

LOCAL TOPICS.

GREY has a fine line of hats.
 THE river is falling rapidly, having gone down over two feet since Saturday night.
 THE work on Queen Street last year, which was at the time somewhat criticized has turned out most successfully.

GEORGE F. CRAIG sentenced at the last court to two years in the penitentiary, was taken to Dorchester on Friday last.

A COMPLETE STOCK of Fountain Syringes, Hot Water Bottles, Atomizers, at the Baird Company's—a two quart Fountain Syringe for 75 cents.

PUMPKINS—Pink Crank and Sandy Vanwart came down river last Saturday afternoon with a raft of pumpkins for the spring jack o'lantern trade. This is a joke.

R. W. BALLOCH has just opened a nice assortment of men and boys' clothing, hats, neck ties, collars, dress-shirts, lace and congress boots, also telescope bags, trunks, &c.

THE daily put out by the Press is creditable in appearance and contains interesting news. The Hartland Advertiser puts out a tri-weekly which shows enterprise on the behalf of its proprietor.

GEORGE COX, of Hartland, is in deep trouble over the death of his little girl, Dora, about seven years old. The child had been in poor health for some time, and her death occurred on Monday morning.

CHAS. GRIFFITH is entitled to much sympathy. A little while ago he lost quite a sum of money. A few days ago he lost his house by fire. He is a hard working man and certainly deserves the help of his friends in getting a new start.

THE goal is now free of the Canovans and Tuckers. They were all let out last week and took their departure for the upper part of the county. Jas. Tucker and his wife have moved back to their old quarters in west Glassville. Mrs. Canovan and her husband have decided to live apart.

MRS. HENRY WILSON died at Lakeville on Tuesday last aged 68 years. Her maiden name was Lathern, and her mother was a sister to Fred Moore. There was a large attendance at the funeral on Friday, the officiating ministers being Revs. Sellar, Fiske and Flewelling. Messrs. Hume, Bishop Carvell, Anderson and King were the pallbearers.

THE Free Masons of Woodstock made merry at Thos. Nason's on Thursday evening last at the invitation of Mr. Nason, who provided a most delectable repast, including such luxuries as strawberries and cream. Worshipful Master J. R. Murphy presided and some 40 odd Masons joined in the jubilation. Speeches were made and a generally good time enjoyed.

MALCOLM MERRITHW an old and respected resident died at his home in Greenville on Friday last, about noon. He had been in poor health for some years but had still been able to be about. The day before his death he had visited his daughter Mrs. George Hare, at Monticello. Mr. Merrithew leaves a widow one son Alfred and two daughters Mrs. Hare and Miss Helen Merrithew.

ONE hundred and forty children are on their way from Liverpool to Halifax, under the care of Mr. Middlemore, J. P., of Liverpool, who bought a couple of boys here last year. These children are boys and girls ranging in age from four to fifteen years. They arrive in Halifax on the 14th. Some of them have homes already received in this county. Anyone wishing to adopt one of the children should apply to Rev. W. B. Belliss or to Col. Vince, at once.

THERE will be a good days sport on the 24th. An efficient committee are making arrangements to hold the best Bicycle Races ever held in Woodstock at the trotting park on the afternoon of The Queen's Birthday. A number of Medals, including one in Gold, will be the prizes. The different classes are: Green Race, Half Mile, Mile Open; Novice Race, One Mile, Half Mile Open, Mile Handicap. Entries may be mailed to C. M. Augherton, Woodstock, N. B. A Match Game will be played between the Woodstock Browns & McAdam Base Ball Clubs. During the afternoon a Half Mile Trot, for a suitable prize, will take place, open to horses in Carleton Co. Entrance free.

BURNED OUT.—Chas. Griffith, who lived below town near the junction of the main river road and the Beardsley road, met with a sad loss early on Friday morning last in the destruction by fire of his new house. He built a fire on in the evening and retired. Waking up about two in the morning he heard a crackling noise, and on investigating found the room next to where he was sleeping in flames. His wife and child got out just in time. Had the discovery been made a quarter of an hour later, loss of life might have resulted. A good deal of furniture was saved. The house was insured for \$300 in the British American. Mr. Griffith estimates his loss at not less than \$700.

A NEW LAUNDRY.—John Hartt and John Stairs will open a laundry on Thompson's Corner, Queen St. on Monday next. Mr. Hartt who has had five years of valuable experience in the business, is to be the practical man. He is well known here. John Stairs, the business manager was a clerk in G. W. Slipp's store for nine years, where he handled all the American Express Company's business here. With this venture in view for some time Mr. Hartt has been on the look out and has secured the service of first class assistants and the new firm will be in a position to do work that can't be beaten in the province. Their machinery will be new up to date and of the very best. Parcels will be called for and delivered. Satisfaction guaranteed. Messrs Hartt and Stairs respectfully request a share of the patronage. For the benefit of out of town people it may be said that agencies will be established at McAdam, Canterbury, Debec, Benton, Hartland, Florenceville, Centreville, Bristol, Bath, Perth, Grand Falls.

ASK to see A. J. Grey's \$1.00 shirts.

HUGH HAY & SON will occupy the Jewett store, recently vacated.

McNUTT BROS., St. John, are erecting a machinery warehouse on King street.

WANTED, a coat maker. Apply to George W. Gibson, Merchant Tailor, Queen St.

MOORE'S SAW MILL started operations the first of the week. About 40 men are employed.

WM. E. THISTLE, Hartland, has decorated the front of his very tasty Drug Store with a new sign.

WILLIARD THORNTON has taken charge of the Riverside Hotel, Hartland, and is running it in first class order.

REV. S. B. HILLOCK, rector of Andover, preached an instructive and eloquent sermon in St. Luke's church on Sunday evening.

YOU WILL now be wanting early seeds. The Baird Company keep a full supply—all fresh tested seeds, at lowest prices—read their adv.

THE town council has favorably considered the recommendation of the board of health that \$2 00 be the general annual fee for using the sewers.

THE Small & Fisher Co. have a fine supply of one and two horse seeders, turnip drills, pulpers, mowing and reaping machines, steel ploughs, etc.

THERE will be a meeting of the school board in the council room on Friday evening. The meetings, in future, will probably be in the council chamber.

THE Commercial Hotel, under the management of Mr. Rideout, has found it necessary to get enlarged. Ten new rooms and a bath room have been added and other improvements made. It is a credit to Hartland.

C. M. SHERWOOD, Centreville, is having an unusually large sale this season, young and old both ladies and gentlemen, express themselves as more than satisfied with the up-to-date outfits they are constantly carrying away.

P. WELLS Jackson, representing Hamburger Rodgers and Co., London England, military tailors and outfitters, will be in Woodstock on Thursday afternoon and evening of this week. Any order given him will be promptly attended to.

A PUBLIC Temperance meeting will be held in the Baptist church, Florenceville, on Saturday evening, May 14th, to begin at eight o'clock. An interesting programme will be furnished. An address will be given by J. K. Flemming, who will be followed by other speakers.

THE MARATIME PURE FOOD CO., have decided to accept 20 acres more corn. The pea and bean acreage is full. Corn should be planted from the 25th of May to June 1st. Seed can be obtained at the factory. Parties who have signed pea acreage should call at the factory at once and get their seed.

THE BAIRD COMPANY'S upper window presents an artistic appearance. The area is occupied by a lake in which a number of fish take comfort and live on the best. On the north, the bank of the lake rises almost perpendicularly in a great and rocky height and down this pours a beautiful fall of water. The whole effect is cooling and pleasant. If it is not cooling enough the soda fountain is just behind it.

THE street committee will make a good start in laying asphalt on Main Street this season. The asphalt is expected at once, and the work of preparing the sidewalks will be commenced next week. It is the intention of the committee to commence work on the west side of Main Street, probably from McManus Bros. up to the corner of Connell Street. It is then, the intention to lay asphalt from corner of Court and Main to corner of Main and Peggat Street. This will be a marked improvement in the appearance of the town.

MESSES. BROWN & RAYMOND, Meat Merchants and coldstorage warehousemen, have a building on Connell St., that it would do a man good to look into. It is 25x35 feet and is two and a half stories above the cellar. The cellar, which just now contains about 120 tons of ice is most solidly built; on the first floor is a small store in front and behind that a cooling room 25x23 ft. which is kept at an even temperature of 35 degrees. Above the cooling room is a room containing at present 80 tons of ice, a current of air is constantly passing over this ice, down through the cooling room, and from the cooling room again over the ice. Brown & Raymond keep beside domestic beef, a good quality of Western beef, which they can recommend. They will also handle George E. Phillip's gilt edge dairy butter. The great advantage of this cooling room is that it enables them to slaughter and hold beef from 10 to 15 days before cutting it. This, as we all know, is the only way to make good meat. The firm is carrying a line of groceries. They will call and get your order and deliver the goods. They would be glad to have a call from the public. Any of their present customers can recommend their meats.

ITCHING CREEPING CRAWLING STINGING

SKIN DISEASES RELIEVED BY ONE APPLICATION OF

Dr. Agnew's Ointment, 35 CENTS.

Mr. James Gaston, merchant, Wilkesbarre, Pa., writes:—For nine years I have been disfigured with tetter on hands and face. But at last I have found a cure in Dr. Agnew's Ointment. My skin is now smooth and soft and free from every blemish. The first application gave relief.—30.

Sold by Garden Bros.

Maple in Demand.

At the regular monthly meeting of the board-of-trade on Monday evening, George Balmain, president in the chair, several matters of importance were discussed. The secretary read a letter received from the firm of Mitchell Bros. of Berkeley, Ont. and Liverpool Eng., inquiring about the quantity and quality of maple in this locality. The firm deals in maple, shipping it to England and suggested that they might handle any that we have to sell. The secretary was instructed to communicate with this firm at once.

A. Henderson raised the question of the price of Post Office boxes, claiming that the price of \$2.00 a year was too much. He moved a resolution which was carried, that the proper authorities be written to on the subject, with a view of getting a reduction on the price of the boxes and drawers of 50 per cent.

I. E. Sheasgreen and George M. Fripp were duly elected members of the board. Members may bear in mind that the regular monthly meeting of the board is held every second Monday evening of the month.

U. N. E. Glee Club.

The Fredericton papers can't say enough in praise of the University Glee Club concert, given in the Opera House, recently. This concert will be repeated in Woodstock on Friday June 3rd., and it deserves a full house. The club carries with it a band and orchestra, and a galaxy of pleasure and fun making talent that we all ought to see. Among the young men who will take part in the affair are a number who will be well remembered since the concert of last year, W. H. Harrison, J. J. Fraser Winslow, L. W. Barker, C. H. Allen, J. MacCredie, P. J. Hughes, W. R. Brecken, Messrs. Bayfield, MacDonald and Fair weather. The programme for the Woodstock concert, which has already come to hand, is an excellent one. The laughable farce "Which is Which" is highly recommended as a laugh producer. Don't forget Friday evening June 3rd., Opera House.

"WHICH IS WHICH." For further information, look for posters and dodgers.

THE circuit court adjourned last Thursday till the 23rd of June, when a new trial will be held in the Queen vs. Chalmers and Melvin Crabb, arson, the jury having disagreed last week. In the civil case of Connell vs. Upham a verdict was rendered for the plaintiff for \$852.40.

A BUSINESS CHANCE.—There is a strong feeling around town in favor of the establishing of a shoe factory. A. F. Fawcett, who carried on a large business in cutting lasts in the woods near Canterbury, was in Boston recently conferring with a party about starting a last factory, here. He says that the party in question is anxious to sell out. Here would seem an opportunity for our capitalists.

Arrivals at Carlisle Hotel:—Claude L. Knapp, Red Rapids; E. N. Jones, J. F. Tilton, A. H. Flinn, Leon A. Keith, F. M. Humphrey, Stanley Kinnear, C. H. Semple, R. Roach, J. I. Dickson, J. P. McCready, St. John; Thos. O'Brien, D. W. Lamont, W. H. McDougall, J. A. Doherty, P. A. Clarkson, W. C. Powers, Wm. Croft, Fred J. Aylward, Miss L. Barry, T. H. Wendell, C. W. Gregory, G. H. Humphrey, Chas. Clarin, H. J. Finch, W. M. Fidler, Toronto; D. R. Sutherland, J. Edgar Golding, Quebec; D. L. Kirk, Antigonish; Jas. Quigg, J. L. Maddox, Boston; Messrs. Bloomfield, Chas. Stroud, J. Sandham, Chas. P. Parent, E. Parkhurst, R. W. Holland, D. B. Macdonald, Alex. T. Hart, W. H. Scovil, Montreal; D. McGuire, Bangor; Z. Moore, Meductic; Mrs. J. C. McLean, J. A. Millar, Houlton, M. Bohan, Bath; A. Elder, Walkerton; Fred J. Boyer, Victoria; J. Gass, N. S.; P. R. Semple, East Florenceville; Fred T. Hutchinson, St. Stephen; G. A. Swineford, Canton, O.; Rev. Fr. Bradley, Newburg; John Risdon, St. Thomas.

A Job of Printing!

May I print a kiss on your cheek I asked
 She nodded her sweet permission
 So we went to press, and I rather guess
 We printed a large edition.

—Advertiser.

He had just treated her to Soda at
 Garden's Fountain,
 So she was in an amicable mood.
 Go thou and do likewise.

The only place in town where you can get CRUSHED FRUITS with your Soda.

GARDEN BROS.

The Prescription Druggists
 Woodstock.

The Question of Boys' Suits



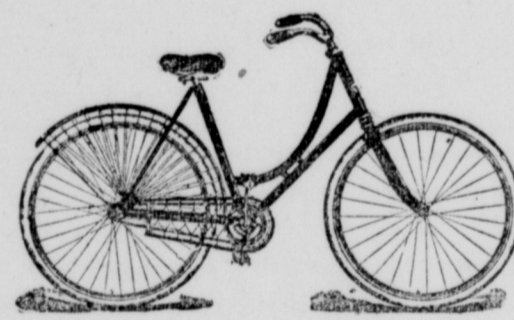
Is an unpleasant one—where to go for the best looking—best fitting—and best wearing suit at the least possible outlay of money. To a great many people OAK HALL will suggest itself with any question of Clothes, to others let us suggest this store, it's the best store in Woodstock for Boys Clothing, large selection—very best of styles—most dependable workmanship—lowest of prices—all point toward OAK HALL for Boys Suits. Day after day new stock is coming, suits that we are proud to show—suits that any store may be proud to show. For they combine greater beauty, greater wearing quality with smaller prices than any other store has yet succeeded in furnishing. Few people care to send their boys to school in old worn out togs, and we are actually selling goods so low that there is no need of doing so. Come here to make investigation, we are confident to win your trade if you only examine.

Boys' Suits from \$1.75 to \$7.00
 Just received a lot of Crash suits for boys from 4 to 10 years. Price \$1.50.

Oak Hall, One Price, Woodstock.

COME IN and look over our 1898 line of wheels.

\$40

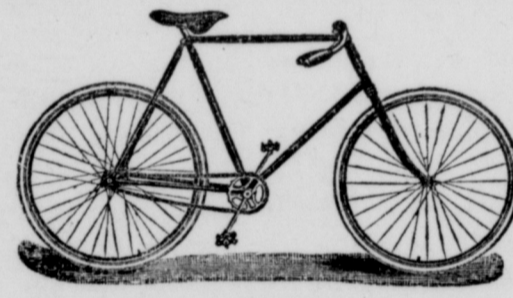


\$50

We Can't

tell you about what we have to offer in this brief space.

\$65



\$80

Prices from \$40 to \$80.

Every wheel is reliable and warranted.

BALMAIN BROS.

Woodstock, March 30, 1898.

ASSESSORS' NOTICE.

The Board of Assessors of Taxes for the Town of Woodstock in the present year hereby require all persons liable to be rated to forthwith furnish to the Assessors true statements of all their real estate, personal estate and income, and hereby give notice that blank forms on which statements may be furnished can be obtained at the office of J. R. Murphy, Principal Assessor, and that such statements must be perfected under oath and filed in said Principal Assessor's office, WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, and that no person shall have an abatement unless he has filed such statement under oath within the time herein before required, nor shall the Town Council in any such case sustain an appeal from the judgment of the said Assessors, unless they be satisfied that there is good cause why the statement was not filed in due form as herein provided.

Dated this 18th day of April A. D. 1898
 J. R. MURPHY, Principal Assessor,
 EMMERSON L. HAGERMAN, } Assessors of
 JAMES W. GALLAGHER, } Taxes.

The Interior Decoration

of your home should have some of your attention at this season. Mr. Turner has just returned from the Toronto Art School, and he will be glad to place at your disposal what he has learned there. Ask us about Alabastine. It is a good thing. Let us give you estimates on Papering, Painting or Plain Work.

TURNER & FIELDS.

Orders left at Aberdeen Hotel, or W. F. Dibblee & Son's Store.

TO RENT.

The store on Connell street in the rear of the Merchants' Bank formerly occupied by Al Brown. Also a room over the Merchants' Bank possession given any time.

ROBT. BROWN.

VIOLIN FOR SALE.

Suitable for lady, played by St. John professionals pronounced excellent tone. Can be seen at Mr. Collins Book Store, with bow and case complete.

WANTED.

Wanted, Situation as a Nurse. Apply at A. F. Fawcett's Woodstock N. B.

MRS. J. E. GRAY.

WANTED.

A Capable Dining Room Girl at the Carlisle Hotel.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

Five acres of land, well cultivated, on Connell road, one mile from the Post Office. Suitable for market gardening. Good house, barn and out buildings. Fine well. Excellent orchard. Apply to ALLAN W. BAKER, on the place, or at this office.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.

House and lot on St. John St., for sale or to rent, containing nine rooms and halls, with barn and orchard. Apply to SMALL & FISHER CO.

TO LET.

Two houses on Richmond St., to let May 1st. Apply to SAUNDERS BROS.

LOST.

Between the Post Office and Mr. Slipp's store on Saturday night a pocketbook containing \$13 and a check for \$75 payable to Charles E. Griffith. The finder will be rewarded if he will leave at this office.

QUEEN HOTEL,

J. W. SMITH, Proprietor.
 St. Stephen, - - - N. B.

Opposite Post Office, two minute's walk from C. F. R. Depot.
 Newly Painted and Renovated, most convenient Hotel in St. Stephen for Commercial Men.
\$1.50 PER DAY.