

## LOCAL TOPICS.

TODAY is Ash Wednesday.

The Local Legislature will meet for the dispatch of business on March 3rd.

Now is your opportunity to purchase your Table Linens and White Wear, before the advance in prices at B. B. Manzer's Sale.

W. DUPPA N. SMITH has retired from the firm of B. H. Smith & Sons, and hereafter the business will be conducted by the other partner, C. Allan Smith, under the old firm name.

The Valentine Social held in the Parish Hall of St. Luke's church on Monday evening last was well attended and a very pleasant evening was spent. The proceeds amounted to over \$25 00.

REV. W. F. CHAPMAN, the esteemed pastor of St. John the Baptist church, St. John, has been appointed Vicar-General for the diocese of St. John, in place of the late Very Rev. Monsignor Connolly.

WHILE THE MANUFACTURERS LIFE shows an increase of 50 per cent. in surplus it shows a decrease in expense ratio. Consequently for absolutely safe insurance and large profits insure in company.

The ladies of St. Paul's church intend holding a Bean Supper in the basement of the church, on Friday evening from 5 to 7 o'clock, 19th February. Home-made candy sold during the evening. Admission 25 cents.

ROBERT WATSON representing the British American Book and Tract Society is doing work in Carleton County. After spending some time in the lower part of the County he left for Florenceville on Friday and will work his way up to Victoria County.

ON Tuesday night a number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. L. Ketchum gathered at their residence and by way of a surprise helped them celebrate the twelfth anniversary of their wedding. The visitors presented Mr. and Mrs. Ketchum with a very handsome dinner set.

In the hockey match on Thursday evening last between the University of New Brunswick team and Woodstock, our boys were victorious by a score of 6 to 1. Although the score looks a little one-sided, the play was sharp and interesting and was much enjoyed by the number of people in attendance.

W. S. SAUNDERS, expects to move to Fredericton about May 1st, as he will find that city a better centre from which to fulfil his duties as provincial manager of the London Life Insurance Co. He desires to rent his house on Connell St. Mr. Saunders and his family will be very much missed in Woodstock.

REV. J. D. WETMORE has been assisting Pastor Fash in special evangelistic services in the Baptist church. There is a deep spiritual interest in the meetings. The meetings will continue this week on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings and Mr. Wetmore will be present and speak at some of the services. The interest is increasing. The meetings are for the public.

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS MCCAIN of Florenceville arrived in Woodstock on Friday night from the west. Since they left home last April they have spent five months with Mrs. McCain's father, Dr. Wiley, at Tillamook, Oregon, and four months with Mr. McCain's brother, Hamilton McCain, who has a large ranch at Halleck Station, Nevada. They also spent three weeks with Mr. McCain's cousin, Mrs. Andrews, at Cherokee, Iowa.

THE best shots in the rifle association in No. 8 military district are: Sgt. W. S. Colbourne, C Squadron, 8th Hussars; F. B. Stuart, Moncton; G. Pendleton, West Isles; A. E. Fountain, King Edward; A. G. Wells, Cumberland; F. W. Smith, Marysville; Capt. J. L. Frost, 62nd Regt; A. B. Murray, Stanley; W. J. Coates, Restigouche; Capt. J. H. Manning, St. John; G. A. Keith, Woodstock; H. Tracey, Lakeville; Lt. R. T. Fredericton. —Globe.

N. E. KIERSTAD of Fredericton was in Woodstock last Thursday when he bought W. F. Glidden's pacing mare, Bridgewater Girl, 2314. Mr. Kierstead bought her to mate Eel River Boy, a pacer sired by G. Fred Plummer's Robbie Lee Jr., raised by John Trombley of Newburg, and sold by Mr. Glidden to John Hatt of Marysville last year. Mr. Kierstead has in these two horses a pair of pacers that can show a mile in double harness in 2:30.

WHILE handling wood at Connell Bros. electric light station, Hamilton Johnston found an envelope which had been carefully thrust into the wood pile. It was addressed to John Graham, Woodstock, and had been opened. It contained a letter from the Imperial Oil Company, St. John, and a check for \$19 50, both dated Nov. 15, 1901. It had been mailed at St. John on Nov. 16, 1901 and received at the office at Woodstock on the same day. It had apparently been stolen from Mr. Graham's post office box and the thief, finding that it contained nothing he could make use of hid it in the woodpile.

## A WORD TO MOTHERS.

If the children haven't been Photographed lately,

Is it not your duty to have it done NOW?

They have no voice in the matter, but in years to come they will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

**KEITH'S STUDIO,**  
Main Street, Woodstock.

## Prescription Accuracy.

If you can tell us of any device or method which will enable us to be more accurate than now, we will thank you for doing so.

We fill every prescription exactly as it is written, and our prices are fair and just, never excessive.

We invite your Prescription Trade.

**E. W. Mair,** The Prescription Druggist,  
Cor. Main and King Sts.

J. R. MURPHY who has been confined to his bed is able to be out again.

The leap year skating party in the ice rink on Monday evening last was well patronized and was a very enjoyable affair.

THERE will be a meeting of Woodstock Royal Arch Chapter in Masonic Hall to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. Royal Arch degree.

FIVE cases of New Linens, Napkins, Towels, Sheetings, and Pillow Cottons opened today, for the great Linen and White Wear Sale at B. B. Manzer's.

THE three Shorthorn calves, only 9 and 10 months old sold by N. F. Phillips of Pembroke at the Maritime Auction at Amherst on the fifth, brought an average price of \$86 00. A pretty good figure for stock so young.

ROY M. WATT, who has several times suffered from an attack of appendicitis, will go to the hospital tomorrow afternoon and in a few days will undergo an operation for the removal of the vermiform appendix.

Don't miss the children's concert Thursday evening at the Salvation Army Hall, Connell street. A good time is expected. Besides drills, songs, solos, recitations and duets there will be a hoop drill by six little girls. Doors open at 7:15 p. m.

J. ALBERT PHILLIPS, who left here in very poor health last fall, has been living for the past six months in the health resort in the mountains in Pennsylvania, sleeping and living in the open air. He has fully regained his health and weighs about 160 pounds.

J. FRANK TILLEY is up river meeting the creditors of the Carleton Creamery Company and paying them in full for the milk delivered last season. The creamery plant has been bought by a new concern and will be conducted next season under different auspices.

A MEETING of Presbytery was held at Glassville Thursday evening last to receive the resignation of Rev. J. K. Bearisto. There were present the Rev. G. D. Ireland who presided, the Rev. Mr. Archibald of Richmond, and the Rev. Mr. Anderson of Andover. The resignation was accepted. Mr. Bearisto has been pastor of this charge for twenty-one years. He has just completed a fine church at a cost of three thousand dollars, and during the year past thirty-three members have been added to his church. It is expected that the Glassville congregation will grant Mr. Bearisto a retiring annuity.

THE WEEKLY MAIL of Kootenay, B. C., contains the following news from Enderby, B. C.: "The Okanagan Lumber Co., who purchased S. C. Smith's mill, are putting in a plant capable of turning out 60,000 a day. They have an unlimited supply of logs on the Spallumcheen river and in the Mabel Lake country. This industry is, under the management of Mr. Hale, becoming one of the foremost lumbering enterprises in the province. Enderby seems to be on the eve of a boom. New businesses are being started, and new buildings going up all round. Houses are at a premium." Mr. Hale is F. H. Hale, M. P., for Carleton County, N. B.

## Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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## Rev. Dr. John Watt.

Rev. Dr. John Watt of Anderson Church, Glasgow, died suddenly in Edinburgh on the 29th ult. He was a native of Kintore, Aberdeenshire, and had a distinguished career as a student at Aberdeen University. After being ordained to the ministry in his 27th year he became minister of the parish of Whitburn, where he remained eight years. Dr. Watt was then translated to Anderson Parish Church, Glasgow, the charge he was filling at the time of his death. He was an acknowledged leader in the Presbytery of Glasgow.—Scottish American.

The Rev. Dr. John Watt was a cousin of J. H. Watt of the railway mail service. He will be remembered by many of the residents of Kintore, Glassville and the Scotch Settlements on the Tobique, many of whom were born in Kintore and will remember Mr. Watt as a boy.

## TO LET

The residence on Connell street now occupied by me. House in good repair, bath, furnace, etc. Barn, garden and orchard in connection. Apply on premises to W. S. SAUNDERS, Connell street.

## PERSONAL.

Miss Carrie Winslow, Fredericton, is visiting Miss A. G. Connell.

Miss Sarah Porington, of Calais, is visiting her uncle, John Tattersall.

A. B. Connell, K. C., and E. B. Carvell went to Ottawa on Saturday on business.

Miss Clara Dickinson returned on Saturday from a two weeks' visit to Fredericton.

James G. Stevens and W. H. C. Grimmer, of St. Stephen, were in Woodstock on Friday.

Mrs. J. M. Aiken, who has been visiting her mother, returned to Amherst on Friday evening.

H. Paxton Baird was in Boston last week. He was accompanied on his return by his daughter, Miss Ethel Baird.

Miss Bessie McLaughlin who went to Fredericton last week to attend the Convocation at the University of New Brunswick, is visiting her friend Mrs. John Oldham there.

## RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

The first blow in the war between Japan and Russia was struck on Monday night, February 8th, about 12 o'clock, when torpedo boats of the Japanese fleet sailed into the outer roads of the harbor at Port Arthur and put out of commission two Russian battleships and a protected cruiser.

The second clash took place on Tuesday morning at Chemulpo where a Japanese squadron met and destroyed a Russian protected cruiser and a gunboat.

It is very difficult to get further authentic news of the war just now. Port Arthur is blockaded and the Japanese are preparing to attack the town from the landward side.

It would appear that in a further bombardment of Port Arthur the Russians lost a number of other vessels and the Japanese did not escape unscathed, losing some torpedo boats and some officers and men.

The Japanese are landing troops in Korea where they have things pretty much their own way.

The Russian Vladivostok fleet has sailed south and captured two merchant ships and has done some damage at seaport towns in northern Japan.

Reports that Japanese engineers or Chinese free lances have blown up bridges on the Manchurian railway are not authenticated.

As things stand at present the Japanese have control of the sea and are preparing to get in their work on the land.

## NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of the late John McAfee are required to file the same properly attested to with the undersigned Administrators within one month from this date. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this ninth day of February, 1904.  
MARGARET MCAFEE,  
MINNIE MCAFEE,  
Administrators of the Estate of the Late John McAfee.  
Feb. 17, 3i.

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## House For Sale Or To Rent.

The premises in Grafton recently occupied by Mr. Wallace Gibson, consisting of house, ell and stables, all new and in good condition, for sale or to rent. Possession given any time. For particulars apply to LOUIS E. YOUNG, Barrister.  
Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 25, 1904.

## MAHOGANY FURNITURE BY PRIVATE SALE.

Bureaus, high post bedstead, armchairs, chairs, couches, sofas, tables, marble top, marble top wash stand, side board, set of dining tables, etc. JAMES T. SMITH, Cedar Street.  
Feb. 2, 11.

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Feb. 1-11, 11.

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