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WOODSTOCK, N. B.

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ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSES.

### THE ASSESSMENT.

Property holders received a shock when they glanced at their tax bills last week. It was well understood that the valuation would be "boosted" but few expected to find "the roof" used for "the limit." This is one view. The other side tells a different tale. The poor man who earns a small wage, finds his assessment reduced, even in this year of heavy expenditure. The moderate property holder, worth from five to nine or ten hundred dollars, gets off as lightly as ever. It is on the wealthy that the shoe pinches. It does certainly seem unfair that a man without one dollar of real estate or personal property beyond his household effects, in many cases supporting a family, and in receipt of a salary of perhaps ten dollars per week, should be called upon to contribute out of his slender earnings a sum representing a week's wages, while his more fortunate neighbor who may own property to the value of one or two thousand dollars with a generous income or salary, escapes by the payment of a sum not greater than twenty dollars. We contend that the assessors have made an honest effort to rectify just such evils as this, which undoubtedly prevailed in former assessments and may to a much less extent be found even in this year's valuation. The assessors are only human and undoubtedly make mistakes, but in so far as we can judge their errors are mainly in the valuation of personal property. A few cases have been pointed out to us where real estate has been placed at the very top notch, but on the whole little fault is found. It is of course extremely difficult to get at personal property and in many instances the assessors' estimate must of necessity be purely guesswork based on hearsay. We believe the assessment made for 1905 will form a valuable basis for all future years. Those who feel aggrieved have a statutory course for redress open to them. That many will feel called upon to take this step on account of fancied or apparent injury we are rather doubtful. There are many who for the first time in their lives are called upon to pay something near what they should contribute. For these we have no word of sympathy. We would, however, like to see the poll tax reduced. The five dollar contribution per head is altogether too high. At least a dollar

should by some means be taken off next year. On some future occasion we may return to this assessment question, and in the meantime would be pleased to give the opportunity to any citizen who might care to air his views, over his own signature preferred.

### Domestic Science a Necessity.

Whatever may be the merits or the demerits of the manual training system now in vogue, there can be no question as to the extreme desirability of domestic science teaching in the public schools. Indeed, the two seem somewhat correlated. It is a stern reality that more than half the pupils in the public schools of our province are girls. It is in accord with the laws of God and man that the future wives and mothers of this country must be drawn from the ranks of the girls of to-day. Whatever we may think of the possible spread of the invasion of the spheres of activity hitherto confined almost solely to males, it must remain true that the great bulk of the girls in the land will eventually find their way to the position for which God created woman, to be the helpmate of man, the mistress of the home. In this position it is essential that she know the elements of housekeeping. How many maidens pass out of their teens, particularly in towns and cities, without learning the elements of domestic science? The proportion is surprisingly large. To know how to properly broil a beefsteak or to neatly sweep and dust a room is a much more becoming accomplishment than the ability to translate a page of Caesar or to solve some intricate mathematical problem. By all means let Domestic Science have a place in our school curriculum. Often it is the case that some blushing young maiden, fair as a picture and as happy as the lark, suddenly finds herself in charge of a home, but without the merest idea of the duties and responsibilities attached thereto. If those who are entrusted with the conduct of the public school system will leave fads and antiquities severely alone and instead take hold of Domestic Science, the public would be the gainers in a degree almost beyond comprehension.

THE CARLETON SENTINEL, New Brunswick's oldest paper, is a favorite visitor in the homes of all. Try it.

### Postmaster Smith Continues His Interesting Narrative.

In our journey over the prairie we came East nearly to Lloydminster, the English or Barr Colony. These people were well to do English but were from towns and had not been farmers at home. They would not allow any Canadian or other nationality in their colony consequently they had no one to show them about the ways of the country. One of them went to buy a team and on being asked horses or oxen he replied, "Oxen" as they would do the work and give them milk also. Another was seen trying to get his horse between the handles of the plow and declaring that they were the worst blooming shafts he ever saw. A third undertook to sow cracked wheat and upon being told it would not grow he replied "he did not see why as the potatoes did after being cut in small pieces." However they are learning to like the country but admit they made a mistake in shutting out Canadians from their colony. The mistake about the oxen giving milk is explained by the fact that in some instances some of the settlers have done some of the work with cows. In fact we met one team with a bull and a cow harnessed together, a stove and plow on the wagon with other household effects and a bright good looking young man driving with a canvas tent over all to keep off the sun and rain. He was journeying to his claim, said he was all right except that he wanted a wife or partner he called it. To help him find one he had a sign in big letters on the side of his wagon, "Girl Wanted."

It is a great place for wild ducks and muskrats. One Carleton County boy caught over 1000 muskrats last winter and sold them for enough to pay for a team. Another family caught 3000 in one season. They build their houses in the slews. The houses are as large as our hay cocks and look very much like them.

In travelling over the prairie one has nothing to tell him where he is except the lines between the sections and quarter sections. In following these lines at the end of every mile you come to four square holes about three feet deep and two feet across so that land seekers can examine the soil. Midway between the holes is an iron stake telling number of township, number of range and also of section.

The roads or trails as they call them resemble a road across or through our hay field. There is the track of horse and wagon with grass growing between. The gophers can be seen most all the time running along before the horses and dodging into their holes. For a time we followed the same trail that the Hudson Bay Co. passed over 100 years ago. It ran from St. Paul to Fort Garry and on to Fort Saskatchewan.

As soon as the farmers get their seed sowed they begin breaking for next year's crop. As a rule you will see three horses or a yoke of cattle and one horse to a plow. The soil is all black when it is turned over. The first plowing is 2 or 2½ inches deep and after the sod rots it is plowed a little deeper, which pulverizes and loosens up the soil. Others do as we do at home, plow deeper and use a disc harrow, which saves an extra plowing. The growing grain tells very plainly of the richness of the soil by the broad leaf and the rich dark color. Still it does not grow as fast as it does in Carleton County because they do not have the intense heat that we have. Grain sowed in March in Alberta near Heather Brae was no more advanced than that sowed in April at home. Oats yield 100 bushels to the acre and some we bought from the farmers weighed 48 lbs to the bushel just as they came from the machine and some we saw in the elevator weighed 50 lbs.

At noonday on July 3rd we halted near a farm house to feed our horses and make tea. I went to the house and got some milk. The farm belonged to John H. Mussen who came from Compton, Quebec, 4 years ago. He was away from home that day, but his wife told me that they had a hard time of it before they left Compton, lost all they had except enough to bring them out here. They had just five dollars left to begin life anew in a new country, but she said they had great reason to be thankful as this year they had proved their claims (which means got the title) to their land, 320 acres, and had 100 acres in crop. Their machinery was all paid for as well as their teams and cattle and they did not owe anyone a dollar. Although they were living in a log house it was comfortable and it was their own as

well as the fine farm, and this year's crop would build a new house if they desired. Their daughter was married that day to a young doctor from Compton, Quebec. I asked them how the winters compared with the winters in Quebec. Well, she said, in Quebec it snowed every week and drifted nearly every day, some winters so bad that they could scarcely get to see their next neighbor. In Alberta they had never had more than a foot of snow, could drive and haul loads anywhere as it did not drift, and then the air was so dry it was a pleasure to be out doors and best of all the sun shone bright almost uninterruptedly all winter. Oh, she said, the best of all is the difference in the climate out on the prairie.

The thing that is hard for me to get used to in this land of surprises is the great fields with no houses and no people. In looking out over the landscape it reminds me of Jacksonville's great fields but no fences, nice groves but no buildings and no cattle. The only signs of life are the gophers on the trail, the wild ducks in the lakes, the prairie wolf or badger and the birds of different species. But it leads one to consider the future and the wonderful possibilities of this (what has been the great Lone Land). Truly there is a great future for this Canada of ours. From almost every land and every shore are coming hundreds, aye thousands of those who are seeking homes where conditions are so much better than in the land they left. One cannot help one's thoughts going forward in the future to the time when these broad level fields shall be dotted over with contented homes where millions instead of thousands shall be dwelling there, when the Canadian Northern, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the many lines of the C P R shall be carrying the products of the field of this The Granary of the Empire.

(To be continued.)

### THE INCOME MEN.

We have heard considerable kicking on the part of some ratepayers assessed on income. Take for instance a doctor, a lawyer or a dentist. Perhaps nearly every gentleman in any of the above named callings in our town is in receipt of a minimum income approaching a thousand dollars, at any rate the average is not under that figure. By law the first three hundred dollars is exempt from taxation. Seven hundred this year would be taxed nine dollars and ten cents. There is in addition a poll tax amounting to five dollars. To this add say another dollar and thirty cents for personal property, and what do we find? A total tax not much greater than fifteen dollars. The owner of real estate to the same value pays an equal tax. But what are the conditions elsewhere? Take Fredericton for instance. There not so very long ago, and for aught we know the rule is still in existence, the income men were bled almost until they became white at the gills. In several cities income and real estate are taxed in the proportion of five to one. In one of those places a man earning a thousand dollars income would be assessed on five times the amount above the exemption, or to be exact, thirty five hundred. Here in Woodstock income men are on the same basis as property holders, in fact are generously used. We cannot see that the men who do not own property here can have much at which to grumble in so far as the levying of taxes is concerned.

### PERSONALS.

W M Jarvis, St John, was here Tuesday.  
Harry Hipwell is spending his holidays in St John.  
Arch Scott Esq of Glassville, was in town this week.  
Miss Bessie Carvell was in town attending the Carnival.  
H H McCain was among the visitors in town last week.  
Walter Hanton of Fredericton is visiting friends in town.  
E A Savage of Pioneer was in town attending the Carnival.  
Miss Myrtle Fowler returned last Thursday from Boston.  
Dr and Mrs Saunders of Southampton were in town this week.  
Mrs D Hipwell has gone on a short visit to friends in Presque Isle.  
B Kilburn Esq, of Kilburn, Vic Co, was in town during the Carnival.  
Ceeli G Hamilton, Eagle Lake, Me, was in town a few days last week.  
The Misses Sapprell, St John, are the guests of Dr and Mrs T F Sprague.  
Miss Helen Perley has been the guest of Mrs J T Garden for some days.  
J W McAlary, St John, was in town some days the guest of Wm Balmann.  
Dr and Mrs Kinsman, Truro, have been visiting friends here for some days.  
Miss Lou Dickinson of Sheld's Corner, is visiting friends and relatives in town.

### JOTTINGS.

Lost, somewhere between Victoria Street and Vanwart's Dry Goods Store a Gold Brooch. Finder please leave at this Office.—29-4t.

The congregation of St Gertrude's Church will hold their annual picnic on Tuesday, August 15, and it promises to be an A1 affair. See ad in this issue and make arrangements to attend.

Names of those in Wm Hill's Carnival float. Titania, Teresa Kyle. Fairies:—Marjorie Rankin, Mary McLean, Marguerite McLaughlan, Maisey Stevenson, Vernie Stevenson, Emily, Stella, Gordon and Delbert Hill, Nellie Burden, Alice Peters and Gladys Shea.

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING.  
Stop in on your way down street, Thursday, Friday or Saturday and have a dish of the McLaren Jelly free. It's cooling, refreshing, appetizing; just what you want these warm days. Holyoke & Brown, Main Street.

Postmaster Smith has received many inquiries by letter from various points of the province in regard to settlement in the West. At an early date he hopes to answer these communicators either in the course of personal correspondence or through the press.

Tuesday evening Mrs G A White entertained a number of young people at whist. Those present included Miss Mary D Clarke, Miss Elva Clark, Miss Lulu Clark, Miss Camber, Miss Porter, the Misses Balmann, Miss Edith Jordan, Miss Van Wart, Mrs Taggart, Mrs T F Sprague, Miss Taggart, the Misses Colter, (St John), the Misses Sapprell, (St John), Robert Flemming, H A Watson, F H Fisher, N F Thorpe, A C Calder, W T Sprague, W Stone, and Sabine Carr. The ladies' prizes were won by Miss Eleanor Colter and Miss Sapprell. Walter Stone and W T Sprague carried off the gents' trophies.

Postmaster Smith while in the west secured a very fine piece of property between Edmonton and Wetaskiwin, comprising nearly a thousand acres of the richest prairie soil, well watered, not far from the railway, and bordering on a lake of considerable dimensions.

For half a century the annual picnic of St Gertrude's Church has been looked upon as something out of the ordinary in the amusement line. This year it will be held on Tuesday, August 15th on the church grounds. For full particulars see ad in this issue, and make arrangements to attend.

### IT'S OUR TREAT.

So just drop in to our store on Thursday, Friday or Saturday, 20th, 21st or 22nd and we will serve you with a dish of McLaren's Jelly with cream. It has that real fruit flavor, same as day fruit was plucked from the vine. Holyoke & Brown, Main Street.

The Bennett-Moulton Co played in Graham's Opera Monday evening. The company is a well-balanced outfit. The audience seemed greatly pleased with the specialties, particularly the clever dancing and contortionist work by Miss Maud Hazel. Miss Bessie Oreston made a decided hit. This fine company will return for a three nights engagement, probably in October.

Butler's Journal, the monthly periodical edited and owned by Martin Butler, the Fredericton poet, has entered its sixteenth volume. It is always an interesting little sheet, well worth the small subscription fee. No doubt many who read it do not always see eye to eye with the gifted though physically handicapped editor, but the paper has a ring that comes straight from an honest heart.

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## Going Away Without a CAMERA?

Did you ever notice the man with the Camera when you have been on your summer outings, what fun he seems to have?

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That is the advantage of having a camera—you can live your vacation over. Perhaps years hence you would be glad to look over your pictures and have those happy days returned to you.

Better make a selection from our stock before you go. All prices from \$1.00 to \$17.50. Mounts and Supplies of all kinds.

GARDEN BROS.

DRUGGISTS

WOODSTOCK, N. B.