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Tenders wanted—F. Braun.
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CROP PROSPECTS

On the whole, the prospects for a more than average crop in Canada are excellent. In some places the fall wheat winter killed, and in others the lateness of the spring delayed sowing; but the favourable weather of the past few weeks has worked wonders. Our despatches indicate that the crops are looking better in the eastern than in the western section of Ontario, but the harvest the country over will be a bountiful one. The hay crop will be an unprecedented one. Wheat, oats and barley are above the average. Root crops of all kinds are thriving well, and fruit will at least be an average yield. The potato crop has so far escaped the ravages of the potato bug, which appears to have lost its terrors. The cable reports, and the reports appearing in late English papers, show that the crops in Great Britain, and indeed throughout Europe generally, will be light. The winter was an almost unprecedentedly severe one, and it was followed by cold, wet and unseasonable weather which delayed sowing operations and retarded growth. Under the circumstances, the farmers of Canada have every reason to feel hopeful.—Mail.

Village Council.

June 23, 1879.
Pursuant to adjournment, the Council met in the court room. All the members present. The Reeve in the chair.

The clerk read the minutes of meeting of June 4th, which were read and approved.

A number of communications were read.

M. H. Keebler advertising, \$3 00.
John Gilroy dated, 7th June, work on pound, \$2 25.

Charles Morrison removing stump on Centre street, 50 cents.

The clerk was instructed to reply to McLaen's Communication saying that as this Council did not order the hose referred to, the draft cannot be accepted.

The clerk read a complaint from certain ratepayers dated, 17th June, relating to a dangerous nuisance in the village, and also the written instruction to him as clerk, signed by Messrs. Savage, Reddit and McConaghy as members of the Board of Health, authorizing him to give the necessary notice in relation to the removal of said nuisance, as required by law.

Moved by Councillor Savage, seconded by Councillor McConaghy that pursuant to By-law No 80, relating to the duties of the village Fire and Nuisance Inspector of Richmond Hill, passed by this Council on the 15th day of January 1877. The said Inspector is hereby instructed to make a thorough inspection monthly during the months of April, May, June, July, August, September, and October of each year of the streets, yards and premises in the village of Richmond Hill, and he is hereby authorized, and instructed to take such proceedings as are necessary to cause the enforcement of the By-laws of the village relating to nuisances and the Public Health, and it shall not be necessary for the said Inspector to require any other authority for such proceedings, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any of the said By-laws.—Carried.

The Council adjourned to meet in the court room on Monday, the 14th July at 8 p.m.

M. TEEFY, Clerk.

Court of Revision.

June 23rd, 1879.

Pursuant to adjournment the Court of Revision met in the court room at 8 p.m. All the members present.

The minutes of the meeting of 4th June, were read and approved.

The Court proceeded to take up the appeals of D. C. O'Brien against the assessment of John R. Arnold and others as being "assessed too low." After due consideration and enquiry, the Court ordered that the following correction be made in the assessment roll.

ASSESSED FOR	RAISED TO
J. R. Arnold, \$2,200	\$2,500
W. Trench, Masonic Hall, 1,000	1,500
T. Carcadden, 500	600
Thos. J. Dobson, 2,000	2,050
Samuel Drain, 350	450
James Erek, 600	900
Ben Reddit, 600	800
P. G. Savage, 1,000	1,300
Das Gormley, 900	1,200
Joseph Powell, 2,100	2,500
C. Duncumb, 1,800	2,100

The court confirmed the following assessments:—W. Atkinson, \$5,600; W. Brickell, \$450; Dr. James Langstaff, \$4,800; Abraham Law, \$5,750.

Mr. O'Brien appealed against the omission of the name of J. W. Elliott, as tenant. The property being assessed to another party, and Mr. Elliott not wishing to be assessed. No change was made.

Mr. O'Brien requested the court to erase the name of Hieskia Barns from the roll as owner of the property assessed to her, and insert the name of M. S. Jane M. Darns as owner. Mrs. Barns being occupant, and claiming to be owner, the Court declined to make the change.

Mr. O'Brien's appeal against the Assessment Roll on account of omissions, errors, additions not extended, value of each parcel of real property in wrong columns, number of acres not correct, assessment notice not according to law, was considered. The appeal was not entertained, the Council having no jurisdiction over the matter.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to certify the assessment as correct.

VICTORIA SQUARE

A Lamp Explodes in A Church.

INTENSE EXCITEMENT.

(From our own Correspondent.)

On Saturday evening last, during the progress of the Tankers' feast, an accident occurred, which, but for the presence of mind of a few individuals, would in all probability, have been most disastrous. It appears that Mr. John Horner was lighting the fluid lamps, and one of them being slightly overflowed, caught fire on the outside, and the contents began to drop upon the floor, where it continued to burn most fiercely. A panic seized the audience, some of whom ran to the doors, others getting out of the windows, and others fainting in the arms of their more stable friends. Women cried and shouted, children screamed, and for a time it was feared that much damage would be done to the weaker part of the audience; many of whom were trampled upon the floor, but not seriously injured. Hats, shawls, parasols, mantles, for a time claimed kindred with the floor, and many a fine lady was seen passing around with no other covering for her head than her pocket handkerchief. Those who escaped through the doors had great difficulty in getting upon the ground safely, as a high platform is built across the extreme front of the Church, and having a railing around it, except at the ends, many men and women were thrown violently over, though fortunately none were seriously injured.

Inside, in the meantime, the lighted lamp gave evidence of danger, and Mr. Horner heroically tried to carry it outside, but his hands being covered with burning flame, his sufferings forced him to throw it over the head of the people, some of whom received part of the burning fluid on their hats and coats. Just as the lamp reached the platform a young man from Castiel, named Houck, crossed its path, and received the whole contents on his face. Blind, crazy, mad with pain, he ran lither and dither among the crowd, and it was not until at least two minutes had elapsed, that Mr. Wm. Trann, of Victoria Square, pulled off his coat and threw it over him, completely quenching the flame. The injured man was taken to the residence of B. McDonald, Esq. where he received most careful attention. His wounds, being dressed, he was taken home, and subsequent report say he is out of danger.

A reliable eye-witness says the scene for the space of five or six minutes was most exciting, and one which told heavily upon the nerves of many of the weak or women. One young woman jumped through the sash of a window, receiving several cuts from the broken glass. A good many narrow escapes occurred, and it will be a good while ere the people will forget the occurrence. The church, a new one, is not intended to allow a rush from the inside, and our sober, calm friends scarcely thought when building a house capable of holding 600 people, that the two small doors, which open inside, might not always be used by persons in a hurry to get out. The windows are small, and high from the ground, and no provision has been made for a rush, so that at any time should an excitement prevail, it is not difficult to see that a good deal of harm will result from crowding. Of course no one is forced to go to their feast, but some provision should be made for possible accidents, and it will be welcome news to many to hear that already the members purpose making some changes.

Weston Notes

THE HIGH SCHOOL.—Last Friday afternoon the most successful picnic ever held in this part of the country took place in connection with the Western High School. The occasion was a gathering of the pupils and friends, prior to the departure of Miss Jennie Lalor, the assistant teacher, who, after the close of the term, goes to take a position in the Ottawa Ladies' College.

The sports consisted of a Lacrosse match, races, jumping, and croquet.

After a number of prizes were distributed by the Principals, Mr. Geo. Wallace, to the successful competitors in the sports of the afternoon, an address was then read by Mr. Wilson, a handsome gold chain and locket presented by Miss Maggie Hill, on behalf of the pupils to Miss Lalor. Addresses were then delivered by Mr. Wallace and others. The school stood remarkably well at the late University examination, and it sends a representative for matriculation at the next examination thereof. About a dozen of the pupils will write at the next intermediate examination, with good prospects of success for all. A number will also try the third-class teachers' examination next month. There are thirty applications for admission to the school next term.

A NUISANCE.—A slaughter-house and an offal pit rear the centre of the village cause great discomfort and loud complaint among the residents of the locality. As the warm weather advances the stench from this place increases, and unless it be done away in some manner the health of the villagers must suffer.

BURGLARIES.—Among those who lost by recent burglaries was Dr. Aikens, the night before his departure to join his comrades of the Wilmbedon team. He had quite a sum of money; but the thieves only got about \$25 from his pants pockets, quite overlooking a heavy sum in the pocket of a coat close by. Reports have been rife of a visit to another house, but nothing was lost. It is held as certain that some resident has planned, if not really executed, these operations. Most of the villagers have now prepared a warm reception for any night prowlers.

The Presbyterian Sunday School is about to buy a new library, and send its old one to some school in the Muskoka district.

Two Sunday School picnics this week.

The Strawberry crop is plentiful.

—Globe.

DOMINION DAY.—Newmarket, Aurora, Stouffville and Markham Villages, have grand celebrations on Dominion Day. Thornhill has two picnics, and a grand affair with lots of fun, will come off on the 7th of King.

LOCAL NEWS.

An interesting letter from Thornhill, will appear in our next.

A communication from Mr. Chantler, in answer to Mr. Hale, will appear next issue.

The examination for admission to the Richmond Hill High School takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 8th and 9th.

FUNERAL.—On Sunday morning last the funeral of Mrs. Jas. Mann took place, and was largely attended by sympathizing friends. An impressive discourse was delivered by the Rev. Mr. McCallum in the C. M. Church.

CRICKET.—It is rumored that the Mechanics of this village are anxious to play a match with the "University Boys or Educational Board."

The public examination of the High School will be held on Friday July 4th beginning at 1 P. M.

A number of young people of the village held a picnic in Palmer's Grove, on Wednesday last.

In another column will be found a letter from Dr. Langstaff, which was published in the *Globe*, wherein he gives the reasons why he "looks upon the road as the road in the fall, except for filling ruts, as the height of folly."

REMOVAL.—The Rev. Mr. Howson, has been removed to Ballyduff, near Port Perry; his successor will be the Rev. Mr. Pickering.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Mr. P. McKenzie, builder who was erecting a barn for Mr. Leaslip Vaughan, fell from the building on Wednesday evening and seriously injured his spine. He is not expected to recover.

ABDUCTION.—A young lady was abducted from Mr. Aikens house at Patterson last week. Capt. McConnell arrested two young men, named Paine, & Landamore, implicated in the matter. After the examination before Mr. Lawrence they were released on their own recognizance, to appear when Montrose, the principal in the affair, is arrested. It is said he has gone to the States.

WHERE IS HE.—Mr. W. Horn, the young man, who appeared before Messrs. J. M. Lawrence and A. Law, J. P.'s last week charged by Mr. F. Doer, with stealing a duck, was set at liberty until the magistrates could decide whether he was guilty or not. They decided that he should be committed, but it seems he don't take to committing, and although a warrant has been out for him since Thursday last the constables cannot find him.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—At the regular meeting of Richmond Lodge A. F. & A. M., held on Tuesday evening last, the festival of St. John the Baptist, the following officers were installed for the ensuing year:—W. Bro. I. Crosby W. M., Bro. W. Trench S. W., Bro. R. Phillips J. W., Bro. D. Boyle Treas., Bro. T. McMahon Sec., Bro. Leate S. D., Bro. McConaghy J. D., Bro. J. Brackin I. G., Bro. Davis Tyler, Bros. Savage and Moodie Stewart, W. Bro. James Mc Connell Dir. of ceremonies, W. Bro. A. L. Skeele Installing Officer. After the installation, the brethren sat down to a first class spread provided under the direction of the J. W. assisted by the Stewards.

FUNERAL.—On Tuesday afternoon, the remains of the wife of Dr. Langstaff were followed to their last resting place by a very large number of friends. Deceased was attacked with fever, and had been ill but a few days, when death called her away. Her circle of friends was very large and she was highly respected and much admired by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. The funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Campbell, who delivered an excellent and impressive discourse from the 4th Chapter Thessalonians.

LICENSES IN WEST YORK.—On Thursday and Friday last, the License Commissioners of West York, viz., Messrs. Wm. Watson, J. C. Ferrier, and David Boyle were in session at the Court House adjudicating upon the applications for liquor licenses. They granted the following in Vaughan:—Taverns, W. D. Chafor, John Rowantree, Robert Robson, Wm. Taggart; Shops, Mackie & Watt, Wallace Bros. The following applicants were refused:—G. Gilmour, Mathew Boynton, Jane Cook, Oliver Prentice. In York township the applicants who received licenses were:—Taverns, Chas. McBride, John Colley, Rodolphus Wilson, Mrs. Hopcroft, Denis O'Halloran, and Robt Moore, Parkdale; shops, James Lope and Thomas Booth, Parkdale. Two applicants in this township, Robert Wilson and Wm. Brown, were refused licenses. A number of other applications were laid over for future consideration.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL AT VICTORIA PARK.—On Friday afternoon of last week Mr. Fleury, Warden of the County of York, took the members of the County Council, their wives, and other friends on a trip to Victoria Park, where he treated them to an excellent lunch. The party which numbered about two hundred left about 2 p.m. by the F. B. Maxwell, and reached the Park shortly before three. The tables for lunch were laid at four o'clock, and between the time of their arrival and then the guests of the Warden amused themselves strolling about within the beautiful grounds, which just now present a most attractive appearance. At four o'clock the guests partook of the abundant lunch provided for them. At least two hundred ladies and gentlemen took seats at the tables, Mr. Fleury directed after justice had been done to the good things, the following toasts were given and duly honored:—1st, The Queen; 2nd, The Governor-General and Princess Louise; 3rd, The Army, Navy, and Volunteers, replied to by Mr. or Gray, and Capt. Stephenson and Lloyd; 4th, the Lieut.-Governor and the Local Legislature, coupled with the name of Mr. Radegrove, member for East York, to which Mr. Badgerow replied; 5th, The Warden, proposed by Mr. Speight, the croupier, and replied to by Mr. Fleury; 6th, The Ladies, proposed by Mr. Speight, and replied to by Mr. Jackson, ex-Ad. McCee and one or two others. The party returned to the city at 5:15, after having spent a most enjoyable afternoon.—Globe.

CRICKET MATCH.

Richmond Hill v.s. Victoria Square.

SCIENCE ON EXHIBITION

A Cricket match between the above clubs, was played in this village on Saturday last. Game commenced about 2 o'clock, Richmond Hill being sent to the bat. Newton and M. Wilson did not gauge the ball correctly with their eye, and the result was that it gauged their wickets all serene, pensioning them off with O. for the first innings. Bob Wilson amused himself with the bowling until he scored 8, when an unfortunate hit to the south east corner was neatly caught by Reid, and Bob passed in his checks. The home club were not accustomed to underhand bowling, and this became more noticeable when Lawrence allowed his wicket to drop and dropped down to rest himself with O to his credit. Storey worked in a score of 3, and then the ball mixed up the pins, causing him to retire. McCallum scored 2, and seemed to be good for a few more, when owing to an erroneous calculation as to the whereabouts of the ball, he failed to get in before the wickets came into a particularly close connection with the ball. Clubine picked up the bat with a determination to do something, and, after scoring 2, he did it by sending the ball between the fingers of P. Query, who fastened to it like a barnacle. McCallum scored 6 before the Empire decided that he couldn't hit the wickets with his bat, and continue to play. On this information being imparted he passed away to mingle with the heroes who had gone before. Bryden tackled the ball, but after he scored 1, it proved too many for him. Teffy came up smiling, his wickets tumbled, and he followed suit, by tumbling back to his seat. Richmond Hill went out with a score of 27 for first innings.

The Vics fielded very well. P. Query being particularly active. Forester and Fierhiller bowled with good effect, and Robinson sent in a few good balls. Only five byes were made, and no wickets were given.

Victoria Square came forward, and made a total of 47, with 5 byes, and 5 wickets. McKenzie scored 9, but at last Bob planted a ball just behind his bat, and in front of the wickets. He sought a change of scene. Robinson ran up to 8 and then got his leg mixed up between the bat, ball, and wickets. The Empire thought he shouldn't do that, and "he departed, leaving behind him, footprints on the crease of time." P. Query counted 7, but he imitated Robinson too closely, and the Empire stopped him short, never to go again, until the next innings. Fierhiller laid down the bat with 5, because Wilson made the wickets lay down. Fierhiller thought he wouldn't score any more than 5 in this innings, after a skilful "catch" by Clubine. Forester commenced well, but Mark Wilson cut his little game brief, by taking "a fly" before he took in any runs. Cluffy intended to give his side a good lift, but happened to lift the ball into McCallum's hands, after scoring 1. Reid counted 2 and was "not out." The Richmond Hill club did not show to us good advantage as their opponents in the field, having never practised together before.

Mark Wilson led off the 2nd innings, but got tired holding the bat on the ground, and raised it just in time to miss the ball, and miss scoring any, but the ball did not miss the wickets. Robt. Wilson made 1, and then failed to connect with the opposite wickets in time. He got over the ground pretty fast, but the ball got over it faster. Newton was made 1, and gave P. Query a neat "catch." Storey made 2 and followed his predecessor's example, by playing into G. Query's hands. Lawrence wanted to give the visitors a show, he didn't think it would be kind to beat them too bad, and as Fierhiller was fooling around doing nothing in particular, tried to wake him up with a catch, before scoring any. He woke up, and caught the ball. Fred made for the fence. McMahon thought this work would never do. He quarrelled himself, and made a score of 22, sending no less than four balls over the fence. Then he wanted a rest, and Reid happened to collar a ball in time. McMahon thought it was about his turn to drink. McCallum came up like a wolf on the fold, and hit the first ball that was bowled.—clean over the fence. When he got 6 to his name Fierhiller got one in on the wickets, and Mac retreated towards the reserve, binding up his wounds. Clubine shaped himself for 2, then he shaped the ball towards Prune, who immediately shaped his fingers around it. Clubine thought it was much pleasanter to sit down in the shade, and get some one to fan him. Bryden made a wicket strike at the ball, but it wasn't there. No, siree; it was lying as calm and cool as a clam, right where the middle wicket ought to be. Teffy "came forth with stately stride" to nobly fill the breach. "Quoth he, the other batters have sadly gone away, but if you dare to bowl, I'll show you how to play." He scored two, and Fierhiller having measured his man, gave the ball a back-handed, spirital spring sort of twist, and twisted it among the wickets. The batsman went away to ruminate over the vicissitudes of playing cricket. McLeod did well, carrying his bat out in both innings and scoring 2. Richmond Hill scored 68 in the two innings. Victoria Square took the bat, and made 16 runs, 6 wickets, making a majority of 1 and 8 wickets to go down.

The Hill club should practice together frequently, or they cannot expect to win many matches. Some of their men were absent, and their places had to be filled by inexperienced players. Bob Wilson bowled to good advantage during the first innings, but his arm played in the second. McCallum, put in some good balls, and Clubine did good service as back stop. All things considered the club did very well.

Mr. Grey of Victoria Square, and Mr. Nicholls of White Rose, acted as scorers. Mr. Brown of Victoria Square, and Mr.

R Coulter, of Richmond Hill, were Umpires, and appeared to give satisfaction.

After cheers had been given by both clubs for their opponents, they partook of an excellent repast at the Palmer House.

The following is the score:—

RICHMOND HILL.		
1st Innings	2nd Innings	Total
R. Wilson, et al. 8	run out. 1	9
T. Newton, b. Forester 0	et. Query. 1	1
M. Wilson, b. Fierhiller 0	b. Forester. 0	0
W. Storey, b. Forester 3	et. Query. 2	5
F. Lawrence, b. Forester 0	et. Fierhiller. 0	0
J. McCallum, run out 2	b. Fierhiller. 6	8
McMahon, b. Forester 5	et. Reid. 22	28
J. Clubine, et. P. Query 2	et. Prune. 2	4
R. Bryden, b. Forester, 1	b. Forester. 0	1
A. Teffy, b. Fierhiller 0	b. Fierhiller 2	2
M. Leed, not out. 8	not out. 2	10
Byes. 5	Byes. 3	8
Totals. 27		41

VICTORIA SQUARE.		
1st Innings	2nd Innings	Total
P. Query, b. McCallum 7	et. Clubine 0	7
McKenzie, b. Wilson 0	not out. 4	4
F. Forester, et. M. Wilson 0	not out. 2	2
J. Robinson, b. Wilson 8		8
Fierhiller, et. Clubine 5		5
Prune, b. Wilson. 6		6
F. Storey, b. Wilson. 3		3
A. Law, b. McCallum. 0		0
Theed, not out. 2		2
Byes, wides 5		5
Totals. 47		22
		47
		60
		69

Leaving 1 of a Majority and 8 wickets to go down.

The York Roads.

The following letter on the York Roads, appeared in the *Globe* of Saturday, and may prove interesting to many of our readers.

(To the Editor of The Globe.)

Sir,—While the York County Council are now in session I wish to say a few words in your valuable journal on the proposed change in the management of the York Roads.

I look upon the putting on of stone in the fall as the height of folly, unless for filling ruts, for the following reasons:—(1) The road is harder than that of any other time of year; the road bed having been thoroughly baked during the heat of summer and showers having little or no effect upon it; in fact the broken stone might about as well be laid upon a rock as upon the York Roads in the fall of the year.

(2) The teaming is far the heaviest at this season of the year. Many of the wagons will weigh sixty hundred, with narrow tires; what could be expected but the crushing of the newly scattered stones, seldom amounting to one layer, and after they have been travelled on for a short time only here and there is a whole stone left. The sandstone are crushed on the first touch, those a shade harder forming the main bulk are first cracked into two or more pieces, and the smaller they get the more easily they are crushed still smaller, until they become sand. A few hard pieces are left scattered about; these, with the debris, are scraped off the spring following, the hard stone thrown back on to the hard pan to roll about, and after a time pitched up again and generally wasted. This process is repeated year after year. The suffering of the poor horses is to be considered, wear of bags, of wagons, loss of time, and necessarily light loads, and tolls the same.

(3) The third reason I give is, that under this mode of management the road is constantly getting thinner. There is no use in any one denying this. Many places on the road were absolutely bare this spring. I have seen them myself, and other parties have seen them. Any who deny this will be like the lawyer who undertook to prove the prisoner innocent—only two witnesses had seen steal, but the lawyer could bring thirty to prove that they did not see him steal. It is an undeniable fact that while we are paying \$300 a mile every year for repairs the road is constantly getting worse. It is a serious matter to us who have to travel the road. It is a serious matter to every ratepayer in the county that a road which should pay all the county tax is so badly managed.

Scraping the roads is another point I wish to refer to. It makes the road look nice at first, but ultimately does it a great injury. A coating is scraped off which would act as a carpet to a floor. What is it that is scraped off? Sand, fine gravel, some mud, and a few whole stones. Now, all these, if let alone a few days longer, would dry and set; protect the body of the road; help to keep it smooth, prevent ruts forming, and keep showers from reaching the bottom of the road. But after the road is scraped ruts form, water stands in the ruts, softens the bottom of ruts, and wheels constantly pass in the same ruts, and sink them deeper and deeper, with no loose gravel to fill them as fast as they form.

The new plan is to do away with scraping entirely, unless where mud is carried upon the road from a side line; to fill the ruts with stone early in the spring, as soon as they form, and in summer fine gravel to smoothen the road.

JAS LANGSTAFF, M. D.
Richmond Hill, June 16.

Thickpenny the Markham murderer, has been sentenced to be hanged on the 12th of September. The jury recommended him to mercy. The judge seemed to opine that he was not sane.

ROBBERY.—On Tuesday night some person entered the cellar of Mr. Joseph Wilmot, Buttonville. They helped themselves to a large portion of a boiled ham, two loaves of bread, pound cake, pies, &c. with a quantity of milk.

MARRIED

At Grace Church, Markham, on the 19th June, 1879, by Rev. A. Hart, incumbent, assisted by the Rev. Jos. Fletcher, M. A. incumbent of Cookstown, Thomas F. W. Webb, of the firm of T. F. Webb & Co., Colborne, and son of Geo. W. Webb, Esq., of Chestnut Lawn, to Jennie, daughter of David Burk, Esq., Markham, and a daughter of William Chas. Campbell, Esq., Barrie, a. Caryborough House, county Monaghan, Ireland.

DEATH

On Wednesday, 25th inst., Mrs. Naughton, Elgin Mills.
At her residence, Richmond Hill, June 21st, Mary Ann Miller, beloved wife of James Langstaff, M. D.

At Markham, on 16th June, 1879, William James Miller, youngest son of George Miller, Esq., Richmond Hill, Markham, aged 18 years.

COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORTS.
Tuesday June 17th, 1879

The annual report of the Public and Separate School Inspector for the southern part of York County was read. It stated that there had been a marked improvement in the schools since he last reported. Much advance had been made in the method of instruction, especially in that of reading, arithmetic, English grammar and geography. He was looking forward to even greater improvement in this respect, on account of the preparatory training teachers received in the High, Model, and Normal Schools.

Last year all the schools in the county ranked among the first class, save the one at York Mills, and School Section No. 1, Scarborough'. In the latter school no blame could be attached to the teacher, he having had too many pupils under his management. The Inspector trusted that the trustees would appoint an assistant teacher at that school. During the past year, School Section No. 25, York, Nos. 6 and 12, Markham, and No. 7, Scarborough', had risen into the first class. An increased amount of school accommodation had been provided at York Mills, Woodbridge, Don Mount, and Parkdale.

The Model School at Yorkville had nine departments. The erection of a new school-house at Markham Village was in contemplation. The total amount of receipts for school purposes in 1877 was \$68,773 24; in 1878 the total amount was \$65,762 66, this amount being a decrease of \$2,990 58 on that of the preceding year. In 1877 the disbursements amounted to \$59,672 80 and in 1878 to \$56,147, the decrease in one year's expenditure being \$3,525. The balance left in the hands of trustees for 1878 was \$8,843 43. The amount still unpaid on buildings and school sites was \$3,594 56. The highest salary paid to a male teacher in an incorporated village was \$850; the highest to one in a rural section \$650; the average salary of male teachers being \$442 35. The highest salary paid to a female teacher was \$425, the average salary being \$248 49. Of the teachers now employed 32 had attended a Normal School, 6 held first-class Provincial certificates, 29 held second-class certificates; 10 held old country first-class certificates, and 43 new country ones. At the close of the first session of the Yorkville Model School last year there were 29 students went up for examination 7 of whom passed first-class, 14 second-class, and 2 third-class. During the second session of last year there were 28 students in attendance, 4 of whom passed in No. 1 class, 8 in the 2nd class, 13 in the 3rd class, and 2 in the 4th class. One of the scholars left the school before the close of the session. The Inspector was pleased to notice that there had been less changes made among the teachers at the beginning of the present scholastic year than ever before.

Wednesday June 18th
SCHOOL INSPECTORS' FEES.
Mr. Jackson introduced a by-law from the Education Committee to fix the fees of the school inspectors. It suggested \$5 for every school inspected, \$60 for travelling expense, and \$30 for continuing fees.

Mr. Jackson moved that \$50 be allowed for travelling expense. Lost.

The by-law was adopted.

BROWN'S CLAIM.
Mr. Stokes moved that the Council go into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of hearing Mr. D. Brown in reference to the alleged injuries received by him on the Islington bridge. Carried.

Mr. Brown stated he was crossing the Islington bridge with a team and wagon on the 5th November when the accident befel him through the defective state of the approaches. He found his wagon tipping over, and made a jump to clear it, and in doing so fractured his ankle. There was no light at the place. He was willing to settle the matter for \$1,000. He had entered an action in order to prevent his being barred from claiming a legal remedy. It was dark when the accident happened.

Mr. Keys stated that the approach to the Islington bridge was not made until three weeks after the bridge was put up again. The Committee rose.

VAUGHAN TOWNSHIP COUNCIL.

The above the Council met pursuant to adjournment, on Tuesday, June 10th, 1879. Members present, Messrs. Crad, Nattress, Roman and Lahmer.

The Reeve in the chair.
The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.

Moved by Mr. Nattress, seconded by Mr. Card, that the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the following road accounts the same being certified as correct by Road Commissioners No 1 To Henry Quinn.....\$92 00
" James Carnegie..... 2 50
" P. G. Savage..... 9 00
" Mr. Beynon..... 25 00
" Jas. M. Williams..... 15 00
" George Kirkland..... 18 25