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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**FOR SALE.** A FIRST CLASS TAYLOR SAFE, with combination lock and cast iron interior. Will be sold cheap. Apply to W. M. ROSS, Kent street, 92-3.

**SPRAY COW.** A Red and White Cow came on my premises last Monday night, April 10th. Owner can have her by paying charges and proving property. THOS. PEE, Honeydew Farm, Lindsay, May 3rd, 1883.—83.

**FOR SALE.** A splendid large house and lot for sale in the south ward, close to the union depot, suitable for a boarding house. Buildings all in good repair. Apply to JAS. SANDERSON, On the premises, Lindsay, March 28, 1883.—88.

**VICTORIA HOTEL.**  
Victoria Road Station, W. H. JOHNSON, proprietor, formerly Windsor house. The new proprietor would intimate to the travelling public that he has leased the above hotel which has been thoroughly refitted and re-furnished in the most complete style. Substantial table, large and comfortable sample rooms. Best brands liquors and cigars. Also good stable and attentive hostler. 1883.

### FOR SALE.

Looking to falling health I offer my RESTAURANT FOR SALE at a Very Low Figure. A good business. One shop containing a confectionery, and adjoining it a first class dining room, fully equipped. It is undoubtedly the best stand in town for a restaurant, and a good trade constantly done. A shooting gallery in connection will also be sold with the business. For particulars and price, etc., apply to G. O. GAIN, On the premises, Lindsay, May 4th, 1883. 1883.

### THE GRADE BULL

## YOUNG WONDERFUL,

The property of H. Oliver, will be kept for service.

### One Lot East of Pleasant Hill Farm.

It is a splendid animal and is months old. TERMS, 50 CTS. H. OLIVER, Little Britain, April 23th, 1883.—65.

### To the Municipal Council of Carden and Dalton.

We, the undersigned auditors, beg leave to report that we have examined the book and vouchers submitted to us by your treasurer, which we found to be correct.

DR. BY  
Balance on hand last Oct. 1882. \$ 238.38  
Amount received since last account. 1,363.28  
\$ 1,601.66

JOSEPH CALHOUN, Auditors.  
ANDREW LOVE, J. Auditors.  
Carden, March 5th, 1883.

### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

The next examinations for entrance into the Civil Service will commence at the several places named in the Civil Service Act, commencing at Victoria, B. C., on THURSDAY, the 19th JUNE, at 9:30 a. m., and at Victoria, B. C., on FRIDAY, the 20th JUNE, at the same hour. Applications must be sent to the Secretary of the Board of Civil Service Examiners by the 15th May.

Candidates who passed the preliminary examination in November last, will not require to do so again, and candidates who passed the qualifying may come up for examination in optional subjects without again passing the qualifying.

Now sets of certificates of age, health and character will not be required from the two last named classes, but the fee of \$3 will have to be paid, and the Secretary must be informed of their intention to present themselves.

P. LESURER,  
Sec. Board of C.S. Examiners.

## Mortgage Sale

### OF REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance of a power contained in a mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, at

## BUCK'S HOTEL,

In the Village of Minden.

## Wednesday, the 6th day of June

Next, at Two o'clock p. m., the following valuable property, viz:

That parcel or tract of land and premises situate in the township of Snowdon and County of Haliburton and composed of four acres more or less, lately occupied by J. H. Sudd, as a store, at the south-east corner of lot 13, in the 14th concession of the said township of Snowdon.

They have secured the entries of E. W. Johnston, D. C. Ross, J. Howell, R. W. Heron, A. A. McDonald, Harry Ross, L. L. Hargreaves, Alex. Dobson, and the Zulu Giant, with a host of Local Talent.

E. W. JOHNSTON will give a special exhibition of throwing the heavy weight, losing the caber, and trying, in which he challenges the world. He offers \$100 to any man that will defeat him.

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week made at home by the industrious. Best business now before the public. Capital not needed. We will start you. Men, women, boys and girls wanted everywhere to work for us. Now is the time. You can work in spare time, or give your whole time to the business. No other business will pay you nearly as well. No one can fail to make enormous pay, by engaging at once. Costly outfit and terms free. Money made fast, easily and honorably. Address Tuck & Co., Augusta, Maine.

## The Fastest Horse Owned in the Dominion.

### GREAT THOROUGHBRED STALLION

## Huckleberry,

Curtis & Wetherup, Proprietors, Ops.

This celebrated horse will make the season of 1883 as follows:

MONDAY, will leave his own stable, Ops, and proceed to Valentia, for noon; thence to Seagrave for the night.

TUESDAY, will proceed to Sutherland, for noon; thence to Port Perry for the night.

WEDNESDAY, will proceed to Manchester for one hour, thence to Epsom, for noon; thence to Uxbridge for the night.

THURSDAY, will proceed to Valentine Corner, for noon; thence to Sunderland for the night.

FRIDAY, will proceed to Little Britain, for noon; thence to his own stable for the night.

SATURDAY, will proceed from his own stable, Lot 12, 14th Con., Ops, to Carr's hotel for noon; thence back to his own stable, where he will remain until the following Monday morning.

EDWARD SOANES, J. O'LEARY, Tp. Clerk.

## E. SOANES

Has to inform the public that he has

## OPENED A GENERAL CONFECTIONERY STORE

In the Stand Lately Occupied by W. G. Blair,

at the north north of Messrs. Wright & Co.'s Foot and Shoe store, LINDSAY STREET.

And would respectfully solicit a share of the patronage of the people of Lindsay and surrounding country.

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## LACHINE CANAL

### Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for the Formation of Basins near St. Gabriel Locks," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western mails on WEDNESDAY, THE 11th DAY OF JUNE next, for the formation of TWO SLIPS or BASINS, on the north side of the Lachine Canal, at Montreal.

A plan and specification of the work to be done can be seen at this office and at the Lachine Canal Office, Montreal, on and after TUESDAY, the 2nd day of MAY next, at either of which places printed forms of tender may be obtained.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms.

The Department does not, however, see fit to accompany each tender, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract on the terms of the specifications and conditions stated in the offer submitted. The cheque thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are accepted.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,  
A. P. BRADLEY, Secretary.

Dept. of Railways and Canals,  
Ottawa, 21st April, 1883. 1883-5.

## To Our Friends

This week we wish to draw your attention to some facts that are of importance to both yourselves and us. Kindly give the following your careful attention.

We have always endeavored to do the square thing with all those with whom we have had dealings, and it is very gratifying to us to know that our efforts have been appreciated and that our business has grown so rapidly in consequence of the liberal patronage of the public.

We now have the largest jewelry store in town, and carry the largest and finest stock. It is hardly necessary to state this for people can see for themselves. For this we have to thank our patrons.

What we wish to impress most firmly on your minds is this:

(1) WE INTEND TO KEEP AHEAD of all competitors, and we solicit your assistance to that end.

(2) WE ARE HERE TO STAY. We know if we are to expect your trade and support we must be worthy of it, and must by our efforts to please merit it.

We intend to do our part. You will find with us HONEST GOODS AND FAIR PRICES.

That our prices are and will be lower for the same class of goods than others can offer, we are certain. We are not under heavy expenses, as we have NO RENT, CLERKS, APPRENTICES or JOURNEMEN to pay, thereby saving many hundreds of dollars yearly, and we can sell goods at a LOWER LIVING PROFIT than any house in town.

We are both practical workmen, having served terms of apprenticeship in TOOLS, MATERIAL or WORKMEN.

These are the grounds on which we ask the public for their continued patronage.

Remember we pay no rent.

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Remember we own our stock, and these three things give us the "inside track," and we know it, and so do you, or you will if you come to buy from us.

## BRITTON BROS.

## SERVANT GIRL WANTED.

A good general servant. Well recommended. Apply immediately to MRS. DR. BURROWS.

## COURT OF REVISION.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Ops

Will meet at the

## COUNCIL CHAMBER, LINDSAY

As a Court of Revision on

## MONDAY, MAY 28th

Instant, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at which all interested are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

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## BRITTON BROS.

## Extraordinary Auction.

I dreamed a dream in the midst of my woe.

And when I awoke it, it came into my head.

My thoughts ran long in such beautiful metre,

As sure I never saw any poetry sweeter.

It seemed that a law had been recently made

That a tax on old bachelors' pates should be laid;

And in order to make them all willing to marry,

The tax was as large as a man could well carry.

The bachelors grumbled, and said 'twas no use—

'Twas horrid injustice and horrid abuse.

And declared that to save their own hearts' blood from spilling

Of such a vile tax they would not pay a shilling.

But the rulers determined them still to pursue,

So they set all the old bachelors up at auction.

A cry was sent through the town to and fro,

To rattle his bell and his trumpet to blow.

And to call out to all he might meet in his way,

'Hol forty old bachelors sold here to-day!'

And presently all the old maids in the town,

Rach, in her very best bonnet and gown,

From thirty to sixty, fair, plain, red and pale,

Of every description, all flocked to the sale.

The auctioneer then in his labor began,

And first he would, as he held up a man,

'How much for a bachelor? Who wants to buy?'

In a twinkling every maiden responded

In short, at a highly extravagant price,

The bachelors all were sold off in a trice;

And forty old maidens some younger, some older,

Each logged an old bachelor home on her shoulder.

## The School Question.

Sir,—At the meeting of the Board of Education a deputation representing a few of our wealthier citizens submitted a proposition for the establishment of a separate girls' department in connection with our public schools, the admission to which to be regulated by the imposition of a fee.

The reason assigned for this "departure" is stated in a circular issued under the signature of Dr. Burrows, in which it is claimed that the present system of the co-education of the sexes in our public schools is subversive of the "morals, innocence and modesty" of the girls attending.

This is certainly a strong argument, and were it not an exaggeration of the present condition of things would be unanswerable. But the scheme proposed is objectionable on the ground that it asks the Board of Education to do what they have no legal right to do, as the school law distinctly states that all public school departments shall be free, the imposition of fees upon high school pupils only being at the option of the board. There is another objection, however, which it would appear has not occurred to the worthy doctor and his friends. The board are asked to devote a portion of the public funds to the support of an institution, the advantages of which can be enjoyed by the wealthier classes only, whilst the children of the poorer ratepayers are to be left to the tender mercies of the present system. In the opinion of Dr. Burrows and his friends the co-education of the sexes is so frightfully dangerous, why not have petitioned the board to set apart certain buildings and grounds for the sole use of the boys? By this means the sexes would be taught separate and all classes of the community be treated alike. With all due deference, however, to the opinions of gentlemen who framed the rather remarkable circular, it may be stated that the experience of the majority of the best educators of the day is given in decided opposition to the separate training of the sexes. Of course it is implied that proper precaution be taken as to privacy in the matter of play-grounds, outbuildings, etc., and that there be careful supervision on the part of the teachers. The popular feeling would appear to be that our teachers are faithful and energetic in the discharge of their duties, but an inspection of the fences and buildings in the several ward school-grounds show a lack of attention on the part of the board, to say the least, not very creditable. This matter, however, is about to be remedied, and no doubt all cause of complaint in this respect will soon be entirely removed.

But would it not be well to consider whether the policy of the board has not for the past few years been somewhat too liberal to the high school at the expense of the public schools? The amount paid per annum to the 14 teachers of the public school is \$3,925, or an average of \$280 to the 4 specialists in the high school is \$1,300, or an average of \$825 per annum. The salaries in the public school range from \$200 up to \$600; in the high school from \$600 up to \$1,200. The average attendance of pupils per teacher in the public schools is over 40; in the high school 25. So liberal has been the provision for the high school that in order to keep the liberal to double in '83 or '9 different subjects daily pupils of tender years who lately entered have been compelled to prepare in six months for the intermediate, which according to the advice of the department of education should occupy two years; and the head of the staff has found ample time daily for years to receive and answer telegrams during school hours in carrying on extensive stock speculations. And all this, while several public school teachers have been working at the starvation salaries of \$200, and the school-grounds have been without division fences or proper outbuildings. Apart from the question of expense is not this liberally endowed cramming system a frightful mistake, a positive cruelty and

## Peck and Despotism.

(To the Editor of the Warbler.)

Sir,—In the interest of justice and morality permit me through the columns of your valuable journal to make an exposition of and to some extent give expression to the indignation felt by the inhabitants of the county of Haliburton at the outrage perpetrated upon us by the appointment of S. S. Peck, alias Slippery Sam, as Dakota Peck, by the Mowat Administration to the honorable and dignified position of stipendiary magistrate and division court judge of the county at a salary of \$1,200, *in fortiori*, exclusive of stealings.

The appointment is arbitrary and despotic, and is no doubt intended as a punishment for the wise rejection by the voters of the ministerial candidate at the late elections. A naturalized American citizen residing in the United States presiding over a Canadian court savours strongly of annexation proclivities. A synopsis of this man's private and public career may not be out of place. Some thirty years ago he followed the apostolic calling of a humble fisherman, not in the waters of Galilee in sterile Palestine but on the lake of and in the pleasant province of Ontario, a congenial occupation to one of his slippery nature. Subsequently becoming a photographer, abundant opportunity was afforded him to study the human face divine, and no doubt developed the innate trait of deceit and dissimulation so largely practised in after years. Becoming bankrupt he removed to the back country, where his oily manner and the glibness of a confiding people soon enabled him to retrieve his broken fortunes and enter mercantile life. In a short time true to his instincts he was again involved in difficulties and effected a compromise under rather suspicious circumstances. The formation of a new county necessitated officers under Return ~~to the House of Assembly, in which capacity for four years he did nothing but draw his pay, save and except advocating and supporting an act that deprived the settler of his just rights, "The Free Grant Amendment Act;" in the meantime spending his summers in Dakota, with an occasional visit to Canada in the capacity of an emigrant agent for the United States, of which he often boasted. He next appears in the role of a defaulter. In the capacity of county treasurer he has been proven to be short in his funds, having appropriated \$1,000 to his own private use. This charge has been proven in court, and other charges of the same nature are still pending, involving a large amount. The council passed a resolution withdrawing proceedings after the charge had been proven and dropped proceedings. Public indignation compelled an attempt to rescind the odious resolution, which resulted in a tie, he (Peck) being a member, decided the tie in Peck's favor by voting "nay." It was a condition of former appointments that the appointee should reside at Minden. In accordance with the sanction of the Government the duties of his office would be performed by a deputy, who after two years' furlough in the pure air of the country still retains the odour of a Fenelon Falls man, Peck in the meantime enjoying his \$1,200 in far away Dakota. He is to all intents an American citizen, having taken the oath of allegiance, and has actually boasted of being an emigrant agent in that behalf. This is undeniable, even to Peck. He does not own a foot of land in Canada, his interest being entirely in Dakota, where he has resided during the past in the summer, returning to Canada in the winter to enjoy his Canadian stipend and escape the rigours of a Dakota winter, and presumably return under more favorable climatic auspices. The words "thief, thief," has rung in his ears both publicly and privately. He has been stigmatized as a culprit through the length and breadth of the land by the public press. The fact that he makes no denial of the charges and no effort to refute the same is *prima facie* evidence that the obloquy so lavishly heaped upon him is deserved. That this man should be appointed to sit in judgment and wield the sceptre of justice over a people from whom he has deprived a large amount of money, not as a burglar who risks his life, but as a scamp who has betrayed confidence, is a barlesque upon justice and a striking commentary on the boasted purity of our Canadian judiciary. The Mowat Government that conferred the appointment must have known the character of their appointee. They no doubt~~

recognize the old axiom and made the appointment accordingly. The wise rejection of Peck by the electors at the late election was no doubt the primary cause of the appointment, and exhibits a spirit of vindictiveness that no honest man of any shade of politics would condone. A Government that knowingly makes an appointment of such an outrageous character in order to make an exhibition of their dexterity in wielding the political lash should be told to go, and not stand upon the order of their going but go once. Trusting in the interest of justice that you will give this somewhat lengthy letter an insertion in your now appreciated journal, I have the honor to remain,

Yours, etc.,

JOHN BROWN.

Minden, April 30th, 1883.

## Spring Exhibition.

The South Victoria spring show of horses and cattle took place Saturday and was without doubt the best spring exhibition held in Lindsay for several years. The day was cold, but fine, and there must have been fully six hundred horsemen and stock fanciers on the grounds.

The horse show was of course the great attraction, but so were the bull of Mr. J. Robins, of the Cochrane stock, the Ops society bull now owned by Mr. R. Darke and other animals of prominent breeders. For bulls there were no prizes offered, the animals merely being shown to assist in the success of the show. But with the horses the case was different. In this line the keenest competition for the various prizes was evident, and so good were all the horses that it is said considerable difficulty was experienced in some cases by the judges to determine as to how the prizes were to be awarded. Mr. George Curtis' splendid blood horse took the prize in his line, and Mr. Jos. Campbell's young Huckleberry as a road and carriage horse. But as a general purpose horse, Honest Sandy, a young and beautiful horse belonging to Mr. A. McQuade took first prize. This colt was brought some time recently by Mr. McQuade from Ottawa, and weighs 1625 lbs; Netherby owned by Mr. G. Manning took the 2nd, and Hobbie Noble, a fine young horse owned by Mrs. John Hogan came third. Mr. Jas. Story with his lofty the third took the lead in imported draught, Chancellor coming in for the second prize. The Canadian draught horses were well represented, Ivanhoe, owned by Mr. Jas. H. Wilson taking first, and Heart of Oak belonging to Messrs. Grandy & Graham taking second, while Messrs. Staples & Touchburn's young North Lincoln came third. There were also other horses in all these classes which were fully as fine animals, to which we must refer for reference to the PRIZE LIST.