

WINTER ALL YEAR.

AN OLD DIARY'S ACCOUNT OF SUMMERLESS 1816.

There Were Some Warm Days In the Spring, but In June, July and August There Were Snowstorms and Ice All Over New England.

The year 1816 was known throughout the United States and Europe as the coldest ever experienced by any person then living. There are persons in northern New York who have been in the habit of keeping diaries for years, and it is from the pages of an old diary, begun in 1810 and kept unbroken until 1840, that the following information regarding this year without a summer has been taken:

January was so mild that most persons allowed their fires to go out and did not burn wood except for cooking. There were a few cool days, but they were very few. Most of the time the air was warm and springlike. February was not cold. Some days were colder than in January, but the weather was about the same. March, from the 1st to the 6th, was inclined to be windy. It came in like a small lion and went out like a very innocent sheep.

April came in warm, but as the days grew longer the air became colder, and by the 1st of May there was a temperature like that of winter, with plenty of snow and ice. In May the young buds were frozen dead, ice formed half an inch thick on ponds and rivers, corn was killed, and the cornfields were planted again and again, until it became too late to raise a crop. By the last of May in this climate the trees are usually in leaf and birds and flowers are plentiful. When the last of May arrived in 1816, everything had been killed by the cold.

June was the coldest month of roses ever experienced in this latitude. Frost and ice were as common as buttercups usually are. Almost every green thing was killed. All fruit was destroyed. Snow fell ten inches deep in Vermont. There was a seven inch snowfall in Maine, a three inch fall in the Interior of New York state and the same in Massachusetts. There were only a few moderately warm days. Everybody looked, longed and waited for warm weather, but warm weather did not come. It was also dry; very little rain fell. All summer long the wind blew steadily from the north in blasts laden with snow and ice. Mothers knit socks of double thickness for their children and made thick mittens. Planting and shivering were done together, and the farmers who worked out their taxes on the country roads wore overcoats and mittens. On June 17 there was a heavy fall of snow. A Vermont farmer sent a flock of sheep to pasture on June 16. The morning of the 17th dawned with the thermometer below the freezing point. At about 9 o'clock in the morning the owner of the sheep started to look up his flock. Before leaving home he turned to his wife and said jokingly:

"Better start the neighbors soon. It's the middle of June, and I may get lost in the snow."

An hour after he left home a terrible snowstorm came up. The snow fell thick and fast, and as there was so much wind the fleecy masses piled in great drifts along the windward side of the fences and out-buildings. Night came, and the farmer had not been heard of. His wife became frightened and alarmed the neighborhood. All the neighbors joined the searching party. On the third day they found him. He was lying in a hollow on a side hill, with both feet frozen. He was half covered with snow, but alive. Most of the sheep were lost.

A farmer near Tewksbury, Vt., owned a large field of corn. He built fires around the field to keep off the frost. Nearly every night he and his men took turns in keeping up the fires and watching that the corn did not freeze. The farmer was rewarded for his tireless labors by having the only crop of corn in the region.

July came in with ice and snow. On the Fourth of July ice as thick as window glass formed throughout New England, New York and in some parts of the state of Pennsylvania. Indian corn, which in some parts of the east had struggled through May and June, gave up, froze and died.

To the surprise of everybody August proved the worst month of all. Almost every green thing in this country and Europe was blasted with frost. Snow fell at Barnet, 30 miles from London, on Aug. 30. Newspapers received from England stated that 1816 would be remembered by the existing generation as the year in which there was no summer. Very little corn ripened in New England. There was great privation, and thousands of persons would have perished in this country had it not been for the abundance of fish and wild game.

In direct contrast with 1816 appears the year 1827-8, when there was no winter. Captain Daniel Lyon, who died some years ago in Burlington, Vt., used to relate his experience in 1827-8. He was a walking encyclopedia of local events. He said: "I knew but one season when winter was almost like summer, the winter of 1827-8. I was running the steamboat General Green between Burlington, Vt., and Port Kent and Plattsburg, N. Y., and during the year there was not a bit of ice in the whole lake from one end to the other. The old Lake Champlain Steamboat company hauled out the steamboats Phoenix and Congress, and hardly a bit of ice appeared in Shelburne bay, near Burlington, during the winter."

"The Phoenix had a new engine built in Albany, and the whole outfit had to be carried from that city to Shelburne harbor by teams through the mud. At Middlebury, Vt., the mud was more than a foot deep. The Phoenix was rebuilt and ready to launch by Jan. 15. Jan. 18 was the day fixed for the launching, and I took over a large party from Burlington on the General Green. The sun was shining with the warmth of a July day. The women who sat on deck raised their parasols."—New York Sun.

See our clothing windows for prices to-night.—J. C. Kay Woollen Co.

500 yards Tapestry carpet worth up to 75c., yours for 45c.—Jas. Paton & Co.

97 yards Brussels carpet worth 58c., for 35c.—Jas. Paton & Co.

BANKRUPT!

\$10,471.00.

Ten Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy-one Dollars worth of Bankrupt Dry Goods, Clothing, Carpets, etc., etc. bought at a shade over half price will be opened and thrown on the market this week. The whole stock will be disposed of as quickly as possible (Wholesale and Retail) in small lots or in whole pieces to suit purchasers. This sale will be for cash only. This will, without doubt, be the greatest sale of the kind on record. Below you will find a full list of goods to be slaughtered.

WOOL TWEEDS,

- 12 pieces heavy wool Tweed for 50c.
- 19 yds tweed, .. 70c. for 50c
- 25 1/4 yds " .. \$1.35, for 80c
- 24 yds " .. 90. for 60c
- 24 1/4 yds " .. 75, for 45c
- 23 1/2 yds " .. 75, for 45c
- 23 1/2 yds " .. 85, for 60c
- 23 1/2 yds " .. 85, for 60c
- 24 yds " .. 1.25, for 85c
- 20 yds " .. 75, for 55c
- 21 yds " .. 1.15, for 75c
- 23 yds " .. 75, for 55c
- 27 yds " .. 68, for 48c
- 46 3/4 yds " .. 75, for 55c
- 24 3/4 yds " .. 85, for 60c
- 24 1/4 yds " .. 95, for 55c

This lot is all new and fresh having never been put in stock.

Waterproof Coats.

- 19 Men's Waterproof Coats, worth \$7.50, will be sold for \$5 each.
- 8 worth....\$8.50, now \$6.00
- 3 worth.... 7.00, now 4.50
- 1 worth.... 6.50, now 4.50
- 5 worth.... 8.00, now 5.50
- 5 black, worth 9.00, now 6.50
- 18 tweed, worth 10.50, now 7.50

Ladies' Waterproofs.

- 7 Gossomers, worth \$5.50, for \$3.75.
- 21 Gossomers, worth \$4.50 for \$3.00.

Dress Goods.

- 6 pieces, 235 yds, French wool Dress Goods, worth 55c, for 35c.
- 10 pcs, 621 1/2 yds, 45 inch Cashmere, worth 72c, sale price 48c.
- 57 1/2 yds Dress Goods, worth 75c, for 50c.
- 62 1/2 yds Dress Goods, worth 85c, for 60c.
- 10 pieces, 627 yds, Black Cashmere, worth 70c, now 50c
- 7 pcs, 175 yds, French wool Dress Goods, worth 60c, for 45c.
- 3 pcs French Suiting, worth 50c, for 35c.
- 42 yds Fancy Dress Goods, worth 55c, for 30c
- 50 1/2 yds black Cashmere, worth 55c, for 45c.
- 39 3/4 yds Black Cashmere, worth 75c, for 45c.
- 35 1/2 yds Black Cashmere, worth 75c, for 50c.
- 36 1/2 yds Black Cashmere; 65c. for 45c.
- 33 yds Black Cashmere, worth 70c, for 50c.
- 1 yds Black Cashmere, worth 35c; for 25c.

Men's and Boys' Clothing

- 4 Mens Suits, worth \$6.25, for \$4.50.
- 7 Men's Suits, worth \$5.50, for \$4.75.
- 5 Men's Suits, worth \$7, for \$5.50.
- 2 Men's Suits, worth \$7.25, for \$5.75.
- 13 Men's Suits, worth \$8.00 for \$6.00.
- 24 Men's Suits, worth \$8.75 for \$6.75.
- 6 Men's Suits, worth \$9.50, for \$7.50.
- 7 Men's Suits, worth \$9.75, for \$7.75.
- 58 Men's Suits, worth \$10, for \$7.75.
- 22 Men's Suits, worth \$11.00 for \$8.50.
- 3 Men's Suits, worth \$11.25 for \$8.75.
- 15 Men's Suits, worth \$11.70 for \$9.00
- 1 Men's Suit, worth \$12.00, for \$9.25.
- 6 Men's Suits, worth \$13.00 for \$10.00.
- 3 Men's Suits, worth \$15.00 for \$11.00.

Men's Pants

- 32 pairs, worth \$1.25 for 75c
- 48 pairs, worth 1.40 for \$1 00
- 69 pairs, worth 1 60 for 1 20
- 30 pairs, worth 1 85 for 1 40
- 24 pairs, worth 2 10 for 1 50
- 18 pairs, worth 2 10 for 1 50
- 121 pairs, worth 2 50 for 1 75
- 13 pairs, worth 2 75 for 2 00
- 12 pairs, worth 2 85 for 2 25
- 92 pairs, worth 2 85 for 2 25
- 45 pairs, worth 3 00 for 2 30
- 28 pairs, worth 3 10 for 2 50
- 93 pairs, worth 3 50 for 2 75
- 18 pairs, worth 3 75 for 2 90
- 56 pairs, worth 4 50 for 3 50

Children's Suits

- 106 Suits, worth \$1 00 for 75c
- 56 Suits, worth 1 50 for \$1 00
- 13 Suits, worth 2 00 for 1 50
- 27 Suits, worth 2 50 for 2 00
- 76 Suits, worth 3 00 for 2 25
- 50 Suits, worth 3 50 for 2 50
- 51 Suits, worth 3 75 for 2 75
- 32 Suits, worth 3 95 for 2 95
- 50 boys' 3-piece suits for \$3 75
- 55 " " " " 4.00
- 23 " " " " 4.75
- 37 " " " " 5.00
- 207 Youths' Suits, worth from \$5.00 to \$10.00, will be sold \$4 to \$7; double and single breasted

Towels

- 12 pieces Flannelette worth 11c a yd for 8c.
- 26 pieces Flannelette, 1,647 yards, worth 9c will be sold for 5 1/2c.
- 15 pieces Shirting, 796 1/2 yds worth 18c will be sold for 14c.
- 5 doz Cotton Towels worth 75c for 50c or 4 1/2c each.
- 6 doz Diaper Towels worth \$1.50 for \$1.10 or 10c each.
- 2 doz Damask Towels 18x38 worth \$2.75 for \$2.00 or 18c each.
- 4 doz Damask Towels 19x39 worth \$3.00 for \$2.75 or 20c each.
- 5 doz Linen Towels worth \$1.75 for \$1.25 or 11c each.
- 14 doz Linen Towels worth \$2.00 for \$1.40 or 12c each.

Table Covers

- 7 doz Linen Table Covers \$5.50 for \$5.00 or 45c each.
- 3 doz Linen Table Covers worth \$6.00 for \$5.50 or 40c each.
- 4 doz Table Covers 60x60 worth \$9.00 for \$6.50 or 60c each.
- 2 doz Table Covers worth \$10.50 for \$8.00 or 70c each.
- 3 doz Linen Table Covers 50x70 worth \$7.50 for \$5.50 or 48c each.

Table Linen.

- 12 pieces Damask Table Linen, 613 yds, 60 in width, worth 60c for 40c.
- 6 pieces Unbleached Linen Tabling, 60 inches wide, 312 yds, worth 50c for 35c.

Table Napkins

- 30 doz Table Napkins worth \$1.10 for 75c.
- 20 doz Linen Table Napkins worth 75c for 55c.

Blankets

- 150 pair Heavy Cotton Blankets, worth \$1 10 for 85c, white and grey.

Handkerchiefs

- 3 doz Jap. Silk Handkerchiefs worth \$4 00 will be sold for \$3 00 per doz or 25c cents each.

194 doz Cambric Handkerchiefs worth \$1 00 for 65c.

Dozens upon dozens of Collars, Ties, Braces, white and colored Shirts of all kinds and grades—at a shade over half price

Carpets

- 10 rolls 5 frame Brussels Carpet worth \$1 50 for 75c.
- 8 rolls second quality Brussels worth \$1 30 for 65c
- 5 rolls good Wool Brussels worth \$1 10 for 55c.
- 7 rolls Tapestry worth \$1 00 will be sold for 55c.
- 6 rolls of Tapestry worth 85c will be sold for 50c.
- 13 rolls of Tapestry worth 75c for 45c.
- 9 rolls Tapestry worth 65c for 40c.
- Rolls upon rolls of cheaper grades for 25c and 35c.
- Oil Cloth, Hemp Carpet, Mats, Mattings, Blinds, Lace Curtains, etc., from 20 to 30 per cent. less than in the regular way.

Serge Suiting

96 1/2 yds of Blue Serge Suiting, last the thing for men's or boys suits, worth \$2 75 will be sold for \$1.75.

To men wanting working shirts we would see our Bankrupt Stock. There is 50 doz in all, varying in price from 35c to 1 00. Will be sold for a shade over half price.

If you want to buy good goods come.

If you want to save money come.

If you want to be treated well come.

Seeing is free, it won't cost you a cent to look through our stock and see how much you can get for so little money.

You will not be urged to buy. Your own good judgment will tell you what to do when you see the piles of bargains we have to offer you.

Carpets

Clothing,

Dry Goods

Come and look at our Bankrupt Stock; you will find reliable goods at Bankrupt prices—you will find the signal at the mast-head, beckoning you to the strongest aggregation of good goods and low prices that has ever been our pleasure to offer you. Store will be open each day from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m., Sunday excepted.

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