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ORILLIA, 6th JUNE, 1872. THE CRISIS OF THE WASHINGTON

TREATY.

The fate of the Treaty between Great Britain and the United States must now soon be ascertained and scaled. For the last twelvemenths there have been great and many warmly and cheerfully responded fluctuations of public sentiment re- to by members and adherents, engarding the fact of its existence and its general characteristics, but the Mr. Gray, at his residence, on Wednegotiations have now reached a nesday afternoon, 29th ult.,-the crisis which must soon consign the date of presentation. The address, important treaty to an inglorious and much to be regretted demise or enwhich shall stamp it as one of the fortunately prevented by indisposi- seems to be received with considermost notable international articles of tion from undertaking that pleasing able favour. case to be laid before the arbitration fell to the lot of the chairman of leyan Church in Barrie has increased ble team by an accident on it. a claim for "consequential dam- The address was accompanied by a The Gazette states that the increase at Geneva was found to contain ages" growing out of the Alabama depredations, grave fears the congregation. were entertained by the press in Europe and America that the Treaty To the Rev John Gray: must fail. The people of England have seldom in modern times shown such unanimity of sentiment as they did in resisting at any cost the admission of such claims. And on the other hand the American Government showed very transparent tokens of uneasiness in the premises, -an unwillingness to recede fromtheir position, together with a clear conviction that an error had been committed in inserting the obnoxious item. Great therefore was the joy expressed on both sides, when a method of compromise suitable to England and not distasteful to the American Government was discovered in what is called a Supplemental Treaty. This document framed in England was virtually accepted by President Grant and his Cabinet. For endorsement of their opinion the President transmitted the important Appendix for the action of the Senate. A week ago the wires flashed the gladdening intelligence around the world that the Supplemental Treaty had passed the Senate, which in effect was considered the crisis of the whole question. We were told that certain unimportant verbal changes had beer made by that body, but every one considered the danger was over, deeply he appreciated the kindly exand that all the fine dreams of the pressions set forth in the address, and ing the 23rd inst. Through the future were now surely to be verified. the substantial token of regard ac- efforts of the villagers, the lumber But the end of this vexed question | companying it, gave a brief outline | was not yet. A response from Eng- of the progress Presbyterianism had insured. land has come to the effect that the made in the village of Orillia and changes in the new Treaty are important, so much so that they cannot be accepted by the British Government; which reply has again pastorate, and how gratifying his the time of his death .- Mr. McFarproduced threats from the Americans that the whole matter must sink or both in the village and outlying dis- Saturday .- James Gordon Bennett Justick swim by their last utterances. In trict, till now the increase of members proprietor of the New York Herald, these unhappy circumstances are we and progress of the church in Orillia now. Whether some new device can necessitated the exclusive ministrabe framed which shall yet relieve tion on his part to this immediate both sides from the dilemn a, portion of the Lord's Vineyard. Mr. running between Orillia and Washaor whether the beneficent intents Thos. Dallas followed with a few reand prospects of the Treaty must all marks, especially pointing out the fall to the ground is still uncertain. readiness with which the contributo Orillia and return has been raised will meet to-morrow (Friday) evening at Certain it is that a very considerable tions had been made, rendering the amount of irritation has been felt labours of the committee a work of within the last tew days in the Un- comparative pleasure, and setting ited States, and late advices indicate forth how greatly an occasion such that the President demands a final as the present tended to bind toreply to the Senate's action as soon gether the various members of the conas possible. We hope the whole gregation. Themeeting concluded by may yet issue in the preservation of the members of committee wishing the Treaty. While its failure may the reverend gentleman a pleasant not lead to anything like actual hos- and prosperous journey, and a speedy tilities, still an attempt like the present at constant peace between the health and comfort. two nations proving abortive will have a disastrous effect. We in Canada have everything at stake in the continuance of amicable relationship with the adjoining Republic, and dark would be the day for us should the latter become an actual foe. But the chief concern consists in the peril to progress and the arrest to the auspicious sign of the Times of which the Treaty was the expression. Gladstone was cheered to the echo in the House of Commons when he hopefully referred lately to the peaceful settlement of the existing difficulties with the United States thus giving a fresh vigour to the noble spectacle of the two greatest nations mutually aiding each other in all that ensures and promotes the greatest progress and the highest phases of civilization. The Washington Treaty has one feature which singles it out as nearly unique. It seeks not only to settle peacefully existing differences, it aims at inaugurating a process by which difficulties between all nations may be bloodlessly ended. This, in fact, is its most illustrious characteristic, and the best people in both countries have hailed it as an Article which is simply in keeping with the high attainments and christian profession of both countries. To England, no more worthy praise could be given, and by the United States no such splendid laurel be a way of settling differences other than by the savage arbitrament of

Barrie is already preparing for a large domonstration on Dominion Day.

"the great days of old."

PRESENTATION.

It having been intimated by the

tional meeting that he intended to avail himself of the opportunity af- about to be erected in Barrie. forded by leave of absence from his charge to visit Great Britain for a short period, a few members of his congregation formed themselves into a committee, consisting of Messrs. Thos. Dallas, Wm. Tudhope, snr., John World, John Perry, W. Tudhope, jr., and A. J. Alport, with the view of submitting to the members generally the desirability of testifying their appreciation of the reverend gentleman's lengthened services as their pastor by a suitable address. accompanied by a substantial token of their regard. This was most abling the committee to wait upon of which the following is a copy, task, and the duty consequently united contribution of members of tionately great.

native country. Once more to behold a limity-a land so memorable for the heroic deeds by which civil and religious liberty were obtained, and transmitted to succed ing generations, may well be an object dear When we reflect that so many years have passed since, by a devotion to those sacred duties which your calling ever demands, and which you have faithfully been a stranger to the beloved land of Dominion. your birth, we rejoice that you have resolved to absent yourself for a time from this, the dear land of your adoption. We earnestly trust that the voyage, with change of scenery and relaxation from toil, may prove not only agreeable but beneficial, and that you may return improved in health, and braced with renewed energy for your sacred task. May that God whom you serve, without whose favour all earthly prosperity sinks, and all earthly aspirations fail, bless you, preserve you, and restore you to your attached friends and congregation. Permit us to present you with an offering, not to be valued by its amount, but by the motives which have prompted its pre-

We remain, dear and reverend sir, Yours, with esteem, for ourselves and others,

JAMES DALLAS, JOHN WORLD. A. J. ALPORT. W. TUDHOPE, Snr., THOS. DALLAS, JOHN PERRY, WM. TUDHOPE, Junr.

Mr. Gray, after expressing how return tohis congregation, in renewed

A VALUABLE WORK,-We have received from Messrs. George P. Rowell & Co., the well known Advertising Agents, of New York, a copy of their American Newspaper Directory for 1872. The work is elegantly got up, substantially bound, and embellished with two fine engrav-It is a complete and accurate compendium of information concerning the newspapers and periodical publications of the United States and British North America. The Editor has shown great industry and care in the preparation of the work but recognises the fact that "it next to impossible to produce a book entirely free from faults" and invites cirticism with a view to correcting errors in succeeding issues. In compliance with this request we make mention of two trivial errors, which would otherwise have been overlooked as of slight consequence. They are that he gives several British Colonies as distinct from Canada. which have been for some time integral portions of the Dominion; and two or three somewhat obscure local papers have been omitted from the list for this Province. We have no hesitation, however, in saying the work is the most complete of the kind ever issued on this continent, and reflects credit upon the ability and enterprise of those who preparwon, than this, that between the two, ed and published it. The price is \$5.

THE WELCOME GUEST,-We have received the initial number of this pany, Toronto. It is well got up, Grand Lecturers, John Hoey, Rosemount; and the contents judiciously selected.

Each number is complete in itself.

and Dunbar Brown, Montreat. The next annual meeting of the Grand Orange Lodge will be held in the town of Belle-Price 15 cents, or \$1.50 per annum. ville,

EDITORIAL NEWS ITEMS.

STRAW was sold at the rate of \$60 per ton in Barrie last week.

Rev. J. Gray at a recent Congrega-Another large foundry is John Craig, who was terribly injured at Durham's Saw Mill, Barrie, last week, died three hours

and a half after the accident. MR. JOSEPH H. HACKING has sold the Listowel Banner to Mr. George Day, are in progress. S. Davidson. The Banner has been a good local paper under Mr. Hack-

ing's management. TROUT .- A party from Barrie, caught last week, at Coulson's pond, Medonte, 151 speckled trout within

a few hours. The fish were all of a very fair size. Sosays the Examiner. The Collingwood Bulletin says it is rumoured that a very rich tin mine has been discovered at Otter Creek, Lake Superior. The ore

said to yield over 33 per cent of tin. interested are agitated over the dress. was to have been presented by Jas. Hamilton and Northwestern Rail-Dallas, Esq., who was, however, un- way project. From the reports, it

The membership of the Westhe committee, A. J. Alport, Esq. from 110 to 285 during the past year. cheque for \$250, the cheerful and in the congregation has been propor-

One of the principal attractions in practical Uxbridge, on the and every available line of the paper. DEAR AND REV. SIR,—You have inform-ed us of your intention shortly to visit your Queen's Birthday, was a new patent St. James's Church.—On last Sunday force pump, designed to serve the land distinguished for its beauty and sub- double purpose of fire engine and common water pump.

The New Dominion Monthly for June contains two illustrations, a piece of music, and variety of ex- Orillia. cellent literary articles, principally original. It is decidedly the best and affectionately performed, you have cheap periodical published in the

THE COUNTY PRINTING .- We have not yet received a copy of the Minutes of the January Session of the this year be creditably represented in the County Council of 1872. Our confrère the Examines is more favoured, and complains that the printing is wretchedly done, or trashy

arrived in Dublin on Tuesday, and drove from the station to the vice regal lodge in an open carriage. He was frequently enthusiastically cheered on his way thither. The Duke has always been a great favourite with the gallant Irishmen.

Hay & Patton, Furniture Manufacturers, New Lowell, was totally destroved by fire, on Wednesday evenvard was saved. The property was

OBITUARY.-The Hon. John Sandsurrounding district, showing how field Macdonald died on Saturday. wonderfully it had extended its oper- He first entered Parliament in 1841, ations during his period of 21 years and continued a member of it up to labours had been during that time, lane, M. P. for South Perth, died on of RIGHT, and TRUTH, and IMPARTIAL died on Sunday.

We learn that the fare on the steamers Ida Burton and Carriella, go, having been raised to 40 cents to\$2.55. This arrangement does not effect through tickets from Toronto. So says the Advocate.

Sir John A. Macdonald introduced his Re-distribution Bill on Saturday. Additional members are Huron, and Grey, and a member to Muskoka, including a part of the county of Simcoe. The precise portion of this county to be taken into the new constituency has not been stated yet.

dollars to their volunteer company for the purpose of enabling it to make a creditable appearance at the annual drill, This is as it should be. If the different municipalities would take more pride in their volunteers, the volunteers would take more pride in themselves.

THE SCIENCE OF HEALTH .- The to an exposition of all those agencies by having shade trees around them, to so vitally related to Health and to extent many times greater than the the treatment of disease, such as Air, Light, Temperature, Diet, Clothing, Bathing, Exercise, Sleep, Electricity, and all normal agents and hygienic materials. The first number contains many articles of general interest. The new magazine is issued from the office of The Phrenological Journal, and published at the low price of \$2 a year, or 20 cents a number. Published by S. R. WELLS, 389 Broadway, N. Y.

The Grand Orange Lodge of British America assembled at Montreal last week. The attendance was numerous. The following Grand Officers were elected: Grand Master, Mr. M Bowell, M P. Belleville, by acclamation ; Deputy Grand Keyes, St Catharines; Grand Director, Wm White, Tweed; Grand Lecturer, J B and Dunbar Brown, Montreal. The next

Tocal Mutters.

SHAME!-The lake was dotted with boats on Sunday last.

THE Cricketers meet for practice on Friday next, at 5 o'clock. FISH worms are ripe. Gather a few

and take a trip to the lake. PREPARATIONS for a Promenade Concert to be held in the Drill Shed, on Dominion

THE Orillia Teachers' Association will meet in the School House, Orillia, on Saturday next. It is to be hoped a large number of teachers will attend. THE Public School in Orillia, and those

in the surrounding neighborhood, intend to have a union pic-nic at Bass Lake towards the close of the present month, of which further notice will be given. TRACT Society.-The adjourned meet-

ing in connection with the Tract Society will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Monday evening next. The agent, Collingwood and other places Rev. C. S. Eastman, will deliver an ad

We are informed by a contemporary (without a local habitation) that the bridge over the middle branch of the Severn River is in such a dangerous condition that a man nearly lost his life and a valus-

CROWDED OUT .- We are compelled to leave out a large quantity of local matter and correspondence, which will appear next week. We desire to give all the local news, and will do so, if it takes all the time,

morning, Rev. Rural Dean Stewart, A.M. delivered an eloquent sermon, and made feeling reference to the fact that he on that day completed the tenth year of his incumbency of the Episcopal Church in

PERSONAL .- During the past week or two, Lieut. Dunn has been unremitting in his exertions to revive the drooping esprit du corps amongst the young men of this town, and it is to him we are mainly indebted for the assurance that Orillia will patriotic division at Niagara.

CADETS .- The following are the officers of Orillia Section of Cadets of Temperance for the current quarter:- James Gow, W. A.; Colin Henderson, V. A.; Wm. Small, The Duke of Edinburgh P. W. A.; James B. Henderson, S.; Henry O'Connor, A. S.; Charles Alexander, T.; Horace Bradley, G.; W. Reide, U.; John Jackson, W.; Albert McNabb, J. W.

WE desire to secure the services of at least one competent and reliable re ular correspondent from each fown and township where the Expositor circulates. FIRE AT NEW LOWELL.-The mill But we do not wish our friends to leave it belonging to and used by Messrs. to regular correspondents alone; communications are requested at any time upon matters pertaining to transpiring events, whether of local or general interest.

THE EXPOSITOR is pre-eminently local paper: does not pretend to compete with the city papers in variety or quantity sissaga streets. This would be fall enough of reading matter, but is particularly and specially devoted to the best interests of the people of this section of the Country; being the advocate of good morals, temperance, and sound political principle; is the organ of no man, set of men, or clique, but

THE Union Cricket Club met last nigh at the Commercial School Room, the Pre sident, H. S. Scadding, Esq., in the chair A committee, consisting of Messrs. G. M. Wilson, J. B. Perry, and P. Murray, wa appointed to procure a suitable ground, and each way, the fare from Bracebridge have it put in order for playing. The club five o'clock, for practice on the commons near West St. All Cricketers are requested to attend.

PUBLIC SCHOOL, ORILLIA .- The trustees of the public school have found it neces sary to open a fourth division, and have given to Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, placed it under the care of Miss Fannie Taylor. The other divisions have been re-classified and divided into two sections each. By this arrangement each teacher will not have more than an average attendance of 40 pupils and but two classes to attend to. A gallery room, similar to those THE township council of Mersea in the Model Schools, Toronto, has been have voted the sum of one hundred fitted up, and every facility afforded the teachers, so that now they can give more attention to their pupils than heretofore.

TREE PLANTING, -We are glad to notice that a considerable number of shade trees has been planted this spring in our streets, but there remains a good deal to be done vet this line of improvement, and we hope that by another planting season the good work will be thoroughly accomplished, first number of this new Health ought to be borne in mind that vacant lots Journalis on our table. It is devoted and other property are enhanced in value ginal outlay for the planting; so that this kind of improvement, besides beautifying the town, really pays a handsome return on the capital invested in it.

pleased to learn that the number of young spring at any price. men who have already signed the roll of No. 7 is almost sufficient to bring the Company up to the average strength. The new uniforms have been received, and are better in appearance and quality than those formerly given. The Council have triotic exercises and sacrifices are not Chaplain, Rev A Dawson, Vermacher; wholly unappreciated by those who remain ments of the village. The committee had Grand Treasurer, Wm Anderson, Moun- at home. The Company have had two or particularly desired to urge upon the tain View; Grand Secretary, Thomas three musters during the past week, pre- Council the necessity of taking action would make the future grander than ing and useful information, issued would make the future grander than ing and useful information, issued warning we had another warning we had anoth by the Pure Gold Publishing Com- surer, Wm Johnson, Belleville; Deputy they will be taken at once, as the time for ing, a fire having broken out in Tate's Mill, a creditable appearance when they join the struction of one of the most flourishing Before they reached Ottawa, Mr. McCarwa, atthough it only succeeded in showing Battalion,

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

FIRE PROTECTION AND WATER SUPPLY. - THE

wards, amounting to \$2.60, be paid by the cil had information of others more suitable, promised to place the matter before the

corporation. Petition of Lieut, Dunn, No. 7 Company, put in and read, Moved by H. Sutherland, seconded by G. J. Booth, That the prayer of the petition be granted, viz., that this council guarantee the payment of a sum not exceeding Twenty dollars to cover expense of purchasing Haversacks, Ferage Caps, &c., for said Company, on their departure for annual drill at Niagara,

Moved by G. J. Booth, seconded by H. Sutherland, That this council grant the sum of \$3 to each of the teams that were hauling water at the late fire at Mr. Bingham's store, in this village, for their services, and that Mr. F. Kean and the mover, parties entitled to the above, and grant certificates for payment by Clerk of Corporation .- Carried.

License was granted.

On motion of H. Sutherland, seconded by G. J. Booth, the By-law respecting Public Health was passed.

Meeting adjourned to 3rd of June.

ed on the 3rd of June. The committee appointed at a public meeting held on the 22nd ult., presented the following report, which was read by Mr. Wilson:

Moved by J. World, seconded by F. Kean, "That this Committee instruct the chairman, D. L. Sanson, to recommend the Council to procure one of the Engines mentioned in the letter of H. F. Belleau, of Quebec, -Carried.

Moved by F. Kean, seconded by J. Wallace, That the Council be recommended to secure the spring lots on the Coldwater road .- Carried

The Committee would recommend that the Council, after ascertaining the capabilities of the Springs, have tanks or hydrants established in suitable places throughout the village, and in the meantime have a large tub capable of holding ten or more barrels to supply the engine.

G. M. WILSON. (Signed)

After the report was read, the Council adjourned for half an hour, to afford the members of the committee, and others present, an opportunity to express more fully their views upon the question, for the information of the Council.

The Reeve having left the chair, Mr. Wainwright was requested to take it.

Mr. F. W. Armstrong was called upon, and stated that the spring near the Coldwater Road is thirty-seven feet three inches higher than the corner of Peter and Misto bring the water down through pipes, but not to throw it to any height. He would advise the construction of a reservoir 40x 30 feet, and ten feet deep, which would hold 96,000 gallons, a supply ample for any emergency likely to occur. Iron pipes are better than earth pipes, which are apt to burst. A reservoir and hydrants would be better than tanks, and the force given the water in coming from the reservoir would enable an engine to throw a stream with greater ease than if drawing the water from tanks. The hydrants might be paid for by subscriptions from residents on the several streets. It is about 2,500 feet from the spring mentioned to the corner of Peter street. He recommended that the pipes be not less than four inches in diam-

Mr. Bain stated that iron pipes, & inc's thick and four inches in diameter, would cost from 75 cents to \$1 per foot. These would be quite strong enough for the pur-

Mr. Booth said that pipes, five inches in diameter, could, he thought, be laid at a cost of not more than \$1.20 per foot. reminded the people that this spring was in possession of the corporation, and that in considering the cost, they must include the price of that property. Mr. Wainwright said that the main ob

ject of the Council in adjourning was t hear from members of the committee their reasons for making the recommendations embodied in their report-what informstion had led to the conclusions stated.

Mr. Wallace said that the committee were all of opinion that the engine was the main thing, and should be procured first. All would acknowledge that something should be done at once. They did not expect the Council to do all that was recommended in the report immediately. The purchase of of the property was recommended rather with a view to the future value of the spring. It was thought advisable that the property be purchased now, while the price is low, as in time the corporation would THE VOLUNTEER COMPANY,-We are probably find it necessary to secure the

Mr. Quinn asked what guarantee the committee had that the engines were as

stated in the letter accompanying their re-Mr. G. M. Wilson said the committee had based their report upon the informavery properly granted \$20 towards replaction they could procure. They had advering articles of outfit that have been lost, tised for a spoond-hand fire-engine, and the and which the men would otherwise have letter read being the only reply received, been required to procure at their own ex- they of course recommended those engines, pense. This grant is not large, but it will depending upon the Council not to purchase at least show the volunteers that their pa- without first ascertaining that the engines were serviceable, and suited to the requireparatory to going into camp at Niagara on immediately, as while they deliberate the 12th inst. A few more uniforms re- the town is in constant danger. That

Mr. World said the committee had no this riding in the House of Commons, told given them greater trouble, as they could Council met May 31st. On motion of not get accurate information concerning it. capital, determined that no such rumours This being the only reply to advertisement, should deter them from doing their duty they could not do otherwise than recom- fully. Sir John A. Macdonald received Mr. Jackson in the suit, Inspector vs. Ed- mend the engine referred to. If the Coun- them well, heard their statements, and

Mr. Wainwright stated that while in view that they had been correctly inform-Toronto recently he had seen two very ed, the matter was settled, and argument good hand-engines. They were in working useless. They persisted in showing the order, and nearly new, having been cast justness of our demand for increased reexclusively there. The Chief of the City saying that if instice had been done the Fire Department stated that he thought County he (Mr. Kennedy) had proposed they would be very suitable for Orillia, and | would have been allowed a representative ecommended that they purchase two, so in the House of Commons. The North

This was as much as he thought the town in a position to get at present.

to leave the question in their hands, to do enquired whether this was correct. what they consider best. The committee that Ingersoll was getting two tanks con- should be done. structed, capable of holding 500 barrels of water, which cost \$125 a-piece. Such tanks | the committee referred to, he had sent circould be easily kept full, and he thought | culars to the Reeves and other leading tances, on the main street, with what the Clerk of Mara replied that the Council was carts could bring from the lake, would af- opposed to the movement, but he (Mr. ford a supply of water sufficient for two McMullen) believed the people of that engines. He moved that the matter be township approved of it. The reply of the left entirely in the hands of the Council to Thorah Council was published in the Exdeal with as they see fit.

Mr. Wallace seconded the motion, and

it was adopted. A gentleman whose name our reporter did not learn suggested that it might be advisable to buy the best of the engines offered by Toronto, and probably one from Mr. Belleau. Both should be tested before purchasing either.

The meeting having been adjourned Mr. Kean moved that Mr. Wainwright resume the chair in order to allow the Ottawa deputation to state what they had done, and the result of their mission. He say two members of the deputation present. and it would be interesting to know who the corporation had gained for the \$150 voted to pay their expenses.

Mr. Quinn said it was rather unusual get men into a trap in that manner, as demand that they report forthwith. The committee did not lose any time in setting about the business with which they were entrusted. They started for Ottawa next day, and telegraphed to Mr. McConkey to arrange an interview with the Premier. They obtained an audience with Sir John, had every opportunity to explain their views, and came away but little wiser than they went. It was evident, however, that the representation scheme was "cut and dried" before their arrival; that our just claims had been ignored; and that further parley would be useless. It was as well to be plain-the mission of the deputation amounted to nothing, so far as obtaining better representation in the House of Commons was concerned. The deputation expended about \$100, and the balance of the sum voted he had returned to the Trasurer of the corporation

one of the deputation that the matter had The spring had been settled, and that we were not to have a county here. They proceeded to the as to be certain of having one always ready | Riding of Simcoe, with Muskoka, is the for use, or if both were working, a fire largest in point of population in the Procould be better controlled by getting on vince; without including Muskoka, it is both sides of it. At Barrie he had also made second only to North Huron. North Onenquiries, and was informed that a small tario has also a surplus population. Sir steam fire-engine of a similar pattern to the John met them with an argument which one chosen for that town would cost \$2,800. he (Mr. Kennedy) had never before heard, This would force water from the lake to and which certainly had not been followed any part of the town. Ultimately the town when forming the present electoral diviwould have to rely upon the lake for water | sions, viz., that it would not be advisable and it would be wiser, in any measure they to take part of two counties. On a premight adopt to consider that inexhaus- vious visit to Ottawa, he had an audience W. Armstreng, amounting to \$15, be paid. | tible supply, and the future as well as | with the Premier, and came away satisfied Petition of Benjamin Fuller for Tavern | the present requirements of the place. | that the representation would be granted. License, adjourned at last meeting, taken He therefore favoured the purchase of a Sir John then said that the division proup, and, on motion of G. J. Booth, second- steam engine such as he had mentioned, posed appeared to be an excellent one, and ed by H. Sutherland, the certificate for and sufficient hose to reach to any part of that if the position and population were Mr. Sanson stated the course the com- but it would be adopted. At the request mittee had pursued, and said their recom- of Sir John, he had a map showing the mendations were for the Council to con- proposed new county, and those surroundsider -and not consider too long. A fire ing it, prepared, and sent it, with figures might occur at any time which would cost to prove the correctness of his statements, All the members of the Council assembl- more than half-a-dozen engines. There to the Ottawa Government. Since then Sir was force in Mr. Wainwright's remark that John's views on the subject had undergone it would be most economical to make pro- a change, and from information he had revision for the future as well as present re- ceived it would appear the change was due quirements of the town. It was the wish to the influence of two or three gentlemen of the people that the Council should take of Barrie. These were Judge Gowan, Mr. the matter in hand, and deal energetically McCarthy, and Mr. W. D. Ardagh. Last with it. The last fire with which the town | winter, when the labours of our committee had been visited destroyed more than would appeared to have come to an end, he did have paid for two engines, and had there some work upon his own account. Having been any wind, the disaster would have an opportunity, he personally laid the matbeen much greater. If the means of pro- ter before both Premiers. The result of his tection do not cost over \$5,000, it would conference with the Dominion Premier, he entail a very light tax compared with our | had already stated. Mr. Blake said the present danger. From the description of | Local Government would not be biased or the Quebec engines, he had thought them | guided by the action of the Dominion Gova bargain; but Mr. Wainwright appeared ernment. If we could show that we had a to have discovered a better bargain. He just claim, there was very little doubt the urged the Council to get one or two en- Legislature would set this apart for judigines, as they thought requisite, and what- | cial purposes and for representation in the ever more was necessary to prevent the de- Ontario Parliament. It would be very struction of the town. Let not the place strange indeed if such a division be passed be sacrificed for a few thousand dollars. over when the next allotment for the House He again urged the Council not to throw of Commons takes place. Mr. Blake also the matter aside without some effective advised that the people lose no time in setting about preparations for bringing the Mr. Quinn was not sure that the town | question before Parliament. He (Mr. K.) was in a position to purchase a steam fire- thought it might be advisable to defer any engine. Two hand engines could be pro- action until after the elections are overcured at comparatively small cost, and he All parties were equally interested, and it was of opinion that sufficient water could | was not desirable that it should be made a be got by carts. These could be paid for party question. Under the present arwith little or no further taxation. The rangement, the people of Mara and Rama engines are not all that would have to be suffer considerable inconvenience and loss provided-engine house, hose, hose cart, from having their county town so far off. would have to be procured, a competent He thought the division proposed by himcare-taker paid, and a fire company to or- | self a good one, but did not wish to urge ganize and maintain. The immediate out- strict adherence to it. Outside of Thorah lay for these would not be less than \$1,500. | there was little or no opposition manifested Mr. Booth said it would appear from

Mr. Kennedy's remarks that had the com-Mr. Kean said the meeting had all con- mittee appointed last winter taken action, fidence in the Council, and were prepared our request would have been granted. He Mr. Kennedy did not know that it would

based their recommendations upon the in- have made any difference. It depended formation before them; the Council having upon our influence at the capital, and now fuller information, were in a better which division it could be shewn would be position to judge of the correctness of the best suited to Sir John's purposes. When conclusions arrived at by the committee. it suited him to do a thing, he had no dif-He had made enquiry, and was informed | ficulty in finding plausible reasons why it

Mr. McMullen said that as Secretary to men in the municipalities interested. The POSITOR, but he had received no communication from them. He had received only three replies to twenty circulars.

Mr. Quinn said he had not seen those replies, and consequently did not call a meeting of the Council to consider them. Mr. Wilson said that it had been shown that Barrie was opposing us, and that men in whom we had placed confidence, in whose hands we had in a measure confided our interests, had exerted an influence against us. It was time for this part of the county to be freed from the hostile influence of Barrie, and he hoped our petition would receive better treatment from the Ontario Government than it had at the hands of the Dominion Premier, He urged the people of the town and of the townships interested to work zealously to secure the measure. Some expression of appreciation was due to the deputation for their services. He therefore moved that the thanks of this meeting and Village be tendered to the members of the deputation.

Mr H Sutherlad seconded the resolution. It was then unanimously adopted Dr. Corbett believed the deputation had been misinformed in reference to the Barrie gontlemen named. He had made inquiries, and was informed that Mr. Mc-Carthy was at Ottawa on professional business. Whether or not he used his influence against us while there, he (Dr. Corbet) could not say. Mr. Ardagh he believed to have been on his way to England at the time he was supposed to have been at the capital. He concurred in the remark that Barrie influence was antagonistic to Orillia, and thought the sooner we better. He advocated taking up the formation of a new county. Delay might again Mr. A. Kennedy said that the Reeve in allow more active neighbours to deprive his short story had said almost everything this section of its right. He did not regret concerning their course as a deputation, that the deputation had been sent to Otta-