New Advertisements.

Hay Rakes—Robt. McFarlane, Durham.
New Bank—J. A. Halsted and Co., Durham.
Dress and Mantle Making—Miss Mary Banks, Durham.
Law Offices in Flesherton and Owen Sound—Frost & Frost.
Paris Green—H. Parker, Durham.

Agents for the Grey Review.

G. H. Middleton,	Dundalk.
Alexander Webster,	Priceville.
H. E. Merium,	Flesherton.
Colin C. McFayden,	Glenelg.
Daniel Keith,	Holstein.
Alexander Taylor,	Dromore.

THE REVIEW.

Durham, June 24th, 1880.

—As previously stated, the financial affairs of the Province of Quebec are in a most disastrous state. The Treasurer, Mr. Robertson, in his Budget speech the other evening said that the deficit at the end of the next fiscal year would be $118,000, and as a means of relieving the Province, suggested uniting with the smaller Provinces and making a dead set on the Dominion Parliament for better terms.

—Agrarian outrages have again commenced in Ireland. The ostensible cause is the land question—the inability of the people to pay the rent and the consequent evictions by the landlords. Not many days ago Mr. Gladstone stated in the House of Commons that the Peace Preservation Act would not be renewed, as the Government relied on the good sense of the people of Ireland for the preservation of the peace. However, these brutal outrages would show that Ireland cannot yet be left to itself. There is no question but that Parnell and demagogues of his class are chiefly responsible for the chronic state of disaffection which permeates the lower orders of the people in that unfortunate country.

—The English Conservative Press, followed by their Canadian brethren, are raising a hue and cry against Mr. Gladstone for proposing in the House of Commons a resolution to the effect that Mr. O'Donnell, a turbulent Home Ruler, be not heard, as if Mr., Gladstone forsooth, attempted to put down the right of free speech. The fact is that the Premier considered Mr. O'Donnell's attack upon M. Lacour, the French Minister, who could not reply, an insult to the House and to the country he represented, and was, therefore, justified under the circumstances. Mr. Gladstone finally withdrew his motion with the understading that Mr. O'Donnell would in future confine himself to the subject before the House.

—A very important divorce case occupied the attention of the Presbyterian Assembly at its recent meeting. A Mrs. Lewis, member of the Presbyterian Church of Arthur, left her husband on the ground of alleged infidelity. After living separately for some years she removed to Illinois, where she resided for eighteen months, and having obtained a divorce in that State, she returned to Arthur and then married a Mr. Phillips six months afterwards. The divorce thus obtained in Illinois is not valid in Canada, and the question brought before the Assembly by appeal from the inferior courts, was, whether her standing as a member of the Church should be disturbed? After a long debate the Assembly decided by a large majority that the divorce and the marriage which followed should not be regarded as satisfying the requirements of Christian duty, and that Mrs. Phillips cannot be recognized as a member of the Church until she has first of all complied with the requirements of the civil law of Canada. Had the decision been otherwise the Presbyterian Church would have been placed in the position of formally sanctioning the lax state of morality which is found in Illinois and one or two other States of the Union.

CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The General Assembly of this Church was held this year in Montreal. The meeting is said to have been the most notable in its history, both as regards the work done, and the unanimity which generally prevailed among the members. Specchifying for its own sake, which is so marked a characteristic of our secular Parliaments, was in great disfavour; and the determination to hear no one, unless some new light was thrown upon the subject in hand, as a matter of course, caused a little breeze occassionally among the wordy members of the court, but in the end all seemed to be satisfied with the propriety of the course pursued. In common with other religious bodies the Presbyterian Church is evidently recognizing the necessity of placing itself in accord with the genius of the age. Not long ago the use of instrumental music was sanctioned. This was considered at the time as a very great innovation. And certainly in a church possessing the history of the Presbyterian Church, it was an innovation of no ordinary kind. But a greater innovation still, the use of a hymn book in the service of praise, has just been formally agreed to, at the late sitting of the Assembly, only one member—Dr. Cooke, of Quebec—dissenting from the finding of the court. What may come next, it is difficult to imagine. In another branch of the Presbyterian family—the English Presbyterian Church—the introduction of a liturgy has been mooted, and Dr. Fraser, the Moderator for the current year, who was settled some years ago at Montreal, is a strong advocate of this latest innovation, and in a year or two it is quite possible that a liturgy will be brought forward by Dr. Grant or Mr. John McMillan or some other advanced member of the Canada Presbyterian Church. Admitting however, all that can be said against these improvements or innovations or reforms or by whatever name cganges in the manner of conducting public worship may be called, it must be observed that the world moves, that the nineteenth century, in learning and wisdom, is in advance of the past, and that with churches, as with secular societies, tradition cannot be allowed to rule. Everything must stand upon its own bottom and be judged according to its own merits. Sympathy with and respect for the past should certainly be regarded, but the right and the wrong in all such matters, must in the long run be determined according to the view the Church is led to take of Scripture. The work of the Presbyterian Church has made great strides during the year. Especially is this noticeable in the work of the Home Mission. The year opened with a debt of over $48,000 against the fund, but the liberality of the Church has been such, that the debt has not only been paid off, but a balance placed to its credit. This is a good example to other denominations whose missionary operations are struggling with a load of debt, and must be very gratifying to our Presbyterian readers, as no doubt they have aided materially in bringing about this grand result. In other departments the progress of the Church has been equally marked. Additional interest was given to the late meeting of the Assembly by the presence of two distinguished Scottish theologians, Dr. Cairns and Dr. Bruce, who repesented the United Presbyterian and Free Churches of Scotland respectively.

ROYAL COMMISSIONS.

The appointment of Royal Commissions has always been regarded as a species of enquiry only resorted to in grave circumstances and when the truth could not be readily obtained by the appointment of an ordinary Committee. However, since the close of the last session of the Dominion Parliament, two Royal Commissions have been appointed by the Government of Sir John A. Macdonald—one for the purpose of enquiring into the present state, and future prospects of the Canada Pacific Railway, and another to examine into the working of the Civil Service. In the Government programme brought down at the beginning of the last session a measure was promised for the reform of the Civil Service Nothing was done. Sir John and his friends were too busy in discharging old officials up and down the country, and filling their places with Conservatives of the most approved type, to give any attention to remedying the gross abuses which everybody acknowledged to permeate every branch of the Civil service, and which not only made it exceedingly costly to the country, but impaired its efficiency and destroyed its *morale*. The Civil Service Commission appointed a few days ago by the Government consists of Mr. D. McInnes, of Hamilton, Mr. Baubeau of Montreal, and some officials (!) now in the service. What important light these gentlemen can throw on the subject entrusted to them, it is difficult to imagine; but so transparent is the hypocrisy of the Government in seeming to do something when in reality they are doing less than nothing, that the *Mail* feels constrained to put forth a most laboured apology for their specious trifling. "Nevertheless," says the "Mail,' in the most apologetic tone, "the Government by appointing a new Commission for the purpose of preparing a scheme of re-organization, gives evidence of its desire to discover what means of improvement and economy may exist." At the same time the organ assures its readers that it is not the duty of the Commission to enquire into the merits of the competitive system! It has been generally understood that the application of the competitive system is the only means of working any improvement in the Civil Service.

The *Globe*, in referring to the way in which the Government of Sir John A. Macdonald has dealt with those officials in the service who might be suspected to have any Liberal proclivities, says:—From the day that Mr. Buckingham was dismissed till now no week has passed without the discharge of Reform employees. In Wednesday's issue we published an extract from a Conservative paper indignantly protested against the dismissal of four postmasters—its political opponents. On the same day we recorded the brutal discharge of Mr Morse, Customs officer at Bear River, N. S., who had interfered with the operations of certain influential smugglers. Every Reformer who could be replaced on the Intercolonial Railway was long dismissed. The Postmaster at Toronto was superannuated to make room for the late conductor of the "Mail" The Postmaster at St. John was kicked out. So were all the Reform form inspectors of weights and measures. In fact, the Ministers have dismissed their political opponents just as rapidly as was consistent with the wish to keep some offices for which hungry supporters might clamour.

The natural inference is that the organization scheme of the Government will result only in carrying out still further the policy pursued in the past,—of bringing the entire Civil Service staff if possible still more in accord with the political faith of the Government of the day.

Boating on the Saugeen.

To the Editor of the Reiew.

SIR,—It is a matter of regret that we have not amongst us some young men with sufficient energy to open up for the townspeople the Saugeen River, from Hutton's Bridge upwards, for the purpose of boating. This may bring a smile of incredulity to the faces of many, but I can assure you that there is a reach of water within ten minutes' walk of the town, of nearly, if not fully two miles in length, which, for beauty, cannot be surpassed. A small expenditure of money in cutting through one or two jambs is all that is required to place within the reach of all one of the most enjoyable recreations. The heated term is close upon us, and it requires only to be understood to find plenty of supporters. Who will be the first to move in the matter?

Yours truly,

BOATMAN.

Mr. Frank Shanly has been appointed Chief Engineer of the Intercolonial Railway.

Local and other Items.

WE direct attention to the advertisement of Mr. Robert McFarlane. Who wants a Sulky Rake?

THE Statute labour is generally being performed this week on the various roads in the surrounding Townships.

THERE has been considerable fast driving in Town lately. We direct the attention of the authorities to the matter, as the safty of the Townspeople is endangered by furious driving.

THE Rev. Mr. Godfrey has returned from Conference but we are sorry it is for so short a time. He will preach his farewell sermon in the Durham Church next Sabbath morning.

DOMINION Day.—On this day there will be a cricket match in Durham. The day will be celebrated in Flesherton, Dundalk, Hanover and Mount Forest. A Pic-Nic will be held by the Presbyterian Church, North Normanby, near Hampden P. O.

MR. E. Kennedy is prepared to do all kinds of custom work, at the Traverston Woollen Mills. Also to exchange yarn, cloth or flannel for wool. He got his foot badly crushed a couple of weeks ago, but we are glad to know that it is getting better.

MRS. John McLaren, of Mount Forest, sister of J. H. Hunter, Esq., M. P. P., of this Town, had the misfortune to break her leg on Friday last, by jumping from a buggy in Mount Forest, caused by the horse becoming fractious at a bad place in the road.

A VERY successful pic-nic for the Sabbath School at the Primative Methodist Church, Townsend's Lake, Glenelg, was held on Saturday last. The children walked in procession from the Church to the place of the Pic-Nic. $4 was collected in aid of the library.

DONT MISTAKE THE PLACE.—Don't Mistake the place of the sign of the "Red Flag" as I do not run "a car" but have a stationary Gallery, directly opposite the REVIEW Office, Upper Town, Durham, at which place I can only vouch for the superiority of the work done. T. DONAGHY.

A PIC-NIC in connection with the Roman Catholic Separate School, Glenelg, will be held near the School House, on the 9th con. on Dominion Day, 1st July. Games and other amusements of various kinds may be expected. Good music will be provided. Admission 25 cents. No doubt those present will have an enjoyable time.

IT was with pleasure that we received word from the Trustees of Priceville Public School to the effect that the epidemic of Scarlet Fever, which has been raging in that neighborhood with so much virulence, has now passed away. In consequence the Public Schools will be opened on Monday, June 28th. Business is again recovering.

THE work on the second section of the G. B. & W. Railway from Durham to Owen Sound has been let, and work commenced in Sullivan and Derby over a week ago. The Railway bridge in Durham will be finished this week. The fencing is nearly completed on the first section from here to Palmerston. The cattle guards are yet to put in.

NEW BANKING OFFICE.—Mr. J. A. Halsted of Mount Forest and J. W. Scott of Listowel, are opening up a banking office here, in an office opposite McAllister's hotell. Mr. Halsted has Banking offices in Mount Forest and Shelburne and Mr. Scott is the well known banker of Listowel and Palmerston, where he has been doing business for many years.

GOOD WHEAT.—Mr. Jacob Nicely, of Bentinck, has over twenty acres of Fall Wheat which at present is about as fine a field of wheat as could be desired. It is even, well headed out, and is about six feet high. He has also about five acres of barley, which is headed out, and 20 acres of spring wheat which is a good crop and will be heading out in a few days. The fall wheat in this section and to the west looks remarkably good.

THE FATAL QUARREL AT MARKDALE.—An inquest was held in Markdale last week on the body of Fraser, who was killed by a blow given by McLaughlin in a drunken broil. Dr. John Barnhart, coroner, of Owen Sound presided over the inquest. After examining a number of witnesses the jury presented their verdict, acquitting McLaughlin. The coroner feeling that the verdict was not in accordance with the evidence adduced refused to accept the finding of the jury, and adjourned the inquest until the following morning, in order that he might have an opportunity of consulting the County Crown Attorney in the matter. On resuming the inquest the jury finally agreed to return a verdict of manslaughter against McLaughlin, who was taken to Owen Sound and lodged in goal to await trial at the Assizes.

GALLANT RESCUE.—On Tuesday morning the Toronto, Grey and Bruce freight train No. 10 was coming from Mount Forest to Harriston, and when about two miles west of the former place, the engineer, R. Johnston, saw a child about two years old running on the track about a quarter of a mile ahead of the engine. He reversed his engine and whistled on the brakes, but could not stop his train in time. The fireman, George Johnston, ran out on the front of the engine and taking hold of the push-bar with one hand, reached forward with the other, and grasped the child up, thus saving its life. A woman, hearing the whistle, looked out and saw the child on the track and ran to save its life, but before reaching it she fainted and fell. When she returned to consciousness she expected to find the mangled remains of her child on the track, but was agreeably disappointed. The train backed up and returned the little passenger to its thankful mother unharmed. Mr. Johnston deserves a medal.—*Mount Forest Examiner.*

DEATH FROM GLANDERS.—James Coutts, senior, and James Coutts, junior, father and son, of Luther, died within a few days of each other. The cause of death in both cases was from having come in contact with the glanders, from which a horse belonging to the father was suffering.

Sabbath School Pic-nic.

On Tuesday last the annual Pic-nic in connection with Zion (Blair's) Church, Glenelg, was held in Mr. Richard Jack's bush. The children and Teachers gathered together about 10 o'clock, and at noon cakes, etc., were handed round and heartily partaken off, after which the children enjoyed themselves in swinging and other amusements. A temporary platform was erected and excellent addresses were given by the Rev. Joseph Edge, and Rev. Mr. Brereton, of Markdale. Two dialogues were given by Misses Agnes Jack, Susan Hall and Jennie Hunt in first class style. Good Readings were given by Mr. Bliss, miller at Traveston, and Mr. Grier, storekeeper, Traverston. An excellent choir, under the leadership of Mr. Grier, sang several pieces very nicely. Miss Willey led a juvenile choir, from her school in several pieces in a very pleasing manner indeed, and by their remarkably good conduct and the good time kept, the little folks under Miss Willey's training elicited universal admiration. Mr. Alex. Wilson, of the 10th con. furnished first class music on the bagpipes. There was a large attendance of people from the surrounding district present. Mr. Hunt is Superintendent of the Sabbath School, and there are about one hundred scholars in attendance' A collection to buy new books for the library was taken up, and about $14.60 realized. The proceedings were brought to a close about four o'clock, and cakes and provisions again handed round, when most of those present left for their homes, highly pleased at the success of the Pic-nic.

Glenelg Items.

There are a large number of buildings in course of construction in this Township this summer, viz.:—Mr John McPhail, of the 4th con. S. D. R., has nearly completed a fine brick dwelling house, the workmanship of which cannot be surpassed. Builder, Mr. H. McEachern. Immediately below McPhail's we observe a new frame barn on the farm of Mr. C. McDonald. Framer, D. McDonald. Again retracing our steps northward, we cannot pass without taking a note of the fine looking dwelling house (newly finished) of Mr. Donald McDougald. Builder, McLeod & Bros. Turning a little to the west, on the 2nd con. we see great preparations made by the Rev. Robert McIntyre for a new dwelling house which we understand is to be erected soon. We now leave the back line and proceed along the famous old Durham Road, where we find some new improvements on the old dwellings. Mr. Archd. McDonald is putting a new roof on the old dwelling house, which (although it has stood the blast of twenty-six winters) looks as well yet as most of the new buildings. Crossing the swamp we come to the farms of Messrs. Duncan and Allan McInnis, and cannot behold but with admiration the great improvements of their dwellings by being neatly boarded on the outside, adding much to the appearance of the locality. Proceeding towards Durham, we find that Mr. A. McComb has put up a new frame barn and outbuilding very tastefully finished. Immediately opposite Mr. McComb's, we notice that Mr. John Black is making arrangements for the erection of a new dwelling. Also, in passing, we omitted to mention the improvement made on the Bunnessan Church by the planting all around it of ornamental shade trees, which we understand were presented for that purpose by Messrs. Caldwell & Sons, of Galt. The Messrs. Brown Bros. have put an addition to their shop. And last, though not least, as we near Durham, we observe a neat and comfortable looking house, beautifully situated on a hill on the property of Mr. William Young.

The crops are beginning to look well. Hay is short and will be ready to cut the first week in July. The weather has been dry and warm for the last ten or twelve days.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed in Priceville Presbyterian Church on Sunday next, when the Rev. Mr. Carmichael, of King, will officiate, with the Pastor, Rev. Mr. McLeod.

The Scarlet Fever has commitied frightful ravages among the young of Priceville, no fewer than twelve deaths having already resulted.

Councillors McMillan and McCormick let some jobs on the Townline, Egremont and Glenelg, very cheap. We don't like to see men working for nothing, but probably they are to be blamed themselves.

Mr. Henry Tucker, of the 4th con., S. D. R., has the finest field of Spring Wheat your correspondent ever saw at this season of the year. GLENELG.

RAILWAY MEETING.—A meeting of Railway Committee and those citizens interested in railways, washeld in the council chamber on Friday evening last, to consider the state of the railway question as regards Owen Sound. There are three schemes proposed, one of which is the Toronto, Grey and Bruce, which so far as Owen Sound is concerned may be said to be settled. The next is the Georgian Bay and Wellington, or rather the extension from Durham, which at present is in abeyance for want of funds. The other is a branch to Tara to connect with the Stratford and Lake Huron, which also labors under the same want. The meeting discussed the two last schemes, and at last passed a resolution requesting the mayor to call a special meeting of the Council to appoint a deputation to wait on Mr. Hickson, Manager of the Grand Trunk, to learn his views regarding Railway Communication by the last two lines, and whether the Grand Trunk would be willing to do anything towards carrying them to completion.—*Owen Sound Tribune.*

FIRED BY LIGHTNING.—On Thursday night of last week week a severe storm passed over this section. The lightning struck and fired a driving house belonging to Mr. Chas. Glendenning, con. 12 Carrick. Loss about $150. Near Betort the barn of Mr. J. Grasser was also struck and burned, with all its contents. We have not been able to learn the amount of loss or the insurance.—*Walkerton Telescope.*

George Bennett, *alias* Dickson, was tried in Toronto on Tuesday for the murder of Hon. George Brown. He was found guilty, and sentenced to be hung on the 23rd July.

Cricket Match.

MOUNT FOREST VS. DURHAM.

On Tuesday last, the 22nd, a match game of Cricket was played here between the Mount Forest and the Durham Clubs, which resulted in a decisive victory for the home team, who vanquished their opponents with a score of 102 to 102 with eight wickets to spare. We are much pleased with the manner in which our team played. Sutherland, after having been given a life, running up a score of 41 in the 1st innings and to bat in the 2nd. For the visiting club, Lamont, Kingston and Yarlett got into the double figures, Lamont scoring in the 1st innings 18, Yarlett in the same innings 14, and Kingston in the 2nd scoring 19 runs. The Mount Forest team secured 23 extras, and the balance of the wickets fell for the very small score of 28. Below we append the score:

1ST INNINGS—MOUNT FOREST.

W. B. Howlett, c Kress b Sutherland	2
Robert Ryan, b Harris	0
Geo. Clark, c McDonnell b Sutherland	3
C. A. Connelly, b Harris	0
H. Yarlett, c Harris b Harris	14
A. Lamont, run out b McMillan	18
S. Smith, c Mockler " " "	3
W. L. Smith, bowled out b Harris	0
R. Moor,	1
D. Davidson, c D. McFarlane b McMillan	0
W. H. Kingston, b Harris	0
Byes,	5
Leg Byes,	2
Wides,	8
	56

1ST INNINGS—DURHAM.

E. McMillan, b Yarlett	2
M. Kress, b Lamont	7
J. Sutherland, c Smith b Yarlett	41
N. Cole, c Davidson b Smith	2
H. Mockler,	8
D. McFarlane, c Connolly b Lamont	1
T. A. Harris, run out b Yarlett	4
A. C. Paterson, c Connolly b Smith	3
D. Jamieson, not out " " "	7
T. Moffat, c Connolly b Yarlett	4
D. McDonald, c Connolly b Smith	1
Byes,	1
Leg Byes,	1
	82

2ND INNINGS—MOUNT FOREST

S. W. Smith, c McDonald b Harris	0
C. Connolly, c Sutherland b Sutherland	4
F. Howlett, c McDonald b Sutherland	4
R. Moore, c Sutherland b Sutherland	1
Geo. Clark, c McMillan b Sutherland	0
A. Lamont, c Sutherland	1
H. Yarlett, c Sutherland b Harris	0
W. H. Kingston b McMillan	19
D. Davibson c Harris b Harris	0
W. L. Smith, not out " " "	8
R. Ryan, c McMillan b Kress	1
Byes,	5
Leg Byes,	8
	46

2ND INNINGS—DURHAM

D. McDonald, run out b Smith	7
D. Jamieson, c Clark b Smith	5
T. Harris, not out " " "	9
A. Paterson, not out	0
	21

Egremont Council.

HOLSTEIN, June 5th, 1880.

Council met as per adjournment. Members al present. Reeve in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The council went into Court of Revision. Upon appeals of Mr. White and Mr Traynor no change was made.

Mr. McPhee declared that the personal property assessed against him belonged to Mr. Arthur, and it was assessed accordingly.

Allan Murdoch, Lot 11, con. 9, was reduced $100 on personal property.

Wm. Doyle applied to have his schedule corrected by deducting the amount of land belonging to the railway company. The Clerk was ordered to correct the same; when the court rose and the roll was passed as finally revised.

Council resumed.

Moved by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that the Reeve be instructed to meet the Reeve of Arthur to consider the advisibility of improving the road and drain the water off lots 27 and 29, Con. 4.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. McCormack, that Wm. Johnston receive $24, being the Egremont proportion for mending the road in the 40 mile swamp.—Carried.

Resolved—That the road inspectors expend as follows:—at a fee of 7 per cent. Thos. Fleming, N. Ward, $82.50; John Gardiner, S. W. Ward, $82.50; James Leash, N. E. Ward, $110; Walter Morrison, S. E. Ward, $117.50.

Resolved—That the Treasurer pay to members of council $4 each for two days $20; To the Reeve for taking declaration, $2, and for inspecting the 40 mile swamp, $3—$5; To Dep. Reeve for declarations, $2.

Moved by Mr. Dawson, seconded by Mr. Lawrence, that this council do now adjourn and meet again on call of the Reeve at Orchardville.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

R. LEGATE, Clerk.

John Donnelly, of Bentinck, and George Donnelly, late Hotel keeper, of Durham, were on Monday last summoned before J. Proctor, Esq., J. P., of Hanover, to answer to a charge of assault and battery. The former was convicted for assault, and the latter for assault and battery, and were each fined—John Donnelly $1 and costs, and George $2 and costs. On the same day William Donnelly was also brought up on a warrant for unlawfully carrying a revolver, and was bound over to keep the peace. The Donnellys appear to be a rough crowd whether you find them in Biddulph or Bentinck.—*Chesley Enterprise.*

The Council of the township of Peel has decided to submit on the 9th of July a by-law granting a sectional bonus from the southern part of the township, to aid the construction of the Waterloo, Wellington, and Georgian Bay Railway. The amount is $10,000.

Hanlan was beaten in the boat race on Thursday last on Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island. Ross was first, Hanlan failed owing to taking a pain in his side.

The gravel roads of the county of Bruce have been turned over to the municipalities through which they run.

Duncan Dawson of Fullerton, was killed by lightening in the stable.

Chatsworth.

On Sabbath, the 6th inst, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed in the Presbyterian Church here, when over 240 communicants sat down to the table of the Lord. There were preparatory services held on four previous days, conducted by Revds. Messrs. Somerville, McDiarmid, Moody and the pastor of the congregation. The attendance on Sabbath was very large, and the order, quietness and solemnity very marked. There were 14 additions to the Church.

This congregation, in over twenty years, never raised a dollar by a tea-meeting. Instead of this, it is always understood that the members on sitting at the table each half year, bring with them an offering to the Lord. The collection last Communion was $45; but it has sometimes been higher.

The Annual public meeting of the Religious Book and Tract Society of Upper Canada was held on the evening of Monday, 7th inst., in the Presbyterian Church.

The President of the Society, Rev. James Cameron, was in the chair. After the meeting was duly opened the President explained the nature of the work the Society has on hand. To save trouble and expense the Chatsworth Association combines Bibles and Tracts, in this way rendering the existence of two societies unnecessary. Of the money raised last year by Collectors $5 was donated to one of the Bible Societies, $5 to the London Religious Tract Society, and $5.47 was spent in buying new tracts for distribution.

In the work of distribution there are some 16 districts laid out, to each of which a distributor is appointed, who goes around every Sabbath lifting the tract left the previous week and leaving a new one. The President said that he was pleased to state that he had found no difficulty in getting men suitable for this good work and willing to engage in it as a labor of love, which surely spoke well for the young men.

The President also explained that the meeting was held without any agent being present from the parent Society, so that there would not be one cent of cost incurred, and he was pleased to notice that as to numbers present there never was a larger meeting.

The Secretary, Mr. Simpson, then read his report. Mr. Gilchrist told of the work done at the Depositary.

The Society then elected the following gentlemen as officers for the ensuing year:—

President, Rev. James Cameron.
Vice-President, Rev. Mr. Reid.
Secretary, Mr. B. Simpson.
Depositary, Mr. J. Gilchrist.

Committee. Messrs. Foster, Grahame, Foster, McGill, John Cameron (Holland), and James Mitchell (Sullivan).

Rev. Mr. Moody (Lake Shore), then delivered an address on the work of the Bible Societies and Tract Societies, especially those with which the Chatsworth Branch was connected, giving very interesting details interspersed with telling incidents and appeals.

A collection of close on five dollars was taken up, and after singing and prayer the meeting dispersed.

Methodist Church Conference.

The Toronto Conference of the Methodist Church met at Belleville on Wednesday, when the Rev. Mr. Willoughby of that city, was elected President, and the Rev. S. Hunter of Toronto, Secretary. The Conference lasted until Wednesday last week, when it was brought to a close. The following is the list of stations on the Districts taking in the County of Grey and neighborhood:—

WALKERTON DISTRICT.

Walkerton—Edmund S. Rupert, M. A. Mildmay—A. Thibadeau. Hanover—N. S. Burwash, F. W. Crowle, B. A., A. H. Holmes supernumerary. Durham—David Williams, one to be sent. Chesley—Wm. Tyndall, Wm. Wilson. Invermay—Joseph Galloway. Arkwright—Calvin Shaw, one wanted, H. Hall, supernumeray. Paisley Josias Greene. Eden Grove—John Pepper, B. A. Tiverton—D. D. Rolston. Port Elgin—Wm. Smythe. Saugeen—Geo. Jaques.

Wm. Tindall, Chairman; N. S. Burwash Financial Secretary.

OWEN SOUND DISTRICT.

Owen Sound—Charles Fish, J. Scott superannuated; Henry Bawtenheimer, supernumerary. Brookholm—Robert Johnston. Woodford—Wm. B. Danard. Walter's Falls—David Perry. Chatsworth—Thos. R. Reid. Williamsford Station—Wm. T. Hicks. Markdale—N. A. McDiarmid. Flesherton—Samuel C. Philp, jr., Eugenia Falls—Wm. H. Madden. Dundalk—Austin Potter. Priceville—James H. Barkwell, B. A. Wiarton—Wm. Hall. Lyon's Head—Thomas Legate (Colpoy's Bay). Hepworth—Thomas Hadden. Allenford—Robert Godfrey. Cape Croker—One to be sent.

Chas. Fish, Chairman; N. McDiarmid, Financial Secretary.

COLLINGWOOD DISTRICT.

Collingwood—J. Herbert Starr; E. Sallows, superannuated. Kirkville—James W. Wilkinson, (under Superintendenat of Collingwood.) Thornbury—Daniel P. Gee, (Wm. Elliott.) Meaford—Wm. Johnston; T. Hamilton, superannuated. St. Vincent Richard Clarke (Meaford). Maxwell—Thos. J. Snowdon. Horning's Mills—John C. Willmott, M. A., Geo. Brown (Lavender), Avening—Sidney F. Depew. Stayner—George Edwards. Parry Sound—Wesley Casson. Parry Island, Shawanaga, and French River—Native Assistant, under Superintendent of Parry Sound. Christian and Beausoleil Islands—Allen Salt.

J. H. Starr, Chairman; J. C. Willmott, M. A., Financial Secretary.

Right Rev. Dr. Alford, Bishop of Manchester, is at present on a visit to London, Ont., and has been appointed a Canon of St. James' Cathedral, in that city.

REV. W. R. FORSTER, Incumbent of Creemore Episcopal Church, has been appointed Rural Dean of West Simcoe, by the Bishop of Toronto.

Hon. Vice-Chancellor Blake sailed on the 11th inst. for England, his principal object being to attend the Sunday School Centenary.

Mr. Tennyson has consented to be nominated Lord Rector of the University of Glasgow.

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MONDAY'S SESSION CONTINUED.

On motion of Messrs. Gamey and Christoe, the Reeve of Melancthon was added to the Finance Committee.

On motion to ballot for a special committee to report on the Warden's address, Mr. Cleland objected to such a course being followed, as it wasted time. He thought the address should simply be printed in the minutes, and the different matters referred to the respective committees.

The special committee was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Christoe, McNichol, Middleton, Murdock and Read.

Moved by Mr. Middleton, seconded by Mr. McNaught, That the County Solicitor be requested to morrow morning to give his opinion as to the legality of following the varying equalization of the different municipalities grouped under By-law 174, in levying the yearly assessments.—Carried.

The Council adjourned till 10 a.m. on Tuesday.

TUESDAY MORNING.

The Warden presented estimates for year, as prepared by County Treasurer, leaving amount to be raised (exclusive of railway by-law) $31,865. A communication was received from Board of Education Owen Sound, asking that a deputation be heard in behalf of a further grant to complete High School building.

Mr. Sparrow presented petition for aid to complete a bridge on county line between Sullivan and Arran.

Moved by Mr. Middleton, seconded by Mr. Knott, That a committee, consisting of the Reeves of Normanby, Melanethon, Osprey, Sydenham, Egremont, Sarawak, and Dep. Reeves of Holland and Sullivan, and the mover, be appointed to consult the Co. Solicitor as to the legality of the basis on which assessments under By-Laws 107, 174 and 57 have been raised, and report to this Council immediately.

Mr. McKnight, on behalf of the Board of Education, addressed the Council, asking further aid towards the new High School building. The site had cost $2,000, the extras would probably be $1,000 more, and the seating would be another $1,000, making over $21,000 for the building, leaving $5,000 to be made up, of which the County Council had given $1,000, leaving $4,000 yet. He urged that the County Council was equally responsible, as they appointed half the High School Trustees, by whose advice the building was erected; and all the county were equally entitled to its privileges. He thought $1,000 out of the $21,000 was a ridiculously small proportion for the county to give, and the additional amount asked was $5,000, which would only make $3,000, or less than one-seventh of the whole.

Mr. Dobie also addressed the Council, showing that while more than half of the pupils are from outside the town, the town pays more than three-fourths of the current expenditure, besides its share of the fourth contributed by the county. In addition to this, the interest the town has to pay on cost of buildings amounts to more annually than does the whole county grant.

Dr. Lang and Mr. Geo. Inglis also addressed the Council, urging additional grant.

On motion of Mr. Sirg, the application was referred back to the Education Committee.

Mr. Kerr was added to the Education Committee.

The Council adjourned till 2 o'clock tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The Warden read letter from Ontario Rifle Association asking for a grant; also communication from John Moodie, Durham, calling attention to the 'demoralized' state of a culvert on gravel road; communication from Elgin County Council, asking that Legislature be memorialized to amend Voters' List Act so that no appeals be entertained by County Judge unless they have first been presented to the local Court of Revision; also from Elgin Co. Council, asking co-operation in prosecuting pedlars and auctioneers selling without license; communication from Sheriff, giving report of Inspector on gaol, the most interesting part of which was the intimation that there have been four births in the gaol during the winter; letter from Gaol Physician respecting salary.

The Warden referred to the separation of Wiarton from County, and intimated that the County Council should deal with the debt under By-law 174, which the portion of the village lately in Keppel is liable for.

Reports of South and East Grey School Inspectors were passed.

Mr. Read presented report on Warden's address, which deprecated the opening up of the gravel road question again.

Mr. Murdoch, seconded by Mr. Koenig, moved that the report be adopted.—Carried.

Mr. McClean moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Cameron; That the Council go into committee of the whole on the report.—lost.

Yeas and Nays on the original motion were as follows:

Yeas—McColman, White, Kerr, Knott, Boyd, Murdoch, Lawrence, Totten, Clark, Huxtable, August, Koenig, Blyth, Winkler, Gamey, Douglass, Middleton, Fleming, Sparrow, Hunter, Sing, Read, McNaught, Fox, Jelly—25.

Nays—Christoe, Pedler, McNichol, Messenger, McCallum, Stark, Davis, Howey, Cameron, Lang, Donald, McKechnie, Cleland, McClean—14.

Moved by Mr. Middleton, seconded by Mr. Fleming, That the County Treasurer be instructed to place to the credit of each municipality any interest that may accrue on any balance or moneys to its credit before the maturity of the rates for the year.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Totten, seconded by Mr. Clark, That this Council take steps to arrange the debt to be paid by the portion of Wiarton detached from Grey and added to Bruce, under Bylaws 107 and 174.—Carried.

On motion of Mr. Middleton, A. M. Stephens, Esq., was appointed an auditor

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