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THE WOODSTOCK DISPATCH.
WOODSTOCK, N. B., DEC. 25, 1895.

The time draws near the birth of Christ; The moon is hid, the night is still; The Christmas Bells from hill to hill, Answer each other through the mist.

The merry merry Bells of Yule.

CHRISTMAS.

THE DISPATCH extends the compliments of the season to its patrons and wishes them, one and all, a happy Christmas.

This is essentially a season of joy and goodwill. For a few days, at all events, we wish to keep in with the spirit of the occasion. If we have quarrels and grudges, which it is possible, with a due respect to our peace of mind, to allow to heal and die out, for the next few days, we might at least dismiss them from our thoughts.

Christmas is a very old festival. A writer says, the observance of the day on the 25th of December, dates back to the 5th century. In England, it has always been a great time for rejoicing, re-union and feasting. In the days of "merrie England," the feasting seems to have become the more conspicuous part of the observance of Christmas time, and we are told that the prior of the monks of St. Bernard reproved his order for paying too much attention to the festivities and too little to the solemn aspects of the time.

A good many people of the present day, are apt to make the same mistake as the monks of the olden time. To christian people, Christmas celebrates an event, stupendous and miraculous, nothing less than the coming of Deity, in human form to make his home among men. It marks, not alone, the birth of Christ but the birth of christianity as well. What we have to deplore is the lack of real christian spirit among nations and individuals twenty centuries after the Saviour of mankind was born. With the sweet chimes of the Christmas bells, ringing in the day of "peace and goodwill to men," our ears are scarcely able to catch the sound, by reason of discordant echoes telling of the possibility of war between the two foremost nations of the world.

At the dawn of the 20th century, the most awful massacre of christians, chronicled since the first martyrs sealed the faith with their blood, is taking place.

What sort of a Christmas will this be for the Armenians? Does it look to them as if the time of universal peace and goodwill had come?

We cannot turn our eyes on any human condition, without finding sorrow and suffering. To many people Christmas is a period of sorrowful remembrance. Of such was the late poet laureate when he wrote "In Memoriam." Others will say with him: "We live within a stranger's land; And strangely falls our Christmas eve."

While there must be sadness in store for many people even during the Christmas season, there is despair for none, but those who are utterly reprobate.

Christmas is great in the happiness it is meant to, and does confer of a temporal nature. But, its all triumphant message is for those who see, beyond the screen which divides our present and future, a state of being, where there is nothing to mar real joy, no discordant voice to interfere with perfect peace.

It lifts us above the animal and grants us a glimpse of immortality.

The Monroe doctrine has its drawbacks according to a missionary in Turkey, writing to a friend, and whose letters was recently published in the Montreal Witness. The writer speaking of the persecutions of christians says, if it wasn't for the Monroe doctrine, America could turn in with England, and prevent the awful massacres in Armenia.

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Woodstock, Nov. 11.

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SALISBURY AND CLEVELAND.

The President's Message in Reply to the British Premier.

The news from Washington which appeared in the daily papers of the 18th, was of a serious nature enough. President Cleveland in his annual message to Congress, stated that he had sent a note to Lord Salisbury to the effect that, according to the provisions of the Monroe doctrine the United States decided that the matter of the boundary between British Guiana and Venezuela should be left to arbitration. The English premier does not recognize the right of the United States to interfere in the matter. Lord Salisbury replying to this note, takes issue with the dictations therefrom, made by the United States, and says, in effect that the Monroe doctrine, does not figure in the case at all. He says: Her Majesty's government are sincerely desirous of being on friendly relations with Venezuela, and certainly have no desire to seize territory that properly belongs to her, or forcibly to extend sovereignty over any portion of her population. They have, on the contrary, repeatedly expressed their readiness to submit to arbitration the conflicting claims of Great Britain and Venezuela, large tracts of territory which are known to be of almost untold value. But they cannot consent to entertain or submit to arbitration by any power or of jurists, however eminent, claims based on the extravagant pretensions of Spanish officials in the last century, and involving the transfer of large numbers of British subjects who have for many years enjoyed the settled rule of a British colony to a nation of different race and language, whose political system is subject to frequent disturbances, and whose institutions too often afford inadequate protection to life and property. No issue of this kind has ever been involved in the questions which Great Britain and the United States have consented to submit to arbitration, and Her Majesty's government are convinced that in similar circumstances the government of the United States would be equally firm in declining to entertain proposals of such a nature.

In another message to Congress, after the receipt of Lord Salisbury's reply, President Cleveland says:—Great Britain's present proposition has never thus far been regarded as admissible by Venezuela, though any adjustment of boundary which that country may deem for her advantage and may enter into of her own free will, cannot, of course, be objected to by the United States. Assuming, however, that the attitude of Venezuela will remain unchanged, the dispute has reached such a stage as to make it now incumbent upon the United States to take measures to determine with sufficient certainty for its justification of what is the true divisional line between the republic of Venezuela and British Guiana. The inquiry to that end should, of course, be conducted carefully and judiciously, and due weight should be given to all available evidence, records and facts in support of the claims of both parties.

In order that such an examination should be prosecuted in a thorough and satisfactory manner I suggested that congress make an adequate appropriation for expenses of a commission to be appointed by the executive, who shall make the necessary investigation and report upon the matter with the least possible delay. When such report is made and accepted it will, in my opinion, be the duty of the United States to resist by every means in its power as a wilful aggression upon its rights and interests the appropriation by Great Britain of any lands or the exercise of governmental jurisdiction over any territory which, after investigation, we have determined of right to belong to Venezuela.

In making these recommendations I am fully alive to the full responsibility incurred and keenly realize all the consequences that may follow.

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ALL THAT CERTAIN PIECE OR LOT OF land situate, lying and being in the Parish of Simonds (now Wilmot) in the said County of Carleton, and bounded as follows, that is to say: Beginning at a beech tree standing at the southwest angle of lot number fourteen in the seventh tier Williamstown, thence running by the magnet east fifty chains adjoining land granted to John Montgomery on the north thence south twenty chains thence west fifty chains to a birch tree and thence north twenty chains to the place of beginning, containing one hundred acres more or less known as lot number fifteen granted to Patrick McGarrigle and same conveyed to Robert Fleming by Robert Forrest by deed registered in Carleton county records in Book O of records, page 388 and 389, the 15th November, A. D. 1853. Excepting therefrom four small pieces heretofore conveyed by said Robert Fleming to several parties in all containing about six and a half acres and six rods, said pieces having been sold to respectively Charles Wolhaupter, Joseph W. Cheney and two pieces to said Cyrus Simmons all fronting on the main Bloomfield road.

All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Parish of Simonds, Carleton County, and Bloomfield Settlement, bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a cedar post standing thirty-four rods south of the north west angle of lot number fifteen in the seventh range Williamstown survey, thence running east three rods, thence south two rods, thence west three rods, thence north on the eastern boundary of the Bloomfield road two rods to the place of beginning, known as lot No. 15 seventh range Bloomfield owned and occupied by Robert Fleming granted to Patrick McGarrigle. The same having been seized and taken under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the county court of the County of Carleton at the suit of Frank W. Boyer against the said Cyrus Simmons.

W. D. BALLOCH,
Sheriff Carleton County.
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