



EDWIN WOODSIDE, ESQ., OF SABATIS.

WHEN a public official breaks a rule, the edict's supposed to be;—
 Make a grand salaam to Uncle Sam and then say "23!"
 For the rule is old and is known to man,
 That he's who's an "offensive partisan,"
 Must join the ranks of the "also ran;" and back to the woods must flee.

But the case to-day is a different kind and a different man you see;
 For sixteen years, as the fact appears, he has kept the record free.
 Postmasters are held to the service plan,
 When they handle the mails for Uncle Sam
 And the man who has served for so long a span, must have done it faithfully.

But this isn't all that he's done these years; as his townsman know full well,
 When they gather there at his store on the square, where he has the goods to sell—
 For he's served the town, in affairs of State;
 He has worked for the schools, both early and late,
 And never has known what it is to hate—and that's worth the while to tell.