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STILL A TANGLE.

It is to be hoped we will hear nothing further of the Venezuelan affair, unless it be an assurance that a peaceful solution has been reached. It gave us all considerable anxiety and there was a time when our people began to think somewhat seriously of how they would figure in red coats, and how they would handle their carbines. The Houlton people had about made up their minds to take Woodstock, and the Woodstock people were wondering how it would feel to shoot down their neighbors in the pretty town across the boundary line. Matters were looking quite serious just when we wanted to eat our Christmas dinner in peace, and it was decidedly shocking to have to mix up mince pie and cartridges. But the cloud passed away as quickly as it arose, and then came a great feeling that neither Americans or Englishmen had any particular desire to blow out each other brains for the sake of what Sir Richard Cartwright termed "the murderous man monkeys" of South America. It will not do, however, for us to hello too loudly until we have quite got out of the woods, and we would like to see the Venezuelan question quite arranged before we stop practicing at firing at targets. A quite recent dispatch from Washington says that the Venezuela question is just now occupying the strict attention of the government. It appears a civil engineer named Hanison was arrested by the Venezuelans, as he was engaged in constructing a road in the territory under dispute by Venezuela and British Guiana. The Globe an English paper that speaks quite reasonably of these matters says: "Pending a readjustment of the boundaries Great Britain is sovereign in the territory east of the Schomberg line and declares that it would be a profound mistake even to seem to abandon a single inch thereof." Thus matters have assumed a somewhat serious aspect, but the general hope is that as the worst crisis was passed without bloodshed, the two nations will hardly allow the Venezuelans to bring on a state of affairs worse than the first.

THE BOARD'S DUTY.

A meeting of the Board of Trade will be held in Graham's hall at 8 o'clock on Friday evening. The business men of town have had a holiday lately, and now it is their duty to get down to business. Governments may come and go. The Hon. Wilfred may succeed Hon. Sir Chas., but while we may be pleased or disgusted, according to our political beliefs, the central fact prevails that Woodstock business men want to look after their town. They can only look after it properly, by meeting and taking an active interest in the general well-being of the community. The Board of Trade is the organization to carry out this laudable end. They need to consider the question of new industries, consider impartially changes in tariff, discuss and act upon the question of exemption from taxation. More perhaps than all they need to discuss freight rates seeing what they can do to affect a change in the general interest of the town. A very important question that should receive attention is that relating to the passenger service now given to and from Woodstock. This is particularly worthy of discussion as it relates to the passenger service north of the town. Under the present arrangement, the interests of the Woodstock merchants stand to suffer. Another thing is the representation in the town council, and the general composition of that body. There are questions to be considered as to town improvement which the Board of Trade must take in hand. They need not antagonize the council, but, rather aid the council by timely and valuable suggestions.

MOST SURPRISING.

The feature that most strongly strikes the impartial observer, with respect to the recent election is the number of surprises. Conservatives were surprised at seeing the government defeated, but they were even more surprised at the particular causes that led to the defeat. Then on both sides men were defeated whom it was generally thought would be returned without difficulty. Men were elected by large majorities, whom very few thought would be elected at all. There were surprises all around showing that at a general election, the people show their power, and for one day the manipulator is not in it.

Now that the election is over, the politicians will have a let up—if they only want to take it. There will be much interest shown over the progress of the new government, and the political student of whatever shade of politics will watch closely the course of events. It is some eighteen years since the liberals were in power. Sir Richard

Cartwright and one or two others are about all that is left of the party that went out of power with McKenzie in 1878.

The town has certainly scored in the matter of the tenders for the debentures. Either the credit of the town is most excellent, or money is most awfully cheap. Anyway, we must consider the question of borrowing some money to fix up our sidewalks. It will be the cheapest way to do it, in the end, for there will not be the output for repairs that we now have to meet every year, and beside that we will have good reliable paths for our feet to walk in.

Two prominent Conservatives have passed away recently in Sir Leonard Tilley and Hon. John Beverley Robinson. Sir Leonard had an enviable reputation as a clean politician, and leaves a name that will always be mentioned with honor. Mr. Robinson was a leading figure in Ontario politics, having been a cabinet minister and also a lieutenant governor of the province. He and Sir Leonard were probably about of an age.

THE VICTORIA HOTEL.

Extensive Improvements which Make Mr. McCormick's Hotel Second to None.

When the era of hotel improvements set in here a few months since Mr. McCormick, the wide-awake proprietor of the Victoria, determined that the house should be second to none in the lower provinces. The hotel has just come out of the hands of the men engaged by Mr. McCormick to make the necessary repairs and improvements. A new plate glass front has been put in the office, which adds materially to the appearance of the building. The corridor itself has been changed so that those who frequented it in the years gone by would scarcely recognize it. The floor has been tiled and done in an exceedingly attractive style. The walls and ceiling, in response to the decorator's brush, show up in grand style. Just a little in front of the office desk an arch has been cut, and a few steps take the guest to an elevator put in by Fader & Christiansen of Lynn, Mass. The car and doors are of quartered oak, finished with handsome grill work in open panels. The elevator, which was put in by Charles McCatherine, the agent of the firm, works admirably; in fact, there has not been a single hitch since it was first put in operation five weeks ago. It has a lifting capacity of three tons and is a passenger and freight elevator combined. Coat baggage and boot rooms have been built off the corridor, which cannot fail to prove convenient and satisfactory to both the management and the patrons of the house. In the rear of the office is the wash room and lavatory, a perfect little gem. Its tiled floor, elegantly finished walls and ceiling, massive marble wash basins and well equipped closets made in one of the finest apartments of its kind in the country. The rooms on the fourth and fifth floors being more easy of access now, have been newly carpeted and furnished. The furniture is from the factory of Vroom Bros. of St. Stephen, and is elegant. The writing room just outside the dining hall has been handsomely fitted up. The store formerly occupied by Mr. White, confectionery has been converted into a first class barber shop. W. A. McGinley conducts it. Mr. McCormick is to be congratulated on the possession of a house which compares favorably with any in the maritime provinces.

Where to Get Fish.

Jackson's Fish Market is evidently an institution that has come to Woodstock to stay. It is on the south side of the bridge, opposite Grant & Birmingham's factory. In order to keep the fish fresh there are six refrigerator tanks, into which the finny denizens of the sea are put immediately on their arrival from the cool waters of the Passamaquoddy. Shipments are received every day. One of the features of the fish market is that the fish are cleaned and made ready for the table just as ordered. They are in just as good condition as if the master of the house had fished them himself from the salt water. Mr. Wilson has charge of the fish, and having been in that trade for years on the Passamaquoddy islands, he knows just how to handle them. A large sink has just been put in the building for the purpose of cleaning the fish. In connection with the fish market Jackson keeps a full line of groceries, this department being under the charge of Mr. Daggett. Produce of all kinds will be taken in exchange. Since coming here the firm have purchased a suitable wagon for carrying around its orders. A telephone has been put in and thus fish can be delivered a few moments after ordering. They have constantly on hand fresh salmon, haddock, cod, mackerel and pollock, as well as salted and canned fish. This is something which Woodstock has long needed.

Latest Reports.

From an independent stand point it is probable that the Liberals now have a majority of twenty on a summing up of the political situation. Just what Sir Charles Tupper will do, whether he will resign or meet parliament is not positively settled at the time of writing.

MARRIED.

ELLIS-BAIRD.—On June 25th, at Centenary church, by Rev. J. J. Teasdale, Frank B. Ellis to Margaret A., eldest daughter of A. W. Baird, of St. John.

DIED.

CONNOLLY.—At Woodstock, June 25th., Jennie only child of Albert P. and Lottie B. Connolly, aged 8 days.

BROWN.—At Woodstock, on May 29th, Minnie E., aged 9 years and 7 mos., eldest daughter of George and Anne Brown.

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Sealed proposals for furnishing labor and materials for the construction of stone piers and abutment under the bridge carrying the water main across the Meduxwakiag, indorsed "Proposed for Bridge Piers and Abutments," will be received at the office of the Superintendent of Water Works, in Woodstock, N. B., until 6 p. m. of the 17th day of July, 1896 Plans and specifications can be seen at the above mentioned office. The right is reserved to reject any or all the proposals.

A. E. JONES,
Chairman Water Committee.

The coastwise defense monitor Monterey is in port at Tacoma, Wash.

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We lead the followers.

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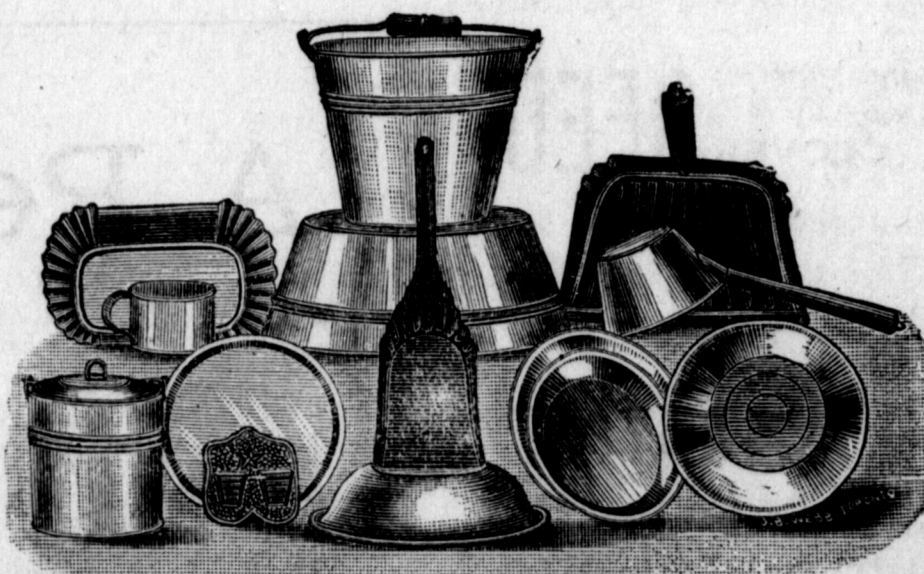
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