

mid y. kindly, and when really needed, from my no more.

XII.—By all means arrange it so that the last words between you and your children at bed-time, especially the younger one, shall be words of unmingled forgiveness and affection.



THE STANDARD.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1860.

Cordwood.

Parties intending to pay their subscription to the STANDARD in Wood, will require to deliver the same before the 15th of next January.

Normanby Council.

Minutes of the 5th Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Normanby.

New Year's Fete.

We again call the attention of our readers to the intended Fete to be given in the Orange Hall, Durham, on New Year's Day.

Bentnck Elections.

The next township elections for Bentnck will be held as follows:

Political Meeting in Owen Sound.

The meeting for the selection of Delegates to attend the County Convention took place on Friday evening last.

A Man Terribly Gored by his Bull.

We regret to learn that Mr. John Ellis, one of the oldest and most respected inhabitants of Caledon, was a few days since attacked and dreadfully gored by his bull.

Excution of Harris.

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Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes 'To Sheriff Snyder for proclamation of a Fair in Orchardville \$2 50', 'To the Clerk, balance of Salary for 1860 55 00', etc.

Moved by Mr. McMahon, seconded by Mr. Winkler; That this Council do now adjourn for the year and that the Clerk be requested to call the first meeting next year in the North Ward.—Carried.

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those who sell liquor, how they are destroying the thousand of poor creatures who drink liquor! In the former part of my life, I was brought up in godly form; my parents gave me good education.

The Rev. M. Stewart then read a portion of the funeral Service of the Church of England; the prisoner then asked him to make the Service as short as possible.

It may be of some interest to the public to know, that on Thursday, a young woman called at the Sheriff's office, and asked to be allowed to see Harris.

After this business was accomplished, a re-organization took place for the purpose of hearing Mr. N. C. Gowen, who was present.

On no questions did he so particularly dwell as to enunciate any remedy of his own for existing evils, except those of education and finance.

Having invited any one who desired information to propose questions to him, Mr. Gordon desired to enquire of the gentleman, as he so much deplored the empty state of the exchequer, whether he would think a person who would send his settlers to persons in this country, from Toronto to Quebec to a member of the Legislature free, and have them franked back to Grey, by that member, thereby evading postage altogether, a fit person to represent our constituency in Parliament?

Mr. Gowen hesitated to answer, as well he might, and then asked for proof, when Mr. Gordon stated that he had himself seen a letter signed by N. C. Gowen addressed to a person in this country, and in which Mr. Gowen had written "I send this to Quebec for my father to frank to you" or words to that effect.

Mr. Gowen had no alternative but to admit the soft impeachment, and tried to get out of it by saying that he had only been invited himself of the privilege given by an Act of Parliament passed by the government of which the gentleman whom he supposed Mr. Gordon was supporting, was a member.

This, however, was promptly met by its being shown that the law was intended only to cover the correspondence of members, and not that of their families and connexions, and that Mr. Gowen was defrauding the revenue to the extent of five cents for every letter so

sent, a proceeding which was justly characterized as disgraceful in any man, but particularly to one seeking the confidence of the public, and making one of his reasons his desire to retrenchment.

The following is the section of the Post Office Act referred to.—Letters and other mailable matter addressed to or sent by the Speaker or Chief Clerk of any of the Legislative Council, or of the Legislative Assembly, or to or by any member of the Legislature at the seat of Government, during any session of the Legislature, or addressed to any members or officers in this section mentioned, at the seat of Government as aforesaid, during the ten days next before the meeting of Parliament, shall be free of postage.

Letters sent to or by any member of the Legislature? not letters sent to such member by another person for a third party.

Will Mr. Gowen say with this quotation before him that any one to interpret its meaning must be a "discerner of spirits," or of other men's thoughts and intentions? More anon.—Times.

PAINFUL CASE OF SELF-DESTRUCTION IN HAMILTON.

Mr. Frank Stinson, son of Mr. T. Stinson, of Hamilton, committed deliberate suicide a few nights since. The deceased was in his 23rd year, and was a fine looking man of upward of six feet in height.

ATTEMPTING TO MURDER A CLERGYMAN.

One night last week a brutal attempt to murder the Rev. Mr. Buchanan, of the Established Church of Scotland, resident in Stirling, was made by his housekeeper, a Mrs. Avey. From what we can glean of the facts, it appears that the Rev. gentleman had retired for the night, and had fallen into a profound sleep, when he was awakened by a blow upon the head, inflicted by what was afterwards ascertained to be a turned piece of wood, used for pounding beefsteak.

Mr. Buchanan then went down stairs and left her lying on the floor. When she was afterwards found, she had got into bed in her own room, and pretended ignorance of the whole affair. She had been committed for trial. Articles belonging to Mr. Buchanan were found in her trunk, which leads to the conclusion, that had she succeeded in her purpose, she intended to rob and probably fire the house.

BIRTH.

At Allan Park, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr. George B. Allan, of a daughter.

DURHAM MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes 'DURHAM, Dec. 27, 1860', 'Flour per bush. \$2.50 to \$4.00', 'Wheat, per bush. 0.55 to 0.70', etc.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

From the 'Witness.' Flour.—Feeling in market firmer; sales yesterday of several hundred barrels, at \$4.95 for No. 1. Superfine, without inspection and comperage. Asking price to-day \$5 to \$5.10. Several sales for May delivery at \$5.75.

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DRAFT OF A Proposed SCHOOL LAW FOR UPPER CANADA.

To make better provision for the assistance and encouragement of Education in Upper Canada; and to secure to Parents and Guardians therein residing, the just exercise of their inalienable Rights and Liberties, as British Subjects, in the performance of their respective duties of Educating their children.

Duties of Assessors.

SECTION XXVII. And it shall be the Duty of each Assessor appointed by the Municipal Council of each Township, City Town and Incorporated Village in Upper Canada, at the time of making his Assessment, in each and every year, to make diligent enquiry, at each and every dwelling house, and each and all other places used as such, in the Municipality, or such part thereof, for which he is appointed Assessor,—for and of the number and names of children between the ages of nine years and sixteen years respectively—both male and female— but distinguishing the sexes, then residing in such dwelling house, or other place used as such— and of the names, and places of residence of the legal guardians, or persons claiming to be such, of such children, whether such guardians be the parents of such children or not, and whether such parents or guardians be or be not assessed for any property and shall duly record the same, and the places where such children were then respectively residing, in his Assessment Roll for that year and place. And also to enter into his Assessment Roll for such time and place all School premises as such, in a part of his Roll, separate and distinct from all other entries in the said Roll, with a full and particular description of the locality of each,—together with the assessed actual, or yearly value thereof (as the case may be) that he may be required thereto in the manner provided for by Section 19 of this Act, but not otherwise. And it shall be the duty of the Clerk of each such Municipality, after the final Revision and Passing of the Assessment Roll for such Municipality by the Court of Revision thereof, on some day not later than the 31st day of July, in each year, to certify to the said Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, and in such form as the said Council shall prescribe—the number of children of school age residing within such Municipality—and the total amount of the assessed actual value, or yearly value (as the case may be) of the assessed real property therein, as the same shall appear upon the said then last Revised Assessment Roll of that Municipality.

SECTION XXVIII. And it shall be competent to, and lawful for, the Municipal Council of any such Municipality, as mentioned in the next preceding Section, at any time, to appoint, and authorize one or more, fit and proper person, or persons, to examine Candidates or Applicants for Certificates of Ability to teach a Public School, and to refuse, or to grant such Certificates,—to be in force only in that Municipality, when, from any cause, no person—other than the Board of Examiners as provided for by Sub-section 5 of Section 3 of this Act, is appointed and authorized by the said Council of Public Instruction, as provided for by Sub-section 6, of Section 3, of this Act, to grant a Certificate, or Certificate of Ability, to be in force and effect in that Municipality: provided always, that no person, or persons, so appointed by any such Municipal Council shall have power to grant any certificate of Ability of a higher class than to teach a Common School; and provided always, that immediately upon the appointment and authorization by Warrant, of the said Council of Public Instruction—as provided for by the aforesaid Sub-Section 6 of Section 3—of a person to grant Certificates of Ability to be in force and effect in that Municipality,—the power and authority of the said person and persons, so appointed and authorized by such Municipal Council therefor,—shall cease and determine.

Jubilee Days.

SECTION XXIX. And it shall be the duty of the Head of the Municipality of each Township, City, Town and Incorporated Village, in Upper Canada, with the aid and assistance of such other fit and proper and discreet persons who shall be approved of therefor by the Council of that Municipality, to call and assemble together, on the 21st day of June in each and every year, and which day shall be called the School Children's Jubilee Day, all the children, except Students in any College or University, then of School age, and residing within that Municipality, together with all others whose parents, or guardians, choose to permit their attendance,—either in one, or more, but not to exceed five companies and places, within the Municipality; and to examine such children in such way and manner as to him shall appear fit and proper, touching their progress in Learning, and their general good conduct; and to make an Oration, or Orations, unto them, briefly setting forth therein, the history of Creation,—the Duty of man to his Creator,—the History of Mankind;—and giving a concise view of the Solar System, and Geography and of the various Arts and Sciences generally, and shewing the object and utility of learning, and an explanation of Private and public; individual and social duties, and such other matters and things as the speaker shall deem proper, and giving an exhortation to a virtuous and exemplary course of life and conduct. But no such speaker shall in any such Oration or discourse, in any way enter, or touch upon any controverted or disputed point of any Religious Doctrine; or upon any exciting Political, or other topic or question of the then present time. And it shall be lawful and competent to the Municipal Council of each such Municipality to appropriate in each year, a sum not exceeding \$50—the same to be paid from the general funds, and charge to the incidental and ordinary expenses of such Municipality, for the purpose of procuring suitable Books for Prizes and Rewards to be distributed among those of the children assembled on the said Jubilee Day who, in the opinion of such Council, shall be most deserving of the same. And also to grant and pay to the Orator, and Orators, appointed for such day, such reasonable remuneration as to such Council shall appear just and proper. And it shall be the duty of each Public School Teacher keeping School in each such Municipality to be present on such Jubilee Day, and assist the Head of such Municipality, in such manner as is by him required and directed.

TO BE CONTINUED.