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## MAJOR A. D. HARTLEY.

The warden for 1897, Major A. D. Hartley, whose portrait appears herewith is well-known throughout the county. He was born May 8th 1843 in the parish of Peel and is a son of the late George S. Hartley, (his grand father Hartley coming from Yorkshire England.) In religion he is a Baptist has been a Deacon for 28 years and has taken a great interest in Sabbath school work. He has been super-



intendent of the East Florenceville Sabbath school for 14 years. He has been in the County Council for 18 years, was elected Warden in 1880 for one year, and again in 1897. In 1865 he attended militia camp at Fredericton a private. In November of the same year he received a Lieutenant's commission, signed by Arthur Gordon, Governor of N. B., and also signed by George J. Maunsell A. G. M. In April 18, 1873, he received a second class certificate from the school of military instruction, Fredericton. The same year he received a Captain's commission, and was promoted Captain and Brevet Major in 1884, and Major in 1888. In 1884 he received a first-class short course Grade A. Infantry Certificate (per centage of marks obtained; written, 92; practical 96; total 94; out of a possible 100). He has been Crown Land Commissioner for the Parish of Peel for 15 years. He has always taken a great interest in the temperance cause.

Wm. Dibblee police magistrate whose picture here appears is a son of the late Col. John Dibblee, one of the best known of the early settlers of Woodstock, and a grandson of Rev. Frederick Dibblee the first rector of the parish. In early life Mr. Dibblee was engaged in mercantile



business. Several years ago he retired, and when it was decided to appoint a police magistrate for the town of Woodstock the choice fell upon him. During the many years he has occupied this position, and among the many difficult cases he has had to adjudicate upon, he has gained the confidence of the community, and is regarded as a fair and equitable magistrate.

It is a pleasure to us to give the readers of this supplement a picture of a couple of cottages on Chapel St., owned by Charles G. Connell, Druggist, one of Woodstock's enterprising business men. In a town that boasts many beautiful dwellings these are two of the prettiest. Being an artist as a landscape gardener, he has made his grounds a delight to himself and to the public. Mr. Connell is the originator and manufacturer of The Tonic Elixir of Iron and Quinine, a great spring and fall tonic and all round blood builder and of that celebrated salve, C. C. C., both of which have a large sale. He has established a big drug business at his store opposite the Carlisle Hotel.

## THE GARDEN OF THE PROVINCE.

### A Fair and Fertile County and a Progressive Up-to-Date Town.

Carleton County, New Brunswick, only needs to be known, in order to be admired. Its reputation as an agricultural centre is quite widespread, but, even now, it is safe

and from north to south, and he could not come to any other conclusion than as Mr. Edward Blake remarked when he was here several years ago, other places with wider reputation must look out for their laurels. Nor is it only in the richness of the soil, the neatness and prosperity shown in the farms, the handsome dwellings of the farmers, that Carleton County stands in the foreground. For beauty of

wick to the South, and the city of Quebec to the far North. Steady and regular has been the growth of this town, since its early settlement about a century ago. Here came in the days after the American revolution, a body of hardy loyalists, here they laid the foundations of a prosperous town, and a prosperous country. Old residents still speak of Woodstock as "The Creek." Through

the north side of the creek where now the main part of the town is. There are pictures of Woodstock as it was thirty or forty years ago. Fairly busy was the town then, but stagnant compared to its industry today.

The town has grown rapidly and surely. There has been no boom no sudden rush, in any particular line of business which has brought an influx of population to cause temporary prosperity. Woodstock has gone ahead at a rapid but even pace, and there is no possibility of her ever taking a backward step. New industries are yearly being added to those already existing.

Among leading industries in Woodstock may be mentioned the two stove foundries conducted respectively by Connell Bros., and the Small & Fisher Company. Connell Bros. establishment is marked by a commodious brick building, which meets the eye of the traveller shortly after he enters the limits of the town from its southern boundary. A large business is done by this concern and the output of the foundry is very large. The Small & Fisher Co. have an industry of the same kind near the opposite end of town, and they also manufacture goods that find a market not only within the limits of the province, but throughout the Dominion and in many of the states of the American Union. J. D. Dickinson & Sons have a large tannery, in which they do an immense business. This is one of the oldest business in town. The Woolen Mill on King Street is a comparatively new industry, but one which has already taken deep root.

The Maritime Wrapper Factory puts up ladies' wrappers and gowns, employing some fifty or sixty women and selling their goods from Halifax to British Columbia. A new industry which appears to have a very promising future is the Canning Factory, conducted by the Maritime Pure Food Co. This company cans all kinds of fruits and vegetables, and has been so well conducted, in this first year, that it has won the confidence of the farmers throughout the county, many of whom have taken stock in it, and are quite satisfied that they have made a good investment. The Woodworking Factory on Elm Street now conducted by a company, is a thriving concern. All kinds of house, and church furnishings, school desks and everything used in the construction and finishing of a wooden building are there made, and the business transacted during the course of a year is large. There are a number of carriage factories in Woodstock. Among them may be mentioned Chestnut & Hipwell's, the Woodstock Carriage Co. (Ltd.), Estey's Factory on Queen street, Loane's on Connell street. Dunbar's Iron Foundry and Machine Shop is a concern that has done, and is doing a large business, while there are a number of important mills, Moore's Mill on the Meduxnakik, Hayden's Mill on the river St. John, the Davis grist mill, on the South side of the Meduxnakik, while across the river in Grafton is another saw mill which is doing a good share of the business.

The population of Woodstock is estimated to be about 4000 souls. During the decade between 1881 and 1891, Woodstock added about 800 to its population, and there certainly is nothing to show that the town is growing less rapidly now than ten years

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POST OFFICE AND CUSTOM HOUSE.

to say that one half of the beauties of this fertile section, and of its advantages as a home for advanced agriculturists is not known. New Brunswickers must be frank enough to admit, that, compared with other provinces, their own does not compare favourably as one richly endowed with nature's riches. No one would be foolish enough to say that New

scenery the drives throughout this county can scarcely be excelled. Throughout runs the noble river St. John, and all along the river from the York county line, far beyond the division of Carleton and Victoria, the traveller is treated to variety and richness of scenery that is not easily to be excelled. Good roads lie all through the county, and the bicyclist

it runs the Meduxnakik river or "creek," and for years past "The Creek" was the meeting place for the residents of the county, and here business was mainly carried on. Upper Woodstock or "Hardscrable" rivalled "The Creek" for a few years, but it could not keep the pace, and while it still retains the Court House and Gaol, mementos of a hard fight,



COLLEGE BUILDING.

Brunswick even proportionably is as rich as Ontario or Nova Scotia, but, the resident of this county can select it from the rest of the province, as a section especially fertile and rich. If a farmer, even from the fertile plains of Western Ontario, or from the famed Annapolis valley of Nova Scotia, should come to Carleton County in the month of June, and drive through it from east to west,

can get off the railway at any point along the river he chooses and take a day's jaunt with profit and pleasure to himself.

Woodstock is, of course, the principal town of the county. It is situated a dozen miles or so from the lower boundary on the St. John river, and is the most important point between Fredericton the capital of the province of New Brun-

in olden days, these dignities are the main vestige remaining of its one time importance while "The Creek" has grown on all sides, and is looking forward to the not very distant future when it shall attain the importance of a full fledged city. Old residents remember when the town consisted of two or three stores, a mill, and a blacksmith shop or something like that, when there was one building on