling agent, is now on the road travelling for Connell Bros. selling farm machinery. He is also selling carriages for C. Estey.

Capt. Wm. Miller and his son Gilbert, left recently for Massachusetts where they are employed in the steamboat business.

The friends of Mrs. Wm. Miller will regret to learn that she is suffering from a cancerous growth in her face, necessitating her early departure for Boston to have it removed.

SOMERVILLE.

The wet weather which has prevailed for the last two weeks, has hindered the farmers in putting in their crops, although it has greatly helped the grass which bids fair to be a poor crop.

Mrs. Miles Rideout, of Hartland, has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sippell, for a few days.

We are pleased to see True around again, he has been quite ill with measles, and now his mother, who is quite an elderly lady has them. Mr. Day, his father, had the misfortune to break three ribs last week.

Miss Mae Stevens is the first young lady in this place to break the ranks and get a "bike."

C. A. McCormack has been painting his house, and adding a dormer window to the ell part, and otherwise improving his premises.

Mrs. Gertrude Gallupe has returned home after spending a few months at the "Celestial."

It is said that Mr. Branscombe is engaged to teach here another term, any way we hope so.

Mr. LePage, of Upper Kent, exchanged pulpits with Mr. Gough here last Sunday afternoon.

BIGGAR RIDGE.

On the afternoon of Thursday last Harley Biggar, Jr. lost a fine colt about two years old. The animal was large for its age, well built, and of such fine proportions that it was considered one of the handsonest on the Ridge. It was intended to place it on exhibition at the Glassville fall agricultural show.

We have resolved to hold a jubilee celebration on our own account, and shall spare neither labor nor expense in making it in all respects worthy of our noble selves. A splendid programme has already been arranged for our demonstration on the 22nd. A grand march will commence at 10 a. m. from the school house, Biggar Ridge, extending to the top of Somerville hill, and back again to the point of starting, to the music of fife and kettle drum, with beautifully embroidered banners. The line will include polymorphian, calathumpian, emblematical and equinational processions in the order named—Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopalian, Universalist and Roman Catholic, prominent, learned professions parade, in which pulpit, bar and medical profession will be ably represented, the trade guilds of Aberdeen with richly ornate devices of the industrial arts, choppers, with side-arm axes, and stream drivers, shouldering peevies and pickpoles, and hauling a three-decker batteau on rollers, store-keepers sporting innumerable specimens of first-class wares, Glassville cheese factory, Glassville, Foreston, Beaufort and Biggar Ridge fire brigades with steam fire engine, hose, etc., kindly furnished by

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our lumber merchants, directors and members of Aberdeen agricultural society, Aberdeen Farmers' and Dairymen's association, Glassville Court IOF and British Lion L O L, in full regalia, all closing up with a fine array of juveniles, Sunday and day school children headed by superintendents and teachers, and rigged out in holiday toggerie pantomimic makeups. Scattered through the line— even as the Levites were divided up among the tribes of old—will be members of the Glassville C. E. A. and temperance councillors from Beaufort, to breathe an air of sanctity and inspiration of prohibition over the gathering; while a great troop of magistrates and constables—a very great multitude which no man can number—will attend watch proceedings, preserve order among the revellers, and keep the peace. When the line reaches the top of Somerville hill, it will pass under a triumphal arch grotesquely constructed of slabs from Foreston saw mill, and surmounted by a life size statue in wood of Her Majesty in oration robes, the cunning work of our eminent wood-carver artist. While the line is preparing under the arch, a royal salute of 121 guns will be fired by a detachment of the Biggar Ridge Volunteers, from Armstrong and Krupp, owners of mammoth calibre captured at the memorable siege of Sebastopol, and the crowd will yell "Rule Britannia" like blazes. In the afternoon there will be horse races, steeple chases, fast races, hurdle races, box ing matches, and all such athletic games as are usually witnessed on such grand national occasions winding up with imposing regattas of steam launches, yachts, scows, canoes, &c., on the picturesque Miramichi. All along the Ridge, commodious tents and roomy booths will be erected, where choice refreshments, salads and liquors—will be served throughout the day, at the lowest possible prices, and where lotteries and raffles will be arranged and card tables placed to suit the idiosyncrasies of every possible character, from the sanctimonious blackleg to the open scroffer. On the summit of the Ridge, a magnificent pavilion will be strung up to which the celebrants will be summoned at 4 p. m. by the rolling peals of a mammoth gong, to listen to the jingo speeches, at a premium on such occasions. After supper, there will be a concert in the pavilion aforesaid, gorgeously illuminated with Chinese lanterns, and elegantly draped with national flags. The concert will be participated in by all the well known vocal and instrumental musical talent of far-famed Aberdeen, giving a splendid medley of patriotic songs and national airs. It will be followed by a masquerade ball—costumes of the Stewart and Hanoverian, at times. Music will be furnished by the accomplished Beaufort Mouth-organ Quadrille Band. While insiders will be charmed with Terpsichorean past times and "light fantastic toe" gymnastics, outsiders will be treated to blazing bonfires and a brilliant display of fireworks. Celebrants will then be marshalled for a grand parade, after which the National Anthem will be sung, and then we will "a' gang our ain gate." We forgot to say that the Woodstock newspapers—Sentinel, Press and DISPATCH—will be ably represented by talented reporters, specially detailed for the occasion.

BATH.

The Queen's jubilee celebration is all right in a way, but amongst a certain section of our citizens there is something else more talked about at present. This is a fishing party which is scheduled for Monday the 13th inst. The destination of the party is not yet decided upon, but in all probability will be to the headquarters of the famous Monquart, where the speckled beauties are known to be numerous. A party from Woodstock and intervening points are expected to join with our local sports, and no doubt if the weather proves agreeable the rest will be all right. We hear that it is the expressed desire that THE DISPATCH Imp should also be present.

Mrs. John Bohan, Miss Katie Bohan and Alfred Demerchant, wife and child, were, among others, a party of our music-loving citizens who went to Woodstock on Wednesday to hear Sousa's band concert. They claim that the Wicklow band can make as much noise, but that they would rather listen to Sousa.

Nelson Hanson, representing Ganong Bros. of St. Stephen, was in town last week.

Dr. H. D. McManus, wife and child, of Washburn, Me., but formerly located at Bath, will be here about Thursday or Friday next for a few days' visit among his many friends.

John Bohan was in Fredericton last week on business.

(From another correspondent.)

Rev. J. B. Gough exchanged pulpits with Rev. A. E. LePage.

D. W. Kyle, F. S. Phillips and W. W. Melville went to Windsor to help organize an Orange lodge, Friday night.

The Kent Parish Sunday School Convention, which was to be held at Holmesville last week, was postponed on account of the weather.

P. W. Cass and son, Norman, are at present visiting friends in Fredericton and vicinity.

Alfred Demerchant has opened up a store. Harry Giberson and his sister India, have gone to New York on a visit.

A quiet wedding was celebrated at the residence of Rev. L. J. Perry, when Wm. Andrews and Caroline Kimball were joined in the holy bonds of wedlock.

Rev. H. Capen and family intend moving to Pembroke soon.

A sociable was held at Rev. J. L. Perry's last week. After spending a very pleasant evening, \$49 was presented to Mr. Perry.

Dexter Barker is laid up with a sprained ankle.

C. J. Green has been a great addition to this place. He is now enlarging his store and intends carrying on a large business.

Ed. Kinney, our popular harness maker, spent Sunday at home.

PERTH.

A basket social and ice cream supper was held in the school house to raise funds to finish the new Baptist Church. Thirty dollars were realized.

The temperance party are making every effort to keep a licensed liquor saloon out of their midst. While on the other hand every turn in the law is being used to force the legal sale of liquor on an unwilling people.

FOREST GLEN.

David Curry is seriously ill with inflammation in the leg caused by a slight bruise received while running a raft down the Tobique.

SOUTH TILLEY.

All the farmers are about done seeding. The grass looked somewhat winter killed, but the late

rains promise to work a great change and we hope to see a good crop of hay.

We miss the bridge that was swept out of the Tobique at Pokiook. Our members should make some effort to have this replaced without delay.

MCKENZIE CORNER.

The grass is killed out considerably but what is living is doing very well.

A number of the farmers here have removed their road fences, which has improved the looks of their places.

Four or five trotting horses are being trained for the race on the 22nd, on the Richmond driving track from McKenzie Cor. to Debec.

Bruce Carney has returned home after spending a few days with friends.

D. L. Kennedy is recovering.

Alexander Martin an old and respected resident died at his home at Elm Wood, May 31st. His remains were interred here. Rev. T. Miller officiated.

G. S. Wiggling Bristol, and J. M. Queen, Woodstock passed through this place on the 1st; on their way to Kirkland.

Thomas Lawrence left here for Boston on the 31st where he intends to have his leg examined, he was accompanied by Dr. H. Howard of Debec.

FORT FAIRFIELD.

Rev. G. B. Nicholson leaves on Monday 7th, for a three weeks' vacation to his old home in Mass. Varnie Pearce and Miss Louise Perry drove to Woodstock, via Houlton, to hear Sousa's Band last week.

The preparations for the 4th of July (on the 3rd) are going along smoothly and a big day is anticipated. The procession will be about a mile long, consisting of a Trades procession, a large company of cavalry, uniformed ranks and all the orders procurable, bicycle procession, etc.—Four Bands are advertised.

Miss Jessie Humm took a header off her wheel Tuesday evening last and cut her head quite badly. Irvine Dibble, Harry Seaborn, Walter Collins, Chas. Hoyt, Clifford Martin, Roy Cary, Arthur Collins and Clyde Hacker rode down to Woodstock last Thursday morning on their bicycles to hear Sousa's Band. They report the roads very rough and hard riding.

Miss Lottie Wiley drove over from Andover on Sunday and spent the day with friends in town.

Dr. J. E. Wiley, of Limestone, has moved into town to practice and has taken Mrs. S. J. Libby's rent on Main Street.

Potatoes have taken quite a jump and are now selling for \$1.55 per barrel.

Mrs. S. J. Libby spent Sunday with friends at Caribou.

Mrs. Dr. Wiley, of Andover, spent Sunday in town with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McGill.

The graduating exercises by the class of '97, given last Thursday evening in Memorial Hall, were very creditable indeed. The class marched up the aisle from the back of the hall to a slow march played by Churchill's Orchestra, and took possession of the stage. B. Clifford Martin acted as chairman. After a nice programme of essays, recitations, presentation to school and to class, the assembly adjourned to Odd Fellows Hall where the class tendered a reception to their 300 invited guests. The diplomas were presented at the afternoon exercises. The orchestra furnished music during the evening.

BRISTOL.

Dr. Clarence Kirkpatrick, Woodstock, spent Sunday in Bristol.

Miss Bessie Boyer, who has been spending some months with her sisters in New Hampshire, returned home last week.

Several of our citizens went to Woodstock on Thursday to hear Sousa's Band, and all were highly pleased with the entertainment.

We understand that the contract for rebuilding the Little Shikhehawk bridge has been awarded to John Campbell of Peel, whose tender was the lowest. The work will be commenced at once.

G. A. Britain goes to town today to attend the meeting of the Municipal council. There will probably be a petition presented to have the dividing line between the parishes of Kent and Peel changed, as Mr. Phillips of Peel has been interesting himself in the matter, and got a large number of signatures to the petition.

A number of Orangemen went to Lower Windsor on Friday to assist in the organization of a lodge there, which will be known as Harrison L. O. L. No. 61. There were 16 charter members and a number were advanced through the four degrees. Samuel D. Belyea is the Master of the new lodge.

Mr. Denamings preached in the Hall last evening. He and Rev. A. H. Hayward are holding special meetings at East Florenceville, and some have been baptized.

The people of East Florenceville are preparing to have a grand celebration on the 22nd, and the committees are earnestly at work. They have a good programme arranged, and there is no reason why the occasion should not be a grand success.

CENTREVILLE.

Joseph Geary with his crew of Italian laborers left for New York on Thursday, work on the Centreville railway being abandoned for the present.

The little four-year-old boy of G. Stoddard met with a painful accident last week. While playing in his father's yard he fell upon a sharp stick which inflicted a severe wound in the groin. Dr. Brown was quickly summoned, and relieved the little fellow's suffering.

H. W. Peppers has resigned his position in the school here with the intention of resuming his medical studies at Montreal.

Mrs. Brown is quite seriously ill.

Guy R. Balloch went to Woodstock on Thursday to hear Sousa's Band.

At the close of the service in the Baptist church Sunday morning, the Rev. Joseph Cahill announced to the congregation that he would sever his connection with the church as soon as they were able to obtain another pastor. It is to be hoped that the congregation will prevail upon him to remain with them, for the Rev. gentleman, beside being one of the ablest divines in the Baptist denomination in New Brunswick, is extremely popular with the members of the other churches.

David Irvine of Knoxford, has gone to Ottawa. It is rumored that he expects to come back armed with a fat billet as a reward for his services to the Liberal party.

Charlie Cliff, our veteran fisherman, has succeeded in making some fine catches this spring.

Miss Pauline Balloch was visiting friends in Woodstock last week.

The wet weather of the past three weeks has seriously interfered with the farmer and his work.

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The soil is so wet that it can hardly be worked, and the little crop that has been planted is rotten in the ground. Altogether the season has been a tough one on the farmer.

FLORENCEVILLE.

John Drake, of Avondale, is attending the superior school of this place.

Dan Haughn leaves for Woodstock this week.

Do not miss the Jubilee at Florenceville, probably the largest parade will be given that day that has ever been seen in the county. The sports will be of various kinds, and will satisfy all from the professional sport down to the hayseed. Dinner and tea will be served on the grounds, and everything that will add to the comfort of the visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hume intend leaving for British Columbia to visit their sons.

Our popular painter, who has lately purchased a horse, does not like its trotting qualities but he loves a gallop.

We expect to hear wedding bells in the near future. Florenceville's loss will be Wicklows gain.

RICHMOND.

J. A. Reid has returned from Sackville. Stephen Tracy is home from Philadelphia.

Miss Tenny, Houlton, spent Sunday at Richmond with her friend, Miss Alice Tracey.

Miss Lena Hall returned from Sackville.

Miss Mabel Kennedy, Greenville, spent Sunday at Richmond Corner.

Clifford Campbell has returned from Fredericton where he has been attending college.

Thomas Laurance has gone to Boston.

A bear was seen near Richmond Corner last week.

HARTLAND.

A mass temperance meeting was held in the R. B. church, after the services in the various churches had been concluded. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. S. Shaw. The chief speakers were Revs. B. Trafton, J. N. Barnes, and G. W. Boyer. This is the second of such meetings that has been held and considerable interest is manifested in them.

Among the building improvement might be mentioned that Geo. Peoples has built a large addition to his house. D. H. Keswick is improving the looks of his residence by a coat of paint which is being applied by Merrie Taylor. The work on the Foresters' Hall is being steadily pushed forward, and will be completed soon.

On Tuesday evening the band marched out and are getting themselves in fine trim for entertainments of all kinds. They expect to play at Florenceville on the 22nd.

Miss Long of Keswick is visiting her sister.

John Fripp of Woodstock, was in the village on Friday.

Rev. A. E. Lepage exchanged pulpits with Rev. J. B. Trough, on Sunday the 30th.

Alfred Carr, has arrived home from Sackville to spend his vacation.

Gillen Bros. neat and attractive barber shop is now decked with an attractive and beautiful sign in the shape of a wind wheel painted red, blue and gold.

ANDOVER.

Rev. Mr. Worden, Baptist, and Rev. H. G. Gratz, Presbyterian, exchanged pulpits Sabbath evening.

James McNair, who has been so successful with the corporation drive on the Tobique, has been much disappointed in that the money to pay the men is so slow in coming. Many of his men, too, have been obliged to wait in Andover and Perth till such times as the money is forwarded by the corporation. This is an unnecessary delay which is no fault of Mr. McNair's.

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Philip Kelly is pushing his new house along rapidly. It promises to look well.

Roy Murphy, who has been finishing his commercial education in Fredericton Business College, returned home Saturday.

D. R. Bedel, merchant, is putting a furniture ware room in connection with his general store.

Canadians Win.

LONDON, June 5.—At the military tournament at the Agricultural Hall today Sergeant Williams and Privates Wasson, Stewart and McLean of Canada competed in the "bayonets versus bayonets" bouts against four members of the New South Wales Mounted Rifles. The Canadian team won easily, Stewart tossing his antagonist over his shoulder on his bayonet, calling fourth much applause. Williams and McLean subsequently withdrew from the competition, leaving Stewart and Wasson to compete for first place and the prize of £5 (\$25). Next week the Canadians are entered for the "bayonets versus sword" competition. They are all in good health.