

LOCAL TOPICS.

THE skating on the river last week was the best seen in Woodstock for years.

WANTED.—Pine, Spruce, Basswood, Black Ash and Butternut Lumber in the log or sawn. Highest market prices will be paid. The Woodstock Woodworking Co., Ltd.

DONALD MUNRO, D. W. Kyle and John McKenzie, of Woodstock Lodge visited Florenceville Lodge, F. and A. M., last Tuesday evening, and were royally entertained by their hosts.

Mrs. EDWARD JONES, who is living with her son, Coun. A. E. Jones, had the misfortune to fall on the ice last Saturday, sustaining serious injuries, that make her quite helpless.

EDWARD LINDOW has closed his store and moved to the farm on the Houlton Road, recently purchased from C. W. Raymond. He has sold his residence in Wellington Ward to his son, John Lindow.

FRED S. WILBUR, of the Royal Bank of Canada, who was at one time stationed in Woodstock is the recipient of \$1000.00 through the last will and testament of his late uncle A. D. Yerxa, of Fredericton.

DR. WILLIAM CROCKETT, has been appointed to the principalship of the Provincial Normal School, at Fredericton, in the place of Mr. Mullin who has resigned to take the principalship of the Normal School at Pretoria, South Africa.

AN AGRICULTURAL meeting will be held in Grafton Hall on Monday evening, February 3rd, at 7.30 o'clock. Mr. Tilley, Dairy Superintendent, will address the meeting on co-operation and other interesting and important subjects.

AGAIN TO THE FRONT.—The "Manufacturers and Temperance and General Life Assurance Co." with over \$27,000,000 of insurance in force and the lowest death rate on record of any Co. of its size and age. Hence the largest profits for policy holders.

B. M. COLPITTS of Meductic, returned on Thursday last from Grand Falls where he has been for the last three months selling out the stock of the late S. A. Estey. Mr. Colpitts has accepted a position in Woodstock and will come up to town next week to stay here.

Mrs. GEORGE Y. DIBBLEE, of Fredericton, died on Friday at Milton, Mass., where she had gone for medical treatment. Mrs. Dibblee was the daughter of the late Joseph Sutherland of Fredericton. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Allen Dibblee went to Fredericton on Saturday to attend the funeral.

AARON KEARNEY, a native of Jacksonville, died at the residence of his brother, Frank Kearney, Duke Street, St. John, on Friday afternoon. Mr. Kearney was about 47 years of age. He had been in Boston for some years but a few weeks ago had arrived at St. John. His death was the result of consumption. The remains were taken to Boston for interment.

AT THE meeting of the agricultural society on Saturday afternoon Stephen Peabody, Charles L. Smith, L. W. Tompkins and H. E. Gallagher were delegated to attend the annual meeting of the Farmers and Dairy-men's association at Fredericton, now in session. J. Frank Tilley, Dairy Superintendent, and Charles F. Rogers are in Fredericton taking in the meeting.

WILLIAM McDONALD is cutting this season 1600 tons of ice, as against 1200 tons last year. Last year, though the cut was some 1600 or 1700 cakes larger than the year before, the supply ran out owing to the increasing demand. Mr. McDonald does not intend to be caught empty-handed next summer, if he can avoid it. The largest lots of ice in town are held by Mr. McDonald himself, the C. P. R., the Creamery Company, and E. R. Holyoke.

A MEETING of all the clergymen of the town, and laymen representing the different churches, is hereby called for Friday, the 31st inst, in the class room of the Methodist church, at 3 p. m., to confer with Rev. J. G. Sheaver, A. B., Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance. There will also be a Union Service in the same church, at 7.30 p. m., of the same day, when Mr. Sheaver will deliver an interesting and instructive address on "The Battle For the Sabbath in Canada."

THERE will be two games of Hockey in the Century Ice Rink to-night. The first game will be a local one, between the two junior teams, the Wellingtons and Orioles. This game will be called at 8 o'clock. The second game will be a battle between Woodstock and St. Stephen. This game will be called at 9 o'clock. The home team is the strongest combination Woodstock has ever put up, and hockey enthusiasts claim that Woodstock ought to win to-night. The game, no doubt, will be the most interesting one ever played here. The games will be run under the management of the Hockey Association, and the citizens of Woodstock should encourage this organization by their attendance at the ice rink to-night.

NEARLY EVERY LADY

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WILLIAM DALTON, a well known Woodstock man is very ill.

ROBERT HUGHES, who was very ill with pneumonia, is now on the road to recovery.

THE Methodist Mission Band will hold a parlor concert on Thursday evening, at the residence of Mr. James Hurst.

MR. BURTON MORGAN, Catechist of the Presbyterian church, conducted the service in St. Paul's church last Sunday morning.

LIEUT. A. N. VINCE of the 1st Kings Owr, who left for the front some weeks ago, arrived safely at Pretoria, and from there went with his regiment east to the border of the Portuguese territory, where he now is.

THOMAS ANDERSON, an old, and esteemed citizen, died at Hartland on Monday afternoon. The funeral will take place at two o'clock this afternoon under the auspices of the Orange Association. It is requested that as many Orangemen as can attend go up to Hartland on the express today.

The following are applying for incorporation as the M. Welch Telephone Company, Limited: M. Welch, Bristol; Timothy Lynch, Fredericton; James Love, John McIntosh and Perry Fitzgerald, Glassville, and John R. Ronald, West Glassville. The purpose of the company is to build and maintain telephone lines in Carleton County.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Pretoria, Jan. 27.—By a clever night march General Hamilton surprised a laager between Ermolo and Bethel, in the Transvaal Colony, and charged the Boers, who fled in all directions and were pursued many miles by the British. As a result of this expedition eighty-two Boers and a quantity of stores were captured. The casualties were small.

PRETORIA, Jan. 26.—Col. Wilson, last Saturday, captured 20 Boers near Frankport, in Orange River Colony. He was preparing at dawn the next day to move away with his captives when a superior force of Boers made a desperate effort to recapture the prisoners. A hot fight ensued in which all but three of the prisoners escaped, and a few men were killed on both sides.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—A report from Lord Kitchener to Johannesburg gives the important capture of General B. Viljoen, in the neighborhood of Lydenburg, Transvaal Colony, as well as the capture of small parties of Boers elsewhere.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The capture of Gen. Viljoen, who was Gen. Botha's most able lieutenant and who has given the British great trouble in the past, has created lively satisfaction in London.

UNITED STATES AND ENGLAND.

Getting at an Understanding Over Spanish-American Affairs.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The Washington correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says:

"It is learned from an intimate of the late President McKinley that the European coalition against the Spanish-American war was dissolved by the avowed intention of Great Britain 'to use other means than diplomacy' to frustrate interference."

The Chronicle in an editorial on this despatch says:

"America, as a whole, has not shown herself invariably friendly during our troubles in South Africa, but this clear statement of America's debt to England should make an impression even on those classes who have hitherto regarded us askance."

WHY SCHEEPERS WAS SHOT.

Guilty of Seven Murders and Other Crimes.

The War Secretary, Mr. Brodrick, was asked by William Redmond (Irish Nationalist), in the House of Commons, why Commandant Scheepers, who was captured by General French in October last, was executed last Saturday at Graaf Reinet, Cape Colony. The Secretary replied that Scheepers was shot because he had been convicted of various offences against the usages of war, including seven cold-blooded murders of natives, and the flogging of a white man. Mr. Brodrick added that the fact that Commandant Scheepers was a prisoner of war carried no exemption from trial for murder or other violations of the rules of war.

Mr. Balfour, the Government leader in the House, partially parried an interesting question put by Mr. McLaren (Liberal) as to whether any proposals in behalf of the leaders of the Boers, with the view of bringing about a settlement of the war, had been received by the Government since the negotiations between General Kitchener and General Botha. "No proposal of that kind," said Mr. Balfour, "has reached us on the part of anyone able to speak for the leaders of the Boer forces." The evasive reply of the Government leader was taken to be a confirmation of the reports that proposals had been received from the Boer delegates in Europe, but had been rejected.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—(Special)—At today's cabinet meeting the question of appointing a lieutenant governor for New Brunswick came up for consideration. It was decided to appoint Senator Snowball to the position. The senator is here and has accepted and has resigned his seat in the senate.

PERSONAL.

E. R. Squires, Wicklow, was at the Aberdeen Friday.

Jas. Kay, of Montreal, registered at the Aberdeen last.

Mrs. T. G. Hoyt has gone to Boston for medical treatment.

Fred J. Aylward, Toronto, was at the Aberdeen last week.

S. C. Mitchell, of Montreal, registered at the Aberdeen Tuesday.

Miss Lou Smith is in Hartland visiting her sister, Mrs. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fraser, of Cabano, P. Q., spent Sunday in Woodstock.

Heber Jameson, of Houlton, visited his parents at East Florenceville on Monday.

John T. LePage, of the Maritime Wrapper Factory, is in Montreal on business.

Mrs. L. N. Boyer and Mrs. Fred Delong, of Bristol were in Woodstock on Saturday.

Edward Bates and E. H. Fairweather, of St. John, were guests at the Aberdeen Tuesday.

Garnet J. Baird, son of H. P. Baird is attending the Acadia Villa School at Hortonville, N. S.

Miss Ethel Perkins, of Centreville, spent last week in Woodstock, the guest of Mrs. J. Fewer.

Scott McCain, of Florenceville, who has been in Nevada for a year returned home on Saturday.

C. R. Thomas, of Piaster Rock, bookkeeper of the Tobique Mfg. Co., spent Sunday in Woodstock.

Mrs. R. DeMill, of South Framingham, Mass., is visiting her sisters Mrs. J. VanWart and Mrs. J. R. Hurst.

Geo. W. Gibson has returned from Milwaukee where he had been attending the Custom Cutters' Association.

J. F. Tilton, the popular representative of W. H. Thorne and Co., is now in Carleton County on business for his firm.

Charles S. Jenner, of the St. John office, acted as Manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia here during Mr. Macleod's absence last week.

Miss Kate Jameson, of Florenceville, and Miss Hattie Jameson, of Richmond, spent last week in Woodstock, guests of Miss Stella Dalling.

Miss N. Estella Clarke, Graduate of Victoria Hospital, Fredericton, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Clarke, at Sixty-nine, Broadway.

W. E. Spike, of Andover and Everett Harold, of Centreville, customs officers, were in Woodstock last week on business. They registered at the Victoria.

Mrs. Frank Bull who is now living in San Francisco and who has recently been visiting her son, George Bull, at Monticello, Me., is now in Woodstock, the guest of Mrs. (Dr.) Connell.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., January 22, 1902.

E. R. MACHUM, Esquire,

Manager of the Dominion of Canada Guarantee and Accident Ins. Co., St. John.

DEAR SIR,—I embrace this my earliest opportunity of acknowledging the receipt of the check of said Insurance Company for the sum of seventy five dollars the full amount of my claim for five weeks loss of time at fifteen dollars per week by reason of an accident while insured in said company. The check was handed to me by Mr. H. L. Grant, the agent for the company here, within eight days from the time I sent the proofs of my claim to you at St. John.

It affords me the greatest amount of pleasure while thus acknowledging the receipt of the payment of my claim to recommend this very reliable and thoroughly safe Insurance Company to all those who are thinking about taking out an accident policy and to say to them I am fully satisfied they cannot do business with any Insurance Company that will use them any better or pay their claims more promptly than this one.

You have my consent to your publishing this letter if you see fit to do so. Thanking you for your extremely kind and gentlemanly treatment of me in the matter of my claim, I remain,

Very truly yours,
(Sgd.) T. J. BOYER.

The American Horse Breeder, of Boston, in its issue of January 21st, makes the following statement, that will be interesting to many people in Carleton County:—

"We do not know of any section where breeders are making more rapid progress in improving the speed and quality of trotting stock by the introduction of choicely bred stallions than the Province of New Brunswick. J. R. Murphy Esq., of Woodstock, N. B., visited Maplehurst Farm, Lancaster, Mass., Col. J. E. and Bayard Thayer, proprietors, and bought a very promising young bay stallion called 'Baron Duncan.' This colt was foaled June 7, 1900. His sire is the renowned Baron Wilkes (2.18). His dam is Brownie Axtell, by Axtell (3) (2.12); second dam Merry Thought (2.24) by Happy Medium 400; third dam, the famous brood mare Four Lines, by Blackwood 74, and fourth dam, Venus by Seely's American Star 14. This is very choice breeding. We have it upon good authority that Baron Duncan is a pure gated trotter and was driven an eighth last season, when but a yearling, in 19 seconds, a 2.32 clip. Mr. Murphy intends to keep this colt for a stock horse. He should prove very valuable for that purpose."

WANTED.

At Snow's Laundry, More Family Washes. 3 cts. per lb. Rough Dry. Jan. 22, 3i.

WANTED.

A situation as book-keeper, or to do writing of any kind—experienced in office work, also, two or three permanent boarders, large well lighted rooms, bathroom, electric light, best location in town, terms Moderate.

H. W. BOURNE.

Corkery's Meat Market.

Following are the prices at which Mr. Corkery will sell for the next thirty days
Pork.....11 cts. to 12 cts.
Roast Beef.....5 " to 7 "
Beefsteak.....9 " to 10 "
Sausage.....10 "
Bacon.....13 "
Ham, wholesale.....12 "
" retail.....13 "
Fresh Herring, per doz.....20 "
Onions.....4 "
Corned Beef.....5 "

Fresh Codfish and Haddock will be sold all this month at 4c. per lb.

A few barrels of good fat heavy pork, such as the lumbermen want, for sale by the barrel.

Leadership in the Clothing Business.

It is strictly here; everybody knows it. Testimony? The stock itself. The pen sufficiently nimble to tell the good points of the SUITS and OVERCOATS we are now showing, has not been found. Glance among the various suits. The cheaper sorts are excellent and the styles just right. It seems insulting to link TEN DOLLARS with these Cleaver Scotch Mixed and Nobby Serge Suits.

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We have 25 Nice Suitings, a few choice Overcoatings and a number of Trouserings left which we must clear out to make room for incoming goods, and to keep our employes busy during the winter season. These goods must be sold and will be sold at very reasonable prices, and in our customary good manner, which manner is well known to our customers. Please have a look at our bargains in these Fine Woollens.

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They are strong and safe. The price is easy:

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