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Auction Sale — Thos. Kay, Veitch's Hotel, Lindsay
Farmers' Attention — Jas. Keith, Lindsay
Important Sale — Valuable Town and Village Properties in the County of Victoria — Campbell's Hotel, Kirkfield
Auction Sale — Valuable Farm and Village Properties, in the Townships of Bexley and Carden and Village of Kirkfield, in the County of Victoria
Wednesday, 23rd April, 1879 — At one o'clock in the afternoon, by W. A. Silverwood, Auctioneer, at Campbell's Hotel, in the Village of Kirkfield
Chancery Sale — Valuable Farm and Village Property in the Township of Bexley, in the County of Victoria
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Notice — Sale of Valuable Town Property, Lindsay, Saturday, April 19th
The Best Seventy Acres of the West Half of Lot Number Twelve in the Ninth Concession of the Township of Ops. There are about thirty acres cleared and under cultivation, about ten acres of excellent hardwood bush, and the balance is covered with mixed timber. The soil is a good clay loam. This property is about five and a half miles from the Town of Lindsay and the school is about half a mile distant. Terms: Ten per cent. of the purchase money down, and sufficient therewith to make one-fourth of the purchase money in one month from day of sale without interest, and the balance may remain on mortgage for five years, payable in five equal annual instalments with interest at eight per cent. Further particulars and conditions of sale can be had from Hudspeth & Barron, Lindsay. Dated this 25th March, A. D. 1879. W. W. DEAN, Vendor's Solicitor. HUDSPETH & BARRON, Lindsay, Vendor's Solicitors.

Canadian Post.

LINDSAY, FRIDAY, APR 11, 1879.

NORTH VICTORIA

We are requested to state that a Reform Convention will be held at Fenelon Falls on Thursday next, April 17th, at two p.m., for the purpose of selecting a candidate for the approaching Ontario Assembly election. We understand that it will be a mass meeting in that all Reformers are invited to attend; but the voting for a candidate will be confined to one delegate for every twenty-five votes in the municipality such delegates represent. The several municipal politics if they have not already done so will at once choose their delegates and furnish them with proper credentials. We trust there will be a full attendance, and we have no doubt if a judicious selection is made the riding can be carried for the Government.

The Conservatives are to hold a convention for the same purpose at Coboconk, on Friday, 18th inst.

LINDSAY'S MANUFACTURING ADVANTAGES.

The action of the council in setting forth the manufacturing advantages of Lindsay in the manner stated in the report and advertisement in other columns will receive general approval. This was a principal object in the minds of all those who advocated the improvement of our railway facilities, for these, it is well known, are a first essential. The town now stands unrivalled in this respect, and with the additional advantage of extensive inland water communication offers advantages that would no doubt have attracted the attention of capitalists before this had not the "depression" of the past four years prevented new investments. Should anything result from the action of the Council it would be well not to be too ambitious, and to give the preference to live or six moderate establishments rather than one or two large ones. The way of small beginnings should not be despised, and due care should and no doubt will be exercised in taking up only such industries as will be likely to become permanent and grow with the growth of the country.

LOCAL RAILWAY "POOLING" SCHEME.

Considerable surprise and indignation has been manifested in town during the past week on learning that a scheme for "pooling" freight and passenger receipts has been for some time under the consideration of the directors of the Whitby and Midland Railways. Lindsay (with its large tributary trade) is the competing point of these two lines, and it appears that in considering a renewal of an arrangement by which rates should be maintained at a fair figure, and not "cut" to a ruinous extent, this larger plan was discussed and brought well on to a conclusion. The "pooling" scheme would probably become eventually an amalgamation, and would cover a period of twenty years. This would no doubt result in a considerable reduction of expenses, and would have certain advantageous features; but it is not probable that freight and passenger rates would be reduced, but on the other hand extremely probable that they would be considerably increased in course of time. Lindsay had suffer[illegible] enough from the excessive rates of the Midland in past years, that it hardly welcomed the extension of the Whitby, and worked energetically to secure the bonus of $60,000 towards that project, so as to obtain the benefits of fair competition as well as of the additional and natural railway facilities. Without that assistance the extension would never have been built; and the rights of Lindsay in the premises, based on the spirit and the letter of the promises and speeches of the President and Managing Director of the Whitby Railway, deserve consideration. The feeling in town regarding the "pooling scheme" is naturally very strong, and a petition to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has been passed by the Town Council, as will be seen by the report in other columns. Probably some explanations will come from the railway managers in question as to their proposed policy under the "pooling" plan. The arrangement has not been closed as yet, and we have some doubt if it will, as it is a somewhat complicated question, with many aspects, and a conclusive opinion should not be formed until the question is looked at from every side. As far as Lindsay is concerned, "pooling" would in all probability mean higher rates.

There is another aspect of the question that must have considerable weight. Under the new tariff, or the N. P., the expenses of railway operation will be greatly enhanced. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been added to the expenses of the trunk lines, and the smaller roads must be similarly affected. Monopoly begets monopoly, and it is not surprising that railway managers should endeavor in some way to make up the extra expense resulting from the higher taxes. In another way, and in a way not expected, will the people have the pleasure of paying dearly for the National P.

THE LETELLIER CRISIS.

The Letellier question has reached a crisis and has been for the past week the all-absorbing topic in political affairs. Last Thursday Sir John Macdonald made a formal statement to the effect that the dismissal of the Lieut.-Governor had been recommended to the Governor-General, but His Excellency in view of the fact that there were no precedents to guide him had without rejecting the advice decided to refer the matter to the home authorities. This statement created great excitement among the French Conservative members and at a later period the conduct of the Premier and His Excellency was severely criticised. The Premier endeavoured to get out of the difficulty by stating that the dismissal was advised, and by expressing his regret that the advice was not taken. He endeavoured, in fact, to throw the blame on the Marquis of Lorne, who has been attacked with great violence by the French press, and sneered at as "young and inexperienced" by Tory journals in Ontario and Quebec. Mr. ex-Speaker Cockburn took the ground that Sir John Macdonald was responsible for the advice upon which the reference across the ocean was made, and on a subsequent occasion the Premier admitted his responsibility. The French members are so indignant at the conduct of Sir John Macdonald that they have placed a motion of want of confidence on the notice-paper. The dismissal of Letellier was one of the rash bargains made by Sir John Macdonald before the elections, and they are determined to have it carried out. In order to assuage them, if possible, and expedite matters in Downing-st., Mr. Langevin has sailed for Europe, and the decision of the Home Government is expected by cable in a couple of weeks. The denouement has been extremely discreditable to the Tory leader, and he is now engaged at his characteristic work of trying to shuffle out of his difficulty by hook or by crook. The probability and the propriety of his resignation has been discussed, but there is little probability that Sir John will resign if he can invent any reason for holding on to office, though as to the propriety of resignation under the circumstances upon the rejection of his advice, there can be no doubt. The next two weeks will be eventful ones.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Port Hope *Guide*: "What farmer has got the extra $2 for his horse since the N.P. came into force? Trot him out."

The increased cost of railway supplies for the Canada Southern Railway under the N.P. is computed at $100,000 a year.

Hon. C. F. Fraser has been unanimously chosen as candidate for the Local Legislature by the Reform Convention at Brockville.

A maritime court has been established at Cobourg with County Judge Clarke as Surrogate Judge; W. H. Weller as Dep. Registrar; and Sheriff Wadell as Dep.-Marshall.

The Governor-General and the Princess Louise are to visit Montreal on the Queen's birthday. The summer will be mainly spent in the lower provinces, and Toronto is to be visited in September.

The Woodstock *Sentinel-Review* has effected the promised enlargement and is now in dimensions second to none in the province. Old Oxford evidently appreciates its county paper and has good reason to do so.

Mr. R. W. Phipps is out with another letter. He calls the N.P. "this remarkably lagged fragment of Sir John's mosaic of impolicy." He says it is Extortion, not Protection; and urges a dissolution of Parliament.

The many friends and admirers of the Hon. C. F. Fraser propose to entertain him at a banquet at the Rossin House, Toronto, about the first of May. The hon. gentleman has not, we regret to learn, been in good health for some weeks.

Montreal is considerably agitated over the proposed bridge over the St. Lawrence at Coteau Landing which would divert traffic to the States. Another bridge at Montreal is again mentioned. The Coteau scheme is before Parliament.

Vanderbilt proposes to tunnel the Detroit River at Grosse Isle or nearer Detroit, for the Canada Southern Railway. The long talked of project is at last taking definite shape, and work will in all probability be commenced this spring.

Hon. Alex. Morris has received the Conservative nomination for East Toronto. Mr. Davin's name was warmly pressed by his friends but without success, and now our genial and prophetic friend has taken to writing poetry a la Burr-Plumb no less than an ode to Niagara.

Grip has been enlarged to eight pages and improved in the quantity and variety of its letter-press. In addition to the cartoons there are several minor engravings, as in *Punch*, very often better than the large ones, and that is high praise. We congratulate our contemporary on this evidence of prosperity and enterprise.

The tariff debate on the general question is drawing to a close. Mr. Mackenzie has offered a general amendment condemning the scheme, and supported his conclusions in an extremely able speech. The consideration of details will soon be proceeded with. With the exception of the Letellier matter, nothing of particular importance has come up.

More detailed accounts of the Ixandula disaster show sad lack of thoroughness in the British command. "When the fight was in progress, and the soldiers' ammunition needed replenishing, there was no screw-driver even to be found to open the ammunition cases." The public condemnation of Lord Chelmsford is unanimous and severe.

The draft new Insolvency act proposes to abolish official assignees. Gracious Heavens! Are these the rewards for days and nights of toil on the part of our illustrious cotemporary. Can there not be an "exemption" or a "drawback" in favor of the *Warder*? Nature intended and art formed our cotem. for an Official Ass but our harrowed feelings will not allow us to dwell longer on this most melancholy subject.

A special train brought Congressman Whitaker (Dem.) from San Francisco to Chicago, where it caught the regular express, in time to reach Washington at the opening of the special session. The time was the quickest ever made, four days, ½ hours to Washington, and the cost was several thousand dollars, defrayed by the National Democratic Committee. Our neighbours are enterprising in politics as well as in business.

The National P. was to bring prosperity at once. It has been in force nearly a month and yet the Mayor of Ottawa, editor of the Conservative organ at the capital, and most profuse last summer in his promises of the good time coming, now petitions certain charitable gentlemen to continue the weekly distribution of food to the poor of that city because he is "aware that great destitution still prevails, and the poor would suffer terribly should the distribution be discontinued."

An instructive conversation appears in the St. Thomas *Journal*, as to the cost of the N.P., and the pith of it should be kept in mind by those who support Protection on the bonus principle. Any one will admit that the new tariff will add $60 a year to the expenses of an average family, placed at $600 a year, and in a place of 7,000 people or say 1,400 families, like St. Thomas, this means $84,000 *a year*. That is St. Thomas will have to pay this enormous sum not one year merely, but year after year, in order that some Redpath & Co. should make a fortune at sugar-refining in Montreal, or a Mary at furniture-making in Toronto, or some wool or cotton or iron concern do the same thing in Almonte or Dundas or North Seotia. No wonder that St. Thomas editor and man, "If these things are pleasant to Ontario, and if Ontario is willing to pay this extra money, we have nothing to do but to be thankful that we are in a country where the money bounty is for three years only." The same argument will apply to Lindsay, which is to give a bonus of $60,000 a year for the N.P.

—The latest contribution to the "ruin and decay" of old England is the purchase by W. H. Vanderbilt of 12,000 tons of English steel rails "because the price, quality and quantity offered, compared with the bargains of American manufacturers, make it better to buy abroad."

—The Khedive of Egypt is reversing the order of affairs that brought Mr. DeBoucherville to trouble. He has drafted his own budget without consulting his ministry, and backed by pashas and officials is going to carry matters with a high hand. The Khedive in fact could not stand the system pressed on him by Mr. Rivers Wilson, the English financier, who was appointed to manage his finances. The English and French Governments will take him in hand.

—The latest news from the Zulu campaign is far from satisfactory. Col. Pearson, with three regiments, was left after the Isandula disaster shut up in Ekowe, and a report, since discredited, has come to the effect that his supplies having given out, a sortie was attempted, but without success. He is in a tight place, and it is a question if he can hold out until relief comes. A strong detachment of the 80th Regt. on the way to Ekowe was surprised by 4,000 Zulus, and half the men cut to pieces. The situation is a most serious one.

PRACTICAL WORKING OF THE NATIONAL P.

"Caught a Crabb."

[Huron Expositor.]

In this connection it may not be out of place to notice an amusing incident which is said to have taken place with our old friend, Mr. Christopher Crabb, of Goderich. As every person knows, Mr. Crabb is engaged in the hardware business. A few days ago a customer of his from the country called at his store to purchase a package of screws. Screws, of course, in common with other hardware, have advanced in price. The customer seemed astonished at this and enquired the reason. "Why," said Mr Crabb, "do you not know that the duty on these articles has been increased by the National Policy?" "Yes," says the customer, "I know that; but did I not hear you say in a speech you made at Smith's Hill last summer that it was the producer and not the consumer who paid the duty? I believed you when you told us that, because I thought you an honest man." "Oh," said Mr. Crabb, "perhaps I did say that, but if you were fool enough to believe me, you deserve to be made pay the duty." The customer left with his package of screws a sadder and a wiser man. We are inclined to the opinion that a good many besides Mr. Crabb's customer will learn by experience long who it is that pays the duty, the producer or the consumer.

LITERARY NOTES.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY for April, Houghton, Osgoode & Co., Boston, contains the opening chapters of a new serial novel, "Irene the Missionary." The author has happily chosen a subject which is full of fresh interest, and the story promises to be a singularly attractive feature in the magazine. "The Pension Beaurepas," by Henry James, jr., is one of this brilliant writer's clever studies of American life in Europe, and will doubtless be as widely read, and excite as much comment as either of its predecessors. There is a memorial article on Richard Henry Dana, and Mr. Longfellow commemorates his friend in an exquisite sonnet, "The Burial of the Poet." "The Return of the Native and other Novels" is one of those admirable critical articles on current fiction which appear from time to time in this magazine. Mr. Richard Grant White has an entertaining paper on "Living in London," and "The New York Theatres" are well described by an anonymous writer. "Easter Hymns from Old Cloisters," and "New Lives of the Old Masters," and "The Indian Territory," are interesting papers. The latter is written forcibly and sensibly on Over-Production, and An Architect contributes an able article on "The Washington Monument and Mr. Stowe's Design." "The Contributor's Club" is good throughout and in "Recent Literature" many new publications, American and English, French and German, are fully and ably reviewed.

Nihilism Spreading in Russia.

The latest advices from Russia give really alarming reports concerning the constant spread of revolutionary ideas and purposes among the people, and the increasing audacity of the Nihilist conspirators. A very great number of arrests are almost daily made, but these serve only to show the extent of the conspiracies. The detectives, police and judges have come to regard their lives as being not any more secure of the conspirators. The latter of late have adopted a plan of warning their intended victim of his fate, and the threat is always carried out. Since the shooting of Protapkin and other police officials the dread of assassination has been greatly intensified. To excite still more terror is the discovery that among Nihilist conspirators are a large number of gentlemen and ladies of high rank. Among those arrested within the last few days is a great-grandaughter of Count Panin, who was Chancellor to the Empress Catherine; another is the daughter of a well-known Senator, who is a personal favorite of the Czar; and another is a niece of a famous General in the army.

MURDER IN MARKHAM.

AN OLD WOMAN FOUND BEATEN TO DEATH.

A woman sixty-five years of age, named Catherine Thompson, who has been living alone for four or five years in the 7th concession of Markham, was found dead in her house on Monday by Mr. McDowell, Unionville. She has for some time been receiving help from the council. From appearances she must have been dead two or three days. Her head was fearfully cut with a sharp instrument and large pools with a chair which was covered with blood. A box had been broken open which had contained two purses of money, one of which was emptied and the other, containing $33, was left untouched. It is supposed she was murdered for her money. As yet there is no clue to the guilty party. An inquest is in progress.

Green and Dried Apples.

C. L. BAKER's green apples going off very fast. He sells DRIED APPLES very cheap.—1027.

Sherbrooke Sausage.

C. L. BAKER keeps in hand SHERBROOKE SAUSAGE and DRIED BEEF; also, SPICED BEEF in rolls. 1024-1.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Cambridge won the University race on Saturday easily. Out of thirty-six races Oxford is now one ahead.

At the Grey Assizes a young man named Wood was sentenced to ten years in the Penitentiary for rape.

Three young children of Lt. Walker, R. A., Halifax, have died of diptheria in two days, and the fourth, an infant, is dying.

"Brevier," "Long Primer," "Small Pica" and "Pica" are the names of the four children of the editor of the Hawkinsville (Tenn.) Dispatch.

Since paper napkins were introduced by a manufacturing firm in Wisconsin, a year ago, one Boston firm alone has sold 250,000 of them.

Rabbits are so numerous and destructive in Caithness that the farmers are being forced to combine for a war of extermination against them.

Four men on their way Sunday morning to the Sombro Light, out from Halifax, were drowned by their boat capsizing. They were in charge of the signal station.

It is stated that Rowell, the pedestrian, delays his return to England because he receives $2,000 per night (query $200) to give running exhibitions throughout the country.

Continental newspapers report that about a fortnight ago, on a Sunday, the inhabitants of the village of Vratschevo, in Russia, burned a woman, one of their neighbors, as a witch. They are said to be quite satisfied that they acted right.

At Brockville last week, George H. Westlake was sentenced to five years in the Penitentiary for burning his own dwelling house to defraud the Isolated Risk Insurance Company. Andrew Bowman, charged as an accomplice, was acquitted.

James Lanktree, a resident of the township of Amaranth, died last Sunday at the age of 104 years and three months. He emigrated to Canada 35 years ago, and leaves behind him 38 great-grand-children and 17 grand-children.

People will forget that ammonia must be handled very carefully. On Friday last Miss O'Grady, of Stratford, undertook to extract the cork from a bottle of spirits of ammonia with her teeth, and had the misfortune to swallow some of the liquid in the operation. She had a narrow escape from suffocation, and as it was her mouth and throat were badly burnt.

LOCAL MATTERS.

TOWN COUNCIL.

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held on Monday evening last. Present, Mayor Dawson, Reeve Leary, Dep.-Reeve Cooper, and Couns. Taylor, Deane, Crandell, Walters, Clarke, Winters, Fleury and Walters. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS.

HIS WORSHIP called the attention of the Sanitary Committee to a nuisance in the North Ward caused by some parties placing night soil on a lot on Victoria Avenue. He considered action should be taken to prevent the recurrence of such a disagreeable act. He pointed out the necessity of giving encouragement to capitalists and manufacturers to come to the town and establish works. While it was not his purpose to express an opinion on the National Policy he would say that if there was any good in it Lindsay should not be behind other towns in making an effort to reap its advantages. He was prepared to give any aid of land to any manufactory that might be established which would give employment to a certain number of men. If the site of the lot would not be considered satisfactory he was prepared to support the purchase of a site and he also was prepared to support the exemption from taxation for ten, fifteen or twenty years of any manufacturing company employing a sufficient number of hands. He showed that other towns were bringing the advantages they possessed before the public through the press, and he considered that it would be well if the council were to empower the clerk and himself to insert an advertisement in the leading Provincial papers showing the excellent railway facilities Lindsay possessed and its other advantages. He called attention to a pooling scheme now under consideration of the boards of the Whitby and Midland Railways, which during the past week came to his knowledge and upon which he could give no authority. The overtures were made by the Whitby Railway and the proposition was to pool receipts and divide the profits, 70 per cent. to go to the Midland Railway and 31 per cent. to the Whitby. This practically means the resumption of the old freight tariff in existence before the Whitby Railway was built. He pointed out the injustice that would be done the town by such an arrangement, and recommended that a petition be sent to the Lieut. Governor-in-Council for the purpose of preventing any arrangement that would increase the tariff.

Couns. Pilkie entered and took his seat.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The CLERK read communications from Dennis Twohey and John Cuddahee, asking for improvements on St. Mary-st.

From Mr. Geo. A. Cox, President of the Midland Railway, as follows:—

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF CANADA, GENERAL OFFICES, PORT HOPE, April 7, 1879.

MAYOR JAS. DRAPER,
Mayor of Lindsay

DEAR SIR, Referring again to my letter of the 29th November last, as to the claim of your corporation against the Midland Railway Co., I was hopeful at that time that the bondholders, on assuming control of the management of the property at the annual meeting on the 15th of February, would make arrangements for the immediate settlement of claims similar to yours. But in that I have been disappointed, as the only means of paying the claims against the Company is by the issue of the hundred thousand pounds of preference bonds authorized by the recent Act of Parliament, and these bonds cannot be issued until the floating debt has been settled or the creditors satisfied with. Very satisfactory progress is being made with that, but not such as to justify the hope that we shall be able to issue the bonds for some months at least, and possibly not until after the meeting of the next Legislature.

Under these circumstances I have no alternative but to request that you will kindly allow the matter to stand for say one year. The Company will be willing, of course, to pay interest on all arrears, and to give any assurance of that your council may desire.

I need not add that the nature of your claim is such that you will not run any risk of loss by allowing it to stand, while the extension of time will, under existing circumstances, be a very great accommodation to the Company.—I remain, sir, yours very respectfully,

GEO. A. COX, President.

His WORSHIP explained that he and Mr. Knowlson, the Clerk, went to Peterboro' yesterday and had an interview with Mr. Cox, on this matter we discussed. Mr Cox informed them that with the new loan of $500,000 the Company would be enabled to pay off their indebtedness to municipalities, which in all amounted to about $21,000, complete the road and place it in good condition. He showed that the town could do nothing better than accept Mr. Cox's offer, as in case a Receiver was appointed all the running expenses would have to be paid and the road placed in good order before the town would receive a cent.

PETITIONS.

A petition was received from H. Coppard, asking for a renewal of his bowling alley license.

From Joseph Rickaby and others, asking for a new crossing on Kent-st., at the junction of Adelaide-st. Referred to the Street and Bridge Committee.

From Mr. C. H. Lloyd and others, asking for a new culvert over the creek that crosses Williams-st. and runs into the brewery property.

A couple of members spoke of the necessity of the culvert being put in from a sanitary point of view and the matter was referred to the Street and Bridge Committee.

From Mr. B. F. Jewett, collector, asking for an advance of $25 in his salary in consequence of the extra trouble caused him by the numerous extensions of time for collecting the taxes.

The CLERK submitted the monthly report of expenditure.

FINANCE REPORT.

Coun. T. TYLER submitted the report of the Finance Committee, which recommended payment of the following accounts:—

E. Lee, printing 74 50
A. Meehan, livery expenses 1 50
R. Gossiel, shovelling snow 6 00
T. Mahar, " 50
" " 1 25
P. J. Hurley, charity orders 24 00
J. B. Knowlson, orders paid 227 62
W. Herlihy, iron bars 1 00
C. D. Rary, advertising 1 50
Mayor and Clerk's expenses to Peterboro 5 30

With respect to the communication of Judge Dean, who contends that in the years 1875 and 1876 he was illegally taxed upon his judicial income, your committee is looking into the matter of the case found it involved so many legal points that they were unable to come to any intelligent conclusion in the short time at their disposal. Messrs. Hudspeth & Barron for their advice. The opinion of these gentlemen is that Judge Dean is correct in the position he has taken and that he should receive back from the town the amount he has paid in the years mentioned. We find further in communication with other municipalities that they have not taxed the salaries of Judges for many years.

The petition of Rev. Mr. Redditt was recommended to be granted and that the proper amount of the year's taxes, $5.50, be allowed him.

With reference to Mr. Fiddler's communication, the committee found that he was employed as town policeman at a fixed salary of $400 per annum and did not feel disposed to recommend any increase of salary, but left the matter to be dealt with by the council.

The committee, acting upon the resolution of council, had Mr. Martin's bill of costs in the case of McFadyen against the Town sent to Toronto to be taxed and received it back in the form in which not a single item in the bill being reformed or reduced.

Coun. TAYLOR read Messrs. Hudspeth & Barron's opinion re Judge Dean matter; Mr. Wm. McDougall's letter re Mr. Martin's bill of costs; and a bill of Mr. Wm. McMurray of $8 for work done in Police Court in 1875, which though in all probability was all right would not be passed without being properly certified to.

Deputy-Reeve COOPER said that there was an impression abroad that Mr. Martin was the lawyer referred to by Coun. Crandell at last meeting, who so bill of costs was so heavily taxed. He asked that Coun. Crandell state whether Mr. Martin was the person referred to or not.

His WORSHIP rules that a personal matter of this kind was not in order.

Coun. CRANDELL said he was not bound to give the explanation but for the information of Deputy-Reeve Cooper he would say that the lawyer he referred to was not Mr. Martin.

His WORSHIP in referring to the clause referring Judge Dean's communication, said that notwithstanding the number of lawyers in both Parliaments there was not a law made susceptible of several interpretation. There was nothing in the municipal act to show that Judges' salaries were exempt, and all the claim they had was the policy of Judges in cases which had been tried that they and all Government officials were exempt. He considered that if this was the case it was not justice and he hoped the matter should be brought under the notice of the House by the local members. Judge Dean had complained that the council did not act at once on his communication in order to give him personal annoyance. He would assure the Judge that such was not the case; the council wished merely to satisfy themselves on the general principle.

The report was adopted.

COLLECTORS REPORT.

The Collector's report of taxes collected, and a list of those whose taxes he recommended to be remitted was laid on the table. It showed the amount collected to be $22,574.31; total uncollected, remitted, exemptions, errors, &c., $986.83. The total remitted to people unable to pay was $90.27.

STREETS AND BRIDGES.

Deputy-Reeve COOPER submitted the report of the Street and Bridge Committee, which recommended that the 300 yards of broken stones now on hand be placed on the leading streets, Cambridge, William and Queen, and that some lake gravel be procured for the repair of Kent-st.; also that Mr. Thos. Norman be re-engaged to repair sidewalks, etc.

Coun. TAYLOR asked if this was the regular annual report of the Committee.

Deputy-Reeve COOPER said that this was only a report of what was required at present. During the present month the committee would make an inspection of the streets and note the repairs that were urgently needed and report at next meeting of Council.

The report was adopted.

TOWN PROPERTY.

Coun. WINTERS submitted the report of the Committee on Town Property, which stated that the committee did not feel it self justified in recommending the erection of a gallery at the present time, but would recommend the erection of a raised platform, which would materially add to the convenience of the hall; also that a water closet be erected in a convenient place upon the market square.

Deputy-Reeve Diament entered and took his seat.

Coun. WINTERS said Mr. Weese was willing to rent the hall for $100 and put in 150 chairs. He got Mr. Cooke to give an estimate of what the platforms would cost, and he put the figure at $60, but Mr. Weese said he was prepared to guarantee that the work would not cost more than $50.

His WORSHIP said that Mr. Weese was an over-holding tenant, and the Council should decide at once whether to re-let it to him, ask for tenders, or have it kept in possession of the town.

In reply to a question from Coun. Walters, the CLERK said that the town some years received as high as $200 from the hall, but the expense of maintenance had to be deducted from that sum.

Coun. WINTERS said he would suggest that the hall be rented to Mr. Weese after making the improvements, except when required in the interests of the town.

The CLERK said that Mr. Weese had only charged the town $1.50 per night when used for town purposes, which was merely to pay for fuel and light.

The report was adopted.

GRANT TO COLLECTOR.

On motion of Coun. TAYLOR, seconded by Coun. CRANDELL, Mr. Jewett, the Collector, was ordered to be paid 25c increase on his salary in consideration of extra services performed

SANITARY REPORT.

Deputy-Reeve DIAMENT submitted the report of the Sanitary Committee, which recommended that Mr. Robt. Meehan be appointed Sanitary Inspector, without salary.—Adopted.

THE TOWN HALL.

Couns. WALLACE moved, seconded by Deputy-Reeve DIAMENT, that the Town Property Committee make the best possible arrangements with Mr. Weese, or any other person, with reference to the lease of the Town Hall, and when the Mayor be authorized to sign a lease on the recommendation.

Couns. CRANDELL moved in amendment, seconded by Coun. TAYLOR, that the Town Property Committee be instructed to lease the hall to Mr. Weese, or any other person, for the term of three years, at a rent of $100 per annum, and to expend the money required in the improvements, and that there was no trouble in getting the hall, as he did not think the hall could be let for more.

A number of other members spoke to the same effect, but the motion seemed to be viewed with general favor, and on a vote being taken it was carried.

MARKET BY-LAW.

On motion of Couns. WINTERS, seconded by Coun. TAYLOR, the amendments to the Market by-law were ordered to be printed.

REMISSION OF TAXES.

On motion of Couns. TAYLOR, seconded by Coun. CRANDELL, the remission of taxes recommended by the Collector amounting to $20.37, in the case of indigent persons, was approved, and the Collector ordered to be credited with the sum.

STREET SUPPLIES.

Reeve LEARY moved, seconded by Deputy-Reeve COOPER, that the Committee on Streets and Bridges be authorized to ask for tenders for plank and sawdust they think necessary for repairs to sidewalks, culverts, &c., such tenders to be submitted to the Council at next meet ng.

ENCOURAGEMENT TO MANUFACTURERS.

Coun. FLURY agreed with the Mayor in what he said respecting manufacturers. Several ratepayers had urged some action be taken, and said that one was the Council if it did not do something for the good of the town. He moved, seconded by Coun. WINTERS, that the Mayor call a meeting of ratepayers for Monday next in order to give the ratepayers an opportunity of discussing the question of encouragement to manufacturers.

His WORSHIP expressed the opinion that he could not call a public meeting without a requisition from the ratepayers.

Coun. CRANDELL said he had a motion on the same subject which would, he thought, be more to the point. He moved, seconded by Coun. TAYLOR, that whereas the town of Lindsay has both railroad and steamboat accommodation running in almost all directions and possesses superior advantages to almost any town in Canada for manufacturing purposes, and feeling desirous to encourage the establishment of factories in this town, this council does hereby authorize His Worship the Mayor and Town Clerk to open up communications with capitalists and manufacturers both at home and abroad with a view of establishing such factories, offering exemption from taxation for a number of years and aid in proportion to the number of hands any such industry may employ.

After a short discussion Coun. Flury withdrew his motion and Coun Crandell's motion was carried.

FIRE WARDEN.

On motion of Coun. CRANDELL, Chief Constable Smart was appointed Fire Warden without salary.—Carried.

His WORSHIP read the report of the special committee appointed to arrange the hours and duties of the Chief Constable and Assistant Constable.

"POOLING" SCHEME—MEMORIAL TO THE LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

Coun. WALTERS moved, seconded by Coun. WINTERS, the following petition to the Lieut.-Governor-in-Council respecting the rates of freight and passengers on the Whitby and Midland Railways which was read in the usual form and passed.

To the Honourable the Lieut.-Governor and Council of the Province of Ontario

The petition of the Municipal Council of the town of Lindsay, in the county of Victoria, humbly sheweth, that during the period of the construction of the Midland then the Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway the town of Lindsay and the township of Ops, lending the municipality granted material aid to the said railway by way of bonus to the extent of eighty thousand dollars. That on the separation of the town of Lindsay from the township of ops the town of Lindsay had to assume liability to pay one half that amount or forty thousand dollars.

That on the adjustment of the municipal loan to be taken neither the town of Lindsay nor the surrounding township of Ops participated in the capitation allowance granted to the other municipalities in the said county of Victoria, thereby involving a loss to the town of Lindsay of about ten thousand dollars, in addition to which we had to issue debentures amounting to nearly twenty thousand dollars in favour of the Government for a period extending over twenty years. That the liberal action of the people of the town-ship of Ops and the town of Lindsay has added to and materially promoted the interests of the surrounding country, giving ready access to the markets for the produce of the forests, thereby adding annually to the public revenue.

That the position of the people of Lindsay in this matter may be summed up as follows:—They have added to the value of property of the surrounding country. They have contributed to the promotion of provincial wealth and in return have been deprived of their capitation allowance from the provincial surplus and been compelled to pay a large portion of the amount due to the municipal loan fund, while the neighbouring municipalities have reaped the advantages derived from the railway and share the provincial surplus without having contributed anything towards their construction.

Your petitioners having been confined to the one line of railway were subject to vexatiously heavy tariffs and became naturally anxious to seek another outlet.

The Directors of the Whitby and Port Perry Railway Company having approached the residents of this section of the country and under the grouping clause in the railway act obtained from the townships of Mariposa, Ops, Fenelon, parts of Verulam and Emily, together with the town of Lindsay, by way of bonus towards the extension of their line from Port Perry to the town of Lindsay the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars.

That the said Directors of the Whitby and Port Perry Railway Company obtained this sum on the express understanding that it was to be considered a competing line with the Midland Railway, thereby giving the people of Lindsay and the surrounding country, increased business facilities, calculated to promote local interests by a healthy competition as well as to further the interests of the Province generally by forming a connection with the Victoria Railway at Lindsay, thereby connecting the waters of the lake at Whitby with the free grant and lumbering territories north of Haliburton, towards which enterprise your petitioners granted a bonus of $85,000.

Your petitioners have recently learned with surprise and regret, months antedating the distinct promises of the Board of Directors of the Whitby, Port Perry and Lindsay Railway Company, that they have been and are now negotiating with the Board of the Midland Railway to "pool" their earnings and establish a uniform rate of freight and passenger tariff, thereby placing the commercial and travelling public in the same position as that which they held before the grant of their bonus.

Your petitioners although deceived in this arrangement cannot prevent the project of pooling the earnings of the two roads, but they can and do venture to appeal to your Honour and Council to exercise the power vested in you by the railway act and pray you will peremptorily refuse your consent to any increase in the present rates of freight and passenger tariff on the part of the Directors of the Whitby, Port Perry and Lindsay Railway Company.

Your petitioners respectfully but firmly urge the prayer of their petition as their funds as well as the funds of the Province were placed at the disposal of those gentlemen for the purpose of promoting a healthy competition and removing the monopoly naturally exercised by the Midland while not subject to the action of a rival route.

Your petitioners cannot trust themselves to express the indignation and surprise with which this matter has been received in the town of Lindsay, and now confidently leave the matter in the hands of your Honour and Council, praying that we may receive the protection to which we are manifestly entitled.

MONEY BY-LAW.

On motion of Coun. TAYLOR, seconded by Coun. CRANDELL, the following by-law authorizing the Mayor and Treasurer to raise by way of loan the sum of $9,000 to meet the current expenses of the town was read in the usual form and passed.

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL MONEYS.

On motion of Coun. TAYLOR, seconded by Coun. CRANDELL, the Treasurer was authorized to pay to the Public School Board the sum of $624.56, and the Separate School Board $247, balance of taxes collected due them.

DEFINING CERTAIN PROPERTIES.

Coun. DEANE moved, seconded by Coun. CRANDELL, that whereas, there are certain properties of the town not properly defined on the assessment roll—notably the old right of way of the Midland Railway—be Reeve, Deputy-Reeves and the mover be authorized to have said properties defined and numbered. The mover explained that there would be no expense incurred in having the work done, and the motion was carried.

NOTICE OF BY-LAW.

Coun. DEANE gave notice of a by-law to license transient traders.

VICTORIA AVENUE MATTER.

In reply to a question from Coun. Crandell, His WORSHIP said that the Council had placed the entire control of the proceedings against the Victoria Railway Company in the hands of Mr. Martin, and he was making as good progress in the settlement of the matter as was possible.

Deputy-Reeve COOPER said Mr. Martin had been in correspondence with Mr. Kingstill, the solicitor of the Company, for two weeks, but nothing could be done owing to that gentleman being absent at Ottawa.

Deputy-Reeve DIAMENT enquired if it was necessary to appoint the Sanitary Inspector and Fire Warden by by-law. He reported upon having taken action against the parties who caused the nuisance in the North Ward,