

# THE DISPATCH.

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PRICE TWO CENTS.

## OUR FIRE SALE

Will last a few days longer. We are not exactly giving away goods, but we are selling them at a Remarkable Reduction. The damage on these goods was so slight that it is not noticeable. They were slightly disfigured by water, but we have cleaned them up so that it would puzzle an expert to know that they had been damaged at all. Nevertheless, the fact that they went through a fire makes them less saleable than they were before, and we offer them to you at almost your own price. Our store has been crowded during the past week with purchasers, and they have all been delighted with their bargains. It's your turn next. Don't put it off until the last minute, but come now. This is an excellent opportunity to secure a Wedding Present. All of our Silverware and Clocks are included in this sale. We are situated on QUEEN STREET, opposite the Aberdeen Hotel; will be at our old stand in about a week.

## CARR & GIBSON,

WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVERWARE and JEWELLRY.

## THE SEASON FOR OVERCOATS

Is here, and we are prepared for it. Do you want an Overcoat or Ulster? If you do, read these columns. They will interest you, and save money for you. Why pay high prices when you can get the best goods at the lowest prices at Oak Hall? We do not exaggerate. What we promise we fulfill. Our offer is as clear as sunlight—as plain as day. **The Best Clothing at the Lowest Prices.** Your money back if you want it. If you cannot come yourself write to us for what you want; your letter will receive prompt attention.

### Overcoats.

A lot of Grey Tweed Overcoats, all Single-Breasted, Good Wide Collar, Stitched Seams, Raw Edge, prices \$3.50.

Dark Blue Single-Breasted Nap Overcoat, Velvet Collar, price \$6.00.

Single and Double-Breasted Blue Beaver Overcoats, Heavy Linings, Velvet Collar, price \$8.75, better ones \$9, 10, 12 and 14.50.

### Ulsters.

Dark Grey, Dark Brown, Tan Colors and Black Canadian Frieze Ulsters, with Heavy Storm Collars, Hand-Warmers, Heavy Linings, very warm and serviceable, prices \$4.25, 5, 7, 9, 11.

Children's Ulsters \$3 to 5.

Boys' Ulsters \$5 to 7.

Youths' Ulsters \$4.50 to 8.

Oak Hall, One Price, Woodstock.

WELL! WELL! WELL!

This is the usual exclamation when stepping into the Crockery Room in the rear part of our store.

JUST RECEIVED:

Beautiful Glass Sets,  
Dinner, Tea and  
Toilet Sets, in great variety.

C. M. SHERWOOD & BRO.

4 Main Street, Woodstock.

## The Waterman.

### This Famous Fountain Pen

Plases the most fastidious. It is a wonderful time-saver. It has done more to prevent profanity among business men than any other agent. Clergymen endorse it on this account. Chauncey Depew says, "I am still using the incomparable Waterman Fountain Pen; I bought my first one in 1886; it has been my constant and faithful companion."

—FOR SALE ONLY BY—

W. B. JEWETT,  
WOODSTOCK and HARTLAND.

## HAS AN ANNUAL PASS.

### The Hobo's Mode of Traveling on Railroads.

A Visit From One of the Noble Order to Woodstock.—Tells of a Life Free and Easy.—The Tramp and the Cow he Milked.

It is not every day that Woodstock is visited by one of the fraternity of tramps of undoubted high standing in the order. Nevertheless one of the geni drifted into the office last week, just to let the editor know that the world was moving. "Say," said the scribe, "what do you fellows mean running round from place to place?" "Running round," repeated the knight of the road in a voice of indignation. "Say! did yer ever hear tell of a feller called De Soto. No! Well he went around searchin after stuff ter drink, and who ever found it, would have his jags for life. Well, yer see, we uns, are searchin too. There's a land, if you could find it where the springs are plum full o'lemonade, the mountains made of rockcandy, wid gingerbread quarries in em, and say, oh, all the trees are loaded wid cigarettes, dats the spot were moochin fer. So you want to know how I came here well, dats easy, I come on de car and de engine pulled it, see. Of course you know what de bumpers are, the narrow ledge that runs along the end of a box car where the couplings are connected, that's de bumpers. Sometimes a boe gets killed, greases de rail, gets sloppy or hands frozen and train running at too high speed to leave it, looses his holt and all is up, or a train breaks a port and then, well you know—Well sometimes we duck them after night that is to ride on top of box cars but care must be taken to avoid overhead bridges, and it is very cool riding. Empty boxcars are at a premium, and the rods is luxurious riding if the road is not too dusty. To ride the rods a piece of board 3 to 4 ft. long is necessary. This is laid across the rods, that support the bottom of the car. This riding looks difficult but after a little experience is found to be quite easy. The rods is a favourite place to ride with the western fraternity as in the far west there is open war between train officials and hoboes, and the rods offer a place of concealment from the eyes of the passengers and trainmen alike. The pilot or cow catcher is another spot which has been occupied by the clan and it is very dangerous. To the novice taking his first ride the engine at every revolution seems to leave the rails and when a curve is approached he closes his eyes and awaits with his heart in his mouth, to feel himself flying down the embankment. This position, riding the pilot is very annoying to the engineer and fireman both of whom generally practise their skill as a marksman and the hobo for a few minutes outdodges the African dodger in his endeavour to avoid coming in contact with the anthracite. "Well! do you know what it feels like," said an engineer on the B & —one night "to be driving at the rate of 50 miles an hour and to see a tramp—a human being sitting on in front. A piece of board on the track, a lamb, cow, or any animal if struck by the train would cause the death of the poor unfortunate that was stealing a ride. One night I was driving the old express, she was going a 55 mile clip when my fireman drew my attention to a tramp on the pilot, well we couldn't stop the train to put him off. So we let him ride in peace. Ten or fifteen minutes later I saw a cow on the track. I was going to whistle down brakes and apply the air brakes, but I saw we could not avoid striking her. I pulled the throttle over and on we rushed. We felt the shock as we struck the beast, but we were late and then, it struck me, where was the tramp. Out on the footboard, I rushed and bless me, will you believe it, there sat the chap on the pilot with that cow across his knee milking her into a tomato can." "Hold on there, editor, don't fire that dictionary! Say when yer want ter write a dictionary I will give you a definition for the word hobo. Hoboe, is a student of human nature, who studies the weaknesses of mankind and takes advantages of them."

### LOST HIS OVERCOAT.

And Thinks a Woodstock Man Got it by Mistake.

A few days ago Major Vince, post master, received a letter from Arthur Thompson, a student at St. Mary's College, Van Buren. He writes:—"While I was coming back to College last Tuesday on the train from Bangor, with a number of other students we met a man after we passed by Woodstock, who

ssaid he had lived in Woodstock for twelve years. He was rather a pleasant man. I should think he was between five feet, eight and ten, he had a sandy mustache and beard, his beard came down to a point, and he was smoking a meerschaum pipe, which looked like a new one. I should think he would weigh from one hundred and seventy to eighty, perhaps more. He got off at Perth and bid us good-bye. And when I went to look for my overcoat, when I was getting off at St. Leonards, I found that it was gone and some one else had left his. As we were all sitting in the smoker together I thought perhaps he might have taken mine instead of his. And the one was left me is too big. My overcoat was black with velvet collar, but I think it was padded, because it was quite heavy. Of course I cannot say he has taken it, but if you will please ask him about it if you see him or know him I will be very much obliged to you. And tell him if he has it to send it to Arthur Thompson, St. Mary's College, Van Buren, Me. And I will return him his. My overcoat has two books in one pocket and a brush broom in the other. I am not sure whether he lives in Woodstock or Woodstock yard or junction. But if you will please let me know whether you know such a man or not I will be very much obliged."

### A Banker's Experience.

"I tried a bottle of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for a troublesome affection of the throat," writes Manager Thomas Dewson of the Standard Bank, now of 14 Melbourne Avenue, Toronto. "It proved effective. I regard the remedy as simple, cheap and exceedingly good. It has hitherto been my habit to consult a physician in troubles of this nature. Hereafter, however, I intend to be my own family doctor."

### The Trouble in India.

BOMBAY, Sept. 19th.—The advices from the front show that the various columns are advancing against the Mahmoukis from Panjkora and Shabkadr. As yet they have met with no serious opposition, but the difficulties of transportation in a mountainous and almost pathless country are immense. A formidable obstacle in the way of the movement is the lack of water.

The brigade of General Jeffreys has not joined in the advance. Yesterday it left Camp Anayet with sixteen companies of infantry and four guns in order to re-attack the enemy at the village of Damodata. The enemy made a desperate resistance, but were driven out into the hills.

The British demolished their towers and captured four hundred mule loads of supplies. As soon as the troops began to retire from the village the enemy reappeared in force. The retirement, however, was effected with great precision, the native troops behaving splendidly. Two Sikhs were killed and six wounded.

It is now known that the enemy's loss during the fight on Thursday last between the Momunds and the second brigade of General Sir Bindon Blood in the valley north Anayet was very severe. The tribes engaged did not press the brigade during the retirement, but fresh tribesmen appeared. Captain Ryder's company of Sikhs virtually owed their lives to an Afridi sergeant of the guides corps, who, when Sikhs had exhausted their ammunition and were desperately cutting their way back through the enemy, dashed up the hill under a heavy fire with a supply of cartridges. He arrived just in the nick of time, as the swordsmen of the enemy were already among the Sikhs, who were absolutely unable, after the heavy climb and hard fighting, to make a successful struggle. Lieut. Watson was thrice wounded while gallantly leading a handful of buffs, who routed a large body of the enemy that was trying to storm the village in which General Jeffreys, with guns, had taken up a position after missing his main body in the gloom Thursday night. It appears that the enemy lost one hundred and eighty men before they captured the Saragai police post. They burned alive two Sikh cooks whom they captured while out hunting firewood.

MR. FRANK OLMSTEAD and Laura T. Fisher eldest daughter of Isaiah W. Fisher were married at Mr. Fisher's residence last Wednesday by Rev. Thomas Todd. The young couple received the congratulations of their many friends.

THE Supreme Judicial Court of Maine opened at Houlton yesterday Judge Strout presiding. There are 490 civil, 30 equity and 47 criminal cases on the docket, and about 380 new cases to be entered. So says the Fort Fairfield Leader.

GRAFTON is becoming quite a city of residences. Frank Olmstead has a nice new house about completed, Robert McElroy is putting up a new dwelling. John Stairs and Elijah Bragdon are preparing to build near the entrance to the bridge.

A LIST of the entries for the Halifax Exhibition races has been sent to this office. Large purses are offered and the entries already indicate that the racing will be something unsurpassed in the Maritime provinces.

FRANK SHARP the veteran fruit raiser of New Brunswick says that the apple crop is poor this season. There is a good price but all varieties are scarce. As for plums, there are practically, none.

JOHN COLTER will probably be a candidate for the County Council from Northampton. Jerry Bragdon says he will retire. David Gibson will be to the front again.

IT IS said that Thos. Flemming will be a candidate from the town for the county council. The names of M. McManus and M. E. Smith are mentioned in this connection.

## VARIETY OF ITEMS.

### A Snake Found With two Heads up Tobique.

And Nothing Imaginary About it.—Sewers to be Put in to Schools.—Our Defenders at Florenceville.—And Still they WILL get Married.

At a meeting of the school board yesterday morning, it was decided to issue a bond for \$700, to go towards the improvement on the schools.

The sewers will be at once laid into the schools, Trustees Vanwart, McCormac, Saunders and Jones being appointed a committee to look after this work. Trustees Vanwart, Saunders, Connell and Jones were appointed a committee to get plans and specifications, for the addition to the Broadway school house and to submit the same to the board for approval.

### Wetmore-Munro.

Miss Jessie Ellen Munro, youngest daughter of the late David Munro, Registrar of Carleton County, will be married to Lieut. Howard P. Wetmore of Halifax this afternoon at three o'clock, in the Presbyterian church here. Robert R. Rankin, B. A., St. John, will be groomsman and Miss Clarie Weeks, St. John, bridesmaid. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. James Whiteside assisted by Rev. Kenneth McKay of Houlton. Mr. and Mrs. Wetmore will make a trip to Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

### Trafton-Jewett.

Yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. E. B. Jewett, Woodstock, her eldest daughter Ella Blanche was married to Rev. Miles S. Trafton, son of Rev. A. H. Trafton. They left on the express for St. John, where Mr. Trafton has charge of the Reformed Baptist church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. B. Wiggins.

### A Two Headed Snake.

Jud. Hale made a peculiar discovery near his depot camp on the Tobique, on his last trip. He found a snake with two heads, and minus a tail. The second head was where the ordinary snake carries his tail. This is no snake story, and the snake that Mr. Hale saw was no imaginary one. Anyone who goes to his residence in Grafton may see the viper, now preserved in alcohol.

### Coming.

This is a great opportunity for those suffering with defective eyesight to have their eyes properly examined, and advised as to requisite glasses. The eye expert for the world renowned Lemaire Optical Company, of London, Paris, and New York, will be at the store of Garden Bros., sole agents for Woodstock Oct. 8 and 9. Consultation and examination free.

### Engineers in Camp.

The Brighton Engineers, Major Vince, commanding, went into camp at East Florenceville on Monday morning. They are 100 strong with the following officers:—Major Vince, Capt. Tompkins, Lieuts. Stevenson, Appleby, Neville Vince, Sgt. Major Lovely, Quarter Master Sgt. Tompkins, Sergts. Troy, Albright, Melville and Campbell.

### THEY DO GOOD WORK.

The following letter tells what people think about Laxa Liver Pills:—  
DEAR SIRS,—I gladly testify to the virtues of Laxa Liver Pills. I used to be troubled with severe headaches and constipation for a long time, and took these pills hoping for a cure, and my hopes were rapidly fulfilled. I have found them a never failing remedy and heartily recommend them.  
Signed, MISS S. LAWSON,  
Moncton, N. B.

### A Bad Harvest in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 17.—The bad harvest affects 17 Russian provinces, and it is feared it will always be felt in 1898, as the drought has prevented sowing winter wheat in a large area. The immense reserve stocks will prevent a famine; but the peasants are ruined for several years.

### Qualification.

The necessary qualification for a candidate to be eligible to the County Council is \$300 real estate, or \$600 leasehold.

THERE is said to be an unusual amount of shooting on the Tobique this season. The Gleaner says that Mr. Wm. Bruce of New York has gone on a month's hunting trip to the head waters of that stream.

PEABODY BROS. below town, have put on their place a steel geared windmill used as a power for cutting wood, grinding grain, etc. It was manufactured by the Gould, Shapley and Muir Co. of Brantford Ont.

DIBBLEE & SON have 200 cords of dry hard wood for sale. They will deliver it to any part of the town. Orders left at their store will receive prompt attention.