

# THE DISPATCH.

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PRICE TWO CENTS



## ALL THIS WEEK.

These suits are not cheap trash; they are a high class of goods, made with care, and no expense spared on their manufacture—the cut, linings and trimmings are perfect. The only reason we have made any reduction on these suits is that we bought too heavily and we are afraid of having some of them left on our hands.

They are suits that have been selling right along at \$14.50, \$12, \$10, \$8, \$6.25 and \$5, and are fully worth these prices, but 20 per cent. off makes them \$11.60, \$9.60, \$8, \$6.40, \$5 and \$4. They are made of good material in Cheviots, Tweeds and Worsteds. Your tailor would charge you at least \$10 more, and we can fit just as well, even better, because you can try on suits until you get your exact fit. And your money back if you are not satisfied.

SUITS  
AT  
20 PER Ct.  
DISCOUNT.

The contest is working well. Every scholar should see that their teacher is started before March 20th, and work that their teacher will be the popular teacher.

Votes should be mailed or left at store Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

**Oak Hall,**  
ONE PRICE,  
WOODSTOCK.

### Conditions of Prize Contest.

Cut coupon outside of lines, fill in name of teacher, post office and county and sign your name or initials. Teacher must reside or teach in either Carleton or Victoria Co. and some one vote for them before March 20th. No coupons for new teachers after that date will count for prizes but voting may continue for those entered until 6 p. m. May 23, 1896. Voters may vote as often as they wish, but blanks must be filled; no bundles with name on one and others blank—such blank ones will not count. Mail the coupons and mail them so we will have them to use Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The coupons will be kept on record—the leaders names and coupons will appear in the three papers of the town weekly. The prize will be \$10 in Gold to the teacher who has the greatest number sent in at the close of the contest.

Keep up the interest. Vote now

### I VOTE FOR

Name of Teacher.....  
Post Office.....  
As the most popular School Teacher in..... County,  
and for prize offered by the Oak Hall Clothing Co., Woodstock, N. B.  
..... Voter.

## The Home of Painless Dentistry

in Woodstock is attracting great attention in town and throughout the county. People are coming from many distant centres to experience the pleasure of having their teeth drawn painlessly.

Where Is It?

AT THE SIGN OF THE BIG TOOTH,  
29 MAIN STREET.

The proprietor is the originator of the famous

"TRILBY DENTIFRICE"

DR. G. B. MANZER,  
Woodstock.

Over Carr & Gibson's Jewellery Store,  
MAIN STREET.

## READY ON TIME.

Couldn't have been so without an accurate Timepiece.

Whether it is a Clock, Watch, or piece of Jewellery you want, you can be sure of its reliability if you buy from us.

Our business is such that the busiest day is but introductory of busier ones to follow. Low prices are our pioneers of trade. To those who patronize us they open up new experiences and economies in merchandizing. Their money-saving possibilities are a revelation to the uninitiated. Let us show you what we can do for you. We are always glad to see you whether you buy anything or not.

We issue Marriage Licences.

CARR & GIBSON, 31 MAIN STREET,  
Woodstock.....

## The Lumber Trade!

We have a complete stock of the following goods for the  
**Spring Trade:**

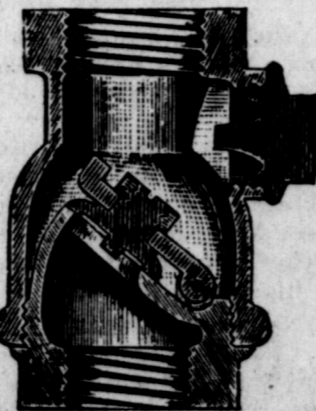
Cant Dogs, Cant Dog Handles and Fittings,  
Drivers' Calk Sets, Pitch, Tar, Oakum, Rope,  
Blocks, Etc.

ALSO, THE MILL TRADE:

Globe and Check Vales of all kinds  
Packing Files, Wrought Iron Pipe  
Fillings. Fine Oils a specialty.

Above at Lowest Prices.

Burt, Lee & Hale, : 22 King St.



## ASPHALT SIDEWALKS FOR MAIN STREET.

PROPERTY HOLDERS ARE INTERVIEWED ON THE SUBJECT.

A Majority are in Favor of the Improvement, and will Bear One Half the Expense.—The Town Council will Likely Be Memorialized in the Matter.

It is conceded on all hands that very little work of any account can be done on the streets or sidewalks this year, and that if they are to be put in order, some special exertions will need to be made. There are strips of sidewalk, most of them, pretty well in the suburbs, which have been cleared of the plank sidewalk, and what asphalt may be laid this season, will be demanded, and undoubtedly given for these isolated sections, over which the general public travels but little.

No one, for a moment, imagines that anything can be done to the Main street sidewalks, unless it be to tear up, here and there, a very rotten plank, and put in its place, a less rotten chunk of wood. The merchants and property owners, in the business portion of the town are doing well by the town now. Plate glass is becoming the rule, the latest addition to the list being the Fred Hale building on King street.

Now, THE DISPATCH has a proposition, which it advises the property holders to make to the town council. It is that the owners of property on Main street, say from Regent and Chapel streets to the bridge, agree to pay for one half the asphalt of the sidewalk, opposite their property, provided the town pays for the other half. THE DISPATCH understands that this was the course pursued in Fredericton and in Houlton, when it became advisable to put the principal business streets in repair. It may be argued, that the town asphalt streets in the back portions of the town, and should certainly extend equally fair treatment to Main street. To this it may be replied that the sidewalk on Main street must be a good deal wider than the sidewalks on other streets, and, moreover, that it will need to be a much more careful job, then, say, the sidewalk on the north side of Queen street. It wants to be well done, or not done at all.

THE DISPATCH has interviewed several property holders on Main street, on this subject. W. W. Hay for Hugh Hay & Son says he will go in for the scheme. He is of the opinion that the town should undertake the entire job, but sooner, than that it should not be done at all, he is quite willing to do one half of the sidewalk. He promises on behalf of the firm of which he is a member, to do his share. Bailey, Bros., J. N. W. Winslow, George Dent have said that they will do the same.

James Hayden, a large real estate owner on Main street, and one who carries on a big productive business in town was seen. He said: I am strongly in favor of asphalt on the Main St. sidewalks, and have always been of that opinion. I would have no objection to the town borrowing money to do so. The few hundred dollars extra should not be considered; but I do not think it is right that I should be called upon to pay for sidewalks which everyone in town uses. Mind, it is not that I object to the expense but it is a wrong principle. Main street should have asphalt sidewalks at once, as it is now, it is a disgrace to the town. It is absurd putting asphalt on the back streets and leaving Main street in the condition it now is.

Coun. J. A. Lindsay of J. A. & R. J. Lindsay, thought it was not fair to ask the property owners to pay one half of the cost of asphalt on the Main street sidewalks. He was willing to agree to a compromise, however, and if it were necessary to make the Main St. sidewalks, wider than the ordinary sidewalks, he was willing to pay the cost of laying one half of the extra width.

Miss M. Allan, speaking for the property owned by the Allan estate, B. B. Manzer and W. J. Wilbur, said they would be inclined to agree to any proposition of a fair nature, as to the putting down of the sidewalk.

### The Race.

Jim Montgomery was certainly skating contrary to law last Friday night. It was a three mile race between him and George Law of Houlton. The rink was crowded, many people being present from Houlton, Benton and other places within easy reach of town. The race was called for nine o'clock. The contestants entered the course, Law dressed in black tights with dark red trunks and Montgomery in knee breeches. Ralph Marsh, St. John, was starter and referee, and Jarvis Kitchen, Houlton, and A. R. Carr were judges. The course is 19

laps to the mile. The men took their positions at opposite corners of the course and at the word they got off about together. They were about even for the first 22 laps, when Law commenced to pull up to Montgomery, finally reaching him on the 35th lap. Montgomery made several spurts to get away from Law, but couldn't do it and Law won by half a lap. The time was 10 minutes and 27 seconds. The first mile was made in 3.14 2-5. Montgomery was not in his best form by any means and his friends fully expect to see him retrieve his record in his next race. The boys are getting their racing blood up and races are arranged for as follows, Phillips and Law, 3 miles at Houlton on March 12th; Montgomery and Law, 3 miles at Houlton on March 20th; Montgomery and Law, 3 miles at Woodstock on March 27th; Herb Craig and Law, 1 mile at Woodstock on April 3rd.

### Death of a Pioneer Editor.

Mr. Adam Smith, of St. Andrews, the veteran editor of the Standard, died at his home last week in his 82nd year. He was well known throughout the province, and was held in high esteem. The Standard ceased publication several years ago. During its life it exerted quite an influence. Mr. Smith continued to write for the press up to the time of his death almost, and his latest work on behalf of his native town was the writing of a letter to Sir Charles Tupper asking him to use his influence on behalf of St. Andrews as a winter port. He received a reply which was evidently not unsatisfactory. While showing this letter to some of his fellow-townsmen, he caught a chill, which resulted fatally.

### Utopia Club Musicales.

The Utopia musicale on Monday night was a pleasant affair. The decoration committee had done a good thing for the room. Bunting and flags were everywhere. Dumb-bells Indian clubs, tennis rackets and snow shoes were here and there. A pretty design in blue and gold on the wall over the president's chair containing the name of the club, was painted by S. B. Charlton. Beneath it hung a huge frame containing pictures of some of the members. Dr. Manzer, president, welcomed the guests to the first formal opening of the club in a short and humorous address. He said:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—It is with pleasure that I welcome you to the first formal gathering that has taken place within our palatial halls. We all know that there are a class of people in this world who think that a "club" can be nothing else than an asylum for inebriates and gamblers, but notwithstanding prejudices of this sort, we are glad to say that our room has always been able to plead not guilty to the charge of liquor or gambling. The Utopia is the first club of its kind that has ever lived and grown and succeeded in Woodstock, and we ascribe our success to the fact that we have proscribed drinking and gambling, and are able to invite our friends, both ladies and gentlemen, to a club room that has no undesirable record to look back to. Our membership is small, the limit is 15, and when I speak of limit I hope no one will be so unkind as to call out, "what is the ante?" If he did I would refuse to know what he meant. We have prepared a program for our guests of this evening which we trust will give you some pleasure, and we sincerely hope that when you leave us tonight your recollections of us will be kindly, and the word Utopia will mean for you not an unknown land, but a place known to be one whose ways are ways of pleasantness and all whose paths are peace.

Following is the program:

1. CHORUS..... Miss Hudson
  2. READING..... "The Doom of Claudius and Cynthia," Master Harry Lee
  3. SONG..... "My Dad's the Engineer," Mr. James P. Hull
  4. BARIOTONE SOLO..... "Vision Concerto," Dr. G. B. Manzer
  5. SONG..... "Could the Poor Girl Do Boys," Mr. R. G. Lee
  6. READING..... "Miss Pearl Skillen INTERMISSION Refreshments."
  7. SONG..... "The Coon from the Moon," Mr. Chas. Merritt
  8. BANJO MEDLEY..... Mr. T. McRae
  9. SONG..... "I Love You Yet," A. A. Brewer
  10. SWINGING OF INDIAN CLUBS..... Mr. Frank Hull
  11. DUET..... Dr. G. B. Manzer and Mr. E. B. Manzer
  12. BAR PERFORMANCE..... Prof. L. Tesco
- Harry Lee made himself very popular with the house by his rendering of some comic songs during the evening. Pearl Skillen is a peach. James P. Hull's baritone solo, one of Brooks' was a difficult piece, containing a beautiful cadenza. Dr. Manzer played the accompaniments of the evening. Prof. L. Tesco did some wonderful things on the horizontal bar and was loudly applauded. The dances were interspersed by solos by Mrs. A. A. Brewer, Miss Pearl Skillen, R. G. Lee and Frank Lee. The party dispersed at twelve o'clock, and now the Utopia has, to use the expression of a famous orator "a world wide popularity all over Woodstock."
- Intermission came with refreshments, the programme was finished, and the gathering lost its formality. Someone hit the piano for a waltz and in about half a second the floor was cleared and dancing was the order.

### Big Fire in Halifax.

Halifax experienced a big fire on Sunday morning. The loss is estimated at \$150,000 with \$90,000 insurance.

## A NEW PREMIER SUGGESTED.

SIR DONALD SMITH IS THE MAN WHO NAMED.

A Startling Proposition From a Conservative Source.—Something About the Aged Knight.—He has Figured in Canadian History.

The Toronto World is an independent conservative newspaper. Its editor is member for East York, a constituency bordering on the city of Toronto, and including a portion of the city. It was represented at the time of his death by Hon. Alex MacKenzie. McLean, the Toronto editor, won it at the ensuing election. The World is something of a sensational paper, and it has created quite an uproar by suggesting that the conservatives should elect Sir Donald Smith, their premier, the reason being that he is a friend of Manitoba, and Manitoba will listen to what he may have to say. The majority of the conservative party do not appear to fall in with the World's proposition. Anyway, since Sir Donald's name has come so prominently to the front it will be well to point out some incidents connected with his eventful and highly successful career. He was born in Scotland in 1821, and is therefore seventy-five years of age. When a lad he came to Canada, and found a position, in a very humble way, in the service of the Hudson Bay Company. He passed through a number of hardships while a junior in the company's service, but continued to rise in the estimation of his employers. As he lived in Manitoba and the North West it devolved on him to cut an important figure in the negotiations which led to the acquiring of that country by the dominion. In 1869, when Hon. W. Macdougall was sent to Manitoba and vigorous obstruction was offered by the half breeds, Mr. Smith was appointed special commissioner to inquire into the causes, nature and extent of the obstruction. Afterwards, he sat as a member for Winnipeg in the first assembly of the province of Manitoba. At the same time—dual representation being then allowed—he sat for Montreal West in the House of Commons. In 1874 he retired from the local legislature and has since that date been the member for Montreal Centre in the Dominion House. He was a most prominent figure in the building of the C. P. R., and was knighted in 1886.

Lately Sir Donald has been on a visit to Manitoba, and it is said he tried his influence in getting Mr. Greenway to come to negotiations with the Dominion government with regard to a settlement of the vexed school question.

Sir Donald is a vigorous, grey haired, keen eyed old chap, and when he speaks in the house receives marked attention. It is not likely he will be premier. Probably he wouldn't take the job if it were offered him. The four leading men in the Conservative party today are upwards of 70 years of age. They are: Sir Mackenzie Bowell, 73; Sir Frank Smith, 74; Sir Chas. Tupper and Sir Donald Smith, 75 each.

What's the matter with the old men, now?

### A Hartland Store.

It does a fellows heart good to enter Wm. E. Thistle's Drug Store at Hartland. Mr. Taylor in whose brick building the store is, has expended money to good advantage here. The woodwork, done by L. E. McFarlane is excellent and attracts the attention of everyone who opens the door. The whole shop is sheathed, ceiling and walls, and the floor is of narrow birch. The painting was done by Merrill Taylor of Hartland. He has used four shades of green in the shop to a good result. The cornice all round the place is supported by brackets painted light green with a dark green face and gold rosettes and drops. The drawers are finished in butternut with a dark oak trimming. The counters of alternate strips of birch and ash with dark oak trimmings are finished with a hard oil finish. The prescription counter of butternut has a heavy French plate looking glass in front and is trimmed with gold rosettes. The store has a plate glass front that gives it a first class appearance. Mr. Taylor, the painter has had 27 years experience, 18 of it being in this county where he has done a lot of good work. He painted the stores of J. T. G. Carr at Hartland, D. Bell & Co. Bristol, B. Bowser, Victoria Corner, and he has decorated many churches. He has all the work he can do and has a move on constantly. Mr. Thistle's store is heated with a furnace, is supplied with water from the Hartland water system, and is generally a fine place. The proprietor keeps constantly on hand a full supply of drugs, and compounds prescriptions carefully. Mr. Thistle lives over his store where he has a residence fitted with all the modern conveniences usually found in a town of much larger size than Hartland.