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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 1, 1876.

Mr. Adam Gordon, M. P. for North Ontario, died on Sunday morning at his home in Port Perry.

It is proposed that China and the United States shall agree to a treaty enabling either of them to restrict the immigration of the other's people with the exception of those engaged in commerce.

The print mills in the United States continue to reduce operatives' wages owing to a falling off in prices of the goods produced and a reduction in the cost of living.

The Queen has created Earl Dufferin a Knight Grand Cross of the order of St. Michael and St. George, an honor conferred on his predecessors, Lord Lisgar and Viscount Monck.

A nice point is to come before the Police Magistrate at St. Catharines for decision, as to whether a greasy keeper can legally give away liquor, or is held that the practice is illegal according to the statute, and the License Inspector is going to bring before the court a case of this kind in order to test the value of the law.

From an official return we find that there has been expended on the construction of Railways in this Province during last year the large sum of \$3,806,153.

The report that Hon. Malcolm Cameron's illness was softening of the brain, proves incorrect. The hon. gentleman is suffering from an abscess of the lungs, causing a high fever. At latest accounts the fever had subsided, and there is a prospect of his ultimate recovery.

The Pennsylvania, New York Central, and Erie railroads, in their fight for business have cut down fares from New York to Chicago and other western points about twenty per cent. Of the three the Erie, though the last to act, has gone the lowest in reducing the rates.

A resident of Waterdown, failing to murder his wife Sunday morning, made away with himself by the aid of a revolver. A Belleville shoemaker committed suicide by hanging himself with his strip to a post-bed. In Toronto, Sunday night, a young man of bad character shot his mistress at the rear of a house on Elizabeth-street, the bullet entering the neck, making a dangerous though not probably a fatal wound.

The war between Guatemala and San Salvador is ended, the former being victorious. A preliminary treaty of peace has been signed.

A despatch says Saravia is preparing to lead the insurrection in northern Turkey, while Greece, Thessaly, and Crete will all rise from the other side.

The Macdonnell case was discussed in the Toronto Presbytery Tuesday, and it is now considered that the difficulty has been settled, the following statement from Mr. Macdonnell being taken as the basis:

Notwithstanding the difficulties which I have regarding the severity of future punishment, I continue my adhesion to that doctrine as implied in my assent to the Confession of Faith as formerly given.

While Rev. Father Chiquinay was returning home from delivering a lecture Saturday night, in the Temperance Hall, Ottawa, his carriage was pelted with stones, one of them striking him on the head; he was not seriously injured. At the hall several rowdies attempted to raise a disturbance, but the police interfered and prevented them.

The Sultan Dethroned. A cablegram informs the world this side of the Atlantic that the Sultan has been deposed, and that his nephew, Murad Effendi, reigns in his stead.

LOOKS WARLIKE.—The London Standard says one hundred tons of gunpowder and a million cartridges have just been despatched from Woodville to Gibraltar, Malta, and the Mediterranean fleet. This is quite independent of the ordinary supply. It was stated in Portsmouth on Saturday that all available workmen are to be placed at work on the ships which are nearest to seagoing condition. The next ship Thunderer is understood to be the first whose completion will thus be pushed forward. The Times says since Friday afternoon insurance at Lloyd's have been made to cover war risks.

The population of Florida is 1,547, being 15 less than last year.

Queen's Birthday in Acton.

The fifty-seventh anniversary of Her Majesty's birthday was celebrated in the usual manner last week. The day was ushered in by the booming of "cannon," firing of squibs, and a general uproar. Ensigns fluttered in the breeze, and everything betokened a grand gala day. "All nature was just bedecking herself in her beautiful robes of emerald green, and Old Sol shining in his magnificent splendor over all, aroused an unusual spirit of joyousness and enthusiasm amongst the loyal people who had assembled to do honor to the occasion. During the afternoon, a great many people were on the streets, amusing themselves in various ways. Great interest was taken in the athletic games and races—which were well contested. And in the evening, the concert hall was the centre of attraction, and then the fireworks. The following is the record of the games:

BASE BALL MATCH.—The day's amusement commenced at about 10 o'clock, with a ball match. It was expected that a club from the school would arrive by the morning train to play with our boys, but as none came, it was resolved to choose two mixed nines from our home players, under the captaincy of Messrs. Thos. Kennedy and James Nicklin, to contest for the \$10 prize. Kennedy's side made a score of 20, and took the field against Nicklin's 17.

HEAVY SHOT-LIBEL STONE.—25 lbs.—4 entries—1st Donald Mann, 2nd Wm. McDonald, 20 ft. 5 in.

FOOT RACE, 100 yards.—5 entries—1st Len Suggitt, 2nd Thos. Kennedy, 3rd James Clarke, 2nd Len Suggitt.

FOOT RACE, 200 yards.—5 entries—1st Len Suggitt, 2nd Wm. Mitchell, 3rd James Clarke, 2nd Len Suggitt.

FOOT RACE, 300 yards.—5 entries—1st Len Suggitt, 2nd Wm. Mitchell, 3rd James Clarke, 2nd Len Suggitt.

FOOT RACE, 400 yards.—5 entries—1st Len Suggitt, 2nd Wm. Mitchell, 3rd James Clarke, 2nd Len Suggitt.

FOOT RACE, 500 yards.—5 entries—1st Len Suggitt, 2nd Wm. Mitchell, 3rd James Clarke, 2nd Len Suggitt.

FOOT RACE, 600 yards.—5 entries—1st Len Suggitt, 2nd Wm. Mitchell, 3rd James Clarke, 2nd Len Suggitt.

Escape of two Murderers from Cayuga Jail.

CAYUGA, May 29.—John and James William Young, who were confined in Cayuga goal, under sentence of death for the murder of Abel McDonald near Calconia, escaped on Sunday about 7:30 p.m. On Sunday evening James William Young overpowered the gaoler, took a key which he had made from a buckle of his clothing, went to John Young's cell, unlocked it, and both escaped. The Deputy Sheriff and a strong posse of constables immediately went in pursuit.

Up to Wednesday nothing has been heard of the escaped murderers Young. They are supposed to be harbored by relatives, of which they have many acquaintances throughout Hamilton and Wentworth.

The Hamilton Tragedy. HAMILTON, May 27.—The inquest on the body of Mrs. Macrae was brought to a close at eleven o'clock on Friday night, the jury having retired at half-past four. The verdict was returned that she died from injuries received at the hands of her husband, J. O. Macrae. The defendant, Macrae, was then formally committed for trial at the fall assizes. Great interest was manifested during the evening, large crowds of citizens awaiting result of inquest.

Attempted Wife Murder and Suicide. A despatch from Waterdown says that a Dr. Walker, residing in that village, attempted to kill his wife by shooting her. The ball took effect in her arm. He subsequently shot himself twice in the breast and expired instantly.

Statistics of Canada. We are in receipt of volume four of the Census of Canada, which not only refers to the one taken in 1871 but goes back to 1865, and affords a very interesting synopsis of Canada in the past as well as the present. As a volume of reference it will prove very useful and often interesting. An estimate is given of the number of Indians in the Dominion, with an outline map of the territories in which they are located. The whole volume seems got up for the instruction of its readers in French or English, according to their nationality, the left hand page being in English and the right in French, in ordinary reading matter, whilst the headings are in both languages.

Base Ball.

HARD ON THE "MAPLE LEAF." The Guelph "Maple Leaf" Club played a championship match in London on the 24th with the Tecumseh Club, and at the eleventh innings were defeated—the score being 8 to 7. The following day they played in Detroit, where they were again defeated, this time by 2 runs, of that city, and only scored 7 against their opponents 10. The Maple Leaf Club secured a third defeat at Jackson, Mich., on Friday.

At the conclusion of the game the score stood—Jackson 5; Maple Leaf 4. For years the Londoners have vain endeavored to win a single game from the Guelph boys, but at last, by the aid of a half dozen paid professionals, they have succeeded in beating them by one run, the defeat being attributable to a display by the Maple Leaf. London has yet to win two games to obtain the laurels of Guelph, which has held so long, and we have no doubt that at the next match of the series (which will be played at Guelph) the Maple Leaf will defeat their opponents without allowing them to score a single run.

CREDIT VALLEY RAILWAY. A meeting was held in St. Andrew's Hall, Toronto, Friday evening, in response to a call by the Mayor for further discussion as to the advisability of granting a bonus of \$250,000 in aid of the Credit Valley Railway. The meeting was convened largely of respectable citizens. After a speech from Mr. Geo. Laird, and considerable discussion, the following motion was put and carried: "That this meeting respectfully petition the Mayor and Corporation of the city of Toronto to submit a by-law as already petitioned for to aid the Credit Valley Railway with a bonus of \$250,000." An amendment was moved, that considering the fearfully depressed state of business in the city the meeting would unanimously oppose all further grants to the Credit Valley Railway, but it was lost.

The meeting broke up in great confusion, a large number of those present declaring that the Mayor's decision in ruling that the motion was carried was wrong.

BURGLARY IN WALKERTON.—Last Friday night burglars entered the premises of Mr. James Blair, hardware merchant, and carried off the cash box from his bedroom. They also took the keys from the pocket of his trousers and opened the safe in store down-stairs. The books and papers were scattered about and \$106 in bills carried off, besides some Canadian silver. A quantity of American silver was left behind, and two gold watches on a stand beside Mr. Blair's bed. Entrance was gained through an unfastened window in the rear of the premises. Some footmarks outside this window look like those of a boy.

Urquhart & Co., Wholesale Grocers.

Montreal, have suspended with liabilities of about \$30,000.

The Brantford Express says the statement that has been circulated, that the Hon. George Brown has disposed of Bow Park, is incorrect.

A Mr. Watson walked on the Queen's birthday from Toronto to Hamilton, a distance of forty-five miles, in a little less than eleven hours.

The Montreal Star says: Messrs. J. D. Williamson & Co., of Guelph, have bought the entire dry goods stock of the late firm of Boujey, Johnston & Co., amounting to over \$60,000.

Two large saw mills, one at Lindsay, the other at Napawan, were burned on Sunday along with a considerable quantity of lumber. At Lynden eight houses were also destroyed.

The necessary plans and specifications for the new building at Church Hill, to contain the Post-Office, Customs House, and Land Revenue Offices are now completed, and tenders will be called for very shortly for its construction.

The Presbyterian Church at Ancaster Village has been burglarized and everything portable carried off, including stair carpet, organ matting, mirror, brush and comb, and a small sum of money.

Mr. James Bradley, Georgetown, purchased, at the Assignee's sale, the property of Mr. Hurst, in Glen Williams, for \$4,100, and intends carrying on the manufacturing business as usual. He intends moving from Georgetown to the Glen in a short time.

It does not speak well for the credit of Toronto that the Secretary of the Mechanics' Institute in that city should be forced to write in his official report that the 231 volumes were stolen from the society's shelves last year.

Despatches from Toronto say that one good effect of the new license law was plainly visible in the streets on Saturday night and Sunday, namely, the total absence of persons under the influence of drink. The tavern keepers steadily refused to supply even their best customers during prohibited hours.

BECKER ON ORTHODOXY. About 200 delegates to the Presbyterian Assembly attended the Plymouth church last Sunday morning, when Beecher preached a sermon, the gist of which was that some people place too much stress on orthodoxy, foolishly supposing that the greatest goodness and a great deal of orthodoxy is better than a great deal of goodness and a little orthodoxy.

P. O. NOTICE.—At the written request of the addresses, undelivered mail matters will be re-directed and forwarded from one post office to another in Canada or delivered to States without any additional postage; but mail matter re-directed and re-posted after having been taken out of the post office is again liable to postage, which must be pre-paid, or otherwise such mail matter along the route, or delivered to the Dead Letter Office at Ottawa.

THE "HERD LADDE" VICTORIES.—The draught match between Mr. Willie and the celebrated Boston player, Mr. Barker, has now come to an end. The match was to comprise fifty games, and the stakes to be \$10 for each game; and there was a clause in the agreement that the loser would not be compelled to play the match out if he saw no possibility of winning a game. On Saturday night the score stood—Willie 23; Barker 0, drawn 26. Barker thereupon declined to play longer, and Willie was declared the winner. The champion will remain in Boston about two weeks. We understand that Mr. Martin, the English champion, has declined for the present to play a match for the championship with Mr. Willie, and therefore, no likelihood of the challenge of the latter for \$500 or \$1,000 (which still remain open) being accepted by any one. The success of the "laddie" in Boston gives much satisfaction to the devotees of checkers.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—A man about sixty years of age, name unknown, was struck in the side and killed by a cylinder of a locomotive on Saturday afternoon, 20th inst., when within a few yards of the Brantford Station. He must have been put off at Malton, or missed the train, as he had a ticket in his pocket from Toronto to Brantford, dated the same day; also a piece of paper with "Robert Horn, Mount Forest," written on it.

A SETTLEMENT.—The creditors of Mr. R. D. Boomer, general store-keeper in Erin, signified their willingness, at a meeting held a few days ago, to accept seventy-five cents on the dollar. There is a surplus it is said, of seven thousand in the estate, the assets being \$21,000 and the liabilities \$14,000.

Ladies' sets in gold plate, and set jewelry in all the latest patterns, at C. & G. Hynds, Post Office, Acton.

ACTON MARKET.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Flour, White Wheat, Spring Wheat, Barley, Oats, Peas, Potatoes, Butter, Eggs, Hay, etc.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHURCH HILL BURIAL. Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in the Burial Ground at Church Hill, that there will be a public meeting on Wednesday, 14th of June, at one o'clock p.m., for the purpose of appointing Trustees, and to arrange for fencing and enlarging the grounds and collecting money for the same. ISAAC SNYDER, Secy. Residing, June 1, 1876.

WALKER LODGE No. 321.

The Regular meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, Acton, on Monday, June 6th, at 7:30 p.m. JOHN ROSS, Secy.

WANTED.

1000 Cords of GOOD HEMLOCK BARK. For which I will pay FIVE DOLLARS PER CORD. At the Acton Tannery, if delivered in summer. G. L. BEARDMORE, Z. A. HALL, Agent. June, 1876. 43-3m

STRAY COLTS.

From the premises of the subscriber, on May 16th two-year-old Filly, light bay, with small white star in forehead and heavy mane; also one yearling Filly, dark bay, white star on forehead. Any person bringing them to the publisher, signed or given such information as will lead to their recovery will be rewarded. They were last seen on town line between Erin and Acton.

SMALL FARM FOR SALE.

Adjoining the Village of Acton. The undersigned offers to sell the property belonging to the estate of the late Thomas Harris, comprising 45 acres of land, most of it under cultivation, situated a few rods from Acton station, a branch of the Credit River runs through part of the property; good cellar, fruit along the creek; log house and frame barn. Apply to ALEX. BURNS, Senr., May 22.—48-4t. Rockwood P. O.

UNDER TAKING.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the people of Acton and vicinity that he will furnish all Requisites in Undertaking on short notice and reasonable terms as can be had. Hearse Supplied when Desired. Also that he will Fit up Stores & Offices in the best style. Show Cases, Book Cases and Desks made to order. FURNITURE REPAIRED. Shop on Willow street, near Main st. P. M. McCANN. Acton, March 20, 1876. 39-6m

NEW Butcher Shop.

S. ZIMMERMAN. Would inform the people of Acton and vicinity that he has again commenced the

Butcher Business.

In this village, and from his long experience in this line he will be able to furnish fresh meats of all kinds of the best quality, nicely and cleanly dressed. Meat delivered at the houses Tuesdays and Saturdays, and always on hand at the Shop. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited. S. ZIMMERMAN. Acton, March 19th 1876.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GEORGETOWN Implement Warerooms AND FEED STORE.

The subscribers beg to announce to farmers and others, that they have opened a ware room on Main Street, Georgetown, next the lay scales, where they will keep always in stock the most desirable kind of Farming Implements. Also in connection, they have opened a FEED STORE, where will always be kept a large stock of flour, feed and seeds, of various descriptions. J. C. DEVEREAUX. ALLEN MOORE, Manager. Geor. town, April 12, 1876. 42-3m

THE Rock River Company

BUILDING PAPER. DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Inodorous Sheeting Paper 5 1/2 c a lb.—one pound to a square yard. Prepared Plastering Board 6 c a lb. Tarred Sheeting 4 1/2 c a lb.—1 1/2 lb. to square yard. Moth Proof Carpet Lining 7 c a lb.—one pound to a square yard. Call and Examine the Stock at Day's Bookstore. Day Sells Cheap.

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THE NEW DOMINION

BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

KENNEY & SON

Have just received their Spring stock of BOOTS, SHOES, AND PRUNELLAS. The Best that ever came into Acton, for Price, Style and Quality.

OUR CUSTOM WORK

Will receive careful attention, and all work guaranteed to give satisfaction. Repairing Done Neatly. Don't forget the place—Main Street, Next Door to Agnew's Hotel.

KENNEY & SON

Acton, May 29, 1876.

MILLINERY.

MANTLES, DRESS GOODS, GENERAL DRY GOODS.

A very handsome stock just opened out—all new and beautiful—at

McNAIR'S MILLINERY AND DRY GOODS EMPORIUM, ACTON.

Our stock of Millinery is not surpassed by any house in Halton county. Our sales during the past two weeks have been extraordinary large; four first class milliners kept exceedingly busy from early-morning till late at night attending to the wants of our customers. Everybody highly pleased with the neatness, beautiful styles, superior quality and cheapness of our millinery. There is no longer any necessity for going to Guelph or elsewhere to get fashionable goods. We have a large and handsome stock of MANTLES, of the most fashionable styles, in all sizes and quantities—very cheap and good. Ladies' Ready-made Suits, Black and Colored Silks, Dress Goods of various kinds.

IN GENERAL DRY GOODS

Our stock is much larger and better than ever before. A good assortment of Gentlemen's Goods. Everything Marked Down to the Very Lowest Figures. We believe in small profits and quick sales. A fine selection of HANDSOME JEWELRY at all prices. Also a Good Stock of General Groceries. Millinery Show Room Up Stairs. Please call and see our new goods and low prices. D. McNAIR. Acton, May 27, 1876.

GOLDEN LION OF GUELPH.

CHEAPEST DRY GOODS STORE IN ONTARIO.

Enormous Sales at Prices never before heard of. Messrs. J. D. Williamson & Co. Are now Selling that Immense Montreal Bankrupt Stock recently purchased at 50 cents on the dollar. All are Good, Sound and Honest Goods. We guarantee Satisfaction. SEE THE PRICES! DRESS GOODS. Newest patterns in Checks and Stripes, lovely shades, in plain colors. Beautiful Silk Mixtures at 10c, 12 1/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c and 35c per yard. Thousands of pieces to choose from. A whole Department is devoted to BLACK LUSTRES. Qualities unrivalled—prices that cannot be approached elsewhere. Silks in every possible pattern and shade—perfect marvels of cheapness. Grenadines, beautiful colored and plain stripes at 10c, worth 25c. Gossamer and Striped Dress Lawns at 12 1/2 cents—cannot be bought elsewhere under 25 cents. Costume Linen, hundreds of pieces at 12 1/2c, worth 25c. Brillants, 10c; Cobourns, 18c; Japanese Silk, 18c; Linch Embroidery, Swiss Embroidery, Cheek-Mustins, 12 1/2c. In these and every other line of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods. The Lion Defies Competition! Don't forget those great marvels, beautiful Kid Gloves, all shades, 25c; Parasols, 37 1/2c. WORTH THREE TIMES THE AMOUNT. We treat with silent contempt all insinuations of disappointed rivals. OUR GOODS ARE PERFECT. Our prices 25 per cent below anything to be met with elsewhere. Our sales three times as great as any other house in town. Low Prices and Perfect Goods. Small Profits and Large Sales. Come and See Us.

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