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## THE MUSINGS OF THE IMP.

HE ADVERTISES FOR A WIFE OF THE BEST QUALITY.

Is in Favor of the Woman Who Can Take Care of Herself—Enlarges on the Beauties of Surrounding Country as Seen From a Wheelbarrow.



I pick up a novel lying before me and read that it is "inscribed to the sweet girls still left among us who have no part in the new revolt, but are content to be dutiful innocent and sheltered." How well I know the putty faced darlings to whom Mrs. E. Lynn Lynton refers. In order more perfectly to understand the inscription of the book, for "dutiful" read "weak" for "innocent" read "ignorant" and for "sheltered" read, "unable to buy a railroad ticket, get her baggage checked or change cars without consulting all the men within a mile of her." Give me the new woman every time. She can be bright without being flippant, is decidedly entertaining, and in nine cases out of ten can cook, waltz, wash dishes or play tennis better than her eighteenth century sister and is withal a very safe sort of individual.

Wanted.—At once, or as Shakespere would say, immediately, a wife. She must be young, not over sixty, and must not smoke, chew, drink, wear bloomers, nor vote. I find that all my friends have been passing to the silent and hen pecked majority and I am lonely. A party by the name of Bacon once remarked that only gods and savages could stand solitude. Now I utterly refuse to be considered a savage, and the public does not seem anxious to regard me as even a heathen deity, so solitude is not in my line. Therefore matrimony, that horrid leap in the dark, that universal game of bluff poker is my only refuge. All applicants will please apply by letter in their own hand-writing, enclosing fifty cents.

When all the bad people were at church on Sunday I got in my wheelbarrow and wheeled around the country. On the word of an imp, I never saw the country look so beautiful. The crops are beginning to show up, and you can almost see the grass grow. Vegetation is bounding along. What a beautiful country it is round about Woodstock. I have travelled all around this world, and over a good part of several other worlds, but I never saw more beautiful scenery than can be found either above or below town. If anyone has a bad attack of the blues let him get in his wheelbarrow and wheel down the country three or four miles, about sunrise, and if things don't take on a more roseate hue when he gets back, he is suffering from the worst form of chronic melancholia.

THE IMP.

### The City Fathers.

The town council meetings are becoming noted for their length, if not for the dispatch with which business is transacted. On Friday evening proceedings commenced, as usual, at eight o'clock, and it was half past ten before the weary city fathers turned their steps to their respective homes.

Friday's meeting had special interest inasmuch as it was the occasion for the council to take up the memorial of the meeting on the question of sewerage. The matter was debated briefly. Coun. Carr expressed himself strongly in favor of sewerage. He would suggest the idea that we have engineers in this town, possessed of sufficient skill to lay out the system, and who could do it cheaper than any foreigner, and 7-8 of the money for the purpose could thus be saved. Coun. Nicholson agreed with Coun. Carr. A motion that the resolutions of the citizens be referred to the sewer committee with instructions for them to ascertain the cost of surveys and plans, and report at next meeting, was unanimously adopted.

Coun. Nicholson for the committee on standard time, reported progress. The committee had interviewed all the manufacturers in town and found them all in favor of the change. They proposed to go to work at 6.30 and close at 5.30. The committee was now about to interview the storekeepers and find out their opinion on the question.

Town Marshall Gibson was present in order to get instructions as to his course in collecting a licence from the Chinaman who has opened a new laundry on Queen street. He was instructed to carry out the by-law.

The superintendent of waterworks was instructed to move the hydrant near Geo. Smith's store, so that it connect with the six inch instead of four inch main; also to put a new hydrant near J. D. Dickinson's store at the lower corner, and one on Green street between the College and the corner of Elm, also change the hydrant which now stands at the corner of King and Carleton streets.

### Forest Fires.

A special correspondent to the Fort Fairfield Beacon gives the following graphic description of the forest fires in New Sweden. Last Friday, 31st May, a fire was started in the swamp near which O. Iverson's mill was located, and in less than one hour the entire plant, consisting of seven buildings, was destroyed by the flames, together with all the machinery in the mill and all the merchandise in the store. The rift and spruce lumber in the yard, estimated at \$5,000, was consumed, as were also the machinery and agricultural implements store in the warehouse. It was an awful sight to see the flames sweep everything off and leave the bare ground, hardly any ashes remaining to tell the tale. At the same time a house owned and occupied by N. Landin, and a house and barn owned by C. Nelson were burned. A few things that were saved from the houses and left confidently at what was thought to be a safe distance were also destroyed with all their contents. Household goods, wearing apparel, in fact everything, were destroyed.

While some of the residents of the western addition were trying to get across the swamp to assist Iverson's, an alarm was sounded from the centre swamp, and looking that way a smoke was seen thick enough to hide the sun. A rush was made made for the houses lying within range of the fire. Among these were Carl Erickson's farm buildings and the Tornquist mill plant. A serious fight was had with the flames to save C. Erickson's place. When Saturday arrived it was plain to everyone that a hot day was coming, but by the most extraordinary exertions the mill was saved. Had it not been for the lesson given the day before of the danger at hand, it is doubtful whether sufficient numbers of men would have been on hand to master the fire and save the mill. Sunday morning saw most of the male portion of New Sweden busy in the swamps extinguishing fire—and a good precaution it was. Little danger was apprehended by this time, and no farther damage happened here; but in Woodland the fire gained the upper hand, and destroyed John Hagland's place. Several others were severely threatened, but escaped. Monday morning a fire was discovered in Madawaska swamp, bearing directly down on the schoolhouse and neighboring farmhouses, but watchful care, plenty of water and a sufficient number of men at hand saved everything.

### Archdeacon Neales.

Rev. Canon Neales, rector of Woodstock, has been appointed Archdeacon of Fredericton. This appointment is in connection with the formation of a cathedral chapter consisting of the Bishop, the Dean of Fredericton, the Archdeacon of St. John, the Archdeacon of Fredericton, four Canons, and four lay members. Archdeacon Neales has the supervision, under the Bishop, of four Deaneries, viz., Woodstock, Fredericton, St. Andrews, the other four deaneries being under the supervision of Archdeacon Brigstocke of St. John. The new Archdeacon graduated from the university of Fredericton when he was nineteen years old. In 1868 when he was twenty three, he was made deacon by the late Bishop of Fredericton and appointed curate of Woodstock. The following year he was ordained priest, and on the death of Rev. S. D. Lee Street in 1870, he was elected rector of Woodstock, a position which he has held ever since. In 1882 he was appointed Canon of the cathedral. He has been a delegate to the provincial synod which meets in Montreal for the past eighteen years, and he was also a delegate to the general synod of British North America which met in Toronto in 1893. The appointment has given general satisfaction, and, of course, is particularly well pleasing to the church people in Woodstock.

### Death of Nicholas Craig.

On Thursday morning last Mr. Wm. P. Craig received word from Boston that his son Nicholas Craig, who was a brakeman on the Boston & Albany railway, had met with a serious accident. Another telegram said that it had been found necessary to amputate a leg, but that the patient was doing well. This seemed satisfactory, and it was therefore a sad surprise when it was announced that a telegram had been received by his father on Sunday announcing his death. Ben, a brother of the deceased went to Boston as soon as the news of the accident was received. The remains came home in his care on Tuesday.

Mr. Wm. P. Craig told THE DISPATCH that the news of his son's death was a complete surprise and entirely unlooked for by him. It appears the young man was working on a night train and about three o'clock in the morning he was stepping down the platform. He did not notice a broken step fell between the cars and thus got hurt.

## A NEW SILVER MINE.

STARTLING DISCOVERY MADE BY WOODSTOCK YOUNG MEN.

Speculation as to the Why and Wherefore. Was it the Andover Burglars' Gain? Horrible Assault on a Wicklow Man at Presque Isle.

Just about one month ago word came to Woodstock that burglars had been making successful attempts on some of the shops in Andover. It was also said that an empty bark canoe and some bundles of clothing had been found in the river. Putting two and two together the people of Andover surmised that the burglars after committing the burglary, had stolen a canoe. Punishment followed swift and sure, and they lost their booty and their lives. The matter was talked over a while and then it died away, and other topics took its place.

But something has occurred at Woodstock which again recalls the bold burglars. On Sunday morning Jack Colton, and some other young men were gazing from the bridge into the water beneath, near the first pier side of the Island. Something bright appeared in the bed of the river. They got a boat and found that the treasure consisted of a goodly supply of silverware. There were knives, forks and spoons, and one of the party, anyway, got as much as three dozen. Altogether enough good silver to set up several families was found. An old trunk was found at the landing near the boat house. Now, the theory is advanced that the silver found was some of the Andover burglars' booty, that it came down river in the trunk which finally broke up and scattered the silver, which the current carried to the pier of the bridge.

With the finding of the silverware came the usual rumors attendant upon any mystery. It was reported that a body had been found on Bear island. Various other things were reported to have turned up, but no confirmation has come of these reports.

It may be said that it is only a theory that the silverware went to the river when the burglars' canoe upset. As against it is the fact that no jeweller up river has reported a burglary.

Several of the jewellers in town were shown the goods. The most of them are plated ware, bearing the impress of the Toronto Plating Co. There are also some solid pieces. The entire value of the goods recovered is put at perhaps \$50.00.

### Felonious Assault.

Elisha Dudley, of Wicklow, N. B., who has been working in this town some time on Charles Kimball's cellar, was badly pounded about the head and face Tuesday night, about 10 o'clock, by Deville Hewett and Asa Rogers. The beating was done on the boundary line road, near E. B. Mayberry's runshop. The road is wholly on American soil. Dudley had been boarding for some time at Mr. Hewett's restaurant in this village. He claims that when he came to settle up Mr. Hewett overcharged him \$6.00. To avoid having trouble he offered half this amount, which Mr. Hewett refused. Tuesday night it was known to Hewett and Rogers that Dudley was over the line, and they drove after him, apparently resolved to take the extra \$6.00 out of him by pounding. Dudley was sitting on the fence opposite Mayberry's shop at the time. When he saw them coming, he started walking down the road. They quickly drove up near him, and Hewett struck him with his cane, knocking him down. Rogers then jumped on to the prostrate man and beat him with his fists, rocks or about anything that came in his way, so the story goes. It is claimed that they took out the man's pocketbook, Hewett securing its contents, about \$15.00, throwing the empty pocket book into the man's hat. By this time Abijah Rogers, brother to Asa, heard the up roar, and started for the scene. When Dudley's assailants saw him coming, they hastily left. Dudley was examined Wednesday by Dr. Sawyer, who found bruises indicating about 25 distinct blows, only one of which, however, was severe enough to open the flesh much. Dudley's head and face are a sad sight, being black and blue from the pounding. Hewett and Rogers were arrested, pleaded not guilty and were bound at \$200 each, to appear at September court in Houlton. Rogers was committed to Houlton jail.—*Ft. Fairfield Beacon.*

### Destructive Fire.

A serious fire occurred at South Gordonsville early on Friday morning last, when Carl Neigh's house was burned to the ground. Mr. Neigh and his wife were awakened about 4 o'clock in the morning by a noise that sounded to them like hail, but in a moment they saw that the house was all ablaze. They rushed out in their night clothes and only in time for a few moments the flames were in full possession. Mr. Neigh had no insurance and his loss is estimated at

\$500. Mr. London had his furniture stored in the upper part of the house and this was also destroyed. His loss was about \$225. Mr. Neigh's barns, situated 36 feet from the house, were saved, thanks to his neighbors who carried water from a neighboring spring.

### Christian Advent Conference.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Advent Christian conference, which, by the way includes the churches in the northern part of Maine, met at Middle Simonds on Thursday evening of last week. They met in a large tent that had been pitched in one of Marvin Shaw's fields, and their meetings were all well attended, the average number present being in the vicinity of 400 people. There were present Elders J. Denton, Woodstock; O. A. S. Mayberry and C. E. Brewster, Old Orchard, Me.; John Hutchinson, Washburn; Hiram Raymond, Middle Simonds; A. Hastings Kearney and F. W. Blackmer, beside a large number of members of all the churches in the conference.

The meeting on Thursday evening which was devoted to social service, was led by Elder Kearney. The social service on Friday morning, led by Elder Brewster, was followed by an afternoon preaching service at which Elder Denton preached. On Friday evening Elder Bleckner preached. Elder Hutchinson led the social service on Saturday morning. The meeting on Saturday afternoon was devoted to business. Elder Denton was elected president for the ensuing year, John Buck, vice-president, and Mrs. Sadie Dickinson, secretary and treasurer. Elder Blackmer was appointed evangelist. After the business meeting a missionary meeting was held presided over by Elder Kearney, the retiring president. At the evening service Mrs. Sadie Dickinson preached. On Sunday morning a love feast at 9.30 was followed by a sermon by Elder Mayberry. Elder Denton preached in the afternoon, and at the last meeting of the conference on Sunday evening Elder Kearney preached.

The next quarterly meeting of the conference was appointed at Jacksonville in September next. The life and interest of the meetings were preserved down to the close and all who were present came away feeling much the better for having been in the congregation of the righteous.

### His Charges Cut Down.

Within the past week the St. John Globe, or at all events its editor, Mr. J. V. Ellis, has had reason for satisfaction. It will be remembered that Mr. L. A. Currey of St. John, conducted the contempt of court proceedings against Mr. J. V. Ellis. He rendered a bill for \$3,625.46, which was supported by an affidavit.

When the bill came to be taxed by Mr. T. Carleton Allen, clerk of the Supreme Court, Mr. H. H. McLean objected to many of the items, and Mr. Allen struck out some of them. This was very objectionable to Mr. Currey, and he appealed to the Supreme Court, which sustained Mr. McLean's contentions. Mr. Currey's next move was to present a new bill. This time he modestly asked \$2,716—a reduction of over \$900 on his previous demands. When this bill went before Mr. Allen, Mr. McLean fought against it and Mr. Allen cut it down to \$1,301.20. Mr. McLean, with whom Mr. George F. Gregory had become associated, felt that a further reduction was due. Mr. Currey considered no "cut" should have been made and therefore another appeal was made to the court, which gave decision upon disputed points at the last term. As a result a further resolution of \$265 was ordered. Mr. Currey asked for \$3,625.45, the court gave him \$2,589.26.

### Dominion Day.

What is to be the programme for the first? Surely it will not be allowed to pass off as tawdry as did the 24th. Cannot the young "clappies" of the town get up some kind of an excitement. Bicycle races might be arranged for and a cricket or base ball match at the park to sandwich in between the races would be an excellent innovation. It was feared by the horsemen that the cricket match on the 24th would interfere with the races, but everyone who was present, concluded that so far from the races suffering, it was a distinct gain, for it filled up the gaps between the heats. Let's have a holiday by way of a change!

### The Houlton Road.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Sir:—How long will a suffering public stand the condition of the Houlton road, the Upham hill full of ruts, quag mires, ponds etc., several places with skating rinks in the middle of the road? If the statute labor is to be done this summer why not do it at once? It should have been done a couple of weeks ago. Up through Jacksontown the work was done some time ago. Are the people of Woodstock and Richmond any busier than the farmers of Jacksontown? Woodstock, June 10th, C.

### Mill Burned at Bristol.

Dyer's grist mill at Bristol was burned to the ground on Friday last. It had not been running for some time, and J. Giberson had purchased the frame and was about to start a woodworking factory. He was moving out the old machinery, and just preparing to put the machinery for the woodworking in place. The fire cannot be accounted for.

## WONG HING'S DILEMMA.

HE MUST PAY LICENSE UNLESS ON THE TAX LIST.

The Marshall's Ultimatum—Pleasant Entertainment—Accident to Miles Moore. Look out for Your Faucets Today.—General News.

One of the by-laws of the town of Woodstock, dealing with licenses, provides that license to store keepers, shop keepers or persons carrying on any kind of business in any building, shall be \$5.00 per day—\$20.00 per week—\$30.00 per month—and \$60.00 per year.

Within a short time past, a native of China who rejoices in the name of Wong Hing, has taken up his abode in Woodstock, and commenced business in the laundry line. At the last meeting of the town council, the town marshal, who is also the collector of licenses was present and asked the council what course he should adopt with respect to the coming of Wong Hing.

He was told to carry out the letter of the license by-law, and collect the sum of money required. Consequently he waited on Wong Hing who displayed no excitement on being told that he must ante up. He simply asked the marshal to call "to-morrow." This the marshal did and he was informed that he must wait until another to-morrow as it was proposed to put Wong Hing on the tax list.

The marshal paid a final visit to Wong Hing yesterday morning and gave him until two o'clock in the afternoon to pay the license and avoid proceedings for recovery.

### Enjoyable Entertainment.

It was a very successful entertainment which the young people of St. Paul's church had in the opera house, on Thursday evening last. Miss Effie Elaine Hext proved a charming entertainer in her readings and posings. The part of the programme taken by home talent was most efficiently carried out. The opening chorus was by Misses Henderson and Walker, and Messrs. Dunbar and Young. Harry Dunbar sang a solo, "Sailing," and as an encore gave "Maggie May." Misses Lillie and Bessie Sanderson were much appreciated in a piano duet, which called for an encore. Miss Maggie Ross sang a solo, and then charmed the audience with responding to an encore in "Coming Thro' the Rye." The entire affair was most enjoyable.

### A Half Honest Burglar.

Burglars are peculiar individuals certainly. The Canada Eastern Railway station at Blackville was broken into last week, but instead of money being stolen, money was returned. The following morning the clerk found \$58.70 on the desk with an anonymous note stating that the writer had taken this amount from the till, the other night supposing it belonged to the Western Union Co., but having learned that Mr. Dunn, the station master, and not the company, would lose it he took this opportunity of returning it. The amount reported as having been stolen the other night was \$110, but the writer of the note declared that \$58.70 was all he took. He promised, however, if he should find any more money about the place to return it.

### Church Dedicated.

The Reformed Baptists had a neat little church at Hainsville, York Co., dedicated on Sunday last. These ministers were present, Revs. A. C. Trafton, B. Trafton, B. Colpitts, G. Gravenor, Greenlaw, G. T. Hartley and Archer. Rev. Mr. Hartley preached the dedicatory sermon. There was a large congregation. Rev. A. A. Trafton preached in the afternoon and Rev. J. Gravenor in the evening.

### Labors Appreciated.

In view of his early removal to St. John, Mr. Jas. Dysart, janitor and trustee of the Presbyterian church was presented with a silver and crystal fruit dish, and a half dozen each of silver tea and desert spoons by members of St. Paul's guild. The presentation was made by Mr. G. L. Holyoke. Mr. Dysart, deeply touched at this mark of esteem made a suitable response.

### Hurt His Eye.

Miles Moore met with a painful accident on Monday evening. While working around the mill he stepped on the edge of a lath which flew up hitting him a severe blow under the left eye. Dr. Hand dressed the wound, and Mr. Moore is getting better of the hurt.

### Keep Your Trap Shut.

The standpipe and water pipes will be cleaned and flushed out today Wednesday and water takers are advised to keep their faucets closed as much as possible to prevent any muddy flow of water through the same.