

FIRES OF THE PAST.

WOODSTOCK HAS HAD ITS SHARE OF THEM.—1860, 1877 AND 1883, ARE YEARS IN WHICH THE FIERY ELEMENT GOT IN ITS WORK—MAIN STREET HAS BEEN OFTEN SWEEPED.

Woodstock has suffered severely by fires in the past.

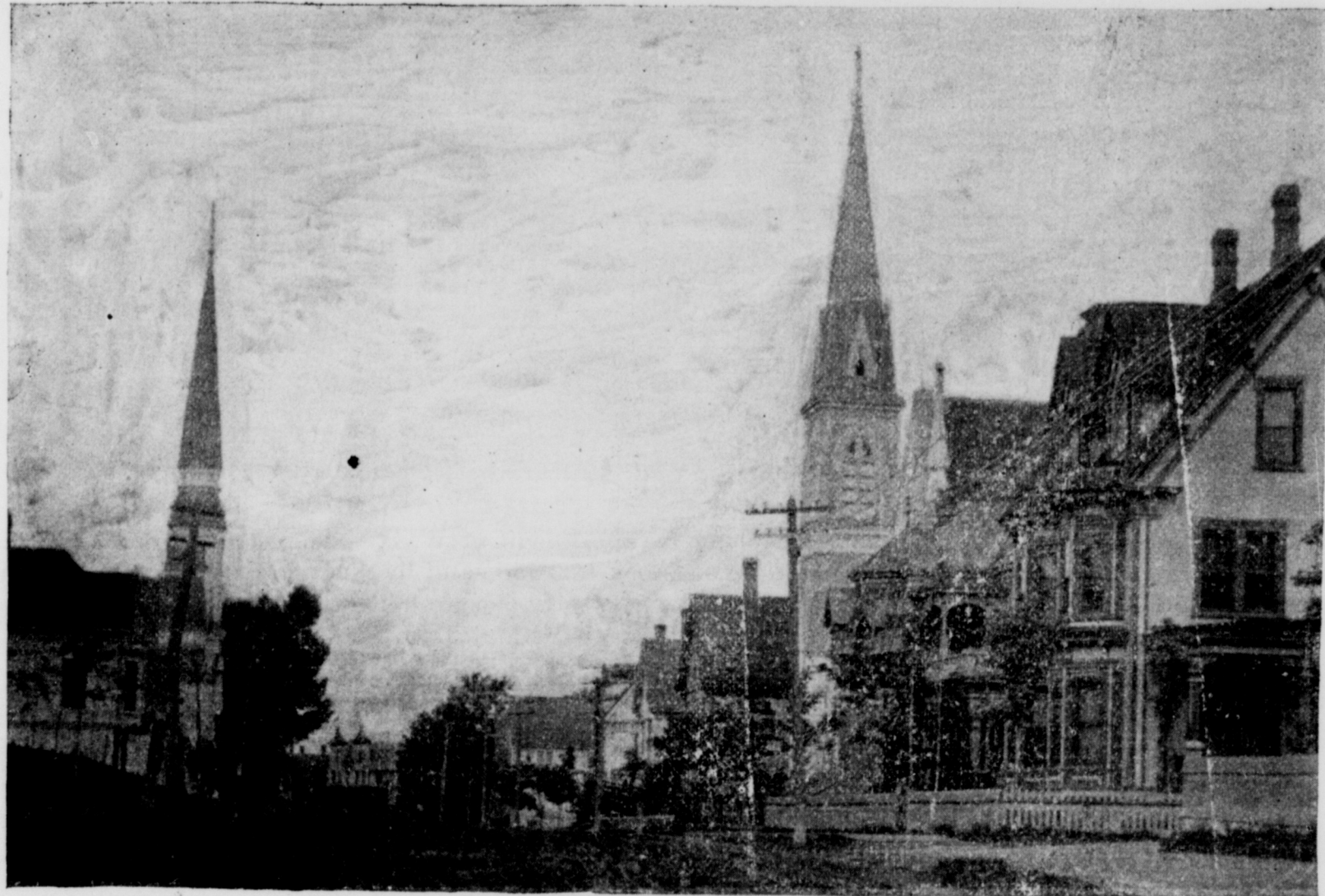
Since the magnificent water-works system has been put in conflagrations have been a thing of the past, and it was the cleansing fires that awakened us to the need of the system.

In 1860 a fire started on the corner of Main and King streets, in a building on the site now occupied by the Baird Company. Both sides of

blaze. The fire started on the corner of Main and Court streets, and burned up both sides. This was the occasion when the Cable house, a magnificent brick hotel, built by the late Sheriff Dibblee, was destroyed. One who remembers the fire well says that it seemed to be bent on going so far. When everyone thought it under control, a spark flew across Main street and set fire to the Connell building.

burned. The same evening fire broke out in the old Institute building on Broadway and that was burned to the ground. The fire of 1877 had burned up to the town hall, the fire of 1881 burned down to the same spot. That was the stopping place for fires.

In 1883 the waterworks system was put in. Many people objected to it and voted against it, among these obstructionists being some of the most



VIEW OF MAIN STREET, NORTH OF POST OFFICE.

Main street were devastated and the fire was only stopped when it had got as far north as where the town hall now stands. A feature of this fire was that it burned all around where the Queen hotel now is, but left the building then there, intact.

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In 1881 another big conflagration took place. It started in a house where the F. C. B. church now stands and burned down to where the fire of 1877 had come up. The old English church was destroyed. It had been removed and on its site was a new church being erected. Both were

well-to-do-citizens. The people were bound to have the system, however, and they prevailed. It has been justified again and again. Those who opposed the waterworks have not a leg left to stand on.

Woodstock's Fire Department is up to the times.

Fredericton Business College.

Mr. W. J. Osborne, whose portrait is herewith given, assumed the principrship of the Fredericton Business College on the First of March of this year. He has kept the college at the same high level it held under Mr. Young, and has introduced some new features that render the course more valuable than before.

Mr. Osborne, after graduating at Ontario Business, Belleville, Ont., although having an ambition to become a business educator, first spent eight years as a practical accountant and office man, during which time he held several positions of trust, gaining an experience invaluable to a teacher of accounts and business methods.



W. J. OSBORNE, Principal.

The principal firms with whom he held positions were: The Massey Mfg. Co. (Limited) of Toronto, the largest manufacturers of implements in Canada; and Mr. B. D. Steacy, wholesale and retail hardware merchants, Brockville, Ont., of whose office he had full charge as accountant and financier for nearly six years. Owing to the illness of one of the principals of Ontario Business College, Mr. Osborne was asked to fill the vacancy until he was able to resume his duties. He accepted this temporary position as it would give him a stepping stone towards the goal of his ambition. From here he was called to take charge of the Commercial and Shorthand Departments of Modnt Allison Academy, Sackville, N. B., which position he held until recalled to Ontario Business College to fill the position of senior teacher on the staff of that institution, which appointment he has held for the last five years.

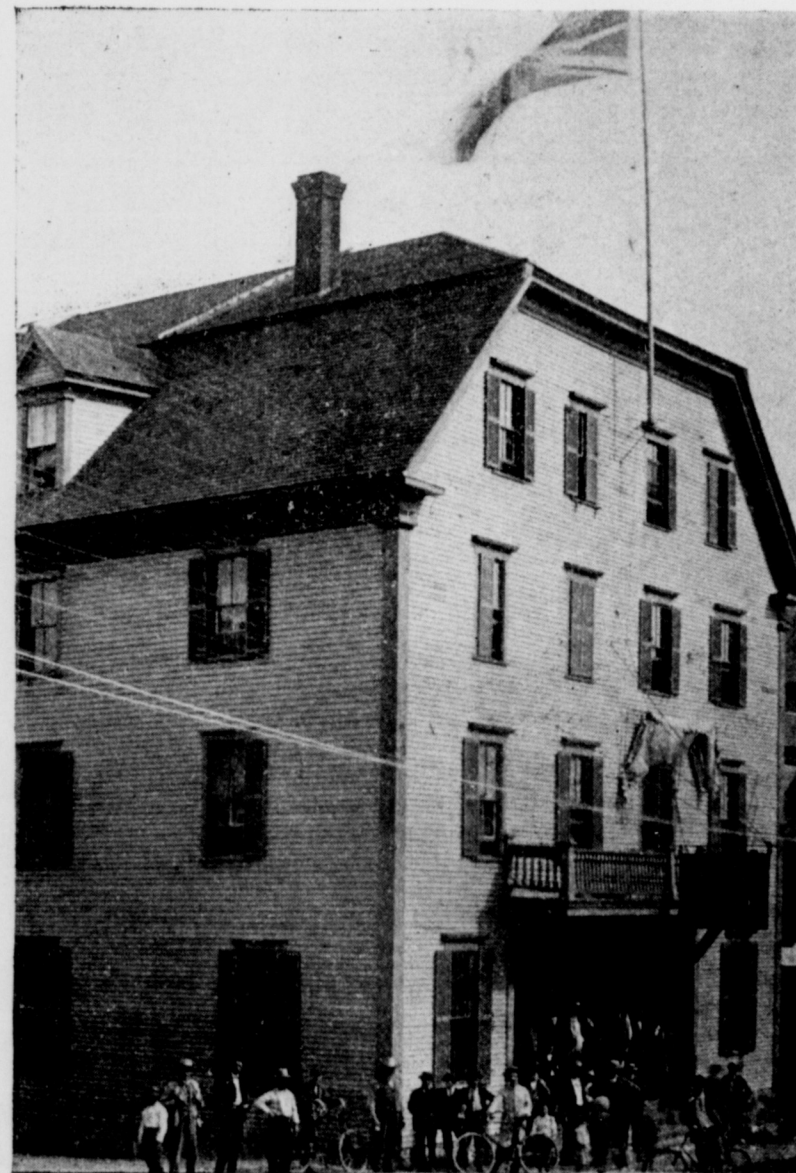
In addition to his valuable experience as an accountant, he is a qualified teacher of the Isaac Pitman system of shorthand, and, as a Penman, hrs no superior in Canada.

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Carlisle Hotel

WOODSTOCK, N. B.

One of the things that Woodstock has a right to be proud of is its hotels. The Carlisle, of which a good picture is hereby given, is an old established house, having been known in the first period of its existence as the Gibson House, and since its purchase by Mr. C. J. Tabor, its present proprietor, as the Carlisle. The house is situated on Main Street in the centre of town, surrounded by business houses, within easy reach of the post office and the banks. He has had it renovated and refurnished throughout and

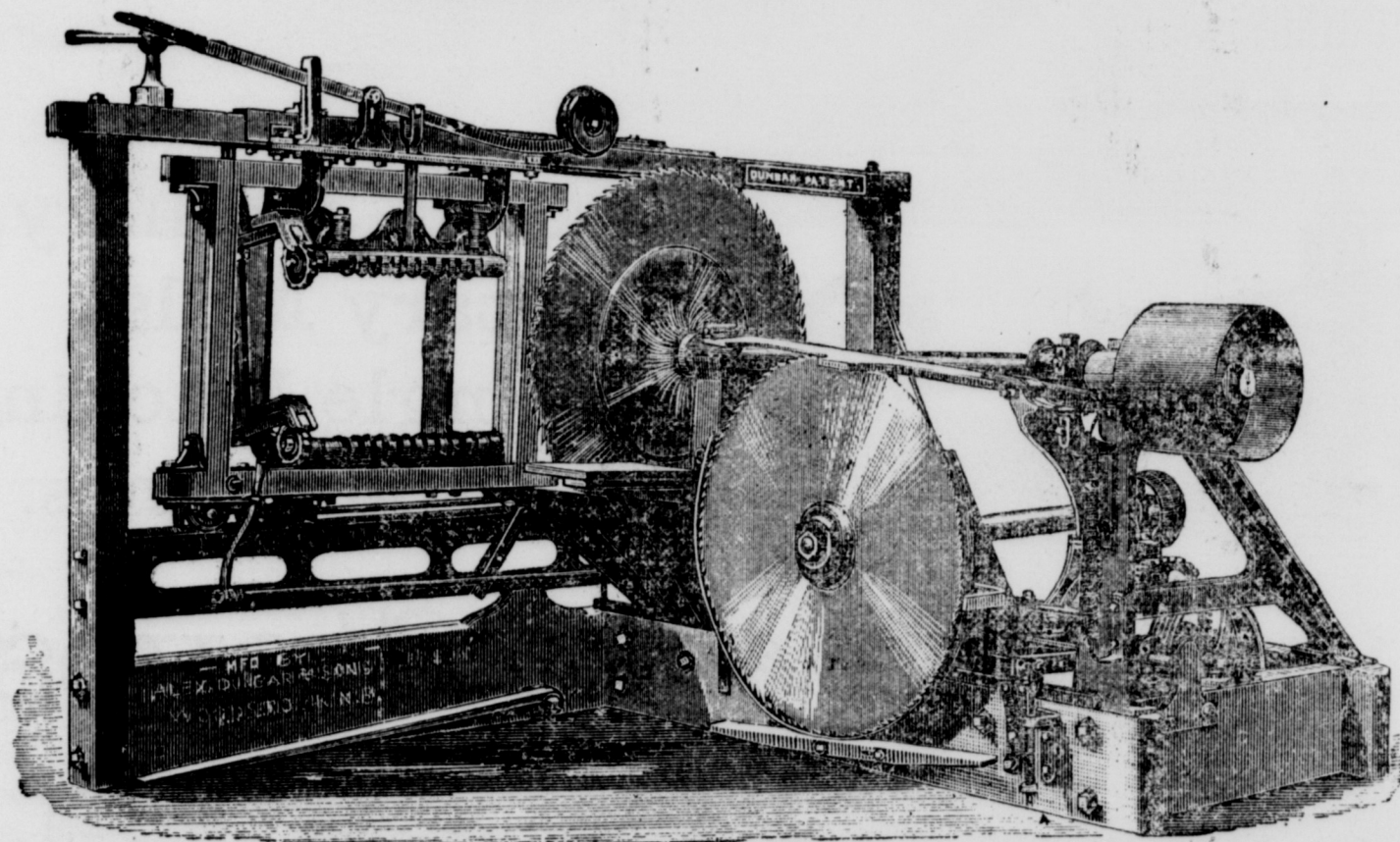


CARLISLE HOTEL, C. J. TABOR, Proprietor.

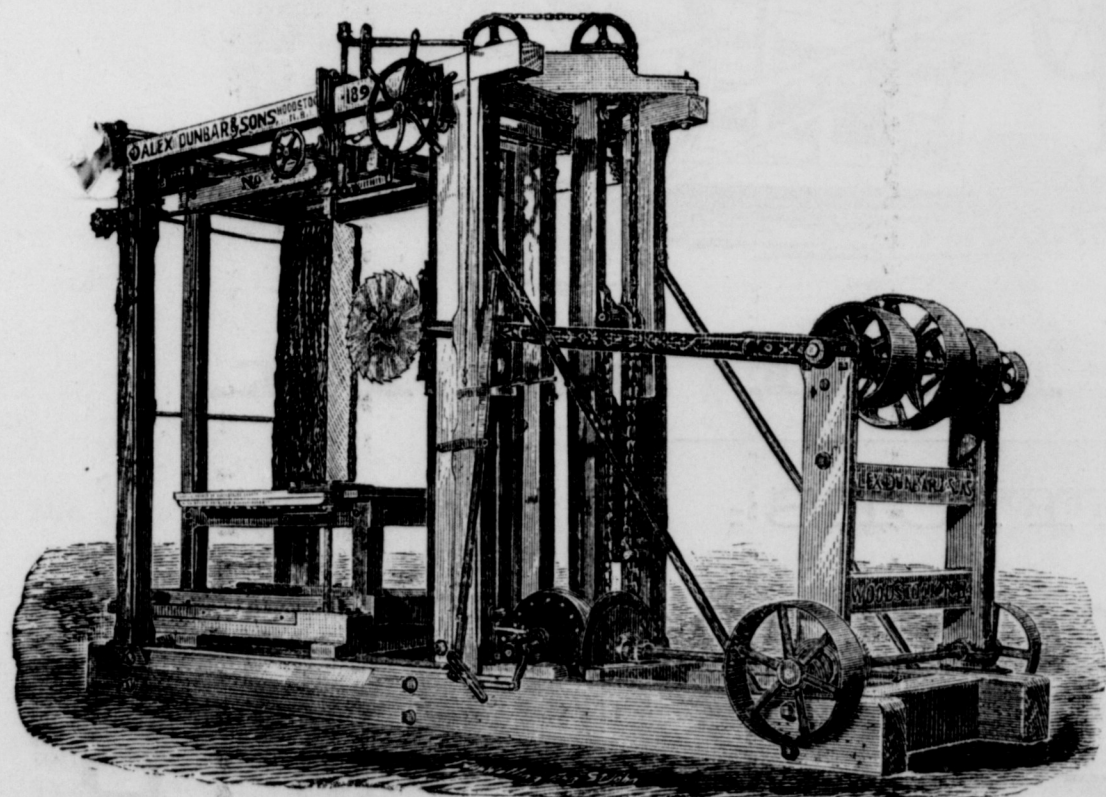
now it is in every way a modern house. Electric Lights and Bells are in all rooms. Mr. Tabor had a long and valuable experience as a hotel man at McAdam, when he ran the Junction House there. He gives special attention to the table, which is one of the best in the province. Mr. Tabor is in every way anxious to make his guests comfortable, and fully deserves the large patronage he receives from the travelling public.

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