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These of our subscribers living in this neighborhood need not go past Richmond Hill for good Bargains in all kinds of Dry Goods, Groceries, etc., as will be found on referring to our advertising columns. The following are the names of those who offer good inducements to purchasers in this week's issue:—

ISAAC CROSBY—Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Glassware, Crockery, etc. Fancy Woollen Goods selling at and under cost. Go and see for yourself.

REYNOLDS & NEWTON—This enterprising firm deal in all lines found in a well stocked general store. Every department well selected, and all Woollen Goods selling at 20 per cent discount. This is a fact, try and find out.

JOHN BROWN, Selling off at cost.—All kinds of Boots and Shoes, to make room for a large Spring Stock. Give him a call, and you will never regret it. Brown sells cheap, and always gives good satisfaction. Groceries and Provision cheaper than the cheapest.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Election Address—J Robinson.

THE HERALD.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1879

Prepare!—Clear the Decks for Action!

The Local House is still in session, although some people might suppose such is not the case. They would have good grounds for the supposition, as very little business is being transacted, and that little could and should have been pushed through some time since. But whether there is work to be done or not, the country is not likely to forget this last session. The members will take very good care to draw their indemnity, and the Ministers will look with an eye single to their salary and indemnity. This alone will be sufficient to keep them in the grateful remembrance of the electors for a brief period, were there nothing else to be considered. During the whole course of the Mowat Government there has been very little accomplished. One session was to a great extent, occupied in rectifying, or attempting to rectify the blunders of the former. Mowat is possessed of an inordinate desire to tinker at law making. He seems to think that the mantle of the Spartan or Athenian has fallen on his shoulders, and expects his name to be handed down in like manner to future generations. So great and unrestrained is his ambition in this particular that he is scarcely ever satisfied to let well enough alone. Of course the Acts of his own fashioning are quite right when passed, but the new light he receives each following session fills his soul with an overwhelming longing to remove even the faintest trace of a flaw, and bring them to a still further state of perfection. The Acts of former Administrations have, of course, proven entirely unsuited to this advanced age, and they must also be pruned, grafted and remodelled. This state of things has gone on until the very ablest lawyers are in doubt as to the correct rendering or meaning of the Act, and sometimes the query is wrong from their lips, as to whether it does or is really intended to have any definite meaning. One of our most eminent Judges has observed that "the preparation begins to cover his body and cold chills run down his back when he sees the announcement of the Local House being opened, as from that moment until prorogation or dissolution his mind is not at rest." He felt assured the Government would endeavor to introduce an amendment here, an addition there, to put a new and more comprehensive construction on some other enactment, until they get things so bungled and complicated that even the most clever amongst the celebrated Philadelphian lawyers would weep with mortification when he felt compelled to admit that the meaning of the different Acts were as difficult to understand as Sisyphus found it to accomplish his task. In such useless and inglorious labors have the Ministry frittered away the

greater part of their time, and so congenial do they find the work that another lease of power would only endow them with greater energy to continue in the already well-beaten track. True, there has been a few useful and good measures passed, but many of these were found not at all adequate to the requirements of the country; and considering the time and opportunity given the Ontario Ministers for compiling and collecting the necessary information for the proper constructions for such laws, they have shown themselves greatly unfitted for the position now occupied. This incapacity has been evinced in many instances, and the manner in which every investigation has been shirked, or handed over to partizan Commissioners is clear proof of their inclination to avoid any responsibility, whenever possible, and to do everything in their power to retain their present position.

The action of the Opposition during their last session has clearly evinced their capability to succeed where their predecessors have failed. Although sitting on the Opposition benches they have, in reality, governed the country in many particulars. They forced the Government to reduce the expenditure, and otherwise amend many of their faults and misdemeanors. It is supposed that the House will be prorogued on Friday and dissolved next week. The election will in all probability be brought on in April, and there is nothing like being prepared. The Conservative Associations throughout the country are bestirring themselves, and the Reformers do not let the grass grow under their feet. In our own Riding they are making a thorough canvass, although many of our Conservative friends may not think so. These Reformers think there is no necessity to let every one know what they are doing, and so give their opponents to understand that they do not intend to work, as their candidate is sure to go in. At the same time they intend that he shall go in, if hard work can do it. Time to work is flying fast, and the elections will soon be upon us. We think it would be advisable to hold a few public meetings throughout the Riding, especial in those sections where M. Tyrrell has not had the opportunity of making a personal canvass. How would it do for the Richmond Hill Association to take the lead,—fire the first volley, and prepare a broadside for their opponents. The whole country is heartily tired of such extravagance and incompetency as has characterized the Mowat Government, and only firm and united effort is required to replace these Ministers by men whose past record show them to be honest, economical, and capable. Prepare then for action, and when the time arrives, with the satisfaction arising from having done your duty, and benefited the country, will more than repay for extra exertion.

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Abstract of School Accounts.

Below is given an abstract of the School Accounts, 1878, as printed by order of the Richmond Hill Board of Education.

PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCOUNT. RECEIPTS. Balance on hand from 1877... \$ 142 30 Municipal Grants... 26 39 Legislation do... 146 30 Local Assessment... 950 00 Other Sources... 51 50 \$1316 49

EXPENDITURE. Teachers' Salaries... \$1025 00 Fuel, caretaking, repairs, etc... 185 97 Insurance... 30 00 Balance to next account... 75 52 \$1316 49

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT. RECEIPTS. Balance on hand from 1877... \$ 68 48 County Grants... 708 00 Legislative do... 639 30 Pupils' Fees... 127 00 Local Assessment... 275 00 Other sources... 11 18 \$1815 96

EXPENDITURE. Teachers' Salaries... \$1404 75 Fuel, furniture, repairs, caretaking, etc... 225 81 Intermediate Examination... 32 40 Prizes for eleven pupils who passed the Intermediate Examination... 55 00 Balance on hand to next account... 98 00 \$1815 96

We print visiting cards cheaper and as well as any office in the County Come and see.

Markham Farmers' Club.

On Saturday last, the 22nd inst., a goodly number of the "bone and sinew" of this portion of our Fair Dominion met at the Victoria Hall, Unionville, to re-organize the Farmers' Club.

Mr. James Ferguson was elected to the chair, which he filled in an admirable manner.

On motion Mr. J. Gibson was nominated President, but declined on the ground that Mr. H. Jennings had been Vice-President at the winding up of the Club of which he had been President for some years; he strongly urged the election of Mr. Jennings. The following officers were then nominated and unanimously elected:—H. Jennings, Victoria Square, President; J. Slater, Buttonville, Vice-President; H. P. Crosby, Unionville, Sec.-Treas.

On motion Messrs Gibson, Milne and Crosby were appointed a committee to revise the constitution.

On motion it was decided to hold a Spring Seed Fair on Saturday the 8th day of March, and Messrs Granger, Slater and Ping'e were appointed a committee to take charge of the Show.

On motion the Club adjourned to meet on Saturday the 4th of April next. Subject for discussion:—"The best kinds of Seeds."

The desirability of holding a Spring Seed Show was fully discussed and a lively interest evinced in the prosperity of the Club. It is to be hoped that the Fair will be liberally patronized. Each farmer exhibiting must show a sample of half a bushel, and all seed, excepting clover, must be the growth of 1878—clover seed 1877. All seed shown must be clear of all noxious weeds; the purchaser to retain one quart to prove quality the same as sample when delivered.

New every farmer is interested in this Fair, and from self interest should be present as exhibitor and purchaser, as nearly all farmers can make exchanges profitably. We hope to see a large turnout of both exhibitors and visitors.—Economist.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Read Robinson's Card to be found in another column.

Carnival at Aurora to night, a load went up from the Hill, with the Band.

Communication from "Dandelion" and "Stranger" unavoidably held over. Will endeavor to ventilate them next week.

The blacksmith's shop opposite the Herald office, is we are glad to observe, well patronized. George is a decent fellow, and deserves encouragement.

The vote for the repeal of the Dunkin Act will take place on Friday, the 28th of March. So it is said.

Football is now a favorite game with the boys of this village, and many of them are becoming quite expert in the game.

We understand that Mr Emsminger, of Unionville, who has been keeping a hotel in that village for some time, has rented the Dominion House, and will shortly take possession. He intends refitting the house, and furnishing it in first-class style.

Mr Arthur Mortimer, of this village, has been engaged as leader of the Markham Village band, at the salary of \$150 per year. We expect to hear of a great improvement taking place in that band.

That's it gentlemen. A hundred new subscribers since we came back, and all paid for. Send them along. The Herald is good for another twenty years, at that rate.

A Justice of the Peace, living in Almira, was arrested by constables McKinnon and Wright, on the 3rd ult, for stealing a buffalo robe. The robe was returned, and the J.P. dismissed.

The usual monthly cattle fair held in this village on Wednesday, was unusually well attended. A great number of stock was noticed. Prices were a trifle higher than at the last, and there was a greater demand for cattle.

A.M. Secor, Esq., of W. Union, member of Scarborough Municipal Council, had his leg broken on the 16 ult., by a kicking lim.

Our friends will kindly send us items of any news occurring in their neighborhood. Don't wait for any one else to do it, but hand down your name to posterity, by enrolling yourself forever in the grateful editor's memory. 'ear, 'ear.

The English Social at Thornhill, on Tuesday evening last, was one of the most successful ever held in that place. Over \$90 was taken in. A good programme was read in excellent style. The chair was occupied by Dr McConnell, in the absence of the Rev Mr Shanklin, who was attending the Synod at Toronto.

In another column will be found a letter from Dr Reid, alluding to the extracts published from the Markham Economist and Era, about the Dunkin Act being a failure. The Doctor shows that in one sense, at least, those journals were misinformed. Read it.

The lecture on "Matrimony" delivered by Mr Spence on Tuesday evening last, in the Masonic Hall, in connection with the Mechanics' Institute was well attended. The lecturer seemed to understand the subject very well, but judging from his warm commendation of the marriage state, would appear to be "in love" himself. He is a pleasing speaker, and would no doubt, be greeted with a good house, on a second appearance. The chair was occupied by Mr John Sanderson, President of the Institute. A vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer, and a collection taken up at the close.

The Tea-meeting and lecture held in the Canada Methodist Church on Friday evening last, passed off very successfully. There was a large attendance, and the ladies of the church sustained the reputation they have won as enterers in these entertainments. When a goodly share of the edibles had been "lost to sight, to memory dear," and the average small boy was yet struggling to get the best of another piece of plum cake, the Rev Mr McCallum took the chair and introduced the lecturer, the Rev Dr Taylor. This gentleman's discourse proved interesting and amusing, and related to his travels in different countries. After the lecture, he sold a large number of books, containing an account of his journeys. On the following Monday evening a Social was held, and a general good sociable time was experienced.

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Village Council

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The Council met. The Reeve in the chair. Members present,—Messrs McConahy, Reddit and Savage. Minutes of former meeting read and approved.

The tenders for printing 150 Village Accounts and 200 circulars, were read.

Moved by Mr Savage, seconded by Mr Reddit, that Mr Mann's tender be accepted upon the condition that the work be completed within two weeks from this date.—Carried.

The Council adjourned to meet on the evening of Wednesday the 2nd of April at 8 p.m.

M. TEEFY, Clerk.

GENERAL NEWS.

The difficulty of electing a Bishop of the English church to succeed the late occupant of that position, has at last been settled. Archbishop Sweetman receiving the almost unanimous vote of the Synod.

Newmarket boasts of a Dramatic Troupe, of considerable talent, who give entertainments in that place and neighboring villages.

Extraordinary Production of Bacon.—Mr. Simon Raymer, residing on Lot 14, 8th Con Markham, has a superior strain of Berkshire pigs three of which he killed on the 10th inst., which weighed 783 pounds dressed they were only six and a half months old when killed, one of which weighed 293 pounds. This is extraordinary pork raising. Who can beat this, age, breed and weight combined?

THE DUNKIN ACT IN EAST YORK.—On Thursday, Feb. 27th ult., Messrs Crosby and McCafferty, J.P.S., held a Magistrates Court at Thornhill, Mr W. Long, hotel keeper, Thornhill, appeared to answer a summons for infraction of the Temperance Act of 1864. Several witnesses were examined for the prosecution. The evidence given, however, failed to show that any breach of the Act had been committed, and the Magistrates dismissed the case.

FATALLY SCALDED.—On Tuesday evening, the 18th ult., while a little daughter of Mr. Robt. Dodd, Lots 14 and 15, Con 2, Scarborough, was playing about the house, she received a severe scalding, from the effects of which she died the following morning. The rest of the family were at supper and the child went out to the summer kitchen to play with a pet lamb which had come to the door, and noticing a pot which contained some scalding hot food that had just been taken off the stove, caught hold of it and pulled it over, the contents being upset over the poor child's body. The parents have the heartfelt sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

The General session of the Peace and County Court opened on Tuesday last at Toronto, Judge, Mackenzie, on the bench. The calendar returned to Court is an exceedingly light one, containing the names of three persons only charged with crime, one with malicious wounding, one with larceny and administering chloroform or drugging with intent, and the other persons with obtaining property by means of false pretences.

DOMINION MILLERS' ASSOCIATION.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Dominion Millers' Association, held Monday afternoon, the following resolution was unanimously carried:—"That the Executive Committee of the Dominion Millers' Association, having heard the report of the delegation sent to Ottawa by this Association, and the result of their interview with the Finance Minister, is of opinion that it is unnecessary to send any further deputation to Ottawa. They are also of opinion that the duty of fifty cents a barrel, sought to be imposed on flour, is so moderate that they can safely leave their case in the hands of the Government, believing that the voice of the people at the polls will not be disregarded, with reference not only to the milling, but also to the agricultural, manufacturing and mining industries of the country.

SMALL POX AT WESTON.—Exaggerated rumours relative to the presence of this loathsome disease in the village of Weston, have lately been published. The only family in the vicinity of the village where the disease is known to prevail is named O'Connor. A daughter was buried Tuesday, and shortly after her interment, a brother died and was laid in the same grave. The mother and another daughter are unwell, but the doctors are at present unable to state whether they are affected with this contagion. The authorities have taken every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease.

YORK PIONEER.—A special meeting of the York Pioneers was held yesterday afternoon, the President, Rual Dean Givens, in the chair. There were present, Rev John Carroll, Major Paul, Captain McGonn, W. B. Phipps, R. H. Oates, A. Hamilton, I. Reddie, R. Hunter, Peter Hart, W. Barclay, W. H. Doel, T. Armstrong, E. Edmonds, A. Heron, J. Atchison, J. Stitt, H. Stone, F. Smith, A. M. Gamble, John Gadd and Mr. Kitchin. As the Rev Mr Givens wished to attend the meeting of the Synod, Mr W. B. Phipps was called to the chair. Before Mr Givens left the room, he said that it was very likely that the Governor-General would pass through here in the summer, and they, as in duty bound, should present him with an address. The proposition met with the approval of the meeting. Mr James Mitchell, of Alexander street, who came here before the Rebellion, was admitted as a member. Mr James Matthews, of the Robinson House, Bay street, born in Pickering in 1823, was also admitted as a member. Dr Souding, Mr A. Hamilton and Mr Phipps were appointed a Committee to draft an address to the Governor-General and Princess Louise. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr John Powell for sending to the society an old brass plate found in the neighborhood of Niagara. After donating a sum of money to a needy member of the society the meeting adjourned.

Communications.

Our columns are open to a fair discussion on all subjects, without prejudice.

To the Editor of the Herald.

Thornhill, March 5th.

SIR,—I notice among the items of news in last week's YORK HERALD, a short paragraph from the Newmarket Era endorsed by the Economist, and which reads as follows:—"Referring to the working of the Dunkin Act in York, it says, we have all the evils of the traffic and are deprived of the License fund." This is untrue and the editors of both the Era and Economist should know better. The result of the License year ending May, 1877, was \$1,900, for the whole County. The amount of fines collected in East and West York, alone, up to date, amounts to about \$3,000.00, or at the end of the year will be double the amount collected under the License Law, and the share of this fund falling to the Municipalities will largely exceed any former year. It is to be lamented that so few members of the press are to be found who do not pander to Licensed whiskey selling interest.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN N. REID.

It now appears that Staley, of Markham, has not been recaptured since he escaped from the constable on his way to gaol.

Mr. Williamson, of York Township, sold his farm to Mr. Joseph Sheppard, of Willowdale, for \$8000.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.—We have just seen some samples of produce from this rising settlement, raised on the farm of Mr William McCowan. The wheat for such a season, is really good and an average yield, but the potatoes are marvelous. We saw none to equal the famous three pounder exhibited by Lachlan Taylor at his emigration lectures in the old country, but we weighed one that reached one pound and half, a comely rose with eyes more capacious than some we meet on Main street, in the human head. It would seem the Prairie is becoming like Bousanquet, largely a Scarborough settlement and is fast going ahead. The firm of Henry Campbell & Co., has erected new premises and is doing a good and increasing business. The brothers McCowan have large farms of very rich soil. Mr Delamere, from New York, has another, and Mr Little, so widely and favorably known, vegetates on another, still in the glory of single blessedness.—Economist.

Auction Sale.

FRIDAY, 7th March.—The Farm Stock, Implements, and Household Furniture of Mr. Samuel Adams. Lot 29, con 8 Vaughan. Sale without reserve at 1 p.m. Farm rented. N. J. Armstrong, Auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 6.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock, Implements, House Furniture, etc., Jas Armstrong, Spring Brook Farm, Teston, Vaughan. Sale at 12 o'clock. Stokes and Kinneac, Auct.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock and Implements, the property of Peter Willmot, at Abraham Hendricks, Lot No 19, rear of 3rd con of Markham. Sale at 1 o'clock. S.M. Brown, Auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock and Implements, Benj Bowman, Lot 32, Con 1 Vaughan, commencing at 1 o'clock. Salem Eckardt, Auct.

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One of the most important features of the Witness during the year 1879, will be its course of lectures on agriculture, by W. F. Clarke, of the Bank, Guelph, the Editor of the CANADA FARMER. These lectures already delivered by Mr. Clarke have been most successful and approved everywhere. The lectures will be reported in the Witness, whose value as an agricultural paper has, within the past few months