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Men's Fine Black Venetian Worsted Overcoat.....
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ENDERSON AGAIN A CANDIDATE.

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motion then adjourned.

County Agricultural Society.

On Wednesday, January 16th, the annual meeting of the County Agricultural Society was held in the town hall, Mr. J. A. Watson, President, in the chair.

The Secretary read the auditor's report, which was received and adopted, from which we have made the following statement:—

Balance on hand	$ 66 40
Government Grant	700 00
County Grant	100 00
Gate receipts (Spring Show)	32 00
" " " "	568 17
Members " "	332 00
Miscellaneous	199 00
	$1997 57
Prizes paid $1319 25	
Townships Legis. Gt. 420 00	
Int. on Mortgage 40 00	
Sec'y-Treas. & Asst's. 96 25	
Int. on Mortgage 41 68	
Miscellaneous Exp's 87 58	
	$2004 76
Balance due Treasurer	$7 19

The following officers were elected for the present year:—

President..... William H. Patterson.
1st Vice-Pres.... Thomas Elliott.
2nd " .... Robert Stewart.

DIRECTORS.

James A. Watson, Arch. McGibbon, Abram Stark, Jos. Brownridge, R. Wilson, Thos. Chisholm, D. W. Campbell, Col. Campbell, and R. Ellis.

HONORARY DIRECTORS.

Jno. Alton, Oakville; James Bradley, Georgetown; William Waldie, Acton; Wm. Cline, Burlington; D. Wheelihan, Campbellville, and Robert Noble.

Moved by John White, seconded by Thomas Blanshard, that the thanks of the members of the society be tendered to the president and officers for their services during the past year.—Carried.

Messrs. Johnson Harrison and Elijah Dixon were appointed auditors.

Messrs. Thos. Blanshard and C. P. Preston were appointed delegates to attend the Provincial Exhibition.

MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS.

W. Clements was appointed Secretary and Treasurer.

Moved by D. W. Campbell, seconded by Col. Campbell, that the spring fair be held on the 20th April and the fall fair on the 11th and 12th of October.—Carried.

Moved by Jos. Brownridge that T. Chisholm, the president, secretary and D. W. Campbell be a committee on grounds.—Carried.

Moved by J. A Watson, seconded by Col. Campbell, that Messrs. Chisholm, Stewart and the secretary be a committee on printing, and that they ask tenders for the same.—Carried.

Meeting adjourned to first Saturday in March, at 1 p. m.

Nelson Agricultural Society.

Meeting on 12th January.
John Ireland, President.
S. B. Alton, Vice-President.
R. Mitchell, Sec'y-Treas.
DIRECTORS—James Mortimer, Wood Freeman, Jno. Williamson, A. W. Peart, Wm. Alton, J. T. Watson, Alex. Mitchell, Ed Corlett, and H. W. King.

Total receipts	$466 05
Expenditure	466 05

Trafalgar Agricultural Society.

Hugh McNeil, President.
Dr. McCrimmon, Vice-President.
G. H. Hardy, Sec'y-Treas.
DIRECTORS—E. Bousfield, P. McDuffe, H. W. Cook, O. Lawrence, C. Hall, A. Coyne, H. C. Breckon, Alex. Orr, and L. H. Komp.

Receipts	$784 25
Total expenditure	697 47
Balance due	$ 86 78

Nassagaweya Agricultural Society.

Geo. Kitching, President.
James Reid, 2nd Vice-President.
A. C. McMillan, Sec'y-Treas.
DIRECTORS—Jas. Mahon, J. C. Blacklock, A. Bell, jr., M. McMillan, John Canute, Thos. Henderson, and R. A. Ramsay.

Total receipts	$560 29
Expenditure	423 87
Balance on hand	$136 42

The Alderman's Blue Ribbon.

Spectator.

A Hamilton alderman was in Walkerton last week. Walkorton is Scott Act, but to found that everyone could get a drink but him, and the fact weighed heavily on his mind until some kindly adviser took him aside and suggested that he take off "that blue ribbon." It was a Masonic mourning badge and the liquid dispensers mistook it for a temperance token.

THE change of Ministry in Manitoba was formally made Monday. The new Cabinet will consist of: Mr. Greenway, Premier and Provincial Treasurer; Mr. Jos. Martin, Attorney-General; Mayor Jones, Provincial Secretary; Mr. J A. Smart, Minister of Public works; Mr. Pendergast, Minister of Agriculture.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

AUCTIONEER OWEN

BAKED OVER THE COALS AT A MEETING OF INDIGNANT CREDITORS.

STREETSVILLE, Jan. 16.—This community is still intensely excited over the J. G. Owen departure, and as time goes on confusion grows worse confounded. A week ago there was a prospect held out that Mrs. Owen and her relatives were coming to the rescue, and that the losses would not be so numerous, heavy, or wide-spread as had formerly been supposed. In deference to Mrs. Owen's wishes action on the part of the creditors and other victims in this neighborhood was postponed until Saturday in order to give an opportunity for Owen's friends to come to his relief.

To-day another meeting was held, and it was made only too plain to the large crowd of aggrieved parties present that Mr. and Mrs. Owen's relatives, at least, have made up their minds to do nothing towards covering his deficits. The effort to levy tribute in that direction has to all appearances failed utterly, as will be seen by the report of the proceedings at the meeting.

Shortly after 2 o'clock a large and excited crowd gathered in the commercial room at Strong's hotel, with Jos. Featherston, of Toronto township, in the chair. After the adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting the chairman asked if there was any friend of Mrs. Owen's present to make any statement on her behalf.

Joseph Patullo, of Orangeville, responded. He refered to Mrs. Owen's position financially as being such that it would be impossible for her to meet the heavy liabilities standing against her husband. She was willing to do all in her power but would like it to be understood that any settlement she might make would be understood to be final. It was not yet known how much the liabilities amounted to, and the first proceeding should be to take some legal method of ascertaining this. Mrs. Owen could not make any offer until she knew what the claims amounted to. If she could not free him so that he could go into business again it would be no use for her to do anything. He (Mr. Patullo) had no idea, however, as to the whereabouts of Mr. Owen at the present time. He suggested that Owen should be requested by the creditors to make an assignment to Jos. Featherston for the benefit of the creditors generally.

The chairman said he wished to have nothing to do with the affair. He had been blamed for not having had a warrant issued for Owen's arrest during the past week.

Reeve Andrew, of Streetsville, asked how much Mr. Owen could rise.

Mr. Patullo—Perhaps two thousand dollars.

Dr. Bull, Toronto, said he paid a claim for $900, borrowed money, against Owen.

Mr. Featherston—I have an attachment for $1,500.

The secretary, T. J. Bell, submitted a number of claims, particulars of which had been furnished him since the last meeting. These, including moneys realized on forged notes, etc., amount to $2,644. Following is the shedule:

ALLEGED FORGERIES.

Geo. Brown, in favor of Wm White, note in Central Bank	$100
David Paul and James Bonham, in favor of J. C. Rutledge, note held by Jos. Featherston	208
James Bonham and David Paul, in favor of J. C. Rutledge, note held by Jos. Featherston	165
Thomas Newman and Samuel Newman, note in Central Bank	126
Geo. Stagell and wife, Martha, note in Central Bank	100
Wm. Hollis and Joseph Hillis, note held by Henry Magill	183
Wm. O'Hara, note in Central Bank	70
John Lakie, Omagh, in favor of Wm. White, note payable at Merchants' Bank, Brampton	
Gerald Irwin, in favor of J. G. Owen, note in Central Bank	173
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NOTES FOR WHICH CLAIMS ARE MADE AND FOR WHICH ALLEGED PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO OWEN.

James Caslor, note in Central Bank, holds receipt	$ 48
Geo. Stagell to R. Spiers, note in Central Bank, has witnesses to payment to Owen	81
Geo. Stagell to Thos. Barker, note in Central Bank, has witnesses in payment to Owen	18
James Bonham, note in Central Bank, has receipt in full from Owen	20
Geo. Stagell, note in Central bank, has receipt from Owen for full payment	21
Geo. Stagell to C. A. Owen, note in Central bank, has witnesses to payment	18
James Graham, Cooksville, note in Central bank, has Owen's receipt in full	25
W. G. Miller, Streetsville, note in Central bank, has Owen's receipt in full	41
Daniel Rice, Frogmore, note on which he has had Mrs. Owen's receipt for $48 in part payment	55
Andrew Breakey, Streetsville, note in Central bank, has Owen's receipt in full	50
Joseph Breakey, Streetville, note in Central bank, paid in presence of witness	24
Joseph Breakey, sheriff demands payment, paid Owen in full	33
Francis Flynn, note for $100 given to renew note for $100 due Oct. 12, '79, Flynn paying paying interest at time; Central bank holds original and Henry McGill renewal, both demand payment. Notes endorsed by Frank Owens and Mrs. Flinn; net loss	100
Ephraim Steele, note in Central bank, has receipt for $25 from Owen, and one for $50 from Mrs. Owen	75
Michael Collins, note in Central bank, has Owen's receipt in full	55
C. J. Hasenan, Credit, note in Central bank, paid to J. G Owen, no receipt	84

OTHER NOTES.

John Mattigan, note signed in his favor by Wm. Burrell, gave to Owen to collect, now missing	31
David Evans to Wm. Andrew, due November 4, '87; gave renewal for $25, thinking that amount of first note: notified by Central bank to pay both notes; net loss	20
James Jenkins, note from Thos. Madill, left with Owen for collection, and collected by him	109
John O'Neil, Credit, note for $100 to take up former note for $100 due Oct. 1st, '87; original note not cancelled and renewal sold to Joseph Fetherston; net loss	100
Total	$2,201
Subsequent claims filed	443
Total	$2,644

Mr. Featherston—Add $700 on my brother's account.

A Voice—Add $1,700 for J. C. Rutledge.

Another Voice—Add another $1,000 for Aaron Gummerson.

In reply to a question Mr. Patullo said the sheriff had in his hands $2,570 of assets.

Mr. Andrew said if Mrs. Owen and her friends could raise $7,000 he thought the liabilities, estimated at $10,000, could be paid.

Mr. Patullo said if all Owen's paper upon there would be a surplus of about $3,000 in his favor. He thought there was, say $500 worth of forged paper in the Central.

Mr. T. H. Bull, of Toronto, another of Mrs. Owen's relatives, said there was some $8,000 of J. G. Owen's paper overdue at the Central Bank, and Mrs. Owen's estate would be largely at the mercy of that institution. He thought it was too much to expect of her friends to put up money for the benefit of creditors in and around Streetsville. He advised that the creditors should make some arrangement with Mr. Owen.

The secretary reminded Mr. Bull that the proposition that Mrs. Owen and her friends should be given an opportunity to pay the liabilities of Mr. Owen came originally from Mrs. Owen herself.

Mr. Patullo said if it was the desire of the meeting he would engage to send a messenger to Mr. Owen to get him to assign his estate.

Mr. Caslor—Yes; send him in the shape of a constable with a warrant and bring him back and punish him. (Applause)

Mr. T. H. Bull suggested that there might be some local friends of Mr. Owen's who would say something in his behalf.

The Chairman—I'm afraid he has lost all the friends he had in this locality. I once trusted him, but I lost all confidence in him since he deliberately set about to cheat me.

Mr. John Crozier thought the best plan would be to get Mr. Owen to make an assignment, so that creditocs should get something instead of trying to have revenge on him for his forgeries and so forth.

Some further discussion took place but ultimately the following resolution was passed:

Moved by T. H. Goodison, seconded by E. Steen, that Joseph G. Owen be requested to make an assignment for the benefit of his creditors under the Creditors' Relief Act of Ontario, to Joseph Featherston, and that this meeting be adjourned for three weeks, to enable the friends of Mr. Owen to procure the assignment.

It was further decided to refuse payment of all notes for which claims are made, and for which Owen's personal receipts are held or for the payment of which to him witnesses can be produced.

Then the meeting adjourned, and those who attended it proceeded to discuss the situation under its new phases.

A WARRANT OUT FOR OWEN.

BRAMPTON, Jan. 16.—This evening a warrant was sworn out before a magistrate here for the apprehension of J. G. Owen, late of Streetsville, on a charge of forgery, preferred by William and Joseph Hills. Great dissatisfaction is expressed at the action of the Streetsville meeting on Saturday, and there is a strong determination to bring Owen back, if possible.

Scott At Trials.

Police Magistrate Young held a session of his Scott Act court at Oakville on Friday afternoon, of which the following report has been sent us:—

Mr. W. C. Commins, who has a farm near Oakville on which he resides, but goes to Toronto daily to attend to his business there, appeared to answer to three charges of illicit liquor selling, one covering the month of October last, one November, and one December.

Mr. Commins himself was the first witness called by the prosecution. He swore that he had on one occasion ordered a demijohn of whiskey at Toronto for a friend, and afterwards, at the request of the latter, was the messenger who took the money to Toronto to pay the bill. He had also ordered two quarts of liquor for another individual, but did not pay for it nor receive the money to pay for it. He had frequently been asked to execute similar commissions, but had refused in every instance except the two. He had no interest in the sale in either case.

William Gill testified that Mr. Commins had ordered two quarts of liquor for him, showed the invoice in which it was charged to him, and swore that it had not yet been paid for.

Geo. H. Hardy, J. Gilby and Charles Hanlham, all well known Scott Act and consistent temperance men, were examined, and all denied having got any intoxicating liquor from the defendant, or having ordered any through him at any time. All were indignant at having been summoned as witnesses. Mr. Hardy, in his examination, was asked if he had not voted for the Scott Act in 1884. He answered, "Yes, but I'll never do it again. It puts power in the hands of unscrupulous pesons to persecute respectable people."

All three of the charges against Mr. Commins were dismissed. They were evidently conducted on speculation, and the general opinion was that the informations were prompted by spite.

Geo. J. Baker, hotel keeper of Postville, was the next defendant, and there were two charges against him. For the one he was convicted and fined $50 and costs on the unsupported testimony of John Jaynes, a professional whiskey detective from London; but the other was dismissed, the only evidence offered being that of two local men, who denied having obtained any contraband beverages from him.

The case of Thomas Little, jun., who had been arrested in the first instance, and released on bail, was then called. As he did not answer it was announced that steps would be taken to have his bail estreated. Jaynes was the witness in his case also, and swore that he had obtained a glass of malt whiskey at Little's hotel, and that it was sold to him by the defendant's father.

Judgment reserved.

Next was a charge against Thomas Little, sen., who did not appear, as he was in jail here, putting in a 2 month's sentence imposed on him for neglecting to pay a Scott Act fine. The charge was based on the alleged sale to whiskey informer Jaynes, who gave the same testimony as before, and the case was adjourned to be heard here on Tuesday.

The police magistrate came to Milton on Tuesday, and on the court opening at 4 p. m., Mr. McGibbon made the statement that Thomas Little, Jun., on the day of the hearing of his case at Oakville, was absent through illness and inability to get a conveyance to Oakville, and that he was now present. Mr. McGibbon asked that a note be taken of Mr. Little's appearance in case of proceedings to estreat his bail. The court promised to take a note of the explanation and of Mr. Little's appearance.

The first case called was that of David Dewar, charged with keeping intoxicating liquor on 4th January, 1888, contrary to the provisions of the "Canada Temperance Act."

The name of the defendant was called, but he did not answer. Mr. Shoaf, of Toronto, counsel for the prosecution, asked that a warrant should be issued for defendant's arrest.

The adjourned case of Rebecca Wattie, the ex-lessee of the "Speed the Plow Inn," of Milton, charged with keeping liquor for sale, was then called, but she did not answer. Fined $50 and costs, or two month's imprisonment.

The only evidence offered in this case was that given at a former hearing of the finding of a quantity of liquor concealed in a pig pen in rear of the premises of the defendant, and [illegible] belonging to defendant's counsel, outside of the property occupied by her.

The adjourned case of Thos. Little, sen., charged with a second offence on 16th November last, was then called, and he was brought from the jail and put into the box as a witness for the defence. He swore that the evidence of John Jaynes, the whiskey informer, that he had bought malt whiskey from him on 16th November last, was not true. He had no recollection of ever seeing Jaynes, and denied having sold whiskey to anyone.

Cross-examined.—Have one son, Thomas, who keeps a temperance hotel at Palermo; do not reside steadily with my son; am in Hamilton a great part of my time; have sometimes assisted my son; cannot say where I was on 16th November; might have been at Palermo, but have no recollection of it; I swear that the evidence of Jaynes is false; I don't remember ever having seen him; I never took money for any whiskey about that time, though I may have treated my friends; I always keep malt liquor; don't know of any having been in the bottles in the bar at Palermo; am 70 years old; my son and I have both been convicted of selling liquor under the Scott Act; in my case the conviction was unjust.

Re-examined.—I keep gin, or malt whiskey when I can't get gin, by a doctor's advice, and use it as a medicine for Bright's disease; a representative of Warner's Safe Cure establishment, at Rochester, performed an operation on me for that complaint.

Judgment reserved.

Mr. Wm. Burger, defendant's son-in-law, addressed the court, and stated his willingness to testify in the witness box that defendant had suffered for years from Bright's disease, and that his life was at one time despared of by his medical attendants.

Court adjourned until Saturday next, at Milton.

The Whiskey and Perjury Bloom in Lambton.

Globe.

The report to the County Council of Mr. M. S. Campbell, Police Magistrate for Lambton, shows that since July 22, 1886, he had before him 155 cases and made 68 convictions for violation of the Scott Act, and that the fines imposed upon offenders amounted to $4,159. He examined during these period over 1,000 witnesses and issued over 3,000 summonses. He says:—"The large number of dismissals I believe have been caused principally on account of the great reluctance on the part of witnesses to give free and open evidence, and sometimes of very colorable and evasive nature, which the prosecution could not help or control."

A magnificant ice bridge has formed They were at the Falls.