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A VISIT TO WASHINGTON.

Carleton County Member Sees Much There to Admire.

But the Surrounding Farms a Poor Lot—Board of Trade has a Visit from Mr. Sutherland the General Freight Agent—Will Mean Something for the Town.

J. T. A. Dibblee, M. P. P., returned a few days ago from quite an extended tour in the States during which he paid a visit to Washington. Mr. Dibblee is much impressed with Washington, as a city. As, is generally known probably, this city, the capital of the republic, is governed by a commission appointed by the president. One commissioner is a republican, one a democrat and the third an officer in the engineer corps of the army. The last mentioned official has charge of the streets of Washington, and it may be well to remark that the streets of Washington are considerably ahead of the streets of Woodstock. In fact Washington has the reputation of being the cleanest city on this continent. This is not surprising considering that the resources of the federal government are at its back. Its entire population is 300,000 and almost one third are negroes. According to a recent census there were 50,000 bicyclists in Washington.

In the course of his trip Mr. Dibblee visited some of the rural districts in the state of Virginia. In one place only thirty miles from the federal capital, Mr. Dibblee found such a poverty-stricken condition among the farmers, which would not be seen in the poorest section of this province. The land is poor—the old residents say by reason of the immense tobacco crops raised before the war—and the workers of the land seem lazy and shiftless. Only thirty miles from a city of over a quarter of a million, and yet poor farmers! Why! if Carleton County farmers had such a market at their doors, they would almost refuse to acknowledge the Queen's Majesty, as their aunt. Quite close to this great centre it is a common thing to see a farmers team made up of a mule and horse hitched together.

According to Mr. Dibblee's report, the old feeling of the Southerners against the North is not by any means dead. They claim that their property has all been taken from them and blame the cupidity of the Northerners for their misfortune.

About Freight Rates.

Mr. J. N. Sutherland, general freight agent, Atlantic division, C. P. R. had been expected for some time past to meet the Woodstock Board of Trade and discuss the question of freight rates. On Friday last Mr. Sutherland came to Woodstock for the special purpose of consulting with the board, and a meeting was called for 1.30 in the afternoon. Considering the shortness of the notice there was a very good attendance of members. Mr. Williamson Fisher, the president, explained to Mr. Sutherland the complaint of the board. Woodstock was under a great disadvantage in developing as a distributing centre by reason of the arbitrary rate on freight charges from McAdam of 12½ cents. The board would like to see that removed.

Mr. Sutherland said this was a very difficult question. By making such a change for Woodstock the company would be compelled to rearrange its whole freight arrangements for this section of the country. If he was correctly informed the company has some time ago reduced the tariff by one half.

Messrs Graham, Baird, Garden, Balmain, Fisher and others pointed out the various ways in which this arbitrary rate from McAdam militated against the trade of Woodstock. Mr. Fisher said that in his line stoves were shipped from St. John to Edmundston cheaper than from Woodstock to Edmundston. Mr. Sutherland said this was by reason of the mixed car rate, which in person was not in favor of. He would promise the board that he would meet any special business requiring fostering in a liberal spirit. In such cases he would do everything possible to meet the views of those interested. As to changing the tariff that was not in his power, but something which lay entirely with the head office at Montreal, Mr. Sutherland suggested that the board take up any particular lines on which the freight seems to work against Woodstock and embody the representation concerning them in a letter to him to be forwarded to Montreal.

A general discussion on freight rates ensued. Mr. Sutherland said that this winter the freight would be as cheap between St. John and England as between Boston and England. He incidentally referred to the advisability of improved farming with the view of raising

articles to ship to the British market. He took a personal interest in farming and did not hesitate to say that the farming business was behind every other business in the country. "There is more money lost in bad butter alone than would pay the debt of Canada," he said. Mr. Sutherland produced a pamphlet entitled "Canada's Interests in the West Indies, issued by the the C. P. R. company, which had sent a special commissioner to the West Indies to ascertain the articles mostly imported there, and the nature of them. They were endeavouring to foster trade between this country and the West India colonies.

WOODSTOCK'S PROGRESS.

When Mr. Sutherland, the C. P. R. freight agent was here, Mr. H. P. Baird told him that we were a progressive people up here and were determined to make this town a distributing centre for the Upper St. John.

So we do mean and so we will. The older element must bury their rows, and their hatchets with their rows, and work for the common good, and the younger element want to learn more of the meaning of the word "co-operation" than of the word "competition," as far as it relates to our fellow citizens.

The C. P. R. has Woodstock trade in its own hands for the present. Lately this corporation has shown a disposition to aid Woodstock. Let them keep up this spirit and Woodstock will be satisfied.

During the decade of 1881-1891 when New Brunswick's population, as a whole was stationary, the town of Woodstock leaped ahead.

According to the census reports Woodstock, paid in 1881 \$65,480; in 1891, \$158,400; in wages value of factory products, in 1881 \$258,260; in 1891, \$484,385.

Woodstock added to its population between 1881 and 1891 801 souls or 32.2 per cent. We don't wish to make invidious comparisons, but by reference to the returns, we find that St. Stephen only grew, in that period, 14.6 per cent; St. John 5.2 per cent; Fredericton 4.5 per cent. Moncton beat Woodstock adding 74.2 per cent, but Moncton's growth was not normal. It is a railroad centre and had a boom. Woodstock's growth was purely normal.

And Woodstock is growing as rapidly, now, as ever.

The C. P. R. want to bear this in mind.

An Old Woodstocker.

The following comes from a paper published in Minersville, Pa.:—"R. P. H. Phillips, one of the pioneer coal operators of the county, died on Thursday night at his home in Mt. Pleasant. Deceased was widely known and held in the highest esteem, having lived in this neighborhood since he was 18 years of age. He was born in Woodstock, Carleton Co, New Brunswick, August 20, 1820 and came to this county, locating in Branchdale, April 9, 1848. Shortly after he removed to Pottsville where he acted as sales agent for Attwood and Co. In 1857 he removed to Patten's Valley where for a number of years he worked as clerk for Dolbin, Rodgers & Co. It was not until 1870 that he removed to Mt. Pleasant where he opened a general store which he conducted up to the time of his demise. Mr. Phillips served his adopted country in the war of rebellion, enlisting until the close of the war. He was in Company C, 136th Pa. Vol. and during the service received several slight wounds. He came home with the rank of Corporal. Mr. Phillips was 77 years one month and 17 days of age and leaves to survive him a wife and the following grown children, viz: Joseph and Sarah at home and Thomas of town. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon and interment will be made in the M. E. cemetery.

Florenceville News.

A string social, under the auspices of the B. L. S. Circle, will be held in the temperance hall on Saturday evening, Nov. 6th. Strings for sale at 7 p. m. young ladies baskets will have red strings; older ladies, white strings, all are cordially invited. Be sure to get the strings.

The inside of the Baptist church has been completely renovated. The ceiling has been wainscoted in an arched form, and the walls papered. Altogether it presents a pleasing appearance.

Hollie Estey is rapidly recovering from his attack of Typhoid Fever, and is able to be out again.

Miss Hannah Estabrooks is the guest of Rev. A. H. Hayward.

We are glad to welcome back to our town, Mr. Boyd, who is attending school here.

The new house on the hill is nearing completion, and proves a valuable acquisition to the many fine residences of the town. Nor must we forget to mention the many improvements made to the house in the hollow. These surely suggest financial prosperity or matrimonial intentions or both.

Still Watching the Railway.

Although we have not seen the commencement of the work yet, it is generally believed that the Woodstock and Centreville railway will go on. A private letter received by an interested party, says that work will be commenced not later than the 15th of November. What can be accomplished at work begun so late, may set the ordinary inhabitant of this county, wondering. There is reason to think that work will actually be commenced next spring.

TO RELIEVE SUFFERING.

Woodstock Will Do Its Share Towards Helping Afflicted Windsor.

Two Carloads of Lumber Will Reach the Burned Town This Week—Ladies' Committee Work with a Hearty Will—Money and Clothing Pouring in.

A public meeting was called on Friday evening to consider the question of granting aid to the sufferers by the Windsor fire. Mayor Hay presided and read a telegram in which contributions of lumber were asked. Alex. Henderson promised to donate 2000 ft. J. T. A. Dibblee and J. N. W. Winslow the same, and H. E. Wright and G. A. Taylor 1000 ft. each.

It was decided to open a subscription list, and the following were appointed a committee for the purpose, with the mayor as chairman:—For Queens Ward—Jas. Watts, A. Henderson; Wellington Ward—W. B. Nicholson, J. T. A. Dibblee; Kings Ward—George Balmain, Albert Hayden. It being thought well to appoint a ladies' committee to act with the gentlemen, the following were appointed from the various denominations:—

Presbyterian—Mrs. Chas. McLean, Miss Maude Henderson.

English Church—Mrs. G. A. Taylor, Mrs. A. B. Connell.

F. C. B.—Miss Druscilla Vanwart, Miss Mamie Clark.

Baptist—Miss Kate Saunders, Mrs. Denison.

Methodist—Miss Fripp, Miss Susie Williams.

Reformed Baptist—Mrs. F. H. Hale, Mrs. R. K. Jones.

Advent—Mrs. C. W. Dickinson, Mrs. Albert Brown.

Roman Catholic—Miss Chapman, Miss Fewer.

Salvation Army—Mrs. Jas. Hayden, Miss True.

A. M. E.—Mrs. Dr. Bynam, Mrs. Ludlow Wise.

T. C. L. Ketchum was elected secretary to the committee. A meeting was called for Monday evening in the council chamber.

The meeting of the committee on Monday evening was well attended, twelve of the ladies nominated on the committee being present. Mrs. R. K. Jones announced her regret that she was going away for a visit, and would be unable to serve. Mayor Hay presided at the meeting. After some suggestions the ladies present formed themselves into a sub-committee, and elected Mrs. G. A. Taylor president. They decided upon a thorough canvass of the town for second hand clothing, which will be taken to certain specified points and then packed. The mayor's office will be the central depository, and anyone having anything in the way of clothes or money to donate, may leave them with His Worship. It was announced that a car of lumber was about filled, and it was expected would be started on its way yesterday. Besides the contribution of lumber already announced, Col. R. B. Ketchum, R. McElroy, Jas. Carr and H. P. Baird have each given 1000 ft. It was also decided to buy another car load from James Carr, at \$6 15 a thousand, one thousand of which Mr. Carr will donate. Thus, a second car of lumber will be forwarded to Windsor, probably the last of the week. In order to have any parcel carried free by the Express, it must be addressed to the Mayor of Windsor.

The ladies are going forth with a will, and all householders are notified that they will be given an opportunity to contribute.

Mr. G. A. Taylor kindly agreed to forward any money subscribed to Windsor free of charge.

Fiends in The Flesh.

There are complaints made of wanton destruction of several monuments and tombstones in the protestant cemetery. One would hope that no resident of Woodstock could be so utterly vile as to invade the city of the dead and deliberately destroy the memorials erected by relatives and friends. Yet, the fact is that monument after monument has been mutilated. Steps are being taken to offer a large reward for the apprehension of the abandoned scoundrel or scoundrels guilty of such indecent and sacrilegious work. Every right minded citizen will do his best to discover the human fiends.

Woodstock Market.

Loose Hay,.....	to \$6 00
Oats,.....	22 "
Butter,.....	15 " 16
Cheese,.....	" 9
Beef,.....	04 " 05
Beans per bus,.....	1 25
Onions per bus,.....	1 50
Turnips per bbl,.....	40 " 50
Potatoes per bbl,.....	80
Pork per lb,.....	5 1/2