

**CHRISTMAS, 1898.**

We would not like to say that Santa Claus makes his headquarters at our Store, yet we can truthfully say that he can get a good share of his Goods here. For instance: we have put in stock for his express benefit a nice display of

**BOUQUET, TABLE AND LIBRARY LAMPS,**  
**Toy Stoves, Trinket and Jewellery Cases,**  
**Hand Sleds, Skates, Nickel Plated Tea Kettles and Sad Irons,**  
**Harmonicas, Carvers, Scissors and Pocket Cutlery**

We invite inspection, and cordially welcome you to our Store at any and all times.

Do not forget us when in need of a new Stove, Stove Pipe or Tinsmith Work. A competent man in charge of our Tinshop.  
 Thanking you for past favors, we remain yours for

**Hardware, Stoves & Tinware.**

**SHAW & DIBBLE,****Local News.**

AND OTHER MATTERS

20 below!

During the last fiscal year the United States have enjoyed a deficiency of income over expenditure of \$38,047,247.

The peace treaty was signed on Saturday Dec. 10 and the Hispano-American war is definitely and finally settled.

W. R. Gillen returned home last Saturday. He has been shipping stock from P. E. Island to New York and Montreal.

Rev. A. H. Hayward's appointment in the Baptist church to-morrow; Rev. J. B. Daggett in the Free Baptist church at 7 p. m.

The Quarterly Session of the Primitive Baptists will be held at Perth Centre commencing 1st Saturday Jan. 1899 by order S. W. Benison.

The county was shocked to hear the report of the sudden death of John Fisher of Woodstock. He died on Sunday of an asthmatic complaint, of a few days duration. He was one of the best business men in the county.

Miss Bertie McAdam has a fine assortment of up-to-date hats which must be disposed of at any cost, at an early date. Anyone wanting a bargain in that line, would do well to give her a call.

Messrs McQueen and Keith of the Meductic, Westmorland Co., have been buying stock for the packing establishment in this vicinity. Mr. McQueen was formerly on the railway, and was in charge of the first passenger train ever run in Hartland.

The special meetings held by Revds. Bayley and Daggett, have been discontinued.

Owing to storms and other causes the express train has been considerable delayed during the past week.

It is said that a concert will be given under the joint auspices of the Band and Base Ball Club some time next week. Particulars will be announced by dodgers. Look out for them.

There is to be a concert and Christmas tree at Florenceville East, on the 24th. It promises to be a nice entertainment. Admission 15 and 10 cents; proceeds for the sidewalk fund.

The river closed on Monday and Tuesday, and a road was broken out as soon as the ice was firmly cemented. It has been many years since the river closed at so late a date. In 1887 it closed on Dec. 18th.

The new bell placed in the belfry of the Baptist church rings out cheerily for each service. The congregation is to be congratulated on being the first to procure a bell, and it is to be hoped the others may follow their precedent.

Ernest Kilpatrick of Victoria Corner who has been waiting for the river to freeze over these last three weeks so that he could establish himself in Hartland as a Produce buyer will be in our village Monday, with cash to pay for all kinds of produce. He solicits business.

There was a runaway the other day that might have resulted seriously. A team standing near the Woodworking factory took fright, and running out to Main street, dashed through the village at a gallop. Luckily no one was in its way, though two puns were somewhat injured. Gordon McAdam stopped the horses in doing which he narrowly escaped injury.

Postmaster Barnett was confined to his residence on Thursday, by illness.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. William Hubble, a daughter, on Wednesday, Dec. 14th.

Subscribers, especially those in the back districts, who do not get their papers promptly, will please notify the publisher, when an effort will be made to rectify matters.

The marriage of Miss Alberta Tracy to Rev. W. E. Smith, formerly pastor of the Methodist church here, will take place at the residence of the bride's mother next Wednesday.

Wall calendars for 1899 come to us from George W. Gibson, merchant tailor, Woodstock, and the Imperial Fire Insurance Co. Geo. M. Shaw, agent, Hartland.

C. Humphrey Taylor has been making important changes in the internal regions of his store. He is, further, adding a plate glass front to the part of the building facing Depot St., so called.

It is said there will be a change in the staff of teachers next term. There have been between twenty-five and thirty applicants. Miss Etta Alexander and Miss Mable Barker have been the successful applicants.

C. S. Osgood, the jeweller, is getting a good run of watch repairing, etc. He also has some nice articles suitable for Christmas presents. Call and see him and get the correct time. He keeps it, and can make your watch keep it.

In reporting Madame Harrison's concert, the Despatch says: "Miss Kelly, who is a guest at Mrs. G. A. White's, recited with pleasing effect, the 'Ruggles' Dinner Party,' and Miss Robin Hay, in her reading 'Fobe's Monument,' though evidently not in voice owing to a cold, was successful in holding the audience in wrapt attention, bringing out the pathos of the story in a marked degree.

Several cases of chicken pox in the vicinity threatened an epidemic last week, but the disease seems to have disappeared.

**PERSONAL NEWS.**

Miss Katie Cameron has returned from her visit to Waterville.

J. B. Donahue or the Imperial Oil Company, was in the village this week.

Miss Kelly returned from Woodstock on Monday.

Chas. Gayton and little son, of Knowlesville, were callers in the ADVERTISER on Thursday.

S. G. Barter of Avondale was in Hartland on Tuesday.

S. S. Miller spent last Sunday at Centerville.

Arthur McKenzie, salesman and collector for Ganong Bros., of St. Stephen, was in the village on Wednesday.

Miss Robin Hay is visiting friends at Houlton.

E. M. Humphrey of Hampton was in town Tuesday.

E. N. Jones, R. M. Belyea and L. W. Ambrose, of St. John were in the village on Monday.

**XMAS**

is coming, and you will want some **PHOTOS** taken. You will do well to call at **Keith's Studio**, where there is a special line of Photo Mounts for Christmas, and they are beauties. Call and see them.

**G. A. KEITH.**

A few Doors below Post Office,

**WOODSTOCK, N. B.**