



The Woodville Advocate.

"Pro Bono Publico."

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THE APPROACHING ELECTION.

We notice by our exchanges that the period for municipal elections is again near at hand. Were it not for this notification we might have forgotten the fact. Not the least stir is observed in Eldon, as yet. We have not heard of any aspiring candidates, and it is probable that the old councillors will be, if they again offer themselves, returned, unopposed. We have heard no serious complaints against the present council during the year, nor can we chronicle any very successful points of business for them. The financial position of the township is but little altered and we are still combating the same condition of things. We had hoped the council would have adopted a different system in regards the method of road repairing and expenditure, but although a commissioner was appointed to superintend all road work. They have simply followed the example of their predecessors and sank more valuable dollars in the mud of the many beautiful roads adorning the township without improving them in the least. However, nomination day is approaching when the people will have an opportunity of hearing how they have discharged their trust, and if they can show "clean hands" we see no reason why they should not be treated to a second term.

An agitation has been begun in England for a reduction in the price of postal money orders between that country and Canada. At the present time an order from Canada costs twice as much for its transmission as one for the same amount from the United States. As a good deal of money is sent over by those who make Canada their home, they should not be placed at a disadvantage.

It is again stated that the Directors of the Toronto and Ottawa Railway are fully determined to go on with the work of construction if the bonuses are granted. It is also said that provided the shareholders of the Midland favor the proposal of Mr. Cox, President of the road, to amalgamate with the Toronto & Nipissing, Mr. Gooderham will put a price upon the latter road.

Though the Government has decided not to resort to coercive measures, and the Cabinet has agreed upon a proposal for settling the land question, additional troops are being sent to Ireland to ensure peace and safety to the people. Outrages continue to be perpetrated upon the officers of the law, and all who dare to defend them; and, to further complicate matters, a movement is now on foot to bring about a reduction of house and shop rents. The result of all this is, as yet, extremely problematical.

The present session of the Dominion Parliament promises to be replete with interest. First and foremost will be the discussion on the subject of the Pacific Railway, and all the details connected with the Syndicate and its working will be fully brought out. Then there will be debates in connection with the Pacific Railway and Civil Service Commissions, both of which promise to be of considerable interest. There will doubtless be a good deal of other legislation of little importance; and altogether the prospects are that the coming debates will be eagerly read and be productive of much discussion outside the House as well as in it.

It appears by an Odessa circular that the total stock of wheat in that market is 80,000 quarters, whereas to keep the mills going until the opening of navigation in March no fewer than 600,000 are required. Russia, which ordinarily exports 40,000,000 quarters, will now have to buy grain. The *Golos* gloomily points out that there is small ground for looking forward with any degree of confidence to a good harvest in the future. The thousand insect pests which, aided by improvidence and the communal system, have brought things to their present pass, have defied the efforts made to exterminate them, and lie safely hidden under the snow until spring enables them to resume their destructive work. The *Golos* puts the expenditure of Russia this year at 26,343,461 roubles over the revenue. Things are altogether in a poor plight there.

COMMANDER BEARDSLEE, of the U. S. war sloop, *Jamestown*, gives a very flattering account of Alaska and its resources. Its mineral wealth is problematical, though a few ledges of gold and silver have been found, but its ever green trees will afford an immense supply of timber. As regards the present disposition of the natives, he says:—"The coast Indians of Alaska, who are principally Chilkats and Chilcats, peremptorily refused, up to a year ago, to allow white men to penetrate to the interior, and it was considered dangerous to undertake such an expedition. During the last year, however, the chiefs have gained confidence in the white man, and they now recognize that it is for their interest to work with them. Schools have been started among the Indians, both by missionaries and by private persons, and they have met with unexpected success."

EVERY right-thinking man, no matter what his religious convictions, will be glad that the design of introducing the "Passion Play" upon the boards of a leading New York theatre has been abandoned under the strong pressure of public opinion brought to bear against the project. Rarely has popular sentiment, as voiced by both the press and the pulpit, been so unanimous upon any question appealing to religious sentiment. The protest against outraging the religious feelings of the larger portion of the community has come not only from professing Christians of all denominations, but from Hebrews and those indifferent to all forms of faith. It was felt that whatever abstract arguments might be offered in favor of the presentation as it might under certain circumstances be given, the mere fact of the dramatization of so sacred a theme would be an outrage upon the strongest convictions of the great majority. Mr. Abbey, the manager, under whose auspices the play was in preparation, felt that the entire community was arrayed against the project, and reluctantly abandoned it. It is said that \$15,000 had been spent in the most elaborate preparations for the piece.

Our Neighbours.

A LYNX was killed at Seagrave which is said to have measured six feet.

THE Uxbridge School Board is excited over a proposition to reduce expenses, the ministers being the liveliest members of the Board.

MR. H. G. TAYLOR, formerly superintendent of the Midland Railway, has been appointed superintendent of Transportation of the Credit Valley Railway.

THE Simcoe County Council are taking steps to reclaim some 45,000 acres of land annually inundated by the Nottawasaga River.

A LUMBERMAN from Peterboro' had one of his eyes nearly knocked out by a piece of dry knot from a log he was chopping.

THE following registrations were made with the Clerk for the Town of Peterborough, during the month of November:—Births, 15; Marriages, 6; Deaths, 7.

MR. ANTOINE GAUDAL, of Cobocok, has been six weeks in the country north of that place, making an estimate of timber for a Toronto bank. It is understood his report is favourable, and will lead to another mill being built at Cobocok next season.

"PETERBORO' does not seem to have much cause to find fault with the Midland Railway Co. Here is its latest "cause to be thankful," which we take from the *Review* of the 23rd inst:—"The Commissioners of the Town Trust received on Tuesday morning a cheque for \$10,194.30 from the Midland Railway Company on account of interest on their indebtedness to the town. This makes over \$15,000 received from the Company this year. If the \$4,000 bonus promised for the station were placed to the company's credit at the time of its erection, all arrears of interest would be about paid to date."

Local Matters.

Violins and Concertinas for sale at Gunn's.

Christmas, New Year and Birthday Cards, at Gunn's.

Furs! Furs!! Furs!!! A large stock good and cheap at McIntyre and Prior's.

Cordwood left at Armstrong's Mill sawn at 30cts per cord, 2 cuts 50cts. Delivered to any part of village free of charge.

PRESBYTERY of Lindsay met in Woodville last Thursday. We have not yet been favoured with the minutes of proceedings.

MR. THOS. CLOUSTON surprised us by unexpectedly dropping in on Monday last. He reports business as brisk in the U. S.

MR. SHARP, of Sheffield, England, preached in the Methodist Church last Sabbath and Monday evenings to large audiences.

A SHORT time ago Mr. Geo. Maybee shot a beautiful fox known as a cross fox. The skin is handsome and is valued at \$25.

MR. NORMAN FERGUSON, our respected townsman, is suffering from a severe attack of pleurisy. He is reported as being very low.

COUNTY COUNCIL.—The Council of the County of Victoria will meet for the transaction of general business on Tuesday, the 14th inst.

FRAUDULENT bills, chiefly of the character known as "raised," and a lot of bogus 25 cent pieces are reported to be in circulation in all quarters.

WE are pleased to see signs of revived business vitality. The cheerful fires of our village smithies are blazing to a late hour, almost every evening.

THE Port Hope *News* says there is enough freight along the Midland to double the number of locomotives owned by the Company to carry.

VENOR'S snow storm, December 22nd, to continue seventeen hours, is the next event to be looked for. He puts the depth at exactly 1 1/2 feet.

and figure, the date and even hour in the large cities have a legible outline. It is often of great importance to know where a letter has been posted.—*Packet*.

Precocious Woodville boys should be warned by the fate of a twelve-years old Sherbrook lad, who was poisoned last week by swallowing a quid of tobacco.

THE Postmaster-General has issued a regulation prohibiting the circulation of ordinary business hand-bills and circulars through newspapers unless such newspapers pay a postage at the rate of one cent for every four ounces.

Leave your orders for Millinery at McIntyre and Prior's. We keep a choice stock of Flowers, Feathers and Trimmings suitable for a first-class millinery trade. This department is under the personal superintendence of Miss Hunter, who is acknowledged to be a first-class Milliner.

THE usual Christmas Tree and Concert will be held in Spencer Hall, on Xmas Eve. A good programme of vocal and instrumental music is being prepared, and an enjoyable evening may be looked for. Presents for the tree may be left with Messrs. A. J. Morrison or W. C. Gilchrist.

WE would direct attention to White & Bro's advertisement. The Honey Fanning Mill has the reputation of being the best mill in the market, and farmers in want of a machine should call and see the Woodville article before purchasing elsewhere. All mills are warranted by Messrs. White to be as represented.

THE largest and cheapest stock of Mantles in Woodville at McIntyre & Prior's.

COMPLAINTS are not unfrequently made concerning the illegibility of post-marks on envelopes. If there be any service in stamping letters at all, and there are various reasons for it, it should be properly done. In clear contrast with the Canadian post-marks are those on letters mailed from any part of the Mother Country. Every letter

McIntyre & Prior have a choice lot of English, Scotch and Canadian Tweeds, ready-made and Order-d Clothing a specialty. A first-class Tailor on the Premises.

THE 7th annual meeting of the West Victoria Teachers' Association will be held in the School House, Woodville, on Friday and Saturday, 10th and 11th December, 1880. A public lecture will be delivered in the basement of the Presbyterian Church on Friday evening, by S. Percy Davis, M. A., of Pickering College. Subject, "An Evening with Addison."

THE men who advertise in their home paper are the men who do the business of the town, every time. You can pick up any newspaper and in five minutes tell who the men are that do the buying and selling and keep alive the interests of the town. A newspaper invariably reflects the worth, enterprise and intelligence of the community in which it is published.

A large assortment of Razors just received at Gunn Bros. Satisfaction guaranteed.

For a good Axe, go to L. Maybee's.

Great sale at H. Wilson's this week. 10 doz. Ladies' Coloured Stockings, only 25cts. per pair; 50 Chenille Shawls for \$1.75 each; 10 doz. Ladies' Black and Coloured Kid Gloves, 37 1/2cts. per pair. Come and see them.

Yellow Oil is the great pain panacea, magical in its power over pain and inflammation. It cures Rheumatism and Neuralgia, Lame Back and Spinal Affections, Contraction of Cords and Muscles. Used externally and internally. For sale by all dealers.

The largest stock of Christmas ever shown in Woodville, at Gunn's.

BRISK business makes glad the heart of the merchant, and to create brisk business the latter should not forget to advertise.

A SERIES of Evangelistic services are being carried on at Sunderland, all the churches joining in it. Rev. Mr. Rainsford, of St. James' Cathedral, is to be present and assist next week.

FARMERS READ THIS.

HONEY'S IMPROVED FANNING MILL.

We desire to call the attention of the farming community to the above well known Fanning Mill, now being manufactured at our works. We are prepared to give

A WRITTEN GUARANTEE THAT OUR MILL IS ALL THAT IS CLAIMED FOR IT.

It is a perfect cleaner, and chaffer. It will take out Wild Oats, perfectly. It will take out all Cockle, Chess and other foul seeds, making a perfect sample of Market Wheat. It is a most perfect separator, and will separate all the large kernels from the small and shrunken grains. It is very rapid in its action. It separates all kinds of grain as well as seeds, and if Oats and Peas, or Timothy and Clover seed are mixed together and put through this Mill, they will come out perfectly separated. It will separate small and split Peas from large Peas, taking them from the chaff in the most perfect manner. The Honey Improved Fanning Mill and Separator, is acknowledged by all to be

The Best Mill Manufactured In The Dominion.

And in proof of this strong statement, we can furnish abundant testimonials from those having them in use. To intended purchasers we would say, come and see it for yourselves, and, we feel confident you will be entirely satisfied that they are all they are represented.

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Worsted Coatings, and Pantings, Scotch, English and Canadian Tweeds.

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SELECTED BY A FIRST-CLASS MILLINER, which every lady in this vicinity should see before purchasing. We have spared no pains in making this department one of the leading branches of our business.

OUR BOOTS AND SHOES are well assorted. See our patent seamless Boots our Groceries are choice and second to none in value. EXTRA NEW SEASON'S JAPAN, BLACK and GREEN TEAS.

WE HAVE SECURED THE SERVICES OF A FIRST-CLASS MILLINER, ALSO A TAILOR IN CONNECTION WITH THE BUSINESS.

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