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Lindsay, Feb. 21st, 1878.

Rev. Father Stafford is going to Montreal on Tuesday morning.

Anniversary Sermons in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening next.

Choice Candies—Just arrived at H. Cheesewright's.

Lectures should take warning by the example made and the punishment inflicted by the Police Magistrate on parties loitering on the streets.

Last night of a son of Mr. Robt. McGill of Janesville, who died in the Lake Ontario, Toronto, arrived in town Saturday by express and was conveyed to Janesville for burial.

Lectures.—We are requested to state that Mrs. Skelton will some time next week be duly announced give her first lecture, "Our Boys, what shall we do with them," and "Our Girls." Mrs. Skelton is highly spoken of as a lecturer and speaker.

Strayed Heifer.—The girl referred to in our Janeville correspondence last week, who was stated had been committed to gaol for burglaring her mother, has been discharged from custody, she not being in her proper senses. The circumstances, it seems, were exaggerated.

Strayed Heifer.—We regret to learn of the death of Mr. Robert Hudspeth, which took place after a short illness incurred during his late wife's illness. The deceased gentleman was for several years Bookkeeper of the Lindsay High School, and was held in high esteem by the entire community.

The Vacant South Ward Council.—According to notice a meeting of the ratepayers of the South Ward was held yesterday for the election of a councillor to fill the place of Mr. Hugh Silver, who has resigned. Mr. Thos. H. Adam acted as returning officer, and Messrs. Jas. Flavey, John McLennan, J. T. Mann and D. G. Oliver were nominated. The polling will take place on Thursday next.

Fall of a Chandelier.—The chandelier in the Methodist Episcopal Church fell on Sunday evening last as the lights were being put out and was badly broken. The upholstering on the seats in the vicinity caught fire but the flames were promptly smothered with cocoa matting, without much damage being done. Fortunately the persons who occupied the seats under the chandelier had left the church or the result might have been more serious.

Crushed to Death.—Robert Laidlaw of this town was killed on Monday last at Cobourg whilst attending to his duties as brakeman on the Grand Trunk in coupling cars. The accident occurred at noon and death followed at 7 p.m. He was the second son of the late Capt. Laidlaw of this town, and was aged 16 years. The deceased was formerly engaged on the Victoria Railway and had only been employed on the Grand Trunk a few weeks before the accident occurred. The body was brought to Lindsay on Tuesday and was interred in Riverside Cemetery yesterday.

Missionary Meeting.—The annual missionary services in connection with the Canada Methodist Church were held on Sunday and Monday last. On Sunday sermons were preached by Rev. Dr. Jeffers, morning and evening, at each service special collections being taken up. On Monday evening the annual business meeting was held. Addresses of more than ordinary interest were delivered by Rev. Mr. Jeffery, of Toronto; Rev. Mr. Cathcart, Omemee; Rev. Dr. Jeffers, Judge Dean and Mr. H. L. Dobson. The annual report was read and the following ladies were appointed collectors for the year: Mesdames Neelands and Gregory and Misses Sadler and Woods.

Returned.—Mr. Harry Walters returned to town Tuesday last from Graytown where he has been engaged for some ten weeks in enlarging and remodelling the steamer "Wenonah" of Mr. A. P. Cockburn's Muskoka line of steamers. The vessel has been lengthened twenty feet and fitted up in good style with upper cabin and saloon. A new boiler and wheels are also being put in, the flanges for the latter are now being made at Mr. Malins of this town. The boat is now first-class in every particular and is well adapted for passenger and freight business for which she is intended. Mr. Walters has in this year, as well as in many others, shown a thorough knowledge of his business.

Presentation to Father Spratt.—Last week Rev. Father Spratt of Wolfe Island, was presented by President Langan, on behalf of the St. Patrick Society of that place with an address and a very handsome and elegant easy chair, as a testimony of the respect and regard entertained by the members of the Society for their spiritual adviser. The Rev. gentleman made a suitable reply. The Kingston *Whig* says the chair is a very pretty one, having been expectally designed for the occasion. It has been placed in the church, and, as Father Spratt says, it will be a constant reminder of the affection existing between him and his people. The Rev. gentleman's many friends in this section will be pleased to learn the high esteem in which he is held by his parishioners.

Bad Montgomery Again on his Muscle.—The punishment of a nine months' incarceration in the Central Prison has not evidently had the effect of cooling this notorious character's passion for mutilating the bodies of his fellow-men with whom he may differ in opinion. Omemee seems to be the scene of his encounters. At the fair held there some time ago he ran things pretty much as he liked, and there was not a person to protest against his actions. And again one day last week he had a "row" with one of the residents and punished him most brutally. But for all this he is allowed to go scot free, the constables and magistrates in that section not having sufficient courage to have him arrested and punished. It is time such ruffianism were put down with a strong hand.

Vennor Again.—In a long communication to the Montreal *Gazette* of last Friday, Mr. Vennor, writing on the 20th Feb., frankly admits that February's freaks have completely surpassed his anticipations and that he has failed in his forecast of that fickle month, that he is in fact completely disabuse, and he suggests the following "probabilities" for the approaching month, that is March, and as the general character of the summer hinges on this month, his "prognostications" will be read with interest even by the sceptics: "*Precipitation* on some 16 to 18 days, of which from 8 to 10 will be as *snow*, and 6 to 8 as *rain* or *rain* and *snow*. The dates upon which snow falls are probable, appear to be the 2nd or 3rd, 7th or 8th, 10th or 11th (possibly both), 21st or 22nd, and the 28th or 29th (rain or snow). The "cold dips" I would locate in proximity to the 1st and 5th days, and the 11th and 16th. Should there be rains in the force part of the month, there will be the same at its close, and the heaviest falls of snow on the medial dates. If snow at first (on 2nd or 3rd), there will be snow at its end. In either case the total precipitation will be about as given. In conclusion, I would state that upon the action of March, this year (according to my theory), hangs the character of the whole summer of 1878, for should by any means, the precipitation be below the figures already given, the weather *will be dry and intensely hot*. Or if, on the other hand, there be even greater snow and rain falls than mentioned, I should predict for the summer *cold weather and rain* throughout, with severe frosts. Hence let those eager to learn what the summer is likely to be, carefully watch the character of the entering month, and judge for themselves. When March has transpired, I shall attempt a somewhat detailed forecast of the summer and autumn of 1878.

Variety Entertainment.—Amateur entertainments of a theatrical nature are as a general rule rather flat and are poorly attended, but the exhibition of the Lindsay Amateur Dramatic and Gymnasium Clubs on Wednesday evening was an exception. The performance was deserving of the highest praise that can be bestowed on local talent and if the hearty applause of the large audience which greeted the execution of each act is a criterion, the Combination have but to announce an entertainment in the future to secure an overflowing house. We do not intend to particularize each act as the programme is to be again rendered on Wednesday evening, 27th inst. A mere outline will suffice. The drama was "Aurora Floyd," with Miss Begg in the title role, who acquitted herself most creditably. Of the other characters Miss Crowden as Mrs. Powell, Mr. O'Brien as Squire Melville, and Mr. Wilson, as "Sofer" are deserving of special mention. But without doubt the main feature of the evening's entertainment was the *debut* of the members of the Gymnasium Club. Too much credit can not be given them for the graceful and skilful manner in which they performed the various feats on the horizontal bar and trapeze. The absence of Mr. Zeigler, the leader of the club was felt, but owing to his excellent tuition, a good substitute was found in his pupils. The bar performance was by Messrs. Hanlon Bros., Cary, and Charles Jewett. The double trapeze act was by Messrs. W. Hanlon and Cary, which for daring, grace and skill in execution has never been surpassed by any company appearing here. A most pleasing feature was the sector comic singing of Master Powers, who exhibited rare vocal talent and won a rapturous encore. The negro clog dance by Messrs. David Hanlon and Lawrier was well merited plaudits. The jugglery of Master Powers was also noteworthy. The entire performance without exception showed a fund of local talent perhaps unequalled by any town in the province. The entertainment closed with a short farce entitled "Irish Justice," a severe burlesque on the mode of electing judges in the neighboring republic. The mention of a gentleman's name in anything but a pleasant connection in the farce was not at all creditable. We had occasion to condemn this action a short time ago and we trust we will not have to refer to it again.

The Curling Club Carnival has been postponed indefinitely—that is till the return of good ice.

Cheap Excursion to Montreal.—An excursion to Montreal at half fare is announced via the Whitby and Grand Trunk Railways to Montreal on March 19th and April 2nd, good for ten days from each date. The object is to enable merchants and others having business in Montreal to attend the trade sales and make purchases.

Whitby and Lindsay Railway.—The earnings for the week ending March 9 were as follows:—Passenger, $602.25; freight, $1,414.61; mails and sundries, $66.44. Total, $2,083.45. Corresponding week last year, $1,646.57. Increase, $436.88. Total traffic to date, 1878, $24,291.49; 1877, $8,111.27. Increase, $16,180.22. Very good.

The Maclaggan-Allan Law Suit.—This suit which has been before the Courts upwards of fifteen years is nearing an end. The decision of the Court of Appeal in December last was unanimous for the plaintiff, but six months time is given to the defendants to appeal to the Privy Council. The necessary deposit for bringing the case before that tribunal has been made but as to whether the appeal will be carried into effect there is some doubt. Should the appeal not be made Mr. Maclaggan will receive the damages confirmed by the Court of Appeal—$12,500.

Testimonial.—The following letter from Judge Dean has been received by Mr. George Stephenson, patentee of Stephenson's Patent Furnace, respecting the furnace recently erected in the Court House. It speaks for itself.—Lindsay, 13th March, 1878.—Dear Sir, The Court room here was formerly so cold in winter that it was not only uncomfortable, but was dangerous to health! I am glad to say, however, that since your furnace has been in operation in the Court House, the room has been at all times as warm as we could wish, and I am told too, that the quantity of wood used is now very much less than used to be consumed in the vain attempt to keep us warm. Truly yours, W. W. Dean." Parties building should make a note of the above.

Oratorio or Revival.—Prof. Tansey met about fifty of the singers of the town on Wednesday evening and spent an hour and a-half in practicing the choruses of this Oratorio which are pronounced very fine and some of them grand. We trust the singers of Lindsay will avail themselves of this opportunity of musical culture, as the drill to the several choirs and all singers is well worth their attendance at these rehearsals. Should Prof. Tansey succeed in securing the requisite number of voices which will be determined this week (and we trust Lindsay will not be behind other Canadian towns in its musical enthusiasm seeing the rehearsals are free to all singers), the public rendering of this piece, which will be in rich ancient costume, will be no doubt the finest musical entertainment of the kind ever given in Lindsay.

Splinters.—March came in like a lamb and is sticking to it like a brick.

"Taking a sun-bath," is a phrase a tonsy youth called it when discovered cleaning up the back yard last Saturday. It was a pleasant way of putting it and worthy of Tom Sawyer. A "run" was made upon the Ontario Bank by a prominent citizen the other night. He didn't break the bank; it was his nose that suffered by the shock. There was considerable boating on the river Friday and Saturday last. Such a thing as this pastime being indulged in so early in the year is seldom heard of. The pleasure derived was equal to that of a summer day on the water. Would it not be advisable to give the bend in the river above the town called the "Devil's Elbow" some attention? There is every prospect of early navigation and as a consequence a speedy return of the excursion and picnic mania. Let it come. A sure indication of spring is the return of the hotel "goods" to their favourite rendezvous in front of the house. A young married man who recently returned home at a somewhat early hour, upon being asked where he was, replied "out on a lark." The wife surmised that there were more swallows than larks about that night but with that reticence characteristic of her sex she did not give expression to her thoughts. She merely meditated a few moments and decided that in this case the back of a hair brush would answer as well as the poker and acted accordingly. The time is now near at hand when a man will spend two dollars worth of time in catching five cents worth of suckers. "Big ring" is now in vogue with the boys. Ten marbles and a piece of chalk at this period will give to the ordinary youth five times as much solid enjoyment as two dishes of Sterling's celebrated ice cream with lemon flavoring.

Police Court.—(Before J. W. Dunsford, Esq., P. M.) Tuesday, 12th March. R. Burns, charged with drunkenness, was fined $1 and costs or 10 days. Wm. Martin was brought up and charged under the street by-law with loitering at a doorway on Kent-st. and refusing to move on when ordered by constable. The Magistrate expressed his intention of rigidly enforcing the law with the view of suppressing this nuisance of idle men and boys gathering and loitering at street corners, &c., to the great annoyance of passers-by especially of ladies, but as defendant was a stranger in town and pleaded ignorance of the law, and that he had no intention of annoying any one, a fine of $1 only was imposed on him with costs, $3.50, or in default 10 days in gaol. Wm. Burke, charged with being drunk and swearing on the street, between one and two o'clock on Friday morning last, was fined $1 and costs, $3.50, or ten days. Robert Foster, of Verulam, was charged by Arthur Graham, of Emily, with assaulting him in the yard of the Queen's Hotel in Lindsay on Tuesday, the 5th inst. After hearing the evidence the Magistrate inflicted a nominal fine of fifty cents, and ordered defendant to pay costs and find sureties to keep the peace for twelve months. Joseph Howden charged the Market Clerk, Mr. P. B. McIlhargery, with breach of Market By-law, by purchasing meat or hogs himself for the purpose of retailing. After taking evidence of the purchase by the Clerk the case was adjourned till Saturday next at request of complainant in order to show subsequent sale of the hogs by defendant. Two other cases under the by-law were further adjourned for a week. The girls Jane Zufelt and Amanda Brooks were brought up and further remanded until the 19th inst. Thursday, 14th.—The "incorrigible Navey" was again up this morning for drunkenness, and sent up for her customary period of twenty-one days.

LOCAL NEWS-LETTERS.

REAZINVILLE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Grist-mill.—An enthusiastic meeting was held at Reazinville last Saturday evening for the purpose of raising funds to establish a grist mill in that village. This is much required as our numerous farmers have to take their grists to Little Britain and other mills, which is rather unpleasant. The people were unanimous in their decision and expect work to go on at once. Good luck, Reazinville, you will be a town some day.

MANILLA.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Personal.—Mrs. Skelton, of Toronto, delivered a series of lectures in the village last week. Two very instructive ones entitled "Our boys, and what we are going to do with them," and "Our Girls." Mrs. Skelton speaks with fluency and ease though a German by nativity. She was well received here.

Rev. Mr. Schuster, pastor of the R. C. Church is at present disabled from attending to his ministerial appointments by illness. We hope for a speedy recovery as he is an earnest Christian worker.

OMEMEE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Shooting Match.—The second pigeon shooting match between Omemee and Millbrook, came off at this village, on Thursday of last week. The match resulted in the defeat of Omemee by five points.

FIRST MATCH.

8 birds each.

OMEMEE.		MILLBROOK.	
Grandy	5	Kirkcoffer	5
Cottingham, W S	1	Clinch	4
Cottingham, Capt.	5	Tiffer, Dr.	1
	11		10

SECOND MATCH.

7 birds each.

Grandy	3	Kirkcoffer	3
Alport	0	Tiffen, Dr.	3
*Cottingham, Capt.	2	Palin	3
	4		9

*Capt. Cottingham shot at 5 birds only.

CAMERON.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Railway Matters.—We believe Mr. Moss, Manager of the Victoria Railway, after considering the claims made by this place has made some propositions towards building a station here on certain conditions, for which it is enough to say that they are not at present acceptable to the people of Cameron. A station at this place would amply repay the Company for all expenses. The Graingers form of land has shipped over 50 car loads of wheat on the Midland Railway all of which would have been shipped on the Victoria had there been a station at Cameron. They would also do a good freight and passenger business. If the Railway Company will make any reasonable propositions in regard to building a station, the people of Cameron will do all they can to "keep them." We are not aware of the nature of the conditions proposed but trust a satisfactory arrangement can be arrived at. It is a pity the township did not give a bonus in the best place.

Reform Meeting.—A meeting of the Reformers of Division No. 4 was held here on Thursday, 7th inst., Mr. James Walker and Mr. Joseph Eyres were appointed to represent this division at Fenelon Falls on the 19th.

PLEASANT VALLEY.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Joint Team.—During the last two weeks we have had a rather jolly time, beginning with a marriage, Miss Ann Worsley, Pontefract, to Mr. Joseph Wood, who has lately come from the United States. On the occasion of the marriage they had a pleasant party. Next was a dance at Mr. Annesley Willis' was much appreciated by the lovers of the "fantastic toe." Next in order was an oyster supper at Mr. Chambers, at which quite a number were present though the evening was unfavourable, rain coming down heavily.

CAMERAY.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Our Crow.—Your readers will doubtless remember the crow story that we gave last fall. Well, his crowship returned to Mr. Sinclair's residence last week and is strutting just the same as before his departure last fall. He is rather shy as yet with the hound with which he used to be so intimate.

Fenelon Council meets at Cambray on Saturday next. The appointment of pathmasters will form a portion of the business to be transacted. Persons wishing a change should attend.

Phrenological.—We have had a professor of Phrenology residing here for some weeks past.

Shoe-shop.—A young man from Lindsay is opening out a shoe shop here.

Sunshine.—We believe that Mr. H. Moffat and Mr. Hugh McDougall, of Cambray, intend opening a dry goods store in Fenelon Falls next week. We wish them every success.

Marriage Licenses.—Mr. H. J. Lytle has been appointed issuer of marriage licenses for Victoria and will be happy to supply those who may need these useful documents.

MILLBROOK.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Sprague is upon us notwithstanding Mr. Vennor and his almanac. The joyous singing and mating of the birdies, the cawing and itinerant wanderings of the rooks, the reviving energies of vegetable nature, and above all other indications the house cleaning and comfort disturbing vagaries of the female portion of the domestic community are the sure precursors of an early season of rural activity.

Verdancy.—A young looking unsophisticated specimen of rustic verdancy seeing the telegraph line at the station was heard enquiring "how the wimmen folks got their clothes on them high lines."

Separation of Counties.—A meeting of the Reeves of the county of Durham was held at Millbrook, on Thursday, Feb. 28, to consider the matter of passing a resolution in favor of separating this county from Northumberland. According to law such a resolution must be passed sometime in February, by a majority of the Reeves and Deputies, and, if confirmed in the next February following, the separation can be effected. There was a large attendance and all were in favor of the proposed change. Action in the matter was however postponed for one year. [Messenger.

VERULAM.

Council Proceedings.—The Council of Verulam held a meeting on Monday last. All the members present. Owing to the illness of Mr. Junkin, the township clerk, Mr. Bleck had to discharge the duties of that office. The Council expressed its regret at the cause of Mr. Junkin's absence. The principal business transacted was the appointment of pathmasters, fence viewers, pound keepers and other similar municipal offices. A deputation from the Railway Committee again met the Council. The business on which it addressed the Council was not concluded. The other business transacted was not of public interest. We have been requested to publish the following list of orders paid in 1877, but which orders were made by the Council of 1876:—Jan. 33, Clerk, $8; Clerk, $8; W. Graham, $7; A. Murdoch, $4; H. Dunsford, $5.45; Wm. Devitt, $8.50; Thos. Ellis, $8.50; Jas. Junkin, $9; J. McFarlin, $29; Wm. Lancaster, $1.50; Wm. Mann, $1.38; A. Murdoch, $9; H. Fraser, $2; C. E. Stewart, $18.54; C. E. Stewart, $48; J. H. Thompson, $3.18; R. Ellis, $4.25; E. Garlick, $1; C. D. Barr, $5.70; Clerk, $59; Registration, $1.40; Postage, $6.05; Collector, $87; Jas. Allen, $8; Assessor, $50. A. Ellis, $18; H. Booth, $15; A. Gillis, $1; Reeve, $5.50; C. E. Stewart, $28; Duggan, $4.92; Wm. Morrow, $5; J. Kelso, $4; Clerk, $30; James Dick, $60. J. H. Thompson, $3.36; John Powers, $6; C. E. Stewart, $15.10; Reeve, $24.50; Clerk, $35; H. Dunsford, $3.12; J. Moffatt, $4; John Bell, $29.50; J. W. Dunsford, $30; Wm. Thorne, $24; J. Bredin, $19.50; J. L. Read, $1.25; Jas. Lamb, $28.20; W. B. Read, $35; John Junkin, $15.25; James Junkin, $2.25; Jacob Udell, $1; total, $825.05.—[Independent.

ONTARIO COUNTY.

Fruit Prospects.—We are glad to learn from all quarters that fruit growers that the small fruits, strawberries, raspberries, cherries, pears and plums in this vicinity are likely to yield abundantly in the coming season.—[Ontario Reporter. Then vote early and often for Cartwright.

Intelligent Conservatives.—The Vindicator says a Conservative in town has a dog which has been taught to carry his newspaper for him, but that the animal will not carry the *Globe*, which is said to prove the dog to be a very intelligent one. We don't deny the intelligence, but we simply ask the Vindicator if that is the measure of the intelligence of all the Conservatives who refuse to take the Globe? It is too bad to class so many of its friends on a par with even an extra intelligent dog!—[Reformer.

Reward.—The Ontario Government has offered $100 reward for the apprehension and conviction of Geo. McCullough, who is charged with having killed Jas. Balfour, in the village of Raglan, on the 15th day of February last.

Whitby Harbour.—A bill respecting this harbour is before Parliament and the Globe's Ottawa correspondent states that an arrangement has been made between the representatives of the estate of the late Mr. Draper and the deputation from Whitby town, to the effect that the town should have the preference of purchase of Whitby harbour, the price to be fixed by three arbitrators, one appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, one by the Government of the Dominion. The Bill has been revised so as to make it legally accurate. The town of Whitby will be allowed a certain time to enable it to submit a by-law to the municipality to authorize the purchase.

Smothered.—A man named Evans was smothered somewhat mysteriously in a grain bin in Currie's elevator at Port Perry on Friday morning. How he got there, or for what purpose, is not known. He was not missed until the grain stopped running from the bin in which his body was found. When the cause for the stoppage was sought for, his feet were found fast in the passage. As soon as the body could be reached, it was conveyed to his own house. Deceased was a hard working, steady going man, and leaves a wife and family.

COBOURG.

The Reform party is being thoroughly organized in this section. Last week meetings were held in every township and committees formed. Hon. James will have a hard road to travel if he adopts his present plan of getting to Ottawa.

Illumination.—The birth of a daughter to Prof. Blain Saturday night week was celebrated by the students of Victoria College in a most enthusiastic manner. The building was brilliantly illuminated and what is popularly known as the "slope" was enacted Monday. The Prof. is evidently popular with the students.

Improve.—The Star has been enlarged to an eight page 40 column paper and is improving in every respect.

Building Burned.—A dwelling house belonging to Mr. F. J. Linch, occupied by a man named Reddy, was burned Monday morning week. Insured for $600.

The "Adelphi" society in connection with the Collegiate Institute has been re-organized.

[Crowded out last week.]

Central Exhibition.—At last meeting of the town council a petition was presented for a grant towards the erection of buildings for the coming Central Fair. Mr. Cockburn, President of the Society, in addressing the council said that the Union Agricultural Society expected to expend over $3,000 in the erection of suitable sheds and buildings in addition to those already erected on the grounds, and that they expected the same encouragement and assistance from the municipalities more or less interested in the forthcoming exhibition in Cobourg, as had been extended to those held in Lindsay, Port Hope and Peterboro. It is expected that the petition will be granted.

Suicide.—James Alexander, a farmer, residing about a mile out of Brighton, committed suicide Tuesday morning by first cutting each arm, and afterwards his throat with a razor. An inquest was held and the evidence went to show that deceased had just finished shaving. He had sent his daughter to the barn to her mother, who was there feeding a lamb. The mother sent her back for water. When she came to the door she found blood, and went back to her mother and told her that she thought her father had done something terrible. A neighbor was called, and refused to go unarmed to the house, when he found the deceased lying against the door in a pool of blood, and quite dead. Deceased for some years had been suffering from disease of the heart, and for the last few months had been very desponding. He was fifty-five years of age, highly respected, industrious, and very temperate in his habits. He leaves a wife and two grown-up daughters.

BELLEVILLE.

Fatal Accident.—Last Wednesday morning Mr. Wm. Gunn, a clerk in the freight department, jumped from a freight car on a siding upon the main line of the Grand Trunk, was struck by a pilot engine which was moving rapidly. On being lifted it was found that his legs were fearfully mangled, and his internal and external injuries were of so serious a character that he died in a few days.

PALESTINE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Revival Services are being held here in the Canada Methodist Church with very encouraging success.

Ploughing.—Some of our most enterprising farmers have taken advantage of the beautiful weather by commencing to plough.

Surprise Parties have been the principal amusement around this section this winter. About a week ago some of the youths made Mr. M. McDonald's house and Mr. McNabb's the scene of their pleasantries.

BEAVERTON.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

I. O. G. T.—The Rev. F. Chisholm, G. W. G., agent of the Order, delivered a very able lecture on "Organization," in the Orange hall on Tuesday evening. The attendance was good.

Minstrels.—A few lads calling themselves "Royal Canadian Minstrels," composed of the firm of Marlow, Mesley & Co., performed in the Alexandria Hall on Tuesday evening last. They were greeted with the audience they so well merited—an empty house.

Division Court was held on Wednesday, Judge Dartnell presiding. There were only a few cases, and none of much interest.

The Ice is breaking up on Lake Simcoe.

Ploughing.—Several farmers in this township have been ploughing this week.

Dull Markets.—There is not much grain coming in at present. The bad roads and fall in the market accounts for it.

DURHAM COUNTY.

A Fatal Mistake.—Two boys named Latimer, sons of Mr. J. Latimer, cooper, Cadmus, township of Cartwright, the elder of the boys was somewhere about thirteen years of age and the younger some ten or eleven. The boys had been complaining of late of not feeling quite well, and the mother, supposing that they were annoyed by worms, determined to administer some worm powder. On the evening of the 4th inst. the boys attended the protracted meeting now going on in the C. M. church, Cadmus, and returning home by 10 p. m., the mother went and found, as she supposed, some worm powders which had been left over from some she had bought last year. But it appears she had also some arsenic in the house, which she had been in the habit of using to poison rats, and by a fatal mistake she got the poison and administered it in place of the worm powder, the consequence was that within twenty minutes from the time the poison was given both boys died.—[Observer.

EMILY.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Spring.—"Spring, gentle spring has to all appearance come back again. Spring birds are warbling their notes and farmers may be seen ploughing to-day (11th inst.), the roads are completely broken up and instead of the "beautiful snow" and the jingle of sleigh-bells we have mud and the rattle of wagons loaded with cordwood and produce generally carried in sleighs. On the whole things look more like the middle of April than the beginning of March. Fall wheat appears to be unhurt and in some localities it is quite green. Mr. Vennor must have been predicting for Labrador, Greenland or Siberia for February and March to the present or is it only a period that man is utterly incompetent to foretell that which is hidden in futurity.

Politics.—Political feeling is beginning to run a little higher than heretofore. "When will the elections come off?" "Who will we bring out as candidate for South Victoria?" are questions that are being discussed in political circles.

SEAGRIVE.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Accident.—While chopping in the woods on Mr. James Woon's place, near Seagrave, a young man named Bertram Groat received severe injuries from a falling tree about the kidneys and spine. Hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Buildings.—Mr. John Fahey, section boss, and Joseph Faircett, his mate, have commenced building two nice frame houses. Mr. Arthur Miller, of our little village, is going to erect a fine two story frame dwelling and a 40 x 60 two storey frame store at once, as the material is being put on the building site for both of the buildings.

Revivals.—The Rev. Messrs. Lucas and Carr are holding a series of revival meetings in the C. M. church here, which are being very largely attended, and a great many souls have been lifted up to Jesus.

Wedding Tour.—Our village blacksmith, Mr. John Fox, and his better half returned by train on Saturday last looking hale and hearty after two weeks absence on their wedding tour in the east.

More Snow.—About two inches of snow fell during last night but it soon disappeared this morning.

Correction.—The name "George Thompson" in the item about stolen boots from Port Perry in The Post should have been George Thornton.

REABORO.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

A Few Words from George Calvert.—I want to tell you about Reaboro and its prosperity and about railway accommodations and cheese factories and saw mills, market gardening and the girls that have got married this spring. When I first went to Lindsay with vegetables twenty-two years ago, people asked what part of Mariposa I lived in, and they kept on asking for several years. I found they did not think much of Ops. At the time I settled in Ops the railroad was building and I expected great things from the accommodation, but for the last twenty years we have been jumping off the cars into the ditch. I was on the Whitby and Lindsay Railway lately and at the station one half in Mariposa, kept by the Government of the Dominion. The Bill has been revised so as to make it legally accurate. The town of Whitby will be allowed a certain time to enable it to submit a by-law to the municipality to authorize the purchase.

Smothered.—A man named Evans was smothered somewhat mysteriously in a grain bin in Currie's elevator at Port Perry on Friday morning. How he got there, or for what purpose, is not known. He was not missed until the grain stopped running from the bin in which his body was found. When the cause for the stoppage was sought for, his feet were found fast in the passage. As soon as the body could be reached, it was conveyed to his own house. Deceased was a hard working, steady going man, and leaves a wife and family.

COBOURG.

The Reform party is being thoroughly organized in this section. Last week meetings were held in every township and committees formed. Hon. James will have a hard road to travel if he adopts his present plan of getting to Ottawa.

Illumination.—The birth of a daughter to Prof. Blain Saturday night week was celebrated by the students of Victoria College in a most enthusiastic manner. The building was brilliantly illuminated and what is popularly known as the "slope" was enacted Monday. The Prof. is evidently popular with the students.

Improve.—The Star has been enlarged to an eight page 40 column paper and is improving in every respect.

Building Burned.—A dwelling house belonging to Mr. F. J. Linch, occupied by a man named Reddy, was burned Monday morning week. Insured for $600.

The "Adelphi" society in connection with the Collegiate Institute has been re-organized.

[Crowded out last week.]

Central Exhibition.—At last meeting of the town council a petition was presented for a grant towards the erection of buildings for the coming Central Fair. Mr. Cockburn, President of the Society, in addressing the council said that the Union Agricultural Society expected to expend over $3,000 in the erection of suitable sheds and buildings in addition to those already erected on the grounds, and that they expected the same encouragement and assistance from the municipalities more or less interested in the forthcoming exhibition in Cobourg, as had been extended to those held in Lindsay, Port Hope and Peterboro. It is expected that the petition will be granted.

Suicide.—James Alexander, a farmer, residing about a mile out of Brighton, committed suicide Tuesday morning by first cutting each arm, and afterwards his throat with a razor. An inquest was held and the evidence went to show that deceased had just finished shaving. He had sent his daughter to the barn to her mother, who was there feeding a lamb. The mother sent her back for water. When she came to the door she found blood, and went back to her mother and told her that she thought her father had done something terrible. A neighbor was called, and refused to go unarmed to the house, when he found the deceased lying against the door in a pool of blood, and quite dead. Deceased for some years had been suffering from disease of the heart, and for the last few months had been very desponding. He was fifty-five years of age, highly respected, industrious, and very temperate in his habits. He leaves a wife and two grown-up daughters.

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KINMOUNT.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Progress of the Victoria Railway.—Mr. H. H. King has the low trestle bridge framed for the Burnt River and is working at the lake bridge. Mr. Balfour has the trestle bridge completed beyond the long curve bridge and there are large gangs of men placed all along the line for about eight or ten miles in the rock-cuts. Mr. A. Stein, contractor, has a contract of six miles of the wood work, and notwithstanding the want of snow he has nearly all the timber on the ground and soon intends to commence building.

PORT HOPE.

Medals.—Two silver medals have been given by Mr. Jas. H. Mackie, one to Mr. Alex. McCurdy and the other to Mr. Richard Oke, for acts of bravery during the late flood. The medals have the names of recipients engraved upon them, with a record of the reasons for which they are given. This is a good way of acknowledging the courage of each of the above.—[Times.

Resigned.—Mr. F. Whitehead, for several years past Secretary and Treasurer of the Midland Railway, has in consequence of ill-health resigned his position. Mr. Whitehead has suffered a great deal in the past two years from inflammatory rheumatism, frequently being confined to his room for weeks at a time. Mr. Whitehead is succeeded as Secretary and Treasurer by Mr. Chas. Percy, who formerly held a similar position on the Great Western Railway.

Generous Subscriptions.—The results of the flood, as pointed out at the time, was not only to cause thousands of dollars of damage, but to absolutely ruin and impoverish two families. The sympathy and aid extended to these two families by our citizens was very general. Subscription lists were carried round, and right nobly did the people of Port Hope respond to the appeals. Mr. William Mackie collected for Mr. Alex. Perrie $135 in small sums. Mr. J. A. Smith had embarked considerable means in his business and was doing a good business. We want some more girls as they have all got married and you in Lindsay have got too many, but we want a better quality than you have. We also want a sidewalk made all all. I wonder is our President, Mr. Hugel, a Scotchman or an Irishman or an Englishmen. If he was a Yorkshire man he would give us better railway accommodation. Fifteen passengers got off the train last Saturday. I think surely he will do something for us or we shall have to make a bee and get a road of our own.

FENELON FALLS.

[Correspondence of The Post.]

Skilful Surgical Operation.—Dr. Herriman, of your town, assisted by Drs. Allen and Bryant of this place, performed a skilful surgical operation in the amputation of one of Mr. Windrim's legs on the 8th ult. It will be remembered that Mr. Windrim in January last sustained serious fractures of one of his legs. Dr. Allen was called in who set the leg and hoped to be able to save it, but after several weeks attendance it was found impossible to get the bones to unite and recourse had to be made to amputation. Mr. Windrim is now in fair way of recovery.

Our Brass Band contemplated a trip to the back country and purpose giving a series of entertainments which we hope will be highly satisfactory. The band is in a very flourishing condition at present.

Winter Sports.—Owing to the unusually mild weather skating on our beautiful lake has been much impaired but our ice boat continues to afford plenty of amusement as it glides from one end of the lake to the other in a few minutes according as the wind blows. The other day considerable fun was occasioned by a number of its passengers being suddenly thrown overboard, without any serious injury, however.

Political.—Preparations on a fair scale are being made throughout the electoral divisions of North Victoria for the Reform convention to be held here on the 19th inst. So far as heard from the various municipalities through their local or branch associations have selected their delegates to represent them at the convention. It is very difficult to predict who will receive the nomination as there appears to be a number of candidates.

Village Finances.—A. A. Macdonald and J. C. Fitzgerald, auditors for the village, have made their report respecting the finances of the municipality from which it would appear that Council has managed our affairs with care and wisdom.

Lumbering.—Our lumbermen are very much depressed in spirits in consequence of the unfavorable season for their business.

Auction and Credit Sales.

Wednesday, March 20th.—By J. J. Powers, auctioneer, the farm stock and implements of Mr. R. E. Glanville, Lot 22, Con. 3, Fenelon. Sale at 10 o'clock; Lunch at 11.

Thursday,