

Wicklow and Simonds Parish Convention.

Wicklow and Simonds Parish Sunday School Convention was held at Tracey Mills, May 26th. First session opened at 2.30 P. M. by a half hour spent in devotional exercises. Mr. Jas. Sloat, President then took the chair. Members of last Convention read and opposed Reports of Parish officers. Mr. E. L. West reported having organized a Sunday School at Lower Knoxford; it is now flourishing. Reports, nearly all written, were received from thirteen out of fourteen schools in the two Parishes. Nearly all the schools in good condition, with average attendance ranging from twenty-five to seventy. Mr. Parsons and Mr. Holyoke then gave short addresses on "How to increase the attendance at Sunday School". An interesting address was then given by Rev. Jos. Cahill, on Teacher Training.

He spoke of the many improvements and advances that have been made in every walk of life during the last thirty years. He contrasted the Normal School of thirty years ago with that of today noting the great difference. On account of our excellent Normal School, we now have well trained day school teachers many of whom are also found in the Sunday School, thus the children are better taught. There are two requisites in order that one may be a successful teacher; first, to know the subject, second, to know how to teach it. He suggested that teachers hold regular meetings, where methods of teaching might be discussed.

Evening session opened at 7.30 p.m. Rev. Mr. De Ware lead the devotional exercises. The minutes of afternoon session read and approved. The lesson, "The Lord's Supper," was then well taught by Mr. H. Perry. Mr. Holyoke gave an address on Children. Among the many wise and practical things he said to parents were these:—"Don't repeat what your children say," "Make the children out just what they are," "Don't put the children too much in the background," "Give them an opportunity for working." Rev. D. Fiske then gave an interesting address on a similar subject, "The Child." Children have and will have a marvellous influence in the world. Parents should be

careful how they put their children off. Impression on the minds of children are very hard to obliterate. Children are great observers, imitators, and in a large measure reasoners. Moral conflict, love and sorrow are elements of their lives. This interesting profitable and instructive convention then closed to meet at Middle Simonds. Many thanks due the people of Tracey Mills for their kindness and hospitality.

A DELEGATE.

Firecrackers In China.

During the year ending June 30, 1899, there were exported from China 26,705,733 pounds of firecrackers, valued by the Chinese imperial customs at 1,584,151 gold. The entire export was from the province of Kwangtung, principally (over 24,000,000 lbs.) from the port of Knowloon. Of the total shipment, by far the largest part was sent by sailing vessels to New York. A small quantity went to England. Other countries buy infinitesimal amounts. The exports represent only a small fraction of the amount manufactured and used in China. There are no large manufactories; the crackers are made in small houses and in the shops where they are sold. Only the cheapest quality of straw paper, which can be produced in the immediate locality where the crackers are made, is used for the body of the cracker. The powder is also of the cheapest grade and is made in the locality where used. It costs 6 to 7 cents, gold, per pound. At Canton the ordinary-size cracker (1½ inches long by one-fourth of an inch in diameter) costs 62 cents per 10,000 for export. At Chungking 15,000 of the ordinary crackers can be bought for the same amount. Four-fifths of the crackers consumed in China are made by the families of those who sell them. It is estimated that 30 women and 10 men can make 100,000 crackers per day; for which work the women receive 5 cents each and the men about 7 cents each.

Mrs. JACOB VANWART died at her home on Broadway on the 24th ult. She was a Miss Gerow, of Hodgdon, Me. Her death is mourned by a large circle of relatives and friends.

THE LAST OFFICES.

Funeral of Gladstone, the Great Commoner

LONDON, May 28.—England has paid its national tribute to Gladstone. The unceasing stream of his fellow countrymen that for 14 hours passed his bier in reverential homage to his genius and public services is greater testimony to his fame than any monument that could be fashioned by the hand of man. This concourse represented all classes. Working women walked side by side with women of society, workmen in labor stained clothes went abreast of judges, peers and highest officials in the public service. It has been computed that close on 300,000 mourners passed through Westminster hall today, doing honor to the memory of the greatest democratic statesman that England has ever produced, in the very spot where Charles I received his sentence of death. The arrangements were of austere severity. The casket itself was of the plainest description, and was made of light oak, its sole decoration being three brass rings on each side. At its foot lay the white silk pall worked in gold, used at the funeral of Archbishop Benson, who died suddenly when on a visit to Hawarden last year. Around the bier were six candles in the plainest candlesticks, and at the head was a plain brass cross. The chief officials had assembled in Westminster hall at 10 o'clock this morning. The bishop of London, the Right Rev. Mandell Creighton, D. D., read a brief prayer, and at 10.30 o'clock the procession was formed and slowly passed through the uncovered crowds and along a pathway a distance of 300 yards to the western entrance of the abbey between two ranks of Eton volunteers in their buff uniforms.

The coffin rested on an elevated bier, before the altar in Westminster Abbey, its plainness hidden beneath a pall of white and gold embroidered with the text: "Requiescat in pace"; six tall candles burned beside it, and on either side stood the supporters of the pall. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York were at the head of the coffin, and ranging behind them were the Marquis of Salisbury, the Earl of Kimberly, the Liberal leader in the house of lords; Mr. A. J. Balfour, the government leader in the house of commons; Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the Liberal leader in the house of commons, the Duke of Rutland, Lord Rosebery, and Mr. Gladstone's two oldtime friends, Baron Rendel and George Armistead. Within the chancel stood the Dean of Westminster, and behind him were gathered the cathedral clergy, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the scarlet and white surpliced choir, filling the chapel. The mourners who sat in the stalls nearest the bier were Mrs. Gladstone, her sons Herbert and Stephen and the other members of the family with little Dorothy Drew, Mr. Gladstone's favorite grandchild. In all 2,500 persons were assembled in the abbey, all clothed in the deepest black, save a few officials whose regalia gleamed brilliantly from the sombre background. Thousands thronged the square outside in order to witness the passage of the funeral procession from Westminster Hall. After the funeral car walked Stephen Gladstone, the chief mourner, and the nearest relatives and friends. The only sound that broke the silence while the cortege passed was a broken voice, which shouted "God give ye rest, old man." In the meanwhile the tolling of the abbey bell had notified the waiting assemblage within the edifice that the procession was approaching. The weird dismal, strains of a quartette of trombones playing Beethoven's funeral hymn in a recess high above the heads of the congregation, swept through all the recesses of the abbey. When these had finally died away the great organ took up Schubert's funeral march. The remainder of the ceremonies were of a similarly imposing and solemn import. Thus was England's great commoner laid to rest.

Seriously Hurt.

Victor Bedell, youngest son of Jarvis Bedell met with a serious accident on Monday afternoon. He is a student at the Grammar school, and was on his way home, riding on W. H. DeVeber's double team, driven by his man Davou. Young Bedell somehow lost his balance and fell between the hind wheel and the body of the cart revolving around with the wheel before the horses could be stopped. He was quite badly bruised, and will be confined to the house for some days.

The Rifle.

The Canadian Military Rifle League met at the range, Woodstock, on Saturday last. The following are the five highest scores.

	200 yds	500 yds	600 yds	Tl
F B Capt. Carvell.....	24	28	32	84
Lieut. Kirkpatrick.....	23	27	31	81
Capt. H. Carvell.....	24	30	19	73
Mr. Geo. Fripp.....	26	25	14	65
Capt. Kirkpatrick.....	23	27	13	63

The next match will be Saturday June 4th at the range Woodstock.

MR. AND MRS. W. H. MOREHOUSE, now of Lowell, Mass., formerly of Knowlesville, this county, have arrived in this county on a visit to their relatives and friends. Mr. Morehouse paid THE DISPATCH a pleasant visit. He is looking very well and his new home seems to agree with him. He says war is all the excitement, and that all the young men seem feverishly anxious to enlist. Mr. and Mrs. Morehouse will spend several weeks in Carleton and York Counties.

WHEREAS the regular meeting of No. 87 has in the providence of the most High Master occurred on the evening of the 24th of May, 1898 which is the birth day of our most gracious and Sovereign Lady the Queen of England and Empress of India. Therefore be it resolved that we the members of Jubilee Loyal Orange Lodge No. 87 and a loyal subjects of her highly esteemed Majesty do now take occasion to most devoutly render thanks to Almighty God for his kindness manifested in the preservation of her life, health and strength, during another year and that we most carefully pray for the continuance of the same. Passed in open Lodge. C. W. HUTCHINS, Master. J. G. CALCIN, Secretary.

MISS HUNTLEY left Woodstock yesterday afternoon. She will send somebody to take her place next fall. The following young ladies graduated in the shorthand and type writing course:—Miss Mina Fisher, (who after 60 lessons, writes 105 words in shorthand and 60 on the typewriter.) Misses Tapley, Belle Smith, Lala Walton, Helen Marcy, Woodstock, Sloat and Adams, Tracey's Mills.

You can get great bargains in tinware at Dibblee's Hardware store. They are selling seventeen (17) pieces of good tinware for one dollar. Two 12 quart tin pails for 25c. Two 10 quart tin pails for 20c. and all other lines of tinware in same proportion.

A MATCH GAME of base ball will be played on Friday between the Woodstock "Browns" and the Ricker Institute team of Houlton. Game will begin at 2 o'clock.

"Well, Sambo, how do you like your new place?" "Berry well, massa." "What had you for your breakfast this morning?" "Well, you see, missus biled three eggs for herself, and gave me de brof."

"Mamma, I dess you'll have to turn the hose on me." "Why, dear?" "Tause I've dot my 'tockings on wrong side out."

Sores Gone. Skin Clear.

Mrs. Philip Mitchell, St. Mary's Ont., says:—"My little boy, aged 10, was a complete mass of sores, caused by bad blood. We could find nothing to cure him. Finally I got a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters, and before half the bottle was gone he began to improve, and by the time the bottle was finished he had not a sore on him."

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Only In Fun.

ARROWHEAD, May 20th, 1898.

To the Editor of The Dispatch:

DEAR SIR:—I see in your paper a piece entitled "A B. C. Prize Fighter." Now, Mr. Editor, I want to correct what was more a joke than a mistake. In the first place neither Mr. Depew or I are prize fighters, second, there was no money up. There were no backers or seconds and the whole fight was made up to help pass the time away in a dreary B. C. bunk house. True, Mr. Dew and I sparred two rounds for fun but their was no knock downs or carry outs and the only truth in the whole thing was that I weighed 125 lbs. Now, Mr. Editor, hoping this will show my friends in Woodstock that I have become neither a prize fighter or a gambler.

I remain yours truly,

A. E. H. CLARKE.

P. S.—Both the Press and DISPATCH are frequent and welcome visitors at our camp. Frank McGee is at the Halcyn Hot Springs Hospital with a broken leg, but is rapidly mending.

Our concern is situated on the head of Upper Arrow lake and when viewed from 5,000 ft. of an elevation, the country for miles around presents a view almost unsurpassed. Flowers of almost all kinds are blooming in one place in the mountain, while 20 feet farther up is snow three or four feet deep.

This venerable joke turns up in Tit-Bits: A gentleman calling at a hotel left his umbrella in the stand in the hall with the following inscription attached to it: "This umbrella belongs to a man who can deal a blow of two hundred and fifty pounds weight. I shall be back in ten minutes." On returning to seek his property, he found in its place a card thus inscribed: "This card has been left by a man who can run twelve miles an hour. I shall not come back."

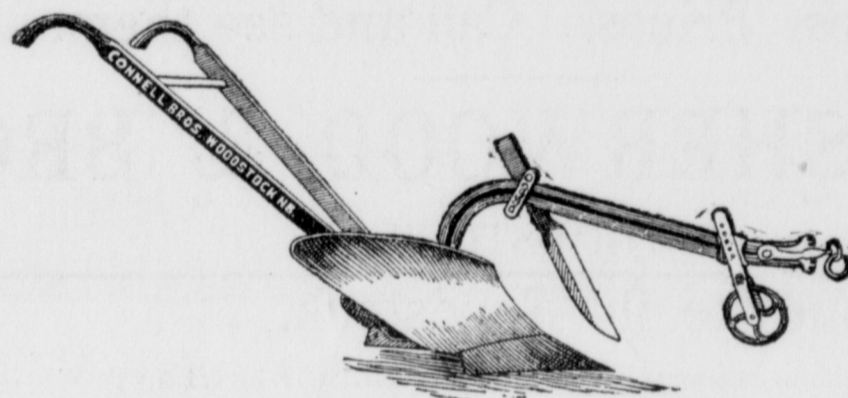
Santiago and the Cid.

Saut Iago is the Spanish for St. James. St. James is the patron saint of Spain, and in olden times it was claimed that the saint came down in person and led the armies of Spain. Spain has a great history. The most famous warrior of olden times was the Cid Campeador, or the Incomparable Lord. He gained so many battles against the Moors, that at last the Spaniards considered victory certain whenever the Cid Campeador was at their head. When the Incomparable Lord was dead the courage of the Moors revived. They boldly attacked the Spaniards and besieged the city where the Cid Campeador lay buried. The Spaniards went forth to meet them, and at their head rode an armed warrior, with a countenance like death. The Moors recognized his features and fled; for it was the Cid Campeador. The Spaniards had taken him from the tomb and seated him on the war horse, which he had rode in his life time. And thus the dead warrior won another victory.

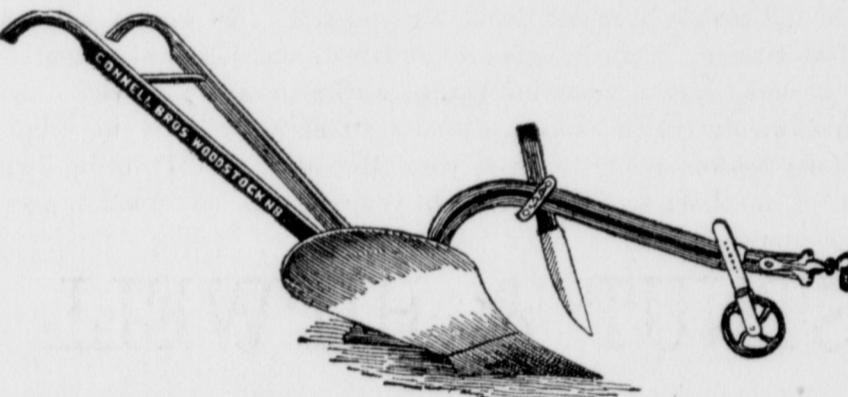
Equity Sale.

There will be sold at Public Auction in front of the Post Office, in the Town of Woodstock, in the County of Carleton, and Province of New Brunswick, on Saturday, the sixth day of August, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the directions of a Decretal order of the Supreme Court in Equity, made on Friday, the Thirtieth day of May, A. D. 1898, in a certain cause therein pending between John P. Folkins and H. Jennie Folkins his wife, William A. Teeple and Mary G. Teeple, his wife, Plaintiffs, and Amelia K. Currie, Clarence Scott Currie, Percy Ernest Currie, and Louis E. Young, Defendants, with the approbation of the undersigned Referee in Equity duly nominated and selected by the clerk in Equity as Referee under the said Decretal Order, the lands and premises mentioned and directed to be sold by the said Decretal Order and therein described as follows:—"All that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the Parish of Richmond, in the County of Carleton, and bounded as follows, that is to say: Beginning at the point where a road runs from Richmond Corner to the Maduxnakik River meets the southern side of a lot of land owned and occupied by Thomas Watt and James C. Watt, running thence southerly along the eastern side of said road to a certain cedar stake chosen in a southeasterly direction in a straight line to a certain cedar stake in the northern boundary of lands owned and occupied, or said to be owned by one Jeanette Currie (widow) thence easterly along the northern boundary of said Jeanette Currie lot of land to the northeastern angle of the same, thence northerly in a straight line to the southeastern angle of said Thomas Watt's and James C. Watt's lot of land, thence westerly in a straight line along the southern boundary of said Thomas Watt's and James C. Watt's lot of land to the place of beginning, being same land conveyed to the said George Currie by Alfred Currie by Indenture of Deed dated the Second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty four, and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said County of Carleton in Book C, Number Three of Records, on pages one hundred and sixty-six and one hundred and sixty-seven, excepting therefrom the two following tracts, lots or parcels of land, the first of which tracts, lots or parcels of land, is described as follows: All that certain lot or parcel of land, situate in the Parish of Richmond aforesaid, that is to say: Beginning at a certain cedar stake standing in the southeast angle of a lot of land owned by Andrew Currie, thence running easterly along the southern boundary of said George Currie's lot of land to the southeastern corner of the same, thence northerly along the eastern boundary of the said George Currie's lot of land seventy-five and one-half rods, thence westerly and parallel to the northern boundary of said George Currie's lot of land to a certain cedar post, thence south sixty-three rods, thence westerly and parallel to the southern side of said George Currie's lot of land thirty-nine rods, thence southerly along the eastern side of said Andrew Currie's lot of land four rods to the place of beginning, containing sixty-three acres more or less being same lands conveyed by the said George Currie and the said Amelia K. Currie his wife, to Andrew Currie by Indenture of Deed bearing date the Second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty four, and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said County of Carleton in Book C, Number Three of Records, on pages one hundred and sixty-eight and one hundred and sixty-nine, and the second of which tracts or parcels of land is described as follows: All that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the said Parish of Richmond and bounded as follows, that is to say: Beginning at a certain butternut tree standing on the eastern side of the road running from Richmond Corner to the Maduxnakik River and thence running parallel to the northern boundary of said George Currie's lot of land thirteen rods, thence northerly and parallel to said road running from Richmond Corner to the Maduxnakik River till it meets the said northern boundary of said George Currie's lot of land, thence southerly along the northern boundary of said George Currie's lot till it meets the eastern side of said road running from Richmond Corner to the Maduxnakik River, thence southerly along the eastern side of said road to the place of beginning, containing one-half acre more or less, being same lands conveyed by said George Currie by the name of George J. Currie and Amelia K. Currie his wife, to Thomas Watt by Indenture of Deed bearing date the eleventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the County of Carleton in Book K, Number three, on pages three hundred and forty two and three hundred and forty-three." Dated the twenty-seventh day of May A. D. 1898. STEPHEN B. APPELBY, Referee in Equity.

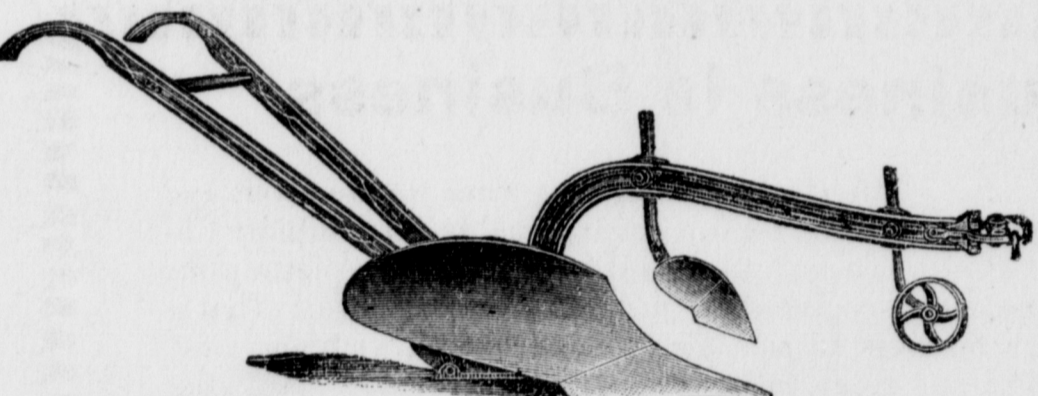
D. McLEOD VINCE, Plaintiffs' Solicitor.



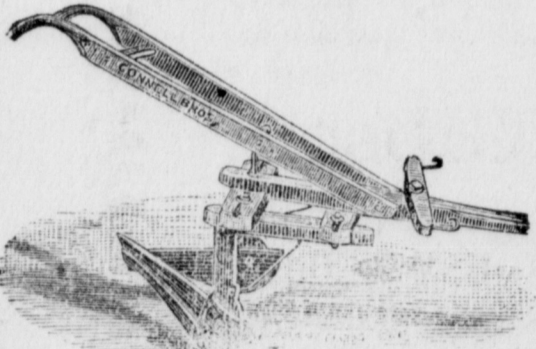
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