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**PENMANSHIP IN THE SCHOOLS.**

It has been decided to adopt a new system of hand writing in the College School. After experimenting with what is called the "vertical style" of writing for a number of years, it was found this method did not give satisfactory results, and the other day it was agreed to try the muscular system. It should not be supposed, however, the new exercise is of an athletic sort as the name would seem to imply. It consists in resting on the edge of a desk the muscle of the forearm about two or three inches from the elbow, and writing with a freearm movement instead of the older method of forming letters entirely with the fingers. It is claimed for this style of penmanship, that a greater speed may be easily acquired without cramping or tiring the fingers, and it has a more ornate effect besides being more legible than the vertical style. Penmen especially beginners who affect this method are apt to indulge in flourishes, tails and ornamentations over much. If, however, the necessity of legibility and speech is continually kept before a pupil his vanity for shades and flourishes may soon be overcome. But parents should not be too optimistic over this change. We believe it will take a great deal more time than our teachers have at their disposal and much more pains than their scholars possess to rediscover the long lost art of penmanship.

Before the days of printing, calligraphy flourished, especially among the monks who transcribed almost all the documents of the time, ecclesiastical, legal and literary. Blackstone tells us "Most of the great men in Shakespeare's time whose autographs have been preserved wrote very bad hands, their secretaries very neat ones." Since the type-writer has come into general use, the secretaries neglected writing as an art. Only once in a long while, may one see a page of legible writing that is good to look at. The rank and file of school graduates agree in this with Hamlet who "Once did hold it, as our statist do, a baseness to write fair, and labor'd much how to forget that learning."

One of the most important and generally acceptable measures recently introduced into the British House of Commons provides for the establishment and maintenance of two Universities for Ireland by the British Government. The University at Belfast will be provided with an annual grant of about half a million dollars and governed by a Senate of 35 Catholic and Protestant Clergy and Laymen while Dublin University will receive nearly one million dollars annually and will be managed as an undenominational institution. In neither case will a religious test be made of its teaching staff. Mr. Balfour, the leader of the opposition, expressed his agreement with the main proposals of the bill, and John Dillon, Nationalist, thanked him for his Mr. Dillon said he had no doubt that the bid would be acceptable to his party.

On Tuesday last a most unfortunate accident occurred while the Channel Fleet was engaged in night manoeuvres in which the torpedo boat destroyer Tiger was cut in two and immediately sunk by the British Cruiser Berwick off the Isle of Wight and 36 sailors were drowned like rats. The cause of this disaster is not yet known. The smaller vessels were making a sham attack on their larger consorts. The entire fleet was under darkened lights, and for some inexplicable reason, the Tiger was steered in front of and across the course of the Berwick, and was cut in two as if she were so much paper. The destroyer had a complement of 58 men and only twenty of them were rescued from drowning.

**Special Announcement.**

The Hartland branch office of the "DISPATCH" is now located in the Commercial hotel building where the Advertiser was formerly published. Mr. Stevens has rented the apartments for his news-paper work and will be glad to have friends, old and new, call. He is determined to make the local columns of the paper answer every purpose of a paper printed in the village, and judging by his past work for us and in view of his increased facilities there is little doubt that he will succeed. The Hartland columns are entirely under his control and it is his expressed desire to make them as interesting and as useful to the village and the surrounding districts as possible.

Subscriptions, orders for advertising, and for printing will be taken there, and accounts collected, the same as at the Woodstock office.

From now thenceforward most of the job printing will be done there.

The equipment is small at present but will be increased as rapidly as patronage warrants, until a first-class plant is installed.

Visitors are always welcome at the "DISPATCH" branch office."

**HARTLAND and VICINITY.**

Hartland office in charge of Fred. H. Stevens, at Commercial Hotel Bld'g, where orders for Advertising, Printing and Items for publication may be left.

On Friday afternoon three tired and hungry looking tramps stopped to rest on the station platform. It was very cold and stormy. One of them accosted Deputy Sheriff Foster who was passing that way: "Are you the cop here, mister? If so wont yer take us guys ter the lock-up so't we kin get warm and rest?" Being told there was no lock-up in this town they sighed and one of them exclaimed, "Oh, Lord, a town o dis size an' no cage fer de weary hobo." They explained that they had spent the winter as protectionists in goals in different towns and were now run ashore for goals to visit. Mr. Foster took the sons of rest to Simm's store and provided them with food and set them off on a road leading out of town.

Miss Ethel Armstrong has returned to the village and is again with Keith & Plummer.

Mr. and Mrs. Knapp of Lowell, Mass., came last week to visit Mrs. Knapp's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Hovey at Somerville.

Miss Tillie Shaw was visiting the Misses Nevins last week.

Mrs. Joseph Clouse of Somerville is visiting her daughter in Woodstock.

Mrs. Ruth Carpenter who has spent the winter with her sister, Mrs. T. L. Stetson at Victoria, is now visiting her brother, William Sipprell, at Somerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron F. Campbell were visiting friends in Benton last week.

Miss Clara Matheson arrived home from Boston, on Friday, having been in attendance at the New England Conservatory of Music since the last of November. She intends remaining here throughout the summer.

T. L. Marshall of Fort Fairfield was doing business here last week.

Miss Lona Belyea, the popular representative of the D. F. Brown Paper Bag & Box Co. of St. John, was calling on friends here and visiting her parents at Windsor last week. As a commercial traveller Miss Belyea meets with great success. Her travels take her as far west as Windsor, Ont.

Rev. E. J. Webber and Mrs. Webber returned last week from the back end of the circuit after having spent several days among the parishioners there.

Cromwell Trafton has returned from the woods.

Emery Manuel of Knowlesville was in the village on Friday.

W. W. Jones, insurance agent, was at the Commercial hotel on Friday.

J. T. G. Carr spent a couple of days in Woodstock last week.

Harold Bowser, who has been clerking at Oak Hall in St. John, returned home last week.

It seems that small-pox is not altogether stamped out in Grand Falls. Last week two cases were reported from the vicinity of that town, one at Undine and another at Grand Falls Portage.

Barney Craig, C. P. R. brakeman who had his leg broken in a railway run-off some weeks ago, is able to be about on crutches. He, with Mrs. Craig, have gone to Perth to visit his mother.

A. D. Holyoke of Woodstock was in the village on business last week.

Tom Hoyt of the C. P. R. was calling on Hartland friends last week. He has been enjoying a few days vacation.

The Women's Aid Society of the Baptist church had an unusually well attended meet-

**Hartland Departmental Store**

**Spring Goods**

Now Arriving.

Just Received, a big lot of

**WALL PAPER.**

Also, Roller Blinds, Curtain Poles, Lace Curtains, Drapery Goods, Oil-cloths and Linoleums, Carpeting, Carpet Squares, etc., etc.

Call early and get the best selections.

On hand and to arrive shortly:

- One car Ryan's Hard Brick.
- One car Purdy & Green's Lime.
- One car Lowell Fertilizer.

These heavy goods should be hauled before the snow leaves us.

**J. T. G. CARR,**  
**HARTLAND.**

March 16th, 1908.

**NEW STRENGTH FOR THE SPRING**

**Nature Needs Assistance in Making New Health-Giving Blood.**

In the spring your system needs toning up. In the spring to be healthy and strong you must have new blood, just as the trees must have new sap. Nature demands it and nature's laws are inexorable. Without new blood you will feel weak and languid. You may have twinges of rheumatism, or the sharp, stabbing pains of neuralgia, there may be disfiguring pimples or eruptions of the skin, a tired feeling in the morning, and a variable appetite. These are some of the signs that the blood is out of order, that the long trying months of indoor winter life have told upon you. A purgative medicine, such as too many people take in spring, can't help you. Purgatives merely gallop through the system, and weaken you. Any doctor will tell you that this is true. What people need in the spring is a tonic medicine, and in all the world there is no tonic can equal Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Every dose of this medicine helps to make new, rich, red blood—your greatest need in spring. This new, red blood clears the skin, drives out disease and makes weak, easily tired men, women and children bright, active and strong. Try this great blood-building medicine this spring and see what new life and energy it will give you.

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills from any medicine dealer or by mail post paid at 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50 from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

ing in the church Wednesday afternoon. In the evening they served tea in basement of the building. A large number attended and the sum of \$11.55 was netted. Hereafter a supper will be served the first Wednesday in each month.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Hayward were visitors in the village on Friday.

Miss Ella MacCormack entertained a number of young friends at an April fool party last week. Miss MacCormack went on a visit to Centreville on Saturday.

Saunders W. DeWitt was confined to his boarding place by illness the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clouse were visiting their son Joseph Clouse at Somerville last week.

Miss Hattie Stottard left on Saturday for Lansdown where she will spend a few weeks with her brother.

H. H. Hatfield left on Friday evening for Montreal, going in charge of a carload of potatoes.

Keith & Plummer will have their millinery opening on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 14th and 15th. They are fortunate in securing so skillful a milliner as Miss Hayden, and cordially invite the ladies to attend the opening and get acquainted with the new milliner as well as the latest ideas in new millinery.

D. H. Boyd a former Peel boy but now one of the leading merchants of Fort Fairfield, was visiting his father-in-law, Fred Dickinson, at Victoria Corner last week. He returned home on Saturday, taking with him his two children who have been visiting their grandparents for some time.

D. W. Matheson of Woodstock was in the village on Friday.

T. J. Hurley has begun work on the remodelling of the building lately occupied by J. C. Everett. He has lately had a good offer for his property, but refused to consider it.

Miss Etta L. Alexander of Woodstock is visiting friends in Hartland and at Somerville.

S. G. Barter of Avondale, organizer for the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, was in Hartland on Saturday. Last week he organized a council at Bath. Among the chief officers were W. N. Dyer, Dr. Cummins, H. E. Gray, Amasa Stantlake and Ed. Drost.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Green have the sympathy of the community in the death of their infant which occurred very suddenly on Tuesday evening. Funeral services were held at the house on Saturday morning, conducted by Rev. John Perry.

A. F. Lockhart of Hartford was in Hartland on Saturday.

George O. Britton went to Windsor on business on Saturday.

J. F. Murdoch intends to remodel the building in which G. C. Watson's undertaking business is located. He will double the size of the building on the ground and add another story to it, fitting up the second floor for a tenement.

T. G. Simms has several desirable warehouse sites along the railway which he will dispose of at reasonable prices and terms. Special inducement is offered those who will take possession by the first of May.

W. R. Gillin intends building a slaughter house on his lot at the other end of the bridge the coming summer.

Rev. E. O. Steeves preached in the United Baptist church on Sunday evening. Church of England service in Hagerman & Baird's Hall next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

For additional Hartland news, see opposite page.

**Easter Opening**

**Woodstock Clothing Company.**

On or about Monday, April 13th, we will open up in the new Hayden-Gibson Theatre Block with one of the Finest and most Up-to-Date lines of

**CLOTHING AND HATS!**

ever display to the public in this town.

**EVERYTHING NEW.**

New Store. New Goods. New Prices.

The goods will appeal to you—the prices will please you

Don't buy till you see our line of Famous

**"Broadway Brand" Clothing.**

**Woodstock Clothing Co'y,**

At the New Hayden-Gibson Theatre Block,

MAIN STREET, WOODSTOCK.

**Did You Ever See So Many**

**Pencils?**

Our window has attracted great attention the past week. Few people ever saw such an array of Lead Pencils before. There are thousands and thousands of them, every one a good one. Our purpose in displaying these Pencils is to show that we deal in Stationery on a scale that makes it possible to supply the trade at prices that competitors cannot touch, when the matter of freights is considered; and we sell to the retail trade everything that is new and staple in the line of Stationery at prices that will save pennies for you, while the large variety fills every possible want.

**The Estey Curtis Co., L'td,**

Wholesale and Retail Druggists,

Proprietors of National Stock Food and the Imperial Remedies,

**HARTLAND, N. B.**

THE

**Wise Housekeeper**

Will not purchase her Spring

**WALL PAPER**

Until she looks over my brand new stock of Handsome Designs at 10 cents the double roll up to 60 cents. And we give the bordering away. Call and see about it.

**HARTLAND FARMERS' EXCHANGE.**

**C. HUMPHREY TAYLOR, Prop.**