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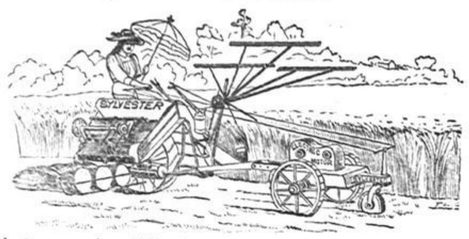
Sylvester Bros. Manufacturing Co.

POINTERS FOR THE FARMERS

THE SYLVESTER Agricultural Implement Works commenced operations in the year 1869, now nearly thirty years ago, and we are still energetically pushing on our work and yearly enlarging and increasing our facilities for the manufacture of our goods, so as to enable us to meet and satisfy the growing demand.

The unscrupulous tactics of some combines in our line of manufactures, who have inspired their agents to prophecy the downfall, not only of ourselves, but of others who, like us, refused to enter the combine, have not been successful in driving us to the wall. These tutored agents have gone so far as to shed hypocritical tears over the poor farmers who were buying implements from a firm from whom they would not be able to get the repairs, and who, according to their inspiration, must soon go out of business.

This line of opposition is only worthy of mean men, and we leave them monopoly of such tactics. If the combine were ten times as strong we propose standing out and doing a legitimate business in our own way. The farmers of Canada know whether the combine was made in the interest of the farmer, or whether it was not rather to enable the combinesters to squeeze a larger price for the article sold. The opposition of a combine has given a healthy stimulus to our trade, and although competition is keen and prices cut fine we welcome fair rivalry. We trust to the excellence of our manufactured goods—a fair field and no favor; we meet competition by bestowing greater energy in making use of the most approved appliances, exercising more rigid economy, and always giving to our farmer friends honest goods at honest prices. Our trade on these lines has grown and increased so that we are now in a position to furnish every line of agricultural implement of the very best qualities at a lower figure than ever before.



We herewith give you a few of the thousands of similar testimonials which we can produce to testify to the merits of our machines from the farmers who are using them throughout this and other provinces. If the coming season finds you in need of a Binder, Mower, Sulky Rake, Pea Harvester, or Plows, single or two-furrow, and you buy a SYLVESTER, you will be well-pleased with your selection. More than this, we predict you will bear testimony with the many others who are using them, that they are *the best on the continent*. It is in the actual work of the Machines themselves in the field that the right to this claim is exemplified :

DOWNEYVILLE, May 4th, 1896.

GENTLEMEN,—This is to certify that I purchased a Light Steel Binder from the Sylvester Bros. Mfg. Co. in the summer of 1888, and have cut eight crops with it, and have done the cutting on two hundred acres with it and it has given the very best of satisfaction. It never cost me anything for repairs, and it is in good repair yet. I think it is good for as long more. Would have no other.—Yours truly,

WM. O'BRIEN.

EMILY, May 4th, 1896.

GENTLEMEN,—This is to certify that I purchased a Light Steel Binder from the Sylvester Bros. Mfg. Co. in the summer of 1888, and have cut eight crops with it, doing the cutting on about two hundred acres with it and it has pleased me beyond all expectations. It never cost me anything for repairs and it is in good condition yet—I think it is good for years. I would have no other.—Yours,

THOMAS LUCAS.

EMILY, MAY 6th, 1896.

GENTLEMEN,—I purchased a 12 Hoe Drill from your agent the spring of 1896, and am sowing the second crop with it, and find it a first class drill in every respect; it is a very accurate sower, and of very light draft. Would advise any one wanting a first class drill to buy the Sylvester.—Yours,

EDWARD CLANCEY.

EMILY, May 6th, 1896.

GENTLEMEN,—I got a 10 Hoe Drill from your agent this spring and am more than satisfied with it. I did not think that there was a drill made that would sow as correct as it does. Have sowed all kinds of grain and grass seed with it, and have found it very correct and a great machine to work up the ground, and draws very light. It is a first class machine in every particular.—Yours,

DAVID MULCAHEY, Downeyville.

SYLVESTER BROS. M'F'G CO.

E. E. W. McGaffey.

THOUGHTS FOR THE .. PRUDENT.

Poor prices on our Dress Goods.

Prices still declining,
Blinds at 35c, 40c and 50c.

Takeable prices in—

- CARPETS -

—Double Fold

Hemps	25c
Union	25c, 35c, 40c
Wools	35c, 75c, 90c
Extra Special Tapestries	35c, 40c
Brussels	75c, 95c, $1

Snappy prices in Chenille Curtains, $2 75 and $3 00.

Bewitching prices in Ladies' Blouses.

Speed away prices in Lace Curtains

Tiniest Hat prices in town.

Twice prettier than you'd guess
our English Linen Dimities

Summer sunshine is no brighter
than our Parasols and Umbrellas

Smiles are what we see when you see
our Ready made Clothing Assortment

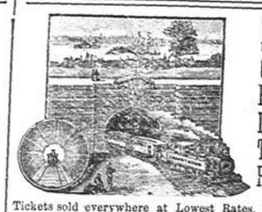
We hit the mark in our
Hosiery and Glove Assortment
Ask for our 25c Cashmere Hose.

Are there prettier girls anywhere than
those who wear our Wash Fabrics.

Everything for summer with
prices melted by
hot weather.

E. E. W. McGAFFEY,
Lindsay's Leader Low Cash Prices
Dry Goods House.

Grand Trunk Railway.



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THE PRACTICAL PAPER-HANGER
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should not be entrusted to an incompetent workman for repairs or cleaning.

Our repairing shop is known as being one of the best in Ontario.

Repairing or Adjusting.

When you want it done RIGHT, bring it to us.

BRITTON BRO'S
Foot of Kent Street.
LINDSAY

Johnston & Sisson.

Bicycle Shoes

We have the newest in Grooved Sole Bicycle Shoes, Ball and Sporting Shoes.

Ladies, to be well dressed you require our stylish Summer Shoes.

Men's Fine Shoes in great variety of styles. All grades at exceedingly low prices.

Men's Solid Kip Granger Boots are in good demand.

Big Value in Working Boots at $1, $1.15 and $1.25.

REMEMBER THIS IS

JOHNSTON & SISSON
—Lindsay's Leading Shoe Store.—

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A Good .. Time-Keeper

was never to be gotten so easily as now—and here. We have a stock on hand sufficient to equip two ordinary stores, and we can sell you a good time-keeper anywhere from

$3.00 up to $240.00.

Our Fancy Goods Department. . .

has been given extra room, and not before it was badly needed. We do a large business in this line, and it has been won on the merits of the goods and the reasonable prices. There are many reasons why you should see our stock before buying elsewhere. Value perhaps counts most.

HUGHAN & CO.

W. G. Blair.

IF YOU THINK

of getting that new Suit for the 24th, its time to drop in, look at the cloths and get prices. We have a large stock of the newest weaves, and

WE WANT YOUR ORDER

We'll get it, too, if you give us half a chance, as we're hungry for business. A dollar or two on a Suit may be worth saving in your estimation—if so call and make further inquiries.

W. G. BLAIR,
Foot of Kent-st.

Jos. Riggs.

"Red Birds"

The Brantford Red Birds have been weighed in the balance and found wanted.

P. S.—We teach you to ride at the rink.

J. RIGGS,
No. 6 Kent-st., Lindsay.

New Advertisements.

WANTED.—YOUNG OR MIDDLE-AGED MEN of character. Hundreds foremost in Canada started with us. About $14.00 a week to begin with. THE BRADLEY-GARRETSON CO., LTD., Toronto, Ont.—98-d&w-tf.

ST. CHARLES HOTEL,
PORT PERRY.

Travellers on the early morning or evening trains on their arrival here will find at the above hotel first-class meals ready and every accommodation necessary for their convenience and comfort.

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WANDERED from his home, Myrtle, Wednesday afternoon, 22nd April inst., Chas. MacLean, aged 22; height, about 5 feet, 9 inches; medium built; light hair; dressed in dark gray tweed pants; light colored coat; light flannel shirt; light slouch felt hat; short growth sandy whiskers; low shoes, broad soles; appears melancholy; last seen at Pontypool. Any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received. JAS. DICKSON, Myrtle, Ont.—82d-3. w-14.

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Special privileges of re-payment on straight loans offered to farmers and others desirous of changing their mortgages, and having their interest reduced to the very lowest rate. The cost is small compared to the saving effected.

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ON A SERIOUS CHARGE.

BEVERLY ROSS ARRESTED LAST MONDAY.

Mr. G. W. Beall says he Obtained Goods From Him on False Pretences.

Last Monday evening our citizens were greatly surprised to learn that Mr. Beverley Ross, a former well known resident for several years, had been arrested on the complaint of Mr. G. W. Beall, jeweller, on a charge of having obtained goods under false pretences. It seems that Mr. Ross arrived from Port Hope the previous morning, and spent the day calling upon his numerous friends in town, all of whom were glad to welcome him after an absence of some months from town. The arrest was made by County Constable Foster, and Mr. Ross refused bail, which was offered by several of our merchants.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Ross was brought before Police Magistrate McIntyre to answer to the charge of having obtained a diamond ring under false pretences. Mr. Beall was represented by Mr. G. Hopkins as counsel, and Mr. Ross by Mr. H. O'Leary, Q. C. Mr. Hopkins asked for an adjournment until Friday in order to allow the complainant time to procure necessary evidence.

Magistrate McIntyre offered to accept $200 bail, but Mr. Ross refused, and was taken to gaol again in the evening.

The case came up again this afternoon at 2 p.m. Mr. Beall told of Ross procuring a sett of knives and forks on May 10th, 1895, worth $21; on May 29th, a diamond ring worth $186; and on June 4th a gold watch worth $20.

Mr. W. Flavelle was called by Mr. Hopkins to prove, as he expessed it, the prisoner's desire to defraud others as well, but his evidence was foreign to the case, and did not relate to the 1895 dealings of Ross.

Ross did not make a statement other than to say he had not procured the goods by means of false pretences.

Magistrate McIntyre, in summing up, said he agreed with Mr. O'Leary that the grounds on which the case was brought were slim indeed. He felt like extending a word of warning to merchants not to give reckless young men credit for diamond rings and silver knives and forks, but the fact remained that the goods had not been paid for, and he felt compelled to commit the prisoner for trial at the next competent court.

MET DEATH AT PETERBORO

JOHN CLEMENCE, PORT PERRY, KILLED BY A G.T.R. EXPRESS.

Struck by the Noon Express on Saturday and Died at the Nicholls' Hospital.

Mr. John Clemence, of Port Perry, was killed at noon on Saturday on the Grand Trunk track at the rear of Mr. G. M. Rogers' greenhouse, Peterboro, a little past the crossing on Park-st. He was returning from town to his son's residence on Bonacord-st., and was struck by the G.T.R. noon express from Lindsay. Dr. King was immediately summoned and found Mr. Clemence was seriously injured, and had him removed to the Nicholls' hospital at 12 35. He gradually grew worse and died one o'clock. Mr. Clemence took the track as a short way to reach his son's house, where the unfortunate man has been visiting his son, Mr. C. Clemence, an employee of the Wm. Hamilton Manufacturing Co. He was accompanied by his wife, and they intended returning to their home in Port Perry Saturday, but the son persuaded them to remain over Sunday. The deceased was 76 years of age and was an old resident of Port Perry. He leaves besides his wife four sons and one daughter. An inquest was not considered necessary, and the body was taken to Port Perry for interment.—[Review.

LINDSAY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Annual Report of the Secretary-Treasurer for 1895-96.

To President and Members of the Lindsay Public Library:

The annual report of your Sec.-Treas. for the year 1895 96 will be found to contain no very striking features of encouragement or discouragement. The library has been moving along the even tenor of its way, making progress in some directions and perhaps losing a little in others. The year has been one of considerable financial depression, which has affected us, as it has affected other institutions. Some of our members have dropped out and some have reduced the amount of their subscription. To balance this somewhat we have received several new members.

The circulation of the books is considerably in increase of last year's report and covers a better variety of literature. In history and science especially, the circulation has been, for us, fairly satisfactory. A better knowledge on the part of the public of what good things our library contains will do much, I believe, to increase the circulation in the now somewhat neglected departments.

Your directors have had several meetings, though probably too few. Various matters pertaining to the conduct of the library have been discussed. The principal business done has been the purchase of new books on two occasions, the furnishing of the periodicals, and the ordering of covers for the magazines in the Reading Room.

Receipts.

Balance in hand	$ 8 22
Members' fees	118 25
Legislative grant	142 50
County grant	50 00
Sale of periodicals	39 75
Discounts	200 00
Loan (F. D. Moore)	38 45
	$ 597 17

Expenditures.

Rent, balance of 1894, $40; 1895, $100	$ 140 00
Salary	100 00
Lighting	27 00
Books, not fiction, $21 38; fiction, $49.99	71 37
Periodicals	80 50
Binding, $20; printing, $3 25	23 25
Notes retired	100 00
Insurance	10 80
Sundries	14 53
Interest	9 30
Balance on hand	20 42
	$ 597 17

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Assets.

Furniture	$ 150 00
Value of books in Library	2,000 00
Cash in hand	20 42
Unpaid subscriptions	10 00
Sundries	2 00
Total	$ 2,182 42

Liabilities.

Note	$ 200 00
Loan	64 65
Lighting	49 00
Printing, etc	7 83
	$ 321 48

This report may be closed with bringing before your notice several matters which require your careful consideration:

1. Increase of membership.
2. A catalogue or substitute for it.
3. Better order in the reading room.
4. Prevention of theft and mutilation of periodicals.
5. Prevention of temporary disappearance of periodicals.
6. Relation of amounts expended on reading room and in books.

E. A. HARDY,
Lindsay, May 4th, 1896. Sec.-treas.

TOWN AND COUNTY.

DASHES HERE AND THERE.

The Dominion Elections.

As the Dominion elections are at hand it is your duty to subscribe for THE CANADIAN POST, Lindsay's up-to-date weekly paper, and the best in the Midland counties. Full reports will appear of the present election campaign. Balance of year, 60c; three months, 20c.

Victoria County Liquor Revenue.

Statement of amounts received by License Inspector Short from licenses, transfers and fines in Victoria county for the license year 1895 96:

From licenses	$ 7,212 50
" transfers	100 00
" fines	542 00
	$ 7,854 50

To Reach the Upper Wharf.

The meeting of the cottagers of Sturgeon Point with Capt. Lane took place Thursday morning. Mr. T. Walters explained to those present the proposed improvement to be made by the Ontario government for the benefit of the navigation of the river. Capt. Lane explained the difficulty of landing at the upper wharf, which consisted chiefly in low water, and the frequent blocking of the channel with scows and logs, which would prevent the boat making time. The first objection will be overcome by the proposed improvement to the river, and in order that the latter objection may be overcome the mayor will call a meeting for Saturday night of those using scows and handling logs on the river.

Obituary.

—Many people throughout the country will regret to learn of the death of Mr. George Slater, of Benton Centre, Yate Co., N.Y. We take the following notice of the sad event from the village paper: On Thursday afternoon of last week, Mr. George Slater, while in the employ of Mr. T. Costelo, was stricken down with apoplexy. It was about 4 p. m. when he first felt the shock and he died at about 8 p. m. Although Mr. Slater was somewhat of a stranger here it is said by those who knew him that he was a member of the M. E. church, and a true christian. He always seemed pleasant and had a kind word for everyone. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor of the M. E. church, and was held at his home on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was made in the Benton Centre cemetery. The family that he has so suddenly left feel their loss deeply and they have the sympathy of the entire community. The family wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to all those that aided them so generously.

Local Brevities.

—The grand lodge of True Blues is to be held at Cobourg, commencing on June 1st.

—Mr. J. G. O'Grady, of Toronto, paymaster for the public works department, was in town Wednesday and left considerable cash behind.

—Mr. Syer, manager for the Port Hope Carpet Mfg. Co., was in town Tuesday. He left a large order for carpet yarns with The Lindsay Woollen Mills.

—Port Hope intends spending $10,000 for a new school. The lowest tender received was $2,000 over the mark. A Peterboro contractor is after the job.

—The melody of the mosquito is again heard—in fact he has been very much in evidence around residences with shade trees near by during the last few evenings.

—The Belleville health officer is inspecting the cellars of merchants, and has found many of them in a most unsanitary condition. How are the cellars of Lindsay?

—Several of the maples on the town wharf plot are dead, and should be replaced at once. Twenty or thirty new trees would tend to improve very much the appearance of the place.

—Mr. Sap. Calvert, of Edwards & Co., arrived from the city last Tuesday with nine bicycles, including two ladies' Clevelands for Mrs. Wm. Flavelle and Miss Riley, of McIntyre & Stewart's office.

—The funeral of the late J. Leslie Hopwood, who shot himself in Toronto on Saturday last, took place Tuesday morning upon the arrival of the C. P. R. express at Pontypool, to Bethany cemetery, where the family formerly resided.

—We learn that Mr. Frank Fobert, for 24 years in charge of the custom boot and shoe department of the late Jos. Connolly, has decided to open out for himself on William-st. about the 1st of June. No doubt he will receive a share of public patronage.

—Mr. James Gillogly is erecting a substantial brick residence on the lot recently purchased by him from Mr. James Flurey, corner Huron and Glenelg-sts. The small store built by Mr. Flurey has been moved back some distance and will be turned into a kitchen.

—Perrin's Extract of Coffee is a new preparation manufactured by the Perrin Medicine Co. It is an excellent article, with all the flavor of the coffee bean, and, put up in a convenient manner for use at picnics, five o'clock teas, or whenever a delicious cup of coffee is required at a short notice.

—In consequence of recent action taken by the Canadian Ticket Sellers' Association, the various steamship lines have agreed to place their business wherever possible with the C. P. R and G. T. R. ticket agents. Mr. T. C. Matchett can now sell tickets via the Allan, Dominion and Beaver lines, sailing from Montreal.

—In a recent issue, in an item referring to the probable number of muskrat skins marketed in Lindsay this spring, we stated that Mr. John Flurey had purchased over 500. Mr. Flurey has since informed us that he has shipped away over 2,000. This seem to show that over 4,000 rats were killed in this district this season, of an estimated value of $700.

—While Nell Brooks, in the employ of Mr. Geo. Martin, was drawing sawdust on Wednesday from Carew's mill, he halted near Horn's Woollen Mills to get a drink at a near-by pump. While thus engaged his horse took fright and ran across the street, bringing up against a fence. The animal was cut in several places and the wagon badly wrecked.

—The by-law regulating the closing of shops at 10 o'clock on Saturday nights is not being observed as it should be. Personally we have noticed that several stores remain open till nearly 11, and a few cases of the kind will cause the by-law to be generally ignored, with the result that the rumble of delivery rigs will again be heard on Sunday mornings. Whose duty is it to enforce town by-laws, anyway?

—Last night while one of our young dentists was escorting a lady friend to her home, he was accosted by a man who was suffering excruciating agony from a *holler* tooth. He was almost crazy with pain. The conversation between the Dr. and his lady friend was of an interesting nature, but the man with the aching tooth pleaded so pathetically to have the troublesome grinder removed immediately that the hard heart of the forceps man was touched. Another escort was secured and the Dr. headed for his office, followed by his suffering patient.

—A special despatch from the north, received Tuesday, stated that the members of the trout fishing expedition met with a serious loss on Saturday evening. Owing to the break-down of the "Mary Ann," the B. & O. R.R. engine, they were left stranded with their canoes and camping dunnage some miles from Wilberforce, and they exhausted all their coal oil in portaging their effects to that little hamlet. Nearly every person who knows anything about fishing will readily realize the importance of having a good supply of coal oil along, and will join with us in hoping they may tide over the difficulty.

Wedding Bells.

On Wednesday, April 22nd, a pleasing event occurred at the residence of the groom's, when Mr. Allman Feren, of Cavan dish, entered into the holy bonds of matrimony with Miss Katie Flaherty, of Galway. Rev. Mr. Mearing, Methodist minister, of Kinmount, tied the nuptial knot. Mr. Feren is the youngest son of Mr. Levi Feren, formerly of Fenelon.

Children's Aid Society.

A meeting of the Children's Aid Society was held in the council chamber on Friday at 4.30 p.m. The cases of about a dozen neglected and needy children were brought under discussion. Matters of very great importance connected with them will be considered at the adjourned meeting, to be held next Friday evening in the council chamber, at 8 o'clock. A good attendance is desirable. The society has some fine boys waiting for homes among farmers or others.

Cut His Arm.

On Friday afternoon the scholars of the east ward school enjoyed a trip to the woods in a charge of their teachers, Misses A. and E. Fanning, Twamley and Stephenson. While the pupils were enjoying themselves in various ways Master W. Hartley, 14 years of age, got possession of a small hatchet, and accidentally cut a severe gash in his arm, severing an artery. The wound bled copiously and there was general alarm for a time, but the teachers took the boy to a farm house near by and sent a messenger for a doctor, who promptly stopped the flow of blood, and the young lad is now able to be about as usual.

A New Swindle.

The lastest swindle is accomplished by means of a double fountain pen, one end filled with good ink, the other with ink that fades away in a day or two. The sharper's plan is to call on farmers or others, make a bargain so advantageous to them that they are willing to agree to it, write the contract or agreement with the ink that fades, then manage so that the victim signs it with the ink that lasts. Then, in a few days, they have the name on a sheet of blank paper, on which any sort of a note can be written. People who subscribe for a local paper are careful how they sign their names to any document offered by a stranger. Others are caught by this new trap.

Peterboro Cheese Board.

The first meeting of the Peterboro cheese board was held on Wednesday afternoon last. The buyers present were Messrs. Whiston, Madden, Fitzgerald, Wrighton and Cluxton. At the suggestion of the two first named buyers the meeting day was changed from Wednesday to Tuesday at one o'clock. In all 847 boxes, being the make up to May 9th, were boarded. The bidding opened at 6c, and Mr. Whiston raised to 7½, taking the make of nine factories, or 482 boxes. Mr. Fitzgerald again opened the bidding for the balance of the factories at 6½c. Mr. Smith lifted this to 6¾, all the factories accepting but Fleetwood, which boarded 50 boxes. The board then adjourned for two weeks.

A Wonderful Freak of Nature.

Mention was made in the Peterboro Examiner some weeks ago of a monstrosity in the shape of a calf which was secured by George Hopkins near Campbellford. The animal has just been mounted by taxidermist Ecombe, and it is said to be one of nature's strangest freaks. It was given birth to by a cow, and slightly resembles a calf in general appearance. The legs, however, are those of a pig and being very short would never have been of sufficient length to support the animal if had lived, as they do not reach below the body. The fore legs are bowed like a bulldog's and the face is emphatically emblematic of the bulldog, the snout being blunt and slightly turned up and the jaws rounded. The skeleton is also being prepared and mounted, and the bones bear out the statement that the animal was certainly a cross between the dog, pig and cow. The monstrosity ought certainly to bring a big price from some showman.

Canadian Bacon in England.

Under a steady demand for Canadian bacon in England, prices there have materially appreciated during the past few weeks from 30s to 42s for lean brands. Fat brands, which sold as low as 26s some time ago during the glut of the Danish supplies, when values fell to the lowest level ever before experienced, are now selling at about 36s. The advance has induced larger shipments from Canada of late, and we learn of considerable freight engagements by the first boats leaving this port, and if the market keeps steady a good export trade, at fairly profitable prices, will continue to be done. The fluctuations in the price of bacon in England during the past season have been as much as 3c to 3½c per lb from highest to lowest rates, which is something extraordinary when it is considered that previous to that ½ to ¾ decline or advance was thought quite a loss or gain. Now that Canadian bacon has, by its superior quality, gained an enviable prestige on the English market, it is regularly called for, and commands a considerable premium over prices that are obtained for American brands.—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

Dobson & Johnston.

A business change which took place Tuesday introduced a new firm to the city of Stratford, two young Stratford men, Messrs. George Dobson and Fletcher Johnston, having bought out the Stratford branch of R Neill's boot and shoe business. Instead of Neill, the Shoe Man, it will therefore hereafter be Dobson & Johnston. Both the young men are well known and are strictly high-grade, to use a phrase now in frequent use. Mr. Dobson has been for about two years past the Stratford manager for R. Neill, and has shown himself to be prudent and capable in every respect, and also of pleasing qualities personally. Mr. Johnston has been for many years attached to the Herald, and has graduated creditably in the printing trade. He is held in the highest regard by the Herald proprietors as a young man of the strictest honor and integrity, combined with geniality and other good qualities. Many friends will wish the young men the handsomest possible measure of success, which indeed their business tact and energy cannot fail to win.—[Stratford Herald..... Mr. Dobson formerly resided at Lifford, Durham county.

St. Joseph's Convent.

Marks obtained by pupils of St. Joseph's convent during the month of April:—

Senior Fourth.—Total, 820: Loretto Burke, 565; Mollie O'Boyle, 547; Georgina Connelly, 527; Emily O'Leary, 513; Rose Zeufeldt, 513; Alice Connor, 482; Maggie Mahar, 485; Maggie Burke, 476; Mabel Burke, 420; Katie Conlon, 410; Maggie Baker, 327; Mabel Wardrobe, 325.

Junior Fourth.—Total, 400: Mila O'Callaghan, 303; Minnie Cane, 285; May Powers, 282; Estelle O'Leary, 200; Lottie Hallinan, 199; Mary Brady, 178; Maggie Diament, 154; Lillian Archambault, 146; Nettie O'Boyle, 77.

Senior Third.—Total, 505: Rose Cuff, 331; Maudie Cairns, 330; Ella Brady, 327; Maria Eagan, 323; Emma Landry, 305; Laura Cain, 299; Annie O'Callaghan, 299; Nellie O'Neill, 286; Lizzie Taylor, 277; Mary Hennessey, 272; Etta Meagher, 271; Florence Bartley, 270; Florence McConnell, 260; Mollie Daly, 260; Barr Mackay, 259; Bertha Hettger, 234; Mary Hurley, 230; Hazel VanCamp, 217; Lizzie Diament, 171; Teresa Campbell, 163; Lila Haslam, 151.

Junior Third.—Total, 475: Nellie Burke, 299; Annie Stinson, 268; Mary Conlon, 297; Maggie Giltenan, 233; Martha O'Connor, 216; Katie Penrose, 205; Stella Barrett, 175; Maggie Christie, 161.

The Latest in Calling Cards

just received at the office of THE POST. Examine these—we print packages of 25 and 50, as desired.

The Oyster Gourmet.

Oh, gentle May,
Your presence gay
Brings one regret to mar,
You're not to blame,
But, just the same,
You haven't any "r."

Whist Tournament.

The whist tournament which has been going for some time past was finished on Monday night. There were seven teams entered, and each team had to play every other team 20 ways of duplicate whist. Great interest was taken in the contest, and there were many surprising results. Messrs. John Kennedy and W. H. Simpson were the finally declared victors, having won 5 games out of 6, with a total of 37 points to the good, and were each presented with a handsome briarwood pipe as a trophy.

Live Stock Shipments.

—A car of hogs were loaded here Tuesday for the Geo. Matthews Co., Peterboro.

—Five carloads of fat cattle were brought in last Tuesday from Mariposa station, where the animals had been loaded by Fennelly & Bowes for shipment to England. All were good stock.

—If the weather proves favorable Mr. P. B. McIlhargey's buyers will collect about ten carloads of cattle here on Thursday for shipment to the Bristol market. Mr. McIlhargey intends to accompany the consignment in person.

Illegible Post Marks

Rely on it, if business men could touch the heart of the new postmaster-general they would, upon one point, be inexpressibly happy. Every one who receives business letters is painfully conscious that many people omit to give post office address, and in many more instances the postmark of the mailing office is so obscure that it cannot be made out. The postmaster-general could inaugurate a reform by holding postmasters to accountability for failure to legibly mark letters. A postmark is intended for some purpose, and if that purpose is defeated by its illegibility, it might as well be abandoned.

Church Notes.

—Rev. N. Hill, of Omemee, will preach in the Queen-st. church next Sabbath evening.

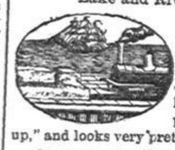
—Mr. F. Richardson, of Belleville, has just completed the decorating of the new altar in St. Luke's church, Downeyville. The work is a credit to his artistic skill, and is greatly admired by all.

—The week evening service of next week in the Queen-st. church will be under the direction of Rev. R. Mallet, of Bobcaygeon, assisted by Rev. C. H. Coon, who will aid in a song service. The subject of scripture holiness will be a prominent feature of the meeting. All welcome.

Band Concert.

A large crowd gathered last Tuesday evening to listen to the open-air concert given by the Harmony band opposite the post office, and the opinion was frequently heard expressed that "the boys are getting along nicely." And they are. Mr. H. Hettger's clarionet solo, "Sparkling Dewdrops," and a tuba solo, "Victory," by Mr. Hec. Cuthbert, caught the popular fancy deservedly, and their efforts were liberally applauded. While the program was being played Mr. Geo. Fox gave the band an invitation to his ice cream parlors, and at the close they went in and enjoyed an excellent dish of the congealed delicacy, all voting Mr. Fox "a jolly good fellow."

Lake and River Notes.



MR. A. Cottingham's yacht, the Mizpah, was launched on Saturday evening. She has been freshly painted and "fixed up," and looks very pretty and serviceable.

—The task of adding twelve feet to the length of the Str. Greyhound has been completed, and Mr. Sadler is now awaiting the arrival of the new boiler. We understand Mr. Sadler intends placing her on the Sturgeon Point and Fenelon Falls route provided he can get encouragement by the sale of season tickets.

Nearly Drowned.

On Saturday afternoon last two young men named Thayer and Prust had a narrow escape from drowning in Head lake, at Haliburton. Enticed by the favorable breeze they procured a sail-boat and cruised up and down for some time. Finally a heavy gust of wind came as they were in the act of jibing the sail, and the next moment they were in the water. The boat turned completely over, but by clasping hands over the keel they managed to hold on till they drifted so close to the shore that the mast beneath grounded, when they abandoned the boat and managed to swim the balance of the distance. They were greatly exhausted by their efforts, and their escape from a watery grave was a sufficiently narrow one, Thayer is a son of Mr. S. Thayer, formerly of this town, and now G. T. R. engine cleaner at Haliburton; Prust is a son of Mr. Wm. Prust, license inspector.

Sturgeon Point Notes.

—Mr. O. Bigelow was at the Point on Wednesday last opening up his cottage for the season.

—Squire and Mrs. McDonnell have been at the Point for several days. The former is busily engaged repairing his shattered boat-house.

—The yacht Myrtle was expected at the Point Monday with a load of material for a new cottage about to be built by Mr. O. Bigelow, between Perrin's and McGaffey's residences. The contract has been let to the Perrin brothers, carpenters. While we have not seen the plans it is whispered that the cottage is to be very ornate, and that it will be the prettiest at the Point.

—Visitors say that never in the history of the Point has there been such luxuriant growth so early in the season. The sod is green velvety, the woods fragrant with the odor of opening buds and wild flowers, and even the sturdy old oaks are yielding to the gracious influences at work and are putting forth young shoots and tender leaves almost a month ahead of last year.

The Public Library.

A meeting of the newly-elected directors of the public library was held on Monday evening, the following being present Messrs. F. D. Moore, Robt. Ross, Edward Flood, E. A. Hardy, S. Irwin, Dr. Burrows, A. P. Devlin, J. H Sootheran and Dr. Lynch. Mr. Moore was elected chairman for the year; Mr. Hardy, secretary-treasurer, and Miss Reazin, librarian. A number of business matters were then dealt with, the chief of which related to the preservation of order in the reading room, which is at present seriously interfered with owing to the actions of a number of young people who meet there for gossip. Thefts of papers, temporary removal of magazines and journals, and other irregularities were also discussed, and a determination was expressed to make it very unpleasant for future offenders. Hereafter daily papers will be kept on file for two days, and readers will be furnished with high stools. The general public may not be aware that the library now contains a fine assortment of the latest books, many having been added last year and others recently. The small sum of $1 admits a person to membership and full privileges of library and reading rooms.