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The American Civil War

A Havana letter of the 24th to the Associated Press states that the privateer Florida arrived here on the 21st from Mobile, loaded during the night and sailed on the 22nd on a piratical cruise. The "pirate" first met the barque La Ciguera, from Portlana, but the barque kept well in shore, and the pirate's boat was recalled. The La Ciguera thus escaped.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Subscriptions for 1863. Those persons inclined to increase the circulation of the STANDARD, we offer them the following inducements, viz:— Those getting up a club of seven subscribers will send one free copy one year to the get-up of the Club—or if preferred a year's subscription of MME. DEMOREST'S MIRROR OF FASHION.



THE STANDARD. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1863.

County Council.

The proceedings of the County Council at its recent session, will be regarded on the whole as of a satisfactory nature. The settlement made with the Road Contractors is based upon the admeasurements and reports of the Engineer of the County; the latter showing, as we have been given to understand, a balance of about \$20,000 as due to them (the contractors), and they claiming upwards of \$200,000. The offer to pay the former sum in 10-years debentures at par, in full of all liabilities, has been accepted.

County Property.

Last week a poor imbecile named McCaul fell in a cellar of a tavern (late Fringles) on the Durham Road, G enelg, and fractured his skull. He lingered for two days, when death put an end to his suffering. An inquest was held by Dr. Crawford, coroner, of this place, when the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death."

Bryant, Stratton & Day's Commercial College, Toronto.

We take pleasure, in calling attention to this model institution. Located in Toronto, and being connected with the great chain of colleges extending throughout the States, in either of which a Scholarship, issued from reviewing a course of study, it affords the best opportunities to obtain a thorough business education. The value of a school education depends much upon its practical use, and the aim of this institution is to give to young men a practical knowledge of the different kinds of business they may wish to pursue.

County Property.

The Warden read a communication from Mr. J. M. Ferris, Government Coal Inspector; also from Government Architect of Goals; and Financial statement from County Treasurer. Mr. John Miller was appointed Court House keeper.

WEDNESDAY.

Moved by Mr. Grier, seconded by Mr. Chaffey, That a petition be prepared and adopted by the Council signed by the Warden, and forwarded to His Excellency the Governor General and to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, praying that the decision of Parliament upon the subject of the alternate meetings of the Legislature at Toronto and Quebec, may be carried out.

Results of Intemperance.—Sad End of an Eminent Lawyer.

Andrew Harvie, a gentleman long and well known in Chicago as an eminent lawyer, and well known of the firm of Harvie, Miller & Nisson, died yesterday morning in the street. His dead body was found about 7 o'clock, by an officer at the foot of a flight of stairs leading to No. 6, Tremont Block, which he lay with his head downward and was quite dead when discovered. An inquest was held by Coroner Schmidt, and a verdict was returned by the jury that the deceased had died from cold and exposure." Mr. Harvie was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and was a graduate of Glasgow University having taken the degree of A. M. in that institution. He removed to America in 1837, and spent some years in Memphis, Tennessee, where he was engaged as a tutor. He afterwards removed to Michigan, and about 20 years ago was employed as a professor of Greek and Latin languages in a branch of the University of Michigan at Tecumseh, Lanawac county. He then removed to Detroit, and entered the office of Geo. C. Bates—now of the State—as a law student. Mr. Bates being then the U. S. District Attorney for Michigan. He there commenced a successful practice at the bar, but soon afterwards removed to Sault Ste. Marie, in Lake Superior region and was elected State senator from Chippewagon county, position which he filled with much honor, and occupied during two terms. While residing there he wrote a series of five or six articles on the Lake Superior country, which were published in Harper's Magazine, illustrated with cuts engraved from his own sketches. He removed to Chicago in the fall of 1852. He was elected President of the St. Andrew's Society in 1858 and presided with great ability at the annual dinner of the society on the 30th November in that year. He also took a leading part in Buri's centennial anniversary in the following January, and also in the succeeding extensive celebration of Washington's birth day. Since the death of his estimable wife he has been gradually sinking into dissipated habits commencing with a slight debauch, and following with a long interval of sobriety, but within the last two or three years he has become almost constantly inebriated. His friends here strove with him but to no avail, and he finally died as above stated. How long he had been lying there is not known.—The last we heard of him alive was by a policeman who saw him about midnight on his knees in Lake street. Mr. Harvie has long been lame from an abscess on his leg. His friends tried to persuade him to enter the hospital and he promised to do so, but deterred it till it was too late. But for his late unfortunate falling Mr. Harvie would now occupy a high niche in the temple of legal fame, and be looked upon—as he once was—a model of learning in his profession, a classic thinker, and an eloquent advocate. The deceased was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and is believed at one time to have held the rank of Royal Arch Mason.—Chicago Times.

THE DESTRUCTION OF HOLLY SPRINGS.

The Richmond Wig of the 10th has the following with regard to the capture of Holly Springs:— "We have already published a statement from the correspondent of a N. Y. paper, who estimates the Yankee loss at the Holly Springs at \$5,000,000. The amount of goods captured and their value will astonish our readers. It is greatly to be regretted that the 100,000 suits of clothing could not have been returned; but we have the satisfaction of knowing that, for the want of them, the Yankee soldiers will suffer greatly. The Southern account from an eye-witness says:— "The surprise camp surrendered 1,800 men, and 150 commissioned officers, who were immediately paroled. And then commenced the work of destruction. The extensive buildings of the Mississippi Central Depot, the station-house, were filled with supplies of clothing and commissary stores. Outside of the Depot, the barrels of flour estimated a half a mile in length 150 feet high and 15 feet wide. Turpentine was thrown over this and the whole amount was destroyed. Up to the court house and public buildings, livestock stables and all capacious establishments were filled with high, with medical and ordnance stores. These were all fired, and the explosion of one of the buildings, in which there was stored one hundred barrels of powder, knocked down nearly all the houses on the south side of the square. Surely such a scene of devastation was never before presented to the eye of man. Glance at the gigantic estimate. "1,800,000 fixed cartridges and other ordnance stores, valued at one million five hundred thousand dollars, including 5000 rifles and 2000 revolvers. "100,000 suits of clothing and other quartermaster stores, valued at \$500,000; \$500,000 flour and other commissary stores valued at \$500,000. "1,000,000 worth of medical stores, for which invoices of that amount were exhibited and 1500 boxes of cotton, and six hundred thousand dollars worth of sutler's stores. "While the capture of the camp, paroling of the prisoners and destroying of the stores were going on, the Texas Rangers, comprising the Ninth, Sixth and Third Regiments, became engaged with the Michigan cavalry, and drove them pell mell, through town, and run them off North, with considerable loss to the abolitionists, and a loss of thirty killed and wounded on our part. "The ladies rushed out from their houses, wild with joy crying out, 'There's some at the Fair Grounds. Chase them, kill them, for God's sake.' One lady said: 'The Yankee commandant of the post is in my house; I am alone and catch him?' and a search was instituted, but without success; when the noble woman insisted that he was there, concealed; and finally after much ado, the gallant (save the mark) Col. Murphy, the intrepid commander of the Holly Springs, was pulled out from under his bed, and presented himself in his nocturnal habiliments to his captors." The United States sloop-of-war, Brooklyn, in company with six other Federal steamers, were off Galveston. They saw a steamer in the offing. The steamer Hatteras immediately got under way to speak with her, and when within hailing distance asked who she was, and received answer: 'Her Majesty's sloop-of-war Spitfire.' The commander of the Hatteras told them to wait and he would send a boat to her, and had just lowered a boat with an officer and crew in her, when the steamer opened her broadside and fired into the Hatteras. The Brooklyn got under way and started in pursuit of the stranger, but night coming on, lost sight of her, and was compelled to give up the chase. On returning, it was found that the Hatteras had sunk in nine fathoms of water. The steamer was no doubt the privateer Albatross. The Hatteras was merely a transport, and carried four guns of light calibre.

The Fortunes of Walkerton.

The Mount Forest Examiner, in his advocacy of the formation of a new county for the convenience of Mount Forest, resorted to the impropriety of disparaging Walkerton in the County of Bruce. When we defended Walkerton we declared our conviction that the proclamation erecting it into the County-seat of Bruce would not be revoked. Our contemporary affected to be of a very different opinion. Not satisfied with the common forms of dissent, his indignation encroached on the prophetic, and his readers were treated to a chapter on the "doom of Walkerton." Latterly our contemporary has been hobnobbing with the denizens of Orangeville and Collingwood. These separate interests cannot safely be pushed in a spirit of independent hostility, hence the Examiner has consented to a division of some townships.—But to revert to Walkerton. It will be in the recollection of our readers that in or about the year 1858, Walkerton was proclaimed the County Town of Bruce. At that time Southampton, Kincairdine, and some other places were grievously disappointed at the selection, and they managed to resist an appropriation for the purpose of carrying out the proclamation. In 1859 an act was passed revoking the proclamation and authorizing the Governor in Council to ascertain the wishes of the people in reference to a site, and then to give effect to them. The question was again taken up by the Provisional Council of Bruce, and resulted in favor of Walkerton over all other competing places. This action the Governor very properly regarded as an expression of the will of the people, and supplemented it by a second time proclaiming Walkerton as the County Town of Bruce.—The dissatisfied have, until the 2nd instant, succeeded in keeping the matter in abeyance, to the no small injury to the peace and material prosperity of the County.

Death of Ex-Chief Justice Robinson, Bart.

Another great and good man has passed from amongst us. The Leader informs us that the Ex-Chief Justice breathed his last at his residence in Toronto on Saturday morning the 31st ult. Deceased was born on the 26th July, 1791, and was consequently in the 72nd year of his age. As a statesman and jurist he had no superior and few equals in the Province, and we fear the country will not soon see his like again.

The Battle of Murfreesboro.

The Chattanooga Rebel says:— "As the smoke of the late battle clears away, and the confusion incident to all battle fields subsides, we are enabled to arrive at some estimate of the results of the last two months and a half of activity in front of Murfreesboro. The actual statistics of the combats of Wednesday and Friday last may be summed as follows, in round numbers:— Prisoners taken, 5,000; pieces of artillery, 61; small arms, 7,500; wagons destroyed, 950; enemy's loss in killed and wounded, 9,000; our loss—killed 1,000, and wounded, 3,500."

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Lecture on Christian Miracles.

Dr. Stephenson, of Owen Sound, delivered a lecture on the above topic in the Presbyterian Church in this place, last Wednesday evening. The lecturer proceeded to show that the supernatural and miraculous as recorded in Scripture are quite in accordance with the will of the Creator as revealed in his works from the beginning of the world. As we have no space at our disposal we must close our notice with the remark that the lecture was highly interesting and instructive—not only as a defence of the Scriptures, but also in a historical and scientific point of view. Next Wednesday evening Rev. Mr. Hay will lecture in the same place—subject—William Cowper.

The Printer.

This valuable work is before us. It contains valuable information for publishers and compositors, and should be more generally patronized by the Craft.—Published by John Greason & Co., 11 Spruce Street, New York, at \$1 per annum.

Petty Theft.

Last Sunday night the Grist-Mill of Mr. Paterson in this place was broken open and three or four bags of flour stolen therefrom. We hope to hear of the offenders being speedily brought to justice.

To Correspondents.

We are in receipt of a poetical effusion descriptive of the late Municipal election in North Ward, Glenelg. The writer having omitted to accompany the document in question with his name, we cannot depart from our rule relative to anonymous communications.

Running-stitch Sewing Machines.

We have now in use one of MME. DEMOREST'S \$5 Running-stitch Sewing Machines, and we must say it exceeds our most sanguine expectations. Those desiring this useful article of household economy may easily obtain it by fulfilling the terms of our premium list.

A Complimentary Dinner.

was lately given to Mr. Gillespy of the Hamilton Spectator, by the citizens of Hamilton. This is a fitting rebuke to our unprincipled Ministry, who deprived Mr. Gillespy of the office of Emigration Agent because he would not support them in their recreancy to the great questions of Upper Canada interest which they had adjured. This is one of a long list of grievances which will be settled in due time.

Atlantic Monthly, Boston: Ticknor & Fields, Feb. 1863.

The present number opens with an interesting dissertation on the rulers of Britain during the past five or six centuries entitled "Sovereigns and Sons." "Under the Pear Tree" is a readable literary production. "Shelley" is the title of an admirable biographical sketch of the great author who bears this name. "The Law of Costs" is a well written paper on the present war; and by the force of stern logic and sound reason teaches a lesson it would be well for all to learn. The other contents are par excellence; and on the whole the present is a worthy number of the Atlantic.

A destructive fire occurred in Belleville on the 29th ult.

Divison Courts—County Grey.

1st Div, Owen Sound, Friday, 27th Feb., 9 a.m. 6th " Sullivan, Monday, 2nd Mar., 10 a.m. 2nd " Durham, Tuesday, 3rd " 9 a.m. 7th " M. Forest, Wednesday, 4th " 9 a.m. 5th " Eton, Thursday, 5th " 9 a.m. 4th " Thornbury, Friday, 6th " 3 p.m. 3rd " Meaford, Saturday, 7th " 9 a.m.

County Council.

(From the Owen Sound Times.) The Council of the Corporation of the County of Grey met for the transaction of general business at the Court House, in this town on Tuesday last, the 27th inst. Members present: Messrs. W. K. Flesher, and J. McDonald, Aldermen; George Jackson and Jas. Hopkins, Benintick; Wm. White, Collingwood; R. L. Frost, Derby; James Kerr, Euphrasia; H. Wakefield and Jackson Reid, Egremont; S. B. Chaffey and Wm. Morrison, Glenelg; Joseph Byers, Holland; Wm. McNaught, Keppel; Chas. McDowell, Melancthon; W. H. Ryan and Jno. Robinson, Normanby; Thomas Gamey, Osprey; Wm. McDonald, Proton; Jno. Couper and John D. Donald, Sydenham; Jas. Grier and Jesse T. Parly, St. Vincent; D. Bryant, Sullivan; A. M. Stephens, Owen Sound.

WARDEN'S ADDRESS.

GENTLEMEN:—I am obliged by your having elected me to the office of Warden by a large majority of unsolicited votes. I shall endeavor to discharge the important duties thereof to the best of my ability, and I am quite satisfied from your experience in the management of Municipal affairs, that I shall receive from you all that assistance and forbearance which will make the business of the year mutually agreeable to ourselves, and of advantage to the County. I am unable, officially to make any announcement of the sad state in which the matter now stands between the Road Contractors and the County, other than that a definite proposition from the Contractor is in the hands of the Committee appointed at the last session of the Council to examine and report in reference to that matter. In reminding you of this fact, I may be permitted to give expression to the conviction that the Committee will be able to make such a presentation of facts as will aid the Council in devising some satisfactory method of removing the pending obstacle to the completion of our roads. I advert to the very serious diminution of the resources of the County—which has arisen from a decision in the Court of Common Pleas, in reference to the liability of unpatented lands to assessment—for the purpose of urging upon you the necessity of petitioning the Legislature to pass an Act for the removal of all doubts in reference to the liability of purchased but unpatented and unoccupied lands to taxation. The Warden appointed Mr. W. H. Carney as Auditor, the Council appointed Mr. J. C. Spragg.

Report of the Special Committee.

Your Committee beg leave to recommend the appointment of the following named gentlemen as Standing Committees for the current year, viz:— FINANCE & ASSESSMENT.—Messrs. Stephens, Couper, Grier, Gamey, Hopkins, Flesher, and Ryan. Mr. Flesher, chairman. ROADS & BRIDGES.—Messrs. Purdy, Morrison, McDowell, W. McDonald. Mr. Parly, chairman. EDUCATION.—Messrs. Kerr, McDonald, Byers, Robertson, Chaffey, Wakefield, and White. Mr. Chaffey, chairman.

THURSDAY.

The Warden presented report from Mr. A. McNab, relative to the probability of making a road to the extremity of the Indian peninsula to connect with the Manitoulin Islands, said report having been asked for by resolution at last December Session. The report was read to the Council by the Warden.

FRIDAY.

Moved by Mr. Fryant, seconded by Mr. Byers, That the petition of Robert Gell and others, respecting the establishment of a public Fair at Johnstown, receive the endorsement of this Council. Mr. Flesher presented the report of the Finance Committee. The Warden read communication from Dr. McGregor of Johnstown, asking to be appointed Local Superintendant of District No. 1. Mr. Stephens presented report of committee on the Warden's Address, which was received and adopted.

FRIDAY EVENING, 8.30.

The committee appointed by the Council to make a proposition to Mr. Manning to accept \$15,000 as payment in full of all further claims (including, of course, all monies due him under contract.) reported that Mr. Manning would not accept those terms, but that he had made a proposition to the Council, viz: that he was willing to accept \$20,000 in Debentures at par, payable in ten years. The yeas and nays being called for by the Council, were as follows:— YEAS.—Flesher, J. McDonald, Jackson, Frost, Hopkins, McNaught, Ryan, Couper, Bryant, Grier, and Stephens—11. NAYS.—White, Kerr, Wakefield, Reid, Byers, Chaffey, Morrison, McDowell, Robertson, W. McDonald, Gamey, Donald and Parly—13.

LATEST.

Gravel Road Question Settled. SATURDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.—The Warden tendered his resignation, which was not accepted by the Council.

CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY.

Dr. Connor has been appointed Chancellor of the University of Toronto simultaneously with his elevation to a judgeship in the Court of Queen's Bench.—Leader.

THE HAMILTON TIMES.

The Hamilton Times speaks of Mr. S. B. Freeman as likely to become a candidate for the representation of South Oxford, rendered vacant by the elevation of Dr. Connor to the Bench.

THE WINTER TRADE.

The first instalment of the immense winter trade from Durham and surrounding country, made its appearance here on Tuesday last, in the shape of some twenty-five teams from the village of Durham, with wheat, each having about seventy bushels to the load. We are also informed that there are fifty teams on their way from Walkerton, and will arrive during the course of the day. Collingwood Enterprise.