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A STANDING COMMITTEE.

Friday evening last, as per notice in our issue of the 7th, a public meeting was held in the Town Hall. Mr. M. Richardson occupied the chair and called upon Mr. A. Munshaw to state the object for which the meeting had been called. This Mr. Munshaw did. He had conversed with several citizens and found them favorable to supplementing the grant made by Council at Adams' Hill by doing a little themselves toward improving the station road, and cutting down two or three smaller hills. Several gentlemen had offered assistance towards this. It was also thought advisable to appoint a permanent committee to look after this and other matters connected with the town, which committee was appointed by open ballot as follows: M. Richardson (chairman), R. J. Sproule, A. Munshaw, R. Trimble, R. Cook, A. S. Vandusen, W. Strain, J. W. Armstrong, George Stewart. We have no fault in the world to find with the personnel of the committee but think the manner in which it was elected was scarcely "according to Hoyle." Why the County Council should be taken as a precedent in electing a committee of this kind we cannot explain to our own satisfaction. By the open ballot, as taken on this occasion, each individual had a voice in the appointment of but one member of the committee, or at most two. At some future time when some protesting individual desires to know who appointed this committee it will be a puzzling question to answer. However, The Advance does not desire to institute itself as the "kicker" referred to, and wishes the committee well in all its undertakings, and will uphold its hands in everything lawful. At the same time we have felt it necessary to point out the absurdity of the manner in which the committee was formed, which will be found to be a source of weakness rather than strength in whatever it may undertake, and will give a loophole for the chronic grumbler to insert his voice. This grumbler has not yet turned up, and we hope he never may, but he is generally to be found in the vicinity when anything for the public weal is under discussion.

The taking off of Kemmler at Auburn by electricity has not added any public favor towards this method of executing criminals. One gentleman declares that if electricity is made the legal method of execution the time is not far distant when the public will rise up and demand the abolishing of capital punishment. If that were to be the case we would bid electrocution God speed. It would be a means toward a desired end.

The Toronto Globe of Saturday last is one of special interest to every Canadian, and should be preserved as a curiosity and a reference itself, dealing as it does with the curios as collected by Mr. Boyle of the Canadian Institute. Indian archaeology is a study which has been taken up none too soon if we would preserve the evidences of aboriginal art and customs

which are to be found at rare intervals throughout portions of this province. Saturday's Globe gives some thirty-five illustrations of Indian carvings in stone, which are now the property of the Canadian Institute, a goodly portion of which have been secured from our neighboring township of Nottawasaga. That township appears to be unusually prolific in such treasures. We were informed not long ago by a gentleman living in Duntroon that farmers in that vicinity have taken so little interest in this question that they did not even preserve such relics when plowing them up, but pitched them into fence corners and stone piles. This is a very great pity, as no where in Ontario do these curiosities appear to have been more plentiful than in the township of Nottawasaga, but no doubt most of them have now been secured or destroyed. We have never heard of evidences of Indian habitation being found nearer Flesherton than the township mentioned, but should any of our readers be more enlightened we would be happy to have them communicate with us.

Attend the Fairs.

The farmer from the very nature of his occupation loses many of the opportunities for observation that are enjoyed by men of most other callings. His immediate surroundings occupy most of his time and attention and his days for recreation and mingling broadly with his fellowmen are few and far between. He should, therefore, when opportunity offers for comparison of his own labor with that of others in the same business take advantage of it. The fairs offer an object lesson worthy of his study. He finds at them an assemblage of the best products of his fellow laborers. He can there judge by comparison as to his own status in his business. If he finds that others are outdoing him he is stimulated to greater effort. He is led to enquire how certain results are attained; to seek information that cannot fail to be of advantage to him when he returns to his round of toil. His wife, who should accompany him, also finds strong competition in her line of duties and learns secrets valuable to her in the kitchen, dairy and parlor. Time spent at the fair will be well spent, be it one day or more. The ideas will be brightened up by contact with others. The spirit of emulation will be aroused, and you will go home feeling that what others can accomplish is also within your power. What you see at the fairs will give you new zest for your calling, and you will go back to the daily routine of labor with a cheerfulness and determination not measurable in the dollars and cents by which profits are sordidly reckoned. Go to the exhibitions with note book and pencil and jot down the items of information that you think will prove of especial value to you. Exhibitors are as a rule very willing to discuss methods by which they have achieved success, and the items you can thus glean will recompense you twice over for time and expense not to say anything of the enjoyment you will gain from your outing. Yes, go to the fairs by all means, even if something must be left undone at home which you feel ought to be done. Let the greater advantage have precedence over the lesser.—Western Swineherd.

Fire at Collingwood.

COLLINGWOOD, Aug. 10.—At 2 o'clock this morning C. Macdonell & Sons' flour and cornmeal mill, one of the oldest and best industries of the town, was totally destroyed by fire. The mill has been running night and day, doing an extensive business. Last night the workmen left off work at five minutes to 12, and at 2 o'clock the place was enveloped in flames. Fire was first discovered issuing from the south side of the mill. The alarm was sounded, and the firemen were on the spot as promptly as possible, considering the distance, but all attempts to save the mill proved futile. Some twelve men were constantly employed in and around the mill. Alterations were just about completed to turn out 300 barrels of cornmeal per day. Five to eight coopers were kept busy in the cooper shop, all of whom will be thrown out of employment. The mill was insured for \$17,000 in the North British, Hartford, Royal Canadian and Norwich Union, and the Western had \$5,000 on stock. The total loss will be \$35,000.

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