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Put a pill in the pulpit if you want practical preaching for the physical man ; then put the pill in the pillory if it does not practise what it preaches. There's a whole gospel in Ayer's Sugar Coated Pills; a "gospel of sweetness and light." People used to value their physic, as they did their religion,-by its bitterness. The more bitter the dose the better the doctor. We've got over that. We take "sugar in ours"gospel or physic-now-a-days. It's possible to please and to purge at the same time. There may be power in a pleasant pill. That is the gospel of

# Ayer's Cathartic Pills.

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A well-known politician recently arrived at Queenstown, after crossing the Atlantic, and was quickly surrounded by the usual sellers of curios, amongst them an old Irish woman with some sprays of shamrock, one live."

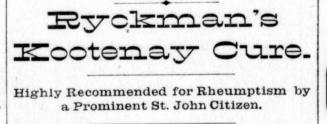
Our friend took one and gave the woman a shilling.

In great delight she cried : "God bless yer honour, and may every hair of yer head be a torch to light ye to glory !'

Raising his hat and displaying a perfectly bald head, he said : "Thank you, madam; but even that, you

see, would not make a very brilliant torchlight procession.'

"Bless yer honour," cried the ready dame, "'tis just the same, for they've all gone on before ye.



Charles N. Beal, of Street & Co., 25 North

Hostess (to one of her guests at supper table): "Do have a bit of Gorgonzola cheese" Guest (noticing cheese almost walking from the table): "No thank you. I believe in what the old proverk says : 'Live and let

Mr. Jabble (proudly): "My daughter plays the piano entirely by ear." Next-door Neighbor (growlingly): "By ear? I should kicks up, that she played it with her feet."

SHILOH'S CURE, the great Cough and Croup Cure, 18 in great demand. Pocket size contains 25 drops only 25c. Children love it. Sold by all druggists.



## THE MUSINGS OF THE IMP. How Prosperous

The bicycle is a good thing if only, that it will be the unconscious but effective agency for the introduction of dress reform. Men have hitherto gone to one extreme in dress, and women to the other. Why

should a man stick so closely to black and gray, and never deck himself in any gay color? In evening dress, a man looks as much like a crow as possible. The bicycle suit is a great improvement on the ordinary walking suit, and knickerbockers are a more sensible dress for the legs than long shapeless trousers. Whoever invented the present nether garments for men, was a Philistine of the worst type. And why should women wear such trawling, trailing skirts, dragging along dust by the basket full? The bicycle costume for women is a most becoming dress, and if generally adopted would be far more superior and attractive than the ordinary street gear which the fair sex affects.

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It is sincerely to be hoped that the ex kibition to be held in this town on the 7th. 8th, and 9th, of next month, will be a success. If it is properly managed it will be. We want to see good horses, good cattle, good sheep, good swine, and other good agriculhave thought, from the confounded row she tural products. I hope the art exhibit will be well patronized. There is a good deal of local talent, of one kind or another, in this llne, and it most assuredly deserves encouragement. As a town, Woodstock is not

and painting are rather rare, and good taste in house adornment is not perhaps a characteristic of our people. There is any amount of religion. It is bubbling out of us all the time, and we are perpetually droning melancholy dirges, and singing psalms through our noses. Why not encourage the love of art a bit? Must we always he prosaic and square like the town hall, or is there hope for a change in our natures and our buildings. Let a special exertion be made to have some good works of art-native talent by all means-on exhibition, let the workers in fancy work join in the procession, so that those who are not interested in fat beeves and big turrips may find something attractive in another line. \* \* \*

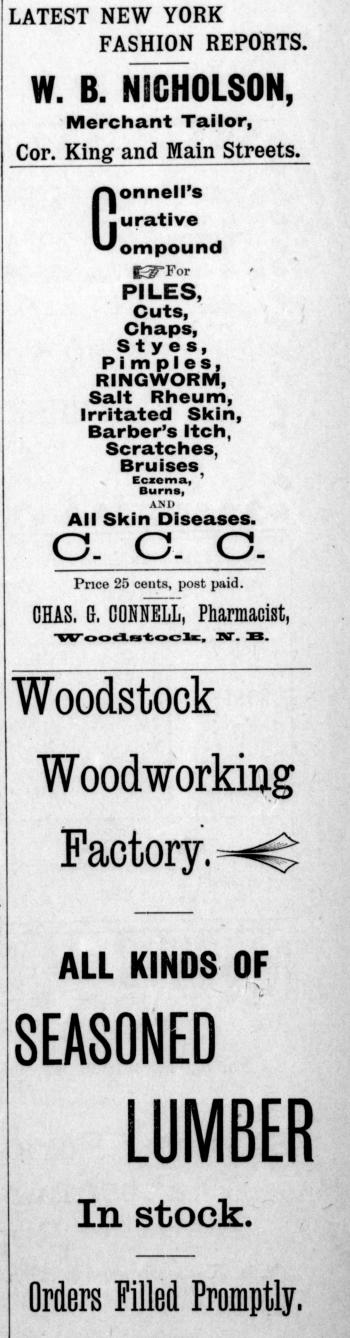
A passing remark may be of

That Man

Looks.

little consequence, but we like it better if it happens to be about us, that is not to be uncomplimentary. Clothes are often the cause of remarks. How about vours? If you think of buying we would be pleased to take your order, and we know we can please you. We realize that our patrons are our best advertisers. They wear our clothes and reoverburdened with the aesthetic. Statuary flect credit on us and themselves. We have just opened a NEW

STOCK. Order now.





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J. R. HANSON, Auctioneer, Com. Agent. Woodstock, March 24, 1896. AVOIDED TO BE IS T. L. MCRAE,

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Is conducting the business carried on for many years past by the late J. B. McRae at the old stand.

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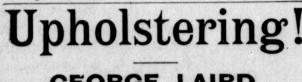
Mr. McRae respectfully solicits the patronge of all old, and as many new customers as re willing to give him a trial.

Has been cleaned and garnished and presents a most inviting appearance. I am running it in such a way as to meet the approval of the best class of customers. Call on me and see. My summer menu will contain Oysters, Pigs' Feet, Lambs' Tongues, Ice Cream, Strawberries and Cream, all kinds of Refreshing Drinks. The location near the station, makes the Vendome a handy place to get a light lunch when in a hurry.

MRS. R. B. GIBSON,

Proprietor.

Queen St., Woodstock.



Wharf, St. John, N. B., says that after taking Ryckman's Kootenay Cure for Rheumatism he has found the results most gratifying and cannot too strongly recommend it to all that are suffering from that terrible affliction. He adds that it is with pleasure he allows his name to be used as reference. COUNTY OF WENTWORTH)

I, John Langley, of TO WIT : the city of Hamilton, in the county of Wentworth, Province of Ontario, do solemnly declare that I was afflicted with Rheumatism for fourteen years or more and have been treated by several doctors; was at the hospital all winter in 1892, and was unable to get cured, but after having taken the Kootenay Cure given to me by S. S. Ryckman, M. P., I feel that I am cured of that painful disease inside of the last six weeks.

I may say that I was unable to walk, and should you require further proof of my case there are plenty I can refer you to who knew my condition six weeks ago and the cure it has effected in me since that time.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, etc.

JOHN LANGLEY. Declared before me at the City of Hamilton, County of Wentworth, this 11th day of May, A. D. 1895.

FRANCIS FITZGERALD A Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario.

For Sale by Baird Co., L'td., Wholesale Agents, and C. A. McKeen.

Sandy : "Mac, I hear ye have fallen iu ove wi' bonnie Katie Stevens." Mac : Weel, Sandy, I wass near-verra neardaein' it; but I foond the lassie had na siller, so I said toe myself, 'Mac, be a mon !' An' I wass a mon, an' noo I pass her by wi' silent contempt !"

As a nursemaid is dragging a bawling child from the dining-room, the guest, an elderly bachelor, remarks to his host. "I am very fond of the little ones-that is, when they cry." "Singular that you should like them when they cry." "Yes; because then they are taken away.'

Cne advantage of taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla to purify the blood is that you need not infringe upon your hours of labor nor deny yourself any food that agrees with you. In word, you are not compelled to starve or loaf, while taking it. These are recommendations worth considering.

The Rev. Dogwood (to Convict Bill, about to be electrocuted): "Do you realize that in two minutes you will be beyond this sinful world? There is time yet to seek the shore, though you are in midstream." Convict Bill : "No, I don't t'ink dere is. I'm afraid the current will be too swift for me.'

Before going on a sea-voyage or into the country, be sure and put, a box of Ayer's Pills in your valise. You may have occasion to thank us for this hint. To relieve constipation, biliousness, and nausea, Ayer's Pills are the best in the world. They are also easy to take.

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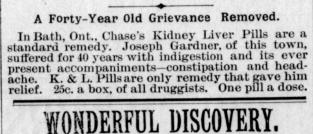
Trouserings.

Suitings,

Overcoatings,

One of the jays who run this blooming paper got himself into a scrape on Labor Day. Against my express command he ventured to report the trotting race, and all the horsemen have been after him ever since. I told him that the horse was a sacred animal in Woodstock, and he would get in as much trouble, writing of him, as if he discussed white bulls in the land of the Brahmin. But he would not listen. He made several mistakes as to time, etc., but the real ground of complaint did not he in that. In order to report a trot to satisfy all the trotting men, the only way is to get the version of the day's sport from each individual horseman, and publish them all. If you mention that one fellow's horse broke, your life is in danger, and if you don't mention his horse he is as mad as a lunatic. But the chap who wrote the horse race on Labor Day, says he will report a horse race, or any other race just as he d-n sees fit. He is very obstinate. \* \* \*

A great orator said "a liberal government makes a conservative people." There is a good deal of truth in the remark, and it might also be said that a liberal opposition, often becomes a conservative government. At all events we find the present government defending prerogative, and the conservative opposition standing out as the defenders of the rights of the people. It all depends on whether you have what you want or not. The men with the offices and the salaries are content. Those after the offices and the salaries, are watching every breeze which may carry them into port, while driving the other fellows on the rocks. There is nothing new under the sun. THE IMP.







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