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## THE MAYOR AND THE DISPATCH.

Mayor Saunders smote THE DISPATCH at a meeting of the town council last week, but THE DISPATCH still breathes. The Mayor says the reports of the meetings of the town council, as given in THE DISPATCH have not been impartial.

Owing to an accident to the machinery in THE DISPATCH office, neither of the proprietors were at the meeting of the council on the 4th inst, but a reliable reporter who was there, read from his notes the following remarks of His Worship, on a proposition to furnish better accommodation for the reporters at the meetings of the council.

"I was going to suggest the advisability of having tables and the necessary chairs for the reporters, and would like to have had all the reporters here tonight, on account of what I am about to say. As far as the Sentinel and Press are concerned they have always been very fair and impartial in their reports of the proceedings of this council, but I cannot say that for THE DISPATCH. THE DISPATCH has not reported this council fairly. I do not say this on account of any personal feeling between THE DISPATCH and myself at all, but I consider they have not been impartial. In the matter of St. Gertrude's street they came out with a large heading 'The Orange And The Green.' This would have a tendency to give people outside the impression that it was a religious strife. This I consider very injudicious and very unwise. There was no religious feeling in the matter at all. It would be wise I think for the reporters to give fair reports of the proceedings of this council to the ratepayers, as it is the only means they have to get a correct idea of the proceedings."

THE DISPATCH has every reason to assume that this is a correct report, as it appears in substantially the same form in the Press.

His Worship The Mayor has a perfect right to hold any opinion he chooses about any public journal, but it might be pointed out, that it is not customary for mayors of other cities or towns, to administer a homily to the papers, nor to advise them as to the way in which they should conduct their business. It is somewhat strange that for the greater part—by far the greater part, of Mayor Saunders' term last year—he did not feel called upon to note the partiality of the reports of the council published in THE DISPATCH. It is only since his late election that he appears in the role of a censor of the public press.

The Mayor says he has no personal feeling against THE DISPATCH. THE DISPATCH quite concedes that his interest in its affairs, is purely inspired by his regard for the proprietors, and his wish that the unexampled success which their venture has met with may continue. But how does the Mayor propose to regulate the reports which THE DISPATCH is to publish? There is one way, indeed, by which he can do this. The printing committee has not much to do, and THE DISPATCH would respectfully advise His Worship, to buy a big black pencil for the chairman of that committee. He should then pass a by-law, instructing the said chairman to visit all the newspaper offices, after the meeting of each council, demand from the proprietors the copy containing the report, and after carefully scrutinizing the same, run his black pencil through such portions as in the interest of the Mayor and council should be expunged. They carry on a mode similar to this in Russia, and it is found to have an excellent muzzling effect. As matters are THE DISPATCH would find it extremely inconvenient to go to each councillor after a meeting of the council, and consult with him as to the shape the report of the meeting should take. But it will do anything in reason to accommodate His Worship The Mayor.

THE DISPATCH regrets that it must take issue with His Worship regarding its mode of reporting. It has striven to be impartial, and by this very means has attained a circulation and a reputation, which it claims has not been equalled by any paper in the province, during a career of a year and a half. In regard to the special meeting to which His Worship refers, a correction is needed. The heading was not "The Orange And The Green," but it was "Who Said Orange And Green?"

The only thing THE DISPATCH has to regret is that it had not space at its disposal to report the meeting more fully and more in detail. If such a meeting occurred tomorrow, and similar expressions were made use of as were used at that meeting, THE DISPATCH would report it more fully, if anything, and put the identical heading on, which in his desire to prevent religious feeling, has struck His Worship as so injudicious. What transpires at a public meeting, is that which the public, who do not attend, want to know.

As for the meetings of the council THE DISPATCH thinks its reports have been perfectly fair and impartial. It knows full well that in criticizing the words of public men, it cannot fail to cause annoyance and perhaps to make enemies, but as a public journal its duty lies in publishing that which the people desire to read, rather than copies of the minutes which the clerk of the council takes.

THE DISPATCH begs to inform His Worship that it has no personal ill feeling toward him. It would like to see him do well. He is a young man yet, and may have other political aspirations than to sit in the town council. But, unless he has a real grievance he had better not butt his head against the newspapers.

## THE SILVER QUESTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

The United States Senate has passed a "free coinage of silver" bill which provides that any one sending 412½ grains of standard silver to the mint may have it coined as a dollar. It also provides that the silver bullion now in the treasury vault shall be coined. It is generally thought that the bill can't pass the House of Representatives and even if it should President Cleveland would not assent to it. Whatever may be thought of the President's action on the Venezuelan matter, he is sound on the currency question. If this bill should become law the silver dollars coined under it would be of the same weight and fineness as the silver dollars now in circulation and would be worth intrinsically, about 60 cents. As a result of this legislation great quantities of silver would be poured into the mint to be coined. The currency of the country would be enormously increased, and consequently her prices would rise. When prices had risen to any degree, foreign nations would find the United States an unprofitable market in which to purchase, but a wonderfully profitable one in which to sell. Then when the periodical trade returns were made up it would commence to appear that exports from the States were decreasing and imports were increasing. The balance against the country would have to be paid in gold, for no great civilized commercial country wants silver. With this process steadily going on, the States would gradually find her gold reserves depleted, and in the course of events would be doing business on a silver basis. But, long before this catastrophe had arrived, foreign holders of American stocks, anticipating it, and not desiring to be paid their interest and principal in silver, would dump their holdings into New York and ask for gold. Gold, after a time, could not be had. A panic such as the United States had never known before would follow.

The nation using a cheap form of money like silver, must always pay a tax for doing so. Some eighty years ago Daniel Webster said "The circulating medium of a commercial community must be that which is also the circulating medium of other commercial communities, or must be capable of being converted into that medium without loss. It must be able not only to pass in payments and receipts among individuals of the same society and nation, but to adjust and discharge the balance of exchanges between different nations." If the United States were on a silver basis, her merchants engaged in the export trade would have to calculate on a possible decline in the value of American money, and deduct a percentage to cover it from the price he would pay the farmers for their produce to be exported.

A drop to a silver standard would be an expensive lesson to the United States, and it is to be hoped that so great and wealthy a nation may learn the rudiments of the monetary science at a lesser cost.

The town clock is again on to local time. It was changed on Saturday evening, and to celebrate the same a bon-fire was made at the foot of Main street. Whatever opinions may be held as to the wisdom of change, the clock should now remain as it is, until a vote of the citizens is pronounced in favor or against a change.

## Cured of Chronic Catarrh.

A Remarkable Cure.—J. W. Jennison, Gilford, spent between \$200 and \$300 in consulting doctors; tried Dixon's and all other treatments but got no benefit. One box of Chase's Catarrh Cure did more good than all other remedies, in fact I consider myself cured, and with a 50 cent box at that.

Certain varieties of asbestos have been found to be strongly magnetic.

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Estimates furnished on jobs. Lead and Iron Pipe kept in stock, also Sinks and Plumbers' Supplies. Charges reasonable. All work warranted. Orders left at Hamilton's Tin Shop, Cor. of Elm and Main street, will receive prompt attention.

## Notice.

I hereby give notice to the public that I did last June give my son Frank Brewer the remainder of his minority; that I have since then received none of his wages, nor will I receive them, nor will I pay any of his debts.  
Woodstock. J. B. BREWER.

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## OAK HALL ONE PRICE CLOTHING STORE,

Woodstock,.....N. B.

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