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PRICE TWO CENTS

COMFORT COMES CHEAP.

to any one who now buys

WARM WEATHER GOODS.

LIBERAL REDUCTIONS ON

Crash, Linen and Russel Cord Coats.

Crash, Straw and Manila Hats.

John McLauchlan,

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

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We have decided to sell our whole stock

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Men's Tan and Black "	2.00	1.50
Men's Heavy Grain, Bal or Bkle	1.50	1.15
" " "	1.35	1.00
Ladies' Tan and Black Bal.,	2.00	1.50
" " "	1.50	1.15
" " "	1.35	1.00
" " Oxfords,	1.75	1.25
" " "	1.50	1.15
" " "	1.35	1.00
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We also have Boys', Misses' and Children's Shoes in all styles Tan and Black, which we will sell at a BIG DISCOUNT.

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without a dollar's worth of real estate ever having been owned by the company.
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with much stronger reserves than the law requires with a much larger new business than in any previous year.
with the lowest death rate on record for so long a period in our Temperance Section of any company anywhere.
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with an interest income of 27,212.20
with an increase in total income of 30,288.10
with an increase in assets of 127,291.44
with total assets amounting to 794,505.66
with an increase of 1,263 policies and 1,117 lives.
with an increase of insurance in force of \$1,432,441

with insurance of \$7,265,469 under 6,533 policies on lives of total abstainers classed by themselves.
with a new business applied for of \$2,966,836 with a total insurance in force of 9,436,800 with a death rate in our fourteenth year of only \$5.00 for each \$1,000 of average risk carried during the year.
with a record for care and economy unexcelled, with experience to show that abstainers are better risks than non-abstainers.
with a recognized standing as the total abstainers company in Canada.
Such has been our record. It is a record of steady, solid progress, and we are proud of it. Where is there a clearer record, or one that can beat it in any respect? Surely The T. & G. is the Best Company for the Best Risks.

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

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

TEACHER WANTED.

A First or Second Class Female Teacher to take the Sisson Ridge school beginning of next term. Apply to J. A. WARK, Sec. to Trustees.

LOST.

Lost one day last week, a ring of keys containing about 8 keys. A reward of two dollars is offered for their return to this office.

OVER-ZEALOUS POUND KEEPERS.

HIS WORSHIP THINKS THEY ARE NECESSARY BUT SOMETIMES RATHER STRICT.

At the meeting of the town council on Monday evening last, the treasurer's report showed debit balance at the bank on Aug. 6 \$10,662.14; expenditure during July \$26,007.76; total expenditure from first of year to date \$9262.61. During the past month there was received from balances \$13.00, taxes \$3177.78, scales \$35.00. \$468.00 was received by the treasurer after the statement was made up. The town marshal reported \$22.50 collected in licenses and taxes during the month past.

The mayor read a communication from the superintendent of waterworks and caretaker of the fire engine stating that the fire engine was taken out for trial on the 11th of July and was found all right, excepting some wasting away of the plates. In a communication from the manufacturers in reply to Mr. Munro, it is stated that the engine should be sent to the foundry, and completely renovated, especially by the placing of a new boiler.

The communication was placed on file. Coun. Lindsay remarking that we did not wish to pay \$1600 for a new boiler.

Wallace W. Hay and Hugh Hay complained that they were assessed respectively in personal property \$1000 and \$2000 and whereas all their personal property was in the name of Hugh Hay & Son who were assessed at \$6000, and Coun. Lindsay introduced the matter. He had told these gentlemen that they should bring the subject up by affidavit. The matter then dropped.

John McAlam submitted an affidavit stating that he was over 60 years of age and that he had been illegally assessed poll tax for school purposes since he was over 60 years of age. This matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

John Hayes, Len Hanson and Wm. Balmain were appointed pound keepers, etc., and that their barns be pounds.

The mayor thought it was very well for pound keepers to do their duty, but they certainly sometimes exceed their authority. A case of this kind had come under his notice.

Coun. Lindsay thought the council should stand by its officers. If any one had a grievance he should bring it before the council.

Coun. Graham said that James McLean had a grievance. The water came down Orange street in great force and did damage to his property. He was over flooded every spring and about every rain storm. A catch basin should be put in there.

The Mayor stated that Mr. McLean had been very patient and had a just grievance.

Coun. Jones favored having a catch basin, but did not think that it should be charged to the sewer committee, considering no appropriation was made for sewers this year. He moved that the street committee put in the catch basin.

Coun. Graham thought the matter should be left to the sewer committee.

It was decided to have the street committee make a report at Friday night's session.

Coun. Dibblee brought the attention of the council to the fact that out of a list of \$4000 delinquent taxes, Mr. Winslow in whose hands the matter was left had only collected about \$400. He thought Mr. Winslow should be stirred up.

Coun. Lindsay said that he hoped the treasurer would place in his next report the sums collected by Messrs. Winslow and Holyoke.

Coun. Graham claimed that many paupers came into the town of Woodstock from the parishes and were supported by the town, and when bills were put into the parishes they were not paid. He thought the town was too easy.

The solicitor said that the trouble was that the notice was not given the parishes in the proper time and so the town lost its rights. Paupers had to be a full year before they could apply for help and have a right to get assistance.

Haying and Harvesting.

There has been an unusually heavy rainfall this summer, the fact of the Steamer Aberdeen running most of the season being very clear proof of it. The weather has been especially tantalizing for the haymakers. No matter how fine a day opened or how fairly the wind blew rain managed to make its appearance within 24 hours. Under any circumstances haying was late but with the unsatisfactory weather, nothing less than a week of sunshine and drying winds will see the crop anything like all housed. It is generally a good crop both timothy and clover being luxuriant, and advantage having been

taken of every good hour, a good deal of hay has been secured in excellent condition. The same cause that led to haying being late has also operated to make the grain crop late. There will be quite a short time between haying and harvest. The grain generally looks well, but would be the better for a period of warm dry weather, and a good sun bath. Farmers are dreading the ravages of the rust, on the oats and potatoes, especially. It is about time for this scourge to show itself and the weather hitherto has unfortunately, been well adapted for a fine crop of rust. Were it not for this prospect, all crops would promise well.

Accident at Plaster Rock.

William McDade, a St. John man working as a shingle sawyer in Hale's mill Plaster Rock met with a very painful and serious accident last Friday afternoon. He was working at the saw, beside which was a high pile of sawed blocks. Mr. McDade stepped on a block on the mill floor, to reach some of the high blocks. The block on which he stepped "trucked" under him, and he fell on the saw cutting and lacerating the left arm badly. Mr. Hale, M. P., happened to be in Plaster Rock at the time. As soon as he learned of the unfortunate condition of his employe he secured a special train on which the injured man was brought down to Woodstock where he was well looked after at the Victoria Hotel. Dr. Atherton was summoned from Fredericton and in consultation with Drs. Saunders and Rankin it was decided not to amputate the arm. The patient was removed on Saturday afternoon to Fredericton where he will be treated at the Victoria Hospital.

Broke His Leg.

John Gallagher, the well known stonecutter and manufacturer of monuments, met with a serious accident on Monday afternoon. He had gone to the Lower Station to get a portable forge which he had ordered from St. John. While there W. S. Skillen came along, and as he was going up with a partially loaded wagon, he offered to take Mr. Gallagher's forge along in his wagon. They put the forge on, which only weighed 75 or 100 pounds, and Mr. Gallagher got on behind, between the forge and the tail board of the wagon. Just going out from the station the horse took fright and starting quickly, Mr. Gallagher fell out backwards and sustained a fracture of the leg just three inches below the knee. The wounded limb was soon attended to and the patient is resting as easily as possible. Mr. Gallagher is 75 years of age, and of course the shock is greater than to a young man.

Gorton's Famous Minstrels Coming August 9th.

New in everything and in keeping with the times. The music of the bones and tambourines will awaken in the minds of many old theatre-goers the memories of the early days of minstrelsy, when crowds flocked to see the "plantation singers" and returned home to talk of what they had seen until the recollections had been blotted out by the wonders of succeeding shows. The people have grown more discriminating in the bestowal of their applause since those distant days, but they have the same liking for minstrelsy, and that fact will probably be demonstrated when Gorton's Minstrels appear. This is the one show of minstrelsy that has cast aside all old, worn out features, and give to the public a pure, wholesome, up-to-date show, full of ginger, snap and brilliancy, new faces, new acts, new songs, dances and music.

Wait for the only great show of minstrelsy and you will get your moneys worth. Don't miss the great street parade and band concert at noon it is the best in America.

Manitoba's Crops.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 6.—The government's August crop bulletin shows 348,819 acres of wheat, 143,842 acres of oats and 234,147 acres of barley have been completely destroyed by drought, winds, etc. The remaining 1,457,369 acres of wheat will give an estimated yield of 7½ bushels per acre, or a total of 10,938,613. This is hardly more than a third of last year's crop.

NEVER in the history of Aroostook county have the prospects of an abundant harvest been so promising as in the present year. Notwithstanding the fact that the backward spring delayed the planting of seed nearly two weeks the crops are far in advance of the ordinary year. The hay crop now being harvested is the heaviest known for years, while all kinds of grain are looking well. There is every promise of an extra large yield of potatoes, and, if fair prices are realized, make certain a prosperous year for Aroostook farmers.

Kidney Disease and Backache

Mr. Patrick J. McLaughlan, Beauharnois, Que., states: "I was troubled with kidney disease and dyspepsia for 29 years and have been that bad I could not sleep at nights and suffered terrible agony. I tried all sorts of medicines but got no relief until I began using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. They made a new man of me and the old troubles seem to be driven out of my system." One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

A BURNING QUESTION.

REFORM WANTED IN THE QUESTION OF CARING FOR THE POOR.

Coun. Gilmor's letter of last week regarding the care of the poor has revived the interest in this matter first aroused by Coun. Kearney's stirring address at the council meeting in June. It would, indeed, be an ideal system if a small pension could be granted each pauper, provided he were well deserving. The difficulty would be, one which the American government has to face respecting pensions for old soldiers, there would be probably an alarming increase in the pauper class. At the same time, by careful consideration of each case, the real condition of the applicant could be arrived at, provided we do mix politics in it. Politics would certainly work into this as into every other scheme.

An objection to a poor farm not hitherto urged, but of some force, lies in this. Who is to work the farm? Not the paupers surely, for if they can work, why should they be paupers?

It is to be hoped that the councillors and the public, generally, will not allow this matter to drop. The way we do not care for our poor, now, is a crying evil, a lasting shame. It is no disgrace to be poor, far more disgraceful is it to be rich, when riches are obtained, as they frequently are, by means of cheating and fraud. Many a man rolling in wealth, would be in the penitentiary but for a lucky turn of the wheel of fortune. It is all very well to send missionaries to China—though they seem to have been quite indiscreet in that flowery land—but perhaps our reward hereafter will not be the less gratifying, if we do less shouting and "hollering" about the heathenism in foreign lands and devote our surplus energy to the proper care of the poor, in our own parishes, who are always with us.

A physician of the town, whose profession is such as to give him means of certain knowledge of the subject, said that there was no more burning question than this,—the care of our poor. He said that the present system in this county was discreditable and disgraceful. There will not be very much glory in keeping this question alive. The poor can scarcely pay either by money or votes, but if there is any conscience left in the community, it may be made easier by eradicating a system nothing more or less than a species of slavery, and by substituting for it an enlightened policy of looking after the wants of the poor and the infirm, who, it is alleged, in some quarters, have immortal souls. It is to be hoped they have, for mighty little else do they get, but unkind words, and frequently, no doubt, unkind blows.

Under the present system, it must be borne in mind, the poor are "sold" to the lowest bidder, and under such conditions their fate is far from enviable.

A Sad Event.

Very sad and sudden was the calling away of Stephen Sullivan, a well known young man of this town. For twenty-three years past he had been in the employ of Fred Moore, and this season he was engaged in haying for Mr. Moore on the island along the creek. He had been in the mow and was getting down to the barn floor. In doing so he put his fork on the floor and made a jump. The fork slipped and he came with such force against it that it penetrated his entrails. He withdrew the fork, himself. He was taken to his home in great pain, where he was attended by Drs. Hand and Rankin. Everything that possibly could be done, was done for him, but to no avail and he died on Saturday evening. He leaves a widow, a daughter of Mr. John Cogger, and three boys, the oldest thirteen and the youngest two years old. He was forty-two years of age. Much sympathy is extended to the afflicted family. As a workman, deceased was trustworthy and capable and Mr. Moore regarded him as one of his very best men.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon at St. Gertrude's church, and was largely attended. The pall bearers were James McManus, Maurice Ryan, Michael Murphy Joseph Fawer. The usual office for the dead was said by Rev. Father Chapman, after which the remains were taken to the cemetery for burial.

The annual convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers will be held in Hamilton, Ont., on the 8th and 9th inst. The C. P. R. delegates who will attend are: M. I. Spaulding, J. Barney, C. H. Small, C. F. Fisher, E. G. Ryder, J. Bailey, J. R. McDonald, H. E. Rodgers, S. H. Clarke, P. J. Coughlan, F. W. Henderson, Geo. M. Brown, C. E. Lamereaux, H. E. Currie, H. Saunders, J. W. Foster, W. A. McKinnon, E. Davis, E. J. Murphy, J. Lewis and W. J. Cooney.