THE CANADIAN CHAMPION.

MILTON, MARCH 4, 1886.

CHEAP PRINTING.

We find that we did the Oakville Star an injustice last week in charging that it was the *first* to set the example of cutting prices to the Milton Tory organ and also in speaking of the "annual scramble" between the latter and our Oakville contemporary. It is true that the Star did cut prices, but it was not the first to cut them, and for the last two years in tendering for the county printing it has asked nearly double what it formerly did, and more than any other competitor for the contract. We regret that we should have made any mistake about this matter.

Although, however, the Star has of late years withdrawn from the "annual scramble" for the county printing, inasmuch as it has offered tenders only at fair prices, at which it had no chance of securing contracts, we must still object to its remarks with regard to the CHAMPION and the agricultural society printing. As we said last week, the CHAMPION has never yet, cut prices, as the Star has done, on the county printing, and does not feel disposed to submit to criticisms from the latter with regard to the smaller matter of the county show printing. A little more modesty would be more becoming, under the circumstances, in our Oakville contemporary.

We were rather surprised to find the Star talking about looking for a good example from the CHAMPION. It is only a very short time ago since our Oakville contemporary was denouncing the "whiskey CHAMPION," the "organ of the rumsellers," published by a "liquor-eyed crew," but we are glad to find that it has at last begun to properly appreciate the CHAMPION'S out-spoken advocacy of true temperance and denunciation of fanaticism, tyranny and hypocrisy, and we feel not a little encouraged.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

A meeting of the Directors of the Halton Agricultural Society was held at the Wallace House yesterday. Present: Thomas Chisholm (President), James Watson (Vice-President), Directors D. W. Campbell, Wm. Patterson, Donald Campbell, John Dickin, T. Blanshard, Thos. Elliott, Robt. Stewart, A. C. McMillan and Abram Stark.

Moved by Wm. Patterson, seconded by T. Elliott, that the prizes in the draught class be $12, $8 and $6.—Lost.

Moved by D. W. Campbell, seconded by Robt. Stewart, that there be only two prizes of $12 and $1.—Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Percheron class be struck off the list.—Lost.

Moved by D. W. Campbell, seconded by Wm. Patterson, that the Percheron class remain on the list, and the prizes be $12 and $8.—Carried.

Moved by Thos. Blanshard, seconded by D. W. Campbell, that all the remaining classes remain on the list and the prizes be $12 and $8.—Carried.

A resolution was carried that all horses receiving a prize at the spring fair have two stands in the county—six miles apart.

Judges were appointed in each class.

Moved by J. A. Watson, seconded by Thos. Blanshard, that there be no action taken in regard to the dispute about a prize awarded on butter, as it is clearly proven to the Directors that it was an error, and that Mr. Scott and Mr. Elliott be exonerated from any blame.—Carried.

The date of the fall fair was fixed for Thursday and Friday, October 7th and 8th.

Meeting adjourned to first Saturday in June.

Ontario Legislation.

On Tuesday in Committee on the resolution providing for the proposed increase in Liquor License fees, Hon. A. M. Ross explained that it had been decided to increase the price of tavern and shop licenses in incorporated villages by only $60 instead of $70 as proposed in the Budget, and to increase the price of tavern or shop licenses in townships by only $30 instead of by $40 as at first proposed. The price for druggists' and shop licenses under the Scott Act in cities will be $75, in towns $50, and in other municipalities $30, instead of $100, $60, and $40 as originally proposed.

In moving the second reading of the Bill to amend the Liquor License Act Hon. A. S. Hardy explained that it was proposed to permit holders of wine and beer licenses to sell in addition to Canadian wines and ale the light foreign wines. This it is thought might have the effect of making persons who may hesitate to pay the high rates of tavern licenses take wine and beer licenses instead. And it will be remembered in this connection that a wine and beer license is forfeitable on the first offence. Mr. Hardy also explained that the provision in the Bill of 1881 making the barkeeper or other agent of a landlord equally liable with the landlord in cases of admission to the bar during prohibited hours would be retained. This would provide for the prosecution of the actual offender whether he should be the landlord or some person acting in his stead. The Bill was was read a second time without comment from the Opposition.

From a Scott Act Town.

INGERSOLL, Ont., Feb. 25.—Wm. Rice, hotel-keeper, was fined $50 and costs for illegally selling liquor. Wm. Ross and Wm. James were charged with destroying property and threatening the parties who gave evidence against Rice. James was sentenced to one year in jail and Ross to two months.

DON'T BE DECEIVED.

Beware of any druggist who will try to induce you to take anything in place of McGregor & Parke's Carbolic Cerate. It is a marvel of healing Sores, Cuts, Burns, etc. No family should be without it. It has no equal. Get McGregor & Parke's, and have no other. Only 25c. per box at McCollom's Drug Store

Snow continues to fall heavily in the north of England an Scotland. Traffic on several railways is blocked.

At Medcine Hat, N. W. T., a cricket match was played two weeks ago between the citizens and police. The citizens won by an innings and three runs. The Times says the weather out there is beautiful and warm.

"I say Aunt Chloe, you are getting around right smart." "Yes indeed I is, honey. I was prostrated and sick abed with Rheumatism for six years and done tried this West's World's Wonder or Family Liniment the people are taking so much about, and I was sure enough cured. Is done saved this old nigger's life." Price 25 cents and 50 cents per bottle. Sold by J. H. McCollom.

In North Alabama, several Mormon elders have been zealously engaged in the work for the past six months and have made many converts among the country people. The farmers of Clay County notified them that they must leave, and threaten to use force. The elders refuse.

It is reported that Prince Nicholas of Montenegro is being supplied with funds from the Russian Treasury, to enable him to create the port of Antivari under plans of Russian Military engineers, Russia's object being to establish a secret naval rendezvous on the Mediterranean.

The Enforcement of the Scott Act.

(Stratford Beacon.)

It is not a little ominous that the principal spokesman for the Scott Act deputation that waited on the Attorney-General a few days ago was Rev. Dr. Potts of Toronto. Dr. Potts is a most pronounced Tory and an ardent admirer of Sir John A. Macdonald. The admiration, we understand, is reciprocal. Sir John admires the doctor and the doctor admires Sir John. We have no quarrel with this. Statesman and kings have always had their favorite preachers. Preachers are certainly allowed to have their favorite statesmen. If Dr. Potts lavishly admires the methods, and manners, and morals of Sir John A. Macdonald that is his own affair. But we repeat that it is not a little ominous that the most pronounced Tory clergyman in the convention was selected to interview a Liberal Government.

Dr. Potts was pleased to begin the discussion by saying that they all knew Mr. Mowat was officially and personally in favor of every good measure. Then what a huge liar the doctor's secular organ, the Toronto *Mail*, must be—and we have no doubt Dr. Potts reads the *Mail* every morning, immediately after prayers, if not before. Mr. Mowat in favor personally and officially of every good measure! Then why did Dr. Potts' friend, Sir John, organize an infamous bribery brigade at the last local election to try to drive this good man from office? Why did Dr. Potts' model statesman, Sir John, give orders that twenty or thirty of this good man's supporters should be taken before the election courts and charged with bribery so that this good man should be driven from power? Why did Dr. Potts' leader order that Mr. Drury, a Methodist local preacher, and a public spirited citizen, should be unseated for no fault of his own, but simply because he supported this good man, Mr. Mowat? And why was Mr. Drury hounded all through Simcoe by Dr. Potts' Tory friends, who asked the electors to vote against him on the grounds that he was a Methodist preacher and a Scott Act man? Mr. Mowat was a good man, no doubt. But why did the political friends of Dr. Potts try to buy up his majority with crisp Dominion notes? These and a few others questions we should like to see answered by the Tory Scott Act people who are seized with such a sudden admiration for the Liberal Premier. They did not use to admire Mr. Mowat. They did all in their power to drive him from office three years ago. More dastardly tactics than they used were never brought to bear against any public man.

How does it come that these Tory Scott Act advocates begin to admire Mr. Mowat so suddenly? Is it a case of sudden conversion? How long will it last? Till the next election? Not by any means. Those Tories who now give Mr. Mowat "taffy" because they wish to use him will be found allied with John Shields and the frozen whiskey brigade when the next election comes round. It is Scott Act now; it will be frozen whiskey or anything else a few months hence.

If it is Mr. Mowat's duty to enforce the Scott Act, by all means let that duty be done at whatever cost. Mr. Mowat should, however, remember that when election day comes some of these very Tory Scott Act people will be the first to go to the liquor dealers and say, Vote against Mowat, he provided the machinery to enforce the Scott Act!

And some members of the Scott Act convention will stand quietly by and wink hard, but will not say a word in favor of or vote for Mowat. That is exactly how it will be.

Came from Peel to Halton for Their Whiskey.

Brampton Banner.

M. Heary, of Dixie, had to pay a fine of $20 and costs at the Magistrates' Court on Friday last for selling liquor on Sunday. W. Moore, of Centreville, had his case dismissed. We hope the Inspector will do all in his power to stop the Sunday selling which is said to be largely indulged in throughout this county. In the latter case, it is said, the witnesses previous to the trial said they got their liquor on the Sunday at Centreville, but on oath said it was in Norval. Now the Halton Inspector should summon the witnesses before the bench and make them swear where they got it in Norval, and if they swore falsely make them suffer the penalty of perjury.

MILTON'S SIDEWALKS.

Editor Champion:

Will you be kind enough to allow me space in your paper to make a few remarks upon the condition of the Milton sidewalks at the present time. The public have complained in former years of carelessness on the part of the officials as to the condition of the sidewalks, but in no winter that I remember have they been so repeatedly in an almost impassable state on some parts of our streets as this, and at no time have they been worse than at present, and this without cause. The early part of the week was fine, and on Wednesday every particle of snow could have been cleared off. On Thursday we had rain which converted the snow into slush, making most disagreeable walking, and for this reason alone the sidewalks should have been cleaned. From past experience we know that this mild weather would not continue, and if frost came our sidewalks would be just in the state they are in.

Now, who is to blame in this matter? Is it the Mayor, the Reeve, the Chairman of Streets and Sidewalks, or are the whole Council equally to blame? I am told it is the duty of the Town Constable to attend to this matter. Well, if he does not do it, what then? He is surely responsible to the Council and they to the people.

It is a matter of much more importance to the ratepayers of this town to know that the Mayor and Council will look after the interests of the town in an efficient manner than to know that they are either Grits or Tories, Scott Act or Anti-Scott Act men, as in the event of any serious accident happening through the dangerous condition of our sidewalks, the ratepayers will have to foot the bill which may very easily be several hundreds of dollars.

RATEPAYER.

Milton, Feb. 26, '86.

GOLDWIN SMITH: Most of us have learned pretty well to acquiesce in the fact that the Dominion Government is a government of corruption. Men, places, provinces, interests, churches, organizations of every kind, are bought in different ways, some more coarsely, some more subtly, in order to form the basis of a system which is administered, after its kind, with great ability, and is closely bound up with the personal ambition of its veteran chief. Corruption is not wholesome; it does not become more wholesome as it becomes more inveterate; to say nothing of the debt which it is rolling up, it must deprave the political character of the people, as, in fact, it is visibly doing, and in the end prove fatal to the spirit, if not to the form of representative institutions.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

Milton, March 2nd, 1886.

The Council met at 10.30 a. m. in accordance with adjournment.

The Warden in the chair.

Members present—Messrs. Graham, Buck, Dalton, Felan, Husband, Lindsay, Menzies, McLeod, McCollom, Robinson, Scott, Wheelihan, and Warren.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read as follows: from H. M. Switzer, resigning the position of auditor; Lieut.-Col. W. D. Otter, Sec'y. of the Ontario Rifle Association, asking for a grant in aid of that organization; and from John Dewar, Clerk of the Peace for Halton, and Frank C. Draper, Chief Constable, Toronto, asking that the usual reward of $20 should be paid to Detective Burrows, of Toronto, for the apprehension of Samuel Orr, a horse-thief. A copy of a resolution referring to toll-gates, passed by the county council of Carleton, was also read. Constable Wallace Dent made application to the Council that the reward for the apprehension of Samuel Orr should be paid to him.

On motion the Council adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m.

The Council resumed at 1 p. m.

The Warden in the chair.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Graham, that the by-law to confirm the appointment of J. C. Smith as auditor instead of H. M. Switzer, who refused to act, be introduced and read a first time.—Carried.

The by-law was read first time.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Husband, that the by-law to appoint J. C. Smith as auditor for the accounts of the County of Halton for 1885 be read a second and third times and passed and the seal of the corporation be attached thereunto and signed by the Warden and Clerk.—Carried.

The by-law was read second and third times.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Lindsay, that a by-law to establish a high school in the corporation of Georgetown be read a first time, and that the delegation here present in that behalf be now heard.

Mr. McCollom moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Felan, that the matter of establishing a high school in Georgetown be laid over until the next meeting of this Council.

The amendment was lost on the following division:

Yea.—Buck, Felan, McCollom, Scott Dalton—5.

Nay.—Robinson, Husband, Warren, Graham, McLeod, Lindsay, Wheelihan, Menzies—8.

The original motion was then put and carried.

Mr. Warren moved, seconded by Mr. Wheelihan, that an agreement entered into by and between the road commissioner of the County of Peel and the road and bridge committee of this county, to the following effect: "That the old bridge over the river Credit at the Village of Norval should become the property of the corporation of the Esquesing so soon as the new bridge would be completed be concurred in and confirmed by this Council.—Carried.

Mr. Husband moved, seconded by Mr. Robinson, that the usual sum of twenty-five dollars be granted to the County of Halton Teachers' Association, payable to the order of J. S. Deacon, Esq., Inspector of Public Schools.—Carried.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Lindsay, that this Council go into committee of the whole on the second reading of the by-law establishing a high school in the Village of Georgetown, and that Dr. Buck be chairman of the said committee.—Carried.

The Council went into committee of the whole, Dr. Buck in the chair.

The Council resumed.

The Warden in the chair.

Dr. Buck, chairman of the committee of the whole, reported that the by-law had been read in committee of the whole and its several clauses approved of, except clause No. 2, locating the proposed high school at the Village of Georgetown.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Lindsay, that the by-law to establish a high school in the Village of Georgetown be considered read a second time, and that its third reading be taken up at the next meeting of this Council.—Carried.

Yea.—Robinson, Husband, Warren, Felan, Graham, McLeod, Lindsay—7.

Nay.—Buck, Wheelihan, McCollom, Scott, Dalton, Menzies—6.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Graham, that the report ordered by this Council at its last meeting by the Treasurer, and the committee assisting him, *re.* the interest on the Credit Valley Sinking Fund, be now read.—Carried.

Mr. McLeod presented and read said report.

Lieut.-Col. Allen addressed the Council, making a request for a grant in aid of the regimental fund of the 20th Lorne Rifles.

Mr. McLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Wheelihan, that the accounts of the corporation of the County of Halton, as audited by the auditors and by a special committee of Council, be adopted and finally passed by this Council.—Carried.

Mr. Warren moved, seconded by Mr. Graham, that the sum of two hundred dollars be granted to Col. Allan for the purpose of procuring some necessaries for the volunteer force of this county.—Carried.

Mr. Felan moved, seconded by Mr. McCollom, that when this Council adjourns it stand adjourned until the first Tuesday in June; at 10.30 a. m.—Carried.

Mr. McCollom presented and read the first report of the standing committee on printing.

Dr. Buck moved, seconded by Mr. McCollom, that the first report of the standing committee on printing be adopted.—Carried.

Mr. Husband moved, seconded by Mr. Robinson, that the Warden, W. McLeod and D. Wheelihan be and are hereby appointed a special committee to calculate the amount of interest due by and payable to the following accounts of this county, viz: general county account, C. V. R. sinking fund account, and C. V. special rate account and report to this Council at its next meeting.

Mr. Menzies moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Wheelihan, that the report of the Treasurer and committee appointed to investigate certain interest due the C.V.R. sinking fund account be adopted, and that the sum of $1007.46 be credited to the sinking fund account and charged to the current account.

The amendment was lost on the following division:

Yea.—McCollom, Wheelihan, Menzies—3.

Nay.—Robinson, Husband, Dalton, Felan, Buck, Scott, Lindsay—7.

The original motion was then put and carried.

Mr. Robinson presented and read the second report of the standing committee on finance.

Mr. Robinson moved, seconded by Mr. Husband, that the report of the finance committee just read be adopted.—Carried.

Mr. Felan moved, seconded by Mr. Lindsay, that the Council adjourn.—Carried.

The Council adjourned.

Nassagaweya Township Council.

BROOKVILLE, Feb. 22, 1886.

The Council met at the Township Hall, Nassagaweya, on Monday, 22nd February, at 2 o'clock p. m. Members all present. The Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

On motion of Messrs. Norrish and Hutcheon the by-law appointing a local board of health was read a second time and the blanks filled up as follows:—James Menzies (Reeve), Colin Cameron (Clerk), James Moffat (lot 5), David Milne and James Ramsey.

On motion of Messrs. Hutcheon and Norrish the above by-law was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Messrs. Marshall and Norrish the by-law appointing pound-keepers, fence viewers, and overseers of highways was read a second time and the blanks filled up.

On motion of Messrs. Marshall and Hutcheon the by-law for appointing pound-keepers, fence viewers and overseers of highways was read a third time and passed.

For Pound-keepers—John Kerr, John Simpson and George Ingles. For Fence Viewers—James Moffat (lot 5), James Ingles, Joseph Little, Archibald Bell, John Canute, Joseph Hagen, Robert Aikins, James Ramsey. For Overseers of Highways—James Ingles, William Lynn, William Dutton, Joseph Little, Thomas Simpson, Daniel Barbaree, Walter Murray, Charles Rennie, James Borman, Alex. McPhail, John Burns, Daniel Jones, Alex. Graham, Robert Black, D. H. Taylor, Medford Botts, George Smith, Lewis Preston, James Reid, George Elliott, Donald McEwen, John Grieve, Freeman Thomas, Fife Somerville, R. A. Ramsey, Jas. Easterbrook, John Kerr, Wm. Burns, Wm. Holmes, Matthew Beattie, John Canute, Andrew McAlpine, Samuel Ramsey, W. Weir, Daniel Vickerman, Peter Chisholm, Jos. McLaughlan, Robt. Darby, Geo. Lowrie, Jas. Gordon, Wm. Patterson, Jas. Mahon, Arch. Bell, Wm. McLaughlan, Hugh Brownlee, Amaziah Kingsbury, John Richardson, Andrew Elliott, Arch. McGibbon, P. Campbell, W. Cox, Jas. Henderson, Robt. Aikins, W. Smith, Oliver Lasby, David Scott, John Murray, Martin Flynn, Malcolm Michie, David Black, James McDonald, Henry Damper.

Moved by Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. Norrish, that the sum of $10 be and is hereby granted to Mr. Allan Ramsey to be expended in aid of Betsy Ritchie, a poor and indigent person.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Norrish, seconded by Mr. Marshall, that John McKinnon, David Wren, Peter McDonald and the McGregors be allowed, if they desire, to perform their statute labor on the cross-road on the sixth concession and west half of the seventh concession, under the joint supervision of overseers in divisions 49 and 50.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hutcheon, seconded by Mr. Norrish, that the members of this Council be and are hereby appointed a committee to examine roads and bridges where moneys may be required, and report at the next regular meeting of this Council, and that the committee be divided as follows, viz: Messrs. Menzies, Wheelihan and Hutcheon from lots 1 to 20 inclusive, together with the side-road between lots 20 and 21, west half of the Guelph Road, and that Messrs. Norrish and Marshall attend to the rest of the township for the same purpose.—Carried.

The Council adjourned to meet on Saturday, the 29th May next, as a Court of Revision and Appeal and for the transaction of township business.

COLIN CAMERON,
Township Clerk.

THE SACO MYSTERY.

Saco, Me., has a population of 6000. Of course no liquor is allowed to be sold there except for mechanical and medicinal purposes. Although situated in a healthful climate and tenanted by a sturdy race, there is an enormous amount of illness in Saco, Last year 16,000 liquor prescriptions were put up for its unfortunate denizens. Mechanism flourishes down there, too. The mechanical purposes for which whiskey is used in Maine are chiefly logging bees, barn raisings, and the like. Whatever else prohibition may be, it is favorable to "mechanical purposes" and unfavorable to the public health. The strange feature of its influence is that although Saco is such an unhealthful spot, its death rate is not abnormal. We cannot solve this Saco mystery.—World.

Meetings of Halfbreeds.

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 27.—The halfbreeds held a public meeting to-day at St. Laurent. Leading men from all the French parishes were present. Resolutions were adopted thanking the government in warm terms for the humane manner in which the halfbreeds had been treated since last spring. It was decided that the halfbreeds should ask the government for a free grant of their lands, basing the claim on being the original possessors. They will also ask that an industrial school for halfbreed children be established in the district; that amnesty be extended to the halfbreeds in prison and across the border; that naturalization be made more accessible, and that electoral districts be erected in the French settlements.

Riel's name was not mentioned.

They Were a Happy Pair.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A sensation has been created by the testimony of a servant in the trial of Rev. Mr. Dyson, a Wesleyan clergyman, now on trial with Mrs. Adelaide Bartlett for the alleged murder by chloroform of her husband Edward Bartlett, of Pimlico. The servant swore to the frequency and duration of Dyson's visits to Mrs. Bartlett. She said that whenever the clergyman called in cold weather Mrs. Bartlett warmed a pair of slippers at the fire for him, and that generally she carefully pined the blinds of the room wherein she entertained him. The servant swore that he had seen Mrs. Bartlett and the preacher sitting on the floor together and had also seen Mr. Dyson sitting in a low chair with Mrs. Bartlett on the floor before him with her head in his lap.

Partizan Appointments.

The Dufferin Post makes a number of serious, and it is said, well grounded charges against Police Magistrate Munro, appointed by the Ontario Government at the request of the prohibitionists of Dufferin to administer the Scott Act there, his chief qualification being his rabid partizanship. Is is to be hoped that the Government will be more careful in future than it has been in the past about the appointment of police magistrates and inspectors in Scott Act counties. Such appointments as those of Monro, in Dufferin, and Young and Black, in Halton, serve only to bring the Scott Act into contempt and to make the Government unpopular.

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Table Linen	20c
Table Napkins	40c
Waist Lining	10c
Skirt Lining	6½c
Muslin Lining	5c
White Cotton	4c
36 in. White Cotton	6½c
Factory Cotton	8c
Best Factory Cotton	8½c
Twill White Cotton	12½c
Twill Factory Cotton	8½c
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An Ottawa despatch to an American paper says it is rumored in liberal circles there that Hon Edward Blake, leader of the opposition, will in a few days place upon the order paper on the house of commons notice of a motion for a commission with power to send persons and papers to make a thorough enquiry into the management of lands in the Northwest, the regulations made and enforced, and the frequent changes of them concerning such lands, the disellowances of Manitoba railway charters; the government's refusal to assist local railways in the northwest; the creation of colonization companies, and all that has been done in connection with them; the government's treatment of the white settlers in that section of the dominion; their conduct towards the Metis and the Indians, and the character and conduct of the men appointed as agents of the government in the Northwest. This will amount to a direct vote of confidence motion, and will create the stormiest debate of the session, as it will attack the government on the whole northwest policy, which is the weakest point of the administration, so says the correspondent.

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CAAS. KNEES.

Milton, March 4, '86. 37-4t.

NEWS ITEMS.

Earl Cow of Wellington is dead.

North-west is to have a Court of Appeal.

Sunday was the Pope's seventy-fifth birthday.

Bismarck is suffering from a severe attack of sciatica.

Patricio Calderon, the great liberal of Chili is dead.

Servia and Bulgaria have signed the treaty of peace.

Another outbreak against the French in Tonkin is reported.

Prince Bismarck has recovered from his recent attack of sciatica.

Canada lost $1,568,728 and 69 lives in railway casualties last year.

A despatch from Westport reports great distress in the west of Ireland.

The Rothschilds of London have issued a million loan for £6,000,000.

The total increase in the Dominion's consolidated population last year was 73.

The receipts of the Irish National League for the past fortnight were $30,600.

It is reported that Servia and Bulgaria have signed a treaty of peace on Saturday.

The Liberals and Tories in the British Parliament favor the evacuation of Egypt.

The Orange leaders have decided not to push their Incorporation Bill this session.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain declines to have anything more to do with the Dilke affair.

The Queen's Proctor is somewhat reluctant to take action in Sir Charles Dilke's case.

It is asserted in Paris that laborers on the Panama Canal are dying at the rate of forty a day.

China will not consent to the cession of Burmah and the adjoining districts to England.

Lord Randolph Churchill dined with the Duke of Edinburgh before he left for Ireland.

At the St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, the number of convicts decreased by four last year.

There was an increase of 163 in the number of convicts in the Kingston Penitentiary last year.

The corporation of Cork has adopted a resolution favouring an Irish Parliament in Dublin.

A young farmer was robbed of over $400 on the road near New Hamburg on Saturday night.

The Ontario Legislature will likely be brought to a close in the third week of this month.

Mr. Broadhurst has followed Mr. Burt's example in declining to wear court dress.

An attempt was made to assassinate Dr. Sarris, the Paris correspondent of the London Times.

It is expected that the report of the Fisheries Commission will be favorable to the Behring canal.

A committee of the Hungarian Diet has given its approval to a bill for the suppression of Socialism.

There are four hundred and seventy-five more voters on the city of Kingston voters' list for 1885.

Great distress from famine and fever prevails in the villages of Caslecka, Mulyauy, and Dooley, Ireland.

The Orleanists have decided to abstain from speaking on the bill for the expulsion of the French princes.

The North-west Territories expect to have five representatives in the Commons and two in the Senate.

Lunatics and imbeciles form twenty-five per cent. of the convict population of Kingston Penitentiary.

The boycotting of the Cork Packet Co. ceased on Saturday on terms very favourable to the boycotters.

Henry Stevens, the American bibliographer, died in London on Sunday after a long and painful illness.

Emperor William's sole surviving sister celebrated the 83rd anniversary of her birthday on Wednesday.

Mr. Biggar says he has no quarrel with Mr. Parnell and that he enjoys that gentleman's complete confidence.

Mr. Davitt says if Mr. Morley fails in settling the Irish question, constitutional rule in Ireland will be ended.

A snowstorm prevailed on Monday throughout Great Britain, which seriously interfered with railway traffic.

The British Home Rule Association has done far recruited only twelve English and Scotch members of Parliament.

The agitation of British seamen against the employment of foreign seamen is spreading to the northern seaports.

Out of a total of 1,262 female voters in the city of Hamilton only 399 voted in the municipal election in January last.

George and Martha Washington were married the same day recently at a police court within sight of Mount Vernon.

Experts declare that there are autographs of Mahomet among the papyri unearthed in Egypt by Arch Duke Renier.

Parnell's party numbers 86, and this is the year '86, so if the coincidence means anything we shall see Home Rule this year.

The census shows the population of Saskatchewan, Alberta, and Assiniboia to be 56,446, five, and fifteen thousand respectively.

The London Standard (ultra Conservative) says that the "Queen and the country over which she rules have been too long separated."

It is estimated that there has been a decrease of $2,500,000 in the public debt of the United States during the month of February.

Kropotkine's object in going to London is to assist in extending the Socialist organization, and promoting international unionism.

The depositors of the defunct Exchange Bank will be paid a dividend of thirty per cent. on March 15th, making a total of fifty per cent.

It is stated that the immediate release of Riel, Baker and the Halfbreed prisoners at Tremblay Mountain Penitentiary has been taken on.

Louis Beaugrand was re-elected on Monday in Montreal by nearly two thousand majority over Mr. Decary, the anti-vaccination candidate.

It is probable that Congress will be asked to dispense the Chinese in Wyoming for the damages to which they have been recently subjected.

Ten thousand unlicensed dogs have been killed in London at the Dogs' Home since the hydrophobia scare began a few weeks ago.

Negotiations continue with the Vatican for the appointment of a Nuncio to Ireland, only accredited as the English Envoy to the Pope.

Mr. Goschen has consented to act as chairman of the Committee of Inquiry into the question of household tenures in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Pierre Lorillard's stable of twenty-two thoroughbreds, sold at auction on Saturday night, fetched the extremely good average of $5,520 each.

An elevator, with a capacity of $500,000 bushels and costing $150,000, is to be built at Rock Rock, with an especial view to the Canadian barley trade.

The leading of the Extreme Left in the French Chamber of Deputies decided by a majority of 50 to 6 to favor the immediate expulsion of the princes.

The last meeting of the Irish Parliamentary Committee, of New York, was held on Monday night. Seventy thousand dollars have been subscribed.

A great distress is in Madrid and the Ministerial Agent and Mairo are discussing the construction of boulevards for the purpose of providing work.

The toasting of the toast of "The Queen" by a member of the workingmen members of Parliament is one of the most notable discussion in London.

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