

Local Topics.

THE Imperial Packing is at present employing 37 hands.

THE MISSES GALLAGHER'S Opening takes place Thursday October 10 and following days.

THE engagement is announced of Miss Annie Stevens, daughter of the late Hon. Judge Stevens, to E. G. Vroom.—St. Croix Courier.

GIBSON & ROSS have rented the upper store in the Young building and will move in about the first of November. Their present store will be occupied by the Express Company.

GEORGE W. B. INGRAHAM of Temple, York Co., left by Wednesday evening's express last week for a visit among relatives in Easthampton, Holyoke, and North Adams Mass.

CARD OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton wish to tender thanks to their friends for their kind assistance and sympathy during their recent bereavement.

WM. BOONE of this town has gone to Woodstock where he will take charge of the C. P. R. yard in that town. Bill recently resigned as yardmaster for the B. & A. in Houlton.—Houlton Pioneer.

THE meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary which was to have been held on Wednesday last, was postponed and will be held this afternoon at 2 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. A. W. H. y. A full attendance is requested.

WHEN you buy a suit case take it to Fred L. Moore the painter, on Connell Street, and have your initials neatly painted on it. This will make it very much easier for you to identify it, and some day may prevent your losing it.

THE Rev. J. H. McDonald, of Fredericton, preached at both services in the Albert Street Baptist church on Sunday last. Dr. Kierstead took Mr. McDonald's services and in the afternoon preached to the university students.

MRS. WM. LOVE, of Glassville wishes the public to note the fact that she is now displaying a pleasing line of fall millinery; latest styles and prices right, including the fashionable college or "skidoo" hats. Call and examine our stock.

THERE will be a Basket Social held in the Grafton Hall, Thursday evening next Oct. 10th at 7.30 by the Grafton Union Sunday School. There will be a program and gramophone selections before the sale. All are cordially invited.

THOMAS CONNOLLY of Benton died of typhoid pneumonia in the Woodstock Hospital on Friday, aged 45 years, leaving a wife and adopted son. The funeral took place yesterday at Debec under the auspices of the Canadian Order of Foresters.

MRS. BARKER, wife of Archibald Barker, died at her home in Sheffield last Wednesday night after a lingering illness. She was seventy five years old. She is survived by a husband, one daughter, Miss Annie Barker, a missionary to Turkey, and two sons, Ward, of Lakeville, Carleton County and Percy of Sheffield.

I HAVE often wondered why people admired mignonette, and planted it. I have never seen a specimen of the plant with a pretty foliage, and the crude attempts at blossoms have always been without either form or colour, and as to odour, I have found pigweed far more fragrant. Will some one please tell me wherein lies the beauty of mignonette.

WILLIAM HENRY KIRKPATRICK, a well known resident of Debec, committed suicide on Saturday by taking carbolic acid. The body was found in the barn a short time after. Mr. Kirkpatrick had been in failing health for a number of years and had become melancholy of late. Deceased leaves a wife and two daughters, who have the sympathy of the community.

MRS. LUNT, wife of Enoch Lunt, who for some years kept a hotel at Lunt's Ferry, died Friday morning after a lingering illness. She was about fifty years of age and is survived by her husband and one daughter. She also leaves four sisters—Mrs. Zebadiah Wright, Mrs. Alonzo Barker, Fredericton; Mrs. Edmund Good, Milltown; and Mrs. London, Boston; and two brothers—Havelock, of Kingsclear, and Charles of Jacksonville, Carleton county.—St. John Globe.

LAST week we received from the laboratory of the department of Inland Revenue bulletins dealing with maple sugar and with maple syrup. Out of 20 samples of sugar purchased in New Brunswick 18 were genuine and two adulterated, but the adulterated samples were bought from stock that had been imported from Quebec. Out of 20 samples of syrup bought in the province 18 were found genuine, one doubtful and one adulterated. The adulterated sample was made in Charlotte County and the doubtful one came from Prince Edward Island. The only samples that were manufactured in Carleton County were one of sugar by Mr. McNally of Beechwood and one of syrup by Clifford Everett of Woodstock, both of which were genuine.

GALLAGHER BROS. returned on Monday from Halifax with their two horses, "Marguerite" and "Prince Alfondly." They were met at the lower station by the 67th band and a large number of their friends. A large wreath of maple leaves was put on Marguerite's neck and a procession was formed and started up town. Crowds cheered the horses all the way up on the line of March until they reached the stable. Marguerite has been on the race track almost constantly for the past two months, and although she has been up against the speediest horses in her class she has had a succession of victories such as fall to the lot of very few horses. James Gallagher, the driver, is to be congratulated on the way he handled the little mare. Prince Alfondly, although not successful to the same extent, is made of the right stuff and has no doubt a bright future ahead of him. "Thos. J.," T. J. Boyers horse, who also took part in the races, was in the procession. Thos. J. made a record of 2.28.

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McKinney--McSheffrey.

St. Gertrude's church was the scene of a pretty wedding early Sunday morning when Augustus O. McKinney and Miss Sarah May McSheffrey were quietly married by Rev. F. J. McMurray. The bride was becomingly attired in a dress of gray cloth with trimmings of lace and wore a white hat trimmed with plumes and ribbon. She was attended by Julia A. Griffin who wore a dress of pale blue cashmere and white hat. Bernard Kelly supported the groom. After the ceremony a delicious luncheon was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alden McKinney, the groom's parents, previous to the departure of the happy couple to their future home in Newbridge.

Davidson--Day.

This evening at 8 o'clock James Frederick Davidson, one of Woodstock's popular and thriving young business men, and Miss Carrie Alberta Day will be united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. R. G. Fulton officiating. The bride's dress is of gray eolienne with trimmings of velvet and chiffon and under dress of gray silk. Owing to a recent death in the bride's family the ceremony will be a quiet one. Misses Abbie and Nellie Montgomery, cousins of the bride will be in attendance.

Town Council.

The regular monthly meeting of the town council was held on Monday evening. Outside of the regular routine work there was very little business to be transacted.

The town treasurer's report was read and showed expenditures for the month of September to be \$2257.27 and receipts \$1258.21. For nine months ending September the expenditures were \$30878.25 and receipts \$25862.20.

The town marshal's report for September showed that \$308.06 had been collected in taxes.

A letter was received from E. K. Connell, secretary to school trustees, asking that the council regulate the age when children come under the compulsory school act, so that the marshal will be able to carry out the enforcement of the act.

Mr. Colwell, manager for the Yerxa grocery store, in a letter complained that the license fee of \$60 charged by the town, was excessive and asked for a rebate on next year's taxes. Referred to the license committee.

At the request of Mr. Watson, the road from his residence at the end of Chapel street will be extended through to Connell street.

Mrs. George J. Purl.

The many friends of Mrs. George J. Purl will be pained to hear of her sudden death at the Beverly Hospital, Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 24th. Mrs. Purl was a very estimable lady and a devout Christian. She was a member of the Dane Street church, Maternal society, King's Daughters, Sunday school, and took an active part in all the work of the church. She leaves besides her husband, two sons and a daughter, one day old; a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Blackie of Benton, N. B., two sisters, Mrs. Duncan MacKinnon of Lowell, Mrs. Howard T. Caldwell of this city, and one brother, A. M. Blackie, also of Lowell.—Beverly paper.

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PERSONAL.

Miss Dolly Brown, of Boston, is visiting her parents.

Mrs. M. G. McLean is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. M. Case, Chicago.

Walter Sprague, of Hartland, spent Sunday in town with his parents.

Miss Eva Newcombe is in Bangor attending the Chapman festival chorus.

Miss Stella Hallet, of Millville, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Gibson.

Mrs. W. W. Saunders, St. John, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. F. W. Nevers.

Miss Bessie Sanderson, Toronto, is the guest of the Misses Rankin, Grafton.

Mrs. A. Place, Waltham, Mass., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Robert Montgomery.

Miss Jean Garden is taking the arts course at the University of New Brunswick.

Mrs. Alfred Merrithew is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nehemiah Gilman, Pokioke.

The Rev. Arthur Ross will occupy the pulpit of St. Paul's church for the next two Sundays.

A. Retallick, of the C. P. R. office, left on Sept. 28th, for a month's visit to Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Matheson have taken rooms in George W. Gibson's house for the winter.

George Clark, Fredericton, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clark, Houlton Road.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carson, of St. Stephen, spent Sunday in town, guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Newcombe.

Mrs. C. K. F. Dibblee and Miss Marion Dibblee left on Friday for Quebec where they will spend the winter.

The Rev. George D. Ireland, Mrs. Ireland and two children left for Fredericton Monday to spend two weeks.

Mrs. G. R. Anderson and Miss Nellie Hunt, of Halifax, who have been visiting in Woodstock, returned home on Friday.

Miss Helen Dibblee, who had been attending the ladies' college in Chicago for the past year, returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. George Elders.

Mrs. Mary Jane, wife of George Elder, of Salmon creek, Chipman, died there last Friday. She was a daughter of the late Charles McDougal, of Kirkland, Carleton county, and is survived by her husband, who is an agent of the Canadian Bible Society; two sons and two daughters, one brother, Allen, in Kirkland, and one sister, Mrs. Andrew Haslam, of Vancouver (B. C.). The late Mrs. Elder was prominent in church work. She was a life member of the Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society, and in every way was a consistent member of the Reformed Presbyterian church. Bright's disease was the cause of death.

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