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Midland District Notes

A ninety pound sturgeon was caught in Lake Couchiching last week.

An Orillia tinmith had his pocket picked of fifty dollars during the recent races there.

Lake Scougog has been set apart for the artificial propagation of fish for the next three years.

The blackbirds are appearing in numbers, and butterflies have been seen in some parts of the county.

A grade cow belonging to James Marshall, of Mulmur, produced a calf weighing 115 pounds the other day.

The spring asizes at Barrie lasted but two days and a half, the shortest session on record in the county.

There are 35 prisoners in Barrie jail, the majority of whom are vagrants; ten are females, one of whom gave birth to twins last week.

Mr. H. H. Thompson, of Penetanguishene, has disposed of his general store business and is opening a private bank in the ancient town.

Prince Edward county has been made a chancery division, and Judge Jelliff appointed master.

All chancery cases in the county will hereafter be tried in Picton instead of Belleville.

The Blue Ribbon meetings in Brighton continue to increase in popularity and interest.

Five hundred and eleven names are now on the book, which is a most remarkable and satisfactory result.

A boy aged nineteen named Em-law beat his aged father over the head with a stick in a shameful manner at Campbellford recently, for which the rascal was sent to Cobourg jail to await his trial.

Twenty-seven tons of sturgeon, caught in Smith's Bay, near Waupoos Island, have been shipped from Picton this winter.

The fish brought an average price when dressed of five cents per pound.

The body of Mrs. J. C. Moynes, of Belleville, who committed suicide by drowning herself whilst insane, in the river, on February 11th, was found floating in the harbor.

The features of deceased were but little disfigured, and her watch and jewelry were on her person.

Mr. F. J. Jewell, of the Stayer Sun, is, we are sorry to hear, prostrated with a very serious attack of inflammation. The disease is a very common one at this season of the year.

The cause is changing too suddenly from winter to spring clothing. The victim of the attack has the consolation of knowing that he has solely himself to blame for it.

On Tuesday last at Mr. Samuel Meville, a conductor on the Midland railway, was engaged in making up his train at Waukenahe station and while the train was in a backward motion it left the track and one of the cars upsetting fell on him and held him prisoner for about two hours before he could be extricated.

On being released from his perilous position it was found that he had received several severe injuries and contusions, but those who witnessed the accident express their wonder that he was not instantly killed.

The commission of judges which is to be appointed by the Ontario Government to enquire into the bribery conspiracy, and to meet the cost of which the Legislature voted the sum of ten thousand dollars, is to be composed of one Superior Court judge and two county court judges.

not justice but political capital.

Mr. E. W. Johnston, the athlete, talks of instituting a gymnasium in Peterborough.

Horse buyers are operating in the vicinity of Uzbridge, and a number of fine animals have changed hands.

The by-law granting \$1,000 to Mr. W. Reynolds, of Staynes, to enable him to rebuild his mill recently destroyed by fire, has been carried.

An immense stock of fat cattle have been shipped from Uzbridge, showing, without doubt, that the counties of York and Ontario possess great facilities for cattle raising and feeding.

Mr. J. Kenedick, from the Newcastle fish hatchery, accompanied by inspector Gilchrist, distributed from the tug Albert Wright Saturday about 100,000 white fish fry between Port Hope and Cobourg.

Judge Dartnell, of Whitby, has offered to place at the disposal of the semi-centennial celebration Committee, if they desire it, a painting of Toronto as it was thirty years ago, which he has in his possession.

The British Lion hotel, Brantford, was discovered to be on fire, early in the morning recently, but the flames were extinguished before making much headway.

The wife of Rev. P. T. Steel, who was the eldest daughter of Mr. Geo. Lemon, of Lemonville, died at her residence, Bobcaygeon, on Friday last.

Her remains were taken to Lemonville for burial. Rev. Mr. Steel was married while stationed on the Stonyville circuit. He has the heartfelt sympathy of his numerous friends here.

Hon. John Stevenson, of Napanee, who was Speaker of the Ontario Legislature from 1867 to 1871, is dead. Mr. Stevenson was an old resident of Napanee.

At one time he owned a saw mill and a general store, in both of which he did a large business, and he was long regarded as the wealthiest and most enterprising man in the town.

On the evening of the 2nd while assisting in a charivari on the 4th con. of Uzbridge, at the expense of one of his neighbor's hymenial joy, a young gentleman well known in society lost his thumb and part of his hand through ignorance in the management of a gun.

As the gentleman is a rare musician the loss of his fingering ability is to be deplored.

Hackett, the street car conductor of Toronto who was shot by Mr. Altkins a week ago, has died. Altkins it will be remembered came home, found his wife absent, and from information received traced her to a house of not very good repute where he found her in a chamber with Hackett.

He shot both, but Mrs. Altkins will recover. There is not a great deal of public sympathy felt for the late Mr. Hackett.

A young man named Frank Tromley, who has been about Bowmanville for some time without any visible means of employment—a regular masquerade—so far secured the affections of Miss Adney, a girl between fourteen and fifteen years of age that he induced her to elope with him.

One night recently he drew on all the acquaintances he had in town for money in various amounts as a loan, and got the young girl to secure all the clothing she could lay her hands on, both personal and bed clothes. It is supposed they have gone east.

The municipality of Scott is one of the most successful in this Province in a financial way, as well as otherwise. The auditors' report for the past year shows the total expenditure to have been \$4,718, \$1,850 of which was for improving township roads and bridges, and a cash balance on hand of \$1,386.

Besides this snug sum to their credit the people of Scott have considerable money invested in Toronto, Thorah and other debentures which brings them in over \$200 each year in interest.

Each year finds them ahead and their public officers are, to an extent, to be thanked for this, as well as the efforts of the people.

Mr. Robert Ledgerwood, a highly respected farmer living in the township of Montezuma, in North Hastings, met with his death under the following melancholy circumstances: It appears that he left his home on the morning of Tuesday last, the 1st inst., intending his family that he was uncertain whether he should proceed to the sugar works, or go to another place to chop.

As he did not return home in the evening it was supposed he had remained at a neighbor's house near the sugar works. On the next evening, however, as he did not return his people became alarmed and went out to look him up.

On their arrival at the chopping place it was observed that one tree only had been felled, and on further search the poor man was found in a swamp, lying on his face in the snow, with one arm broken, and near death. He expired shortly afterwards.

It is supposed that the tree struck him in falling, breaking his arm and probably causing some internal injury. It is presumed he wandered off in a bewildered state in the wrong direction, and the terrible exposure of two days and one

night was almost sufficient in itself to cause death.

Port Hope is to receive an additional grant of \$5,000 for its new post-office.

Some of the bicycles for the club about to be organized in Madoc have already been ordered.

Barrie is raising a subscription to defray the expenses of submitting the Scott Act in that town.

The Salvation Army people affirm that "the Devil's headquarters in Canada is at Owen Sound!"

Scarlet fever has attacked Midland. One death has taken place, and one or two cases are reported.

W. C. Hand, veterinary surgeon of Alliston, had his hand scratched a few days ago while doctoring a horse for the glanders.

The result is a case of blood poisoning that will probably result fatally.

At the communion in the Presbyterian church, Cobourg, last Sunday fifty-two joined the church. Forty-three of these were recent converts, who partook of the sacrament for the first time on this occasion.

Brookville voted last week on the question of abolishing liquor licenses in stores. The vote was very one sided and the blue ribbon retired from the contest long before the hour of closing the polls.

The majority against the by-law was forty.

A mineral spring has been discovered at Thornhill, Ont., the waters of which, in analysis by Prof. Hays, of Toronto, prove equal in value to those of Bethesda or largely used waters of the United States.

The proprietor expects Thornhill will soon be a valued suburban watering place.

The Beeton school requires another teacher, but it appears the trustees do not. When the inspector learns that between seventy and eighty pupils are in one room, presided over by a young lady he may probably give the trustees a pointer or two on the workings of the school law. They are evidently needed.

Moss Oates thinks the present cold period is only the old story over again. It will give way within a very few days, he predicts, to a prolonged period of warm weather remarkable for its stagnation.

Another dip about the beginning of May will be followed again by a long warm spell. The first week of beginning of the second week of June may witness slight frosts over the coldest parts of Ontario and New York.

A few days ago two little boys, sons of Mr. W. H. Thomas and Mr. S. May, of Oshawa, entered a stall in the stable of the former gentleman, in which was a horse.

Shortly afterwards another son of Mr. Thomas went to the stall and discovered the boys lying insensible on the floor. Medical aid was summoned, and it was some hours before the lads regained consciousness.

There were no marks on the children to show that they had been kicked, and it is supposed they were rendered unconscious by being crushed against the stall by the horse. The injury to Mr. May's little boy was the more serious of the two, and, in his case, concussion of the brain was feared.

The Orillia Times says that several farmers in this vicinity have during the past week been victimized by hay fork agents. Five of these gentry have been at a local hotel for nearly a week and have made daily excursions into the country.

It is reported they have got considerable game. Their plan is to go to a farmer and induce him to sign an order for from ten to twenty hay forks to sell on commission as their agent, for which the farmer is to pay \$10 each.

The farmer signs the paper and a short time afterwards ascertains that he has signed a negotiable document which is in the hands of a local dealer in notes, the agents having transferred it on a liberal shave.

James Brown, shoe dealer, of Dundas, was brought before the Barrie police court charged by Mr. Daniel Spry, post-office inspector, Barrie division, with having fraudulently represented that he posted a letter containing \$50 at Dundas, and had it registered, addressed to Charles Sinclair, Shelburne.

The money, he said, was abstracted while passing through the post-office. Brown reported his loss to Mr. Spry, who sent his assistant, Mr. Henderson, to fully investigate the matter, when it was ascertained that no money had been enclosed.

Brown was therefore arrested and brought before the magistrate, who, after hearing Mr. Spry's evidence, committed the prisoner for trial.

One evening recently an elderly man named George Washington arrived in Toronto from Bowmanville, for the purpose of making several heavy payments, but instead of attending to his business he got drunk and wandered about the eastern portion of the city until about 11 o'clock.

While he was proceeding up George street three men grabbed him, dragged him into a lane and after administering several kicks, rifled his pockets, securing about \$50. The old man's cries attracted the police, who removed him to No. 4 station, in which place he was detained all night on a charge of drunkenness.

When searched a cheque payable to bearer for \$3,164 was found in one

of his pockets; the thieves having evidently considered it of no use to them.

The assessor says that the population of Norwood has increased during the past year.

Mr. S. Barlow saved five cords of hard wood in seven hours and forty minutes, in Stirling, last week.

It is said that the hay fork gang have already galled the people of Lennox county to the tune of \$1,200.

The Orangetown of Brighton district have decided to hold their regular 12th of July celebration in Brighton this summer.

With the Saved and Salvation Armies, the revival in the C. M. church, and other church work, Trenton ought to be good.

Mr. Fred Ranple, of Tyrone, sold to Mr. Humberly, to go to Illinois, a young stallion rising two years, sired by Baron Lennox, for \$350.

A Belleville doctor cut a tumor from the head of an infant the other day, which was considerably larger in a distended state than the child's head.

A motion was made at Ogopogo hall last week on behalf of Stuart & McPherson, Hamilton, for payment over of \$1,000 bribery money handed by McKim, M.P.P., to the Speaker.

Blue Ribbon movement is making strong headway in Deseronto, and the Deseronto Temperance Society is meeting with marked success in the prosecution of their great work.

As the counsel for the Speaker was not prepared to argue the case upon its legal bearing the motion was enlarged. Stuart & McPherson are judgment creditors of McKim for \$1,300.

We again caution our readers to have nothing to do with shoddy cloth peddlers. The country is infested with these smooth-tongued rogues, and they have found many victims. Buy from reliable merchants, pay cash if you can, and you are sure of good quality and full measure.

Satchel snatching in the streets appears to be growing into a dangerously common practice in Toronto. Mrs. Baker, a lady from Orillia, and a former resident of Whitby, was the last victim.

She had her satchel, containing ten dollars, grabbed in open daylight. Ladies from the country should be especially careful when visiting the city about exposing their purses and satchels.

Mrs. Wright, whose husband is foreman at Lawson's mills, about three miles from Milton, and whose mind has for some time been unsettled, attempted to commit suicide a few days ago. The weapon used was a 23-calibre revolver, with which she fired two shots.

The bullet from the first shot struck one of the steel ribs of her corset, glanced aside, and was found in her clothing but the second penetrated the lower part of her chest, and it is feared wounded one of her lungs.

The reason why additional guards have been placed in the Parliament building has at length transpired. A few weeks since a man from Chicago, styling himself Dr. Conne, wrote to Sir John Macdonald informing him that he knew of a plot which had been matured in the United States to blow up the Parliament buildings with dynamite.

Shortly after this he had an interview with the Premier, in the course of which he repeated this assertion, and said that if the Government chose to avail themselves of his services he would be able to frustrate the plot and bring the conspirators to justice.

He declined to give any further particulars of the alleged conspiracy, saying that to do might possibly frustrate his plan to entrap the plotters. This naturally caused his story to be looked upon with great suspicion.

Sir John told him that he was welcome to go ahead with his detective business if he pleased, but that he could not expect to receive any remuneration until events proved the truth of his story, and he had accomplished what he promised.

The Dominion police were then instructed not only to exercise extra vigilance in watching the public buildings, but to also keep a sharp eye on the movements of Dr. Conne. The latter is a short, thick-set dark complexioned man, with iron gray hair and a dyed mustache.

Ever since his arrival here he has been staying at the Russell, and seems to be well provided with money. He has been slowly shadowed by the Dominion police ever since he came here, but so far they have discovered nothing suspicious in his behavior.

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