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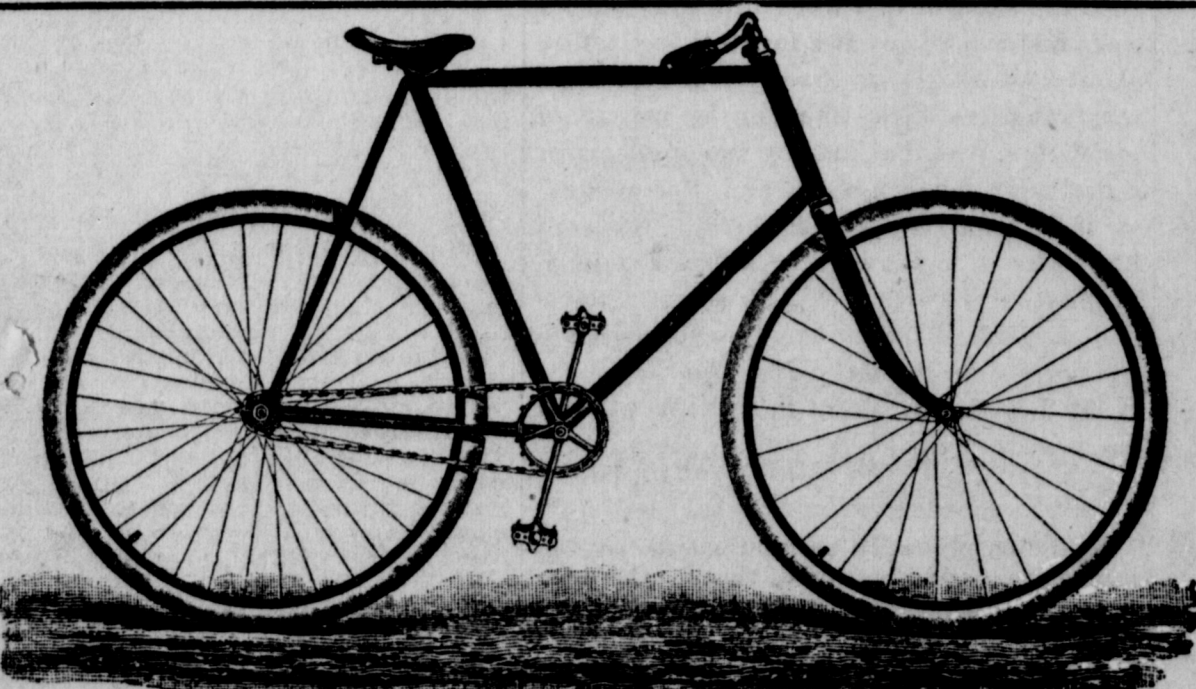
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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA.

DEATH CLAIMS A CLEVER WOODSTOCK BOY.

John B. Lynch Passes Away After A Long Illness.—Railway Matters.—Serious Accident at Tapley's Mills, of Local Interest.

A deal of genuine sympathy will go out from the people of this place to Mr. and Mrs. B. Lynch, who in their older days, are called to mourn the loss of their son. Mr. Lynch received a telegram on Monday morning, announcing the sad news of the death of John B. Lynch, at Los Angeles, California. Thither the young man went some few months ago in search of health, which even the ever prevailing summer air of that lovely country could not restore. He had been a sufferer from consumption for years past, and his death was not a surprise, though the news was not expected to come so soon as it did.

Mr. Lynch was a young man of rare ability. Several years ago he entered the civil service at Ottawa, in the auditor-general's office. With him deserved promotion was rapid. He was soon transferred to the Agricultural Department, and finally became chief clerk at a salary of \$1800 a year. In the prime of life the seeds of consumption worked in his system, and a couple of years ago he was forced to retire from active work, on a superannuation allowance. Physicians recommended him to go to a warmer climate, and Mr. Lynch with his little daughter left first for Pueblo, Col., after wards proceeding to Los Angeles. The child, whose health is far from good, is now in a convent at Pueblo.

At the time of his death, Mr. Lynch was a widower, and his only child is the little girl to whom reference was just made. Something over a week ago his father received a letter from him stating that there was no improvement in his health. He was in the 38th year of his age. At his own request his remains will be interred in Los Angeles.

It is just about eleven months since Mr. B. Lynch received the news of the sudden death of his son Bartholomew, who had gone west to take a position in a railway office.

Wigs on the Green.

In the west they are fighting over the Crow's Nest pass railway. British Columbia is said to be in a ferment over it, and the excitement has extended as far east as Toronto, and even Montreal. Railways are great bones of contention anyway.

It is "currently reported" that there was one big time in Fredericton, during the past week or two, and it was all about the Woodstock and Centreville railway.

The Crow's Nest railway is a bigger operation, but it is doubtful if the projectors can get up a more exciting squabble than those interested in the Woodstock and Centreville railway.

Mr. Bernard Mahon, president of the company which has the contract for the construction of the road, was in the capital one day last week.

It has been stated by THE DISPATCH that he gave his cheque for \$5,000 to pay engineering claims, etc., against the company. The charter was not to be renewed until the money was actually in hand. Moreover, the company has given an order on the government for \$2,800 to meet claims against subcontractors for work done, material provided, etc., the same to be a first lien on the subsidy.

It is said that in the renewal of the charter the Woodstock and Centreville Railway Co. will ask until the end of 1898 to complete the road.

The present company state that certain parties were anxious to get their job of finishing the road, after they had spent many thousands in starting the work.

His Last Days.

John F. Sullivan, convicted of murdering Mrs. Eliza Dutcher and her little son, last September, will be hanged at Dorchester on Friday. His spiritual adviser had the following to say in response to an interviewer of the Toronto Globe:—"That man has wonderful nerve," Father Cormier said. "Today when I told him of the dispatch I received from the Department of Justice, he received the news with the utmost calmness. I could not restrain my emotion when informing him that the last hope was gone. Seeing I was agitated Sullivan said: "Dear Father, don't worry; you are telling me something I've expected all along." Asked if Sullivan had made any confession or admissions that could be made public Father Cormier replied: "When I first saw him he

protested his innocence. Since then he has said nothing more about it, and I have not pressed him to do so. I do not know what he may do. If he admits his guilt and wishes to make a public confession, I shall certainly encourage him to do so. He seems fully prepared for death and is wonderfully cool. He talks so nicely to me that I always look forward to seeing him. I was afraid the erection of the gallows, which will commence next week, would be plainly heard by him, and would distract his attention and worry him. I mentioned the matter to him and his reply was: "Never mind, Father; I shall feel that every nail I hear driven will be as atonement for my sins." That I consider is a remarkable thought for a man such as Sullivan, and it pleased me greatly."

The Town Estimates.

Friday evening's meeting of the town council will be interesting. The estimates will be brought down. The main object of this council is to reduce the debt, and one member suggests that in after years a sinking fund be established for reducing the bonded indebtedness. THE DISPATCH does not know the exact amount of money that will be asked, but enough will be taxed to run the town, and it is hoped, cut down the adverse balance very materially. Owing to the expense of keeping the water-pipes clear, there will be an increase in the estimates for waterworks, but it is expected that the increased revenue will more than balance the expenditure. The last town council left a legacy on fire in the matter of the payment of some \$500 for hose, which must be provided for in the estimates for the Fire Department. The assessment list will not be ready for some time yet, but the chief assessors bids THE DISPATCH tell the rate-payers that they need not look for a reduction of taxes this year.

Woodstock and Centreville Railway.

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

DEAR SIR,—In your issue of March 3rd., under the heading Around the Lobbies you state that the W. & C. R. R. company are asking for a new charter or in other words a renewal of their charter from Woodstock to Centreville. You further state that John Connor of St. John and W. P. Drysdale of Woodstock are asking for concessions to that company. Will you please state explicitly the nature of the concessions they asked for, which the local members for the county considered detrimental to their constituents and refused to accept? Yours,

W. T. DRYSDALE.

In reply to Mr. Drysdale, the concessions referred to in THE DISPATCH of last issue, were simply the renewal of the charter, to which this paper was given to understand, the members from this county objected except under certain conditions.

F. and F. Association.

A meeting of the Woodstock F. and D. Association was held on Monday evening in the Cedar Hill school house to discuss the canning and pork packing industry. F. B. Bull, president, was in the chair, and among those present were: Elisha Slipp and James Good, Jacksonville; Wendell P. Jones, F. B. Greene, town; Rankin Brown, James Bull, Northampton; Wilmot Hay, George Flemming, and between twenty and thirty members of the Association. The meeting was generally in favor of the scheme. Those who took part in the debate were C. L. S. Raymond, F. B. Greene, W. P. Jones, Jas. Good, Rankin Brown, Elisha Slipp, John Flemming. Several gentlemen added their names to the subscription list.

A Painful Accident.

Alexander Martin, well known in town and in the country surrounding met with a desperately painful accident while working in the woods near Tapley's Mills on Saturday. He was twitching logs when the chain snapped and springing back struck Mr. Martin a terrific blow across the knee. He thought the knee cap was broken. As soon as possible he was brought to town. Dr. Saunders took the case in hand. It was found that the knee cap was not broken, but that it was out of place and some ligaments were snapped. Mr. Martin will be confined to the house for a good many weeks, as he cannot use his leg for a long time.

About Water Supply.

It would be hard to prove that the frost is coming out of the ground, and until the frost does come out, there will not be safety of water supply. But lately Messrs Fields and White have not had such a time thawing out private pipes, as they had some time ago. The hydrants have to be looked after pretty closely, but only one, that at the upper end of town, is not in a condition to be used. The residents of the town having had a pretty good scare, with regard to the freezing of the pipes, are keeping their taps open which probably accounts for the better condition of affairs.

THE TOWN STEERS SHY

OF THE PERPLEXED QUESTION AS TO MILL STREET.

And Leaves the Woolen Mill and Mr. Moore to Settle the Matter for Themselves.—The Council Transacts Business at a Lively Rate.

This present town council is not enamored of law suits. They mean, evidently, to steer as clear of litigation as they possibly can, and they are right. There is trouble between Mr. Myles of the Woolen Mill and Mr. Fred Moore over the road leading from King street down to the saw mill. Mr. Moore's contention is that the road is private. Mr. Myles considers, or did consider it a public highway. Mr. Moore's logs are so piled up that the woolen mill people cannot use their back entrance. They asked, through Mr. Myles, the interference of the council.

But the council did not see fit to interfere. They met last Friday evening. One of the first matters that came up was the report of the street committee to whom the petition of Mr. Myles had been referred.

Coun. Ketchum on behalf of the committee said that they had searched the records and made enquiries, and the result was that they were of the opinion that the road was private, and that the town has no street in the rear of the premises of the woolen mill.

Coun. Graham in seconding the adoption of the report, said that he considered the road in question a private road. The question is between Mr. Moore and Mr. Myles. If they wish to employ counsel let them do so.

Coun. Graham thought it time to fix a rate for the sewers, and moved that Mr. D. Munro be heard as to the amount of fees decided upon. Mr. Munro said that no regular fee had been decided upon, and upon motion the sewer committee was instructed to meet with Mr. Munro to decide on a scale of rates for entering the sewers and report at next meeting of the council.

Coun. Lindsay—When will the minister of finance bring down the budget?

Coun. Graham—A week from tonight, we will try to bring down the budget. I don't think there will be much of a surplus, as we have to provide for quite a large deficiency.

Coun. Henderson—What is the intention about enforcing the dog tax this year? It is a law of the province now.

Coun. Lindsay—The County Council had this matter before them. Under the law 15 ratepayers may ask for the non-enforcement of the law in a parish. No action was taken, and as the law stands the town council cannot get out of enforcing the tax.

The Mayor—I think the tax should be enforced as a matter of protection. Several town dogs have destroyed sheep in the parish recently. People who have dogs they value should be willing to pay a tax.

Messrs Wendell P. Jones and J. Chipman Hartley were, on motion, heard by the board in connection with the granting of certain privileges to the "Maritime Pure Food Co.," which concern is about to be started in this county. Mr. Jones said that the promoters of the company had inserted a notice in the Royal Gazette signifying their intention of taking out letters patent. It is expected that a large number of stock holders will come from country districts. The suggestion might be made to build a factory outside the limits of the town, provided conditions in the way of taxation etc were more favorable. Under these circumstances the company asked two privileges (1) exemption from taxation for ten years, (2) water at 10 cents per 1000 gallons.

Mr. Hartley said the following were the gentlemen at present interested in the factory H. Paxton Baird, Williamson Fisher, Elisha Slipp, James Good, Wilmot A. Hay, John Flemming, C. Lee S. Raymond, F. B. Greene, C. F. Carpenter, J. C. Hartley, W. P. Jones. He had just heard that Mr. John Shea, across the river was also to be in the company. Mr. Hartley pointed out that if the industry was not started no tax of any kind would be paid into the town fund. If they started they would employ from 40 to 60 hands during part of the year. These employees, unless ratepayers would have to pay license. The increase in the revenue of the town by reason of the employees would be much more than the town would sustain by reason of the company's exemption. It was expected that the labour employed with the exception of one or two skilled hands, would be home labour. Mr. Greene with his family would move here if this enterprise goes on.

On motion of Coun. Ketchum seconded by Coun Lindsay the request of the company was granted.