

MILFORD.

Excavations for the pipes of the Water company has begun in earnest. Claffin street from Franklin street to the residence of Mr. E. L. Wires has been put in charge of men who are digging the trench, but the progress is very slow, the entire length of the cut, with the exception of three or four rods, being through coarse granite and a quartz-flint rock which resists the hardest drills, and heavy blasts appear to have but little effect. The foreman in charge states that it is the worst job he ever encountered during a long experience in such work. The cut will have to be about five feet deep. There is prospect of an unusual quantity of rock cutting in different parts of the town, and this may in a measure delay the introduction of water. The dam is completed at the supply reservoir in Hayden Row. Its height is 25 feet, length 1000 feet, the width on top is five feet and at the bottom 19 feet. One thousand yards of stone and 850 barrels of cement were used in its construction. Water will pass from this reservoir through an iron pipe 24 inches in diameter to a canal, and thence to the pumping station.