

**LOCAL TOPICS.**

**A BOY AND GIRL** wanted to learn the printing business at this office.

R. W. BALLOCH keeps constantly on hand a complete stock of all the leading patent medicines.

**GOVERNMENT MEETINGS** at Centreville Wednesday evening, Hartland, Thursday evening.

**DR. FRINK**, St. John will be in Woodstock this week to examine cattle suspected of being infected with tuberculosis.

**FORESTERS.**—The members of Court Regina I. O. F. will meet to-night to pay the insurance claim the late Fred E. S. Harris.

**RUNAWAY.**—J. D. Ketchum's horse ran away on Monday morning smashing the sleigh somewhat. Fortunately Mr. Ketchum was not in the sleigh at the time.

The dapple gray horse, formerly owned by Sheriff Balloch, and purchased by Dr. Howard of Freeport, Me., was sold last week in Lewiston to a Philadelphia dealer for \$450.

**THE RELIGION** of Kipling is the subject of the Lecture by Rev. Mr. Fraser of St. Stephen's church, St. John in the Opera House, Woodstock, on the evening of Friday the 24th. The Receptional will be rendered by a quartette.

"NOT A CLAIM UNPAID—not a dollar of interest overdue—not a mortgage foreclosed—not a dollar of real estate on its hands—is the record of the Temperance and General" for 1898, where is there another Company that can beat it?

C. M. SHERWOOD, Centreville, wants hams, eggs, stove wood, and buckwheat. Come quick, for he has the grip. He will take the eggs raw, the hams smoked, the wood green, in slabs; and has the courage to try the buckwheat either whole or ground.

J. FRED DICKINSON is selling all his stock of felt boots and skating boots at half price. These must be cleared out at once. All fleece lined leather goods are also going at ridiculously low prices. His regular lines are full and he can give you anything in the shape of foot wear you want.

AT THE TENNYSON CLUB on Thursday evening, Miss Henderson read a paper on Belli-cent, and Miss Bessie Sanderson one on Leodagan. Rev. G. D. Ireland then continued the interpretation of Gareth and Lynette. Miss Walker will read a paper next Thursday evening.

**THE MARITIME DAIRY SCHOOL** at Sussex, N. B., will be opened on February 21st in the new building erected by the New Brunswick Government. The new building and equipment will make the work of this school more effective than in the past, in educating the makers of the Maritime Provinces in the best methods of making cheese and butter.

H. J. CLARK, Centreville, desires through the DISPATCH to contradict a statement made by a Centreville correspondent in the Sentinel that L. L. Clark had closed his business at Hartland. He thinks the statement was made not without malice and he thinks the spirit in which the thing was done is hardly in keeping with the persons professed Christianity.

**WEDDING TODAY.**—At Florenceville today Clarence A. Kirkpatrick D. D. S., son of Robert Kirkpatrick, Customs Officer, Debec, and Miss Hattie M. Wheeler of Florenceville, will be married in the Methodist church. Dr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick will live at Grand Falls where the doctor is opening an office. They are both well known and popular young people.

**CORRECTION.**—A couple of weeks ago THE DISPATCH said that owing to a change in the C. P. R. time table, it was not possible for one to get from Woodstock to Houlton except by the evening train, thus having to spend the night in Houlton. A man can also get to Houlton by leaving here on the 6.20 train and, stopping three hours at Debec, arrive at his destination at 11-12 a. m. He can then take the 4-20 train for Woodstock, giving him about five hours in Houlton.

WILLIAM L. MOORE, who has been in the service of H. H. McCain, M. P. P., for the last ten years, at Florenceville station, died at his home at 12 o'clock on Sunday night. He had been ill for some time with grip and his heart was very weak, and at last gave out. He leaves a wife and five children. He had \$1000 insurance with the Foresters and \$1000 with the Temperance and General. Mr. Moore was a decent honest man, and he will be missed from his place.

**THE CARNIVAL** at the roller rink on Tuesday evening of last week was a good thing. A number of the costumes showed an amount of cleverness and originality. The prizes were given as follows. Gentleman's most original costume, Frank Gilmau, Chas. Glew Wm. Glew, Kangaroo; Lady's most original costume, Miss Sadie Gibson, Shamrock. Gentleman's handsomest costume, Guy Seaborn, George Washington, Lady's handsomest costume, Mable Blake, Flower Girl. Most comical costume, Guy Hanson, Clown. Special prizes Dr. Manzer, Zulu Chief, Tim Fields, Donkey.

WILLIAM LILLY, JR., of the well known St. John firm of Wm. Lilly & Sons, has a meat shop on Queen St. It is at present in charge of his father, who has been here with the Pure Food Co., this winter, cutting up their pork. Mr. Lilly now has in stock the following lines, which will be largely increased and varied later on, beef, pork, veal, lamb, poultry, ham, boiled ham, bacon, lard, beef and pork bologna, frankforters, blood pudding, Scotch white pudding, sausages, tripe, shell fish, finin haddie, savory duck, head-cheese and brown. Mr. Lilly knows how to cut a joint and can give his customers a good piece of meat.

**FOR SALE**

The clothing and Furnishing Business of Ham and Smith known as Oak Hall will be sold at a bargain either the whole stock or in quantities to suit the purchaser. Also the store To Let, possession is given May 1st or sooner if required.

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**ASH WEDNESDAY.**

**DONT FORGET** the 20 per cent off all goods at Dallings during the month of February.

**ANTI-FREEZE STRIPS** can be had of Fields & Turner. They keep out the draughts from your houses.

**DROPPED DEAD.**—A horse, for reasons best know to itself, dropped dead in front of the Record office on Monday.

**MESSESS. SHAW & DIBBLEE**, Hartland, are prepared to instal acetylene gas plants of any capacity up to 500 lights. Give Shaw & Dibblee a call and talk the acetylene gas over with them.

**PROF. LAWRENCE** holds the boards at the Opera House commencing Thursday until Saturday. Owing to weather he had to postpone opening Wednesday but will positively open Thursday, and will on that evening put a local man to sleep for 24 hours. Prof. Lawrence is well know to many readers as the gentleman who put a young man to sleep in St. John for 48 hours. He also has with him the Swedish marvel Herr Adol'f Zacco who is in himself a wonderful performer in mental phenomena doing while blindfolded what others cannot do with use of eyes. No doubt a great many will turn out to see the gentleman put to sleep on Thursday evening also the awakening the following night.

We publish this week a largely signed petition to the Town Council asking them to abolish the Commercial Traveller's tax.

An act of the Legislative Assembly gives the Town Council a right to fix a schedule of fees that shall be paid to the town by Commercial Travellers doing any business here. The Council may refuse to fix such a schedule, in which case no tax will be collected, but this Council or any other Council may afterwards fix a schedule and the tax will then be collectable. The Council may apply to the legislature to withdraw from them right to fix a schedule of fees to be charged the commercial travellers, and if the right is withdrawn then the tax is abolished, and could only be brought into operation again by the further action of the Legislature. This tax now nets the Town between \$300 and \$400 a year. If it is abolished, this amount will not be made up through the poll tax, which is now \$4.50 for town purposes, and is as high as any Council is likely to make it. The amount would be made up through the property and income tax and the large number of men who pay taxes on property and income who have signed this petition, should be a large inducement to the Council to abolish the tax. At the present day Woodstock is the only town in Canada, outside of Prince Edward Island, imposing such a tax. Our persistence in collecting the tax is submitting us to a lot of undesirable advertisement throughout the Dominion and is having a tendency to keep commercial men away from us as much as they can possibly stay away. Let us do away with the tax and welcome these "Knights of the Grip" to the town. They help our business and they leave money with us. The more of them we have here the greater the competition and the lower our merchants will be able to buy and to sell. Can we afford to forego these advantages for the sake of \$300 or \$400 a year which the poor man will not have to pay but which will come out of the property owners.

**TO LET.**

Two houses, one on Broadway, and one on Division St. Apply to MRS. EDWARD CRAIG, Broadway.

**LOST.**

On Saturday night between the Houlton road and the Post office, a lady's gold hunting case watch. Will the finder please leave at this office.

**LOST.**

Lost on Tuesday the 7th a gold memorial brooch between Mrs. Ed Lindow's and Mrs. McLardys. The finder will please leave it at Dallings Jewellery store.

**WANTED.**

A boy and a girl to learn the printing business. Apply at this office.

**FARM FOR SALE.**

A farm containing 350 acres 130 under good cultivation well watered and well wooded beautifully situated on the St. John river four miles below Woodstock will be sold on reasonable terms and possession given the first of April. Apply to JOHN D. KETCHUM on the premises or at the DISPATCH office.

**PERSONAL.**

P. Gillen is very ill.

Miss Mary Connel left last week on a visit to Chatham.

Robert Caldwell, Boston, is visiting friends in Woodstock.

John Walker, and Mrs. Walker are both ill with the grip.

Mrs. A. McFaulane is recovering slowly from the effects of the grip.

Mrs. T. H. Hall, St. John, is the guest of her sister Mrs. A. R. Carr.

Dr. Stanley Neales is visiting his parents Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. Neales.

Mrs. A. A. Brewer, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles A. Palmer, Fredericton.

James Watts of the Carleton Sentinel is able to be out after an attack of the grip.

John G. Greer, Galt, J. S. McLean and Geo. Frost, St. John, spent Sunday at the Aberdeen.

A. A. McClaskey, of A. A. McClaskey & Son, St. John, spent part of last week at the Aberdeen.

Mrs. Charles Burpee spent a part of last week in Woodstock the guest of her parents J. T. and Mrs. Boyer.

Mrs. C. V. Wetmore left on her return home to Truro, on Saturday last after a happy visit to her parents here.

Geo. S. Phillips, of the Carleton Creamery Co. has been sick with the grip which has now developed into pneumonia.

Miss May Porter, who has been spending some weeks with her sister, Mrs. John Atherton, has returned to her home in Fredericton.

Harry R. Currie, left on Saturday for Boston, where he intends remaining for some time. He is one of our most estimable young men, and the best wishes of his friends go with him.—Hartland Advertiser.

At the Aberdeen.—E. G. Sherwood, Danforth Me; Fred Estey, A. Grant Shogomoc; E. H. Hinney Quebec; Jas. A. Swan, Shirbrooke; C. N. Dampert, I. J. Tune, Houlton; W. L. McCain, H. H. McCain Florenceville; C. S. Osgood, A. Rideout, P. Rideout G. H. Campbell, Hartland; Geo. D. Frost, S. D. Likely, J. S. McLean, Jas. O'Gara, G. F. Anderson, A. A. McClaskey, St. John; W. H. Carell, Lakeville; W. T. Hatfield, D. W. Foster, Alfred Shaw, Sizonds; Arthur Thompson, Fredericton; T. W. Griffin, M. D. Debec; A. J. Sharp, Sidney Maine; E. L. Aublton; W. B. Ayer, Portland; E. M. Currie, Campbellton; J. C. McFarlane, Montreal; Alex. Lindsay, Lindsay; Frank Shaw, Victoria; John McCready, Bath; John G. Greer, Galt; W. A. Britton, M. Greene, E. Simpson, St. Stephen; W. C. Jompkins, River Bank.

At the Carlisle.—J. J. Flynn, Smith Falls, nt R. Robertson, Nappan, N. S.; W. A. Jack, H. A. Hilyard, Thos. R. Hilyard, A. R. Golding, John E. Edwards, H. Henderson, C. B. Foster, M. Atkinson, E. W. Henry, Frank C. Magee, Chas. E. Farrand, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Newcomb, J. T. McCready, St. John; J. Edgar Golding, Quebec; A. W. Macon, W. H. Gardner, John E. Sprague, C. F. Holt, Boston; W. W. Hubbard, Sussex; A. R. Hallett, Grand Falls; H. B. Snook, Truro; P. J. Burnstael, H. Draper, P. Stanley, A. J. Pike, W. P. King, Toronto. C. H. Spencer, Granby; W. H. Bowser, R. T. Taylor, J. W. Bond, Wm. D. Brisbin, T. H. Radford, H. Alder, Montreal; Archie Fraser, F. Whitehead, A. E. Massie, Fredericton; Geo. Anderson, E. B. Manzer, Town; R. T. Taylor, Moncton; A. W. Hay, Lower Woodstock; J. W. Bohan, G. F. Gibson, M. Bohan, Bath.

**Walker-Atherton**

At Grafton on Wednesday the 8th Miss Maud Atherton, daughter of the late George F. Atherton and niece of Dr. A. Atherton Fredericton, was united in marriage to Hans W. Walker, son of John Walker Woodstock. The ceremony which was performed by Rev. C. T. Phillips assisted by Rev. Mr. Hartley of Fredericton, took place at the residence of the bride's sister Mrs. Archie Hale. Mr. and Mrs. Walker were at the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening. They are at home at Mrs. Archie Hale's, Grafton.

**MARRIED.**

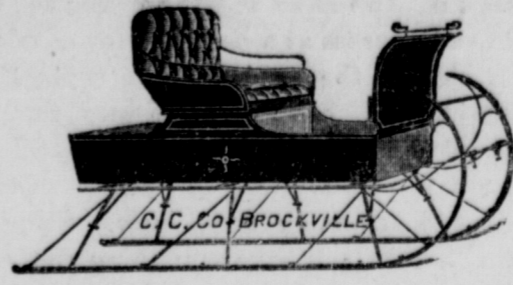
**HARVEY-McELHINNEY.**—At the Baptist Parsonage, Florenceville, N. B., Feb. 8th., by Rev. A. H. Hayward, Mr. Frederic W. Harvey, of Foreston, N. B., to Miss Beatrice May, only daughter of Robert McElhinney, Esq., Argyle.

**DIED.**

**MARSTEN.**—At his home in Meductic, on Thursday Morning, February 9th, after a short illness Ezekiel Marsten, Sr., in the 79th year of his age.

**MCCAIN.**—At Florenceville on the 10th inst. after a very brief illness of membranous croup, Joy youngest child of Samuel and Mary McCain aged 4 years 1 month and 1 day. Little Joy was a particularly bright child and a great favorite with her many friends.

Rudyard Kipling had Beerbohm Tree as his guest at Rottlingdean a few days before he sailed for New York. The report is that Mr. Kipling has undertaken to write a drama for Mr. Tree on an old time "Hands-Across-the-Sea," subject. Kipling's visit to the United States is said to be partly connected with this project, in which he is deeply interested as he regards the fostering of an Anglo-American understanding as a high patriotic object.



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