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York Orrery and vote early at the Bazaar to-night for either Mr. Mackenzie or Sir John A. Macdonald.

PERS. The J. M. N. & Gillette circus ponies, Gross, 1, 2, and 3, at R. Easton's.

THE WINDSOR COUNCIL would allow the reporters to sit at the clerk's desk. Hard on the clerk.

A MEETING of the medical association was held at the Benson House Friday last. Among other subjects discussed was how to manage the ornithorhynchus safely.

HAIR DRESSING. Louis' hair dressing establishment still takes the lead. All work satisfactory. Give him a call. Next door to P. Grant's and nearly opposite the Benson House.—936-1.

RECOVERING. "Bill" Montgomery is improving steadily under Dr. Fisher's care. He is now receiving three glasses of good old rye per day, and will soon be well entirely.

WHAT LOTS OF GOODS R. Easton sells. He was at Toronto again yesterday, 20th, buying stationery, etc. Splendid note paper, without envelopes, cheap as quality. 938-2

CHEAP. Mr. J. P. Dundas invites attention to a large importation of American and Canadian grey cottons, purchased at exceptionally low rates, and which he offers at low prices.

WINDOW POLISH. Mr. S. Perrin is manufacturing a superior window polish which will clean anything this weather for ever. Just applied to harness, it removes mud and grease, and produces a polish that does not penetrate to the leather, thus keeping it soft. Call and see it at the Inspector of Leather and Hides' office, Lindsay.

THE Mechanics' Institute Concerts will get under way with a bang on Monday next, when Mr. Sims Reeves and the fisherman will appear on the platform without fear of the police.

TO MEET. By a change in the arrangements with Bobcaygeon steamers the latter place will be reached in the morning, getting to Lindsay about noon, and returning in the afternoon. Special trains will run at convenient hours in our metropolis for the accommodation of those business men who do not wish to be away from their offices all day.

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THE TOWN BELL.—On and after Monday, Feb. 14th, the Town Bell will be rung every morning, Saturdays excepted at 8.45 a.m., for the convenience of teachers and pupils attending schools.

WESTERN CORN.—C. L. Baker will receive in a few days a large consignment of Western Corn for feed, meal and seed there being three different grades. The order was given some time ago but there is delay owing to the difficulty in getting Grand Trunk cars. 936-2.

CONCERT.—We understand Harris's Orchestra intend giving a concert a week from to-night, Feb. 16th. They deserve a crowded house, and we trust they will have one. A first-class programme will be prepared, in which a number of leading local amateurs will assist.

WINTER APPLES. C. L. Baker having sold all his imported stock of 1,700 bbls of choice apples besides large quantities purchased on the local market, begs to inform his customers that he is expecting daily another car load of assorted Winter apples of the most popular varieties. The consignment will come via Suspension Bridge, and is well secured from frost, and will be sold at the lowest possible rates.—936-1

PERSONAL. At the annual meeting of St. Andrew's church, London, the other day, the salary of Rev. J. Hogg, or Murray was increased $200, making $1,200 in all. The Cobourg *Sentinel* says "Mr. P. Hartnett and family left here for Lindsay on Thursday last. Having purchased a farm near there he proposes to settle there permanently. The best wishes of a large circle of friends go with him." Rev. James Douglas, Presbyterian missionary to India and brother of the Messrs. Douglas, of Cambray, has arrived safely at Calcutta, and preached there with great success. Mr. Cotton, Governor of the Hudson Bay Company is in town.

CANADIAN PRESS BY-LAWS. At a meeting of the executive committee of the Canadian Press Association held the other week in Toronto, the by-laws were revised and some important amendments introduced. Nomination of candidates for membership, must, in future be made in writing to the Secretary at least a month before the annual meeting for submission to the Executive. The admission fee is also to be raised to $5, which includes the entrance fee for the first year. The annual fee remains at $1. The executive committee is to meet again, probably in May, to make arrangements for the next annual excursion, which will be over the Intercolonial to Halifax.

FIRE PROTECTION. In connection with the letter on this question elsewhere printed attention should be given to the subjoined comments of the Canadian Insurance Advocate on THE SUN'S account of the late Osborne Hose-fire:—"One would think from the account of The Post that the Lindsay firemen had a very short supply of hose or they could not all have congregated at one hydrant, while there was another in sufficiently close proximity to the fire to be made available. It would be unfair and unjust to accuse Lindsay of parsimony in this respect, but true economy consists in adopting the means to the end required, and the money spent is wasted, unless that end is attained; so that the money saved by withholding the necessary apparatus is an exceedingly injudicious economy. Lindsay, however, is very far ahead of most of the towns in Canada in its provisions for extinguishing fires. We hope that the town of Lindsay will not be laid upon our towns and villages generally, *but will set the people thinking of the probable results of a fire with the means at hand in their own places.*"

SUMMER OR MIDLAND RAILWAY. The dissatisfaction that has for some time existed among the Midland Railway employees on account of irregularity in payment or in many cases prolonged non payment of wages, culminated in a strike all round on the line last Monday. Most of the men went down to Port Hope to place the case before the president, Mr. Bogel, who promised to do everything in his power to meet their views. A special meeting of the Port Hope council was held and a deputation from the men explained the state of affairs, and the men received expressions of sympathy from the councillors, who also acted in an orderly manner. During Monday and Tuesday none but mail trains passed over the road, and on Wednesday all trains were cancelled. Wednesday afternoon the strike was settled, the men returned to work, and trains yesterday came along regularly as usual. The men received two month's wages in full, a regular pay day to be established on the 1th of each month; the six months in arrears are to get two months' pay on the 1th March next, instead of one month, and all arrears are to be paid by the 30th June next. The inconvenience caused here by the irregularity of the mails and the stoppage of the trains showed what a great advantage it is to have a railway.

THE CATHOLIC BAZAAR. The town hall has been a great centre of attraction during the week, owing to the bazaar being held there by the ladies of the congregation of St. Mary's. It has so proved a great success in every respect. The ladies with the assistance of many friends, have been able to make a magnificent display, creditable to their skill industry and taste. The hall has been handsomely decorated and suitably arranged for the occasion, so that everything is convenient. The ladies and gentlemen engaged in the work deserve great praise. The principal receipts will come off to-day and evening and we anticipate a larger attendance than usual. An exciting contest is anticipated for the silver headed cane which is to be put up for voting competition, as a present for Sir John Macdonald or Mr. Mackenzie. Up to going to press Sir John was ahead, but Mr. Mackenzie is bound to win, at least that's the opinion of his admirers. A number of gentlemen have made valuable contributions, as follows: Mr. C. Baker, handsome drawing-room table, value $50; Mr. G. H. Bertram, silver cake basket, $35; Spratt & Killen, chest of tea, $25; Mr. Jas. Hamilton, combination plow, $25. Several superior oil paintings contributed by the ladies are also deserving of special mention and will no doubt find a ready purchaser. Numerous staple articles are for sale at moderate prices. The post box is a mechanical contrivance to secure and the pictorial post card will run it. A post office for the reception of missives of importance and otherwise is well patronized by the agents of the late Osborne House fire. One would think from the account of The Post that the Lindsay firemen had a very short supply of hose or they could not all have congregated at one hydrant, while there was another in sufficiently close proximity to the fire to be made available. It would be unfair and unjust to accuse Lindsay of parsimony in this respect, but true economy consists in adopting the means to the end required, and the money spent is wasted, unless that end is attained; so that the money saved by withholding the necessary apparatus is an exceedingly injudicious economy. Lindsay, however, is very far ahead of most of the towns in Canada in its provisions for extinguishing fires. We hope that the town of Lindsay will not be laid upon our towns and villages generally, *but will set the people thinking of the probable results of a fire with the means at hand in their own places.*

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## LOCAL NEWS-LETTERS.

### MANILLA.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

GOOD TEMPLARS.—The officers elected in Orchard Lodge, I. O. G. T. No. 633 for the ensuing quarter are as follows:—J. Lake, W. C.; A. Williamson, V. T.; A. Clarke, W. S.; W. Wyte, W. F. S.; A. Coons, W. T.; J. Jewell, W. M.; W. Moore, W. I. G.; W. Harding, W. O.; J. Cooper, P. W. C.; J. Coone, W. A. S.; S. McLean, W. D. M.; A. Moore, W. R. H. S.

RAILWAY STATION.—The station on the Whitby and Lindsay Railway is now completed and there is a good grain market established in Manilla in consequence. ORANGEMAN STODDARD.

### LONG POINT.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

I. O. G. T.—At a regular meeting of the Long Point Lodge, No. 230, the following officers were duly installed:—President, Bro. D. McPhail; Vice-President, Sis. M. McNish; Secretary, Bro. J. Haygarth; Treasurer, Bro. G. Haygarth; Lecturer, Sis. Louisa Elliott; Councillor, Sis. M. Haygarth; Chaplain, Sis. H. Cunningham; Financial Secretary, Sis. D. Myers; Marshal, Bro. T. McNish; Guard, Sis. S. McNish; Sentinel, Bro. T. McNish; Past-President, Bro. W. H. Myers. As there are some people in the neighborhood who are ignorant of what the first letter of each officer stands for this is the reason we give them in full and we hope they will not take the same meaning out of them this time that they did once before.

A MEMBER.

### BELLEVILLE.

DUNKIN IN PRINCE EDWARD. A very animated campaign is being carried on in the neighboring county of Prince Edward by friends and opponents of the Dunkin Bill. The cause of the contest is the submission to the ratepayers of a by-law for the repeal of the by-law under which the Act in question was applied to Prince Edward voting upon which will take place on the 20th inst. It seems probable, judging from the evertions made by both sides, that the vote will be close.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT. While Mr. Peter Lobarge, foreman in Gilmour & Co.'s shanty, Loughboro, was engaged in chopping a tree on Monday last, it fell upon him, breaking his right thigh bone and crushing his shoulder and breast in a terrible manner. He was taken to his home in Tweed. His recovery is doubtful.

### WOODVILLE.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

SUDDEN DEATH. An unfortunate man named John Brown, a plasterer who came here a few months ago, died suddenly in the bar-room of the Northern hotel on the evening of the 31st ult. A coroner's inquest was held on the following day, when the jury returned a verdict that the deceased had died from natural causes hastened by intemperate habits. The deceased was about forty years of age, and as far as known had no relatives in this country. He was supposed to be from London, England.

PRESBYTERIAN. A *pro re nata* meeting of the Presbytery of Lindsay was held here on the 3rd inst., for the purpose of disposing of a call from the congregations of Kirkfield and Victoriaville to the Rev. D. D. McLennan, of Luther, in the Presbytery of Sungeen. The call was received, sustained and ordered to be transmitted.

### ORILLIA.

CURLING. Mr. J. McCosh won the Millar gold medal by a score of 18 shots. It has to be won two years in succession by the same person in order to entitle them to final possession. Mr. Pace was the winner last year. Mr. McCosh was also winner of the "Pace Silver Cup." The return matches with Lindsay, Peterborough and Port Hope will come off shortly.

A RUMOUR that small-pox has broken out in the Asylum is without foundation.

PEARLS IN OYSTERS. A gentleman of this town bought four cans of forty cent oysters at George Tite's, in which there was two pearls valuedat 85 each. He got a bite.

THE ASYLUM. Thirteen idiots were removed from Kingston to the Orillia asylum last week, under charge of Dr. Wallace. There are now 138 patients in the institution—76 males and 59 females. There is little doubt that the asylum will have to be enlarged in the spring. Already it has been found necessary to refuse several applications for admission.

### OTTAWA.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

CONCERT. The concert in aid of the Episcopal Parsonage fund, Friday evening in the Bradburn Hall, proved all that could be desired in programme and financially. The several performers did their part well. Rev. Mr. Harris occupied the chair and Mrs. Roberts presided at the piano.

COLLISION. A collision resulting in the shaft or pole of a sleigh, running into the breast of a horse, and severing the artery occurred opposite D. Bowman's house, Tuesday evening. The injured horse, the property of Mr. Frank Ewing, is still living.

LYCEUM CONCERT. The Emily branch Agricultural Society by a vote of 5 to 1, declined to appropriate $300 to the Lyceum Concert Fund. It is to be hoped that better counsel will prevail and that Emily alone will not be deprived of a delegate by its own action.

SAWING. A grand Presbyterian Soiree takes place this month.

CHAIR STRIKING is the latest church development. The document signed is lengthy, but the point at issue is so small that we credit the inability to see it to *bonsenni* comes in apprehatedly enough.

### CAVANGTON

(Correspondence of The Post.)

PRESENTATION. Mr. Coxworth was presented with a purse and Mr. McLean with a number of valuable books last Wednesday evening by the members of the Canada Presbyterian church as a small token of appreciation to them for conducting the singing in the church. Dr. Gillespie, on behalf of the congregation, made the presentation, accompanied by a suitable address. Messrs. Coxworth and McLean made appropriate replies, thanking the members and adherents for their valuable presents.

LICENSE TRANFER. The hotel keepers and a few others interested in the liquor traffic of this county held a convention at the Queen's hotel, Lindsay, last Monday, when it was determined to form associations, and hold public meetings immediately in various parts of the county in opposition to the action of the Dunkin Act, in order to have the bill defeated on the 27th inst. What success they will have is very difficult to predict but we hope that the promoters of the act will be fully prepared to meet their opponents.

CONCERT. A musical and dramatic entertainment in aid of the building fund of "All Saints' church, will be given in the town hall on Tuesday night, commencing at eight o'clock. As the programme is an unusually excellent one, a large audience is anticipated. Admission as usual.

### CAMERON.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

REVIVAL SERVICES. The Rev. Mr. Potter is holding revival services in the Methodist church, and is meeting with some encouragement in his work.

LITERARY. Cameron is going to have a literary society.

ACCIDENT. One day last week two children of Mr. Josiah Perrin's were playing on a bed when one of them fell and broke his arm.

LODGE. The following are the officers installed in Cameron Lodge, U. T., for the ensuing quarter:—Pres., Bro. Wm. J. McLaughlin; Vice-Pres., Bro. M. J. McLaughlin; Sec., Bro. A. Eyres; Treas., Sis. H. Downer; W. L., Sis. C. Todd; W. C., Sis. S. Sutton; W. C., Bro. S. Todd; W. F. S., Bro. J. Graham; W. A. S., Sis. E. Mayhew; W. M., Bro. H. Todd; W. D. M., Sis. M. J. Graham; Guard, Sis. M. Todd; S., Bro. H. Eyres; P. P., Bro. M. Switzer.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—The Cameron Branch of the Bible Society held their annual meeting on the evening of Friday, 2nd inst. Mr. P. Northcott occupied the chair, and called on the Rev. Mr. Ross, Agent of the Society, who delivered a very eloquent and interesting address on the origin, object and present usefulness of the Bible Society throughout the world. The officers of last year were unanimously re-elected with the addition of Mr. George Wilson to the committee in place of Mr. Cundal, who has removed from the village.

### LITTLE BRITAIN.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

PAINFUL ACCIDENT. Mr. G. Lewis, proprietor of the machine shop here, met with a serious accident last Saturday. While endeavoring to adjust a part of the machinery which had become disarranged his left hand was caught and badly lacerated. It is hoped the wound was carefully attended to by Dr. Vrooman it will be some time before Mr. Lewis can have the use of his hand again.

A MAN OF "MARK." Mr. Joseph Mark, who has been a resident among us nearly all his life, has disposed of his property here and moved on a farm in the township of Cartwright. Mr. Mark was an obliging neighbor, a good citizen, and a useful member of society, having filled several offices of trust with advantage to the public and credit to himself. His departure from among us is much regretted and he carries with him the best wishes of all his acquaintances.

SCHOOL REARRANGEMENT. There appears to be a hitch among the trustees of our school with regard to the building of the new department. It is hoped in the interest of the school that the difficulty whatever it may be will soon be adjusted, and that the business will be proceeded with at once, as this is the most favorable season of the year for placing the building material on the ground.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Bible Society will be held in the Christian church on the evening of the 12th inst., at the hour of 7.30 p. m. The Rev. W. M. Rose, agent of the Society, will attend the meeting and will preach in the same place on Sunday, 11th inst., at the hour of 10.30 a. m. I understand Mr. Rose is a very popular speaker, and a good house is expected.

### FENELON FALLS.

(Correspondence of The Post.)

CHANGES.—Our "City Fathers" have made some changes in the staff of officers of the corporation. Mr. Lockhart has resigned the Clerkship and Mr. Jas. Cameron has been appointed in his stead. Mr. Thomas Foster has resigned the office of chief constable and Mr. P. Kelly has been appointed at a much less salary.

A DISAPPOINTED HORSE DOCTOR.—Our ex-reeve, Mr. J. W. Kennedy, who "wore" a black eye a day or two, has brought the valiant horse doctor of Lindsay, who gave him the black eye, to grief, at least to pocket grief. He first brought him from Lindsay and fined him; then the doctor brought Mr. Kennedy to Lindsay to fine him in return, but failed and had the privilege of paying all the expenses as well as paying Mr. Kennedy's expenses attending the commands of Commodore Crandle to stand his trial.

PINES.—"Doctor" Miner who was fined a short time ago for practicing without registration, was again brought before Messrs. Lockhart, Dickson and Davis, J.P.'s, for assuming the title of doctor, contrary to law, and fined $20. He appealed and furnished bail as security.

INCENDIARISM.—On the evening of Monday, 5th inst., about half-past ten o'clock, a fire was discovered under a house used at present as a grocery store, by Mr. McFarlane, a boot and shoe shop by Mr. Finn, and a dwelling by Mr. Corbeau. It was put out by Mr. G. Nie and T. Lockhart, who had just quit work in the flour mill. They found a box containing punk, shavings, paper and saw dust. Circumstantial evidence points towards Mr. Alex. Dewart whose store adjoined the premises and on Tuesday on the information of Mr. Jas. McArthur, the owner of the building set on fire, the Reeve issued a warrant for Mr. Dewart who appeared at 2 o'clock, p.m. of the last named day. After a careful examination by his worship the Reeve and Messrs. Lockhart, Junkin, Naylor and Fell, Mr. Dewart was ordered to stand his trial. He, however, was liberated on bail. [We are very sorry to hear of this and trust Mr. Dewart will be able to explain the case satisfactorily.]

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.—The fourth annual Sabbath School Convention of the township of Fenelon and Fenelon Falls was held in the Presbyterian church here Wednesday. The meetings were well attended and very lively interest appears to be taken in the subject.

LUMBER. Smith & Co's sale of lumber yesterday was closed because prices ran too low.

## LINDSAY CENTRAL EXHIBITION.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF DIRECTORS.

The annual meeting of the Central Exhibition directors was held at the town hall, Millbrook, on Wednesday last. There was a large attendance from the interior, caused by the stoppage of trains on the Midland can be attributed the absence of a number of delegates. The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock by the President, Mr. J. Foot.

On motion of the President, Messrs. Carnegie, Scowdon and Powers were appointed a committee on credentials.

The committee retired and after an absence of an hour reported the following delegates duly accredited:

West Northumberland—M. Winters, Rice Carruthers and Geo. Cockburn.

East Peterborough—F. Birdsall and T. Blizard.

West Peterborough—Jos. Walton, Rev. V. Clementi, Jas. Campbell and J. Carnegie.

East Durham—R. Bowden and E. A. Powers, Thos. Harrison and John Foot.

West Durham—S. Wilmot and S. Borden.

South Victoria—J. Connolly, W. L. Russell, J. Deacon and Thos. Thompson.

North Victoria—James Stuart.

Peterborough Horticultural Society—John McLelland and Geo. Baillie.

Scotch, &c.—W. S. Dean and Geo. Fitzgerald.

Messrs. Isaac Preston, jr.

Hope, &c.—Rue Dixon.

Hamilton Alex. Newton and J. Westington.

Cavan—W. H. Sowdon.

Lindsay Horticultural Society—Thos. Beall.

Otho—J. T. Delph.

Verulam—P. N. Murdock.

On motion of Rev. V. Clementi, seconded by Mr. Carnegie, the report was adopted.

### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

THE PRESIDENT then delivered the following address:

GENTLEMEN DELEGATES.—You have been called together to perpetuate and promote the interests of this Association. Two years ago, when the first meeting took place in Peterboro' for the purpose of organization, it might have been deemed an experiment, but subsequent events have proved that it was conceived in wisdom, and the success which has attended all its movements so far must be very gratifying to the advocates of the scheme. It has been the means of bringing the agricultural community for many years past that the small local societies were inadequate to their requirements, and I think you will agree with me in asserting that this and kindred associations meet these requirements. The advancement which your Association is making is, I think, a guarantee of public favor. A comparison of the first two years of our operations must surely be a pledge of future success. The committee, in offering the sum of $2,500 to be competed for at Peterboro' thought they were very magnanimous, but the great success which attended that exhibition gave them so much confidence, that, in making up the list for Port Hope, they added $1,000 to the former list. The sum paid for premiums at Peterboro' was $1,746.55; at Port Hope, $2,527.75, a difference of $780.50, justifying the committee in their act of faith. The meeting at Port Hope was certainly a success, especially as to the exhibits, surpassing the Provincial Exhibition in many of the classes. Perhaps the financial results were hardly equal to the other departments. This was owing no doubt to the unfavorable state of the weather. Had the elements been more favorable, probably more would have visited the exhibition. With regard to the accommodation on the grounds at Port Hope, I feel it my duty to state, on behalf of the local committee, of which I was a member, that they exceedingly regret that they were not equal to the exhibition in doing what they did, they thought they were making ample provision for everything, but the shower far exceeded their expectations that there was not room enough and to some local committees in the future will learn a lesson from this. The rule of your association, making it obligatory for the localits in which the show is held to provide the necessary accommodation, makes it a little burdensome on the local societies, but this programme must be continued for the next two years at least. Having taken a very brief review of the past, let us look a little to the future, and I hope in doing so I may be pardoned if I break new ground, and run a little off the "line of beat," as an old sportsman would express it. I think, or at least I am led to think, that we are too much inclined to look upon the exhibitions as the "Peterboro Central Fair," or as "the Port Hope Central Fair" instead of the Exhibitions of the Central Association No. 5 of Ontario. Hence some little local jealousies have arisen, and reflections have been indulged in, more or less calculated to mar our harmony. I do not wish to say anything in a sectarian spirit, but speak to suggest a few thoughts which may be worthy of your consideration in the future. The male element of the four prominent officers, from the officers of the local societies, and the short tenure of office of the Secretary and Treasurer, I cannot look upon as being the best for the welfare of the Association. As to the locals of the officers, I do not think it is at all necessary or desirable that these officers should be chosen from the locality in which the next exhibition is to be held. Experience has taught me that there are conflicting interests between the local societies and this Association, which makes it somewhat embarrassing for the President to decide between the two, when he is a member of the local committee and also a member of one or more of these local societies. You are aware that there has been more or less of fault-finding with the management of the Port Hope Exhibition, but I believe every member of that local committee did their best. They had a heavy task to get through with in the erection of the buildings and fitting up of the grounds, and when I tell you that a few individuals of that local committee have assumed the responsibility of a balance of eleven hundred dollars, perhaps you will exercise a little sympathy. It cannot be expected that the funds of the Association can be used as pecuniarily when moving the Exhibition annually, as if it was fixed in one place, especially if we have a new set of officers each year. But I have no doubt that by practising a little forbearance and good will towards each other's shortcomings, and by uniting hand in hand for the general good of the Association, laying aside local jealousies, it will be carried to a successful issue. It has been intimated by the northern press that there was a want of economy in the management at Port Hope, and that a very large sum was paid to constables, gatekeepers, and turnstile-keepers. I deem it my duty to state that a part of this expenditure was caused by the action of the Executive Committee in passing certain resolutions with respect to the night Exhibition. That after the President and secretary had appointed as many constables as they thought necessary, the High Constable made an addition to the force. By this means peace was preserved, and from the prompt and energetic action of Mr. Marshall, who is deserving of the thanks of this Association, no damage was done, and we have not been called upon to pay for any loss or damage to articles exhibited. It is possible that we may have been imposed on in some minor matters, for I find it other difficult to guard against it in these hard times. Savings may be effected when you find out how to do it. The printing is a very large item in the expenditure, and some saving might be made in this, I think. In looking over the two audits of the past, you will find that at Peterboro all the printing was done in one office, except a charge of two dollars; at Port Hope it was divided between two offices as nearly as possible, and if there had been a third, I suppose it would have had a share. But as we cannot tax their bills as they do lawyers, we have to submit to their charges. I would recommend that in future the printing be put up for public competition. Perhaps I cannot conclude this imperfect address in more becoming manner than those used by a northern reviewer: "It is to be hoped that the Exhibition at Lindsay this year will be successful, financially, as well as in other respects. These Central Exhibition, attracting competition from a wider district than the local societies can, are calculated to be of great benefit to the agriculturist and others of this section of the province. It would be a pity, therefore, if this central organization should dwindle away instead of becoming more firmly established. We hope the people of Lindsay and the county of Victoria will be slow to surpass the two exhibitions already held, and that the other societies of the district will all them liberally."

On motion of Mr. CARNEGIE, seconded by Mr. POWERS, a committee on organization was appointed.

### OFFICERS FOR 1877.

The committee retired, and after a short absence reported the following officers for 1877:—President, Mr. John Connolly, Ops; Vice-Presidents, Mr. George Cockburn, Manvers; Treasurer, Col. Deacon, Lindsay; Secretary, Mr. J. H. Knight, Lindsay; Superintendent, Mr. E. E. Powers, Port Hope, and Thos. Thompson, Ops; Executive Committee, Messrs. Jas. Stuart, W. L. Russell, John Carnegie, Jas. Scowdon, Rice Carruthers, F. N. Hepburn, S. Wilmot, J. Campbell, J. Foot, Joseph Walton, George Carruthers, Thos. Beall, Andrew, Simon Dean, C. Fitzgerald, Thos. Harrison, Geo. Cockburn, E. A. Powers, Rue Dixon, Jas. Campbell and Thos. Thompson.

On motion of Mr. CARNEGIE, seconded by Mr. CARRUTHERS, the President, Secretary, and Mr. Russell were appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer's bonds, and as soon as completed notify Mr. Harrison.

On motion of Mr. CARNEGIE, seconded by Mr. BEALL, the account of the Hamilton Tool Company, amounting to $120 for two turnstiles, was ordered to be paid.

On motion of Mr. WILMOT, seconded by Mr. FOOTE, the Committee adjourned to meet at Lindsay on the 19th of April.

## TOWN COUNCIL.

The Town Council met on Monday evening. Present, the Mayor, Reeve Russell, Dep.-Reeve Deacon, and Couns. Mann, Diament, Ingle, Ketchum, Crowdon, Heenan and Hopkins. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS.

The CLERK read communications from the following parties:—Secretary of South Riding Agricultural Society notifying the Council that the Directors did not wish further action taken upon the by-law deeding a portion of George-st. in fee simple to the Society; C. Britton, asking for a remittance of water tax, he being assessed in error; R. F. Jewett asking re-election as assessor and collector.

Mr. KETCHUM said respecting Mr. Britton's petition that the by-law provided for the watering of Kent-st., and as that street stopped at the junction of Lindsay-st. the residents on the latter facing Kent-st refused to pay the tax, notwithstanding they received the benefit. He thought that the by-law should be amended so as to include the portion of Lindsay-st. referred to; but recommend that Mr. Britton's remission be made as others had been exempted.

### SALARIES OF DEP.-RETURNING OFFICERS.

On motion of Dep.-Reeve DEACON, a by-law was introduced and passed to regulate the remuneration of dep.-returning officers and other matters respecting municipal elections.

### FINANCE REPORT.

Reeve RUSSELL submitted the report of the Finance Committee recommending payment of the following accounts:

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| Board of Education, non-resident taxes | $391 73 |
| G. H. Bertram | 75 |
| H. Woods | 9 18 |
| R. S. Porter, stationary | 3 60 |
| P. Brady, salary as caretaker fire engine, etc | 25 00 |
| Fire Brigade, two months' salary | 100 00 |
| W. A. Goodwin, polling booth | 4 00 |
| do, do, services returning officer | 7 00 |
| T. C. Patrick, amount of account | 12 00 |
| R. M. St. George, do, do | 8 00 |
| R. Cornell, services as poll clerk | 2 00 |
| W. Ball, use of hall as polling booth | 5 00 |
| J. C. Reddon, ret-urning officer | 11 00 |
| M. Sanderson, returning officer | 7 00 |
| do do use of office for holding election | 11 00 |
| T. Stewart, returning officer | 7 00 |
| A. Culbertson, use of shop-st election | 5 00 |
| G. Beaby, do do | 4 00 |
| T. Adam, returning officer | 11 00 |
| Dobson & Niblock, charity orders | 2 00 |
| C. D. Barry, printing account | 77 50 |

On Mr. Sanderson's item for rent of office for holding elections some discussion arose, owing to the Council having been presented by Mr. T. R. Adam.

Mr. THOS. ADAM, jr., was heard and stated that he had made arrangements with Mr. Sanderson for the use of the building for holding the election, which arrangement he was prepared to carry out. He would hold the Council accountable for his bill.

Mr. H. SAUNDERS said he was in possession of the building at the time and would look to the Council for payment. Thinking that the matter was either left to Sanderson's plea for putting the election in and at the former [illegible] Deacon would allow him the use of the room, [illegible] he found that the rent was [illegible] the Council, and that he would be willing to [illegible] for payment for this room for [illegible] He told Mr. Adam upon learning this that he would not agree to the proposal and would look to the Council for payment.

The bills of the dep.-returning officers were referred back from twenty to twenty-five per cent., and in some cases over two hundred per cent.—so excessive were the several charges.

On motion of Dep.-Reeve DEACON, seconded by Coun. MANN, Mr. Sanderson's item of $11 for office for holding elections was authorized to be left in the Clerk's hands, until it was decided who was legally entitled to the same. The report was then passed.

### TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Mr. JAMES WATSON was heard respecting remission of taxes on the residence of Rev. J. Hastie. Exemption was claimed from July, 1876.

Coun. KETCHUM considered the claim was made the same as Rev. Dr. Smithett's, which was refused. In his opinion both should be refused.

Reeve RUSSELL thought there was a great difference between the two cases. Dr. Smithett had received exemption on one property and he then asked for exemption on another in the same year. Mr. Hastie had taken this house after the assessment was taken.

It was suspected that Rev. Mr. Hastie should pay the full taxes, and the remission could take place afterwards.

On motion of Dep.-Reeve DEACON, Mr. Watson's application was referred to the Finance Committee.

### VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion of Reeve RUSSELL, seconded by Coun. DIAMENT, a vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. T. C. Patrick and the members of the Snow Shoe Club for the generous grant of $15 for the use of the town during the proceeds of the Snow Shoe Club concert.

### FIRE AND WATER.

Coun. KETCHUM submitted the following report of the Fire and Water Committee, which was adopted.

The committee on Fire and Water beg to report that the following articles are required for the Fire Company and recommend the purchase of the same, viz: 500 feet best rubber hose, same as that now on hand with couplings attached in the same manner as those now in use; one single hose cart, and one ladder 25 feet long. The committee would also recommend that no wooden buildings be allowed to be erected within the following limits, viz: Commencing at the intersection of Wellington-st. and Cambridge-st., then southerly along the east side of Cambridge-st. to the north side of Russell-st., thence easterly along the north side of Russell-st. to the west side of Lindsay-st., thence northerly along the west side of Lindsay-st. to Wellington-st., thence westerly along the south side of Wellington-st. to the place of beginning. Also commencing on Ridout-st. at the intersection of Lindsay-st., thence easterly along the north side of Ridout-st. to Mill-st., thence northerly along the west side of Mill-st. to the river Scugog, thence westerly along the south side of the river Scugog to Lindsay-st., thence southerly along the east side of Lindsay-st. to the place of beginning, nor within the distance of 210 feet of the said limits inclusive of streets in any direction.

### CHARITY GRANTS.

The MAYOR submitted a statement of the charity expenditure from the beginning of the year amounting to $50.

Mr. MURPHY was heard respecting the destitute state of a Mrs. May, who occupied a house belonging to him and was unable to pay the rent. He had made a deduction of $1 per week and asked of the Council to contribute the balance—$2.

Reeve RUSSELL gave notice of a by-law respecting obstructions on the public streets to be submitted at next meeting.

### APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

On motion of Dep.-Reeve DEACON, a by-law appointing the municipal officers for the year and fixing the salary for each was submitted. The Council went into committee, Coun. Duffus in the chair. The following appointments were made:

Town Clerk, Clerk of Police Court and Treasurer, J. B. Knowlson, salary, $800.

Chief Constable—John Douglass, salary, $600.

Assessors.—B. F. Jewett and John O'Connell, $100 each.

Collector.—B. F. Jewett, salary, $200.

Auditors.—Messrs. E. Flood and M. Sanderson, salary, $30 each.

Sanitary and Street Inspector and Fire Warden—J. C. Rodden, salary, $100.

Dep.-Reeve DEACON urged the creation of the offices of Street Inspector and Fire Warden as being extremely necessary, particularly the latter, and he defined the duties attached thereto.

Coun. HOPKINS considered if this officer was to have regular stated periods for inspection, or was he to be allowed to do as he liked. He considered the duties of a street-inspector should be performed by the Chief Constable.

Dep.-Reeve DEACON thought a report should be made once a month. As far as the street inspection was concerned he considered the work would be done more efficiently by an officer specially appointed for the purpose.

The motion passed.

Caretaker of pump house.—P. Forbert, salary, $25.

Caretaker of Firemen's hall and engine.—F. Brain, $34.

On motion Mr. JEWETT was heard respecting an increase in his salary as collector. He said he spent two months in the year collecting the poll tax for which he received no remuneration. The first year he held the office of collector he received $10 for collecting this tax, last year the salary had been reduced. He complained that the times were harder now and there was an increase of trouble in collecting, and asked that he be allowed $30 extra.

Dep.-Reeve DEACON asked the amount of poll tax collected.