THE ADVANCE.

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FLESHERTON:
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EDITORIAL NOTES.

—The Ontario Legislature was prorogued last week.

—Prince Leopold, the Queens' youngest and favorite son, is dead.

—Mr. Charlton's seduction bill was defeated in the senate on Monday last. A motion for the six months hoist was declared carried on division.

—The great "conspiracy" case is still the all-absorbing topic of the hour. Messrs. McKim, Balfour, and Dowling, have placed themselves in an unenviable light before the public. Accepting bribe money, and then turning informers has left them open to all sorts of suspicions, and may have a tendency to terminate their political career rather abruptly.

—Ketchum of the Hanover *Post*, is the best paragraphist in Northern Ontario; but even he does not come up to the Durham *Chronicle* man's standard—not by a large majority. Arthur Henry knows how to appreciate a good joke about as well as he does bad whiskey.

—The branch of Messrs. Wm. Lucas & Co's private bank, in this village, is to be removed about the first of May, when the present popular manager, Mr. A. MacPherson, retires from the management to take a more important position in one of the chartered banks, in Western Canada.

—We have been informed that the hill at the Orange Hall, near Flesherton Station, is in a fearful condition. That hill and every hill between here and the Station will be an eyesore to the public until a new road is made. How much longer will this contemplated improvement remain in the shades of obscurity?

SPRING POETRY.

This is the season of the year when poets are almost as plentiful as flowers in May. In one sense, poets are a sort of necessary nuisance, viz., when we desire to do our worst enemy a mortal injury, we send him a batch of spring poetry taken promiscously from our waste basket. That usually floors him, and when next heard from our enemy has been consigned to the tender mercies of some guardian of the law, for using profane language! After that he usually gives us a wide birth.

Last week an aspiring youth from somewhere in the neighbourhood of the swamps of Melancthon, and whose ancestors have evidently been all born poets for the last sixteen generations, sent us a poem in blank verse, which he considered worthy a prominent place in the columns of THE ADVANCE. He said he "slightly imitated the style of Shakespeare," but his inherent modesty prevented him drawing comparisons! We read the poem, which was entitled "A Dark Spring Tragedy." We read it a second time, but failing to perceive where the "dark tragedy" came in, we came to the conclusion to put it carefully away, and send it to the Hanover *Post* man the next time he gets our dander up by gettingoff jokes at our expense. If it doesn't annihilate him, we'll get Jenkins to shoot him with one of the *Chronicle's* political editorials, which, like ancient cannons, are as liable to shoot the shooter, as anybody else.

But all jokes aside, this spring poetry business is a great nuisance to the country newspaper men, who are daily pestered with requests to publish this "gem," and that "beautiful" piece,—and all original, of course! Nine-tenths of the so-called poems sent to country publishers, are just so much wretched doggerel; and an equal proportion of the really good poems sent in as "original contributions," have been pilfered from hymn books or family story papers, with the name of the sender attached, leading the public—a large proportion of it at least—to believe it to be entirely original! Why, we have probably a score of poems in our office at the present time, said to have been written within the past year, and which to our certain knowledge, we read in books or papers twelve years ago! Very "original" poetry that, and very fresh, to be sure!

EXPOSING FRAUDS.

The *Agents Herald*, an ably conducted monthly paper, published in Philadelphia, by Mr. L. Lum Smith, is down on frauds of every description. This paper has, on more than one occasion, saved us from being "taken in" by Yankee sharpers, for which it has our sincere thanks. What we would like to see now, is, a paper published in Canada, having a similar mission in view, and which would be equally as fearless in exposing frauds of every description. We have quite as many sharpers in Canada as they have in the States.

FOR SALE.—"*Notes on Ingersoll*," by Rev. L. A. Lambert. This is the most effectual, most brilliant, and most crushing reply to that blatant infidel, Bob Ingersoll, ever published. The pamphlet contains 200 pages, printed on good paper, in clear, plain type. For sale at THE ADVANCE office, Flesherton. Price 35 cents. The San Francisco *Monitor* says of this book:—"We hope this pamphlet will find numerous readers among non-Catholics who desire to see the rot and rant of Ingersoll rubbed out by the learning and logic of Father Lambert."

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Collingwood Tp. Council.

The above Council met at Tp. Hall, on Friday March 14th all the members present the Reeve in the chair; minutes of last Council read and confirmed, after which communications were disposed of as follows:

Accounts of H. Lyne & Co., and T. & J. N. Andrews & Co., for nails, spikes, etc., for sidewalks, in 1883 were referred to the Reeve.

Accounts of John McAuslan, and others, for goods etc., furnished Mrs. McMaster. indigent also referred to the Reeve.

Adam Barr, re. statute Labor for 1883, laid over.

The Clerk was instructed to notify S. S. No 4 and U. S. S. No 17 of the intention of the Council to attach Lots 13 and 14 in 2nd Con to S. S. No 4.

Mr. T. H. Dyre, of the the firm of Wilson, Evans and Dyre, was appointed Solicitor of this Township.

The claim of Mr. Andrew Grier relative to arrears on Lot East half 3, Con. 12, was referred to the committee on arrears.

The petitions of Donald McAllister and others, W. Johnston, and others, and W. W. Cox, and others, were laid over.

The Auditors' Report for the present year, was received and adopted, and the Clerk was instructed to call for tenders for the printing of 700 copies.

Orders were issued as follows:— E. Fawcett $76.39½, for repairs of Beaver River Bridge sideroad 24 and 25; Andrew Grier $3.40, George Clark $3.40, George Rorke 3.40, being for services on Arbitration re S. S. No. 1 and 4; T. and J. N. Andrews and Co. $6, Rent of Division Court Hall; Wm. Hoy $15, balance of Repairs to Indian River Bridge; James Campbell $2, Wm. Wilson $5, Dougald McLean $2, being for Statute Labor charged on roll and performed; Carmichael and Grier $4 and J. Farewell $15, for printing; Richard Cook $10, work on roads; J. H. Dickinson and Chas. Pye $15 each, salary as Auditors; John Park $35, part salary as Assessor; E. Rorke $40, part salary as clerk; R. Hamilton $17,80, goods to T. Munroe, indigent, R. McLeod $10, for Mrs. McKay, indigent.

Council adjourned to meet Friday, April 11th, at the Township Hall, Ravenna.

EDWARD RORKE.
Twp. Clerk.

Rambling Notes.

BY VALENTINE MUGGINS.

Once more the bright sunshine and balmy breezes of gentle spring have come to relieve the monotony of a stormy, cold, snowy winter. Again the songs of the birds are heard, and the earth will soon be wrapped in its most becoming cloak.

The snow covered many "deformities," and now as it rapidly melts in the warm rays of the sun, queer looking things are brought to light in many of the backyards and alleys of our towns and villages Decayed vegetables, and all sorts of filth are revealed to view. Ashes strewn about in all directions, old oyster cans, and all sorts of rubbish are exposed to view—sending forth odors the reverse of pleasant. Filth, filth, filth—every yard, every alley, yea, even the very streets abound with it, and the pure air of heaven is defiled with its nauseating odors.

Why will village people persist in keeping droves of pigs and cows—one would almost think some of them had little farms in the immediate vicinity. Surely one cow and one pig ought to satisfy any reasonable mortal—although, for my own part, I would just "about as soon" keep a good healthy polecat about my premises as a pig; in fact, if there is difference between these two quadrupeds, it is decidedly in favor of the former.

Cows are useful animals. They give us good milk to drink, rich cream for our tea, coffee, etc., and nice, clean butter—that is when they are milked properly. But some people do not know how to milk, and that's where the difficulty comes in. They get down to their work like experienced milkers, but oh! horror of horrors! no sooner is a few drops drawn from the cow, than down goes the hand (dirty itself, perhaps) into the milk, and up it comes and grasps the teats, cleaning off the filth—ugh! it is disgusting to think about it.

Of all the filthy animals under the sun, the pig stands out in bold relief as the filthiest of all. And yet it forms a principal article of food to a large mass of people! It astonishes me how people can eat the meat of such a disgusting animal; especially when it is considered that thousands of these animals are fattened for the market on the refuse of butchers' slaughter-houses! It is horrible to contemplate.

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Spring Wheat	0 50	1 00
Barley	0 40	0 55
Oats	0 30	0 33
Peas	0 60	0 65
Butter	0 15	0 18
Eggs, fresh	0 16	0 16
Potatoes	0 35	0 45
Pork	7 00	7 50
Hay, per ton	6 00	7 00
Hides	4 00	6 50
Wool	18	20
Sheepskins	0 50	1 00
Geese	06	08
Ducks, per brace	40	60
Chickens, per brace	25	40

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Fall Wheat	$0 98 to	$1 09
Spring Wheat	1 02	1 11
Barley	0 58	0 68
Oats	0 38	0 39
Peas	0 74	0 77
Butter	0 22	0 25
Eggs	0 20	0 22
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