

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

The story of the old year has been told and we say farewell to 1906. 1907 ushers in an era of Peace, Happiness and Prosperity. May it bring good times for one and all. ALL HAIL TO THE NEW YEAR.

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Hartland Farmers' Exchange,
C. HUMPHREY TAYLOR, Prop.

Woodstock Masonic Lodge.

Woodstock Lodge, No. 11, F. & A. M. held its annual meeting on St. John's Day, December 27th, and the officers for the ensuing year were installed by Donald Munro, P. D. G. M., acting as Installing Officer.

D. W. Kyle, W. M.
M. G. McLean, S. W.
H. A. Seely, J. W.
W. Fisher, Treas.
D. Munro, Sec.
C. A. Peabody, S. D.
R. M. Gabel, J. D.
A. G. Fields, S. S.
P. T. Kierstead, M. D., J. S.
A. Henderson, D. C.
E. K. Connell, I. G.
E. L. Hagerman, T.

The report of the Audit Committee submitted exhibits a most prosperous year. This Lodge is among the largest in the jurisdiction.

A most pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation to the Lodge by P. M., J. T. A. Dibblee of a large crayon portrait of his father the late R. W., Brother William F. Dibblee Past Deputy Grand Master.

After the close of the Lodge, the newly installed officers entertained the members present to refreshments served in the Lodge room.

Kitchen French.

How long will hotels and cafes continue to think it clever to print their bills of fare in French? It is not smart at all. Any cheap John with a fifty cent French dictionary of grub terms can do it. But if the chap who is going to do the eating does not happen to have a dictionary in his pocket, he may have to go through the whole bill without getting anything he wishes. He may pick out something that looks as if it were a grand French dish and find that he has a boiled potato, or in a final weary effort to get something that partakes of the nature of victuals find that he has chosen something he can't eat at all.

To read the bill of fare of the Emerson banquet in St. John last week one would think the only guests expected were residents of Madawaska county. This sort of affectation is altogether tiresome. It is not so bad at a banquet where everything on the bill is served to every guest, but at a place where a guest is expected to ask for what he wishes it is worse than silly in an English speaking country. It is an insult to the intelligence of nine-tenths of the men at the table, perpetrated by a person whose education and intelligence may be judged by the fact that he finds his highest duties in or near a kitchen.

Advent Christian Conference.

The Advent Christian Conference of New Brunswick opened last Thursday evening in the Advent church, Woodstock. Among the clergymen present were the pastor of the church the Rev. A. H. Kearney, the Rev. Mr. Thornton of Jackson Brook, Me., the Rev. Charles Archer of Mapleton, Me., the Rev. Arthur Woodworth of Crouseville, Me., the W. H. Strout of St. Marys, N. B., the Rev. Milton Burt of the Simonds and Peel churches, the Rev. William H. Birch of Worcester, Mass., and John Buck, conference evangelist. The conference lasted till Sunday night since when special meetings have been conducted and will continue throughout this week. The old officers were re-elected as follows:—

A. P. Connolly, President.
The Rev. A. H. Kearney, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. C. D. Dickinson, Secretary.
S. J. Parsons, Treasurer.

The additional members of the executive committee are C. D. Dickinson, Woodstock; L. A. Morrell, Fredericton; Louise Boone, St. Marys; Guy Christian Simonds; James Thompson, Ludlow, Me.

The work for the year has been satisfactory both in a spiritual and financial sense. About 150 new members have been added to the church.

Since the beginning of the conference open air meetings have been held on the street every evening when the weather has permitted and they will be held every fine evening during the rest of this week.

Stevens-Dunbar.

Last evening, January 1st, at the residence of the bride's parents, Woodstock, at 8 o'clock, Miss Kate Dunbar, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Dunbar, was united in marriage to Douglas W. C. Stevens, son of Mr. and Mr. H. D. Stevens. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. D. Ireland.

Mr. Stevens, the happy groom, who is one of the popular young men of Woodstock, is the chemist in Mr. Sheasgreen's drug store. The bride has been the recipient of many handsome and valuable presents that denote her own popularity as well as that of Mr. Stevens.

Emmerson Banquet.

A splendid banquet was given to the Hon. H. R. Emmerson at the Union Club in St. John last Thursday evening. Among those present from Carleton were the Hon. W. P. Jones, F. B. Carvell, M. P.; Major W. C. Good and N. Foster Thorne. Not the least interesting figure at the board was the Hon. A. G. Blair, who a few months ago held the position now held by the Hon. Mr. Emmerson. The Hon. H. A. McKeown proposed the guest of the evening and in reply Mr. Emmerson said in part, Mr. Chairman, Mr. McKeown, friends, I should be little less than human if I was not touched with the character of your reception. My friend, in perhaps an extravagant way, referred to the high office which I have the honor to fill, but I know it was prompted by kindness and good feeling. I know it was not intended to be strictly personal, but referred also to the government, and so far as what the government has accomplished in the last ten years it was none too strong—ten years of unexampled prosperity, ten years of stupendous expansion and ten years of peace, contentment and growing faith in this country of ours. It is perhaps more than a coincidence that these things have taken place with a Liberal government holding the reins, and under Liberal rule. (Cheers.) The words my friend, Mr. McKeown, used are not too strong in giving recognition to the men who for the past ten years have ruled Canada and I can say so, as my term of office has extended only for the past two or three years.

"I stand here tonight as the representative of New Brunswick in the government of Canada. No one is more keenly appreciative of my shortcomings as your representative in the cabinet, but we must deal with what we find. This gathering is but another incident like that which met in Berryman's hall and which will meet again tomorrow. These gatherings are intended to call attention to the affairs in our own province and to the party which is closely allied with the great party charged with the administration of affairs. This is a period when stock is taken and we look around and see what has been accomplished.

"But it is due to us to take some account of the conditions in the dominion at the amount not only as regards the Liberal party, but all parties, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It is fair for us to stop and think what are our possessions and what we are doing. In the great journal of things under the sun we find ourselves in the twentieth century under a government tending more to civil and religious liberty than in the history of any former times. We need fear no danger from without, but there are dangers from within. We must guard against these internal workings which are more serious than those beyond the pale.

"Abraham Lincoln once said a nation consists of its territory, its people and its laws. The territory is the only durable thing and we have in it a variety of climate and great productiveness. We must use these to the uttermost. This is not a platitude but very pertinent word to the citizens of the port of St. John, and of every port in Canada and the dominion at large.

"The question of utilization is the question of transportation. Cast your eye over the dominion; \$62,000,000 will be spent in Canada alone on railway construction during the next twelve months and that does not include the G. T. P. from Winnipeg to Moncton. This means that, through the scarcity of labor, thousands and tens of thousands will be coming to Canada to do this work. It means that railways will be branching out in directions and into sections until now unproductive. It means that this great territory will be teeming with millions of bushels more wheat. To where will it go and from what ports? It is the declared policy of Sir Wilfrid Laurier that the products of the west shall be carried over Canadian territory to Canadian ports for shipment across the Atlantic.

"I know we suffer under disadvantages. We are told that government is a system of compromise and if in fighting with geographical conditions we make sacrifices and suppress our sectional ideas there are happily conditions available for the government to take hold of this matter without treading on anyone's corns. When I hear of differences between ports on the maritime seaport I smile. When I hear one port say I must have this or that I wonder why today so many close their eyes to the possibilities of our western heritage. There will ere long be produce from the great west for a dozen ports.

"Does anyone believe St. John will suffer in regard to this traffic. St. John must command a large and major portion of the western produce. There is no need to call attention to this. Concluded on fourth page.

The Dispatch wishes its readers A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

A change of Grooms.

A pretty and romantic wedding took place Monday afternoon at the home of the bride, when Miss Lena Burt, daughter of W. Burt, of Jacksonville, was married to Norval Brittain, and the happy couple left the same evening for their future home in Enderby (B. C.)

Before the departure of Mr. Brittain for the west some years ago, he was engaged to marry Miss Burt. The correspondence between the young couple continued until recently. In the meantime Miss Burt became engaged to a prominent young business man of Woodstock, and the wedding was arranged for yesterday.

An announcement card was sent to Mr. Brittain, Enderby. He promptly sent along some presents to the bride-elect, but just as promptly followed the presents.

Arriving here a few days ago he arranged another date, one day prior to the proposed wedding with the Woodstock man, and carried his lady love off to his western home. Large crowds were at the train to bid the couple good bye. The groom is in the employ of F. H. Hale, ex-M. P., of this county, now in business in British Columbia.

Bayside Wedding.

A delightful home wedding was that of Mr. L. S. Crawford, of the Dairy School, Sussex, and Miss Agnes McDonall Mowatt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mowatt, which took place at the residence of the bride's father, Bayside yesterday afternoon. The bride, who looked radiantly beautiful, was attended by Miss Brittain, of Woodstock, while the bride's brother, Mr. George Mowatt, did the honours for the groom. The knot was securely tied by Rev. A. W. Mahon, of St. Andrews, assisted by Rev. Mr. Boyd, of Waweig. Many beautiful wedding gifts were received. The newly-wedded couple have gone to Boston and New York to spend their honeymoon.—St. Andrews Beacon.

Uncle Tom at Lakeville.

The time honored play of Uncle Tom's Cabin was given by the Lakeville Dramatic Club in the Orange Hall Christmas night to a packed house, and many unable to gain admittance were turned away disappointed. The leading role of Uncle Tom was taken by J. R. Fowler. Michael Keefe could not be excelled as an amateur in the role of St. Clair, while Miss Mary Fowler as Little Eva acted her part effectively. Miss May Bearis seemed in her element as the fun-making, aggravating Topsy. John F. Williams as the deacon proved beyond a doubt that young blood was still coursing through his veins as he pressed his suit with Aunt Ophelia. Gumption Cute as acted by Harry Jones, and the tragedy element in the wicked Legree as presented by R. N. F. Jones were interesting characters. The fact that most of the roles were assumed by young people making their initial appearance in the dramatic circle as well as their short period of rehearsal speaks in the highest terms of the talent and ability of the actors, and their creditable manner of presenting the play was applauded heartily. Between the acts C. Leslie Fowler and Howard Fowler made decided hits in their musical specialties and Albert Gallivan gave a splendid exhibition of bag punching. The entire company merit the many congratulations received, and it is rumored that they will again present the play in their hall in the near future. The receipts of the evening were eighty dollars.

Mrs. Robert McIntyre.

Mrs. Robert McIntyre died at Somerville, Mass. on Thursday last at the age of 64 years. The remains were brought to Woodstock and the funeral held at Richmond Corner on Monday afternoon. Mrs. McIntyre was Miss Melissa Carpenter of Gagetown. She and her husband spent most of their lives at Richmond Corner where for many years Mr. McIntyre was postmaster. Mrs. McIntyre was a kind and generous woman always ready to help the sick or poor. She leaves a husband, two daughters, Mrs. James Harvey of California, and Mrs. B. de McIntyre who lived with her at Somerville and one son, Mr. McIntyre of Houlton. Mrs. G. McIntyre of Woodstock is a niece.

Everything a man can do to get prices at R. B. Jones, Main