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Salaries of Country Postmasters.

An agitation in favor of allowing postmasters in rural districts more liberal salaries than they enjoy at present, is being carried on in some of the journals of the Province.

REV. MR. DUFF'S RESIGNATION.—The Presbytery of Guelph at their meeting on Tuesday had under consideration the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Duff, as pastor of Knox's Church, Elora.

MR. PUNSON'S LECTURES.—The London Advertiser says: "Mr. Punson is doing an excellent work by his lectures in educating Canadian sentiment to a higher appreciation of the good, the noble, and the true."

THE HANTS EXERCISES.—Mr. Howe's hard work. The meeting at Burlington on Friday was strongly against him, and it would seem as if the chances were pretty evenly balanced.

A JUDGE IN CLAY COUNTY, N. H.—The Dominion Ministry will refuse the proposed charter. In a recent speech in England, Mr. Howe's triumph returned.

THE CANADA FARMER for the 15th of February has received, replete with reliable information to our agriculturalists, only \$1 per annum.

FATHERS OF BROWN'S BARR.—We learn from the Toronto papers that W. R. Brown & Co. brokers and money changers, failed yesterday morning.

THE OTCAWA TRIBE gives credit to the report that Mr. Blake intends to return from Ottawa. The report is not we think strictly true.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Gov. Macgavie having referred to Confederation in his speech to the Legislature of Newfoundland, that body replied that they would give their entire attention to the necessities of the island.

Church Opening at Hawksville.

The new Canada Presbyterian church just erected in the village of Hawksville was opened for divine service on Sabbath last. It was built by the Presbyterian congregation which is ministered to by the Rev. Mr. Graham, of Conestogo.

THE WAR WITH PARAGUAY.—The heroic Paraguayans, with their more than heroic commander, Lopez, have been at last overcome by the force of numbers.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate. A conviction was held this (Wednesday) morning in the court, consequent upon a charge preferred against Mr. W. H. Howe by a brother ship named S. S. S. of assault.

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American Despatches.

St. Louis, Feb. 23.—The fight between Gallagher and Allen came off to-day, and resulted in favor of Gallagher after three rounds had been fought.

New York, Feb. 24.—The steamer India from Glasgow arrived this morning. The Havana special says, 3,000 Spanish troops leave here to-morrow for the interior. Another estate has been burnt near Villa Clara. At Jaquay, the Insurgents have fired 36 can fields.

Dr. Chandler of the Board of Health yesterday analyzed the adulterated milk seized a day or two ago, and by the aid of a microscope, discovered sights in the water used, that the Board does not feel justified in allowing the public to know at present.

The Tribune's special says that Gen. Grant informed the Pennsylvanians who called on him yesterday, that he had already selected a member from that State, whom he intended inviting to a seat in his cabinet.

THE SCOTTISH AMERICAN JOURNAL.—Mr. Neil K. Bain, the travelling agent of the Scottish American Journal is now on a tour through the North Western section of Canada. The journal for which he is agent is one of the best in America, and should be found in the house of every one hailing from Great Britain.

THE WAR WITH PARAGUAY.—The heroic Paraguayans, with their more than heroic commander, Lopez, have been at last overcome by the force of numbers. The last detailed accounts from the seat of war in Paraguay confirm the previous reports of the utter defeat of Lopez and his forces, and the flight of that really great man.

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HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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APPLES, APPLES!

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Wycliff Street, Guelph, February 21. The ETNA Life Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn. ASSETS OVER \$10,000,000.

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New Cash Tables with ANNUAL DIVIDENDS, on the Contribution Plan. Dividends as large and Policies become self-sustaining as soon as any other Company, while the rates are more favorable.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. The undersigned has the honor to inform his patrons and the public that during his absence he has had his business well arranged, and that all his accounts, whether in arrears or in advance, will receive prompt attention.

SEALED TENDERS. Will be received by the undersigned at 125 Queen Street West, Guelph, Ontario, on MONDAY, 28th March, for the purpose of purchasing and painting to be done in Knox's Church.

DIVISION COURTS For the County of Wellington for 1893.

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BOYS WANTED. Four sturdy boys wanted to sell the Evening Mercury. Apply at this office.

STEEL ANALGAM BELLS. The undersigned has the honor to inform the public that they have manufactured the largest and most successful of their kind in the world.

DRAWING INSTRUMENTS LOST. Taken from the subscriber's office during the past two weeks, portions of a Set of Drawing Instruments, supposed to have been given to boys. Parents of boys who may have any of them in their possession, by returning them to the subscriber will be suitably rewarded.

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