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R. C. SMITH,
Fenelon Falls, May 26th, 1880.

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Saturday, Sept'r 11th, 1880.

The Irish Situation.
The present condition of affairs in Ire-
land forms the text of lengthy articles
in nearly all the English journals. It is
barely possible that Fenian agents may
have succeeded in obtaining minor
positions of trust in different Govern-
ment establishments; but, owing to the
vigilance that is being exercised, it is
very certain that they have not been
able to worm themselves into places
where there efforts, even if successful,
could be of the slightest consequence.

The opposition to England in Ireland
is of an entirely different character from
that of open rebellion. The *Times*, in
an article on the subject, says: "What
we shall look for from Ireland during
the coming autumn and winter will be
the news of land meetings in abundance;
of angry, seditious speeches, and of in-
dignant popular votes. Beyond this we
are inclined to think the disturbance will
not proceed. The real danger is not
from an organization on which the law
can lay its hand and which the law will
be strong enough to crush. The dis-
content, if it takes form at all, will show
itself in a safer fashion than this. It
is the occurrence of outrages upon in-
dividuals and the general disposition to
shield offenders that Mr. Foster pro-
fesses chiefly to dread, and against
which he thinks it needful to make pro-
vision after a somewhat unusual fashion.

How far the presence of a thousand well
armed and well disciplined troops will
act as a safeguard to individuals we
will not venture to say. Agents may
perhaps be shot at from behind hedges,
and houses in out-of-the-way places
burned or wrecked almost as freely as
before. But one thing is absolutely
certain. There will be no popular ris-
ing where there are troops in readiness
to put it down. The Peace Preservation
act may not be in force, but the Irish-
man's sense of the duty of self preser-
vation will give as good security as we
need ask for, against open rebellion at all
events."

Sugar Cane.
Some months ago the Rev. Mr. Lo-
gan, of this village, procured a small
package of sugar cane seeds, part of
which he divided among his friends to
experiment with, keeping the remainder
himself for the same purpose. The
few we got and planted in our little gar-
den did not do very well, perhaps be-
cause the soil or situation was not suit-
able; for, though all or nearly all came
up, the tallest of the canes have only
reached a height of about five feet, and
not more than two or three have given
any signs of bearing seed. Mr. Logan,
from some reason, has had better suc-
cess, and a few days ago he brought us
a small bundle of canes which measured
over eight feet, and which bore at the
top tufts or plumes of fibres, like those
of broom corn, with clusters of reddish
coloured seed growing thereon; in fact
the whole plant, until it begins to head
out, so closely resembles ordinary corn
that without close inspection no differ-
ence is noticed, and a cow, if treated to
a few stalks, munches them with an air
of intense enjoyment which plainly says
that she thinks they are corn of a pecu-
liarly luscious flavour. At Mr. Logan's
suggestion we cut a small piece out of
one of the canes and tasted it, and even
that simple test proved it to contain a
very appreciable amount of sugar. It
is believed that this plant can be grown
and brought to perfection in sufficient
quantities to make the extraction of its
juice and its conversion into sugar a
paying industry.

The Fenelon Falls Bridge.
On Friday of last week Dr. Norris,
of Onemee, Warden of this county, vi-
sited Fenelon Falls for the purpose of
inspecting the bridge across the Fenelon
River, which he did in company with
Councillor Deyman, who is chairman of
the Street and Bridge Committee. Both
were of the opinion that the supports
placed under the structure last year
rendered it safe for some time to come,
provided the flooring was replanked,
which the Warden was at first in favour
of having done with three inch plank,
though he finally agreed with Mr. Dey-
man that two inch plank would last as
long as the other parts of the bridge.
Before Dr. Norris left it was agreed
that Mr. Deyman should procure and
forward to him an estimate of the cost

of the proposed new flooring, which was
promptly done, and the work will no
doubt shortly be performed. It is pro-
posed, with a view to economy, to use
the present bridge as long as repairs of
no great value will keep it firm enough
to bear the traffic over it, and then to
pull it down and build an iron one in its
place.

Gooderham News.
(From our correspondent.)
Since you last heard from me sundry
matters concerning railways and other
affairs have been gradually moving along
as usual. A visit paid us last week by
the proprietor of the Cambrian Iron
Works, Pennsylvania, decided Messrs.
Pusey and Co. to at once begin sinking
a shaft in their large iron mountain
mine here, to ascertain the quality of
the lower portion of the iron; also, I
hear for a fact that the railway will be
built to Devil's Creek this fall. As to
our township and others through which
Dungannon, it is the intention of the
Company now forming to build the rail-
way to ask a bonus from each township,
and, as the road would naturally be a
colonization road, they would also ask
Government aid. Mr. Pusey informs
me that it is intended to have a prelimi-
nary survey at an early date, to enable
the Company to form an idea of the
cost of the road to the end of Glamorgan
township first. There have been
many hours of late spent by the settlers
here discussing the bonus question, and,
as far as I can hear, nine out of every
ten are willing to give some aid; but
our abilities are small for such a work.
These facts, however, are sternly staring
us in the face, viz: We are yearly hav-
ing more spare produce to dispose of;
we possess no teams to take it to Hal-
burton for sale or shipment by the
Victoria Railway; our lumbering is about
done, but we possess lots of hard wood
and cedar; our taxes are due in Octo-
ber; our present hopes of disposing of
our surplus look exceedingly dim, as
this winter will finish the small odd lots
of lumber still remaining. It therefore
behoves us all to cast a look forward to
our future prospects of advancement;
and if our heads are any way level we
must decidedly give our assistance to
bring to our doors the only possible
means whereby that advancement can
be brought about.

Fenelon Council.
Cambray, Aug. 30th, 1880.

The Council met pursuant to ad-
journalment. Members all present, the
Reeve in the chair. Minutes of last
meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Downer, seconded by
Mr. Isaac, That a by-law to provide for
the levying of the usual annual rates be
received and read a first time.—*Carried.*
By-law received and passed in the usual
manner. Mr. Downer in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Moynes, seconded by
Mr. Isaac, That John E. Fittal be ap-
pointed Collector for the year 1880 at a
salary of \$65, and that a by-law be in-
troduced confirming the same.—*Carried.*
By-law received and passed in the
usual manner. Mr. Jordan in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Jordan, seconded by
Mr. Downer, That the following bills
be voted: W. H. Robinson & Co., Print-
ing Voters' Lists, \$21 60; Henry Fry,
repairs to scraper paid J. Bell, 70c;
also that S. Nichol and Rachael
McGuiness receive \$4 each as charity;
also that Mrs. McNeevin receive \$4 to
assist in the maintenance of an orphan
child.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Downer, seconded by
Mr. Moynes, That Messrs. Hudspeth,
Jackson & Barron's bill be laid over for
future consideration; and that the clerk
be instructed to ask the said firm for
information regarding the same.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Jordan, seconded by
Mr. Moynes, That \$40 be expended on
the new road between lots 3 and 4 in
the 10th con., and to repair the line be-
tween cons. 10 and 11 opposite lot 4;
said amount to be payable on the 1st
of December, and that Joseph Irwin be
a commissioner to expend the same.—*Carried.*

The Council then adjourned, to meet
at Cameron, on the 6th of December.

Somerville Council.
Rettie's Station, Friday, Sept. 3.

The municipal council of the town-
ship of Somerville met this day at Ret-
tie's Station pursuant to a call of the
Reeve. Members all present. The
minutes of the meeting were read.

Communications from Edwin Savage
asking charity and Samuel Parker asking
a bad crossing on the Monk Road; also
from Alex. Rettie, Sr., about the bridge
crossing the creek at his place, were
laid before the Council. Mr. William
Cavanagh asking charity. Mr. Robert
Graham about non-resident statute la-
bour of lot 23 in the 1st con., and
James Butler do. for lot 21 on the 3rd
con.; also Wm. Lyall asking help to
open out a new road, were heard by the
Council.

Moved by Mr. Howie, seconded by
Mr. Eade, That George Rumney be
authorized to get the Mud Turtle Lake
bridge repaired, and that Henry Gra-
ham attend to the repairing of the
bridge on Kinmount Road, and that the
bridge at the foot of Four Mile
Lake be repaired by George McFarland,
under the superintendence of the
Reeve.

Moved by Mr. Howie, seconded by
Mr. Rumney, That the Reeve and
Henry Graham be appointed a commit-
tee to arrange with Mr. Wm. Cluxton
for the conveyance of the proposed cem-
etery at Kinmount to this Council, and
also to draft a by-law for the purpose
of vesting the same in the municipal
Council and their successors in office, and
such regulations as may be necessary
for the management thereof.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Howie, seconded by
Mr. Eade, That ten dollars be appro-
priated to open out the concession line
between the fourth and fifth concessions
west from lot seventeen, under the con-
trol of the Reeve.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Graham, seconded by

Mr. Eade, That the County Treasurer
be instructed to charge the township
with the arrears of taxes due against
lot No. 13 in the 12th concession, as
the same was paid to the township in
1877.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Rumney, seconded by
Mr. Eade, That E. D. Hand be paid
the sum of thirty two dollars for print-
ing Voters' Lists and by-laws.—*Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Howie, seconded by
Mr. Rumney, That the Council ad-
journ to the seventeenth day of Septem-
ber.—*Carried.*

FAT CATTLE.—On Saturday last Mr.
Samuel Aitkin, of Port Hope, loaded a
car at the Fenelon Falls station of the
Victoria Railway with twenty head of
cattle, all purchased in the township of
Fenelon. Some he got from Mr. John
Daniel, some from Mr. John Graham,
others from Mr. Cornelius Duggan, and
the rest from Mr. John Duggan. The
cattle were to go to Montreal, and Mr.
Aitkin said they were the finest carload
that ever left Fenelon Falls.

POISON IVY AGAIN.—On Sunday
last, in the Fenelon Falls cemetery, a
young man named Frank Ball uncon-
sciously came in contact with poison
ivy, which produced the usual unpleas-
ant effects, and on Tuesday he was
nearly blind, and had to go about with
his face wrapped up. The ivy, as we
before had occasion to remark, is very
abundant in and around this village;
but it is quite harmless to many per-
sons, who can even handle it with im-
punity, while others say that they can-
not go near it without being affected.
Fortunately, however, the "poison"
does not produce very serious results,
and the sufferers soon recover.

GOOD LUCK.—On Tuesday morning
Mr. John Nugent went out on Cameron
Lake in his new canoe with the gold
stripe,—noticed in last week's *Gazette*.
—and took with him Mr. John Austin
and two trolling lines. Mr. Nugent
rowed, while Mr. Austin fished, and
though only away a short time they
got back with them a couple of fine
maskinonges, one weighing nearly 10
lbs. and the other 12½ lbs. After this,
let all who go fishing try the effect of a
gold stripe on their canoes, and brass
baits, for that was the kind Mr. Austin
used. Gold and brass are the things to
insure success in this world.

RAIN.—The long continued dry weath-
er, which had lasted so many weeks
that it was beginning to be called a
drought, came to an end on the evening
of the 2nd inst., when sufficient rain fell
to put new life into the parched up
vegetation, replenish the exhausted
wells and afford plenty of soft water
for washing purposes. It was badly
needed; indeed, we heard the remark
at day or two before the shower, that
the crop would be ruined if the dry
spell continued much longer, but it is to
be hoped that the rain came before the
crop was ruined. The splendid
harvest weather, over which the farmers
were in ecstasies, lasted a little longer
than was desirable, but the recent pen-
sive irrigation which everything got
made it all right again.

BIG POTATOES.—On Wednesday
morning Mr. David Logan, of lot No.
19 in the 20th concession of Verulam,
brought into Fenelon Falls for sale some
potatoes of such mammoth dimensions
that between forty and fifty of them
made a bushel. Mr. James Power,
who got some of them, brought us one
as a specimen, and when placed in the
scale it proved to weigh no less than
21½ oz. Some who saw it argued that
it was a double potato, because a little
one, about the size of an egg, grew out
of its side; but, if the small one—
which made a convenient handle to lift
the other by—had been cut off, the
large one would still have weighed at
least a pound. Mr. Power said there
were several bigger ones in the sack,
and that he brought us the one noticed
on account of its peculiar conformation.
Mr. Logan ought to stand a fair chance
to take first prize for "tubers" at the
coming fall show.

KICKED BY A HORSE.—On Sunday
evening last a boy about 10 years old,
son of Mr. John Fitzpatrick, of this
village, went to catch a horse which
had been turned out to graze on the
common, with an ordinary driving
bridle, with blinkers, on its head. Ap-
proaching from behind, without speak-
ing, he startled the animal, which kick-
ed just as he got within reach and
struck him over the left eye, cutting
the flesh down to the bone and inflicting
a wound fully three inches in length, as
it extended from the middle of the fore-
head to the temple. Fortunately the
horse had no shoes on its hind feet, for
Dr. Wilson, who was sent for, thinks
that if it had been shod the boy's
skull would inevitably have been frac-
tured. The doctor drew the lips of the
wound together and put in a few stitches,
and nothing worse than a scar is
likely to result from the accident.

EXCURSIONS.—This is the season
of the year at which religious denomina-
tions of all kinds are prepared on the
slightest provocation, but with the best
intentions, to get up excursions to and
from everywhere, and on Saturday our
village was flooded by Methodist ex-
cursionists from Lindsay, and on Tues-
day by Catholics from the same place.
Fenelon Falls, in turn, has sent out
troops of pleasure seekers to invade
other localities, and she intends to send
out more as long as the weather is fav-
ourable. There are two excursions
from this village yet to come off, one by
the Knights of the Maccabees to Oak
Orchard and Indian Village and the
other by the Presbyterians to Toronto.

The first is advertised for the 10th inst.,
and will be over before the *Gazette* will
reach its readers, but the other does not
take place until Tuesday next, and all
who wish to see the great Industrial
Exhibition in the "Queen City" should
avail themselves of the opportunity thus
afforded, as the tickets will be only
\$1 25 and good for a week.

The N. Y. State law makes the taking
of a newspaper and then refusing to pay
for it the same as theft, and a paper has
already commenced criminal prosecution
against several persons who attempted
to swindle the publisher.

Terrible Colliery Explosion.
OVER 250 MEN IMPRISONED IN THE PIT.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—A terrible explo-
sion occurred at 2 o'clock this morning
at Seaham pit, Durham county, on the
North Sea, about five miles south of
Sunderland. Two hundred and fifty
men were in the pit, and from that time
up to 11 o'clock all efforts to reach them
have been unsuccessful. Communication
has, however, since been opened with a
group of eighteen men, who are safe.
The greatest excitement prevails in the
neighbourhood. The wives and families
of the imprisoned or slaughtered
miners surround the mouth of the pit
with loud cries and lamentations. The
eighteen men with whom communi-
cation has been opened don't know how
many have been killed, but it is feared
they are the only survivors of the cat-
astrophe. The superintendent of the
colliery and numerous assistants are put-
ting forth every effort to ventilate the
pit sufficiently to allow a thorough ex-
ploration to be made of the more remote
parts of the workings, where it is sup-
posed the majority of the men were
when the explosion took place. The
immediate cause of the ignition of the
fire damp cannot be more than surmised
as the rules of the mine in respect to
the use of lamps were as strict as pos-
sible, and it was supposed to be as safe
as any in the kingdom.

LONDON, Sept. 9, 4 a.m.—A despatch
just received from Seaham colliery says.
The rescued number 66, but it is
now feared there were 230 men in the
pit at the time of the explosion. Two
corpses were brought to the surface at
midnight, one of which was burned to a
cinder. Both victims leave large fami-
lies.

A Disastrous Gunpowder Explosion.
HILSBURG, Sept. 7.—The store of
Wm. How, situated at the southern ex-
tremity of this village, was the scene of
a terrible gunpowder explosion at about
ten o'clock this forenoon. It seems that
yesterday evening Mr. Edward How, son
of the proprietor, had been getting pow-
der from a keg usually kept under the
counter, probably leaving a small train
of powder from where it had previously
stood. As the matches were kept on the
ledge near the place, some of them may
have been accidentally knocked off and
were lying on the floor by the powder.
In passing along behind the counter Mr.
Edward How probably stepped on the
matches, which igniting set fire to the
train of powder, and this communicating
with the keg would cause the explosion.
This seems the only way to account for
the explosion, as there was no fire in the
store at the time. Mr. How and Messrs.
Wm. Everett and George Lang were at
the time sitting between the counters not
more than ten feet from where the ex-
plosion took place, and how they escaped
instant death is scarcely to be compre-
hended. The place where they were sit-
ting is completely covered with the fall-
en timber of the floor above, the counter,
kegs of nails, and other debris of the
building. They provisionally escaped
with only trifling bruises, but consid-
erably singed. Mr. Edward How, how-
ever, was not so fortunate, as he was
blown to the rear of the store against
the partition and among the barrels and
boxes standing there. Through very
badly injured it is hoped he will recover.
His feet and legs are badly burned, and
his hair and beard nearly burned off, his
face and head badly cut, bruised and
burned, and his eyes so much injured
that if he recovers otherwise it is not
likely his sight will be restored. The
upper story of the building was occupied
by Mrs. Hardaker, a widow, who escap-
ed with trifling injuries, though she was
raised to the ceiling and then fell with
the floor, but her furniture was nearly
all destroyed.

A Desperate Encounter.
MONTREAL, Sept. 3.—Deputy head
constable Contant had a desperate en-
counter here with a man named Murphy,
a notorious desperado whom he was at-
tempting to arrest, and who was assist-
ed by his father. The officer saw his
man enter a house and followed him
Murphy rushed upstairs, Contant at his
heels, when, seeing that he was pursued,
the former jumped through an open win-
dow in the second story, nearly twenty
feet from the ground. The policeman
did not hesitate, but took the leap also,
and in a moment caught his man, when
a fearful struggle ensued. Murphy, sr.,
now appeared, and, armed with an axe,
rushed at the officer, whose position be-
tween the two desperate men was far
from enviable. Dodging a blow aimed
at his head, Contant struck the elder of
his assailants with his baton, knocking
him hors de combat. The younger man
then grasped the axe, when the officer
struck him a blow which precipitated
him into a cellar several feet down. Con-
tant then beat a retreat, but was soon
back again with a posse of police. By
this time the Murphys had taken refuge
in a house, which they barricaded, but
the officers stormed it and arrested them.
One of the policemen was badly wound-
ed, when making the arrest, by the
younger prisoner, who wielded the axe
with terrific force.

Forest Fires.
To see for the first time these great
forest fires careening through the wilds
of the north country, the sight is a truly
sublime one. As I was passing along
the grade to-day, and just as I had come
to the western edge of a long tamarac
swamp, I saw a broad belt of fire sweep-
ing swiftly along the muskeg only a few
yards from the edge of the swamp, and
on the north side of the grade. The
wind was blowing briskly from the south-
west, and gathering strength at every
second. In a few moments the flames
caught in the edge of the timber, and
with a roar like that of distant thunder
that is rolling up directly towards the
listener they burst upward in one broad
reddy sheet that leaped far above the
tree tops at the first bound, while from
off its fiery crest rolled great broad bill-
ows of thick black and aud uncoloured
smoke, blotting out the soft, bright blue
of the summer sky as they swept along.
Soon the wind increased to a gale, and

in a few seconds acres of trees were
wrapped in flames from the roots to the
topmost branches, while the thick grey
smoke that rolled along the cold, half-
moist bottoms, and mingled with the
steam, generated great and sudden heat
and took an almost muggy hue. Through
this thick, greyish mist the flames of
the burning trees shone only with a
smothered light like the red flashes in an
opal; but out above the tree tops rolled
along a great billow of uncoloured flame,
tossing high above its sable crest of
pitchy smoke. When I witnessed the
marvellous speed with which this great
conflagration went rushing through the
forest, I fully realized how easily any
unfortunate wanderer might be overtaken
by it and swallowed up without even the
smallest chance of escape.—*Globe cor-
respondence.*

Inhuman Conduct.
The heartlessness of some of the French
Canadian villagers of Quebec Province
is almost incredible. Every few weeks
some poor, decrepit old creature is
brought or sent into Montreal and aban-
doned on the streets. Yesterday
afternoon a poor old woman named La-
belle, 80 years old, was carried into the
Central Station and deposited in a chair,
while the man who led her in departed
quickly. She was found to be very ill,
and was removed to the general hospi-
tal in a semi-unconscious condition,
after having explained to the police that
her progeny were tired of her and want-
ed to be rid of her.

A Case in Point.
Down east they tell a story which
fairly illustrates the present position of
Canada. A depressed looking man,
carrying a large fence rail over his
shoulder, was asked why he burdened
himself with such a load.
"Well," said he, "about two miles
back I felt very tired, and picked up
the biggest rail I could find so as to
rest myself."
"Rest yourself!" yelled the other,
"how can you rest yourself that way?"
"Why," said the rail-bearer, "just
think how light I'll feel when I throw
it off!"

In the same way Canada picked up
the "N. P." to make the journey easier,
and just think how light she'll feel when
she throws it off.

A Dangerous Stroke of Lightning.
LONDON, Sept. 4.—This morning
about eight o'clock lightning struck the
north east corner of the chimney of the
chemical works, and the brick was strip-
ped off for about 30 feet from the top.
A number of brick layers, who were
employed in building an addition to the
works in close proximity to the chim-
ney, had fortunately just left the vicini-
ty, owing to the rain. Otherwise some
of them would have undoubtedly been
killed by the falling debris. A young
man named Wesley Stanfield, who was
standing in the panhouse of the works,
was struck by the fluid, thrown a dis-
tance of fifteen feet, and rendered in-
sensible. The services of a doctor were
immediately secured, and he thinks that
no serious results will follow.

Terrible Shipwreck & Loss of Life.
The steamer *City of Vera Cruz* left
New York on Wednesday, the 25th ult.,
and went down off the coast of Florida
on the following Sunday morning in a
gale. Of the 82 persons on board only
about a dozen were saved. One of the
survivors says:
"It was about six o'clock when the
ship went down, breaking in the middle.
Thousands of pieces of wreckage were
clashing together in the water five min-
utes after the ship went to pieces. Men,
women and children, horses, cats and
rats, were mixed together, and over this
mass the waves were surging fifty feet
high, in peaks like sugar loaves; when
we went up on one side it was not to go
down on the other side, but to be turned
over at the top and sent rolling through
the air to an opposite one. Back and
forth this lasted two or three hours, af-
ter which the waves assumed a more
natural character and came in swelling
ridges."

A French-Canadian's Death.
About seven days ago Noel Goyette,
a well known teamster on the Cariboo
wagon-road, loaded his waggon at
Oppenham Bros. store with merchandise
for the upper country. When arriv-
ing miles out, and while ascending a
hill near Rombro's he was pushed over
the side of a precipice by a mule which
pressed closely upon him from behind.
The unfortunate man fell 2,000 feet.
His body was seen by the Indians who
accompanied him to strike the rocks be-
low, whence it bounded into the river