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THE SYNOD AND D. C. S.

WHERE THE PARSONS CAN BE FOUND WHEN WANTED.

A Large Number of Clergy and Laymen Present.—First Meeting Ever Held out of St. John or Fredericton.—Ordination Service will be held Next Sunday.

The meeting of the Church of England Synod and Diocesan Church Society in Woodstock, is an event of much interest, not only to churchmen, but to citizens generally. When it was decided to have these meetings in other places than St. John and Fredericton, the delegates appear to have taken kindly to the proposal to meet in Woodstock. And now they are here in full force.

The D. C. S. is the older of the two societies. It was founded many years ago—indeed before a bishop was appointed to New Brunswick, when the diocese of Fredericton was an arch-deaconry. It is the missionary society of the church.

The Synod was formed in 1871. A good many people will remember the Bishop Colonso matter. He was bishop of Natal, and when he was found guilty of preaching doctrine held to be heretical by the church of which he was a bishop, it was decided to remove him. But it was found on appeal to the Privy Council that the royal patent under which he held his appointment was of no value, and neither could his salary be cut off or his see taken from him.

This decision affected all colonial bishops, and the contention that the Church of England in the colonies was a part of the established church at home was to use an expression more striking than classic, "knocked into a cocked hat." So, it became necessary to form a synod, and the Anglicans of New Brunswick, perceiving the position in which they were, organized in July, 1871. The synod deals with the affairs of the church in matters relating to discipline, order and good government.

During this session it is hoped to complete the plan already laid out for the amalgamation of the two societies.

Yesterday afternoon there was a meeting of the general committee of the Diocesan Church Society, and in the evening a public missionary meeting was held in the town hall. The Lord Bishop presided, and among the speakers were the Ven. Archdeacon Briggstone, Rev. S. E. Lloyd, Mr. Justice Hanington.

This morning there will be a meeting of the synod in the parish hall. For the convenience of the people who may wish to pay their respects to the clergy, a list of the clergy in attendance on the synod, and their addresses while in town is given.

On Sunday next, there will be an ordination service at 11 o'clock in the morning, when two candidates will be admitted to the diaconate. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon a confirmation service will be held, and the usual service will be held at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Names of Clergy.	Where Staying.
The Bishop,	Rectory.
W B Armstrong,	Dr Griffith.
J F Bryan,	W B Belyea.
A F B Burt,	Mrs Hugh Davis.
Wm Burns and wife,	Mrs Augherton.
J Roy Campbell,	J H Wilbur.
W S Covert,	W F Dibblee.
A J Creswell,	W H DeVeber.
H E Dibblee,	Livingstone Dibblee.
J M Davenport,	W H DeVeber.
A J H Dicker & sister,	H S Wright.
A D A Dewdney,	D F Merritt.
W Eatough,	Mrs Dr Smith.
J E Flewelling,	David Hipwell.
Canon Forsyth,	Mrs Dr Connell.
C H Fullerton,	Ernest Simonsen.
E H Hackenley,	Wilbur House.
S J Hanford,	W F Dibblee.
C S Hanington,	Mrs Chas Connell.
N Hansen,	W P Jones.
N M Hansen,	Rectory.
E B Hooper,	J T Garden.
J R Hopkins,	J T Garden.
L A Hoyt,	J J Bedell.
E S Hurler,	C W Raymond.
W Jaffrey,	T Tapley.
Canon Ketchum,	J D Ketchum.
H W Little,	Exchange hotel.
G E Lloyd,	Geo Anderson.
Mr Lea,	Geo Anderson.
R Mathers,	W H DeVeber.
J W Millidge,	Mrs Chas Dibblee.
H Montgomery,	John Graham.
H B Morris,	John Stewart.
A B Murray,	O M Carman.
W L McKeil,	Mrs A B Bull.
O S Newnham,	W B Belyea.
J R S Parkinson,	J T A Dibblee.
H T Parlee,	Mrs Gable.
D W Pickett,	Zeb Connors.
W O Raymond,	C W Raymond.
Canon Roberts,	Mrs Chas Connell.
W H Sampson,	G A Taylor.
A W Smithers,	G A Taylor.
R E Smith,	W M Connell.
H M Spike,	Exchange hotel.
J H S Sweet,	Mrs Chas Dibblee.
A W Teed,	Richmond.
E A Warneford,	B H Smith.
C A S Warneford,	Geo Robinson.
D J Wetmore,	Exchange hotel.
H F E Whalley,	The "Grove."
W J Wilkinson,	The "Grove."
C F Wiggins,	Mrs Dr Connell.
Jno deSoyres,	John C Winslow.
Arch Briggstocke,	Mrs Chas Connell.
A J Reid,	J J Bedell.
A A Shipper,	G N A Barnham.
A H Weeks,	Wm Glew.

C O'Dell Baylee,
W H Street,
Scovil Neales,

A B Connell,
W H Everett,
Mrs A B Bull.

FORESTERS ATTEND SERVICE.

The March to Church in a Body and hear a Sermon from Mr. Marshall.

The members of Court Regina, No. 652, Independent Order of Foresters, met at their rooms on Sunday evening and from thence marched to the Methodist church to engage in public worship. About seventy men are enrolled in Court Regina, and in spite of the rain considerably more than half this number marched in the ranks.

The flowers on the pulpit and tables in the church gave evidence of the fact that some Methodist ladies were interested in the Foresters. The church was filled to the last notch of its seating capacity. In the absence of Dr. Kirkpatrick, Miss Ida Connell presided at the organ. Her first voluntary, a march, was particularly fine.

It was Mr. Marshall's last service as pastor of the church, and he was to say farewell to his flock as well as to his brother Foresters.

The theme of his discourse was our love for God, which he thought was exemplified by love towards our fellow men. He was saying farewell to his church and to the order and if he had thought that there was anything in the principle of the one organization conflicting with those of the other, he would not have officiated in his two fold capacity that evening. But he said to the Foresters: "You are co-workers with the church. There are objections raised to your order; but there are objections raised to everything on the earth. Every human sin has its root in human selfishness; everything that tends to develop unselfishness tends to weaken sin. The fundamental principle of the Foresters is the encouragement of a feeling of brotherhood and self abnegation and so you are working in harmony with the teachings of Christ."

He thought the spirit that prompted a man to insure his life was a Christlike spirit, prompted by a desire to preserve those, to whom he was bound by the very strongest ties, from want. He thought the church and the Foresters might learn something from each other. He would like to see the Foresters assume spiritual functions and clasp hands with the church.

Then Mr Marshall spoke of his work as a pastor. He had tried to be true to himself and to exemplify the teaching of the Saviour. He might have failed. He spoke of the slightly unpleasant circumstances surrounding his arrival as pastor here, but had good words to say for everyone with whom he came in contact, for their kindly words and acts. He had received great assistance from the recording steward of the church and from the officers of the Sabbath school. He had his audience with him particularly, in the good things he said about the choir.

In conclusion he said adieu to his church and congregation, and to the Foresters, urging on their notice the responsibilities under which they labored.

Mr. Marshall will leave Woodstock bearing with him the good wishes of all classes and conditions of men.

Early Closing.

There has been a good deal of dissatisfaction among the merchants of late over the matter of early closing. Each has been watching the other pretty closely to find out if his fellow merchant is sticking to the letter as well as to the spirit of the arrangement. On Monday evening things appear to have come to a focus. One or two of the leading dealers on Main street, were in favor of an exception being made of the evening of Dominion day, which fell this year on an early closing night. This suggestion was a purely philanthropic one, in order that people from outside who came to town for the races might have a chance of purchasing such things as they were in need of. Anyway one dry goods man announced his intention of opening out, and did so, then his fellow merchants followed suit, and they all claim that they did an extra fine business. But there are likely to be "wigs on the green" if the thing happens again.

Do They Own the Earth?

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

Sir,—About half a dozen persons own fishing rights on the main South West Miramichi river in Carleton and York counties. In some unaccountable way these parties have induced the Inspector of Fisheries to appoint seven men, paid out of the dominion treasury, to guard this private property, and when the rate payers of the country go on the river, though they fish with a fly, as the dominion statute allows, these paid servants of the dominion, acting for the private parties who control their appointment, though they get their pay from the public chest, drive away the men who with other taxpayers pay their wages.

THE RACES AT THE PARK.

BIG CROWD IN ATTENDANCE AND GOOD DAY'S SPORT.

Daisy Knox, Brown Stout and B. D. Chase's Horse Won First Money—Only One Arrest Made.—Misunderstanding Over Farmer's Race.

The second day of July was utilized in Woodstock this year for all the uses and purposes that have heretofore marked the first day of the month, and this, for the reason that the first fell on Sunday. The day opened its eye warm and pleasant. A large number of people from the surrounding country found their way into town in anticipation of viewing a good horse race. Soon after dinner scattering groups were seen moving towards the Park, and coaches, carriages and other vehicles rushed past them at a smart pace. The grounds were well filled and presented a lively appearance. In the judges stand the stalwart form of J. R. Murphy was to be seen surrounded by the judges of the day and members of the press, Dr. Rankin was timer. The judges were Councillor G. H. Corbett, of Wilnot; Dr. Hand, Woodstock; and L. T. Clouff, Houlton. Dr. Hand officiated as starter.

The first race called was the 2.45 class. Five horses drove under the wire, F. Brown's Daisy Knox, driven by Wm. Worthly; Electric, driven by his owner, H. P. Birmingham; Duncan Johnston's Nellie, driven by N. D. Lister; Electricity, driven by his owner T. C. Kelly; and Margaret S., driven by her owner C. H. Rideout. In the first heat Daisy Knox won easily in 2.40½, Electricity and Nellie had a tight go for second place, Electricity getting it by half a head, and Electric dropped well behind, to the surprise of everyone. Daisy Knox won the second heat in 2.44 with Nellie second and Margaret S. third. Nellie trotted like the little brick she is, never raising her nose, though Nick gave her several good ones with the whalebone. In the third heat Mr. Birmingham got good work from Electric from the very first and brought him under the wire in 2.44 leading the van. Daisy Knox lost badly by breaking, but when she straightened away she covered the ground in good style and came in second closely followed by Nellie. Then came the tug of war, Daisy Knox won in 2.40 with Electric second and Nellie third.

Four horses started in the 2.37 class; Brown Stout, a pacer, Jim Grey, Rhoda W. and Oscar Wilde. In every heat Brown Stout took the lead and kept it, winning each heat in 2.38½, 2.39½ and 2.40½ respectively. Jim Grey, who drove in second in every heat, gave him a good race in the second. Rhoda W. took third money. Brown Stout belongs to T. C. Kelly, Jim Grey to H. P. Birmingham and Rhoda W. to J. E. Burnham. The third heat was remarkable from the fact that the horses got off the first time much to the surprise of judges and drivers.

When the Farmers' race was called there was some excitement on the course. William Hopkins, of Jacksonville, had entered a grey gelding, Tommy H., and appeared under the judges stand to contest the race. He called the attention of the judges to the fact that two of the sulkeys were filled by professional drivers contrary to the rule governing the Farmer's race. The judges referred Mr. Hopkins to Mr. Murphy as the proper person to rectify the evil. Mr. Murphy was at this time putting Lord Dufferin over the track at a staving gait, and it was some little time before he could be got at. When he appeared on the scene Mr. Ezra Briggs of Bellville, presented the case from the farmer's point of view, stating the rules that should govern the race as they were printed on a poster sent him by Mr. Murphy. The rules were that every horse entered should be a farmer's horse, and should be driven by his owner. On this presentation of the case Dr. Hand called up the drivers and told them that every sulkey must be filled by the owner of the horse. This was greeted by loud cheers of approval. The doctor called on Mr. Nevers to vacate and give place to Mr. Flemming, the owner of the horse he drove. Bill modestly responded that he would gladly give place to a better man than himself, and Mr. Flemming stepped into the seat looking fully able to win half a dozen races. This arrangement satisfied everyone and the race went on. Ben Chase's bay gelding won first money, making the last heat in 2.59. R. B. Burleigh's Topsy R. won second, and H. P. Birmingham's White Stockings won third.

Pneumatic tires were common on the track in all races except the farmers in which only one such sulky appeared.

Only one little squabble disturbed the

afternoon, and that one did not amount to much. The police force were on hand in a second and stopped the fuss.

Mr. Miller, mounted on a bicycle, had a quarter mile brush with Daisy Knox. The result of this race has not yet been decided by the judges, though Miller strongly insists that he should have first money.

It was a hot day and the refreshment booths did a good trade. At time of going to press no one has been heard abusing the management of the day, so it is supposed that it was satisfactory. The decisions of the judges were uniformly respected and well they might have been. Nick Lister did grumble a little at one decision, but he was not unreasonable.

SMITH MERSEREAU.

He has been Lying in Bed for Months, away from Home and Family.

Looking back from the end of June to the 22nd day of February, it seems a long time, even to those of us who are in full possession of health, and have no serious ailment or trouble to put up with. To Smith Mersereau who now lies in a room in the Exchange hotel, minus one leg, and with the other only made anything but useless through the indefatigable exertions of his faithful doctor, the time seems long and weary indeed. He was injured in the collision on the C. P. R. near Newburg Junction last winter on the date above mentioned. It was cold, cold weather, and the poor fellow had to lie, all crushed and helpless, until he could be cut out of the wreck. Then he had to bear the ride on the cars to Woodstock, and after he got here the necessarily painful and weakening surgical operation, which, however, has been the means of his recovery.

Mersereau is an old railroad man, having served some seven or eight years on the road. For a long while he was in charge of all the water tanks along the road, and later on was on the bridge repairs staff. He was called from his regular work to go on the wrecking train, on the 22nd of February last, which got so seriously wrecked itself.

For weeks and weeks he was not able to stir in his bed, and the doctor had little hopes of his ultimate recovery. It is no wonder that the poor fellow looks back to those days with dread, and shudders as he thinks of them. He has a wife and five children living at Fredericton Junction, and before his accident had a snug little home, and was doing as well as any man in the ordinary wear and tear of life could hope to do.

His wife has been to see him several times, and he is pining for a sight of the little ones. A few more weeks and he, in all human probability, will be in their midst again, and although somewhat maimed and crippled, it will be a happy reunion for the father and his family.

The people of Woodstock have done everything they could to make Mersereau's trying lot as comfortable as possible, and he has nothing but good to say of his treatment.

The C. P. R. company, it is understood, have paid his bills to date, and will no doubt see that an old servant, injured for life in the service, will, when he is able to get about, find work to keep him and his family from want.

Cheese Factories.

Prof. Robertson, dairy commissioner, was in town on Saturday. He is engaged in the inspection of the cheese factories of this county.

In conversation with THE DISPATCH Prof. Robertson stated that seven new cheese factories and two creameries have been started in the province this year. Of these there are four cheese factories in Kings county and three in Kent county. A new creamery has been started in Kent, and one near Saint Stephen, Charlotte county. There are no creameries in Carleton county. Many of the cheese factories are now being built with machinery which may be adapted for the making of butter after the cheese season closes.

Marriage of Rev. H. E. Dibblee.

Rev. H. Dibblee of Manguerville was married this morning in St. George's church to Miss Ethel Forster, sister of Mrs. E. Bertram Hooper. The pulpit was beautifully decorated with natural flowers and the choir furnished suitable music. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, the Rev. Mr. Hooper, the marriage ceremony being performed by Rev. J. Roy Campbell of Dorchester. The bride looked charming, attired in pale Nile green and bearing a handsome bouquet of flowers. She will be greatly missed, especially in church circles in Moncton. The happy couple left on the day express for Halifax.—Star.

Mr. Dibblee, is the eldest son of Mr. Livingston Dibblee of Woodstock. He and his bride are now here visiting his parents. He has many friends who are to the front with hearty congratulations, and best wishes for Mr. and Mrs. Dibblee's future.

NOT FIT FOR A SCHOOL.

THAT SEEMS THE GENERAL IDEA OF THE COLLEGE BUILDING.

In Winter it is as Cold as a Barn, and it Never Knows a Healthy Temperature.—Panels of Glass are Not Replaced—Who is to Blame for all this?

A reporter of THE DISPATCH took advantage of the last days of term when the teachers were not very busy, to inspect the old college building and interviewed some of the teachers concerning its general condition. They were not very enthusiastic over the building in which they performed their labors. One is sorry to say, but then, that is no great surprise when one looks at the old affair.

The cellar under one room was open on the south and west sides all last winter. The wind drove through under the floor, up through the cracks into the room, and the teacher found it utterly impossible at any time during the day to get it heated to a healthful temperature. One teacher told THE DISPATCH that it was really painful to see the children, even those most warmly clad, suffer from the cold, and of course the case of the poor children who were insufficiently clothed was worse. "I have often had to suspend work in the morning and march the children about the room that they might by this means warm their feet. There were generally a few scholars standing at the stove in order to be comfortable. I did not mind the cold as much as the scholars did for I was moving about the room most of the time, but I always, since I have taught school in this building, have had a cold that lasted from fall till spring."

Another teacher said that the windows in her room were so loose that the wind had easy access to the room. "The window opposite my desk," she said, "was so loose last winter that while sitting there writing I could often in a heavy blow feel a fine spray of snow fall on my face. When a pane of glass is broken it is not replaced, but pieced and patched up and left; you see that one over there has been mended so. I doesn't present a very artistic appearance, does it?"

And then the ceilings. The plaster in one room had fallen, and the unsightly hole had been covered by a few pieces of carefully selected boards. Then the plaster all around the boards had fallen, and the boards remained, looking like as island in a sea of lath.

In one room the back of the stove was broken and it required a great deal of pedagogical ingenuity, assisted by a piece of tin, to keep the coal in the stove. The blackboards are in a shocking condition, some cracked, some peeling, and most of them too small, and inconveniently placed for efficient work. Blackboard rubbers are scarce, and a map is an absolute luxury.

It is safe to say that almost any horseman in Woodstock would hesitate to trust the health of his pet equine in so poorly preserved a building; at any rate he would cover the floor with straw in winter, a suggestion that might be followed by the Board of School Trustees, if the price of straw keeps down.

The large hall of the building is a very chilly place at any time of the year. The doors opening from this hall into the school rooms don't exactly fit the jambs. It was noticeable that in several of them there was an aperture of half an inch at the top of the door on one end, tapering gracefully to a point at the other end. In fact the building is supplied with quite as many modern facilities for catching a serious lung disease as for getting an education.

The place will be out of use now for about two months and there will be a good opportunity for placing it in some fair sort of repair for the coming winter. Of course all know that Woodstock is heavily in debt, and Mayor Hanson deserves credit for his energetic efforts to cut down expenses, but if there is one item of civic expenditure which Woodstock or any other bright intelligent town can't afford to reduce to a minimum it is that of public education.

The fault in this matter, perhaps, can't be laid at the door of any single trustee. Undoubtedly if the public were fully aware of the unhealthy condition of the place some vigorous action would be taken to remedy the evil.

Dominion Day.

The celebration of Dominion Day in town was not particularly lively, the only special attraction being the races of which an account is given elsewhere. Flags were displayed from the custom house, the Wilbur house and one or two private dwellings. It seems rather a pity that the citizens do not join in having one real good first-class public holiday in the year. The Americans put us to shame with their 4th of July celebration.