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An Overcoat,  
An Ulster,  
A Reefer, or  
A Suit,

Would be a most acceptable gift for some member of your family. If so, here's the place for you to come for it, no matter whether it be for the boy 4 years old, or the big man, or perhaps some other article of Boys' or Men's Wearing Apparel might suit you better to buy.

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We have decided to close out our Boot and Shoe business, and will from this date sell our entire stock of Boots and Shoes at **less than cost**. Call and satisfy yourself that now is the time to shoe your family at reduced prices.

We will take Hay, Oats, Butter, Cheese, Buckwheat Meal, Hemlock Bark, Hard and Soft Cordwood, in exchange for Boots and Shoes. Call early and secure the best bargains.

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Corner of Main and Connell Streets, Woodstock.

Dec. 18, 1899. **Cash Paid for Hides.**

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### Grand Opening New Year's Day.

Band in attendance Afternoon and Evening.  
**ADMISSION 25 CENTS.**

Come and see one of the largest rinks in the province. The Bink will be open for skating every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday afternoon and evening during the season.

Season tickets as follows: GENTS, \$3.50  
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Closed their Books Dec. 31st, 1898,

Without a dollar of interest overdue.  
Without a dollar's worth of real estate ever having been owned by the company.  
Without ever having foreclosed a mortgage.  
Without a dollar of claims in dispute.  
With a larger new business than in any previous year.  
With a premium income for '98 of \$188,744.14  
With an interest income of 25,381.55  
With an increase in total income of 17,538.00  
With an increase in assets of 93,022.72  
With an increase in expenses of only 714.58  
With total assets amounting to 687,214.22

With an increase of 713 policies and 639 lives during '98.  
With a new business of over \$2,100,000.  
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With a death rate in their thirteenth year of only \$5.38 for each \$1,000 of average risk carried during the year.  
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With a record for care and economy unexcelled. Such has been their record. It is a record of steady, solid progress. Where is there a clearer record, or one that can beat it in any respect?

**T. A. LINDSAY,**  
Special Agent,  
Woodstock, N. B.

**E. R. MACHUM,**  
Mgr. Maritime Provinces,  
St. John, N. B.

## PREPARE TO VOTE.

Election for the Local Legislature About the 12th. Prox.

That is the Rumour, on a Good Basis Around Town—Names of Candidates freely Talked of by the Politicians.—Correspondence and Other Things.

There is election in the air. Since C. L. Smith was appointed postmaster, there has been a vacancy in the representation from this county. It is now the report that the election will be held, for a member of the legislative, on or about the 12th of January. The political parties are getting into harness. The Act provides that the sheriff, within eight days after receiving the writ must give notice of the election, and that eight days must elapse between the giving of the notice and nomination day. So, it is more or less in the sheriff's hands whether the people shall have long or short notice.

There is no certainty about candidates, but on the government side the names of Frank Shaw, of Wakefield, H. Paxton Baird, J. Y. Fleming and C. E. Gallagher are freely mentioned. J. T. A. Dibblee, J. K. Fleming and Col. Vince are spoken of as possible candidates on the side of the opposition.

From a Quebec Lumber Camp.

ST. GEORGE EST, BEAUCE, P. Q.

MISTER EDITOR,—Wen I rite you las winter I tole you me rote sum more bumby but I don't do it, Pourquoi? wel me tole you dat now. Dat gurl me had fur too years I tole you all bout him befor wel him give me the de wot you call dat? de P. D. L. no dat ain't him de G. B. de mitten I gess you call dat. Ah ma foi I feel so like I sick my stomach dat me almos hope goin to die ah dat mal-a-couit one bad pain. Now I got nodder one gurl an feel ties bien some more. Me don tell wot dat odder one gurl call his name fur fear sum body rite agin an want to tell from you who rite dis letter, don't want me enny big brother huntin round fur me with shot gun lookin fur dat feller wot put his sister in dat papier. O, no, me don't want enny more scarr lak dat not for too hotels in St. George. But I lak dat belle fille jus samee and we git marry in la pretemps—spring tam you him eh?

Well, I goin to tel you bout trip me had in to dose camps of Mr. McNulty's on dat North Branch. One feller Howard Wood want me two go help him drove a pair of ox in to dat camps an so me go with him cos I want see all dam fellers work darr las winter. First camp we cum to ar the camp Mister Eleck stay in las year but him not darr dis winter, him got nodder won offis down to Linch camp dis year, him big walkin boss dis year an have all to say bout cut dem logs and everybody. We jis stay to dac camp long nuff to get sum eat Jeun Raney him boss deir an Charley Taradiff him cook an bully good won too. Don't no where him home is don't care too ges, it most anny warr. Dat cook have his wife an baby dair at camp. Don't lak dat me, wen me git marry don take ma little bon famme to de shantys, wel ges not much. We drove dem ox down to Bob Linch's camp an put dem up an go in camp an see dat cook Louis April, same feller cook fur Bob tree year before, him bully feller an purty good cook to. Bob have big camps dere an lots of men, mostly all Canadians too. Like dat me. Purty soon Bob him cum in an say "hullo Jan dat you an I say dat it am me sure, den him glad him no dat him goin git his name in de Dispatch sure. After super Mister Eleck want dat I go in offis an see Madame McLand an I go an have nice time. Eleck him sing many song an den nodder man, Mister Hamilton, him sing den Jud Camp him sing, den sum body ask Mister Jackson, you sing, but madam speak up an say him cant sing for five cent a box, an him git mad and don't sing, mebbly him cant do it enny way but someone tell my girl him sing purty good dat nite wen he get upset over de ditch conin from St. Francois. Say I never tol you bout dat time? gess, not well I will rote all bout dat sum time, lots fun dat only not fur him an dat gurl. Say dat Madam Eleck smart lady an look good, he keep books for de camps dis winter. Ellick him good feller too tell lots funny story an parley bon francais too jus lan Canadian. Say sum one tell me dat Mister Veine goin to marry purty soon dont think so me, cos him dont go to St. Georges enny more only when him haf to. Him an Bob Linch never git many dey to good chumps for dat. Sum wen tole me dat Louis goin to git marry to dat gurl at St. Zachaier an rote letters to her every week. Mister Jim Dubey him git married an haf his wife in woods with him an so most enny body can't tel what my

happen cos las winter him jus old bachelor lak all de rest an now got nice lettle wife. Ellick him haf man carry mail from Canada every week an Howard Wood carry dat most time bat me hear tell dat nodder feller tryin to git his job gess won't tell dat fellers name cos mebbly it ain't so.

Well gess better stop now for me git hurt but if something dont happen purty soon I rote an tole you bout it an who git hurt most. Lak to have some more segar for Christmas but gess aint got time for send den now. Au revoir mon aime les editeurs un I bon noel pour vow.

"Habitant,"

V. P. JACKSON.

The Simond Election

Editor of The Dispatch:—

DEAR SIR,—Necessity urges me to again ask for space in your columns. Mr. Brooks' attempt to correct my letter seems almost futile as I fail to see wherein he has altered its purport. The reasons he gives for asserting my nomination illegal are what he calls the best, first, he thought it was. This reason would certainly shock the intelligence of an eight year old school boy, but what can we expect of a man whose mind is filled and filled with itself. Secondly, he had legal choice. I asked him in my letter to bring forth the law that would prove it illegal, but he did not do it. Has he accepted the opinion of a lawyer without justifiable reasons? It seems so. I also asked him to state the test a nomination should undergo after it had been received by a parish clerk and notices posted for an election, but he did not answer. I also asked him if he was responsible for a person tampering with a public notice and still he failed to respond. His denial that I stated to him "that if he would accept my paper that I would risk the legality of it and he did so" seems contemptible as the fact that he called for an election by posting notices is sufficient proof that he did accept it an I also makes it necessary for me to affirm that the conversation of which he speaks did take place. Does it look reasonable, Mr. Editor, that he would call for an election on a paper that he says he told me was no good, without some conversation that would imply to me that he would accept it. It seems beneath the dignity of an intelligent person to notice Mr. Brooks' puerile statement that I asked him to make me out a nomination. It becomes necessary to refer to this contemptible, unnecessary, unreasonable assertion. Contemptible, because it is untrue, unnecessary, because it serves no purpose and unreasonable because he has a nomination from me which he had already accepted. Mr. Brooks' repetitions concerning my ignorance are not worth taking notice of, although it seems the only thing he wishes to impress on the minds of the public, but we are quite willing for your readers to decide. I do not intend to take up any new points in this controversy although there are many that I could. As to the part Mr. Foster has taken in this transaction, I may say that I have privately asked him to explain to the public why he did it but as he has not done so, I conclude, it was through sheer fear of being defeated in the contest but there I must say nothing about it, as he has informed me that he would lodge me in supreme court if I did, and with my limited education and stunted ideas, methinks, I see myself with property confiscated and friends all gone, my hitherto peaceful slumbers are now disturbed by awful dreams of eating bread and water in prisons with strong doors and barred windows. I now tremble with fear as I think of it and my hand is unsteady so I will close hoping not to trouble you again.

Yours respectfully,

N. B. SHAW.

Middle Simonds, Dec. 23rd, '99.

A FRIEND OF THE DISPATCH sends recent Vancouver paper. One says:—"November, 1899, will go down on the official records of the Clerk of the Weather as about the wettest month ever known in Vancouver. Over 15 inches of rain fell, as much as the total rainfall in some countries for a year. And we are going into December with just the same prospects as ushered in last month. Pioneers say that they have no definite recollection of four weeks of such almost continuous heavy rain. The other contains this:—T. J. Roberts, proprietor of the Granville Hotel, shot a white crow a few weeks ago, while on a hunting tour up the coast, and now has it finely mounted in a show-case in his sitting-room. It is Mr. Roberts' intention to present it to the Provincial Museum at Victoria, where it should prove a very acceptable gift. The plumage on this bird's breast and body is a glossy black, while the wings and tail are snowy white making a beautiful and strange contrast. There are few other specimens of the kind on the Coast. One is the property of a brother of Senator Perkins, of California, for which high figures have been offered more than once. Mayor Garden, brother of the Grand Bro. of Woodstock is being strongly urged to come out for a second term.

## AN EXTRA GOOD TRADE.

Woodstock's Merchants are Satisfied with Xmas Week.

Large Number of People in Town on Saturday—Hearty Services in the Churches and Large Attendance on Christmas Day.

Merchants generally report an excellent trade during Christmas week, and it is said there was never known to be a bigger crowd in town on any previous Saturday before Christmas than last Saturday. It was almost impossible to get through the streets with teams. THE DISPATCH interviewed a number of merchants and they generally agree that trade was very good.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

Good Music and Large Congregations. The Christmas services were bright and hearty in the various churches in town.

Christmas eve falling on Sunday, naturally reference in the music and preaching was to the great event in the world's history.

The Christmas services in St. Luke's began with Sunday evensong, when Christmas hymns were sung, and the Adeste Fideles was given as a recessional.

On Christmas morning at 8 o'clock, the Holy Communion was celebrated in Christ Church, which was beautifully adorned for the festival. At eleven, service with a celebration, was held in St. Luke's. The processional was, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." The choir was in full strength, several boys being admitted for the first time after careful training.

An anthem "Sing, oh Heavens" was very well rendered. The special psalms, and in the communion office, the Sanctus, Gloria in Excelsis, and Nunc Dimittis were sung. There was a large number of communicants. The church was tastefully adorned, a screen being erected at the entrance to the chancel. Evergreens and pretty lettering were placed around the church.

At St. Gertrude's church, the morning service was Leonard's Mass in E flat, the soloists being Misses Chapman and Troy, sopranos, Messrs Owen Kelly and Thos. McCaffrey basses. The Adeste Fideles was sung at the offertory. Vespers and Benediction were given at 7 o'clock. The high altar was prettily decorated, and a Crib was placed before the altar of the Blessed Virgin.

In the Methodist church, the morning anthems on Sunday were: "Hallelujah to the King," and "We have seen His Star in the East." "The Glorious Song of Old," and "Come on the Listening Ear." Service was also held on Christmas morning, when a collection in aid of the poor was taken up.

## An Interesting Item.

Next Monday the town council will have its last meeting. It is rumoured around town that the council will act upon a motion to appoint three councillors for the town in the county council, it being claimed by some persons that the elections on the 31st Oct. are void, and that according to the Act the town council must make the appointment.

## Dwight L. Moody.

EAST NORTHFIELD, Mass., Dec. 22.—With the words "God is calling me," Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, whose fame was world wide, fell asleep in death at his home here at noon today. The passing of his spirit from a body which had been tortured with pain for some weeks, to the rest beyond, was as gentle as could be wished for. His family were gathered at his bedside and the dying man's last moments were spent in comforting them and in contemplation of that reward for which he had so long and earnestly labored. He knew that death was near, but its sting to him was lost in the unfolding of his mental vision of a beautiful scene, judging from his last words.

## Duke of Westminster Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Duke of Westminster is dead.

At the annual meeting of Willis Lodge No. 17 P. A. P. B. the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Parker Jacques, W. Master; Arthur Thornton, D. M.; Guy S. Hanson, Sec.; Nicholas Lester, Chap.; J. W. Ketch, Fina. Sec.; Philmore McKinnon, D. of C.; David Hipwell, Treas.; James M. Dysart, Lecturer; Bert Graham, Inside Tyler; Albert Nevers, Outside Tyler. This Lodge meets the third Monday of each month in the Orange Hall Woodstock.

THE officers of Hartland L. O. L. No. 41 were elected on Monday Dec. 11. Allen Rideout, W. M.; A. S. Estey, M. D., D. M.; Geo. M. Shaw, Chap.; Arnold Porter, R. S.; A. G. Baker, T. S.; H. N. Dickinson, Treas.; Chas. Rideout, D. of C.; Allen Bradley, T. G.; Chas. Thistle, O. G.