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NOTICE.

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TO HOTEL KEEPERS, SHOP KEEPERS, and all whom it may Concern.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of License Commissioners for the License District of South Grey will meet on

Thursday the 19th day of April, 1900.

—IN THE—

Village of Holstein, at Klempp's Hotel. at 10 o'clock, a. m.

When all applications for Licenses for the License Year of 1900 and 1901 will be considered. The number of Licenses issued for year 1899-00 was:

	Tavern	Shop
Town of Durham	3	0
Township of Glenelg	1	0
" Normanby	9	0
" Bentinck	6	0
" Egremont	2	0
" Proton	3	0
Village of Dundalk	3	0

The applications for Licenses for 1900-1901 are as follows:

	Tavern	Shop
Town of Durham	3	0
Township of Glenelg	2	0
" Normanby	10	0
" Bentinck	3	0
" Egremont	2	0
" Proton	3	0
Village of Dundalk	3	0
" Hanover	3	0

Of whom Katherine Hergott of the Township of Normanby is applying for a new License for the House and Premises, situate at Moltke in the Township of Normanby. Wm. Ryan of the Tp. of Glenelg is applying for a new license for the Hotel and premises situated at Rob Roy in said Township.

☞ *All petitions relating to the granting or refusal of Licenses must be filed with the Inspector at least four days before April 19, 1900. Parties interested will govern themselves accordingly.*

THOS. A. HARRIS, Inspector.
rham, April 2nd, 1900.

OUR OTTAWA LETTER.

The last budget of the century has been presented to the country and to say that it met all the most sanguine expectations that have been created by the periodical statements of progress and development that have been made public during the year, is to put the case very mild. Mr Fielding's speech in presenting his financial statement was concise, and held the close attention of the House and galleries; but had it been the most prosaic statement on record it would have been interesting, for its subject matter was of a character to appeal to the most responsive feelings of every elector.

The Story of the Budget.

It told the story of an increase in Canada's trade from $239,000,000 in 1896 to $374,000,000 in 1900 an increase of $135,000,000 in four years against $66,600,000 in the previous eighteen years. It told of a growing revenue in each of those years which culminated in an increase of more than $6,000,000 in 1899 over that of 1898. It told of an estimated revenue for the current year, ending in June of over $50,000,000, which will be yet another $4,000,000 in excess of last year or an increased revenue of $10,000,000 in two years, and this in the face of substantial reductions in taxation, the result of large additions to the imports placed upon the free list, to the operation of the preferential tariff, to the reduction in postage rates, &c. It told of new sources of revenue and reductions in the cost of administering the old departments. It told of every liability met including the heavy expenditures on the South African contingents, and not a dollar added to the public debt, —a condition of affairs which has not occurred for nearly twenty years,—and it told of an estimated surplus for the year now drawing to a close, of probably $7,500,000.

The Days of Unrest are gone

In the old days when the national policy was in the heyday of its glory and the Dominion was protection mad, the bringing down of the budget was always anticipated with nervous anxiety by the business community, and the event was invariably preceded by a period of uncertainty and restless expectation which had a most injurious effect upon the trade of the country Ottawa was invaded by scores of deputations representing every variety of 'infant industry", the promoters of which were anxious to obtain special tariff advantages at the expense of the community at large. But this sort of thing has entirely changed Unrest has given place to confidence, and the feeling of anxiety to a sense of security. The people have discovered that there is a government in power able to direct the fiscal policy of the country along clearly defined lines, respecting and conserving every legitimate interest in the country, while at the same time lessening the burden of taxation upon the people, and returning to the country a hundred cents for every dollar of revenue received. Appreciating this fact they also understand how much or rather how little attention to pay to

The Perpetual Chatter

about extravagance in expenditure and increase of the public debt. They realize that while it is true that the expenditure during the last two or three years has been increased, for example by $2,370,000 through the cost of administering the Yukon, the revenue has been increased to $2,570,000 from the same source; That railway construction has been pushed forward with greater activity and therefore that more money has been required within a given time for that purpose; that our canal system from the great lakes to the seas has been completed in three years instead of in about thirteen, which would have been the time at the old rate of progress,—and they appreciate the fact that in all this and in a dozen other ways an added expenditure both in income and capital account, is an investment from which the country will reap big returns.

—Archibald Forbes, the well-known war correspondent is dead at the age of 62.

—The "Delegoa Bay Railway Award" is settled after having been in the hands of Swiss arbitrators for about 10 years. The award makes Portugal pay to Great Britain and the United States the sum of 15,315,000 francs The amount is less than was expected and the long time taken, the expense incurred by the arbitrators and their friends who were employed as engineers and commissioners has dealt a blow at arbitration as a means of settling disputes. The trouble was something as follows: Portugal granted a concession to build a railway through her territory and after enterprising American and British capitalists had the work done for some strange reason now admitted to be indefensible, the concession was withdrawn, and the entire railway property confiscated. The two English speaking governments at once took action, and the little kingdom asked and get the matter put into the hands of arbitrators who have just now made this unsatisfactory award It was expected Portugal would not be able to pay the award, but she will now be able to pay this comparatively small sum, and if she cant France and Russia would very willingly help her to prevent Britain getting a claim on it.

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THE WAR.

At the middle of last week everything was quiet, or appeared to be. Roberts was strengthening himself in the Free State, Kitchener was quieting rebellion in the west, French and others were trying to head off the band of 6000 Boers retreating from Northern Cape Colony, Badan-Powell in Mafeking was looking in vain for relief, the Boers were massing at Kroonstadt, and a mass of controdictory information was being furnished which was fast making the war lose public interest.

Thursday brought the startling news that Boer commander-in-chief Joubert was dead, and interest and speculation was again aroused. Would his loss farther dishearten the enemy? Would there be rivalry for his position? After many touching tributes from friend and foe, from Kruger, from the Queen and others, the situation cleared with Botha in command, and Friday gave the British something else to think off when Lord Roberts' message arrived announcing an action at Karree Siding, with the enemy driven off but at serious loss.

Boer activity was again prominent: Olivier with his 6000 and a waggon train 30 miles long had escaped, bands of Boers had been seen between Bloemfontein and Kimberly, Kruger had notified the women and children to get out of Bloemfontein as he intended to bombard it within 5 days and so the week closed.

Monday brought news of British defeat. Col. Pilcher, of Sunnyside fame had taken Ladybrand in the east, but was forced to retire. Part of his force under Col. Broodwood were being pressed on the rear, and to make sure of the guns, a convoy was sent with them to Bloemfontein 13 miles off, and this convey walked right into——a Boer trap, with loss of 7 guns and about 300 men 'missing.' Scouts, if there were any, had failed to discover the Boer ambush. 5 out of 12 guns were saved, more lives sacrificed fo they could see no enemy, and an event, not much in itself, had occurred which will go a long way to nullify Roberts' proclamations. All this with 80000 British 12 miles away.

Mounted riders soon gave the alarm, French, with the Canadians amongst others, at once gave chase to try to recapture the guns and convoy, but up to this (Tuesday night,) with no assured success. Really, if Lord Roberts should near a laugh across the Drakensberg Mts. he might be excused for thinking it was Buller laughing in his sleeve.

It is thought a big engagement is now on and the next 10 days will show something interesting Meanwhile the British authorities are preparing (and they are behind hand) to fit the army for the approaching Cape winter, and the end of the war has been shunted further on.

See war news on our inside pages.

ment of society got scant recognition because 'you have no vote.'" The lecture was much appreciated. Miss Wiggins has a fine voice and stage presence, and will have a larger house should she come again. The collection amounted to over $11.00. Rev. Mr. Farquharson opened the meeting with devotional exercises and Rev. Mr. Sharp closed. The Society at both meetings received an accession to its membership.

"HER MAJESTY."

Monday evening last our dear old Queen with her burden of 81 yrs. upon her started on a journey to Ireland which may prove to be the most momentous and we hope will prove the most beneficent of her long long reign.

Extraordinary preparations are being made for her safety, every one scents danger, not from the Irish as a people, but from some morbid cranks who may see a chanee for notoriety.

Before leaving she visited Frogmore, where the remains of Prince Albert lie, and how intensely pathetic is the visit! She too, we believe, recognizes that there is danger, that she may never come back, and her last look and act is given to the memory of the husband of her youth, and she steps out "in the fierce light that beats upon a throne," on a mission of peace, of gratitude, of sympathy and of appreciation, to a nation, which has often yearned for such a visit and which, with few exceptions, will we believe prove worthy of it.

Dublin is en fete, its population of 360-000 has been swelled to a million, the occasion is historic, all Ireland is throbbing, and the empire will look on with thrilling interest and say "God Save the Queen and ould Ireland."

MARRIED.

McLEAN—McQUARRIE.—At the residence of the bride's parents, on Wednesday, March 28th, by the Rev. Wm. Graham, Mr. Lachlan McLean, of Tobermory, to Miss Eliza McQuarry, of Mull Corners.

BORN.

ENGLISH.—In Glenelg on the 20th ult the wife of R. English of a daughter

YAWNT.—In Bentinck on the 25th ult., the wife of Wm. Yawnt of a daughter.

CASTLE.—In Holland on the 29th ult. the wife of James Castle of a son.

AMAGE.—In Egremont on March 28th the wife of Wm. Ramage, of a son.

DURHAM MARKETS.

Flour	1 80	2 20
Wheat	58	60
Peas	60	60
Barley	35	40
Oats	26	27
Lambs	3 25	3 50
Dressed Hogs, per cwt	5 00	6 00
Hogs, Live weight	5 00	5 00
Beef, per cwt	5 00	6 00
Lard, per lb	7	8
Butter, fresh roll per lb	18	19
Butter, Tub	18	18
Eggs	15	15
Hides, per cwt	7 00	7 50
Calfskins, per lb	7	8
Sheepskins	60	1 00
Tallow rendered per lb	4	5
Hay	6 00	7 00
Apples, per bag	70	1 00
Potatoes, per bag	40	45
Wood, per cord	1 50	2 00

Live Stock Market.

TORONTO.

Trade dull.

Export cattle in fair demand at steady prices.

Butchers' cattle in poor demand; prices weak.

Other cattle steady.

Hogs steady.

Sheep and lambs dull.

Quality of cattle was fair.

Choice cattle had a comparatively good trade.

Run was large, 68 loads, made up of 800 cattle, 2,000 hogs, 50 sheep and lambs and 28 calves.

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Export Bulls—While a few extra choice bulls sold as high as $4.25 per cwt the average bullocks sold at $3.75 to $4 per cwt, and lighter stock at $3.40 to $3 60 per cwt. Demand was not brisk.

Butchers, Cattle—Demand was slow, offerings large and price weak. A few choice cattle sold at fair price, but average sales were $4 to $4.25 for choice, $3.50 to $3.90 for good, $3 to $3.40 for medium and mixed lots, $2.50 to $3 per cwt for rough grades.

Feeder—Light offerings and fair demand at steady prices.

Stockers—Demand holds good offering fair and prices unchanged as per table.

Bulls—Demand for all grades of bulls was not strong. Offerings were light and prices steady.

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Sheep—Trade very dull, with light offerings to a weak demand at unchanged prices.

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Proton Council.

Before commencing business the reeve and members of the council briefly gave expression to their deep regret at having to be present on the occasion to appoint a successor to their late treasurer of whom every one present spoke in terms of the warmest admiration and of their sorrow at his having been so suddenly called away.

The municipal council of the Township of Proton met at the call of the Reeve at the McCullough House on Saturday March 24th for the purpose of appointing a treasurer. Members of the council all present the reeve James Corbett presiding.

Wright—Wilson — That whereas the office of treasurer has become vacant through the death of Robt Russell the esteemed and respected treasurer of the township, an occurence every member of the council deeply regret, we feel that the gap in our ranks caused by his death will not easily be filled and that we shall greatly miss his genial kindly presence at our council board, and whereas we are directed by statute to appoint another treasurer the clerk be instructed to draft a by-law in accordance therewith and that the pay of the treasurer shall be $100,00 per annum, and that he give bonds of $12,000. Applications were received and read from Alex Gillespie, John Scott, C L McArthur, and James Russell. After consideration of the applications it was moved by Daniel Wilson sec. by Jos McArdle that James Russell be appointed his duties to be in accordance with the provincial statutes and the by-laws of the township.

Cooper—Wilson—That the by-law appointing a treasurer having been read a first and second time be now read a third time, signed, sealed and engrossed in the by-law book.

Wilson — Wright — That J A Cooper and George Wright be a committee to examine into the treasurer's securities.

Cooper—Wilson—That the reeve, clerk and councillor McArdle be a committee to draft a letter of condolence to be presented to the family of the late treasurer.

McArdle—Cooper—That W J Fry be paid 50 cents work on T L P and Melancthon work of 1899.

McArdle — Cooper — That the council receive their pay up to date $8 each.

Wright—Wilson — That the clerk be paid part salary $30.

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