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MICHIGAN CENTRAL



The Niagara Falls Route.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Trains leave Ridgeway as follows, Central Standard time:

GOING EAST.
No. 1, daily, except Sundays, 10 p. m.
No. 2, daily, 1:30 p. m.
No. 3, daily, except Sundays, 3:15 p. m.
No. 4, daily, 5:30 p. m.
No. 5, daily, except Sundays, 12:45 p. m.

GOING WEST.
No. 1, daily, 2:30 p. m.
No. 2, daily, 5:21 a. m.
No. 3, daily, 10:57 a. m.
No. 4, daily, except Sundays, 4:35 p. m.
No. 5, daily, 5:52 p. m.
No. 6, daily, except Sundays, 9:34 a. m.

CANADIAN PACIFIC—ONTARIO DIV.

HASTERS STANDARD TIME.

Leave St. Thomas. Arrive Toronto.
* 4:35 a. m. Express. 9:05 a. m.
2 p. m. Express. 6:25 p. m.
Leave Toronto. Arrive St. Thomas.
8:10 a. m. St. Louis Express. 12:35 p. m.
* 1:05 p. m. Pacific Express. 5:35 p. m.
4:15 p. m. Express. 9:00 p. m.

The mixed between Galt and St. Thomas leaves here at 10:40 a. m., arriving at 2 a. m., and leaving Galt at 6:40 a. m., arriving in St. Thomas at 10:30 a. m.

ERIE & HURON.

GOING SOUTH		GOING NORTH	
1	2	3	4
Exp. Mixed	P. M.	Exp. Mixed	P. M.
1:30	3:30	7:30	9:30
2:30	4:30	8:30	10:30
3:30	5:30	9:30	11:30
4:30	6:30	10:30	12:30
5:30	7:30	11:30	1:30
6:30	8:30	12:30	2:30
7:30	9:30	1:30	3:30
8:30	10:30	2:30	4:30
9:30	11:30	3:30	5:30
10:30	12:30	4:30	6:30

All trains run on eastern standard time. Trains make close connection at Chatham with the Great Western Railway, and at Erie and Huron Junction with Canada Southern Railway.

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ESTRAY.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THAMESVILLE.

The Presbyterian Sabbath school entertainment in Thamesville on New Year's eve was quite a success. The hall was crowded with an appreciative audience and those who took part in the proceedings acquitted themselves well. This school is in a very flourishing condition, has a good staff of teachers and a large attendance of scholars. Last sabbath being the first in the year, as usual the missionary box was opened, when it was found to contain \$32.44. This by a unanimous vote was allocated to the cause of French Evangelization.

BENTON.

The all-Bentley election at the polls in No. 1 division on Monday was very light owing to the bad weather, and the fact of there being only two candidates in the field the number of votes all told being only 60.

A very shocking accident happened to **Mr. John Gillespie** on Saturday evening at his place on the Botany road. As near as can be learned the following are the facts concerning the lamentable accident. It appears that **Mr. Gillespie** returned home from Thamesville early in the evening and was seen to go to his home as usual where he lives entirely alone. **Mr. Balmer** his nearest neighbor, very thoughtfully put his son over to see that all was right, who upon opening the stable door beheld **Mr. Gillespie** lying under his horses feet in an uncouth state, his face being terribly mangled by the sharp ends of the horses. He was carried to the house and **Dr. Pickard** was sent for who when arriving upon the scene pronounced the patient to be in a very critical state and the chances of his recovery very doubtful.

THAMESVILLE.

Miss Sandys of Chatham, is visiting at **Rev. J. Downie's**.

Mr. R. Taylor has been home for his holidays.

Mr. Wm. Smith, of St. Thomas, was in town for a few days last week.

Mr. J. R. Eastman was surprised by a snow storm on his way home last Friday.

Mr. & Mrs. Israel L. Smith are seriously ill.

The oyster supper given by the Workmen last Thursday evening passed off very pleasantly. The supper was served in Coll's old rink, the entertainment taking place in the hall. After the programme, which was very interesting, was through with, dancing commenced and continued until near morning.

Mrs. I. B. Smith fell over a dog one day last week and was severely hurt.

We are glad to hear **Mr. Geo. Pierce** has been elected councillor. If he performs his duty as councillor as well as he did as commissioner we may well be proud of him.

PALMYRA.

Mr. N. Mills from London was home last week spending his holidays.

Irwin & Zimmerman recently threshed 1,800 bushels of grain in six hours and a half.

Mr. B. Allen, of St. Thomas, spent a few days last week at **Mr. J. L. Street's**.

Mr. J. R. Eastman has returned from Buffalo.

Mr. A. Grawburg, of Michigan, is visiting his friends in this vicinity.

We understand that **Mr. John Mills** is about to leave this place. We are sorry to lose an enterprising business man like **Mr. Mills**.

Mr. John Wallace and wife of Bothwell, spent last week with their relatives here.

Dr. McTavish, of this place, in travelling in Michigan.

Mr. D. Palmer and wife, of St. Thomas, are visiting at **Mr. S. Gooden's**.

Mr. Carey, of this place, gave excellent recitations. After the program was ended the presents were distributed. The proceeds amounted to about twenty-one dollars.

MUIRKIRK.

It's no langtæ newar day noo, Ye'll be drank, an' I'll be foo.

A rather important school meeting was held here. The school house having been burned down two weeks ago. The meeting was held in **Mr. Taylor's** smithy, the Methodist church was asked for the meeting and refused. It is alleged by the people living north of **Muirkirk** that the school house is not in the centre of the section, and should be moved north. There was quite a large meeting, and the moving of the site being the question the election of trustees would settle it. The north nominated **G. W. Livingstone**, and **Muirkirk Saml. McDonald**, the latter was elected by 12 majority, the end may not be yet.

I have had a two weeks run through Dunwich. Last year I reported a number of improvements, but the hard times show themselves here as elsewhere, with the exception of a barn some where and a butcher shop erected by **Mr. Gilbert**, on lot 5 con. 5, there are only two new buildings **Mr. Thomas Gilbert**, lot 1 con. 6, owns rather a unique hamlet, first the log house, second the frame addition, and now a neat brick 22x26, to which he will shortly add a kitchen. **Mr. Branchflower** across the town line in Aldborough has built a large brick house. **Mr. John McDermid**, lot 1 con. 6, and some others have put in a number of tile drains. If the township has not done much, **Dutton** has been stepping out. The site of the late fire is covered with a two storey brick block, which will contain nine large stores. There are likewise two other new buildings with two stores each in full blast. The big block is two tall stories. There are a number of other buildings scattered through the village. The estimated expenditure this season is \$47,000.

THAMESVILLE.

As to the entertainment that was billed for last week, the one in connection with the English church was postponed.

The Cantata was well rendered, and the presents for the children were both numerous and beautiful.

Great excitement over our municipal affairs just now. The reeve'ship stands between **E. Wallace** and **Wm. Sherman**. The former will doubtless be elected.

A sad and fatal accident occurred yesterday 3 miles from this place where by a young man named **Storey** lost his life. It appears that he and some other young men were in the woods coon hunting when a branch from a tree that they had cut fell striking **young Storey** on the head. He was removed at once to a neighbor's house near by, and there it was discovered that he was beyond recovery. He never spoke after he was struck.

A. R. Mead's distribution of prizes came off on Saturday. **Wm. Boyes** was the lucky man to draw the 1st prize which was a sewing machine valued at \$45. **Wm. Drader** got 2nd prize, a gold watch, valued at \$40.

Rev. Dr. Stuart, of Chatham, lectures here on Tuesday night. Subject "Who are Israel?" The people of Thamesville will surely be able to answer the question. Come and hear him.

Mr. & Mrs. Duffes, of Detroit, are here for a few days.

Mr. Wallace came out ahead by 37 votes. Messrs. **Davidson**, **Drader**, **Howitt** and **Hubbelt** will comprise the council.

The band serenaded **Mr. Wallace** on the event of his election. **Mr. Wallace** entertained them to an oyster supper.

We hear of another shocking accident which occurred on Saturday night in this vicinity. **Mr. John Gillespie**, by some means, fell under his horses as they stood in the stable, and was injured to such an extent that his life is despaired of.

Correction.

Ms. Edross, Dear Sirs—A few trifling errors crept into your-kind and appreciative article last week referring to **Mr. Henry Porter's** career.

Mr. Porter is English by birth, but his family settled in Ridgeway when he was very young. Again he never was bell-boy at the Michigan Exchange. That position was once filled however by **Lawrence Bangs** since recognized as an actor of eminence.

Respectfully,
A Relative.

Town Council.

This body met on Tuesday evening. Members all present except **Gladstone**. The new members elect for '86 were noticed in the body of the hall assiduously attentive apparently to find out how to do business in the most approved style. **Mr. Rushton** was especially watchful of County councillors **Leitch** & **Rockey**, and was noticed turning up his coat collar in the same way as **Mr. Leitch**, and slipping off his shirt collar altogether, when he noticed how **Mr. Rockey** came out in evening full dress. Accounts were passed amounting to \$405.60. **Mr. Shoebottom**, on behalf of **Mr. Charles Shaw**, applied for a rebate of taxes on **Shaw Block**. The block was assessed at \$9,700, being an advance of \$4,900 on last year's figures. **Mr. Shoebottom** stated that no assessment schedule had been left by the assessors, and that in consequence **Mr. Shaw** had not been in a position to appeal to the court of revision. He considered the property assessed too high. **Livingston Block** was assessed at under \$6,000 and the **Grand Central** at \$10,000. **Mr. Ferguson** enquired did not **Mr. Shaw** know the roll was open for inspection. **Mr. Cunningham** said it was necessary to have a statement from assessors. **Mr. Leitch** favored a revision and to act according to the facts. The Mayor considered the assessment too high, and would be willing to call a special meeting to consider the question. **Mr. Cunningham** favored appointing a committee. He considered the matter a ticklish one to tamper with. **Mr. Porter** censured the assessors. He himself had not received a schedule, and in many other cases schedule had been left. **Geo. Donald** said this was a strange business and he had never acted in Ridgeway.

A motion was passed referring the matter to a committee to report at a special meeting to be held of the council of '85.

Mr. J. H. Tyrrell claimed exemption from taxes as a minister of the church of Latter Day Saints. He produced a copy of the Plaindealer, showing that regular meetings of that religious body were held in town. **Rockey** contended that all exempted property should be deeded to the church. In answer to a question **Mr. Tyrrell** said that he received no salary as a minister and was aware that working with his hands took the tone off ministerial pretensions, but he considered himself entitled to the same exemptions as other ministers. From the remarks of some councillors it appeared that the Apostle Paul who lived in a hired house and labored with his hands would have had to pay taxes here, while a **Downs** or a **Handford** would have gone free. The whole principle of exemption is vicious and the law ought to be entirely changed. The matter was referred to a committee. **Saml. Buntly** refunded dog tax. **John McGregor** asked rebate on taxes of \$8 on grounds of over assessment. Matter referred to committee. The Chief of Fire Department applied on behalf of the Company for exclusive use of fire hall now used as a council chamber. The committee reported that the **Howard** town hall could be got free for council purposes. Caretaker's charges 50 cents per night. **Mr. Geo. McDonald** wanted before giving up the room to have it made certain that no improper use would be made of it. Resolution passed to give up room as soon as arrangements could be made to accommodate the clerk and council elsewhere. All bills receivable in Treasurer's hands ordered to be discounted to meet notes of corporation falling due, and Mayor and Treasurer instructed to re-use notes to meet further deficiencies. Adjourned.

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