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1878	\$ 45,624.52	\$ 16,942.69	\$ 118,664.36	\$ 2,055,935.00
1883	84,294.51	38,140.68	149,797.68	7,020,346.00
1888	1,163,625.21	782,641.91	552,978.64	51,012,286.00
1893	2,133,147.18	1,328,783.25	1,423,140.91	83,101,434.00
1898	2,737,906.24	1,432,012.37	2,850,211.38	92,592,137.00

Paid Policy-holders to date.....\$15,246,645.51

Death Losses Due and Unpaid..... NONE.

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SPEEDY TROTTING.

Best Attendance at the Park for Years Past.

A Well Dressed, Well Behaved and Good Natured Crowd—St. John Excursionists.—Base Ball Game.

The celebration in Woodstock on Dominion Day, was, to use the everyday expression, all right. The weather was all that could be desired. A good display of flags and bunting, not only from public buildings, but from shops and private residences, gave quite a gay appearance to the town. Early in the morning, people from the surrounding country came in, and by noon the streets were well filled. Just before one o'clock the special excursion from St. John arrived. There were about 300 on the train including the City Cornet Band. The band gave an excellent programme of music before the Carlisle Hotel, and later in the afternoon they played in the park where the great attraction of the day, the horse-races took place. The St. John delegation were heartily welcomed. They were a first class crowd and Woodstock will be glad to see them again.

About everyone went to the park in the afternoon, and a gay assembly they all made, when the attendance was at its height. Not for two score years was there such an attendance. The grand stand was crowded, and the pretty turnouts, single and double, were many. Everyone was good natured and bent on having a good time, and the good time seemed to come all right. Everthing was orderly, and there was an absence altogether of the rough and half-drunken element which in times past has detracted from the popularity of the races. It is thought that Mr. H. E. Gallagher did fairly well by Saturday's performance. It is to be hoped he did, for it is due to his exertions that good and honest horse racing has again been revived in Woodstock. There was but one cause for criticism. Too much time was taken up between the heats. This is a difficult matter to regulate, but something should be done to prevent the unnecessary "watts" which so severely try even the patience of as good natured a lot of people as that of Saturday.

The judges of the races were Mayor Murphy, J. E. Burnham, Houlton, H. B. Grant, Boston. The Mayor was starter and Mr. Burnham and J. T. A. Dibblee, timers. The first race was the 2.24 class. Direct Line did not show up, otherwise the list as advertised was given. Anna T., Mr. McCoy's (Fredericton) mare had things pretty much her own way, and did some fast work, it being claimed by the judges that in the third heat she broke the track record, making the mile in 2.21½. There was an interesting trial of speed between Mattie C. and Scooter for second money, each heat being warmly contested. The result of the race was Anna A., 1st; Mattie C., 2nd; Scooter 3rd; Almont Charter, 4th.

The 2.30 race was also exciting. A good deal of interest was taken in Typo which is practically a Woodstock horse, though now hailing from Andover. Typo took the first heat, a good deal to the surprise of many, who did not expect him to make such work. He won in two following straight heats. George S., 2nd; Schofield 3rd; Honest Farmer 4th.

Not a whit less interesting was the 2.50 race, but as it did not start till nearly six o'clock many failed to see it. Mr. Boyer's Goldnut did splendidly, winning in three straight and making 2.26½. Everyone in Woodstock was pleased to see Goldnut do so well, May Belle, 2nd; Blue Grass, 3rd.

Following is the official record:—

2.24 CLASS.

Anna T. br m, by King Nutwood.....1 1 1
H. McCoy, Fredericton.
Almont Charter, b s, by Hernandez.....4 3 4
F. Duncanson, St. John.
Mattie C., ch m, by Alhambra.....2 4 2
Geo. Foss, Fort Fairfield.
Lady B., ch m, by Springtime..... dist.
H. W. Birmingham, Victoria
Ibsen, b g, by Yataghan.....5 5 5
Dr. C. R. Wellington, Bangor.
Scooter, b g, by Cerro Gerdo.....3 2 3
J. B. P. Wheelden, Bangor.

Time:

Quarter	Half	Three-Quarters	Mile
1st Heat 33	1.09	1.45	2.23
2nd " 34½	1.11	1.46	2.24½
3rd " 33½	1.09	1.44	2.21½

2.30 CLASS.

Honest Farmer, g g, by Sir Charles.....4 3 4
F. Duncanson, St. John.
George S., b g, by Frank S.....3 2 2
R. J. McKee, Fort Fairfield.
Typo, b g, by Aurora.....1 1 1
Mayberry & Rogers, Andover.

Schofield, ch g, by Egalite..... 2 4 3
Dr. C. R. Wellington, Bangor.

Time:

Quarter	Half	Three-Quarters	Mile
1st Heat 34½	1.11	1.47	2.24
2nd " 34½	1.11	1.48	2.26
3rd " 34	1.11½	1.40	2.27½

2.50 CLASS.
Trixie, br m, by Fearless..... dist.
Dan. Hains, Fort Fairfield.
Mary Hawks, b m, by Jim Lambert..... dist.
G. F. Saunders, Woodstock.
Goldnut, ch g, Abdallah Wilkes.....1 1 1
T. J. Boyer, Woodstock.
Blue Grass, blk g.....3 3 3
Dr. C. R. Wellington, Bangor.
May Belle, b m.....2 2 2
J. B. P. Wheelden, Bangor.

Time:

Quarter	Half	Three-Quarters	Mile
1st Heat 37	1.13½	1.50	2.27
2nd " 37	1.15	1.51½	2.30
3rd " 35	1.12	1.48	2.26½

While the majority of the spectators watched the trotting, a number of base ball cranks paid attention to a game between the F. M. A. Stars of St. John and a picked team of our own boys. Our team was without practice, none of the members have played at all this year, consequently their defeat was not unlocked for. The score at the close of the game stood 15 to 3 in favour of the Stars.

Score by innings:—
F. M. A. Stars 0 7 0 3 2 0 0 1 2—15
Woodstock 1 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—3

Romeo and Juliet.

Romeo—There is thy gold; worse poison to men's souls,
Doing more murders in this loathsome world
Than these poor compounds that thou may'st not sell.

Lovers of the drama of whom there are a fair proportion in Woodstock failed to give the Butler Stock Co., which played here all last week the patronage, that excellent company deserved. Seldom, if ever has a better company visited the town, and they were sadly disappointed at their reception. It is unfortunate that they did not meet with better houses, as Woodstock needs to keep in the good graces of what few first class troupes find their way here. On Friday evening a fairly large, and appreciative audience saw Romeo and Juliet. More, undoubtedly, would have been present, had the people had any idea that one of Shakespeare's masterpieces would be most worthily presented. That such was the case is the opinion of all who saw the play. Allowing for the imperfections in the stage arrangements, unavoidable in a small place, the piece was given with admirable effect. In presenting the characters of Romeo and Juliet the best art of the actor and actress is required, so closely allied is the sublime to the ridiculous, and so critical is anything like a cultivated audience of trying scenes in which the *grande passion* figures so conspicuously as in this tragic and most beautiful play.

Mr. W. J. Butler in Romeo and Miss Henrietta Brown in Juliet were equally faithful and impressive in their different parts. Of Mr. Butler's ability there was, of course, little doubt, but it was something of a surprise to see Juliet so charmingly presented. Friar Laurence whose well-intentioned, but, perhaps, too subtle plans produced such dire results was really above praise, in Mr. Chas. Chapelle. It would be most exacting to ask anything better. His entire presentation was simply splendid. Nor would it be fair to pass by the dreary Apothecary, whose need for gold led him to violate the laws of Mantua, even at the risk of his life. Here is a difficult part and well and truly was it taken by Mr. Laurence Barbour. Miss Emma Latrou was deserving of praise, in every way, as the faithful nurse, and Mercutio was most worthily presented by Mr. Hal Clarendon. The other parts were quite satisfactory. The evening was one of enjoyment and an intellectual treat was afforded to those fortunate enough to be present.

We trust that this excellent company will not pass us by another season. They may be sure of a much more cordial reception should they honor us again. We have dwelt at length on Romeo and Juliet. It is only fair to say that the company was equally good in the other plays they gave, Colleen Bawn, a sweet Irish play, Lost in London, etc. etc. We make it a point in this paper to give favourable or adverse criticism, just as we think the company in question deserves. So, the Butler Co. is getting no idle and meaningless "puff" but simply fair comment.

A SKAGIT, Wash. County Times comes to hand with an account of a singular competition. The Times offered a handsome bicycle for the homeliest man in Skagit county. The record of the names and votes shows that up to noon June 22nd John E. M. Shea, a Woodstock boy had 1220 votes, while his next competitor had only 510. Mr. Shea evidently appreciates a joke even at his own expense, for he sent a copy of the paper to a friend in town.

A GREAT COUNTRY, IT IS.

So Thinks C. F. K. Dibblee About the Peace River District.

What He Had to Tell the Dispatch.—Closing Exercises of the Town Schools.—Prize Winners.

C. F. K. Dibblee, C. E., arrived home on Wednesday last. He has been away about a year engaged on an exploratory survey in north-west British Columbia. His starting point was some 700 miles west of Edmonton. The whole route lay along the Peace river or its tributaries. Mr. Dibblee says it seems a quite a mystery how that immense river ever found a passage through the high mountains of British Columbia. There were fifteen men in his party, among whom were two New Brunswickers T. B. Hannington of Queen's County and Jos. Gagnon of Madawaska. The supplies of the party were taken in by the Peace river under contract from Edmonton to Hudson's Hope. This latter point is 720 miles North West of Edmonton. The party left Edmonton on the 12th of July and reached Hudson's Hope on the 20th of August. Here they built two boats and towed them further up the Peace river. This brought them to the foot of the Rockies on the eastern slope. They towed the boats 150 miles further to the mouth of Parsnip river. The survey took them 220 miles from the mouth of this river when they struck waters having their mouth in the Pacific. Another party is working from the Stickeen down to where Dibblee left off. Mr. Dibblee thinks a railway can quite easily be built through the country where he surveyed. He was greatly impressed with the country around Edmonton and on the Peace river generally. Christmas Day the party spent at Fort Graham the northerly port of the Hudson Bay Co. Away up at Fort Vermillion there is a large wheat mill. The climate in the Peace river country, Mr. Dibblee says is not at all inclement, and the soil is very nice. What struck him as strange is that on the north side of the Peace is the prairie land, while on the south the land is timbered. He thinks that the Peace River country is going to equal Manitoba in time.

With regard to the Indians whom Mr. Dibblee met he says they are peaceable and truthful, and there would be no trouble whatever with them, if it were not for the pranks played on them by the white men, particularly bad characters who find their way over the border and go in for a system of plundering, not sparing the Indian. This kind of treatment to the red man sets him plundering, too.

Mr. Dibblee returns to Ottawa next week, where he will await further instructions as to his future course. On his way home at a point in the mountains he came across a mining party smitten with scurvy. One of the party had died and the others had only strength enough to move the body outside their stack. Dibblee's party brought the remainder of the party to the English church mission near by, where another of the party died.

Schools Closing.

The schools closed on Friday. At the Grammar school there was quite a good attendance of visitors including the Ven. Archdeacon Neales, Rev. Messrs Ireland and Marr, His Worship the Mayor, ex-Mayor Hay, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Wright, Messrs G. L. Holyoke, T. C. L. Ketchum, and many young ladies and gentlemen. The prizes were distributed. In the absence of Mr. W. M. Connell, his prize for an essay on "British Influence on Egypt and the Sudan" was presented by the mayor, the winner being Harry Watt. The prize for Latin in grade No. X was presented by Mr. W. W. Hay and won by Frank Fisher, while Miss Tilly Winslow took the prizes in both Latin and Mathematics in grade IX. The Latin prize was presented by the Archdeacon, and the prize in Mathematics, given by Col. Vince, was presented in his absence by Mr Ketchum. Addresses were made by the Rev. Messrs. Ireland, Marr, and others.

In Grade II the prize offered by Mr. W. W. Hay was won by Miss Jennie McAfee. Mr. Hay casually remarked that it was strange that none of the trustees were present on such an occasion.

In the Broadway school among those present, was Mr. Duppa Smith, trustee, who assisted in putting the scholars through their exercises. Miss Jennie Allingham in grade 7 won a prize for perfect attendance and highest general average in the class. It was a volume of Kipling, and was the gift of Mr. Duppa Smith.