

Agents for the Grey Review.  
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## THE REVIEW.

Durham, March 10, 1881.

—M. De Lesseps, whose energy and scientific skill is due the success of the Suez canal, has so far completed his arrangements for carrying out the construction of the Panama Canal across the Isthmus of Darien, that the work is expected to be finished in 1886. In October the contractors will begin excavating at the great cutting at Culebra. Recent explorations have reduced the cost very considerably.

—Since the death of General Colly, whose indelicacy was chiefly responsible for his own death and the great disaster which overtook his troops, there has been a cessation of hostilities in the Transvaal. General Roberts, a distinguished Afghan officer, has been appointed to take General Colly's command, and left London, England, last week, taking with him fresh supplies of men and guns. It is rumored that the Government has decided upon the terms of peace to be offered the Boers. Sickness has broken out among them, many want to return to their homes, and a feeling of discontent is in the air. It is probable that further loss of life may be avoided. An armistice was concluded by General Wood who is acting-commander until the arrival of General Roberts, with the Boers on Sunday, but not until the 14th inst. The terms provide that provisions, but not ammunition, may be taken to the beleaguered garrisons.

—The situation in Ireland has not undergone much change of late. The Home Rulers in Parliament have continued their policy of obstructing the public business so effectively, that little progress has been made in general legislation. However, the Bill for the better Protection of life and property has been passed, and under it twenty arrests have already been made in Ireland. Among those arrested are several holding prominent positions in the Land League. Mr. Dillon, a very devoted fanatic, at a League meeting openly proclaimed his intention that he wanted arms to shoot down landlords, and his regret is that the Irish had not arms enough to undertake a civil war. It is expected that he will be arrested, and with Parnell in Paris and Dillon in prison the Home Rule party is destitute of any member capable of acting as leader. It is very much to be regretted that Agrarian outrages, some of a very barbarous character, still continue. Such outrages injure the cause they are designed to serve, and can only have the effect of alienating the sympathies of the world and causing the measures of reform to be of a more repressive character.

—The Ontario House of Assembly was prorogued on Friday. The session has continued 7 weeks. The Acts passed are eighty-six in number; of which twenty-four are Government measures, fifty-seven Private Bills, and five Public Bills introduced by private members but of the nature of amendments to the general Statute Law of the Province. Of the most important measures are amendments to the license, municipal and education laws, the Acts making provision for the better protection against railway accidents, and for protecting the public interest in streams and rivers. But that part of the Legislation which more directly concerns the majority of our readers is the legislation in regard to aid to railways. The resolutions laid before the House by Mr. Parlee, and to which we have already referred in a recent issue, have received the almost unanimous support of both sides of the House—the Sanit St. Marie Railway receiving \$3000 per mile, the Huron and Erie \$2000, the Stratford & Lake Huron \$2000 per mile, and the Georgian Bay and Wellington \$1200 per mile. Mr. Parlee in discussing the resolutions explained that, under the financial position of the Georgian Bay and Wellington Railway Company, the Government did not consider it proper to aid their road with more than \$1500 per mile, which he said would be equivalent to \$2000 per mile to the others.

—On Friday last Mr. Hayes, who has held the office of President of the United States for the last four years, laid down the reins of power, and was succeeded by General Garfield, the President-elect. Mr. Hayes is regarded as having been a very respectable administrator. Scandals and acts of jobbery have been very few during his term of office, and the power of the corruptionists has been broken up. But although respectable, his administration has been deficient in energy. The state of the civil service is a foul blot on the character of the Republic. Mr. Hayes made a feeble attempt to clean out the Augean Stable, but the difficulties in the way proved "too much" for the vigour of his reform principles. To a very large class of "Reformers" however, he has made himself specially acceptable. During his occupancy of the White House, spirituous liquors and intoxicating drinks of all kinds have been "taxed" of opinion may exist among the intelligent part of the community on the question of total abstinence there is no question but the influence of the White House in this respect was for good. Mr. Hayes's successor, General Garfield, is a man of ability, but from the character of the man whom he has appointed to seats in his administration it is feared that the reign of rings and corruptionists will begin anew. Mr. Blaine, whose reputation is anything but good, is appointed to the principal office—that of Secretary of State. Among other members are said to be the nominees of Rings and "Bosses" in New York and elsewhere.

We would again urge those subscribers who are in arrears to the REVIEW to at once forward their subscription to this Office, as we are very much in need of money just now.

### Local and Other Items.

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### Opening of the New Oddfellows Hall, Durham.

Several months ago, Stephen Lodge, No. 109, I.O.O.F., of Durham, purchased the old New Connection Church, of this Town, and since then have been busy rearranging, renovating, and fitting up generally this building. On Friday evening last we were invited to attend a Social in the new Hall, and on entering the building, were agreeably surprised at the extent and elegant suit of rooms that this and Lodge have the proud satisfaction of owning and occupying.

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### Town Council.

On Monday evening last Council met, this being their regular night. H. J. Midgley, Esq., mayor, in the chair. All the members present except A. C. McKenzie. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Moved by J. H. Brown, seconded by H. J. Stacey, that the site offered by Mr. Edge to this Town as a market place is considered by this Council unsuitable for the purpose, and therefore decline the offer under the conditions stated.—Carried.

Moved by H. Bull, seconded by J. Robertson, that \$1 dog tax paid by George Krassler, be refunded as he has no dog.—Carried.

Moved by G. McKeechie, seconded by R. Bull, that the auditors report of Town and school accounts be received and 150 copies be printed in sheet form and abstract of Town and School accounts be inserted in next week's issue of newspaper.—Carried.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid:—Jas. Burnett, four Mrs. Burns, \$250; Arch. McKenzie, auditor, \$5; Herbert Moeckler, Auditor, \$5.

Moved by G. McKeechie, seconded by R. Bull, that the time for the return of the Collectors Roll be extended until next meeting of the Council.—Carried.

Moved by G. McKeechie, seconded by R. Bull, that \$1 be accepted in full of Anthony Jameson's taxes on part of lot 16 Garrison St. West, and the Clerk be notified to notify collector of the same, remaining portion of taxes on said lot having been paid by C. Leavens.—Carried. Council adjourned.

Chatsworth Items.

From the O. S. Advertiser.

Some two weeks ago a horde of rats made their way into a stable belonging to Mr. S. Stanley, of Holland, near Williamsford, and attacked a last Spring's calf, eating off parts of the ears and cutting holes into the skin in different places. One of the knees was eaten into as far as the bone. The poor animal would probably have been eaten up were it not that Mr. Stanley had a raid on the voracious pests just as they were getting rightly to work. He has since poisoned off some two or three score of them. The story seems somewhat incredible, but its truth can be vouched for by half a dozen reliable witnesses.

Messrs. Cliff & Shaw are adding a \$1,400 knitting machine, intended for the higher class of knitting, to their Woolen establishment at Williamsford.

Mr. John Gunn, of Con. 2, Holland, near Arnott, had two sheep stolen out of his barnyard a few evenings ago. He also had half a dozen fleeces stolen out of his barn last sheep clearing. A number of the residents of that section have missed their sheep, and more recently certain parties are suspected, and are being closely watched.

On the 21st inst, Mrs. Robert Lowery of the township of Eullivan, slipped and fell on her own doorstep and broke her arm.

ACCIDENT.—On Wednesday evening at Mr. John Johnson 2nd line Brant, was unbiting his horse, one of them kicked him on his cheek, he was carried into the house in an unconscious state and Dr. Landerkin sent for who attended him promptly. He sustained concussion of the brain but under the Doctors care is doing as well as can be expected.—*Hanover Post.*

ACCIDENTS.—John Evans, of Sullivan, who was engaged in the timber business in the Indian Lands, got both his feet badly frozen about the 1st of Feb. He was leaning and felt his feet very cold, took off his boots and washed his feet in the snow, then put them on again and drove home. His feet swelled and became so sore that Mr. Evans had to take his departure for his residence in Sullivan, where a medical man was called in who, upon close examination, deemed it advisable to have both feet amputated, to which Mr. Evans objected, and some time in pain. A young man, aged 17 years, of Sullivan, got kicked by a horse last week, which proved fatal.—*O. S. Tribune.*

SUDDEN DEPARTURE.—Some two years ago one Dan Decker left this quarter rather suddenly for parts unknown. About two weeks since the settlement was called on to suffer the loss of two more of its inhabitants, Gordon and Reid, with families, who followed Dan's example. No tears were shed, although there are a few sorrowing people. We understand a gentleman of Goderich and another of Mount Forest would be a sad mistake for the readers of the Arrow to suppose, as they might from reading the above, that the people of the boundary are a "bad lot." The fact is they are quite the reverse—honest, hardworking and upright; so much so that questionable characters find no quarter, and are obliged to leave at midnight as did Gordon, Reid and Decker with as little ado as possible.—*Clifford Arrow.*

THE CENSUS.—The Commissioners are unanimously of the opinion that it would greatly facilitate the proper taking of census if the public generally including clergymen, school teachers, newspaper men and all persons having any public connection, to impress the fact that the census is in no way connected with taxation, and that the information given to enumerators is under the strictest order of secrecy, the enumerators being sworn not to reveal or to allow any one whatever to give information gained during the taking of the census. In the census of 1871 enumerators made a preliminary call and left a blank schedule to be filled up by the householder. This schedule is dispensed with in the present census, and each enumerator will have to gain the information requisite when he calls at the house. Manufacturers and others in business should have no hesitation in giving the fullest information as to their business. Nothing will be revealed by those engaged in taking the census.

At Galt's Plymouth Brethren have purchased a building, christened it "Gospel Hall," and hold frequent meetings.

### Toronto, Grey, and Bruce Railway.

From the Globe.

At a late meeting of the Directors of the Toronto, Grey, and Bruce Railway Company the following letter from Mr. John Gordon, tendering his resignation of the office of President of the Company was read:—

"BROMMINGTON, England, January 5, 1881.

"To the Vice-President and Directors of the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway Company:—

"GENTLEMEN.—Owing to continued and prospective absence from Canada, it becomes my duty to place my position at the Board of the Toronto Grey & Bruce Railway Company at your disposal, which I accordingly hereby now do. In thus closing my official connection with the Company I trust I may be allowed to briefly review the past, as far as at least, my connection with the Company is concerned. I was first elected to the office of President over twelve years ago, before the Company had expended any money in works of construction. The year following I was duly re-elected. Having, however, no desire to further hold office, I declined the honor then conferred upon me. My connection with the Company would at that time in all probability have ceased had not a most influential deputation from the Board of Directors (among whom was a gentleman who I am pleased to see now occupying a seat at the Board) waited upon me with a request that I would remain in office. That deputation so forcibly urged upon me the desirability of withdrawing my resignation that I finally consented to do so. Accordingly I was once more elected your President. Then began "the winter of my discontent." These days must be remembered, were the dark ones of railway building in Canada. The occupancy of a seat at a Railway Board and the stamping of towns and townships in search of bonuses were not occupations which in those days tended to improve a merchant's standing in the estimation of his banker. We set to work, however, and in due time the railway was built. It has always been, and still is, most mortifying to me, that after all our efforts in a contrary direction the Company has been wanting in financial success. Having devoted the chief portion of the best years of my life and my best energies to the interests of the Company, I cannot upon a survey of the past, charge myself with any responsibility for the failure. The gauge, I can safely say, was not my child. The narrow one of 3 feet 6 inches most certainly never would have had my support could I have foreseen the rapid march of events which afterwards took place. I am not aware that any of the promises made by me to the municipalities on behalf of the Company have remained unfulfilled. The greater, however, has been that in the past the railway has always had too little to do—a fault which time will cure. There were, doubtless, likewise other causes contributing to the want of success of the Company—causes which I could not, or which at least I might be accused of failing to anticipate. The unfairly treated in quarters where such conduct was least looked for.

"To the people who embarked capital in the Company, based on opinions of mine, I can only express my sorrow. The opinions which were given by me were at last freely backed with my own means. To the members of the necessary Board of Direction over which I have had the honor to preside, and the many friends of the Company in Toronto, leaders of public opinion, both rank and file, from Toronto to Owen Sound, and from Orangeville to Tweedwater, who so nobly supported me in pushing forward the railway, I offer my most hearty thanks. The readiness with which my oft-made calls on their time and energies were always responded to, and the very general confidence extended to me in the performance of my arduous duties, form a pleasant oasis in my memory—brightening a period which otherwise I might call a time of strife and continual vexation. In bidding you now farewell, I beg to assure you that I shall always feel an interest in the railway, and shall not cease to hope that brighter days may yet be in store for it.

"I am gentlemen,  
"Respectfully yours,  
"JOHN GORDON."

Since the above letter was written Mr. Gordon sailed from England for Australia. He will, it is understood, be absent from Canada for some time. His resignation was most reluctantly accepted by the Board of Directors, and his letter was ordered to be engrossed in the minute book of the Company. The directors then proceeded to elect a new President. Their choice fell upon Mr. W. H. Beatty, a gentleman well known in Toronto and through the Province, who has acted as the solicitor of the Toronto, Grey, and Bruce Railway Company since the railway was organized, and who, therefore, is familiar with the details of the Company's business. It is understood that the directors were to a great extent influenced in their choice of a President by the strongly expressed wish of Mr. Gordon that Mr. Beatty should be his successor.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Company held yesterday, at which the newly elected President for the first time presided, the following resolution in reference to Mr. Gordon's resignation was adopted:—

Moved by Mr. William Ramsay, seconded by J. C. Worts, "That John Gordon, Esq., having found it necessary, owing to absence from Canada and ill health, to place his resignation as Director and President of this Company in the hands of the Board, and his resignation having at the last meeting been accepted with great respect. Be it now resolved, That this Board do place on Record in its minutes its appreciation of the very valuable services which Mr. Gordon has rendered to the Company during the twelve years which he has filled the President's chair, and its acknowledgments of the great sacrifices which he has, during the time, made on behalf of the Company. Also that the Board hereby tender to Mr. Gordon its warmest thanks for the same, and while accepting his resignation, do hereby accept of his resignation."

The total number of cattle exported from Canada during the past year was 50,906, being an increase of 25,895 over last year. The following was the division:—Cattle, 53,295; sheep, 81,813, swine 700.

### Ontario Legislature.

PROBATION.

Friday, March 8th, 1881.

At three o'clock His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor left Government House, accompanied by Capt. Geddes, A. D. C., Lieut. Col. Dennison, Deputy-Adjutant-General, and Lieut. Col. Alger, and proceeded to the Legislative Assembly, escorted by a detachment of the Governor-General's Body Guard, 27 strong, under the command of Lieuts. Howard and Kane. The attendance in the galleries of the House was small.

His Honor being seated on the Throne, the Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills that had passed, among others the following:—

An Act to incorporate the City of St. Thomas.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate Knox College.

An Act to organize the municipality of Neeling.

An Act to amend the securities of the Anglo-Canadian Mortgage Company and the Ontario Securities Company (Limited).

An Act respecting the Hamilton and Dundas Street Railway Company.

An Act to amend the several Acts relating to the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company.

An Act respecting the delinquent debt of the County of Simcoe.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Credit Valley Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishops of Toronto and Kingston, in Canada, in each Diocese.

An Act amalgamating the Port Dover and Lake Huron, the Stratford and Huron and the Georgian Bay and Wellington B. Co., with the Grand Trunk, Georgian Bay, and Lake Erie Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Phoenix Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Ontario.

An Act to change the name of the town of Clifton to that of Niagara Falls.

An Act to incorporate the Toronto Baptist College.

An Act to enable the Trustees of Bethel Congregation, of the town of Orangeville, to sell certain lands.

An Act respecting the Georgian Bay & Wellington Railway Company.

An Act respecting the Waterloo County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Ontario.

An Act to consolidate the Superior Courts; establish a uniform system of pleading and practice; and make further provision for the due administration of justice.

An Act to amend the Juries' Act of 1879.

An Act respecting Interpleader.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the registration of co-partnerships and business firms.

An Act to amend the Registry Act.

An Act to give increased efficiency to the laws against illicit liquor selling.

An Act respecting sugar fences.

An Act to make provision for the administration of justice in the new County of Dufferin.

An Act to make provision for the safety of Railway employees and the public.

An Act for protecting the public interest in rivers, streams, and creeks.

An Act to amend the Ontario Drainage Act.

An Act for further improving the School Law.

An Act to amend the University and Colleges of Toronto.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Inspection of Asylums, Hospitals, Common Goals, and Reformatories in this Province.

An Act to amend the Act for the protection of insectivorous and other birds beneficial to agriculture.

An Act respecting returns required from incorporated companies.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the sale and management of timber on public lands.

An Act to give increased stability to mutual fire insurance companies.

An Act to amend the law respecting the registration of Births, marriages, and deaths.

An Act to further provide for the release of dower of married women in certain cases.

An Act to extend the powers of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

An Act to make further provision respecting the Central Prison, the Andrew Mercer Ontario Reformatory for Females, and the Industrial Refuge for Girls.

An Act to extend the powers of Companies incorporated under the Joint Stock Companies' Letter Patent Act.

An Act to incorporate the Saint St. Marie Railway Company.

An Act to further amend the Revised Statute respecting Mortgages and personal Property.

The Municipal Amendment Act of 1881.

The Assessment Amendment Act of 1881.

An Act respecting the appointment of guardians for infants.

An Act to regulate the fees of certain officers and clerks.

An Act to prevent the spread of the Yellow around peach, nectarine and other trees.

An Act to amend the law securing to wives and children the benefit of assurances on the lives of their husbands and parents.

An Act for granting aid to certain railways.

An Act for amending the several Acts passed by the several Legislatures of this Province for other purposes therein mentioned.

After assenting to the several Acts passed His Honor was pleased to deliver the following speech:—

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

In discharging you from further attendance at the present time to your Legislative duties, I have to thank you for the careful and laborious attention you have bestowed upon the large amount of business that has been brought before you.

I shall not fail to call the attention of the Dominion Government to the resolutions in which you have once more protested against the delay that has taken place in the recognition and confirmation of the Award whereby, so long since as the 3rd day of August, 1879, the northerly and westerly boundaries of Ontario were determined, and re-affirmed your determination to give your cordial support to my Government in any steps that may be necessary to take to sustain the Award, and to assert and maintain the just rights and claims of the Province.

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