

# THE UNION ADVOCATE.

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## Success--GETTING THERE

"The June-bug has a gaudy wing,  
The Lightning-bug the same.  
The WYSE-MAN has no wings at all  
But he's getting there just the same."

During the season just closing, we have been privileged to offer to the public the very best goods that experience would show us to be of the highest quality, and getting there is shown by continual description at the popular prices, we are cash.

As you outbines all other stores present, so our Christmas showing shines all other shows.

Dozens direct from the makers this week and right-up-to-the-minute in style and quality.

PRICES 25c., 50c., 75c.

The square kind and the padded kind. A good variety of colors to choose from.

PRICES 15c. to \$1.50.

Handkerchiefs.

We have secured a nice range of these and they make very suitable presents.

We have them for Men, Women and Children, in cotton, linen and silk. Plain and embroidered. Prices ranging from the small sum of 3c. to \$1.00.

R. N. WYSE, - Newcastle, N. B.

## PURSES, WITH OR WITHOUT STERLING SILVER MOUNTS.

You can never make a mistake in giving a pretty purse at X'mas; every one is delighted with such a gift!

We are now showing the finest assortment we ever placed in stock.

PRICES RANGE FROM 75c. to \$2.75.

H. WILLISTON & CO., JEWELERS.

## Right to the Point!

Clarke & Co's Special Price Ad. for December

Without any long introduction we come to the point, and that is COME TO OUR STORE TO DO YOUR SHOPPING. We are heavily stocked in some lines, too heavily in fact, and make the sweeping reductions mentioned below to reduce stock before Jan. 1st.

### CLOTHING.

Men's ulsters, heavy and warm \$4.90. Men's ulsters, priced at \$7.50 to 9.00, now \$6.50. Men's overalls, black and blue, regular \$10.00 coats, great snap at \$8.25. Men's Beaver cloth, regular \$4.00, 4.90, 5.70. Men's Frieze refers, excellent coats for rough work, priced at \$4.40, now \$3.75. Men's Frieze refers, rubber interlined, wind and water proof, worth \$6.50, now \$5.25. Men's Blotto jumpers, \$1.65. Men's all wool guaranteed jumpers, priced at \$7.75, now \$2.35. Men's all wool guaranteed jumpers, lined throughout, \$3.80. Blue Mackinaw and bottom prices. Best quality duck sheepskin coats, worth \$7.00, now \$5.95. Best quality rubberized duck coats, Haines lining, worth \$5.00, now \$3.25.

### HATS.

I only black Beaver hats. A great value at \$10.00 now 7.95. 3 only dark blue only green mixture covert, both 35 inches long, priced at \$8.50, now \$6.50. Beaver, price \$7.50, now \$5.00. 3 only black Kersey, 36 inches long, large sizes, priced \$8.00, now \$4.25. 5 black Kersey, at \$2.75, now 2.00. 4 others at correspondingly low prices. Men's golf caps, priced at \$6.75 and 7.00, now 5.90. 4 fur caps, astrachan collar \$10.00, 4 fur caps, astrachan collar for lined caps at very low prices.

### SHOES.

A very fine range of heavy tweeds, homespun and cloth for ladies' costumes and skirts. Super yard. Sweeping reductions in other lines of dress goods. An excellent range of heavier cloths, in 55 inch and 60 inch widths. Blanket cloths, etc. Men's heavy fleecing, 60c. Big reduction in homespun and knit shirts. Underwear, etc. We are stocked up with goods and we want to turn them into cash.

CLARKE CO.

## LOST IN WOODS.

A Story of a Week's Suffering of Cold and Hunger.

SOLOMAN MUIER

Of McNamee the Victim and the Story as Told by Him.

A week's suffering of cold and hunger without fire and food, in cold wintry weather while lost in the woods. The hard experience of Solomon Muier, of McNamee, near Boiestown, as told by himself to the writer.

The recent experience of Messrs. Weldon Robinson and Walter Crocker, of Derby in the woods near Doaktown, in which the latter lost his life, recalls a story told to the writer some short time ago, by Solomon Muier of McNamee, near Boiestown, of his experience some years since, while lost in the woods near his own home. It was one stormy Monday morning about the middle of December in the early eighties that I left my home for a lumber camp on the North Branch of Porter Brook, about six miles distant. I did not take provision of any kind, with me for I expected to reach the camp in time for dinner. I carried with me nothing but a steel trap, which I was taking along to catch some fur with.

The storm increased with unrelenting fury and when near my destination, I found I had wandered from the trail and was lost after wandering about for several hours in a vain endeavor to find the trail again, and being tired out, I began to make the best preparations I could for the night. My only shelter was the overhanging snowy ledge of a rock, but a few minutes' rest to my dismay had become wet, I proceeded to light a fire, after considerable difficulty my efforts were rewarded by a bright blaze. Alongside of this in my wet clothes I laid down on some snowy boughs and soon fell fast asleep. On awakening I found myself covered with snow and my fire black out. On looking up by a bright fire, reading this or calmly listening to the account of my experience like the above has but the very faintest impression of the feelings and thoughts of one so situated, only those that have undergone such hardships or who have been near the grim or final end have had the slightest conception of one lost on a cold stormy night alone in the woods, in winter, with but little fire, tired completely out and without food. The night seemed long and dreary, morning came at last, with but little change in the temperature, and still storming, at daylight I began again to make as I supposed in the direction of the camp, but as the sun did not come out and the woods and surroundings looking just the same, I must have got bewildered for after tramping many hours as I supposed in the one direction I came upon my former tracks. I spent the day in vainly trying to make the settlement or the camp or shelter in some place, but the storm had effaced my tracks of the day before and I was unable to trace my steps to the settlement, neither could I make any seeming headway as whenever I would go I would circle around upon my own old tracks. Another day spent in unavailing effort, and other night coming, no fire, no food and the weather intensely cold, no one but myself will ever know of the suffering of that night. I knew if I laid down benumbed by the cold I would never wake, I spent the night in leading a beaten path to keep up the circulation and prevent my freezing. Another morning dawned and although the storm was over, the situation otherwise remained unchanged as the sky was dull and cloudy, still cold, and I was getting weaker. I hallooed for help and thought on one or two occasions I was answered but I could not make out the direction of the sound, my every effort of this day was again unrewarded, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday were spent wandering around as best I could, hunger and exhaustion were overruling me, I was truly lost, bewildered and discouraged. I did not know which way to go, I had but little strength left to try any particular direction and whenever I did I discouragedly came upon my old tracks. I had consideration enough to know that I must not fall asleep each night kept moving or beating my hands and feet to keep from freezing but I knew I was frozen, my legs and feet were hard and numb, Sunday came, I kept wandering or rather dragging myself along. I pulled myself to a landing, a road led from it and I followed it dragging myself to a camp. God only knows what I suffered. I got into camp, you can imagine my feelings when I needed fire, food and shelter. The camp was alone when I reached it, but in a short while the head boss Mr. Brock arrived, and did everything in his power to alleviate my suffering and subsequently conveyed me to my home, when Dr. Pedola was summoned and finding my feet badly frozen, he at first thought amputation of the toes advisable but after careful consideration he concluded only amputation of the toes and the removal of one of the operations. This concluded one of the most trying experiences of hardship and danger. The subject of this sketch is well known in this section and at the present experience of years ago.

## TOWN COUNCIL

Town Clerk's Report re-election.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATION

To Be Prepared. New Board of Health Appointed. Other Matters.

At a special meeting of the Town Council last Wednesday night there were present. The Mayor, Alderman Hickson, Hennessy, Williston, Stables, Phinney and Pedolin.

The Mayor explained the object of this special meeting which was to hear the Clerk's report in reference to the election on the matter of Waterworks, Electric lights and sewerage.

The Clerk's report was then read, giving the report of the election as reported last week.

Ald. Williston moved that report be received. Carried.

Ald. Hickson moved that the report be adopted and placed along with poll book on file. Carried.

Ald. Stables moved that the Town Clerk be authorized to write to engineer Chipman and procure his terms for drawing plans and specifications for waterworks and his charge for superintending the work installing same. Carried.

Ald. Williston moved that the council be a committee of the whole to look after this work. Carried.

Ald. Williston moved that a standing committee on petitions be appointed. Car. The petitions of Geo. S. DeForest & Son, James Robinson and Samuel Craig were referred to the above committee.

A number of accounts were passed. The Police Magistrate's report up to Sept. 30th was read. It showed the sum of \$56.80 paid over to the Town Treasurer.

Report ordered to be placed on file. Ald. Williston asked that a detailed statement of what it had cost to maintain the town team for the past year be laid on the table at next meeting.

Ald. Hennessy said that a good deal was being said outside about a number of young men who left town without paying their taxes. He thought these young men should be looked after more sharply.

The Town Clerk explained that it was impossible to get a constable in town to do this work. He had issued a large number of executions but only a small percentage were attended to.

The following were appointed a Board of Health for the town--R. L. Maltby, John Clark, M. Bannan, E. P. Williston and H. Anslow.

## TO BE INCREASED TO 900 MEN.

Imperial Government Accepts Canada's Offer.

OTTAWA, Dec. 16--The Minister of Militia was notified by the British war office yesterday of the acceptance of an offer to increase the force up to 900 men. This means the addition of two squadrons and is made because there is sufficient accommodation available on the transports Victorian and Manhattan. One squadron will be raised from Winnipeg to Vancouver, and the other in the eastern provinces. Recruiting in the west will commence on the 23rd inst., while recruiting in the east will be begun tomorrow. The men to be chosen from the west will be thoroughly experienced. His Excellency yesterday forwarded to the Imperial government, on behalf of Canada an offer of a Field Hospital Corps or Bearer Corps, whichever is preferred, consisting of 5 medical officers and 43 non-commissioned officers and men.

## ST ANDREW'S TEA.

The members of St. Andrew's Guild held their annual Tea and Sale of work last Thursday afternoon and evening in the Town Hall. There was a large quantity of articles and food and the evening was a most successful one. The patronage received was encouraging and gratefully appreciated by the members of the Guild.

The supper was excellent and the ladies of St. Andrew's parish fully sustained their well earned and well deserved reputation as caterers in this line. Well merited praise was unhesitatingly bestowed by those who partook of the tempting dishes provided.

Not the least interesting feature of the sale was the "Remembrance table" supplied with articles by friends of the parish and non-residents of the town, thus linking in a pleasing, and at the same time profitable, way the past with the present. Articles for this table were received from friends in Victoria, Vancouver, R. C. Seattle, Wash., Montreal, Campbellton, Bathurst, Chatham, Kingston, Fredericton, St. John, Trent, Halifax, Boston, Mass., Belfast, Ireland and Portage la Prairie. Letters in most cases were received from the donors wishing every success to the work in the parish. Financially the sale was a decided success, \$140 being realized.

## A CLOSE SHAVE

Three Nelson Young Men Broke Through Ice

Nearly Perished

Last Friday Night. Rescued After Much Trouble by Fisherman.

Last Friday night while skating on the river below Lynch's mill on the Nelson side of the river Jas. McFarland and Jack McCombes, broke through the thin ice. Robert McCombes who was a little in the rear at once rushed to the rescue and skating to the edge of the broken ice took off his overcoat and laying flat on the ice threw it out to his companions in the water and told them to hold on, but the current had carried them to the lower edge of the hole, which was quite large and they could not reach the coast. In endeavoring to back away from the hole and as the ice was very thin Robt. McCombes struck the toe of his skate in the ice but this broke off a large piece which tipped over with his weight, and he also went in head foremost. Their cries had attracted a number of fishermen who brought a pole and rope with them and the two McCombes were pulled out without much difficulty but McFarlane was so benumbed that he could not hold on to the rope which was thrown to him. L. Coughlan who saw the difficulty told him to put it in his mouth and to hold on with his teeth. This he did but the current was so strong that the lower half of his body was carried under the ice and he could not be pulled up. By this time the onlookers saw that unless something was speedily done they would be the witnesses of a sad catastrophe so L. Coughlan laid down on the ice, Frank Mason caught his feet and then they worked out over the thin ice to the edge of the hole, the others in the rear watching hold of Mason's feet. In this way Coughlan got quite near the struggling young man and grasped him firmly by the hair and lifting him up sang out for those in the rear to pull and soon had McFarlane safe on firm ice where he fell in a swoon and had to be carried to Coughlan's house near by. John McCombes was also very much exhausted and had to be helped to the house where they were kindly looked after and after an hour or two were sent to their homes.

In the meantime Robt. McCombes had been taken to a fishing shanty and was being looked after. He took violently sick from the effects of a quantity of salt water he had swallowed but soon recovered and was sent home. The three young men are none the worse, though wiser from their cold bath.

Some mean sneak made away with McCombes overcoat which was flaked out and laid on the ice, and up to the present it has not been returned.

## Maine Rivers Carrying De-struction in Their Flow

Conditions Unequalled in Years--Alarming Effect of Storm Which Swept Neighboring State Yesterday.

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 15--The Kennebec river is at its highest stage since 1896, and the water has been rising nearly a foot an hour since 8 o'clock. The river is clear of ice for miles above and below the city. Little damage is reported.

On the Maine Central, between this city and Hallowell, there were seven landslides in two miles, one of them covering the track for 30 feet, with mud five feet deep. At another place the track is covered with mud for 100 feet. North of the city there are numerous landslides. All trains are cancelled. Working crews are at work.

The electric railway cancelled all cars this afternoon. On the Tugus branch there were bad washouts, and on the Gardiner and a big washout in Farmington. Rain ceased about 8 o'clock and the thermometer dropped 30 degrees. Snow is now falling. It is expected that the frost will not reach its height before tomorrow afternoon.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 15--The storm all over Maine, Sunday, was the worst in five years. The ice is out and the river has risen three feet in 24 hours. No train from the west has reached Bangor since noon and night trains between this city and Portland are cancelled. The train from the west was stalled at Waterville and probably will not get through until tomorrow.

Lewiston, Me., Dec. 15--The storm began about 7.30 o'clock Saturday night and continued until 7 o'clock Sunday night. So far as reported no serious damage has been done here. There are some washouts.

## DIED IN THE WOODS.

A Young Man Taken Suddenly Ill and Expired At a Lumber Camp Near Doaktown.

DOAKTOWN, Dec. 9--On Saturday a young man named Doonan was brought in from McCarthy's camp dead. Mr. McCarthy, lumberman for the Gibson Company on the Bartholomew about ten or twelve miles from Doaktown. The young man, Doonan, who was about 18 years of age, was taken sick with severe pain in the stomach and vomiting. They were going to bring him in to a doctor, but he seemed to recover. Then the pain came on worse and he died Saturday morning. The remains were brought to Doaktown and forwarded to his home at Brunswick.

The snow is deep here, reports from the woods placing the depth at three feet on the Bartholomew and four feet at Rapana. Working has been stopped and all the parties are trying to haul to the steamer.