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## FARMERS AND THE TARIFF.

The farmers in the vicinity of Montreal were heard before the tariff commissioners last week. W. H. Trenholme of Hochelaga was the first to speak. He advocated the abolition of the duties on corn and corn meal, and contended that coal oil should be admitted free of duty. He also favored the reduction or abolition of the duties on agricultural implements. Another farmer J. L. Brown from Huntingdon County, said that only the day before, living near the border, he crossed the lines to get some coal oil, when he found the retail price ten and a-half cents per gallon, or about thirteen cents per imperial gallon, and he found the same quality in Montreal selling at thirty cents.

The members of the commission appear to have avoided an expression of opinion on the question of the duty on coal oil or paraffine. As a matter of fact, Mr. Lister, one of the big men on the government side, is deady opposed to interfering with the coal oil duties. His political life depends on keeping the duty on. In the matter of free corn, it would probably be found that the farmers of Carleton Co. do not agree with what Mr. Trenholme said.

Revising a tariff to suit everybody is not an easy task, after all. The question of the coal oil duties is a sectional question, and one party is as much to blame as the other for inflicting this heavy tax on the common people. Still the present government being free trade in its views, will be consistent if it hearkens to the suggestions made by the farmers, just quoted.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL.

THE DISPATCH wishes all its readers, and all who ought to be its readers a Merry Christmas. This journal is friendly to the doctors of the town, but it hopes in the interests of the people at large, that they will consume turkeys, mince pies, plum puddings, and the like concomitants of this gay and festive season with due moderation, having a proper regard for the internal mechanism, which will have to go on working after Christmas is over, just as before. However, a drum stick or a wing of turkey carefully masticated is not likely to interfere seriously with the digestive organs, and anyway, everyone expects to have more or less disturbed dreams on Christmas night.

A jolly old festival is Christmas, and even the most austere and sour visaged of us, generally manages to force a smile, when he sees everyone else around him, in a good humour. In many respects the people of this community have general cause for rejoicing. Times may not be all that we would wish but, on the other hand, times, with us, are not as bad as they are in Cuba, and some other places perhaps nearer home. Most of our citizens can manage by hook or crook, to get three square meals a day.

To some people Christmas means only a time of home coming, present making and receiving, feasting and merriment. To others it has a deeper significance, commemorating an event in the history of the human kind, alike wonderful and benign. Take a way from the world, Christmas, and all that Christmas means and signifies, prevail upon the many to believe that the coming of the infant Child to Bethlehem is all a myth and delusion, and you have taken away that which gives the only consolation to a sorrow stricken world. There is something very beautiful in the association of Christmas with little children. It was the birth of a little child, that caused the angels to sing at the first Christmas. It is little children to whom the greater happiness comes at each recurring 25th of December.

## To whom it may concern.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 10, 1896.

This is to certify that we consider Miss L. B. Huntley thoroughly qualified to teach our improved system of shorthand, as she obtained her training under the personal supervision of the author of the system. She conducted a class for us in Boston, with marked success, and her previous experience as a stenographer in business offices, etc. enables her to teach the practical details of the work. We will further state that we have many calls for stenographers, and will be very glad to do anything in our power to help Miss Huntley's graduates to positions in this city or elsewhere. We take pleasure in recommending Miss Huntley to the public as a practical, progressive and proficient teacher of shorthand.

Very truly yours,

THE BEALE PRESS,

PER CHARLES GUINER BEALE, TREASURER.

## A Liberal Victory.

The bye-elections in Cornwall to fill the vacancy in the commons resulting from the death of Dr. Bergin (con) was held on Saturday. Stetsinger (lib) was elected by about 500 majority.

## WHAT SANTA CLAUS SAID.

"Hurrah! Hurrah! cries Santa Claus, Lets fill these days with long hurrahs! For I have travelled day and night, Down through a thousand paths of light. Right past the jolly Sun,—and here I, merry always, stand and cheer!

"My little girls and little boys Are dreaming of the many toys That I have 'all the live-long year Been making in my home so dear, And it was only yesternoon I left my workshops, in the moon!

"Come close to me, my lads that dream My little maids with wistful mein, And young in heart though old in years You come and join our Christmas cheers! Come close, away from bad old men Who say I'll never come again, And let me whisper in your ear,— I'm always coming every year!

"There is a wicked Ogre bad Who tries to tell each lass and lad That I am dead, but as you see I've come to fill each heart with glee!"

"O, Uncle Santa" joyfully Sings one wee lassie, bright to see "I'm sure you're coming every time, The merry bells of Christmas chime, And always you will know our names And bring us toys and candy canes, And Elsie books, and many a doll, Our stockings? you will fill them all!"

Quoth Santa: "Aye, I'll fill each stock With presents just at twelve o'clock, If you are good throughout the year You'll find your stockings filled up clear!"



"O, Uncle Santa" joyfully Sings one wee laddie, bright to see You've come right down our chimney place With kindly eyes and laughing face, So many years with trains that run, And Brownie books and many a gun And bow-an' arrows, and new sleds, And everything that's in our heads That I believe you'll always call, Our stockings? you will fill them all!"

Quoth Santa: "Aye I'll fill each stock With presents just at twelve o'clock If you are good throughout the year You'll find your stockings filled up clear!"

"O, Uncle Santa" wistfully Sighed one wee laddie, pale to see, You never gave a toy to me, And I have always dreamed of you, I, and my little sister, too, And we have hung our stockings high, But you forgot as you flew by."

A tear from Santa Claus's eye Rolled down his cheek, and pensively He quoth these words to Poverty, "There is a wicked Ogre bad That watches o'er your home, my lad, And when I try to fill your hearts, And stockings with my toys and tarts, He scowls above the chimney top And scowling will not let me stop?"

And Santa Claus wept silently, "My little lad," once more, quoth he, "When you grow up may this not be! But I will ask each bright young lad To give some gift to make you glad. And though the Ogre I can't pass, I'll whisper to each merry lass To give your sister happiness, And be her lovely Santa Claus."

THANE JONES.

Brush, Comb, and Mirror sets, these goods are always useful. The Baird Company have an unusually large assortment with and without fancy cases.

## Woodstock Markets.

Hay loose in town \$9.00 to \$9.50; Oats 20c.; Potatoes 50c.; Turnips 50c.; Pork 4c.; Beef 3c. to 4c.; Eggs 16c. to 18c.; Butter 14c. to 16c.; Lard 10c. C. L. Tilley & Son will pay 17c. per lb. for butter in the granules if it is made from perfect cream and is washed but not salted.

What of games, \$1.25 one for 50 cents, Childs Sets \$1.00 ones for 50 cents, \$1.25 Dolls \$1.00 each, Blocks for 90 cents worth \$1.25 this week at Garden Bros., Druggists.

## DIED.

STODDARD—At the residence of her son-in-law, C. W. Jenner, Woodstock, Caroline Stoddard, relict of the late Hezekiah Stoddard, aged 90 years. Funeral yesterday at Jacksonville Rev. C. T. Phillips officiating.

## A COAL STOVE.

For sale a large coal stove, a splendid heater, lined with fire brick. Cost \$40.00 will sell for \$16.00. W. B. JEWETT,

Have you Xmas photos taken at B. R. Watson's studio?

## THE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

(CONCLUDED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

ious or political controversy, while it was perfectly in keeping that he should be an adherent of the church of his choice or the political party of his preference. In dealing with all religious beliefs, he should speak of them with reverential respect. Coming to an interesting subject the chief said that under a new act of the legislature, teachers would receive what was called the long term payment. This coming year \$30,000 more would be spent under the subject of education than formerly. Criticism would come from some politicians, but the people should remember that this extra expenditures covered fourteen months. He only mentioned this that the teachers might be ready with an explanation when required to give one.

A paper was read by Miss Kate Phillips on "Primary Work." The discussion was opened on the same by Miss McCormac in a capital speech.

The nominating committee gave the names of the following as officers for the ensuing year, Pres., F. A. Good; Vice Pres., Isaac Draper; Sec-Treas., Miss Kate McLeod, executive committee, Misses Julia Neales and Jennie Cadwallader.

The Baird Company are offering usual discount on all Toilet goods Brushes, Combs, Soaps and until Christmas it will pay you to see their line of Christmas goods.

## Home Gathering.

Saturday evening 12th inst. a number of relatives and friends were entertained at the home of Miss Annie Gumb 50 Manchester Street. Music and whist were the main feature of the evening. Refreshments were served at 9.30 and the party pronounced the evening a perfect success. Among those present were Misses Mae and Nellie Shaw of Houlton, Maine, Miss Mabel Lewin and Miss Speer of Benton, N. B., and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lewin formerly of Woodstock, N. B. —"Mail" Lowell, Mass.

Good Story Books for boys and girls worth \$1.25 regular; our price is 90 cents a volume, 75 cent ones for 50 cents, 50 cent ones 40 cents. Toy Books very cheap also all this week at Garden Bros., Druggists.

THREATENING to have that picture framed won't get it done. The easiest and best way to get it done and to be sure of its being done right, is to stop right in here, select the style of frame you want from about three hundred samples and tell us where to get the picture and where to leave it when it's done. That's all you need do—that and paying for it; and you needn't pay for it if its wrong through any fault of ours. J. S. Marcy, Connell St.

## Thistle &amp; Co.

PROPRIETORS

—OF—

## HARTLAND DRUG STORE

In B. W. Boyer's Building next door below Taylor's Brick Building, Main Street.

Having opened a Drug Store under the management of W. E. Thistle, Druggist, we respectfully ask for a share of the drug trade. We have all the old prescriptions put up by W. E. Thistle, some 17,000, and we are prepared to refill any of them. Also, a new and fresh line of Drugs, Medicines and Druggists' Sundries, which we will sell cheap.

## Thistle &amp; Co., Druggists.

W. E. THISTLE, Manager.

## Something New!

The True Antidote for that Chilly Feeling.

## HOT SODA!

When cold and tired one is liable to place their money to a poor advantage. Drop into our Pharmacy and have a glass of Hot Soda in the shape of

Hot Lemon, Hot Chocolate,  
Hot Cocoa, Hot Coffee,  
Hot Tea, Hot Orange,  
Hot Beef Tea.

It will invigorate you and make you less liable to spend your money for that which is not bread. ONLY 5c. a Glass.

## Connell's Drug Store,

Opp. Carlisle Hotel.

## SCHOOL WANTED.

Female teacher holding Second Class License, having had several years experience in teaching graded and ungraded schools wishes to secure a school for the winter term. Address M. P. O. Box 329, Woodstock N. B.

## No Matter how Hard the Times

When Christmas comes, every one must consider what would make the most suitable Present, and where the cheapest place is to buy it. Our answer is, buy something useful and that will be the most suitable, and the cheapest place to buy a suitable and useful present is at OAK HALL. We give you a list with prices of goods that we keep that would make nice presents:

For the Boy we have a Large Assortment of

2-piece Suits from \$2.00 to \$5.00  
3-piece Suits " 3.75 to 10.00  
Reefers " 2.00 to 5.00  
Usters " 3.00 to 9.00  
Caps " 25c. to 1.00

For the Men:

Suits from \$2.99 to \$14.50  
Usters " 3.75 to 10.00  
Overcoats " 2.99 to 14.50  
Reefers " 4.00 to 6.00  
Caps " 25c. to 1.00

We have received two cases of Ties in Bows, Four-in-Hand and Knots, made specially for us for Christmas.

Trade Prices, 23c., 33c. and 48c.

Gloves, in Buck, Kid, Wool, Reindeer.

Prices from 23c. to \$2.50.

Braces, in Fancy Glass-Covered Box, very nice present for your best fellow.

75c., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.

Any of these goods mentioned would make nice presents, and would be appreciated by the receiver. Come in and look, our stock over; we are sure you can find something that will please you.

## Oak Hall, One Price, Woodstock.

## BESIDES

The Lamps that we spoke of last week, we have

## Carpet Sweepers, Carving Sets,

POCKET KNIVES, SLEDS,

## FANCY BRONZE GOODS,

And lots of other useful Christmas Presents.

Please come in and look us over.

## SHAW &amp; DIBBLEE,

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Christmas Presents for All  
At Everett's Bookstore!

Books, Bibles, Annuals, Toy Books, Toys, Dolls, Ornaments, Cups and Saucers, Pocket Books, Card Cases, Work Boxes, Jewell Boxes. Come and see what you can get for little cash.

W. H. EVERETT.

## The Bible

Don't say whether

## ADAM

—AND—

## EVE

Wore Boots or Moccasins, but you can get either at

## R. W. Balloch's.

## WOODSTOCK BUSINESS COLLEGE

A thorough course will be given in all commercial branches. SHORTHAND, (either Isaac Pitman or Beale system). Day and Evening Classes. Terms reasonable.

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## TO BE LET.

That pleasantly situated tenement on Park street, in Wellington Ward, now occupied by Fraser Grant. Possession given Nov. 1st. R. K. JONES.