

## The Rockwood Review.

AT LAST Portsmouth has decided to make an advance along the line so long advocated by THE REVIEW, and Aberdeen Park, under the energetic direction of the Reeve, is to become a credit to the village. If the villagers will back up Mr. Fisher and follow his example, there is no reason why thousands of visitors who pass this park in the summer will not remember it as one of the prettiest spots about Kingston. It has been suggested, that as soon as feasible, the residents who desire to aid in the improvement scheme should be asked to plant trees and see that they are properly cared for and protected for a year or so. Before this can be done satisfactorily, a by-law should be passed, prohibiting cattle from wandering at large, otherwise it will be useless to expect the roaming bovines to refrain from luxuriating on tender maple and elm sprouts. We know by bitter experience that these animals will essay anything in the eating line from clam shells to wire nails. The day has passed it is said when an Alderman's success at the polls depends on his attitude towards the cow and goose by-law. In the meanwhile let us congratulate Rerve Fisher on the "h istle" he has developed.

THE KINGSTON NEWS thinks that all the available material in the matrimonial line in Portsmouth is being used up by the half dozen or so approaching marriages. The reporter who wrote the item should remember that Rockwood is within the limits of the village, and the Nurses at the Hospital occasionally extend invitations to their friends and admirers, when they give a dance. It is questionable, after the sweeping assertion made, whether that youthful reporter will be able to qualify as either.

MR. HUGH ROSS has been reading up the literature of hydrophobia with a good deal of interest, and wonders how it was in the

days of old the plague of dogs was not thought of as a punishment in Egypt. There is a move on foot to have Rockwood annexed to Kingston, simply for the purpose of receiving the benefits of the new dog by-law. It would cause no bad feeling when put in force, simply because it would hit no one, for strange to say no matter how many dogs are to be seen about here, no one pleads ownership—especially when the assessor is on his rounds.

OTTERBURN PENRICE alias "Bill," Dr. Forster's well known shadow, took everything worth winning in the Pug Classes at Montreal, while Mr. Ford's Candidate did the same thing among fox terriers. These winners are magnificent specimens. If there had been any prizes though, just for good ordinary yellow dogs we could have won everything in sight by sheer force of numbers.

LAST month a good deal of doubt was expressed as to the truth of the items detailing some of the clever sayings of well known patients. They were short of the truth, because not half as full of humor as the original remarks seemed, when Pat garnished them by his rich brogue and animated them by that merry eye twinkle so peculiarly his own. If we were to attempt to exhaust the subject of anecdotes connected with some of the well known characters we should undertake a severe task. The Old Duke of York, who died a few years ago was a prolific source of amusement to a church congregation, as well as the cause of embarrassment to the parson, when in a critical frame of mind. The Duke was well aware of the fact that it is considered very bad form to say what you think during a clergyman's discourse, but that did not deter him from following the line a stern sense of duty dictated. Of course people have been heard to criticize sermons out of church, but it is