

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

Correspondents must send their names with each week's contribution, or their matter will not be printed. The names will not be published, but The Dispatch must know who is accountable for everything that is inserted in its columns.

KIRKLAND.

The roads are very icy at present. Our blacksmiths are kept very busy. You can hear the ring of the hammer from day break until after dark.

Measles are prevalent in this section at present.

The Lakeside Womens Foreign Missionary Society held their monthly meeting at the residence of Andrew McIntyre.

Perley Dykeman from Houlton, has been visiting his parents.

Mary, second daughter of Edward McIntosh, is very low. She had measles and took a relapse.

Tillie Graham is in Woodstock at present.

The officers of Wellington L. O. L., No. 51, were installed as follows: George Davis, W. M.; Thomas Graham, Chap.; John W. Nicholson, R. S.; Thos. Slater, Treas.; David Dykeman, D. of C.; Gideon De Merchant, Lect. Committee, Thos. Graham, Geo. Crawford, Hugh McLuskey, Daniel Gidney, Charles Gidney, County Master Forest was present.

Mathias Friel is in New Hampshire at present.

A young daughter arrived at the home of Mrs Leslie Knapps recently.

CENTREVILLE.

Prospects for the Christmas trade are good and our merchants are making preparations accordingly.

C. M. Sherwood has leased the Gethell water privilege and is putting in an electric plant with sufficient power to light the dwellings of the town. These are now being wired as fast as possible and Mr. Sherwood expects to have all in good working order by Christmas. Apropos of this would it not be a good idea for our citizens to "chip in" and furnish some street lamps for the town?

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Belyea went to Robinson's Mills Sunday to say farewell to Mrs. Belyea's mother and her sister, Mrs. Chas. Robinson. They leave for Los Angeles, California, to spend the winter. Mrs. Belyea goes to see her sons who have been in the west for thirty years, and Mrs. Robinson was prompted to accompany her mother on account of the delicate health of her youngest son, Vaughan. They will visit at San Francisco, Santa Barbara and Santa Cruz in California and many places of interest en route before their return in the spring.

Miss Josie Scholey, of Boston, arrived home to spend Christmas.

Much regret is expressed at the departure

of R. W. Balloch and family, but every one is glad to know that they contemplate returning home in the spring.

Rev. E. W. Simonson is receiving congratulations on a domestic event.

Hal McClintock and Berton Clark have returned from Mullinocket, Maine.

The Bridgewater Comedy Company under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Judson Burit gave a very pleasing entertainment in Sherwood's hall on Thursday last.

EAST FLORENCEVILLE.

The river closed over here on the 18th inst.

The crew that has been at work repairing the bridge here, went to Foreston, Monday to do some work on the bridge there.

A number of young people from this and the other side of the river, drove to Hartland Sunday afternoon and had supper at the Exchange.

Charles Parker of Woodstock, is painting the inside of B. F. Smith's new building.

Don't forget that dance night is Saturday night now instead of Thursday. Dancing hours 8 to half past eleven.

LAKEVILLE.

Our village is in a flourishing condition. The stores are filled with Christmas goods and business is good.

W. W. Wilson, who does a large business here, has opened a branch store at Lakeville.

Many of the young men of this place are away from home, some in the woods and others working on the hay presses.

Don Matheson of the Imperial Oil Company, is often in Lakeville. He puts up at J. R. Fowler's.

Allen Waters has been engaged for a few days threshing his grain at Jacksonville.

Miss Maude Stevens of Woodstock, is the guest of Miss Isie Waters.

Miss Myrtle I. Fowler, the amateur artist, has been travelling with her camera for the past few weeks.

The young people are practising for a Christmas concert to be held on Christmas Eve.

BATH.

One of the most disastrous fires that has ever occurred in this village took place on Saturday last at about eleven o'clock in the forenoon of that day. With the wind blowing at the rate of fifty miles an hour and the thermometer at Zero fire was discovered in the dwelling house occupied by Dr. M. E. Commins as a dwelling and office. In a very short time the building was in a mass of flames, the doctor's laboratory and medicines, were got out in a very damaged condition and part of the household effects. A large number of willing hands were at work trying to save what they could for the doctor, who is a universal favorite here. Soon fire was discovered in the building of C. J. Green next door and the people very soon began removing the goods from the Green store which were very much damaged by the removal in such haste. But for the up freight engine that arrived at this time the village would

have been about destroyed but the train men as they are won't do with a will came to the rescue and with chains tore down and dragged away the small buildings connecting the burning building with the Green store and dwelling and with water from the engine stopped the conflagration.

The water works are being nearly completed to the centre of the village. Great regrets were expressed that they were not ready to throw on the water and such wholesale burning will not again occur. Your correspondent spoke of Carnegie Bohan building the water works. I think hardly anyone would but be thankful if he had have but succeeded in getting the works finished.

Miss Flora White, of Narrows, Queens Co., who has had the day school in charge has resigned and will be succeeded by Miss Annie J. McLean, of Bristol, next term.

The Sunday school will have an up to date Christmas tree on Christmas eve when the small boys will have a merry time.

HAWTHORNE ITEMS.

The Whist Club met at Mrs. H. Shaw's as the club room was being painted and not quite ready. LeBaron Bull was elected pres., Chas. Pickard, sec. treas. The club colors are to be distributed next Thursday evening, regular night of meeting.

Miss Maggie and Mr. Frank Pickard are confined to the house on account of severe colds.

Miss Eliza Haugh had a bad fall last week, but under Dr Peters' treatment, we are glad to say, she is around again.

Miss Lulu True was the guest of Mrs. Herbert Burnett, Saturday and Sunday.

A debate was held at Mr. Anthony Manuel's, Saturday evening, subject, which was the greater character President Washington or Sir Walter Scott; decision to be given next Thursday night.

Mr William Embleton of Dumfries, spent Sunday in our midst.

The bean supper is to be held on the 11th of this month. We hope it will be largely attended.

Our Sewing Circle is to meet on Wednesday, 3rd inst., at Mrs. Albert Carson's. This circle is weekly increasing in membership and it must be very gratifying to the promoters to see so much interest being taken.

Miss Jennie Bull is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. W. Shaw.

NEWEURG JUNCTION.

Threshing is occupying the attention of our farmers at present. William Gallagher is at work with his machine. Joseph Hourihan and his brother Thomas, run the machine. Daniel E. Gibbons and Walter Barker from England, are among the crew. Two hundred and fifty bushels of grain is their daily average. One day, in eight hours, they turned out 360 bushels in the barn of John Gallagher.

Michael Gallagher had one of his barns badly shaken up by the wind, a week or so ago.

John Montague is recovering from his recent illness.

Weather Lore.

There is an old saying that if the first Sunday of a month is rainy, every Sunday in the month will also be rainy. The same rule, in popular estimation, should apply to other days of the week, and without regard to their place in the month. This is merely a convenient way of saying that the weather tends to repeat itself about once in seven days. The conditions prevailing on Sunday are more closely observed and better remembered because of the break which Sunday makes in the regular pursuits of the week.

This notion, like many of those which have become incorporated in the approval weather maxims of the people, finds considerable scientific support. A barometric depression requires a rather well-defined period in which to pass over this country from one coast to the other. The average is from three to four days, varying somewhat with the season of the year and with other conditions. Two of these weather tides—and the second is apt to reverse the first—would take about one week. Thus areas of high or of low temperature would be likely to succeed each other in most places by about the interval.

While this is a rough calculation and one which, if put to the test, would encounter many exceptions, weather bureau experts say that, with a vigorous storm today, there is slightly more likelihood of another in just a week than of another in either six or eight days. The margin of increased likelihood, although small, is on that side.

This is all that the popular saying implies. Were the rule to work out rigidly, the Mondays of the year would be all on the same pattern, while the Tuesdays would average up to another standard. Nothing of this kind is to be expected. Exceptions to the seven-day rotation occur often enough to keep the mind of man from guessing too readily the great secrets which nature hides in the wind and the storm clouds.

NOTICE.

The Baird Company, Ltd.
RETAIL DEPARTMENT.

We have this day sold to Edgar W. Mair the stock in trade of our Retail Department. All amounts due in this department of The Baird Company Limited up to and including the Ninth day of November 1902, are to be paid to them and since that date to E. W. Mair, who will also pay all bills owing by the retail department since November 9th, 1902.

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