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THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 23, 1876.

The situation relating to the United States Presidential election remains unchanged. It is not expected that the count in Florida will be completed this week.

The aspect of affairs in the East, as depicted by despatches, is once more encouraging. A growing disposition appears to be manifested on all sides to promote the chances of peace, and the hopes entertained of the success of the Conference are on the increase.

The Railway Debitures. A special meeting of the Halton County Council was held last Thursday, at the call of the Warden, to reconsider the matter of giving up the bonds debitured to the Hamilton and North-western Railway Company.

The Warden and Treasurer went to Hamilton on Friday the 17th inst., and paid over to the trustees \$61,500 in debentures not yet due, and in cash \$13,055 for \$3,500 of the debentures and \$9,555 of interest coupons due.

The Whitty Gazette in discussing the "pay up" question, suggests as the best plan to adopt, that as the farmer can and does get cash down for almost everything that he produces, he should pay for everything as he buys it.

The news from Madras Presidency gives room for hope that the threatening famine will be averted, rain, having fallen in time to do some good. In Bombay the prospects are still gloomy, actual famine appearing probable in two or three districts, and great distress in four or five more.

A Reform Convention, to choose a candidate for the representation of Cardwell in the House of Commons, rendered vacant by the death of the Hon. J. Hillier Cameron, will be held at Orangeville on the 29th inst.

Our Home Companion and Canadian Teacher is the title of a neatly printed Monthly Magazine, published by the Companion Publishing Co., London. It contains a large amount of valuable information for teachers and others, and should be supported by every household.

The Detective Business. If read in the light of the failure to secure the conviction of the White-side murderer, the following remarks by his Honor Judge Burton, in the course of his charge to the grand jury at the recent Kent assizes, may be regarded as especially applicable to this case.

The loss of the British gunboat, Lapwing, off Chefoo, and of the mail steamer, Windsor Castle, near Cape Town, is announced. No lives were lost.

More researches into the Montreal sausage business has led to the fact that those bearing the name of chickens are for the most part made up of calves, and as is often the case, being only one day old.

The position of Chief Guard and Deputy Chief Guard have been abolished at the Central Prison, and an officer, to be known as the Deputy Warden, has been created in lieu thereof.

The Milton Champion says an epizootic has broken out in the northern part of London Township, amongst the horses of a most peculiar character. It is bad enough to have politicians of a most peculiar character, but when the horse, man's noblest and best friend, acquires such a reputation, it is high time some dreadful curative was carried off and made room for honest equines.

SUSPECTED FOUL PLAY.—Since the institution upon the body of George Saunders, found in a ditch near the H. & N. W. R. Co. near Hamilton, suspicions of foul play have arisen, pointing in the direction of two brothers, John and William Stewart, and one Daniel Fletcher, who have been arrested.

THE WEATHER.—Says the Montreal Witness: "The question now naturally arises, 'What are our prospects this year for Christmas and New Year's times?' This we have referred to Mr. Vennor, who last year as early as October, foretold with considerable accuracy our 1st of January weather.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Monday last, Mr. Alexander Brown, who lived at the residence of Mr. Brown, found lying beside a fence on a farm, with a rail across his breast, in an unconscious condition, and he died shortly after being conveyed to his house.

A PECULIAR CASE.—At the sittings of the Division Court, St. Marys, held on Tuesday, a case was tried which may be of some interest to the mercantile community. Mr. Henry E. Wilson, merchant, sued Mrs. Elizabeth Spencer, widow, for the recovery of an account of \$77 for groceries furnished to her family for the use of herself and family, and which goods were consumed in defendant's house.

The Week of Canadisms. (From the London Advertiser.) At the close of the commercial depression nearly twenty years ago, the price of real estate in Canada fell to a very low figure.

PARENTAL CONUNDRUM.—A certain gentleman asked us not long since why his daughter's beau was like a successful publication. We confessed our inability to answer such a weighty conundrum.

Who is the laziest man? The furniture dealer; he keeps chairs and lounges about all the time.

Look at the Scotch Tweed for 50c per yard at Dickson & McNab's.

For good tea cakes and buns go to Gallows's Bros., Acton Bakery.

At a special discount of 25 per cent commencing on Monday November 27th.

An Auction will be held every Saturday Evening.

Will continue business and the repairing of Watches and Clocks will go on as usual, but the present stock must be sold within three months.

This is a bona-fide cheap sale.

ACTON MARKETS. Flour \$2 50 to 2 75 White Wheat 90 to 0 90 New Fall Wheat 1 00 to 1 05 Spring Wheat, Glasgow 1 00 to 1 05

ATTEND TO YOUR HEAD AND HAIR.—Don't Delay Using This. Wood's Improved Hair Restorative is unlike any other, and has no equal.

A man named George Wilson, who resides a few miles from Acton, fell into bad company in Guelph last Monday, and was rather roughly handled.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Mr. Alex. Brown, living in Milton, lost his life on Monday last week by falling from the top of a fence he was climbing over, causing concussion of the brain.

A CARD.—To all suffering from the weakness, early decay, nervous debility, and loss of vitality, I would advise you to use my medicine. It is the only remedy discovered by a physician in South America, and a most efficacious one.

WALKER LODGE No. 321. The Regular Meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, Acton, on Monday, Nov. 27th, at 7:30 p.m. JOHN ROSS, Sec.

MUFFLER LOST. Last between Acton and Silver Creek, on Thursday evening, 9th inst., a large Brown Muffler. Any person returning it to the Free Press office will be suitably rewarded. Acton, Nov. 14, 1876.

BERRKSHIRE BOAR. The pure bred Berkshire Boar, "Acton Prince," will be kept for service on the premises of the undersigned, adjoining this village. Terms \$1.00, to be paid at time of service. C. S. SMITH. Acton, Nov. 15, 1876.

THOS. RUSSELL & SON, Watchmakers, Liverpool, Having determined to sell out their Canadian business previous to their opening a Jobbing House in England, have instructed their agent,

Friday, Dec. 1st.—Farm stock and implements, on the premises of Jacob Fisher, lot 7, 4th con. Erin. G. Gibbs, Auctioneer.

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Christie, Henderson & Co., ACTON, This Week offer Decided Bargains in Seasonable Goods: Men's Overcoats from \$5.00 up, Men's Shirts and Drawers from 50c up, Men's Stoga Boots from \$2.00 up, Ladies' Fur Sets from \$3.00 up, Ladies' Dress Goods from 12 1/2c up, Blankets, white, per pair from \$3.00 up, Blankets, grey, per pair from \$1.75 up, Winceys, extra value.

ALL WOOL FACTORY FLANNEL. Extra heavy. A new lot cheaper than ever. Ladies' Clouds in great variety and very cheap. MILLINERY. In immense variety, in all the leading styles and colors—cheap, fancy prices for Millinery. Ladies, remember this.

G. D. Pringle, OF GUELPH, Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. At a special discount of 25 per cent commencing on Monday November 27th.

Remember that Famous 50c Tea. Which still maintains the lead against all competitors. Don't fail to secure a 5 or 10 lb. lot. Terms Cash and Small Profits.

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO., ACTON, NOV. 14, 1876. LADIES Save your Carpets and make your rooms warm by getting the PATENT FELTING PAPER.

ANDERSON'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE. On the East side of Wyndham Street, GUELPH. Will Remove To their NEW PREMISES Upper Wyndham Street, NEXT WEEK.