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LINDSAY, FRIDAY, JULY 28, 1876

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

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FROST Monday night.

CAMPING OUT parties are prevalent.

BUTCHERS' MEAT has been lowered 2½c. per pound.

REMOVED. Dr. Jeffers has removed to Oakwood, where he succeeds Dr. Beedie, who is going to Chatham.

FIREMEN'S DEMONSTRATION.—It has been positively decided that the proposed Firemen's Tournament will be held in Napanee, on Thursday, August 31st, and the invitations lately issued have reference to this date. It will not be long before it is positively known what number of invited guests will be present.

A GOOD TEST. The soundness of the Lindsay street bridge was fairly tested on Thursday last by VanAmburgh's band chariot and elephant passing over it at the same time. Stays have been put up at each side and the bridge is now not only safe to support any ordinary load, but steady. The Council has very wisely delayed action until they have secured the fullest information respecting the cost of an iron bridge.

DEPUTATION. A deputation of the Town Council composed of the Mayor, Couns. Winters, Duffus, Ingle and Diament visited Peterboro on Wednesday to inspect the iron bridge recently erected there by Messrs. Bartlett & Co., of Toronto, and to learn in what manner the contract was carried out. They returned satisfied with the work and the integrity of the firm.

POETIC. The author of the following lines lies at a popular boarding house:

"There is a boarding house,
Not far away,
Where they have ham and eggs
Three times a day.

"Oh, how the boarders yell
When they hear the dinner bell;
Oh, how the eggs do swell
Three times a day."

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SE PLUS ULTRA. Change of Hymn Book. On and after the first sunday in August the morning and evening Hymns will be selected from the Hymnal Companion to the Book of Common Prayer, usually known as "Hi-Church Hymn Book." The following are the hymns for August—9th day, Morning, 372, 376; Evening, 121, 167, 403. 13th, Morning, 1, 22, 110; Evening, 31, 220, 235. 20th, Morning, 128, 187, 335; Evening, 119, 431, 435. 27th, Morning, 147, 183, 187; Evening, 95, 411, 294.

REFRESHMENT ON THE MIDLAND. We received a call on Tuesday last from Mr. A. Hugel, President of the Mid Land Railway, and were pleased to hear him say that notwithstanding the decrease in the amount of traffic on the road this year the net profits are in excess of last year. The company has adopted a policy of retrenchment, and will derive the benefit of it in a short one half. The staff of workmen in the shops at Port Hope will be greatly reduced. This action will be taken to-morrow.

FIRE KINDLERS SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS. *To the Editor of the Post.* Sir, In your issue of the 21st inst., in reporting this case you say "filled Spry a-fire. I do not recollect reading Spry or any one else by such a name at any time. He made some assertions that he knew were lies for the purpose of making a row, and I said they were lies. But it was plain, too, from the evidence that they came for the purpose of creating a disturbance, ostensibly to pay me, but they had not money enough with them for that purpose. The fact that a verdict was given in my favor shows conclusively that I was not the aggressor. By inserting this you will oblige, Yours, ROBT. JOHNSTON.

A STUMPY BRICK. The Stratford *Beacon* speaks in this complimentary style of a young friend of Mr. Low's, who whose advent in Stratford we chronicled a few weeks ago, has not let the grass grow under his feet since he became a citizen of Stratford. Already he has his brick and kiln in operation, and yesterday we were shown a couple of the first bricks he has made. Mr. Hepburn is honest, and other good stock, of uncommon Fifteen Brick. Is and equal to the best use in this locality. Mr. Wheeler is man of considerable push and energy, and we have no doubt he will find in Stratford full scope for his enterprise. He is supplying a want long felt in Stratford. Success to him!

DESPERATE IN JAIL. The well known and unfortunate Thomas Benson, who has spent most of the past six years in the county gaol, having been committed to all forty-six times, died in that institution on Friday morning last. As a rule he was committed for three months at a time, and as soon as liberated began a fresh debauch, which led to his speedy return to what was practically his home, as a drunkard and a vagrant. When last committed in April he was in a bad condition from bruises and exposure, and never recovered. Paralysis of one side, with dropsy set in, and terminated his miserable career. In obedience to the law, which requires an enquiry into the cause of all who die in jails, penitentiaries and asylums, an inquest was held by Dr. Bode, and a verdict returned in accordance with the above facts. It is the old story, "One more unfortunate gone to his death," through the curse of intemperance.

A CONVERT TO THE VANDERBILT. Whitby on her regular trip Friday last, the Vanderbilt, when near Sturgeon Lake, ran against a sunken log one end of which protruded out of the water, and had a hole pierced in her side. The water rushed into the hold in such a volume as to cause great confusion among the crew, who seemed at a loss what to do, and consternation among the both passengers, one of whom became so unsteady from fright. One of the crew attempted to stop the hole with a large plank, and had it not been for Mr. F. Allison, who covered the hole with a blanket, the vessel might have gone around and received considerable damage, not to say anything of the unpleasant, if not dangerous position in which the passengers would have been placed. Passenger vessels similar to the Vanderbilt should at all times be commanded by experienced men able to meet an accident of this kind coolly and promptly. We would call the attention of the Commissioner to this matter, as it is as much in his interest as the interest of the public to have a competent officer on board.

PASS HER BOW AT. Mr. B. Watson, a temperance lecturer who lately visited this town on a tour through the province, and who gained some notoriety by his efforts on behalf of Hon. Mr. McKenzie, which resulted in the temperance cause, is coming to grief. The Ottawa Baptist church, of which he was member, has passed a resolution condemning in the manner in which he spoke of Mr. Mackenzie, who is also a member of the same church. Then comes the Port Hope Guide with the statement that Mr. Watson left unpaid three printing bills of $14 and $5 due the Y. M. C. A. for hall rent, and expresses the candid opinion that Mr. W. "certainly nothing but a fraud and cheat, and the sooner the public are made aware of the fact the better it will be for concerned." The Bowmanville Merchant adds: "We are anxious to say a few words to this same Watson, about a little account that stands against him on our books. Of course he is a fraud, but there are plenty of them nearer home." For the same reason we have precisely the same opinion of Mr. Watson. His lecture here was not a "financial success" in the ordinary acceptation of the term, and we innocently opposed a temperance lecturer of Mr. Watson's appearance would "remit his little bill at his earliest convenience." He has failed to do so; and the painful conviction is forced upon us that he does not intend to do so. He must pay; make a handsome sum if he neglected these little ceremonies in each place he lectured.

PERSONAL. Mr. H. F. Thirkell, of Montreal, is now in town visiting his friends for a couple of weeks. Mr. A. M. Reekie returned from the Centennial last week after a sojourn of three weeks. Mr. W. Graham, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting his friends in this section. Mr. R. McHugh and Mr. Lynch, of Lawlor, Iowa, were also in town last week on their way home from the Centennial. Rev. Jno. Hutherson, a young student, some time ago stationed on the Woodville, Minden and Haliburton circuits, preached in the Methodist church Sunday morning. He is to spend after his holidays a couple of years at College in Montreal, of which Dr. Douglass is principal. Our old friend Mr. M. Hutchinson, of the law firm of Doutre, Doutre & Hutchinson, Montreal, arrived in town Tuesday on a brief visit to his brother-in-law, Rev. J. Hastie. Mr. H. is on his way home from a holiday tour west. Mr. J. R. Dundas got back Tuesday from a business and pleasure trip to the old country looking very well. He states the depression in all branches of English trade is very serious, and is inclined to the opinion that the worst has not come yet. Mr. A. Hudspeth and wife were registered at the Revere House, Tuesday. Mr. F. C. Taylor is now in Hamilton trying a change of air for the benefit of his health. We trust he will return in a vigorous condition. Mr. H. C. Lumsden, C. E., of Woodville, has been appointed to the charge of the Nipissing and Georgian Bay sections of the Pacific survey. Mr. W. Flavelle is now visiting the Centennial. Mr. Geo. Matthews is expected home from Europe next week.

Mr. K. E. Henderson left town this morning to attend the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, which will meet in a few days at St. Catherines.

A LARGE CROWD attended the St. Andrew's church excursion yesterday.

HIGHLAND SPRING BREWERY, PORT HOPE.—Winslow & Ambrose's celebrated Ales and Porter in wood and glass. P. BRADY, agent for Lindsay and vicinity. 881-3m

SEASONABLE FRUITS.—Geo. Sterling, of the St. George's Restaurant, is daily receiving all kinds of foreign and domestic fruits. Don't forget to give him a call.

NEW GOODS. Wm. Milne has just received a new lot of Prints in black and colored; also a job lot of light Dress Goods at very low prices. A large lot of new Tweeds just opened. Try his new cutter. 881

METHODIST EXCURSION.—The annual excursion of the Methodist Sabbath School will be held at Sturgeon Point, on Thursday next. The party will be conveyed to the ground by the steamer Vanderbilt.

GRENADINES AND LINEN COSTUMES. W. Milne, in order to clear out, has reduced the above goods to Cost as they must be sold out this season. The goods are all new and fresh. You should see them before buying elsewhere. 881

WHITE NECK-TIES. These ties are now fashionable for street wear, and all our young sports are wearing them. An old gentleman from the country observing a bevy of them on the street, remarked that "Lindsay has the rummiest looking lot of preachers I ever set eyes on."

CAMP MEETING. The annual Methodist Camp Meeting will be held on the old ground, Mr. Robertson's farm, 9th con. Mariposa, commencing Sept. 8th. The President of the Conference, Rev. Dr. Jeffers, will with the chairman of the district, Rev. C. Fish, unite to make it a grand success.

THE WEEVIL PROPHET. Mr. H. G. Vennor writes from the upper Ottawa: "I expect a great deal of frost at night during the rest of this month, and cool weather during the month of August, then a warm summer like autumn." Mr. Vennor claims to have prophesied the present cold weather several weeks ago.

PROPOSED BY PARIS GREEN. The unpleasant and painful experience of Mr. Edward Corlin, Ops, in the use of Paris Green shows the necessity of very great care, and raises doubts as to the wisdom of using such a dangerous poison as a dressing. He had sprinkled a potato field with the green one day last week and last Monday three cows broke into the field and getting the poison ate of it next morning. Four pigs that also ate of it were saved with the utmost difficulty by putting melted butter and coal oil down their throats. Mr. Carlin narrowly escaped losing his eyesight from the same cause.

HOT AIR FURNACE. Messrs. Stephenson & Devell have just completed putting in "Stephenson's Patent Hot Air Furnace" in Mr. Adam Hodgson's residence, which being entirely out of door, and possessing as it does superior qualities over other furnaces, is deserving of more than passing notice. A furnace large enough to take four pieces of wood eight inches in measurement and the air is conveyed in the usual way by pipes to every room in the house. The principal feature about this furnace and the one upon which Mr. Stephenson has imported patents is that the air in the house can be used first and then if necessary outside air can be utilized, thus supplying fresh air and creating in the house a warm and healthy atmosphere. As the cost of this furnace is not greater than others not possessing like advantages, parties contemplating putting in one will find it advantageous to secure "Stephenson's Patent."

THE HURON AND QUEBEC RAILWAY. One Bobcaygeon confrere never loses an opportunity to gibe at John Fowler, but we ask him to put in his pipe and smoke the following defiant prophecy in the *Globe* in answer to that "baseborn" the London *Times*, who is endeavouring to run the prospect of the Quebec Government borrowing money in England to ruin the North Shore and Montreal and Ottawa railways:—"It will be shocked, no doubt, to learn that ultimately the Quebec and Ottawa will inevitably become the Quebec and Toronto, and that then the Great Western, being no longer a mere link in the American railway system, may have its own outlet to tide water, and become virtually a main trunk road. So that when the *Times* advises the Great Western to combine with the Grand Trunk in resisting any new or competitive Canadian railways, it is really advising the Great Western to ignore its own highest interests."

A NEW PHASE OF PROTECTION. One of our merchants, the fame of whose workmanship has extended to the other side, has experienced in a new and unexpected manner a practical application of the "Protection" principles that prevail among our neighbours. It seems our Lindsay clothier supplied a friend from Iowa with a suit, and this proved so satisfactory that a third party sent over for a new "rig." This was forwarded in due season, with the bill, say $36, for which $36 in greenbacks were tendered in payment. This was declined, and as the holder of the clothes refused to pay the premium, the Lindsay clothier put an Iowa lawyer "on the case." This was accordingly done in due form. The case came on before a venerable Justice of the Peace, a perfect specimen of the Western Yankee. Having heard the evidence, and taken a fresh "chaw of tobacker," he in this wise embodied the American political economy, sense of justice and patriotism:—"Wall, mow, I guess a dollar's a dollar any way you take it. Verdict for the defendant." The Canadian could get no more than $36 in greenbacks; the American Eagle screamed in triumph; and the British Lion crept away with his tail between his legs.

TOWN COUNCIL. A special meeting of Council was held on Friday evening last. Present—the Mayor, Deputy-Reeve McDonnell, and Councillors Cahill, Diament, Duffus, Winters, Ingle and Hopkins. A communication was read from Messrs. Bartlett & Co., Toronto, respecting an iron bridge, submitting particulars as required in the Mayor's letter. The Mayor stated that Mr. Duffus had at his request written to Brockville, to Buffalo and Stratford, asking them to submit a tender for the work. The Council expressed their satisfaction with the tender of Messrs. Bartlett & Co., but thought it advisable to delay action until the other firms were heard from. Deputy-Reeve McDonnell suggested that a deputation go to Peterborough and examine the bridge erected by Bartlett & Co., which appeared certain if the contract was fully carried out, Couns. Winters raised the question of how the bridge was to be paid for, and the Mayor suggested that the Clerk write to some Toronto brokers and ascertain what they would give for Lindsay debentures. Deputy-Reeve McDonnell moved, seconded by Coun. Diament that a Committee consisting of the Mayor, and Messrs. Winters, Duffus, Ingle, and the mover be authorized to proceed to Peterboro in order to inspect the iron bridge lately erected there and make such inquiries relative to the same as they may see fit and that such committee be empowered to obtain the advice of Mr. Ross, Chief Engineer of the Victoria Bridge, respecting the specifications furnished by Bartlett & Co. to the Council and such other service from him in the premises as they may deem necessary to report at next meeting. Coun. Diament having volunteered to supply a carriage and the cost being small the motion was carried, and the Council adjourned.

COUNTY JUDGE'S CRIMINAL COURT. *The Queen vs. A.O. Coryell & Keeler.* These parties who were as stated in our last week's issue arrested and imprisoned upon the charge of arson, were arraigned on Monday, the 17th inst., before his honor Judge Dean, and having elected to be tried before him without the intervention of a jury, Wednesday, the 19th inst., was appointed for the day of trial. Great interest was manifested as the trial took place both in this town and also in Port Perry, where these parties originally come from, on account of the very serious nature of the charge preferred against them. Some twenty-five witnesses were called on behalf of the Crown, who testified as to the appearance of the building the Coryell & Keeler House after the fire. On behalf of the prisoners some eight or ten witnesses were called. Of the evidence given by these the strongest was that of the boarders in the house, and those who had been in charge of it since the fire. Their evidence went to exonerate the prisoners from the charge laid against them and cleared away suspicious circumstances raised by the evidence of the Crown. The verdict was not guilty. Mr. A. P. Devlin, Co. Attorney, prosecuted on behalf of the Crown. The defense was conducted by Mr. F. D. Moore. *The Queen vs. Montgomery and Simpson.* The former was charged with having received money knowing it to have been stolen, and the latter with having stolen $35 and some pieces from the house of one Ollife, in Bobcaygeon recently. The case came before His Honor Judge Dean on Tuesday, when the prisoners pleaded guilty and were sentenced toone week in gaol at hard labor. A. P. Devlin, for the Crown; A. Hudspeth, for Simpson; and J. Ketchum, for Montgomery. *The Queen vs. Fry, et al.* The prisoners were charged with having stolen hay from one Schaill. The father, son and daughter were arrested in Eldon and committed by the magistrate to gaol to stand their trial. A question of property having arisen the Judge found the prisoners not guilty and censured the magistrate for having committed them, stating that the prosecutor should have pursued his rights, if he had any, in a civil action. A. P. Devlin, for the Crown; J. Ketchum, for the prisoners.

THE 45TH BATTALION.—We are happy to be enabled to say that Lieut.-Col. Cubitt, commanding the 45th Batt. of the Active Militia, has officially notified Lieut.-Col. Deacon for the information of the officers commissioned officers and privates forming the three Companies in the County of Victoria, that Lieut. Col. Straubenzie, Deputy-Adjutant General of the District, has conveyed to him an expression of approval of the general efficiency and soldier-like appearance of the Companies forming the 45th Battalion. Although the Batt. was not called into Camp we are assured that the system pursued this year has been productive of good results as it left the entire drill and discipline of the men in the hands of the Captains of Companies who had a good opportunity of exercising themselves and of making a thorough study of the disposition and efficiency of the men under their command. The Batt. Band under the leadership of Mr. Graham has elicited an expression of approval from the Inspecting Officer.

LOCAL NEWS-LETTERS.

LORNEVILLE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

LIQUOR CASE.—Mr. Donald Davis, of the township of Eldon was fined $20 and costs on the 15th inst., for selling liquor without license. Mr. J. Matthie, Inspector, was the prosecutor. The case came before P. McAlpine and A. Carmichael, J. P.'s. The Inspector is bound to have the liquor law enforced.

PORT HOPE.

BREACH OF THE LIQUOR LAW.—We are glad to see that our License Inspector, Mr. James H. Ford, is attending properly to his duties. On Saturday last, he brought before the Police Magistrate here Mrs. Jessie Gordon, of Millbrook, on the charge of selling liquor after hours on the 8th inst. The offence was admitted, and Mrs. Gordon fined $20 and costs. [Times.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING. A farmer in Hope whose name we did not learn had six sheep and one cow killed by lightning, on Thursday night last.—[Guide.

CAMBRAY.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

HYMENEAL. An event of unusual importance which caused quite a flutter in the village, was the marriage on Monday evening last, of Mr. Thos. Jarvis, of "Hyde Park Farm," to Agnes, eldest daughter of Rev. J. R. Scott. The ceremony was celebrated in the Presbyterian church, which was filled to the utmost with guests, by the bride's father, after which the bridal party and guests were driven to "Hyde Park Farm," where supper was provided. We wish the couple all happiness.

FENELON FALLS.

THE "WHAT IS IT?" The presence of some mysterious thing in Cameron lake has long been solemnly protested by navigators of its waters, and people are beginning to express the hope that some daring sportsmen will make an effort to capture it, so that their natural curiosity as to its appearance and characteristics may be gratified. As far as we can learn there is neither head nor tail to it—nothing but a body, but all who have seen it agree that its middle part is like unto the middle part of a sea-serpent, as described in the illustrated papers which give the most trustworthy and reliable accounts of those monsters of the deep. It was dired at the other night, though with what effect is not known, as no boat on the lake dare approach it but the "Cobbonock," which might possibly be a match for it; but if the bullet reached its mark, which is most probable, we shall not be surprised if it turn up, cut into bullses, in a saw-mill before long.—[Gazette.

ONTARIO COUNTY.

GOOD REASONS. A Granger gave two reasons why he and several members of his society voted for Mr. Gibbs instead of Mr. Edgar: 1st, because farmers were not allowed to make assignments like traders. 2nd, because taxes in Oshawa are 2½ cents on the dollar!

THE WEEVIL. We are sorry to learn that this pest has made its appearance in East Whitby. Two farmers, Mr. J. E. Gould and Mr. Isaac French, have fields of wheat badly affected. It is to be hoped that it will be found that these destructive insects have not infested many of the farms in the township. Mr. Gould lays it to his having sown his grain too early. If the weevil and rust prevail extensively the hopes of a more than usually abundant harvest will scarcely be realized. [Oshawa Reformer.

INDICTED. Rev. Robert Chambers, late of East Williams, has been inducted as pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Whitby.

RETIRING. Mr. Currie, the defeated candidate for the North Riding, has announced his intention to retire from business.

NEW MANSE. The Presbyterian congregations of Prince Albert and Port Perry are erecting a handsome Manse in Port Perry for their minister. It is a frame building two stories high with flat roof, and on one of the best sites in the locality.

THE HARVEST. The farmers are gloomy over the prospect of the wheat harvest, although the cold weather is helping it. North of the ridges the reports are good. The apple crop is almost a general failure like other fruit, sweet apples being the only sort bearing freely.

BELLEVILLE.

LAMENTABLE DEFICIENCY. At the recent examination for teachers' certificates in South Hastings, there was only one applicant for a first-class certificate, who retired. For second class Provincial certificates there were nine applicants, all of whom failed. Of 35 candidates in the third class 31 failed, two were refused certificates on account of being below the required age, and three of the applicants for second class were awarded third class certificates.

A FINE POINT OF LAW SETTLED. A highly interesting point of law has been decided in the term by the County Judge. Dr. Charles N. Ridley brought a suit against the corporation for the amount due for fees, as one of the public vaccinators. This was demurred to on behalf of the corporation, who held that the by-law under which the plaintiff had acted was ultra vires, the statute not giving councils power to pass by-laws making such appointments. After the argument decision was given in favor of the plaintiff, on the demurrer, and the case will now go to trial on an issue of fact.

THE GRAND JUNCTION.—At a late meeting of the town council the Hon. Lewis Wallbridge explained at full length the nature of the syndicate formed to construct the Grand Junction railway, and moved that to give the bonus by-law a first reading, and postponed the matter.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE. P. Hinch, son of John Hinch, of Hungerford, made a desperate attempt to commit suicide on the 25th inst., by hanging in his father's barn. He, with the other members of the family, partook of dinner about 12.30 a.m. When he had finished eating, which he did heartily, he went out and was followed soon after by his brother Patrick, who found him hanging by his neck by a strap fastened to a plank over the stables. He was promptly cut down, and as life was not extinct medical attendance brought him to his senses.

BEAVERTON.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

EXCURSION PARTY. The Barrie St. George's Society had their annual excursion to this place on Thursday last. The party numbered 500 and were all orderly and respectable. As the steamer "Lady of the Lakes" was arriving at the wharf, it was ascertained that her rudder had been broken, but notwithstanding the heavy gale that was blowing at the time, with the caution and experience of Messrs. McKay and Carr, the excursionists were all safely landed on the old wharf. The party amused themselves during the day by partaking in various kinds of games in Hamilton's Grove. Towards evening it was ascertained, owing to the roughness of the lake, that the rudder could not be repaired till next morning, and the President of the Society telegraphed to Mr. A. Hugel, President of the Midland Railway, for a special train to take the excursionists to Orillia, which was refused. Some of the party were very indignant at not getting the special train, and thought it was taking the advantage of them in their misfortune; others of the party did not appear the least annoyed about the matter, but considered it all for the better, and struck up the song, "We wont go home till morning." In the evening Mr. A. Hamilton gave the "Alexandrina Hall" to the party, who held a grand concert, which was very entertaining as well as amusing, in which a number of the Barrie boys took part. The steamer being repaired left the wharf at 10 o'clock on Friday morning minus a few of the party on board. We expect another excursion from Barrie in August, under the auspices of the mechanics of that town, and promise them a hearty welcome should they come.

BURGLARIES AGAIN.—Captain William McRae has let the contract for his new house. It is to be built of white brick, and got up in the most modern style. Mr. Hugh Murray is the contractor. ... There are a number persons hard at work building the foundation of the new Presbyterian church.....Hamilton's iron block is getting the finishing stroke this week.

CHEESE FACTORY.—Messrs. John Marble and John Waltenberg, of Bracebridge, intend starting a cheese factory here. There is to be a public meeting in the town hall, of which due notice will be given, regarding the matter. The meeting will take place next week.

HARVESTING.—The farmers are busy this week cutting their barley and fall wheat. The latter will scarcely be an average crop this season in this vicinity.

COBOURG.

ARBITRATOR APPOINTED.—Wm. I. Stanton, Police Magistrate of Cobourg, has been appointed arbitrator on behalf of that town to arrange with the united counties for the administration of justice and use of the gaol, etc.

OAKWOOD.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION.—The departure from Oakwood to an adjoining circuit of the Rev. J. B. Wilson, was made the occasion by his friends here of manifesting their kindly regards for him. Mr. Wilson by his earnest, unassuming manner and full devotion to his duties and labor, has succeeded well in interesting in his favor all those who have become acquainted with him. A very complimentary address and respectable purse of money marks well the esteem held for him here. The presentation took place in the Wesleyan church in the presence of quite a large gathering of the friends. Rev. Mr. Savage presided in his usual cheerful and hearty manner, making the meeting very pleasing.

TRAVELLING CLUBS.—The East Oakwood Good Templars called a meeting in the old town hall a few evenings ago, to promote the opening of another lodge. Very pointed and telling addresses were given by Revs. Savage and Dunlop, and Messrs. Jesse Weldon and J. F. Cunnings. Some dialogues and temperance songs by members of the lodge were well received. Rev. Mr. Billings presided and gave a short address also. There is likely to be a lodge opened shortly, bringing more workers for the good cause of temperance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.—The B. C. S. S. anniversary on Sunday and Monday last was successful in its results, beyond what its promoters hoped for almost. The arrangements were very complete and well carried out. On Sabbath morning the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Clarke, preached the anniversary sermon at the usual hour of service. In the evening Mr. Cummings, the superintendent, gave a suitable discourse and distributed the prizes to the scholars. There were large congregations at both services. The school is prospering rapidly. The funds required are raised by subscriptions, thus avoiding the great labor to a few persons and risk attending a tea. The collections on Sabbath and Monday were sufficient to net a nice little balance after paying the band, and other expenses. The arrangements on Monday included a picnic in Mr. Coate's beautiful woods near the creek, with the usual amusements, addresses, etc., the Manilla band discoursing the music. A platform meeting was organized, Mr. Cunnings presiding. Discourses by the Revs. Guard, of your town, and Mr. Rollins were good.

OBIT. Another of the first settlers was carried to her last resting place in the M. E. cemetery here yesterday. The widow of the late John Dower, aged 80 years, died at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Jas. Carlisle, of Belleisle. Hook and line men have not done well in the country districts.

A train on the Great Western Air Line ran from St. Thomas to Fort Erie 118 miles in one hour and fifty minutes. One of the passengers timed the train and said that mile after mile was made in the extraordinary time of fifty-eight seconds per mile.

The other day 780 Icelanders arrived at Montreal from Quebec, and proceeded for Manitoba. They were on the whole a fine looking, clean and able bodied lot of people. There were also on the train 215 English and Scotch emigrants, most of whom proceeded to Ontario.

The steady emigration to Manitoba and the North-west this season will aggregate a large increase in the population. At the same rate of accessions, along with natural growth, the census of 1881 will show that the new provinces contain a population ranging among the hundreds of thousands. So mote it be.

—There is now little reason to doubt that Mellor, the absconding Montreal jeweller, set fire to his premises a few days before his sudden departure, and that finding that the insurance money resisted he gathered together his stock of jewellery and left for the other side. He has been made to give up $4,000 worth of jewellery, which he had with him, and another lot valued at $3,000 has been found in Montreal. But where the remainder is is not known.

—A druggist and M.D., of Almonte, named Wm. Hanover, has been fined for selling liquor without a license. His defence was that being both a doctor and a druggist, he had a right to prescribe liquor in whatever quantities he pleased. On the other hand the chief witness for the prosecution swore that he did not consult Hanover as a doctor, and that he did not know when he bought the liquor that he was even a druggist. No sympathy is felt for the defendant.

—A new and destructive pest has attacked the turnip crop in some sections of the Province, it is not the fly or flea hopper, which only attacks the plant in its early rudimentary stage, which is now past. A farmer in the township of Blenheim states that as he proceeded to single out his crop lately he found large patches, several yards in length, cut down in drills, apparently as if the root had been eaten across by a cut worm. These plants are entirely destroyed, and the same effect has been noticed on several other farms.

—The Guelph Mercury says: "After all the bright prospects of a bountiful wheat harvest the moist and hot weather following each alternately during the past two or three weeks has caused many wheat fields to rust very badly. Soules wheat has suffered most and Fife next. The great fall in coal and iron, and the material reduction in the price of labor, produce little or no effect as regards any revival in the demand. In the great manufacturing districts of the country, now that the means of cheaper production are more available at reasonable rates, the opportunities of utilizing them have for the time vanished. The working capital which, in consequence of these circumstances, long since sought some more profitable employment, gradually accumulated at the centres, and found its way by degrees into convertible securities; but a great deal of this surplus wealth has been reconverted and absorbed of necessity during the many months that have elapsed since the departments of industry referred to have fallen into a state of unprofitable inactivity. When capitalists are making little or no profit it becomes necessary to draw upon the capital itself. The wage-earning class must be fed and clothed, and when earning nothing they are a direct loss to the community. Many unsound elements are to be got rid of before the existing stagnation can be followed by a return of healthy and prosperous trade.

Liverpool Grain Trade.

The *Grain Circular*, of Saturday last, reviewing the trade for the past week, says there has been a further depression in the value of wheat in consequence of the rapidly maturing crops here, and the favourable reports from abroad. Customers resume operations to the narrowest compass. The demand has been extremely limited, and the prices of English and foreign have receded fully 1s. per quarter, as well at the markets as at the chief places of import. The number of cargoes on the coast have been reduced by sales and withdrawals to 38. Fair qualities are scarce, but inferior are difficult of sale, and prices are irregular. Trade at this and neighbouring markets has been dull and inactive, although sales of considerable English have been effected at 2d. decline. Maize of good quality has been steady. Imports of all articles have been moderate. At this market—It seems that the Grand Trunk and Great Western Railway companies carry passengers from Detroit to Toronto at lower rates than they carry passengers from Toronto to Detroit. This is another example of the many burdens which Canadians have to bear. If they send any of their productions across the lines they are required to pay a higher rate of customs duty than is paid on American productions coming to Canada. And if they desire to cross over themselves they are required to pay a larger railway fare than is exacted from Americans coming to Canada.—[Toronto Telegraph.

—All the railroads passing directly through the western portion of the Province appear to be running their trains at racing speed. The other day the Canada Southern Railway express made the trip from Detroit to Buffalo in unprecedented time, which was immediately beaten by an express on the Grand Trunk. Now we hear of a special on the Great Western limitating the rival roads. They left Suspension Bridge at 4.57 p.m., and after making several stoppages, which consumed 48 minutes, arrived in London at 1.57, doing 119 miles in two hours and thirty minutes.—[Woodstock Review.

—When Sir John A. Macdonald was convicted out of his own mouth of the Pacific Scandal, the proceedings were not pushed to their legitimate conclusion out of a feeling of pity for the fallen statesman—a leniency, it may be remarked, which has been ill requited. It was held at the time by many that a wrong was done to the country by allowing the matter to drop where it was left. No consideration of compassion for an individual was allowed in the famous case of Lord Bacon to save "the greatest, wisest, meanest of mankind" from the punishment his acts of corruption so richly merited; it being held that the moral welfare of the country must have paramount consideration. It is now suggested that the incomplete investigation into the Pacific Scandal should be taken up at the next session of the House of Commons and a judgment passed in accordance with the finding of the High Court of Parliament. Whether or not this will be done remains to be seen, but that it is competent for Parliament to re-open the whole matter is not subject to question.—[London Advertiser.

—The Goderich Signal exposes one of the leading protection fallacies, namely, that a protective tariff on grain would benefit our home producers and prevent so much of the supply for our mills being drawn from the United States. In Goderich and elsewhere in Canada there are extensive flouring mills, which consume large quantities of American grain, mixing it with Canadian, and grinding it, not only for the home market but for exportation. The Turkeys on the other side, have hitherto not been injured by the free importation of western grain, but on the contrary benefitted, as all their grain has found a ready sale at the Goderich mills, which were built to a great extent to manufacture American wheat, which can be laid down cheaply on account of the water carriage. Protection would only cripple these mills and would divert a very extensive trade from this country. The fallacy of the protectionist reasoning on this point is that its advocates fail to consider that the exports of grain and its products far exceed the imports, thus generally falling in with the delusion that every import of grain draws so much from the pockets of Canadian farmers.

—Rev. Archibald Gillies, a Presbyterian minister, formerly of Canada, but now located in Virginia City, Nevada, writes to a contemporary advising Canadians to stay away from that region. Stories of "bonanzas" are very fascinating, but when they have any connection with Virginia they are false. Fifteen hundred decent idle men are there to-day, and from the amount of extra work now going on, it is certain that within a few weeks many hundreds more will be thrown out of employment. The local papers are candid enough to advise laborers to get away if they can. For those who are at work the position is not pleasant. They have to perform seven days' labor, there being no recognized Sabbath, and the penalty for conscientiousness being dismissal. One dollar in Canada is worth four in Nevada. Mr. Gillies has conferred a favor upon such Canadians as are easily enticed away by fine stories. The fact is that no country is better than our own, and few are so good. Men must work for a living anywhere, and here they are tolerably sure of a chance to work if they are willing. That is more than can be said of most parts of the United States, and much more than can be said of Nevada.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

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Produce.

The English markets have been completely "busted," to use a common but vigorous expression, but the situation is encompassed by so many uncertainties out of the ordinary run that it is impossible to speculate with any degree of probability upon the prolongation of this state of affairs. This uncertainty prevents any but strictly necessary transactions.

Barley.

Farmers in this section have commenced cutting Barley, and should fine weather prevail the next week or two the yield will not only be large but the quality and color will be first-class. The prospects of anything more than an ordinary price for barley do not at present appear good.

Great Depression of Trade in England.

In a recent article on this subject the London *Times* says;—"The course of events in the business world since the great failures of 1873 demonstrates pretty clearly that the unsoundness which was brought to the surface in the commercial eruption of last year was only a portion of that which must be swept away before the trade of this country, can be said to have again returned to a healthy and profitable state. Wherever inquiries are made the results are the same. Where prices of produce do not fail they are supported in many cases by operations which yield little or no profit, and are simply engaged in rather than do nothing, and that there may be at least some show of activity for the sake of the credit of those concerned. Month after month the Board of Trade returns show that the country is buying more than it sells. In the produce markets prices have been falling almost interminably as regards some articles for years, while in every department profits have declined to a minimum, and the stagnation that prevails crushes out all spirit of enterprise. Besides a large number of mercantile houses which have great difficulty in holding their own, while in many cases it is much worse, there are many public companies whose business is practically gone. There are finance companies with nothing to finance; banks avowedly established to float foreign loans for foreign governments, whose credit, if not actually gone, has fallen to so low an ebb that further borrowing is out of the question, are out of their wits' end to scrape a dividend together. Mercantile commission business has suffered so severely that some houses are known to be winding up their affairs. Discount business has shrunk to such small proportions that efforts are made, as usual, to earn profits by speculations in securities, which have resulted in one or two cases already in the necessity of making a call to avoid a deadlock and its inevitable consequences. The great fall in coal and iron, and the material reduction in the price of labor, produce little or no effect as regards any revival in the demand. In the great manufacturing districts of the country, now that the means of cheaper production are more available at reasonable rates, the opportunities of utilizing them have for the time vanished. The working capital which, in consequence of these circumstances, long since sought some more profitable employment, gradually accumulated at the centres, and found its way by degrees into convertible securities; but a great deal of this surplus wealth has been reconverted and absorbed of necessity during the many months that have elapsed since the departments of industry referred to have fallen into a state of unprofitable inactivity. When capitalists are making little or no profit it becomes necessary to draw upon the capital itself. The wage-earning class must be fed and clothed, and when earning nothing they are a direct loss to the community. Many unsound elements are to be got rid of before the existing stagnation can be followed by a return of healthy and prosperous trade.

Toronto Cattle Market.

BEEVES.—The market was not oversupplied, and with more enquiry from the eastern sections, a slight advance was established in prices. We now quote first-class $4 50 and $4 75; second-class $4 and $4 25, and third-class $3 50 and $3 75. Sales include one carof corn-fed, averaging 1,400 lbs., at $4 75; four cars averaging 1,200 lbs., at $4 50; two cars, averaging 1,100 lbs., at $4 25; three cars, avera