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The Fenelon Falls Gazette Saturday, October 8th, 1881. MONEY WANTED. This is the time of year when farmers have money and are supposed to settle up with all who have accounts against them. It is a melancholy fact, however, that printer's bills are generally left to the last, and thus run a great risk of being put off till next year, which is the reason there are so many delinquents on almost every publisher's subscription list. We, of course, have our share, and more than a fair share, too; and as this season's crops were abundant and prices are high, there is no good reason why all those persons who are one, two or three years in arrears for the Gazette should not pay up now that they have the means. We have waited patiently through the hard times, knowing how "hard up" the majority of the farmers were; but there is now scarcely one of them who isn't quite able to clear off all arrears, and we expect them to do so. Each account is small, but in the aggregate they amount to a large sum—enough to pay off all our own liabilities and buy a nice lot of new type. We don't want to sue any one if we can help it; but we must have our money, and if it is not paid voluntarily we shall try what force will do.

The Central Exhibition. We spent Wednesday, the second day of the Central Exhibition, in Lindsay, and like all the other spectators, were somewhat disappointed, as the show was far inferior to that of four years ago, except in cattle and perhaps poultry. We have neither time nor space for an account of what we saw; indeed it is almost a work of supererogation to attempt a description of the exhibition, as there was such a tremendous crowd present from all parts of this county, that the few persons who were compelled to stay at home will have had full particulars by this time from relatives or neighbours. We have not yet seen the prize list, but we are pleased to learn that many of our friends were among the successful competitors, and they no doubt wish to see their names in print as soon as possible. Mr. William Fielding took no less than nine prizes, and most of them first prizes too; for leather; Mr. H. Deyman took first prize for white Leghorn fowls and also for bantams; and Robson & Robson took first prize for a fanning mill, the only article they showed. All these are residents of this village. Mr. John Cullis, of Fenelon, took the third prize for his Durham bull, with which he was well satisfied, as there were eight or nine on the ground, and Mr. John Simpson, of Bobayzeon, got the second prize for his blood horse. No doubt there are many others in this vicinity to be congratulated upon their success; but the above are the only ones we are sure about at present.

The Iron Bridge. And now we learn to our deep disgust, which will be shared by the majority of our readers, that there is a muddle with reference to the iron bridge which was to have been put across the river in this village by the first of the present month, but with a sight of which we shall not be gratified until some distant period known only to the contractors, even if it be known to them, which is somewhat doubtful. We heard all about it the other day from Mr. Harry Walters, of Lindsay, who put in a tender, and who considers that he was not fairly used, in which opinion we cannot help thinking, he is a great deal more than half right. Tenders were invited for both iron and wooden bridges; but as iron was preferred, the commissioners were authorized to get one of that material if it would not come more than 75 per cent higher than one made of wood. When the tenders were opened it was found that those for iron bridges were a good deal more than 75 per cent higher than those for wood; and as the tenders for the latter material the lowest was put in by Mr. Walters he naturally expected to get the contract. But—as a considerable number of individuals have observed—"there's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip," which is a figurative way of saying that expectations are very often not realized, and that was the case

with Mr. Walters. He was kept "kicking his heels" (another figurative expression) during a whole afternoon, while the commissioners were exchanging telegrams with the Toronto Iron Bridge Co., who finally reduced their offer until it was three dollars less, on the whole structure, than 75 per cent more than Mr. Walters', and the fore-ordained victory of iron over wood was achieved. But that wasn't all. While the reciprocal telegrams were being sent and received Mr. Walters, thinking that "something was up," (third figurative expression) and wishing to reduce his tender also, if possible, asked our worthy receiver, who of course was one of the high jointers, whether a scow could not be used to convey men and horses across the river while the new bridge was being built, instead of putting up a temporary one, which would cost a good deal of money, and was told emphatically that it could not; and when he asked whether, if he secured the contract for the new bridge, he could have the old one, our worthy receiver replied, "I suppose you can if you pay for it." For some reason, which we hope will bear investigation, it appears to have been predetermined that the Toronto Bridge Company should have the contract, for not only were they permitted to lower their offer until it came within the prescribed limits, but they were also favoured with rights and immunities which were refused to the other competitors. The old bridge has been either privately stipulated for or generally presented to the company; and at any rate they are to have it—at least Mr. Walters says so; and the proviso about the temporary bridge, which was specially mentioned in the advertisement, was omitted either by accident or design when the agreement was drawn up. Mr. Green told us a few weeks ago that it was left out by an oversight, but that it was of no consequence, though he seemed to think it was of very great consequence indeed when Mr. Walters spoke to him about it. Worse than all this as far as the public is concerned, no penalty for the non-fulfilment of the contract was mentioned; and now the time appointed for the completion of the bridge has past, and the company say that they haven't yet got any of the iron to be used on the structure. The fact appears to be, as far as we can understand it, that they have us at their mercy and will go on with the work just when it suits their convenience. We shouldn't feel at all surprised at the middle if ordinary men had been appointed to manage the business; but the reflection that our worthy receiver's genius has for once been at fault fairly overwhelms us with astonishment.

The Fenelon Agricultural Show. The annual fall show of the Fenelon Agricultural Society was held in this village last Saturday, and was greatly below the average; which was partly to be attributed to the fact that the show at Coboonk was held the same day, and partly to the wetness of the early morning, though there was little or no rain after eight or nine o'clock. The humped cattle and horses were far from numerous, though the majority of them were fine ones; the sheep were very few; and of pigs there were actually only three, and two of them not worth looking at. The show of poultry, however, was exceptionally good, the chief contributors being Messrs. Deyman and Manning of this village. In the hall there was a marked falling off from previous years. There were a good many samples of excellent grain, but the exhibition of roots and vegetables was very poor, as might have been expected after such an unfavourable season for these products. There was hardly a "mammoth" specimen of any kind to brag about, the majority being from fair to middling, except in cabbages, which were far the worst we ever saw at any show, the largest being no bigger than a good sized cocoa nut. In neither domestic manufactures, fancy work nor dairy produce were there many entries as usual, and with a few exceptions the exhibits were far from first class. Mr. Fielding showed some splendid leather, and the skins of a dog and a goat tanned with the hair on. Mr. Joseph Nevison was represented by a fine set of single carriage harness, and Mr. Thomas Nevison by a couple of handsome pads. In some classes there were not enough competitors to take the prizes offered, and in others none at all. The farmers looked in vain for a wagon, carriage, buggy or agricultural implement, for there were none on exhibition. Messrs. Robson & Robson would have sent a few of the latter, but they have been kept so busy lately filling orders that they had no time to get up anything for the show ground, and no makers from a distance put in an appearance. The following is the PRIZE LIST.

Class A—Agricultural Horses. Span of mares or geldings; 1st prize, John Cullis. Brood mare with foal by side; 1st, John Graham; 2nd, Richard Webster. Foal: 1st, John Graham; 2nd, Richard Webster. Two-year-old geldings or fillies; 1st, Isaac Knight; 2nd, William Isaac. Yearling colt; 1st, Jas. Brokenshire; 2nd, Richard Webster. Class B—Carriage Horses. Span of mares or geldings; 1st, Wm. Jordan; 2nd, W. J. Smithers. Brood mare with foal by her side; 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, W. J. Smithers. Foal: 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, Walter Stevenson. Two-year-old gelding or filly; 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, Wm. Hetherington. Yearling colt; 1st, Walter Stevenson. Single horse in harness; 1st, Robt. McKee. Class C—Durham Cattle. Bull: 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, John Graham. Yearling Bull; 1st, Wm. Jordan. Cow in calf or giving milk; 1st, W. Hunter; 2nd, John Cullis. Two-year-old heifer; 1st, John Cullis. Yearling heifer; 1st and 2nd, John Cullis. Heifer calf of 1881; 1st and 2nd, John Cullis. Class D—Devon Cattle. None. Class E—Grades or Natives. Cow in calf or giving milk; 1st, J. D. Smith; 2nd, W. Hunter. Two-year-old heifer; 1st and 2nd, Richard Webster. Yearling Heifer; 1st and 2nd, Richard Webster. Heifer calf; 1st, Adam Rutherford. Yoke of oxen; 1st, Walter

Stevenson. Fat steers: 1st and 2nd, W. Isaac. Class F—Leicester Sheep. Aged Ram; 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, W. Hunter. Yearling ram; 1st, Wm. Hetherington. Ram lamb; 1st, Wm. Isaac; 2nd, John Cullis. Aged ewes; 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, Wm. Hunter. Shearling ewes; 1st, John Cullis; 2nd, Wm. Isaac. Ewe lambs; 1st, Wm. Isaac; 2nd, Wm. Hunter. Fat sheep; 1st, Wm. Hunter; 2nd, Wm. Isaac. Class G—Cotswold Sheep. None. Class H—Pigs. Aged Sow; 1st, W. J. Smithers. Spring sow; 1st, John Slater. Spring boar; 1st, Wm. Smithers. Class I—Grain and Seeds. Bushel of fall wheat, white; 1st, Thomas Graham; 2nd, Adam Rutherford. Spring wheat; 1st, Wm. Isaac; 2nd, Thomas Graham. Peas, large; 1st, J. Cullis; 2nd, Richard Mark. Peas, small; 1st, Matthew Ingram; 2nd, Adam Rutherford. Barley; 1st, Wm. Isaac; 2nd, Wm. Hetherington. Rye recommended; 1st, Walter Stevenson. Indian corn; 1st, Wm. Hetherington; 2nd, W. Isaac. White beans; 1st, Richard Mark; 2nd, Matthew Ingram. Timothy seed; 1st, Jas. P. Palmer. Oats, black; 1st, M. Ingram. Oats, white; 1st, Adam Rutherford. Class K—Roots and Vegetables. Early Rose potatoes; 1st, Wm. Hunter; 2nd, George Manning. Late potatoes, named; 1st, Wm. Smithers; 2nd, G. Manning. Variety of new potatoes; 1st, Wm. Smithers; 2nd, Wm. Hetherington. Carrots, white; 1st, John Copp; 2nd, Geo. Manning. Carrots, red; 1st, W. Smithers; 2nd, Mrs. H. Greene. Onions, raised from tops; 1st, Wm. Smithers; 2nd, Richard Mark. Onions, raised from seed; 1st, Adam Rutherford. Beets; 1st, Wm. Isaac; 2nd, George Manning. Manicolds; 1st, Richard Mark; 2nd, John Copp. Squash; 1st, Thomas Austin; 2nd, George Manning. Pumpkin; 1st, Richard Mark; 2nd, William Isaac. Celery; 1st, J. Twomey. Red peppers; 1st, Mrs. H. W. Greene; 2nd, Wm. Smithers. Variety of vegetables; 1st, Wm. Smithers. Class L—Fruit. Water Melons; 1st, Wm. Smithers. Cooking apples; 1st, Mrs. Jas. P. Palmer. Variety of apples; 1st, Mrs. Jas. P. Palmer. Tomatoes, named; 1st, Wm. Smithers. Crab apples, named; 1st, Wm. Smithers; 2nd, Mrs. Jas. P. Palmer. Class M—Agricultural Manufactures. Single carriage harness; 1st, Joseph Nevison. Side of leather; 1st, Wm. Fielding. Class N—Domestic Manufactures. Patchwork quilt; 1st, Mary Ann Ingram; 2nd, Ada Moore. Woolen quilt; 1st, Mary Ann Ingram. Blankets; 1st, Wm. Isaac; 2nd, Matthew Ingram. Filled cloth; 1st, Matthew Ingram; 2nd, W. H. Welsh. Flannel; 1st, R. Webster; 2nd, M. Ingram. Woollen socks; 1st, Thomas Graham; 2nd, R. Webster. Woollen mitts; 1st, Thomas Graham; 2nd, Richard Webster. Two pounds yarn; 1st, Mary Ann Ingram; 2nd, Adam Rutherford. Home made straw hat; 1st, Mary Ann Ingram. Coloured sheepskin mat; 1st, George Manning. Rag doll; 1st, Mary Ann Ingram. Honey in comb; 1st and 2nd, Thomas Lockhart. Honey strained; 1st and 2nd, Thomas Lockhart. Pickles in jar; 1st, George Manning. Preserves in jar; 1st, George Manning. Class O—Dairy Produce. Tub butter; 1st, Mary Ann Ingram; 2nd, Mrs. John Graham. Butter in rolls; 1st, Mrs. Adam Rutherford; 2nd, Mrs. J. Graham. Cheese; 1st, Mrs. John Graham. Loaf of baker's bread; 1st, Moffatt & McFarland; Loaf home made bread; 1st, Mrs. Thomas Graham; 2nd, Mary Ann Ingram. Maple sugar; 1st, Thomas Graham. Maple syrup; 1st, Thomas Graham. Class P—Fancy Work. Embroidery in muslin; 1st, Mrs. Walter Nesbitt. Braid work; 1st and 2nd, Mary Ann Ingram. Berlin wool work, flat; 1st, Miss H. Cunningham; 2nd, Ada Moore. Berlin wool work, raised; 1st, Mrs. W. H. Welsh. Tatting; 1st, Ada Moore. Crochet work; 1st, Miss Powles; 2nd, Miss H. Cunningham. Fancy knitting; 1st, Mrs. T. Austin; 2nd, Mary Ann Ingram. Bead work; 1st, Ada Moore. Pair of worked slippers; 1st, Mrs. W. H. Welsh. Motto; 1st, Miss H. Cunningham; 2nd, Mrs. Wm. Deyman. Class Q—Poultry. Pair of Poles; 1st, George Manning. Cochins; 1st, John Copp. Hamburgs; 1st, George Manning. Brahmas; 1st, J. Twomey. Dorkings; 1st, John Cullis. Leghorns; 1st, H. Deyman. Ducks; 1st, Richard Mark. Geese; 1st, John Cullis. Turkeys; 1st, Walter Stevenson. Bantams highly recommended; H. Deyman. Discretionary, and highly recommended by the judges. Silk patchwork sofa pillow; Mrs. W. H. Welsh. Crewel work; Mrs. Walter Nesbitt. Laced tidy; Mrs. H. W. Green. Wreath, zephyr; Mrs. T. Austin. Wreath, feather; Mrs. T. Austin. Crab apple jelly; Mrs. H. W. Green.

extent in Peterborough, and no less than sixteen out of the fifty hands employed in Hamilton's foundry were all more or less affected with it during the past month. It is attributed to decaying vegetable matter and stagnant water. —At the Toronto Exhibition Mr. Samuel English, of Omeme, showed a grain cradle and barley tork which were refused first prizes (though admitted to be the best) because they were highly finished and ornamented. The judges were evidently no great admirers of the beautiful. —Nelson Hamlin, the French Canadian who fatally stabbed Joseph Larocque in Peterborough on the night of the 3rd of September, was tried at the assizes last Tuesday, found guilty of "manslaughter in the highest degree," and sentenced by Judge Wilson to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary. The severity of the sentence surprises everybody, as Hamlin used the knife in self defence, though he certainly had recourse to it a great deal too hastily. —In Cobourg, about 5 o'clock last Tuesday morning, a fire broke out in Dumble's block, one of the best in the town, and a considerable portion of it was destroyed. The loss, which is something more than half covered by insurance, is estimated at \$70,000, and several persons were severely, if not fatally, injured by an explosion in one of the stores and falling debris from the burning buildings.

THE FALL ASSIZES.—The Victoria fall assizes were held in Lindsay last week; and, as there were no criminals in the county jail, the judge, Mr. Justice Armour, was presented with a pair of white kid gloves by the Sheriff, as is customary upon such occasions. SIDEWALKS.—We observe that piles of lumber have been deposited here and there for the purpose of repairing the village sidewalks, and we hope the work will be done in a permanent and satisfactory manner, instead of being slighted, as it too frequently is under the contract system. A GOOD JOB.—The diminutive creek that runs under the sidewalk on the west side of Colborne street is a handy one to get water out of, but it is an annoyance in one respect, as it has a habit of insidiously creeping into the adjacent cellars, and a good deal of work and money have been expended at various times in not very successful efforts to keep it out. Lately it has made a breach through Captain Kennedy's defences and invaded his cellar, and that officer, determined not to be driven from his position by so insignificant an assailant, has thrown up a solid stone wall, which is to be covered with water lime, and will, it is hoped, set all future assaults of the enemy at defiance.

GOOD PRICES.—After the Fenelon agricultural show in this village last Saturday, Mr. Walter Stevenson sold his six months old foal, which took second prize in the carriage horse class, to Capt. Bottom, of Bobayzeon, for \$50; and two or three days later Mr. John D. Smith and his well known cow, which took first prize among the grades, to Mr. Stevenson for \$55. As these prices are about twice as much as can be got for ordinary animals of the same kinds, it proves how profitable it is to raise stock with a dash of good blood in them. One of the immediate proprietors of the cow was a nearly pure-bred Durham, and the colt was sired by the aristocratic horse owned by Mr. John Simpson, whom we saw admiring and pointing out the beauties of the little animal on the show ground. After the above was written we met Mr. John Slater, of this village, who told us that he had sold his much-talked-of sow for \$17 to Mr. Samuel Swanton, of Fenelon, which was a paying price, as she was under seven months old. When just past her fifth month she was put into a scale and found to weigh 179 lbs., and it is thought that she has increased at least 50 lbs. since then. Mr. Slater bought her at evening time from Mr. John Hall, of Fenelon, who told him that she was a nearly pure bred Suffolk, and we have no doubt that this was correct.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—About dusk on the evening of the 29th ult. a serious accident happened to Mr. Peter Murdoch, of Verulam, who had just driven to Fenelon Falls on a visit to his cousin, Mrs. John Cullin. Having taken his horse from the buggy he led it to Mr. Cullin's stable, but just as it got to the door it was frightened by the noise of the bell on a cow inside, and, starting back, jerked the halter out of Mr. Murdoch's hand. As the stable stands at the rear of the lot, behind the garden fence, there was nothing to prevent the horse from running away, which it immediately did, but was caught by Mrs. H. W. Green. Wreath, zephyr; Mrs. T. Austin. Wreath, feather; Mrs. T. Austin. Crab apple jelly; Mrs. H. W. Green.

Condensed News. —A Williamson, of Omeme, won the silver cup at the running tournament in Peterborough last week. —Mrs. Dr. Dewar, of Port Hope, recently had about \$200 worth of linen and underclothing stolen by clothes-line thieves. —A gentleman on his way from Montreal to California lost or was robbed at his pocket-book containing \$700 at Port Hope. —The attendance in all the departments of the Cannington school is small, owing to the prevalence of diphtheria in the village. —The Port Hope cows set the by-law passed to restrict their liberty at defiance, and the Times wants a man appointed to enforce it. —Mr. A. C. Steele, of Bowmanville, while trying to assist a fallen horse in Millbrook, a few days ago, was twice kicked in the face by the struggling animal and seriously injured. —In a swamp about four miles from Peterborough, which last year yielded an abundance of rabbits, not one could be found by a party of sportsmen who lately went for them. The probability is that they were burned or smoked out. —Malaria prevails to an alarming

when he felt sufficiently recovered from the effects of the accident to bear the motion of a buggy, and went or was taken home.

The Assassin Guiteau.

HIS STATE OF ABJECT FEAR AND UTTER PROSTRATION. NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—A Washington letter says:—Guiteau's fear becomes daily more and more abject. He starts at the least sound, even that of the guard, and is ever awaiting a crowd watching their chance to break into the prison. The other day his cell door was opened so that he was at liberty to exercise in the corridor, and four or five times he came out, but was evidently not in a condition of mind to exercise, and spent but a few moments at a time in the corridor. While fearing some outside parties, he is equally afraid of the soldiers, and indeed he does not like to see one. As he is at present confined, he cannot see outside of the cell, unless he stands on his bed, and this he never does now. The guards in special charge of him are three of the strongest men in the force, and one of them is somewhat over six feet in height. This one seems to be a favourite with Guiteau. Thinking that the stronger the guard the more secure he will be, some days since he requested that this one be detailed for his special protection. Though he sleeps well, the sound made in relieving the guard always wakes him.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—As Guiteau's defence will probably be insanity, the District Attorney is conferring with experts. If Guiteau's counsel ask for delay, the court will undoubtedly grant it, but the District Attorney believes that no longer than a week will be granted. It is thought that the question of the jurisdiction of the court will be raised and carried to the highest court.

A Centenarian.

Sojourner Truth is now reputed to be 107 years of age, and is living at Battle Creek, Mich. For many years her hair has been perfectly white, and her eyesight impaired so that she has used spectacles. She has recently been very sick, and during her illness lost much of her hair, by its constantly coming out until it was quite thin. It has now begun to grow in a second crop, which is raven black, and stranger still, the remaining white hairs are gradually turning black. Her eyesight, too, is so much improved that she does not need spectacles to see to read, and her health is so much improved that she is now engaged on a lecturing tour throughout the State. She is renewing her youth, like the eagle, and says she wants to live now more than ever. Recently, friends in England sent her a valuable silk dress, and she says she will live to wear it out. Many efforts have recently been made to induce her to go to Europe on a lecturing expedition; but she quaintly says that her work here isn't finished yet.

A Gassy Gaysay.

The latest wonder in the Sarnia Oil Territory. The last oil well put down by the Sarnia Association was on the farm of Peter Lumbo, about three and a half miles to the south-east of the town. At a depth of 600 feet there were some indications of oil, but the prosecution of the work was summarily stopped last Tuesday night, about eleven o'clock, by the flow of gas from the well catching fire from a torch in the hands of one of the drillers, James Mills, who at the time was at a distance of 25 feet from the well, the wind blowing at the time in his direction. The ignition of gas in an oil well is by no means uncommon, but this particular blaze soon developed some unusual features. The gas, instead of burning quietly in a small circle around the outlet, seemed to be forced out with extraordinary power, and the volume of vivid, silvery flame is fully thirty feet high. But the most remarkable feature of this very remarkable exhibition is that at intervals of exactly fifteen minutes by the watch there is a grand eruption of water which mingles with the flames, and so far from extinguishing the flames drives them in sheets above the highest trees and falls in showers for a considerable distance around the well. This eruption of water, which lasts about two or three minutes, is preceded by a gradually increasing roar, accompanied by a series of powerful gasp-like strokes of some mighty engine. The mixture of the water, which, by the way, is said to be strongly impregnated with sulphur, with the flames, produces effects which are dazzling in their brilliancy and beauty, various shades of yellow and purple predominating. The spectacle, especially if witnessed at night, is indescribably beautiful, and its effect is heightened by a slight dash of weirdness caused by the unusual reflection of the flames, and the corresponding reflection which it throws on the foliage of the surrounding trees. The birds seem to be almost paralyzed by the unwanted illumination. All night long, so the drillers say, they skinned around the flames uttering shrill cries of alarm, and became either so frightened or so bold that they alighted alongside the men, by whom they are frequently caught. Every effort has been made by the drillers, Messrs. Fair Bros., to shut down this brilliant show, but thus far without success. Twenty loads of sand were thrown on the vent and sand thrown on top, but the flames belched out with unsurpassed vigour, throwing these impediments aside as if they were so many feathers. The drillers came to the conclusion to try, as a last resort, to invert a heavy iron tank over the flame and surround it with sand, so as to exclude the air. The opinion of most of those who have seen the phenomenon is that the subterranean power is so great that this plan will share the fate of those which preceded it. Large numbers of people have visited the well. It is a sight that baffles description, and once seen will never be forgotten.—Sarnia Observer.

The Nihilist Prisoners.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 30.—The indictment against the four Nihilists belonging to the Black Division, who have been in prison for eighteen months, has been completed. The trial will commence in a few days, and will be held with closed doors, only Government journalists being admitted. The accused are Marie Krilova, gentlewoman, native of Smolensk, implicated in Karakassoff's attempt to assassinate the late Czar in 1866, and a friend of Vera Sassulitch; Frankoff, a merchant's son, twice previously arrested for engaging in the revolutionary propaganda, having on the first occasion been pardoned, and on the second, for participation in disturbances following the acquittal of Vera Sassulitch, been exiled to Archangel, whence he escaped; the other two prisoners are Prikhodko, gentleman, and Pletchickoff, son of an officer. The immediate charge against them all is the secret printing of revolutionary papers.

Electricity as a motor is rapidly working its way into popular favour. President White, of Cornell University, late U. S. Minister to Germany, speaking from personal observation, says regarding it:—"The Siemens Brothers, of Berlin, who are laying the new Atlantic cable, have also a fine exhibit. The electric railway, as laid in Berlin and Paris, is a perfect success. I think it will create a revolution before long. The elevated roads must soon adopt that system, for it does away with the wear and tear of heavy engines. The Siemens Brothers are preparing to establish a new road in Berlin about four miles long. The only apparatus the car carries is contained in a box underneath the floor, about three feet long, two feet broad, and eighteen inches high. The car stops and starts as easily as a horse-car, and runs at the rate of about fifteen or twenty miles an hour."

Too Close for Comfort. Last Monday Messrs. N. Moore, D. G. Miles, J. W. Manley, Warton, and Geo. McGillivray, of Colpo's, left for White Cloud Island on a hunting expedition, returning on Tuesday. No mishap occurred to mar the pleasure of the party until their return to Warton, just after the boat landed. Mr. McGillivray was handling the different articles to Mr. Moore, and in picking up one of the guns he took hold of it by the muzzle and drew it towards him. In doing so the hammer caught on the seat of the boat and the weapon was discharged, the charge rattling Mr. McGillivray's coat sleeve from wrist to elbow, and passed directly over Mr. Manley's head, who was in the act of stooping to pick up his coat, thereby, in all probability, saving his life. Mr. Moore, who was standing in a direct line with Mr. McGillivray, probably had the closest shave of all, his face was blackened by the smoke, the charge just grazing his ear. The trio were considerably startled for a few moments, but very thankful that nothing more serious than the mutilation of Mr. McGillivray's coat had resulted.—Warton Echo.

The Best Outlet. The Cleveland Marine Record says:—"Despite the various stories and assertions in regard to the superiority of the Mississippi river as a means of transporting the cereals from the far West and North-West, facts will prove that statement to be merely an assertion based upon a wind. That the system of locks, canals, rivers and lakes that stretch over 2,000 miles inland to the very heart of the great West affords unparalleled facilities for the shipment of grain, cannot be contradicted. The St. Lawrence, the real 'outlet for our future hope' in trading direct with the nations of the eastern hemisphere, has peculiarly suitable as a commercial highway for trade of the greatest magnitude. Its course is so free from minor sinuosities that though scarcely 2,000 miles in length from its mouth at Anticosti to the west end of Lake Superior, it extends as far into the continent as the Mississippi with its 3,160 miles; the upper part of which, even were it navigable, is of insignificant capacity for transport compared with the great lakes and the St. Lawrence."