

Thursday, March 2, 1899.

The majority given for Holmes in West Huron last week was over 100 not 75 as our first despatches gave.

While we have been shivering at 30 deg. below zero, our Australian cousins have suffered ruinously from drought and thousands of sheep and cattle have died.

The Ontario Government is going to introduce some important legislation to supplement the loss of revenue caused by recent restricting timber legislation. 1. Brewers and distillers are to be taxed. 2. Banks, Loan Companies, Trust Companies, Railways and such like corporations are to be asked to contribute.

The Dominion House, it is reported, is to meet on March 16, much quicker than was expected. The Local House should get through before that time, for with both Houses in session at once it receives scant attention from the public, and legislation we believe, is more apt to lag. One at a time, please.

Kipling, "The poet Laureate of the Anglo-Saxon race," has for 8 days been at the point of death in New York. An intense interest centres in him and fervent wishes for his recovery are being expressed over the world. His poetry has stirred the English speaking heart in a way no poet has ever done, and his death at the early age of 34 would be mourned as a national calamity.

A bill to abolish tax exemptions is before the Legislature, and meetings of clerical and educational bodies are being held to plan for its defeat. There is always "much to be said on both sides" on such questions, but the tendency of the times, and above all, the principle of separation of Church and State calls for abolition of exemptions. Baptist churches have taken the lead in demanding no exemptions, but the other bodies are divided.

Canadian public opinion seems highly gratified the Commissioners are home without a treaty. Some Conservative papers here and there denounce them for coming home empty, and it is safe to say they would have been denounced had they brought one home. Mr. Bertram, M. P. in a recent speech says that after an interview with Sir Wilfrid Laurier since he came home, he is convinced the country's interests are safe in the hands of the distinguished statesman.

Dr. Jamieson, M. P. P., is father of a bill before the Legislature having for its object the prohibiting of boys carrying firearms under the age of 16. This is good in itself, and if our legislators could go a step further, and prohibit the sale or purchase of toy pistols and guns by loving parents and friends and arrest old Santa Claus himself when found dealing out these articles, they would strike at the root of the evil. A boy who has worn out two toy pistols, will generally yearn for the genuine.

A curious and degrading sight was seen in Montreal last week. 200 Chinamen, enroute for Mexico, had to be detained for inspection by U. S. officers in Montreal. A rebellious spirit broke out amongst them, and a force of police had to be employed to watch them like beasts. They crouched and moaned in terror, and as Montreal Chinese did not understand their dialect, no explanation could be given. Like cattle, a few at a time, this human freight was inspected and went to practical slavery on Mexican railways.

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Pretty Weddings. Tonight

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Donnelly-Ferguson

Last Wednesday at the residence of Mr. James Ferguson, lot 12, con. 3, Normanby, the nuptials of his eldest daughter, Lizzie, were celebrated. The man of her choice is one of Bentinck's stalwart sons, Mr. Moses Donnelly, of Allan Park, and quite a number of old friends and neighbors gathered at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson to wish the young couple "Godspeed." The house is not a large one, but it was a case of "a little house well filled," and the entertainment of the guests was all that could be desired. Rev. D. L. Campbell, pastor of Knox church, was the officiating minister, and at 4.30 p. m. the handsome bride, supported by her father, came in and took their place beside the bridegroom. She was supported by her sister, Miss Bertha, while Mr. James Donnelly saw his brother through the ceremony.

The bride was becomingly attired in a brown velvet dress trimmed with cream colored silk, lace and ribbon, while the bridesmaid appeared to much advantage in a dove-colored Henrietta, trimmed similarly to the bride's.

The vows having been plighted and congratulations over the wedding dinner was partaken of, and of this it is high praise to say it was of Mrs. Ferguson's best, and its abundance was characteristic of the hosts.

Before, during and after dinner, the hours were pleasantly spent with music, vocal and instrumental, song and chat, which the young people kept up on into the night, and each as they left wished all good things to Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly who are about to take up their home in Bentinck.

Beside immediate relatives and neighbors there were present from Durham, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Walls, Mr. C. Ramage, and the list following speaks eloquently to the esteem in which the bride is held.

Dinner and tea set, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ferguson; tea set, Mr. and Mrs. D. Donnelly; silver butter dish, Dr. and Mrs. Jamieson; crystal set, Mr. and Mrs. H. Caldwell; carving knife and fork, Mr. Sam Caldwell; 1 doz. silver desert knives, Mrs. E. Lochead, Detroit; parlor lamp, Mr. and Mrs. W. Caldwell, Durham; pepper and salt cruet & syrup pitcher, with Durham Review for one year, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ramage; silver pickle castor, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hoy; eight day clock, Mr. Jas. Donnelly; 2 pr. lace curtains, parlor lamp, silver butter dish, Miss Bertha Ferguson; lady's companion, Mr. Jas. Cripps; white bed spread, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hunter; parlor lamp, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Walls; silver pickle castor, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McCalmon; 2 dessert spoons, sugar spoon, butter knife, and mirror, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCalmon; side-board, Mr. Colin Blyth, and Miss J. McVane; set irons, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Caldwell; vinegar bottle, Miss Myrtle Caldwell; parlor lamp, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Watson; cheese dish, Misses M. & Hannah Fee; crystal set, Mr. J. Morrice; 3 doz. desert dishes, Mr. D. and Miss McIlvride; silver pickle castor, Mr. Wm. McCalmon, Jr.; syrup pitcher, Mr. and Miss Marshall; pepper and salt cruet, Messrs. J. and J. Moore; set irons, Mr. and Miss Thompson; card receiver and 1 pair towels, Mr. A. and Miss J. Marshall; carving knife and fork, Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall; 1 pr. lace curtains, Misses M. and N. Wallace; silver salt and pepper shaker, Mr. E. and Miss L. Hoy; lemonade set, Mrs. and Miss Blyth; white table spread, Miss M. McNeice; fruit bowl, Mr. and Miss Gadd; lady's and gent's cup and saucer, Master Walter Ferguson.

Austin-Johnston,

The same evening the home of Mr. Wm. Johnston, Durham, was the scene of a gay and brilliant gathering assembled for the marriage of his daughter Lizzie to Mr. John Austin, formerly of Durham, now of Reynolds, N. D.

Promptly at 7 p. m. Rev. Mr. Jansen was ready and as Prof. Peel played the wedding march the bride came in leaning on the arm of her father, and again "this man" and "this woman" pledged themselves for mutual fidelity, for better for worse. The bride and groom were supported respectively by Miss Hattie Watt, a cousin, and Mr. T. Storey, now of Chatsworth, but an old and warm companion of Mr. Austin.

The bride looked lovely in a happy combination of women's "fixins," and we might stop here and have said much, but our lady readers must and shall have it more in detail. The dress was of cream serge, trimmed with broadened silk, pearl trimming, silk lace and satin ribbon. She wore a beautiful bridal veil and orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet composed of pink and white carnations and maiden hair fern, tied with satin streamers. She subsequently appeared in an elegant evening dress of bright scarlet, trimmed with velvet and cream cashmere, with a pretty spray and star ornament in her hair.

The bridesmaid, Miss Hattie Watt, was dressed like a poem in a pale blue lustre, trimmed with turquoise gimp, white insertion and ribbon, with a love-

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ly spray ornament in her hair. She also carried a bouquet of pale pink carnations and fern with satin streamers. The dinner followed and several tables of guests partook of the abundance of good things provided for the feast. A lovely 6 story wedding cake, the work of Mrs. Johnston, adorned the table, gratified the eye, and pleased the palate. It was trimmed with silver leaves and roses and crowned with orange blossoms.

Several hours were subsequently spent socially and very enjoyably. In a family every one of whose members is welling over with music, who are skilled performers on various instruments, it "doesn't take long to spend an hour."

Mr. and Mrs. Austin left Friday morning to visit relatives in Fergus, Galt and elsewhere, and will leave for their Western home about March 10. The travelling dress of the bride was of blue cerise cloth, velvet bodice, trimmed with gimp and large white pearl buttons shirred cream silk yoke and collar. Miss Alice Johnston, who arrived from Toronto the day before intends to accompany them west.

The best wishes of the community go with them. Mr. Austin is a most estimable young man doing a thriving blacksmithing business in Reynolds, N. D., and takes with him in his fair Canadian bride an accomplished and cultured young lady.

Following are the presents, valuable and useful. Some of them it will be seen are from Huntsville friends, where Mrs. Austin spent the last two years and made many friends.

Miss Pickle Cruet, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Robertson; Biscuit Jar, Mr. and Mrs. T. Brown; Silver Fruit Dish, Mr. and Mrs. N. McIntyre; 4 dozen Table Spoons, Mr. and Mrs. Dan, Greenwood, Edge Hill; Silver Butter Knife, Mr. W. J. Morgan, Huntsville; 4 dozen Sterling Silver Spoons, Mrs. F. W. Clearwater, Huntsville; Broad Trencher and Knife, Mr. J. Rose; Silver Butter Knife, Miss Mary Watt, Sault Ste. Marie; 1 dozen Silver Tea Spoons, Mr. and Mrs. W. Caldwell, Varney; Silver Butter Knife, Miss Minnie Fox; Carving Knife and Fork, Mr. and Mrs. W. Caldwell, Durham; Bronze Clock, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Strachan, Huntsville; 4 dozen Silver Knives and Forks, Mrs. J. Jamieson, Kirkwall; Linen Table Cloth, Miss Janet Johnston; Celluloid Collar and Cuff Box, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ramage; Hem Stitched Table Cloth, Mrs. Neil McKechnie; Bed Spread, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Storey; Bed Spread, Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins; Pair Blankets, V. E. Tanner, Mount Forest; Towel, Mrs. Geo. Watt; Set Towels, Mr. Neil McKechnie; Set Doylies, Mrs. Jas. Park; Set Doylies, Mrs. Snyder, Fergus; Pair Doylies, W. J. Morgan, Huntsville; Fancy Tray Cloth, Mrs. T. W. Milne, Fergus; Smoked Silver Butter Dish, Mr. T. H. Storey; Silver Butter Dish, Mr. and Mrs. G. Moore; Silver Sugar Bowl and Spoon, Mr. and Mrs. T. Allan; Silver Pickle Cruet, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawson; China Lamp, Mr. R. MacFarlane, r.; Glass Fruit Dish, Mr. A. McDouald; Vase, Master Delbert Moore; 4 doz. Servers, Miss T. Byers; 4 pieces Glassware, Mr. and Mrs. P. Reid, Dromore; Cheese Dish, Miss Lottie Beaton; Paper Knife and Weight, Miss H. E. Watt, Toronto; Fancy Cake Plate, Mr. A. Bell; China Lamp, Mr. and Mrs. E. Milligan; Fancy Cake Plate, Miss May Saunders; Large Silver Tray, Mr. Jno. McKechnie; Silver Mustard Pot, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnston; Photo.

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