

# THE DISPATCH.

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PRICE TWO CENTS

## A Farewell Sale

### Of all Summer Weights Clothing

We are now carrying on at prices that should quickly find spheres of usefulness for our goods.

#### Little Talk—Big Value.

Come and see for yourselves what we can do for you

## JOHN McLAUCHLAN,

Men's and Boys' Clothier, Hatter and Furnisher.

## IT

Enhances the value of a Present to have it Engraved.

Buy your engagement and Wedding Rings from us and have the date of these most important events of your life engraved inside—you will never regret it.

Look over your belongings and have everything of value marked with your monogram to insure it against loss by theft or otherwise.

Monograms designed and submitted for approval. Coffin Plates Engraved, Bag Tags, Bicycle Tags, Etc., Made and Engraved. Special prices for Spoons and Forks in quantities of one dozen or more. REMEMBER THE PLACE.

Jewett's Corner.

W. B. JEWETT.

## The Temperance and General Life Assurance Company

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 667,214.22

With an increase of 713 policies and 639 lives during '98.  
With a new business of over \$2,100,000.  
With total insurance in force \$7,985,859.00.  
With a death rate in their thirteenth year of only \$5.38 for each \$1,000 of average risk carried during the year.  
With a death rate of only 3.44 per 1,000 of average number of policies in force.  
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 cleaner 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.

## OUR ROAD WAGGONS

Are right up to date,  
And give every satisfaction.

Samples of them may be seen with

W. WEBSTER ROSS, Hartland,  
M. A. SMITH, East Florenceville,  
T. CHAL MILBERY, Bath,  
J. FLETCHER-TWEEDDALE, Perth,  
DAN. B. HOPKINS, Aroostook Junction,  
GEO. H. WEST, Grand Falls,

or at our warehouse and showrooms here in Woodstock.

We also sell Buggies, Express Wagons, Farm Wagons, Deering Mowers Reapers and Binders, Cultivators, Plows, Harrows, Churns, Single and Double Harness, and many other lines of goods. So do our agents.

We are moving this week to our new premises on Connell Street. Come in and look things over.

## Balmain Bros.

May 24, '98.

### FOR SALE OR TO LET.

The desirable property on Broadway, now occupied by James C. Doherty. For particulars apply on the premises.

J. C. DOHERTY.

FOR SALE.—One mare, 7 years old, double seated Surrey, Bangor buggy, road wagon, small truck, double seated sled, Dexter pung, sled and harness, one Taylor safe. All can be seen at J. C. Doherty's residence.

MRS. J. C. DOHERTY.

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### NOTICE.

Having sustained very severe loss by the fire which lately swept away nearly every thing that I possessed, I am compelled to call upon all persons indebted to me for immediate payment.

All accounts unsettled by the fifteenth day of July instant, will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

I. W. N. BAKER, M. D.  
Centreville, 3rd day of July, 1899.

## BETTER THAN KLONDIKE

Would be This Gent's System of Making Money.

He Makes Propositions to a Woodstock Merchant, who Decides to Let the Public Into the Scheme—About Certain Rascals who Run the Sawdust Business.

A business man of Woodstock, who would never be suspected of wishing to have dealings with "green goods" characters, received recently the following interesting missive. He brought it to this paper and we publish it for the benefit of the community. It will be noted that the gentleman who has this little affair in hand, speaks with righteous indignation of the "unscrupulous" method of certain 'scoundrels.' Surely a case of Satan reproving sin. Probably lots of these letters are circulated around here. No one we hope in this county is foolish enough, even if he have the criminal instinct, to play the fly to this seductive spider.

CONFIDENTIAL.

MY DEAR SIR:

Your name was sent me by my son (who is my travelling representative) as a shrewd, reliable and trustworthy man for me to cooperate with in your vicinity and I therefore take the liberty of proposing a scheme to you that ninety-nine out of a hundred up-to-date men would gladly grasp if they could personally examine my work, thereby convincing themselves of the absolute safety of my offer.

The writer is an expert engraver, having for 22 years been employed in the Bureau of Engraving, Washington, D. C., and for 12 years was Superintendent of one of the largest Bank Note Companies in the country. During my leisure I took up as a side issue the duplication of Ones, Fives and Tens, and as these were the original denominations I had worked upon you can believe me when I say they are perfect.

Now my dear sir, I am fully aware of the suspicion and prejudice that you naturally will entertain for my proposition, as you will on first thought, class it as coming from a green-goods or saw dust swindler, but if you will lay aside that prejudice, apply common sense and look at my proposition from a business standpoint, compare it with the methods of these petty swindlers and you will credit me with not being fool enough to waste my time addressing a man of your intelligence and standing in the community.

The methods of the so-called green-goods swindlers have been exposed from time to time in the daily press; they send out seductive circular letters to ignorant people, with a fake newspaper clipping praising counterfeit money, etc; and offering to sell that which they have not, inducing them to send on their hard-earned money and sending them a bag of saw dust or some such return.

The reason these rascals find it profitable to work this game is because they know and take it for granted that the people in general know that there are hundreds of thousands of dollars—counterfeit—in circulation and as men have no moral scruples against increasing the money circulation (in fact the majority of people are in favor of doing it by law, as witness the late greenback craze and the present silver agitation) they are induced to send on their money on the very liberal terms held out to them—5 cents buying a dollar or some such absurd price.

No intelligent man would do it, for their proposition is ridiculous, but a man has only to stop and consider the cost of engraving, presses, printing, paper, etc, to see the absurdity of the offer.

Now, compare these methods with my proposition.—Firstly, I am not addressing an ignorant person. Secondly, I do not want you to send me one cent. What I want to know is whether you will be willing to cooperate with me in the disposal of my goods providing I prove to you beyond all doubt, that my work is all I claim for it, that it cannot be told from the genuine, even by experts. Understand I do not want you to invest one dollar, until you have examined my entire stock from one to one hundred thousands dollars, compare them with the genuine and in fact submit them to any test you see fit, then after you are thoroughly satisfied on every point, you can decide whether you accept my proposition or not. The fact is, an investment of 500 dollars will give you an immediate return that a lifetime of toil in your present business would not do; this without injuring friends, neighbors or your fellow man. To convince you of the safety of the business I will, upon receipt of telegram—as per enclosed note—send you a sample of my work and I will also appoint a place to meet you, so that you can personally examine my entire stock.

If for any reason you decide not to cooperate with me, I trust as an honorable man, you will honor the protection that the word "Confidential" insures to all communications, and not be so heartless as to destroy my life's work, so kindly burn this and let the matter drop. Trusting, however, to hear from you immediately, I remain,

Yours in Confidence.

DIRECTIONS.—Follow directions below implicitly; in no other way can you communicate with me. Prepay your message to insure safe delivery.

I caution you not to send any letters to this address, as they will positively be refused, and returned to you opened through the Dead Letter office. Your telegram being

in cipher, no one will understand its meaning, so have no fear. If you wish your mail sent to any street or P. O. Box number put your address under your initials and tell the operator to send it also.

Copy of telegram for you to send. Be careful to copy it exact, using same figures and street name.

J. E. BREEN,

Roudout, N. Y.

His present address is 737 Houston St. (Sign above telegram with full initials.) Send all messages by Western Union Telegraph Co.

Remember sign only the initials of your name to your telegraph.

### An Awful Accident.

A most disastrous accident happened on Sunday last at Mount Desert Ferry. There were excursions from many points to Bar Harbor that day, to see Sampson's squadron, and they were well patronized. One ran from Houlton over the B. & A. and a large number of persons went from Houlton. About half a dozen Woodstockers took advantage of the cheap rate. At Mount Desert Ferry, the terminus of the line, the train is left for the boat for an eight-mile sail to Bar Harbor. The train runs out on the wharf, and it is but a step from the train to the boat. The wharf is owned by the Main Central Railroad and the boat is a part of its system.

From the wharf a slip, or gang plank, 40 feet long and 10 feet wide, led up to the boat. This plank was hinged at the inner end, the outer end being supported by chains, by which it was raised and lowered to suit the tide. The wharf extends on both sides flush with the end of the gang-plank. When the excursion train from Bangor arrived at the ferry, there was a rush for the steamer Sappho. The first few passengers had crossed the gang-plank safely, and it is estimated that two hundred people were massed upon the plank. Suddenly they felt the plank give way beneath them. The long timber supporting the plank broke in the middle. The hinges held up one end, and the chain the other, while the broken ends of the plank dropped, and a struggling, screaming mass of humanity were plunged into the water, fifteen feet below the wharf. A few clung to the inclined sides of the plank, but at least 150 were struggling in the water. Twenty persons at least were drowned. When the news reached Woodstock on Sunday night there was great alarm, for it was thought quite probable that some of the excursionists from this town might have been victims of the accident. Friends were reassured however on Monday.

THE DISPATCH talked with a gentleman who was within a few feet of the gangway when it broke. In fact he, with a lady companion, was waiting his turn to get on the boat. He describes the scene as an awful one. Two thirds of those who meant to go to Bar Harbor did not leave Mt. Desert after the accident. This gentleman, who does not want his name to appear, states that the gangway was condemned as unsafe two years ago.

### Maritime Board of Trade.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade of the Maritime Provinces will be held on the 16th inst at 8 p. m. and following days. At the meeting of the Woodstock board on the 1st inst, the delegates elected were: A. Henderson, Jas. Carr and T. C. L. Ketchum. Delegates purchasing one way first-class tickets by the principal railways and steamboat lines to St. John on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the 14th, 15th and 16th August, will get standard certificates, which on being countersigned by the secretary, will entitle the delegate to a return ticket at any date up to the 22nd August, inclusive, without charge. Each local board is entitled to one member of the council and to send one delegate for every ten of its members.

The following subjects have been suggested for consideration:

Preferential Trade Within the Empire. Tourist Travel and the Development of Accommodation for Summer Visitors, and their Attraction to Points of Interest.

What Can be Done to Attract Desirable Classes of Immigrants to the Maritime Provinces.

Municipal Taxation in the Maritime Provinces.

Shorter Terms of Credit.

The Development of Iron and Steel Industries.

Statutory Conditions for Fire Insurance Policies.

The Increase in Marine Insurance Rates in Connection with Canadian Atlantic Ports.

Rates on Freight on Apples via Halifax, St. John and U. S. Ports.

Improved Regulations for Passenger and Freight Service on the River St. John.

The Construction of an Electric Railway Through the Annapolis Valley from Digby or Annapolis to Halifax.

Improved Telegraphic Communication Between Prince Edward Island and the Mainland.

COOK'S NEW BLOOD PILLS.

## SUIT AGAINST THE TOWN.

John Y. Smith Claims He Was Falsely Arrested.

And Has Sustained Serious Damages for which He Seeks Redress—Bank Balance for the Time Being on the Right Side—Councillors Photographed.

There were two very important announcements made at the meeting of the town council on Monday evening. One by the treasurer, who announced that there was a credit balance at the bank of \$203.30. We have heard so much of debit balances that to hear of one on the right side is quite encouraging, though it may be only a temporary sign of prosperity. Another announcement was that John Y. Smith has sued the town for damages for false arrest. Mr. Smith is represented by Stephen B. Appleby, Q. C. The arrest, it will be remembered was made early in the summer, when the boys were arrested for setting fires around town. McFarlane wanted Smith to tell him where his boy was, whom the police officer evidently wanted on suspicion of setting the fire. Smith indulged in some oaths, which truly good people, of which Woodstock has more than its share, should not use. McFarlane was shocked and arrested Smith for "cussing," and the case came before the police magistrate. Mr. Murphy who appeared for the town, after hearing the evidence did not press for a conviction, and the case was dismissed. And now the town is sued.

There was quite a discussion in the council as to the procedure in employing counsel to defend the town. The mayor advised the councillors to fight the case, and fight it the town eventually will.

Coun. Watts moved that his Worship make an appearance in the suit, and employ what counsel he thought necessary. No one seconded this. Then Coun. Carr moved, seconded by Coun. Graham, that Allison B. Connell be employed as counsel.

Coun. Gallagher thought the matter should be referred to a committee, and made a motion to that effect, which was seconded by Coun. Jones. This carried, and Couns. Gallagher, Jones and Graham were named the committee.

During the session, the councillors who were got up in their best bibs and tuckers, were photographed by Mr. Stott for his "Souvenir of Woodstock."

### The International Congress.

The secretary of the Board of Trade in reply to a letter to the director of the International Commercial Congress to be held in Philadelphia beginning on Oct. 10th, has received a letter stating that the Board of Trade may appoint as many delegates as it desires. He adds: "If you will send us the names of those who expect to attend, we shall take much pleasure in forwarding them invitations and cards of admission. As our program is almost completed we cannot have the responsibility for the entertainment of these delegates, but think that ample accommodations can be secured in the city at reasonable cost."

### Train Wrecking.

Recently an unsuccessful attempt was made to wreck the B. and A. train due to arrive at Bangor at 1.05 p. m. The attempt occurred on the Maine Central in a cut between Basin Mills and Veazie, and the obstruction was a steel rail laid directly across the track. Engineer Ellis' vigilance did much to save the derailment of the train. Fred W. Merrill a young lad, near 16 years of age, was arrested on a charge of having committed the crime and subsequently admitted his guilt.

### A Good Place For Gold.

The Province, Vancouver, B. C., comes to hand with a sensational heading over one of its columns "With Atlin Gold" W. M. Botsford Brings Down \$20,000 in Dust, 'Exceedingly Rich,' "A Yield of Two Millions." In an interview with Mr. Botsford, manager of the local branch of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, the Province learns that this years output from the Atlin district will be over \$2000,000. Mr. Botsford himself brought down over \$200,000 in dust taken from the creeks in the different parts of Atlin. Mr. Queen of Woodstock is prospecting in this district.

Wendell Queen who sent the papers containing this news is in the Vancouver agency of the Merchants Bank.

Probably Not.—Bunting—"Here's a newspaper headline which reads, 'Fell Down an Elevator Well.' Larkin—"What of it?" Bunting—"I was simply wondering if he remained well long after he reached the bottom."