

COMMERCIAL.

LINDSAY MARKETS

WATCHMAN OFFICE, LINDSAY, Feb. 1st, 1893.

Table of market prices for various commodities including wheat, flour, and other goods.

COMMUNICATIONS.

That Railway Bonus Again.

To the Editor of the Watchman. DEAR SIR,—The merits or drawbacks of any public enterprise should be estimated from the point of view of the greater good to the greater number.

I might here remark that some of our worthy citizens may have joined this venture in the conviction that it is business like, and likely to be profitable both to themselves and to the town.

The gain for themselves is their own affair. But in the game of speculation the gain of one is generally the loss of the other.

I think that the instigators of this railway scheme have gone into it to make money. We all know where they have done so before.

That man did not tell the truth at that time. How could he be believed now? If he then made a deliberate mistatement he can do it now.

That class of men, as we see every day, make their pile as soon as they can, and then they betake themselves to the big cities.

Many coffee planters in Mexico make a profit of 250 per cent. on money invested. One hundred cubic feet of wall requires a cord of stone, three buckets of lime and a cubic yard of sand.

It is stated by "Engineering" that half the tin of the world is exported from the Malay Peninsula, where mining is carried on almost entirely by Chinese.

With similar stations on this new line of railway, the same result must follow. Many farmers will not come to Lindsay any more with their loads of grain, and other fruits of the farm.

shown in my first letter. Where will Lindsay be then? Our fastidious men who complain now so readily because they are not accommodated with care to ship their stuff, will have little to ship.

If that line of railway were once running, it would only be a matter of a year or two before our saw mills would be moved down to Bobcaygeon, or perhaps some other convenient point on the river.

In writing this, Mr. Editor, I claim to be unpaid and unbiased. I have no gain to expect and no axe to grind, little or small.

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Yours truly, RATEPAYER, Lindsay, Jan. 31st 1893.

BIRTHS. NICHOLS.—At Burnt River, on Saturday, Jan. 28th, 1893, the wife of Jas. J. Nichols, of a son.

ECHOES FROM THE BUSY MILL AND THE WORKSHOP.

Industrial Folks' Gossip—News and Happenings of Special Interest in the Various Fields of the Mechanic and Artisan.

Nevada has only 25 papers. Canada boasts a "jaileress." Kansas produces reeled silk.

Germany boasts paper houses. Brandy is made from potatoes. Florida has a woman tea raiser.

Car fare is 2 cents in Winnipeg. A Vienna dining hall seats 2,000. There are 680 varieties of cotton.

European railroads are fenced in. Esquimaux women are shoemakers. Londoners eat American ice cream.

A Vatican Bible is worth \$103,000. The Suez Canal cost \$100,000,000. A religious daily paper is talked of.

Police duty employ 39,000 Britons. Baltimore has 15,000 colored voters. Women are house builders in Finland.

We used 12,000,000,000 stamps last year. A ton of steel makes 10,000 gross of pens. Jews number less than 7,000,000 souls.

Mrs. Astor possessed a \$15,000 dress. The "Pennsylv" employs 7,671 engineers. Several cities have streets of vitrified brick.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

It Promises a Great Deal of Business For This Session.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Parliament re-assembled yesterday. The following is the Queen's speech opening the session: My Lords and Gentlemen: My friendly and harmonious relations with all the powers continue.

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In connection with the approaching evacuation of Uganda by the British East Africa Company I have deemed it expedient to authorize a commissioner of experience and ability to examine on the spot, with adequate provisions for his safety, into the best means of dealing with the country, and to report to the Government.

In view of recent occurrences in Egypt I have decided on making a slight augmentation in the number of British troops stationed in that country.

In relation to both Egypt and Uganda, papers in continuation of those heretofore presented will at once be laid before you. Gentlemen of the House of Commons: Estimates of the charges necessary for the public service during the coming financial year have been framed and will be laid before you at an early date.

I have observed with concern the wide prevalence of agricultural distress in many parts of the country. It is to be hoped that among the causes of this distress are not those of a temporary nature, but without doubt you will take this grave matter into your consideration and make it a subject of careful inquiry.

The proclamation recently in force which placed Ireland under exceptional provisions has been revoked, and I have satisfaction in informing you that the condition of that country with respect to agrarian crime continues to improve.

A bill which I have introduced on the earliest available occasion to amend the provisions for the government of Ireland. This bill has been prepared with the desire to afford contentment to the Irish people, to afford important relief to parliament and to furnish practical assistance to the strength and union of the empire.

Bills will be promptly laid before you for the amendment of the system of registration in Great Britain, for shortening the duration of Parliaments and for establishing equality in the franchise by the limitation of the elector to a single vote.

Aside from Esquimaux, on Vancouver Island, and on the coast of the Pacific, but has enjoyed the advantages of Hawaii with America.

At Japan we have two large ships. The other ships of the Pacific squadron are at Hong Kong, Melbourne and Tasmania. I have no doubt a majority of the ships will be ordered to Hawaii, and if a settlement of the question falls through arbitration, the world will see one of the greatest battles of modern times.

Recent advices received by Col. Ashford from a leader of the revolutionary party fixed the date for the overthrow of the royalty in the latter part of February, and Col. Ashford expected to leave San Francisco for his island home Feb. 15, but the uprising is likely to hasten his departure.

Lord Salisbury, who to-day appeared in the Opposition, said he declined in the meantime to question the foreign policy of the Government. So far as known, in the absence of official papers, the policy of the new Ministry seemed to be founded on sound principles and to be executed with judgment and skill.

Events in Egypt rendered the difficulties surrounding the British occupation more numerous. The Government must postpone the withdrawal of British troops, but this in nowise modified the assurances that had been given to the foreign powers concerning Egypt.

Touching upon the question of Home Rule for Ireland, Lord Salisbury said that the one object of the Government during the past six months had been to get the support of a class of men who hitherto no politicians in England had tried to conciliate.

The keynote of the Irish policy of the Government was to get the support of the middle class. The provisions necessary to maintain the law had been repealed. Though agrarian crime was not prevalent generally, yet in districts where it did prevail the hands of the law were paralyzed.

The prerogative of the crown had been used to shield murderers and release dynamite makers. The Government cannot claim the impression that they were much more in sympathy with criminals than

THE STAYNER MEETING.

WITH INTENT TO MURDER

NOT ENDORSED BY CONSERVATIVES OF COLLINGWOOD.

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Resolved, That this association offer their congratulations to Sir John Thompson on his well-deserved promotion to the premiership and beg at the same time to assure the Premier and his colleagues that the Young Conservatives of Collingwood intend to remain in their power to the Dominion Government as long as the Government is actuated by the Canadian spirit and fair, mainly lines of policy which has heretofore governed the Conservative party, which is what we understand to be the true meaning of the National Policy.

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