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LOCAL MISCELLANY.

ROUND TOWN.

THE ARMY WAS victorious. 'Tis well. BOXING DAY was quiet—only one case.

LINDSAY RIFLE ASSOCIATION. Mr. G. H. Bertram will deliver an address before the members of the Lindsay Rifle Association in their rooms on Monday evening.

OUR CARRIERS. THE POST carrier boys wish to return their thanks for the very liberal donations made them on New Years day. They have ever been liberal in all the luxuries wealth can supply.

CORRECTION. Last week the typographers made Mr. D. C. Trew appear as New, and the week before in the police report Hessian Keenan should have been Henry Keenan, as was obvious.

ALARM OF FIRE. A burning chimney in Mr. Holford's cabinet shop on Kent st. was the cause of the fire alarm sounded Monday night about 9 o'clock. No danger was felt and the fire was allowed to burn out.

LINDSAY CURLING RINK. The Lindsay Curling Club opened their new rink on Russell street on Saturday last. The ice is in good condition but as yet the heating and furnishing of the waiting rooms are not completed.

ENGLISH SPARROWS. For some time past we have noticed quite a number of English sparrows about town. The little foreigners should be well fed during the present weather and they now be certainly colonized and take up their their abode with us.

VICTORIA SKATING RINK. This rink opened for the season on Monday evening, when no charge for admission was made. The ice was good and the building has been greatly improved in appearance and comfort. It promises to be again the leading attraction of the winter.

BIRTHS. The notice for election of trustees of the Port Hope Public School was written on a half-sheet of note paper and posted up in the various wards. The intelligence and enterprise of the Board must be fully equal to that of an ordinary primer class and that is saying a good deal for them.

THE FARMERS. The Stratford *Beacon* has established a new department specially devoted to rural affairs and conducted by a practical agriculturist. The first column contains many items of interest and will surely try our editorial energy. The idea is a capital one and we have no doubt will be heartily appreciated by the *Beacon's* numerous readers.

THRESHING MACHINE ACCIDENT. We regret to learn that on Friday afternoon last, Mr. W. H. Wilson, a young man of 22, son of Mr. John Wilson, of Ops, met with a serious accident at the residence of Mr. John Kennedy's, Fenelon, near the Bobcaygeon road. He was standing on the horse-power, driving the horses, when in trying to knock some straw out of the way he slipped and fell on the power. One of the arms caught his leg and it was broken in two places. The unfortunate young man was at once conveyed to the house and Dr. Bethune was immediately called. The broken leg was reset the other day and the patient is progressing fairly nicely.

PERSONAL. Mr. J. Baldwy, of Montreal, is spending a month's holiday in Lindsay, which is the locality of his birth. We find in the Toronto *News* of the following paragraph referring to Mr. C. Rubidge Dunsford, who has many relations and friends in this town and who is the son of Mr. A. H. Dunsford, late manager of the agency of the Bank of Montreal in Fergus, is the manager of the Bank which, by buying out the Ontario Bank, has become the largest financial institution in Toronto. Mr. Dunsford's old residence in Fergus is made many warm friends, who will deeply regret his removal from amongst them on account of the closing of the Fergus agency, but who will be glad to know that he is being promoted to a more important position. Mr. Dunsford is everything that could be desired in a bank manager, and the entire business men of Toronto will gladly welcome such a courteous and popular gentleman." Mr. Jas. H. Dunsford, now a resident of Belleville, was here on a visit to his friends. We learn that he has resigned his position in the Bank of Montreal and intends going into business on the Western States. Mr. A. P. Devlin has returned to Lindsay and improved generally after his few days' visit from business.

SHOVINES. The holidays are over and those who a week ago revelled in turkey now go back to salt pork in other words they pass from Turkey to Greece. "How to dress" is being discussed by our exchanges. The Kingston *Whig* says the most sensible way is to be in bed until the fire is started and then take your clothes and trot out to the dining room stove. Sensible.

AN EGG-LAID. A very neglected horse was tied out Friday morning opposite Farmer's dry store. He doubtless had heard of the strength giving qualities of the Dominion Condition Spice and was in search of them. The discovery, however, was made too late and other horses should profit by the warning. Monday evening last a telephone entertainment was held at Petersburg when the sweet and melodious tenor in Mr. Dan Crandell's residence was heard with great distinctness. Those boys who persist in skating on the river on Sundays should send in their ages and parentage to the editor that we may have no unnecessary trouble in getting up a first-class obituary notice.

THE FRONTIERS. A friend has shown us a book published a quarter of a century ago in which mention is made of the "verbal telegraph," by which it was proposed "to communicate verbal intelligence in a few moments to vast distances and thought by symbols as in the ordinary telegraph, but in distinct articulate sounds uttered by the human voice." The plan is said to have originated with an Englishman according to whose experiments the human voice may be made intelligible at a distance of twenty, five or thirty miles." The idea is similar to that of the telephone, and but it is significant that the author dated Nov. 10th, 1875, giving Mr. Knight the promotions in the Public Schools, be so far rescinded by substituting the name of Mr. McNeil, to perform said duties.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Fee, seconded by Mr. Irwin, that the managing committee be instructed to build an ash house at the Union School.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Wray, seconded by Mr. Keith, that Robert Hardings be re-engaged as caretaker of the North Ward School, and E. A. Birchard, as caretaker of the South Ward School, at a salary of $40.00 per annum each. Also that E. A. Birchard be re-engaged as caretaker of Miss Peplow's room, at a salary of $20.00 per annum, and that their duties be under the direction and subject to the approval of the managing committee.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Irwin, seconded by Mr. Wray, that Mr. Grace vacate the chair and that Mr. Cornell take the same.—Carried. Moved by Mr. Heap, seconded by Mr. Fee, that the thanks of this Board be presented to Mr. Grace for his very able and impartial conduct in the chair during the past year. After a few remarks from Mr. Grace the meeting adjourned.

S. S. CONVENTION Tuesday and Wednesday.

S. S. CONVENTION.—The annual meeting of the County Sabbath School Association, will be held in the Methodist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday next. The programme gives promise of more than usually entertaining proceedings. A good attendance is particularly requested at the day services.

A NICE CONSTABLE.—An Omemee constable named Eastlick came to Lindsay a few days ago after Wood, the man who struck down Hamilton with the sling shot. He found his man, but in place of taking him in custody, both got on a spree and were for two days loafing about the bar rooms. The mother of the law returned home and said he could not find Wood. Steps have been taken to have this man dismissed from office.

FATHER STAFFORD'S OPINIONS CONCERNING DRINK.—We copied recently from a Guelph paper the subjoined letter from Father Stafford to a friend in Guelph, and are requested to state that the letter contained a clause supporting the indemnification of hotel-keepers for losses they might undergo if their business was to be closed up: "I am daily becoming more and more fanatical—not against the abuse—the whole world is against that—but against the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. I think the use that is made of strong drink in our day and everywhere among our people, is a mistake. I think we would be better, happier, more comfortable, richer, better educated, better physically, morally, socially, politically, and religiously better every way—much better—altogether without liquor than even with a little of it. I do not think there can be found the shadow of the shade of the semblance, even, of one good reason why the use of liquor should be tolerated, as it is at present. Even the medical profession is becoming more and more against it every day—at least, the leading men in that noble profession. They are prescribing liquor less frequently and with more caution, such as they observe in the prescription of other powerful drugs. But even if the whole profession recommended its use medically, I, as a clergyman, from my point of view, and on account of the dreadful effects it has on the immortal part of man, would say to the sick 'don't take it.' It is doing too much harm to both body and soul. Don't taste it. I would not risk one immortal soul for all the good to be got out of liquor. This is my view of this matter and there is no fanaticism about it; there is no exaggeration in it; to exaggerate you must go beyond the truth, in this case such a thing is an impossibility, for the very simple reason that you cannot get at the whole truth. No tongue can tell the evils caused by strong drink, because they project into eternity."

DRAINING LAKE SCUGOG.—A correspondent propounds in the *Globe* what the Port Perry *Standard*—an authority in these matters—considers a another new and novel, if not unique and model, scheme for draining Lake Scugog. We reproduce the plan in order that our readers may keep posted on a matter of so much interest:—"Now, I would propose a scheme by which the lake may be completely drained without depriving either the adjacent localities of the water carrying accommodation, or the machinery now in operation of the water power by which it is at present driven. To save the water power, the cut to drain the lake must be kept to a side, and in no way interfere with any of the mills, mill dams, or water courses for the use of the machinery now in operation, and to supply the carrying surface at all points around the lake, a level canal to be made, of a proper width and depth, according to the requirement of the trade to be carried on at each particular place; the surface of the canal to correspond in level with the present surface of the lake; to receive all waters now falling into the lake, and carrying them into the River Scugog, which would be unchanged in its level; all the landing places to be connected with the canal, and in the level of their water would suffer no change whatever. All the wet lands now around the lake, and all the corners of the lake left on the outside of the canal, could be rendered quite dry by being drained through underneath it. The cut for the drainage would require to be as deep as to drain the lowest ground on which the lake now stands, and would receive all the drainage from the reclaimed lands and all small streams now running into the lake and not received into the canal. A long time ago I was connected with the application of this principle on a small scale, which was perfectly successful."

LINDSAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The High and Public Schools of this town re-assembled on Monday last. Although we have not previously adverted to the examinations taking place at the end of last term it affords us pleasure to know that in many of the rooms more than ordinary interest was manifested and that the attendance was larger than usual. The interest perhaps culminated at the last examination in Miss Peplow's school on Cambridge-st., where the proceedings were of a most pleasing character. Most of the resident clergy were present at the various examinations and contributed much by their encouraging and spirited remarks. Principal Dobson expressed the hope to see still larger attendance at coming examinations and rejoiced to note the manifest growth of public sentiment in regard to the education of the youth. He augured well for the schools of Lindsay placed as they are under the supervision of a competent and accomplished teacher, the Principal of the Model School, and expected to see a decided move forward in the coming year. We are glad to see a growing determination of the teachers to work up our schools to what they ought to be, and hope that the new measures adopted will be productive of the best results.

PRESENTATION.

At the close of the examinations in Miss Peplow's room on the 21st ult., an elegant silver-chased jewel casket, the gift of the teachers and pupils, was presented to Miss Opperton. Mr. Dobson made a brief speech on behalf of the donors, and alluded in felicitous terms to the harmony and success that had characterized the labors of Miss Opperton during the three and a half years she had presided over the department of music and drawing in the Union School. He spoke of the affection and respect accorded to her by her associate teachers and the pupils, and hoped that the slight memento of these happy relations, then presented, would long remain with her as a pleasure and a joy and a *souvenir* of busy and well spent hours. Rev. Mr. Smithett replied on behalf of Miss Opperton in felicitous terms. On the succeeding day Miss Opperton also received a present of a pair of handsome silver napkin-holders from the pupils of Mr. Irwin's division of the Union School.

LOCAL NEWS-LETTERS.

DOWNEYVILLE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

THE "DOWNY'S MYNT" of the late Father Coyle will take place here on the 16th instant.

OPS.

CARD OF THANKS.—Mr. David Walker wishes to thank the electors of Ops for placing him at the head of the poll, giving him the largest majority ever polled by any candidate for the Council.

SONYA.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

BUSINESS IMPROVING.—We were glad to observe on Monday (31st Dec.) that the store and blacksmith shop had a much business on hand—both being very busy. This is as it should be, and will be, if we had only that beautiful snow that so many are longing for. Farmers desire it to get out; storekeepers and mechanics to get in payments, and all wish to hear the merry tingle of the sleigh bells, or the voices of the sleighing parties.

OMEMEE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—The following are the officers of the I. O. district lodge of Emily, elected for the ensuing year:—W. D. M., Gabriel Balfour; D. D. M., James Halbert; Chaplain, Rev. Jas. Norris; Secretary, John Shaw; Treasurer, G. A. Norris, M. D.; D. of C., Jno. Elliott.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—Mr. Thos. Stephenson and Mr. Wm. Davidson were unanimously re-elected school trustees on Wednesday.

RUNAWAY.—Mr. Haggart, of Emily, was thrown out of his cutter Monday near Kerr's hill through a runaway. The cutter was afterwards broken to pieces.

PERSONAL.—We are pleased to see our friend and former townsman, Mr. A. Thornton, now of Milnestown, Pa., spending a few days respite from duty in town. He looks well.

THE Church of England concert comes off on Wednesday, the 23rd inst., in the Coburn Hall.

SOCIAL.—A Presbyterian social takes place in Ops under the direction of Mr. W. R. Mills and Mr. Nugent at the residence of Mr. Amos Jones, on Wednesday evening, the 23rd inst. The entertainment, musical and festive, will be good. Driving parties will leave the village about 6 o'clock.

ANNIVERSARY.—The Methodist missionary meetings take place in Ops on Tuesday evening next, and at Omemee on Thursday next at 6½ p. m.

PENETANGUISHENE.

DROWNED.—Joseph Pequan, blacksmith, aged about 28, from River du Loup, in the employ of the Georgian Bay Lumber Company, was drowned on Severn River, one mile north of Port Severn, on Friday. His body was found on Sunday.

PORT HOPE.

A GHOST.—We have a ghost at last an dare on an equal footing with Brighton. It was seen on New Year's night on Cavan street, and assumed the form of an able-bodied loafer with two sticks of cordwood on his shoulders. N. B.—The "Brighton ghost" has been seen about here frequently of late.

MUSKOKA.

SOMETHING NEW.—Mr. W. Hollingshead informs the Huntsville *Forester* about a cure for whooping cough that has proved very effectual in his family. He takes the fore and hind quarters of common house mice, broils and feeds them to the patient. Necessity was in all probability the father of this discovery.

COBOURG.

A LITTLE GAME FOR THE TRAMPS.—The Street Inspector, Mr. James Clarke, has received instructions to set any tramps who apply for shelter, at work on a quantity of quarry stone south of the market.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.—Three men tried to "burgle" Mr. T. Battell's store house on Christmas Eve, but the noise awakened a neighbor who appeared on the scene and the burglars decamped.

FENELON FALLS.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

GRANGE SOCIAL.—The members of Ops Grange, No. 378, held their inaugural social in their hall on the 11th ult. of Ops, on Friday the 4th inst. From about two o'clock until half-past three in the afternoon great crowds of Grangers might have been seen driving toward the Grange Hall, where the rest of the afternoon was spent in social chat and amusement, until about five o'clock, when a splendid tea was served in first-class style by the ladies of the Grange.

BOBCAYGEON.

NARROW ESCAPE.—Mr. James Crowley last week met with an accident which was nearly fatal. He was crossing Pigeon Lake, late at night, on the ice. He broke through and had a desperate struggle for his life. After a very hard battle he managed to reach a pier, which had been built out in the lake, with a view to construct a steamboat landing. He succeeded in getting on the top of it, and as it was some distance from the shore he had to stay on the pier all night, and was rescued from his perilous position in the morning. He was much exhausted by the long exposure, but fortunately the night was not very cold.

RIVER OF THE LOCKS.—Great difficulty has been experienced in making the chamber of the locks sufficiently water tight to pump it out. The rock bottom is broken by numerous fissures, and through these fissures the water leaks with a rapidity that defies the efforts of the pumping apparatus. Coffer dams have been put in at various points, but as yet without effect. Two more powerful pumps are now being erected, and other arrangements are being made which it is hoped will prove effectual. While these preparations are being made the water will be let into the canal and the grist mill will resume work.

LITTLE BOB [BRIDGE.—The Joint Committee appointed by the Councils of Victoria and Peterborough visited Bobcaygeon on Wednesday, and after inspecting the new bridge at Little Bob, reported most favorably regarding it.—Inspecting is one thing rumors or reports which may have been in circulation.—[Independent.

FENELON FALLS.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

FIRE.—About 4 o'clock Sunday morning a fire broke out in the bar-room of the Victoria Hotel, in this village, owned by Mr. Wm. Routly, and occupied by Mr. John Brokenshire. The cause of the fire is unknown, and a considerable time elapsed between the alarm being given and the breaking out of the flames, and the house was so filled with smoke that scarcely anything was saved. The whole pr...ises, together with a log blacksmith shop owned by Messrs. Long Bros. and occupied by Mr. Jerry Concamon, was totally destroyed. Mr. Concamon got everything out of the shop. A pretty hard fight was required to save Mr. Sandford's premises adjoining Green and Ellis's office and Mr. J. D. Smith's place on the other side of the road, but it was done. The little force pumps procured by the Council for fire protection were there, one occupied the roof of some eight or ten first-class men at the fire for about half an hour and would not work after all. The other was in the keeping of Mr. Wm. Campbell and was ready for use when it got there, and it was the means of saving Mr. Sandford's premises. If the other had worked the large barn attached to the hotel might have been saved. The man who had it in charge deserves a vote of censure. The hotel has always been a roughly kept house.

THE ELECTIONS in the village this year have been the tamest affairs since incorporation, nobody seeming to care anything about them. The poll stands, Cunningham, 136; Power, 103; Junkin, 101; Austin, 85; Cochrane, 43; and Burley, 41;—the first four being elected.

A BRUTAL FATHER.—One day last week a man named John McIntyre in this village, while in a drunken fit got enraged at his wife and children because they asked for bread, and abused his wife and some of his children and finally took one little one three years old by the foot and swung it around his head and threw it against the wall, causing considerable injuries. Constable Kelly took the brute to the lock-up and then before Mr. Reeve Dickson next morning, when he was ordered to contribute to the roads and bridge fund of the village or 20 days in Lindsay gaol, which was light enough punishment.

COLD.—Monday morning at 7 o'clock the thermometer stood at 24° below zero.

[By Telegraph.]

BAD ACCIDENT.—A boy about sixteen years of age named McCall, nearly cut off his foot yesterday in Greene & Ellis's Mill.

PARALETIC STROKE.—One of the Fletts, of North Verulam, had a paraletic stroke yesterday.

ARM BROKEN.—Wm. Jordan, second son of Mr. Wm. Jordan of this place, had his fore-arm broke this morning in two places.

KIRKFIELD.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

FIRE.—Our village was last Thursday evening about 6 o'clock thrown into a state of wild excitement from the fact that our grist mill, owned by Mr. A. Clifford, was discovered to be on fire. It was shut down and the hands went into supper after having left to all appearance everything in safe condition. The fireman on emerging from the house saw a small flame issuing from the roof of the engine room immediately surrounding the smoke stack. The cry of fire was at once raised and people rushed in great haste, but in less than ten minutes the flames were beyond all control notwithstanding the most powerful efforts of the workers, at this time so rapid had been the progress of the fire that nothing could be rescued from the mill but one pair of scales and that only at the hazard of being burnt. Over two thousand bushels of prime wheat, a great quantity of flour and several articles were consumed and in less than an hour what was once a flourishing business, a great help to the village and a source of profit to the proprietor was a smouldering heap of rubbish and ashes. Great sympathy is felt for Mr. Clifford as he is very popular and is left penniless, there being no insurance. Lively interest is manifested for the rebuilding of the mill, both on his own account and from its loss to the community. It has always given great satisfaction and its loss is felt most keenly. A meeting was held the week evening regarding the granting of a bonus and over $500 was subscribed in less than one hour, and this by the villagers alone, excepting one or two farmers from the country. We calculate that over $1,000 will be put down in less than a week. A bonus was given before, but it will be many times larger this time, as on the last occasion people were experimenting as to their future benefit, but now it is an acknowledged fact and neither money nor work will be withheld. Kirkfield always goes hand in hand to help their neighbours and themselves and this time it will rise superior to itself in every previous undertaking of a similar nature. We expect to see the mill again doing a flourishing business inside of two months from date. Mr. Clifford's loss is about $8,000. His insurance run out a short time ago unawares to himself.

SNOW has come at last. It was much needed. Thermodes were almost impassable and business as a consequence almost at a standstill. If sufficient falls trade will flourish without doubt.

ARGUMENTS.—Balls, weddings and shooting matches were the order of the day during the holidays. At our public houses and social gatherings and at our private residences everything passed off harmoniously, and we all feel like entering upon the duties of the new year with renewed vigour and activity and wish with hearty good will the proprietor of THE POST and its numerous patrons the compliments of the season.

BUILDING.—The addition to the brick school house is now complete making six of two rooms from end to end. The building, a very tasty and commodious dwelling house near the corner of King and Nelson streets. A new sidewalk is about to be built and although the times are hard, our village is still on the onward march.

MANILLA.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

RETIREMENT.—On account of ill health our citizen Mr. A. McFadyen, blacksmith, has retired and leased his business to Mr. Archibald Campbell.

MATRIMONIAL.—We understand that marriages are to be fashionable and common around these parts, immediately on the commencement of the new year. Happy new year to all concerned. But don't forget to use a little printer's ink on the occasion—it will only cost 50c. and $1.50 for subscription to THE POST for 1878. You could not begin at a more favourable time either housekeeping or subscribing, or both.

SKATING RINK.—Could none of our go-ahead speculators see the necessity and that there is money in it of getting up a skating rink either in the village or within easy distance.

CHURCH DEDICATION.—The fine new R.C. Church at Black's or Carmichael's, on the 12th con., Mariposa, was formally opened and dedicated to the worship of God on Sunday, 23rd Dec., by Rev. W. Joliffe, of Bowmanville, President of the Conference. Mr. Joliffe preached two eloquent and impressive sermons morning and evening. On Monday Rev. S. Joliffe, of Lindsay, preached on "Worship God"—the discourse being eloquent and effective and highly appreciated. A bountiful tea was then served in the style for which the people of Mariposa are celebrated, after which appropriate addresses were delivered by Rev. A. Schuster, Rev. C. Kenner and Rev. S. Joliffe. From the statement read it appeared that the church cost $1,800, and it was decided that one-third of this sum should be raised after tea and all being in capital humour this was done, Rev. Mr. Schuster himself subscribing $60. Mr. Schuster has laboured with great zeal and energy and is deservedly highly esteemed. He is to be congratulated on the success attending his labours. The service closed with the benediction.

[Crowded out last week.]

ONTARIO COUNTY.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS.—A crowd gathered on one of our principal streets, last Friday afternoon, to witness a woman thrashing her husband. She was a mighty defender of "Woman's Rights" and cloaked the male individual cleverly.—[Chronicle.

WHITBY'S AMBITIONS.—"An Old Resident" writes to the Chronicle:—"We must now strengthen and support Mr. Holden in his efforts and plans to advance our prosperity. We have the railway interests to watch and foster; the extension to Haliburton and then to the Upper Ottawa, with a branch from Manilla to Beaverton, there to connect with the Midland for Orillia, Georgian Bay, and the Muskoka district are surely questions of the first, yea, vital importance, to Whitby. Then the harbour, the question of its future owner—Whether by the town of Whitby, for our advantage and profit, or by a private Company, must necessarily be determined the present year. And again, we have the Iron Works in continue, a source of wealth to any country. Will Whitby have smelting works or not! must now be decided. These several questions, with the consolidation of our debt, and the consequent yearly reduction of our taxes, are all demanding thoughtful and intelligent consideration. Therefore, I repeat, it is now our bounden duty to support and strengthen our new mayor. Let us give him a worthy and business-like council to advise and assist."

TEACHER FENED.—H. Baxter, Public School teacher, Brougham, was fined $1 and costs last week for striking one of his scholars on the head. Four J.P.'s had three sittings on the case before the decision was given.—[From what we know of Mr. Baxter we do not think he would be harsh or cruel; but he hit on the wrong end.

THE MAILS TO LINDSAY.—The whole community, which this matter effects, have to thank our energetic townsman, Mr. James Holden, for the part he has taken to secure this benefit to us. He went to Ottawa and had a personal interview with the Postmaster-General and laid our case before him, pointing out how unfairly we had been dealt with in regard to our mails. A Post-Office Inspector was then sent to visit the country and report what could be done to remedy the matter, and from what he reported, together with Mr. Holden's statement, Hon. Mr. Hunting-don saw the necessity of making a change which has resulted in our now having a complete and satisfactory daily mail with the northern section of this county and the town of Lindsay.—[Gazette.

PETERBOROUGH.

DUNKIN ACT IN APSLEY.—The voting on the Dunkin Act in the municipality of Burleigh, etc., took place last Friday in Apsley. The by-law was defeated by a majority of 10; the vote being—Nays, 88; Yeas, 78.

PRESENTATION TO MR. GALLETLY.—On Christmas Eve Ir. D. D. Galletly was presented with an address and a purse containing $50 by the congregation of St. Paul's church, of which he has been for a number of years Precentor.—[Examiner.

SERVING A CHILD WITH LIQUOR.—Joseph Brault was up before the police magistrate on the 29th ult., charged with selling liquor to Hervey O'Connor, a child under the age of 16 years.

HANDSOME CHRISTMAS BOX.—The voluntary Christmas contribution in St. Peter's church for the Rev. Mr. Lynch, amounted to the handsome sum of $424.

COSTLY ACCIDENT.—Mr. Jas. Brealey, of Monaghan, recently lost a valuable horse and buggy by a runaway accident.

VANDALISM.—A disgraceful occurrence took place in Lakefield on New Year's Eve. During the absence of Dr. Bell and family, some parties entered his house by an upper window, and proceeded to turn everything upside down. Having accomplished this, they extinguished the fire in the coal stove, causing the destruction of the Dr.'s valuable collection of flowers.

ANOTHER RAILWAY WAR.—Last Thursday morning a large crowd headed by the leading magistrates and representatives of the assignee, proceeded to the steam saw mill of Messrs. R. C. Strickland & Co., Lakefield, to prevent the Midland Railway Company removing a quantity of cordwood which the Company were taking away and which they claim was purchased before the firm became insolvent. A great deal of bluster and bravado was indulged in on the part of the crowd. Some were for tearing up the line; some for throwing piles of lumber across the track; but the only act of violence done however, was that one of the said magistrates drew a draw pin from some cars which were in motion. After a good deal of "spouting" the mob dispersed. The men resumed work in about an hour.—[Lakefield News.

HEROISM.—On the evening of Christmas Day two sons of Mr. Aaron Nichol, of Smith, about twelve and thirteen years of age, saved their uncle, Gardner Nicholl, from drowning. A correspondent who was an eye witness to the heroism of these two boys, says that Peter succeeded without assistance in drawing his uncle out of the water, making wise use of his skates and a pole; his brother in the meantime carrying him poles, &c. It occurred in Mud Lake, opposite the Indian village.—[Review.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A MINISTER.—Rev. J. M. Roger, who for forty-two years has been pastor of the Canada Presbyterian Church in this town died suddenly Tuesday evening. Mr. Roger was one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of this community and his sudden death is much regretted.

POLITICAL ARRANGEMENT.—The correspondent of the Bob. *Independent* writes as follows:—"The rumour goes that the two political factions in this riding have arranged matters between themselves, and that Mr. Scott will be returned to the Provincial parliament and Mr. Bertram to the Dominion Parliament, without opposition. A very good arrangement, for both are good men, and do credit to our town." This is to be taken with some allowance.

A HIGH-TONED CANDIDATE.—A "15th amendment" citizen of the neighboring Republic was nominated for the office of Mayor of the town of Petersburgh against Mr. Toole. The joke was heartily enjoyed by the ratepayers, but Mr. Toole could not see any humour in it, notwithstanding that he prides himself on being a representative of the citizens, and in his indignation threatened to resign. The "culled person," however came to the rescue of his dignity by withdrawing from the field:

—The Chatham market fees for 1878 were sold to Mr. James Churchill, for the sum of $2,057.50.

—The Cleveland *Ledger* says that if there is a drop of American blood in Osman Pasha he will lecture.

—At Houston, Texas, a white man was fined one dollar and costs for saying to a passing mulatto girl he would like to kiss her.

—A movement is on foot in Montreal for the migration to Manitoba of a band of Protestant settlers—forming a small community by themselves.

—Stratford exports threshing machines to British Columbia, which of course proves that the country is British Columbia is not high enough.

—A North Carolina man has been tried three times for stealing a five-cent spool of cotton, at an expense to the public of about $300, and isn't convicted after all.

—Advices from the Cariboo mining district of British Columbia continue most favourable, new quartz lodes being daily struck, and the rock is of singularly uniform character.

—The Peruvian Government has made a contract with a shipping firm to supply, at least, fourteen thousand Chinese immigrants per year for five years.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

LINDSAY.

The municipal elections passed off quietly as is now the rule under the ballot. In the evening there was a little demonstration and a bonfire. We are pleased to see Col. Deacon elected Mayor; and regret Mr. McLennan was not elected Reeve. Mr. Russell will probably go in for the Wardership again, and if that "reaction" is to take place, as our Conservative friends confidently expect, it will be an easy step from our chair of state at Lindsay to the Speaker's throne at Ottawa. The world is, however, full of disappointments, as we know from some recent events in Mariposa. A good Council, has, on the whole, been chosen, and we trust they will all have due regard for economy and efficiency.

FOR MAYOR.

		Crandell.	Deacon.
North Ward—	Div. No. 1	22	37
	Div. No. 2	27	63
	Div. No. 3	51	37
South Ward—	Div. No. 1	31	53
	Div. No. 2	28	48
	Div. No. 3	41	62
East Ward—	Div. No. 1	14	39
	Div. No. 2	23	73
Totals		239	318
Majority for Deacon			59

FOR REEVE.

		McLennan.	Russell.
North Ward—	Div. No. 1	26	35
	Div. No. 2	32	56
	Div. No. 3	43	46
South Ward—	Div. No. 1	31	55
	Div. No. 2	28	48
	Div. No. 3	41	62
East Ward—	Div. No. 1	14	39
	Div. No. 2	32	73
Totals		248	413
Majority for Russell			170

FOR FIRST DEPUTY REEVE.

		Cooper.	Winters.
North Ward—	Div. No. 1	29	31
	Div. No. 2	69	21
	Div. No. 3	54	33
South Ward—	Div. No. 1	57	25
	Div. No. 2	46	27
	Div. No. 3	74	28
East Ward—	Div. No. 1	32	13
	Div. No. 2	67	28
		428	207
Majority for Cooper			221

FOR SECOND DEPUTY REEVE.

		Diament.	Fee.
North Ward—	Div. No. 1	27	33
	Div. No. 2	46	41
	Div. No. 3	33	46
South Ward—	Div. No. 1	54	32
	Div. No. 2	45	28
	Div. No. 3	55	41
East Ward—	Div. No. 1	34	13
	Div. No. 2	55	50
Totals		349	287
Majority for Diament			60

COUNCILLORS.

NORTH WARD.

	Div. 1.	Div. 2.	Div. 3.	Totals.
Flavelle	33	79	45	160
Pogue	42	54	45	141
Ingle	47	84	64	195
Keith	29	40	40	100
Hamilton	30	61	29	120
Walter	19	16	35	70

Messrs. Flavelle, Pogue and Ingle elected.

SOUTH WARD.

	Div. 1.	Div. 2.	Div. 3.	Totals.
Spratt	64	90	67	221
Silver	55	52	69	106
Taylor	72	56	85	213
Osborne	36	33	28	97
Sutherland	17	29	41	78

Messrs. Spratt, Taylor and Silver elected.

EAST WARD.

	Div. 1.	Div. 2.	Totals.
Pilkie	31	82	113
Heenan	34	71	105
Cahill	34	69	103
Bryans	21	45	66
Growden	23	40	63

Messrs. Pilkie, Heenan and Cahill elected.

MARIPOSA.—Reeve, Bowes, 293; Irwin, 220. 1st Deputy Reeve, Adams, 265; McCrevie, 87. 2nd Deputy Reeve, Foster, 213; Mark, 358. Councillors, Broad, 337; Fee, 236; Lownsbrough, 310.

—This was a very bad defeat in Mariposa, but the election of Mr. Irwin is due to much bitterness of feeling known to the people of the township, and not to the Reeve-elect's popularity. Mr. Irwin will now be on his best behavior and he has ability enough to make a fair municipal representative. The other Councillors can keep him in check.

OPS.—Reeve, John Connolly, by acclamation; Deputy-Reeve, James Bryans, 206; Morrison, 192; Bryans elected by 17 maj. Councillors, D. Walker, 276; J.P. Fitzpatrick, 216; A. Clark, 183; Peter Fisher, 153; Jas. Mitchell, 135; Wm. Graham, 134; Wm. J. Logie, 116; John Calvert, 49; Messrs. Walker, Fitzpatrick and Clark elected.

BOBCAYGEON.—Reeve, George Bick. Councillors—S. W. Crabtree, William Snowdco, E. Bottum, and John Aitkin.

EMILY.—Reeve, Thos. Stephenson, 313; Wm. Best, 98; majority for Stephenson, 217. Deputy Reeve, John Bailey, elected by acclamation. Councillors, William Adams, 243; Dennis Scully, 206; Wm. Miller, 164.

OMEMEE VILLAGE.—Reeve, Capt. W. H. Cottingham. Councillors—John English, John Kincaid, N. R. Lang, and Geo. Lamb.

FENELON.—Reeve, Daniels, 217; Fieldhouse, 184. Deputy Reeve, Downer, 259; Coats, 116. Councillors, Isaac, 206; Smithson, 237; Willock, 277; Moynes, 189; Palmer, 61.

VERULAM—Reeve, C. Fairbairn. Deputy-Reeve, J. L. Read. Councillors, A. Ellis, A. Walker, and Wm. Thurston.

DYSART.—Reeve, Alex. Niven. Councilors, S. Thompson, W. Dugan, A. Quarry, and W. Smith.

PORT PERRY.—Reeve, J. Wright, by acclamation. Councillors—C. Dawes, W. Kennedy, J. Rolph, and Currie.

PETERBOROUGH.—Mayor, W. Toole, by acclamation. Councillors—Ward No. 1, T. Cahill, J. R. Ormond, and W. McBain; Ward No. 2, H. H. Smith, W. Paterson, Jr., and T. Rountree; Ward No. 3, A. Rutherford, W. Yelland, and J. Douglas; Ward No. 4, D. Carlisle, W. Miller, and H. Dennie.

THORAH.—Reeve, John A. Proctor, 244; N. F. Paterson, 150; majority for Proctor, 85. George F. Bruce, elected Deputy-Reeve by acclamation. Councillors, James Chalmers, 247; Charles Galloway, 229; Robert Bruce, 224; elected. George Sutor, 173; Thomas Treleaven, 108.

The election did not cause much excitement. The only contest was for the Reeveship. There were five Councillors were elected by a large majority.

LITERARY NOTICES.

THE FORTNIGHTLY REVIEW.—We have received the December number of this able magazine, reprinted in Canada by Belford Bros., Toronto. The contents are: Mr. Gladstone on Manhood Suffrage, by Robert Lowe; the Republic and the Marshal, by Frederic Harrison; Humming Birds, by Alfred R. Wallace; Dr. Newman's Theory of Belief, by Leslie Stephen; Political Dissent, by J. Guiness Rogers; Florence and the Medici, by J. A. Symonds; Hell and the Divine Veracity, by Lionel A. Tollemache; Has India Food for its People, by H. J. S. Cotten; and the usual review of Home and Foreign affairs.

—"It is a duty to save the immense loss we all sustain by the ruinous system of giving credit," say Messrs. D. O. Bricker & Co., of Port Elgin. Farmers can now get cash for all they have to sell, then why not pay cash for all they buy, and save themselves thousands of dollars annually? In 1875 we adopted the cash system in our business, still, by giving a little credit now and again to certain parties, we have been drifting slowly back into the old foggy plan again; this must be stopped; we now know the difference between the two ways, and have come to the conclusion that it is impossible to sell on credit and at the same time do justice to the interests of cash buyer, the credit buyers cutting up our profits."

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

OFFICE OF THE CANADIAN POST,
LINDSAY, Jan. 10th, 1878.

Business and Produce.

Business was improving with the advent of sleighing, but the thaw and rain yesterday may give another dull week; it is hoped, however, more snow will come. The deliveries of grain were heavy the last few days. The larger markets have had a downward tendency which will be increased by the armistice between the Turks and Russians.

Liverpool Grain Trade.

The following extract from a leading Liverpool grain circ