

In Parliament Hon. J. Morris introduced a bill to divide the townships of Leeds and Lansdowne in the Johnstown District.

A bill was also introduced in the House to incorporate the Canada Life Assurance Company.

APRIL 5, 1849.

Navigation on the river had opened and it was announced that the steamer Lord Elgin would ply between Brockville and Montreal during the season, making two trips per week. She was principally intended for freight, but could accommodate 20 or 30 passengers. Morton, McKee & Co. were the Brockville agents for the boat. The Gildersleeve, the first steamer to reach Brockville that season, had arrived on the Monday previous. It was also announced that Messrs. H. & S. Jones' steamer Dawn was about to commence her trips between Hamilton and Montreal for the season. The American steamer Niagara had passed down for Ogdensburg.

Gideon Scott, eldest son of Mr. Thomas Scott, of Yonge, was accidentally killed on March 31. It seems the father with his two sons, the eldest 13 years of age, had gone to the woods, and on felling a tree, in which the lad assisted, when it began to fall he ran, but unfortunately in the same direction the tree was coming down, and was instantly killed.

Intelligence from the California adventurers from Brockville, namely, Messrs. Neil Matthie, Josiah Davies, Samuel B. Clarke and James O'Neal, had been received by their friends. They sailed from New York on March 29, in the Clipper bark Rising Sun, of 300 tons burthen, having joined themselves to an association of 60 members, who were owners of the vessel, and carried out with them all necessary implements and provisions for one year. There were about twenty passengers not of the association. The vessel carried out 82 to all. They went by Cape Horn.

APRIL 12, 1849.

In this issue are published a number of by-laws passed by the municipal council of the District of John-

stown, at their 25th session, held at Brockville, in February, 1849. One of these makes provisions for the continuation of the Victoria road from its then termination near the residence of John Taylor, in Elizabethtown, to Smith's Falls. Another by-law appointed the following as commissioners to superintend the completion of the road, viz.: Ogle R. Gowen, George Crawford, Walter H. Denaut and James Graham.

Birth—On the 11th inst., Mrs. Joel P. Easton, of this town, of twin sons.

Notice was given in the advertising columns that the firms of Wm. Matthie & Co., and Ross, Robertson & Matthie, carrying on business at Brockville, had expired by limitation, and Messrs. W. Matthie and D. Robertson were empowered to collect the debts and close the transactions of both firms.

The business of Wm. Matthie & Co. was continued by Wm. Matthie and David Robertson, under the firm style of Matthie, Robertson & Co., while John Ross, jr., and Samuel Ross, took over the business of Ross, Robertson & Matthie.

APRIL 19, 1849.

In this issue is published another lot of by-laws passed by the municipal council of the District of Johnstown. One of them appointed Ephraim Webster, Hugh B. Cairns and James Kirker, commissioners to superintend the erection of a lockup house in the unincorporated village of Gananoque. A by-law had been passed the year previous assessing the inhabitants of Gananoque £100 for the erection of this lockup. Another by-law regulated the salaries and duties of certain district officers. The annual salaries were as follows: Warden, £37 10s.; clerk, £125; treasurer, 7½ per cent. of monies passing through his hands; district superintendent of common schools, £150; district surveyor, 10s. per day; auditors, £7 10s. each. There was also a by-law dividing the townships of Leeds and Lansdowne, and attaching South Burgess to Bastard.

A public meeting was held in the schoolhouse at Lansdowne on April 10, to take into consideration the in-