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The Fenelon Falls Gazette.

Friday, Sept. 10th, 1897.

West Victoria.

The announcement that Premier Hardy would be at the convention in Lindsay on Saturday last, drew together a good attendance of Reformers from all parts of the riding, as well as some from the north; but those who had never heard Mr. Hardy speak—or, having once heard him, naturally wanted to hear him again—were disappointed, as he was unfortunately unable to be present, and Hon. E. H. Davis of Hamilton, provincial secretary, appeared in his stead. In the forenoon Mr. F. C. Taylor was elected president, Mr. William Cameron vice-president and Mr. D. R. Anderson secretary of the association, after which the proceedings were adjourned until 1.30 p. m., when the business of selecting a candidate for the approaching election was proceeded with. It did not take long, as the only gentleman nominated was Dr. McKay of Woodville, who has already represented the riding in four consecutive Parliaments with much credit to himself and to the entire satisfaction of his constituents. Dr. McKay was therefore, unanimously chosen amidst great enthusiasm, and his friends feel a comfortable conviction that he will score another victory when the election shall come off, which will probably not be until next summer. The doctor delivered an excellent address, and so did Mr. George McHugh, M. P., who adds to his popularity every time he speaks. He was followed by Mr. Davis, who spoke for at least an hour, and whose able defence of the Government of which he is a member was frequently and enthusiastically applauded.

### Murder at Maple Lake.

On Monday last a rumor that a murder had been committed at Maple Lake, 18 miles north-east of Minden, reached the Falls; and the following account of the tragedy, which was telegraphed from Minden to the city papers, agrees with what we could learn from private sources: The little village of Maple Lake, in the Township of Stanhope, was thrown into a flutter of excitement on Saturday night when it was learned that a brutal fight and assault had turned into a tragedy, and that William H. Sawyer, a farmer and trapper, had been killed by Matt Thompson. A deep set grudge existed between Tom Thompson and Sawyer, and when they met in front of the Maple Lake post-office a free fight ensued, in which Sawyer was getting decidedly the better of it. Hiram Sawyer, a man of about 62 years of age, sat in his buggy watching his son and Thompson fight, while Matt Thompson also looked on. When Matt saw that his brother was getting the worst of the contest he pitched in, and gave Sawyer a severe kicking about the body and chest. Had not Sawyer's father jumped out of the rig, there is little doubt but that Sawyer would have been killed then and there; but the old man, powerful in his younger days, had not yet lost his vigor, and was able to keep the two assailants off his son until he crawled to a nearby stump. Here he sat powerless to lift his arm. The old man fought for some time and received several severe blows; but his injuries did not prove to be serious. He was, however, overcome by the Thompson boys, after which Matt Thompson went up to Sawyer and kicked him into an insensibility, from

which he never regained consciousness, and he died on Saturday night. Tom Thompson was on his way to Gilmore's shanty at the time of the tragedy, and when it was learned that Sawyer was dead a telegraph despatch was sent there to arrest him; but, up to the time of writing, the arrest had not been made. Matt Thompson was arrested and taken to Minden, where he will be kept until after the inquest. Dr. Giles, coroner for the district, is in Toronto at present, and last night he was telegraphed for to come and hold an inquest at once. In his absence Dr. Frost was called in. The dead man was a widower with six children. He was to have been married shortly.

As Matthew Thompson, who was hostler at Twomey's hotel for a few months about seven years ago, and Sawyer are both well known to many residents of the Falls, there has been some discussion as to whether the crime is murder or manslaughter. Unless there are mitigating circumstances that have not yet been made public, we incline to the belief that Thompson will be tried for, and probably found guilty of, the capital offence, as—supposing the above account to be strictly correct—he subjected his victim to a degree of violence that could hardly fail to cause his death. His first assault might be considered to some extent excusable, as his brother was getting the worst of the fight; but to go back to Sawyer, who was lying helpless upon the ground, and kick him repeatedly and furiously, will, we think be construed into a vindictive determination to take his life.

### Bravery Rewarded.

The following paragraph appeared, under the above heading, in the *Mail and Empire* of Monday last:

"On the 4th of July, 1896, Captain Thomas Caesar rescued a child from drowning at Fenelon Falls, Ont., under circumstances of signal heroism. The matter was reported to the Department of Marine, and by the department brought to the attention of the Royal Canadian Humane Association, whose headquarters are at Hamilton. On Friday the department received a letter from the president, Mr. Adam Brown, stating that the investigating governors of the association had awarded the society's medal to Captain Caesar, for the conspicuous courage he displayed in effecting the rescue of the child; and also for other cases of life saving brought to their attention in his behalf. The medal will be forwarded to the mayor of Fenelon Falls, with the request that it be publicly presented to Captain Caesar."

After the above was in type Dr. Mason, reeve of the village, told us that the medal had arrived and was in his possession and would be publicly conferred upon Captain Caesar in Dickson's hall on Wednesday next. It is well deserved, and ought to have been awarded long ago; for, though it would perhaps be going too far to say that all of the five persons whom he has rescued would have inevitably been drowned but for his assistance, the merit of the action in each case was just the same. The child alluded to by the *Mail and Empire* is Dr. A. Wilson's youngest son, George, who fell from a stick of timber at the entrance to the lower lock and had gone down for the third time when Captain Caesar arrived upon the scene, jumped in and dived after him. A few seconds more would have sealed the little fellow's fate, and the saving of his life alone, to say nothing of others, entitles the gallant captain to the medal with which he is so soon to be decorated. The proceedings in connection with the presentation will commence at 8 o'clock in the evening.

### Accidents.

Last Friday afternoon Mr. Henry Howard's son, Willie, about 14 years old, fell from a waggon in the lumber yard of the new mill and broke one of the bones of his left arm just above the wrist. He went to Dr. Wilson, who set the fracture and bound it up in splints. Later on the same afternoon Mr. M. J. Wilson, who has met with five or six mishaps within a period of about two years, had the first finger of his right hand taken off at the second joint by the saw known as the bolter in the new mill. The logs to be converted into shingles are cut into 18 inch lengths by the drag saw on the ground floor of the mill, and an elevator takes the blocks to the upper story, where they are placed endwise, one at a time, upon a small truck and run up against the edge of the rapidly revolving bolter, which splits them into pieces the proper size for the shingle machine. A few minutes before 6 o'clock Mr. Wilson picked up a small piece of stick, with which to clear away the sawdust that had accumulated on the track in front of the bolter, and was in the act of doing so when some one diverted his attention by speaking to him; and at that instant a tooth of the

saw caught the stick and jerked his hand forward, with the result above stated. The amputated digit was dressed by Dr. Wilson, since which it has not caused the least pain and is healing rapidly. There are very few persons who would rather lose their right forefinger than their left; but Mr. Wilson is one of the few, for he is an accomplished violinist as well as an excellent vocalist, and, as he told us himself, if his left finger had been taken off it would have "put an end to his fiddling." In his opinion the accident is an illustration of the truth of the proverb that "nothing is so bad but it might be worse."

On Tuesday afternoon, while a son of Mr. William Nichol, of Burat River, Somerville, was examining the nipple of a gun to see whether there was a cap on it, the hammer slipped from his fingers, the charge exploded, and part of the load of pigeon shot went through his left boot, smashing his second toe and slightly grazing the sides of the first and third. The boy, who is about 16 years old, was driven by his father to the Falls, where Dr. Graham dressed and bandaged the toe, which was not so badly injured that it had to be amputated. The shot did not go through the sole of the boot, but the doctor extracted seven or eight pellets from a blackened and blistered spot on the sole of the foot, just behind the toe that was struck.

### Personals.

Miss Lowry, who for about a year has been on the staff of Graham & Co., left on Wednesday morning for Toronto.

Miss Hattie Swanton of Bobcaygeon and two young lady friends drove to the Falls in Mr. Boyd's pony carriage on Wednesday, and returned in the evening.

Miss Ella Austin and her cousin, Miss Henrietta Austin, who are attending the Collegiate Institute at Lindsay, came to the Falls on Monday and returned next morning.

Mr. Fred Yelland of Peterborough, the invalid brother of Mrs. Dr. Graham, was driven to the Falls by his attendant, Mr. Wm. McWha, on Wednesday of last week, and will remain a few days longer.

Mr. James McCabe, his daughter Margaret and his son John, of Peterborough; Mr. John Shanahan, Mr. Daniel Shanahan and Miss Margaret Shanahan of Ops; Mr. George Jones of Midland; Mr. Thomas Jones and Mr. Robert Jones of Peterborough, were all at the Falls on Tuesday attending the funeral of their relative, Mrs. John Jones.

### Rosedale.

(Correspondence of the Gazette.)

An accident which might have had a serious ending befell our venerable friend, Mr. Wm. Brokenshire, last Sunday morning. The bridge at Rosedale being in the condition that it is at present, necessitates a great many changing their method of going across from the foot to the hand motion, and Mr. Brokenshire, having procured a boat, rowed over and landed on the opposite shore in safety, but while making the return trip the boat, which was never noted for its dogged persistence, took a frisky turn and Mr. Brokenshire fell into the water. We are unable to state whether it was part of his coat caught on the row-lock or the row-lock on part of his coat; however, Mr. Brokenshire had considerable difficulty in righting the boat again. We are glad to state that he is as hale and hearty as ever.

Miss Fannie McDiarmid returned home on Tuesday after a few days' visit with her friend, Miss Dorothy Smith.

The people at Rosedale anticipate a pleasant time at their social on Friday evening in aid of the Rosedale Sunday School.

Produce taken in exchange at Mrs. R. McDougall's.—27.

BASE-BALL.—A game of base-ball was played in the driving park here on Labor Day between the Lindsay and Fenelon Falls junior teams, which resulted in a victory for the latter by a score of 30 to 17. Batteries: for Lindsay, Bunting and Workman; for Fenelon Falls, Ingram and Beteau.

Don't fail to see the bargains in millinery at Mrs. R. McDougall's.—27.

CATTLE SHIPMENTS.—During this week Messrs. McDougall, Brandon & Austin have shipped three carloads of cattle and one carload of lambs to Buffalo, N. Y., and three mixed carloads of cattle, sheep and hogs to Toronto. One load was from Cobocook, two from Bobcaygeon, one from Fenelon Falls, one from Diamond Lake, one from Deer Lake and one from Tory Hill. The last three points are on the I. B. & O. railway.

A DEPUTATION.—Last week a deputation of which Mr. John Austin, the Liberal candidate for East Victoria, was a member, waited upon the Ontario cabinet with a verbal petition for Governmental aid to a projected railway