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PRICE TWO CENTS

WE CAN'T TELL YOU

Just what to buy, but we can tell you where the **most up-to-date**

Boys' and Men's

Clothing,

HATS, CAPS, and FURNISHINGS

Can be procured.

Almost everything that is popular in the Male Attire line you will find here, and at a Reasonable Price.

Make it a point in your Xmas buying to come here for everything in the male attire line that you want to present to your relatives and friends.

JOHN McLAUCHLAN,

The Up-to-Date Male Attire Specialist,
And Sole Agent for the Campbell High Class Clothing.

SPECIAL ATTENTION

Is called to the **Xmas Stock** now being shown at the **BLUE FRONT JEWELLRY STORE.**

Everything that one could wish in Jewellery, Optical Goods and Silverware, to be had here. Unique Designs and New Ideas, that will appeal to the Xmas shopper. A choice line of Solid Gold and Sterling Silver Goods. Now is the time to make your selection before the rush begins.

H. V. DALLING,

C. P. R. Watch Inspector.

CONTINUED PROGRESS.

During the last few years the North American has made marvellous strides in all Departments tending to its up-building, which can readily be seen by the following figures, showing a comparison:

THREE SEPTENNIAL PERIODS.

Year.	Cash income.	Assets.	Policies in force.
1881	\$39,613	\$88,763	\$1,221,712
1888	263,691	666,919	7,927,564
1895	581,478	2,300,518	15,779,385
1902	1,270,840	5,010,813	30,927,961

A strong progressive Canadian Company giving excellent returns to its policy holders, therefore making it a desirable Company for agents to represent.

WRIGHT & EVERETT,
PROVINCIAL MANAGERS,
ST. JOHN, N. B.

Nothing succeeds like success.

THE MANUFACTURERS LIFE INSURANCE CO. IN 1902.

New business written,	\$6,082,336.00
Increase over 1901,	1,058,935.00
Income,	1,240,890.00
Increase over 1901,	177,249.00
Assets as at December 31, 1902,	4,406,329.00
Increase over 1901,	633,852.00
Insurance in force,	30,152,883.00
Increase over 1901,	3,013,952.00

Interest Income Alone Exceeded Death Claims by Nearly \$26,000.00.

The E. R. MACHUM, CO. Lt'd.

T. A. LINDSAY,
Inspector, Woodstock, N. B.

Mgrs. Maritime Provinces, St. John, N. B.

SHOPPING FOR CHRISTMAS

Should be Attended to Early--Some Suggestions as to What to buy and Where to buy it.

One knows that it is useless to urge people to buy their Christmas things early, because they won't do it. They will put it off till Christmas week and many of them will rush into the stores and make their most important purchases on Christmas eve.

If I did preach a sermon from the text "Buy Early" I would surely ignore my own teaching in practise, so I will let the sermon go.

It might be worth while, however, to call attention to the well filled stores of Woodstock, and suggest some of the many beautiful and useful things that are offered for this season. The things to be found in our stores this year are more numerous and varied than ever before.

E. W. Mair, successor to the Baird Co. makes a specialty of certain fine lines that human nature makes one want at Christmas. He has a large and beautiful display of French and English perfumes put up in exquisite cut glass packages. Being sole agent for Rattray's celebrated pipes, his exhibit of things for the smoker is unusually attractive. Pipes, in cases, singly and in pairs, cigar and cigarette holders, of meersehaum and amber, cigars in small boxes, and a variety of other things are here to attract the smoker's attention. In the line of leather goods his assortment is complete, and his display of brushes of every description is elegant.

Garden Bros., druggists, stock of holiday goods is especially strong in gifts of enduring value, gifts that betoken good judgment as well as good will. They combine the essentials of a perfect gift for they are durable and useful as well as beautiful. Here are a few of the lines they are especially strong on ladies, gentlemen's and children's purses and pocket books, toilet sets, hair brushes single and military, travelling cases, shaving sets, perfumes of the world's best makers, toilet soaps. Buying an unusually large stock they were able to make a big saving in the prices, this saving the public gets the benefit of.

A visit to the drug store of I. E. Sheasgreen will bring one in contact with a large display of the choicest perfumes, from the best American, French and English perfumers, put up in handsome packages. Mr. Sheasgreen also carries a variety of fancy soaps, brushes and other toilet articles. His line of smokers requisites is a taking thing with the gentlemen. Good goods, reasonable prices and courteous attention are among the attractions at this store.

Charles A. McKeen's offerings in the line of Christmas goods, are pipes, perfumes, toilet soaps, tobaccos, cigars, and other smokers' requisites.

The store of Carr & Gibson is an attractive place at all seasons of the year, but particularly so at this. Their show cases abound in gold and silver watches, rings of all kinds, ladies and gentlemen's chains, opera glasses, brooches, cuff-links, pins, bracelets, and a very attractive display of Scotch Pebble brooches and cuff links. Their stock of sterling silver goods is unusually complete. Time and space make it impossible to describe minutely their array of new and beautiful goods. Nothing but a visit to the store will give one an idea of it.

H. V. Dalling at the Blue Front Jewellery store has a lovely stock of goods this year, better than ever before. Among the things he displays are a specially fine line of sterling silver cigarette cases and match cases. His display of brooches and pins in gold set with pearls, opals, diamonds and other gems is charming. A line of pearl and gold pen holders give one an opportunity to select a suitable present for either lady or gentleman. Mr. Dalling is showing a novelty in entree dishes, the handle of the cover being removable, so that the cover itself can be used as a dish. He has almost everything in sterling silver the human mind could think of.

Mrs. J. Loane & Co. have as usual an attractive display of cut glass, Redwood, Imperial Crown and Crown Derby chins, pictures, beautiful calendars, all the newest toys and games, a full list of the Henty books for boys, girls' and boys' annuals that will keep the children interested for a whole year, and a world of other new and beautiful and interesting things for the holiday season.

W. H. Everett's book store contains an array of things that will catch the eye of young or old. His stock of books is large and he carries a variety of stationery, ornaments, toys and games.

B. B. Manzer's store offers a good opportunity for shoppers to get a variety of things to gladden the heart of young or old. His fur department is unusually well filled with

a variety of ladies ruffs and muffs in Seal, Astrachan, Alaska Sable and Gray Lamb, and fur coats, jackets and caps. Besides these, other lines to be found here suitable for gifts are plain and fancy handkerchiefs in silk and linen, Perrin's kid gloves, lined and unlined for men and women, and finally a new design in dress suit mufflers of silk and satin, containing pocket.

At the well appointed store of R. B. Jones one finds a great variety of men's and boys' caps, in furs of all kinds and in wool. The line of newest neckwear here is very pleasing. Mr. Jones always keeps his stock new and fresh.

John McLauchlan carries a large line of fur coats and fur lined coats. Caps of all kinds including the motor cap. His stock of gentlemen's furnishings of all kinds is unusually complete. He is showing some very attractive gloves, fur lined and silk lined.

Miss A. M. Boyer who conducts the well known Ladies' Emporium keeps a well selected stock that a mere man could not be expected to describe. Just now she has in stock a special line of belts and stock collars. Her assortment of neckwear has been pronounced by one lady the finest ever seen in Woodstock. Among the regular lines at this store are silk and flannel shirt waists, wrappers, aprons, handkerchiefs, dressing jackets and children's dresses.

C. R. Watson's store is a good place to go for Christmas things. There must have been a good number of pianos bought for Christmas presents this year, for Mr. Watson says he sold as many in the month of November as he did all last year. He now has in stock the finest assortment of violins, music books and sheet music ever shown in Woodstock, a good stock of piano cased organs, Dominion, Bell and Doherty, in walnut, oak and mahogany. He has ordered and will soon have in stock a good line of Bell and Mason & Risch pianos. When out on a Christmas shopping expedition this store should not be overlooked.

The A. Henderson Furniture Company can always be relied on for something of permanent value for a present. This firm have now in stock in their ware rooms on Queen St., a large and fine display of furniture of all kinds from which many suitable presents could be chosen, and from which many happy suggestions could be gleaned. Easy chairs of all kinds are here, many different sorts of tables, sideboards, rugs, pictures and a world of things, beautiful and lasting.

Balmain Bros. have in recent years been forging to the front as furriers and in the line of fur coats and robes they carry a very large stock. In coats for men they have Coon, Wombat, Saskatchewan Buffalo, Russian Calf, Tasmania Coon, Brown Goat, Rocky Bear, Cape Buffalo. They carry ladies coats in Astrachan, Bulgarian Lamb, Tasmania Coon and Wombat. They have robes made of all these different furs. Any of them would be suitable for Christmas gifts.

The old and respected firm of W. F. Dibblee and Son have not been unmindful of the needs of the public at this season of the year. A lamp is often a suitable Christmas gift. They have a very large stock of the celebrated Bradley and Hubbard table and hanging lamps. They have been selling them for over ten years and they give great satisfaction. Skates, hand sleds and jack-knives are here in great variety and when table cutlery, carving sets, carpet sweepers, one looks further along in the store one finds stoves, ranges, washing machines and many other things, any one of which would do for a gift. Just at present this firm is having a special sale of horse blankets and fur robes.

One sometimes has to have an eye to economy and the sternest utility in selecting presents and to such a visit to the boot and shoe establishment of J. D. Dickinson & Son will be timely. Their shelves are well filled with all kinds of boots, shoes, slippers, moccasins, harrigans, shoe packs, rubbers, overshoes in all shapes and sizes. They received this week from Boston a large consignment of specially fine slippers for the Christmas trade. Many a youth and maiden would be delighted with a present from this store.

A photograph would not be a bad thing at all to send to one's friends and G. A. Keith's studio is a good place to go to get one made. Mr. Wilson, who has just opened a studio up stairs on the Corner of Main and Connell Sts., exhibits some excellent work in photography.

Mock Parliament.

At the mock parliament on Monday evening the budget was brought down by John A. Lindsay, minister of finance. A spirited debate was carried on, speeches being made by R. H. Bruce, E. H. Phillips, A. D. Nicholson, Harry Dunbar, H. P. Baird and A. D. Smith.

Scott Act Prosecutions.

There is a good deal of activity in Scott Act matters these days. Last Thursday night Deputy Sheriff Foster and James Woolverton went to the boundary line near Centreville with the intent to capture Holman McMullin who has for some years been conducting a prosperous wine business there. Mr. McMullin lives on the United States side of the line but conducts his business on the Canadian side, so that when he is menaced by Canadian officers of the law it was but a step to the protection of the United States flag. On Thursday night, however, by a successful strategy Messrs. Foster and Woolverton arrested their man and brought him to Woodstock. He was arraigned before the Police Magistrate on Friday morning, pleaded guilty in seven cases, was fined \$350.00 and costs. He paid up and went home.

Woodstock Orange Lodge.

At the regular annual meeting of Woodstock L. O. L., No. 38, held on Tuesday evening, December 31st, the following officers were elected for the year 1904.

Judson A. Shea, W. M.
Ansley Rogers, D. M.
Wm McCready, Chap.
Theo McKinney, F. S.
David Hillwell, R. S.
Geo I Britton, Treas.
Moses Moore, D. C.
Jas McKinley, Lect.
W S Saunders, 1st Com.
A M Brown, 2nd Com.
A E Jones, 3rd Com.
Robert Hemphill, 4th Com.
Wm Rolston, 5th Com.
P. D. G. M. Lindsay occupied the chair and conducted the installation ceremonies.

The Scotch Concert.

The Scotch Concert in the opera house last Wednesday night drew an enormous audience that was delighted with the entertainment.

McKenzie Murdock, the violinist, was quite up to the great expectation of the audience. They were delighted beyond measure. Nothing so good had ever been heard in Woodstock before.

Mr. Neil the tenor and Mrs. McIvor-Craig, the soprano both possessed good voices.

A very large number of people who came from a considerable distance, a good number from Glassville, were delighted with the result of their trip.

The Booklovers' Library.

The Booklovers' Library is now one of our settled facts, the books now being already on the way to Woodstock. It simply remains that the subscription fees be in the hands of the Canadian manager in Montreal, before these books are put in circulation. That this part of the contract be fulfilled promptly will be to our credit and profit. An effort will be made to reach all subscribers this week, in order that the Library may be opened before Christmas. The room in the Graham building formerly used by the W. C. T. U., is to be the general office.

Fatal Accident.

A very sad accident which resulted at once fatally occurred on Sunday afternoon near Cloverdale in this county.

Fred Grant, of Cloverdale, his brother-in-law and his son a young man seventeen years of age started from home for Hay's camp on the Beagumic. Young Grant was ahead carrying a loaded rifle over his shoulder. The trigger in some way caught in a branch or twig and the rifle was discharged the bullet entering Mr. Grant's left lung. He died instantly. He leaves a wife and six children. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon.

Fire at Bristol.

The saw and grist mill of E. W. Bell at Bristol was destroyed by fire on Monday night. It is thought there was no insurance.

Hospital Fund.

Ladies' Auxiliary raised at supper..... \$298.15
D. W. Smith & Sons..... 20.00

REMEMBER the sale of fancy work and dressed dolls at the Variety Fair tomorrow evening.

J. D. Dickinson & Son.

GREAT CHRISTMAS OPENING

Fancy Slippers

TODAY.

Call and examine them.

By the way, have you tried Carleton Brand Coffee, at NOBLE & TRAFTON'S.