in which he had begun this dialogue, and continued it throughout.

'You say you think so!' exclaimed Mr. Heriot. 'Then away goes my belief in circumstantial evidence for ever and ever! Young man, I hire you as my under-gardener; and in a little while, when those two owls, Rockelly and Eclick, have ceased to hunt blindly for a certain Mr. Charles Vigo, I would advise you again to seek lodgings at the homestead of the intelligent Farmer Skewes.'

The way in which these dry fingers were shaking the brown hand of the under-gardener, it would have done one's heart good to see. But the young man accepted the little skeleton's enthusiasm with the same calm, assured, unchanged expression.

'My task is only begun,' he said, sadly. 'Shake hands with me when it is finished, Mr. Heriot. But see what faith can do! You have piled fact upon fact to shake my belief, and I have told you nothing; yet I have won you over to my side, heart and soul, and that by force only of my faith.'

'Am I such a fool?' said the little mummy, half-wistfully. 'No, I believe I was on your side all along, only I have been trying you a little. Do you know, Charles Vigo, you make me discontented? I am half sorry I never married. I should have liked just such a son as you.

(To be continued.)

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Notice—W. E. Leonard.
Caution—John Whitlock.
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Grand Trunk Railway.

GODERICH STATION

Trains leave as follows,—	
Mail	7.00 a. m.
Express	10.00 " "
"	12 30 p. m.
"	3.30 " "
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Mixed	10.00 " "
Express	2.00 p. m.
Mixed	5.20 " "
Mail	9.45 " "

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We shall be glad at all times to receive items of local news, reports of meetings, accidents, or any incident of interest either in the locality where it occurs or to the county at large. Such matter may be sent at the rate of one cent per oz. if marked Printer's Copy and not sealed. To ensure publication in any particular issue it should reach the office not later than Monday evening.

Our Agents.

North Huron—D. McLaren.
South Huron—S. T. Church.
Both these gentlemen are authorized to receive subscriptions and orders for job printing and advertising and to grant receipts.

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, Aug. 6, 1873.

Extra copies of this day's Signal can be had at the Office—price 5 cents.

How the Case Stands.

The Pacific Railway charges against the government have been the engrossing question of the day for some time, and no wonder, for at no previous time in the history of this country have such outrageous frauds been perpetrated by any government. The evidence so far produced prove the following points,—

It is proved by McMullen and corroborated by Senator Foster, a supporter of the government who was personally cognizant of the fact, that a compact was entered into between Sir Hugh Allan and the government whereby Sir Hugh agreed to advance large sums of money to aid in the election of ministerial supporters, for which he has to receive in return the Pacific Railway charter.

It is proved by the confession of Allan himself, as well as by his own letters at the time, that he actually spent $356,000 in securing the charter.

It is proved by McMullen who has the checks in his possession, that at least $40,000 of this sum was advanced by Allan's American associates.

It is proved that Sir John Macdonald knew of this sum being advanced and knew of Allan's compact with the Americans before the charter was granted.

It is proved under the hand of Sir John A. Macdonald himself that in the hottest of the elections he demanded from Allan's agent and received "another ten thousand dollars," and that this was only one of a series of similar demands.

It is proved by Cartier's own handwriting that he applied to the same party for a "further sum of twenty thousand dollars," that a Central Committee appointed for the purpose received this money, and that this was only one of a series of similar demands.

It is proved by McMullen and corroborated by Senator Foster, who had personal knowledge of the fact, that $35,000 was paid to Langevin "to aid in elections about Quebec, on condition of his friendly assistance."

Lastly, it is proved that Allan having fulfilled his part of the compact, the government fulfilled theirs and gave him the charter.

If this is not enough to condemn the guilty parties and to drive them from office we tremble for the future of the country.

The Approaching Royal Marriage.

As already announced a marriage is on the *tapis* between Prince Alfred, second son of Queen Victoria, and the Princess Marie Alexandrovna, only daughter of the Emperor of Russia. The Queen has given her approval of the match and as usual the House of Commons was called upon to grant an annuity. The sum asked was £25,000. On Thursday last the motion granting that sum came up for consideration and was carried on a vote of 162 to 18. Mr. Taylor, member for Leicester, moved, and Mr. Anderson of Glasgow, seconded an amendment to postpone the matter for a month, the former in a speech of some length pretesting against the frequent application of the Crown for annuities to the Royal children, holding that the Queen should be able to provide for her family out of the Civil List and her own immense private property. He held also that such applications placed her in an unfavourable light before the public. Mr. Gladstone in reply regretted the tone of the discussion and stated that the Civil List was never intended for portioning the Royal family. Parliament must either make the grant proposed, as had been done in former cases, or provide for the increase of the Civil List. The granting of annuities gave to Parliament the control of the conduct of the Crown and Royal family.

Though democracy has been making rapid strides in England for some years, the small minority in the above vote goes to show that that element possesses very little influence so far as the Legislature is concerned. The action of Bradlaugh in calling a meeting in Hyde Park on Sunday to protest against the allowance will have a tendency to reconcile respectable people to granting it and make them reflect that after all these sums are not too dear a price to pay for a mild form of monarchy such as England possesses, which grants the utmost freedom to all classes.

The proposed marriage will not have much political significance. Russia will continue to pursue her designs in the East and England will continue to watch her moyements and take precautions against any encroachments on her territory. The hostile feelings and suspicions which have always been supposed to exist between the two countries may be abated to a certain extent, and in this respect the union will subserve a good end.

The Princess belongs to the Greek Church, which, though differing from it in many respects is in friendly sympathy with the Anglican communion, during recent years increasingly so. Any objection on the ground of religion can therefore have little weight, but to prevent misunderstanding it has been arranged that any issue of the union are to be brought up in the faith of the Church of England.

The Pacific Railway Question.

The meeting of Parliament on Wednesday next will be looked forward to with considerable interest, as it will then become definitely known what is to be done with the serious charges brought against the Government in connection with the Pacific Railway. It was understood when the House adjourned in May that the August meeting would be only a formal one, to receive the report of the Special Committee appointed to investigate the charges. That Committee did nothing on account of the disallowance of the oaths act, and therefore it will behoove the House to take steps to have a full investigation before a properly organized tribunal. It is stated authoritatively by the government organs that a Royal Commission will be appointed, consisting of Judges, probably the Chief Justices of the principal Provinces, to investigate the charges. As the judges owe their position to the Government and would have to report to them direct this would not be a fair tribunal. As well might any ordinary criminal nominate the jury who are to try him. Such is not British justice. The Governor General is now in the Maritime Provinces and it is said he will not return to Ottawa for the 13th, but that Parliament will be prorogued by commission. In the mean time petitions are being extensively circulated and signed throughout the Dominion asking that Parliament be not prorogued till the people's representatives have had an opportunity of expressing an opinion as to how the matter should be disposed of. We trust Parliament will assert its authority and see that a proper tribunal is organized to try the accused, who stand charged with one of the most outrageous offences of which any government could be guilty. That the culprits should have the appointment of their own judges is simply monstrous.

The Pacific Railway.

We received a few days ago copies of correspondence which took place between Mr. William Kersteman of London and Sir John A. Macdonald with reference to the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Kersteman represented an English Company of Peers and Commoners, embracing noblemen, bankers, contractors, engineers, &c., who possessed both the skill and capital necessary for carrying to a successful issue the construction of the road. They were prepared to accept the Government subsidy and comply with all its requirements, and give ample guarantees that the work would be constructed according to the terms of the act. Why did not the Government grant the charter to this company? Because they knew that if they went to the country on their merits they would be condemned and that their only hope of remaining in office was to bribe constituencies to return their supporters. They therefore *sold the charter* to Sir Hugh Allan and his American associates in consideration of a sum of money to be spent on the elections. What a disgrace to our country to be ruled by such a set of swindlers. Let us cease to talk of railway rings among our neighbours as long as we have a Government which will sell our interests as the combination at Ottawa has done. Had Mr. Kersteman's offer been accepted the road would probably now be under construction. As matters stand it cannot go on at present, for the country will not allow Sir Hugh to retain a charter which he obtained by fraud and corruption.

Libel Suit.

MR GEORGE W. MCMULLEN, whose name has been before the public for some time in connection with the Pacific scandal, has commenced an action for libel against the *Mail* newspaper. Mr. McMullen has retained Mr. Kenneth Mackenzie, Q. C., and Mr. Robert A. Harrison, Q. C., as his counsel in the case. Messrs. Mackenzie, Delamere & Brooke are the attorneys for the plaintiff; and Messrs Robinson & O'Brien for the defendants. The damages are laid at $50,000. The cause, it is expected, will be tried at the next York Assizes, when Mr. McMullen and his counsel will confront one another in open court.—*Globe*

The late Sheriff Macdonald.

We regret to announce that the accident which we recorded last week as having happened to Sheriff Macdonald, terminated fatally, as was feared it would, early on Thursday morning last.

Sheriff Macdonald was a native of the Parish of Dores, near Inverness, Scotland, where he was born in May 1794. He emigrated in the year 1822 to the State of New York, remaining till 1827 in the Genessee Valley, when he removed to Canada and entered the service of the Canada Company as Surveyor. He superintended the laying out of the whole Huron tract. In May 1845 he was appointed Sheriff of the District which now constitutes the Counties of Huron, Perth and Bruce and continued to be Sheriff of Huron up to the time of his death. He was the first agent in Goderich of the Bank of Upper Canada, which was for a long time the only bank in the place.

Though he was 79 years of age, up to the time of the accident which caused his death Sheriff Macdonald was a strong, active, vigorous man and looked as though he might still live many years. Regular and temperate in his habits he had a better constitution than many younger men, and he was looked upon as one of the best horsemen in this part of the country. He could see to read quite distinctly without spectacles and his other faculties were little impaired. His constitution was not however proof against accident, and he who a few days ago looked so vigorous and well now occupies the narrow house appointed for all living. How true is it that in the midst of life we are in death.

Mr. Macdonald was a devoted member of the Church of Scotland of which for many years previous to his death he was an elder. His death was feelingly referred to by his pastor, Rev. J. Sieveright, on Sabbath evening last.

Deceased was three times married, first to a daughter of the late Judge Mitchell of London, second to a daughter of the late Sheriff Carroll of Woodstock and third to Miss Frazer of Toronto, who survives him. He leaves by his first wife one daughter, (Mrs. J. B. Gordon of this town) and by his second three sons and three daughters.

His funeral on Friday last was largely attended. The members of the Bar held a meeting previously of which we append a report.—

At a meeting of the Bar for the County of Huron held in the Court House on Friday the 1st day of August 1873, previous to the funeral of the late John McDonald, Esq., Sheriff of the County of Huron.

There was present Judge Brough County Judge; Junior Judge Toms; Ira Lewis, County Attorney; J. Y. Elwood, Deputy Clerk of the Crown and a full representation of the Bar.

Judge Brough was called to the chair and J. Y. Elwood appointed Secretary.

The Chairman explained the object of the meeting and in some well chosen remarks, showed his appreciation of Mr. McDonald's high character, in which all the members of the Bar most heartily concurred. The following resolutions were then adopted—

Moved by Junior Judge Toms seconded by Mr. McDermott and resolved—That we, the members of the Bar for the County of Huron, hereby express our deep regret on the occasion of the death of John McDonald, Esq., who for over a quarter of a century has held the office of Sheriff, first for the united Counties of Huron, Perth and Bruce and more recently of the County of Huron, who also was agent for many years of the Bank of Upper Canada in Goderich, and held other offices of trust and honour in the County, and do further express our appreciation of his ability, worth and integrity in the discharge of the duties to which he was called.

Moved by Mr. Cameron seconded by Mr. Davison and resolved—That out of respect to the late Sheriff McDonald the Profession attend as a body the funeral this afternoon.

Moved by Mr. Garrow seconded by Mr. Loyle and resolved—That the Secretary forward to Mrs. McDonald and her family our expressions of sympathy for the great bereavement sustained, and also a copy of these resolutions.

Moved by Mr. Lewis seconded by Mr. Walk and resolved—That the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Huron be respectfully requested to place on file in the record book of the General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Huron the above resolutions.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Seventh anniversary of the opening of telegraphic communication between Europe and America was celebrated last week at Heart's Content, Newfoundland.

Australia stands in need of labourers to such an extent that she has offered to pay the passage of 10,000 men from England.

It is reported that as soon as the Japanese Embassy to Europe returns to Japan, that country will be thrown open to foreigners.

The proposal of the United States that postal cards should be carried between that country and Great Britain by the addition of a one cent stamp, has been declined.

The French Assembly has been prorogued. President McMahon promises to preserve order during the recess.

It is commonly reported in Paris that Marshal MacMahon will only continue as President for six months more, after which he will resume his command of the army, in order to facilitate the change of the form of Government from Republican to Monarchical.

Unofficial reports have been received at Washington stating that all the Modoc prisoners have been found guilty and sentenced to be shot.

The Spanish Insurgents have made an attempt to place a loan on the London market but failed.

The Carlists have been driven out of Seville which is now occupied by government troops.

Germany proposes a Congress of the European maritime powers to decide the status and treatment of the Spanish insurgent vessels.

A fire occurred on Saturday in the exposition building, Vienna, and a good deal of damage was done.

The city of Portland, in Oregon, was visited by a disasterous conflagration on Saturday. Twenty-three blocks were laid in ruins, and the loss, it is said extends into millions.

The Sultan of Turkey is actively reorganizing his military forces; but it is believed this action is taken not through any apprehensions of or desire for war, but only in order to keep pace with the military organizations of the other European powers.

A recent calculation relative to the principal European languages shows that English is spoken by ninety millions of persons, German by fifty-five millions, Spanish by fifty-five millions, and French by forty-five millions.

CHOLERA MIXTURE.—The New York papers publish the following receipts as a remedy for cholera:—Equal parts of tincture of opium, red pepper, rhubarb, peppermint and camphor. Ten to twenty drops of this mixture in three or four teaspoonfuls of water is a dose, and the journals commend it to the people everywhere, advising them to take it whenever they have occasion.

LOCAL NEWS

STILL ANOTHER.—A Mr. White of Owen Sound is talking of establishing a weekly paper at Exeter.

MARKET FEES.—The market fees have been sold for one month to Mr. Wm. Martin for $46.50.

NEW DRESS. — The London *Free Press* comes to hand in a new dress and improved in other respects.

CRICKET.—A cricket match between the Goderich and Bayfield clubs, to be played on the grounds of the former, is arranged for next Saturday.

PROMOTED.—We are glad to learn that Mr. J. D. Lewis, son of Ira Lewis, County Attorney, has been promoted to the post of Assistant Cashier of the Grand Trunk Railway at Buffalo.

APPOINTMENT. — Wm. Donaghy, of the *Star*, has received an appointment in the Inland Revenue Department, and will at once retire from newspaper work to enter on his new duties.

SCHOOL BOARD.—The monthly meeting of the School Board was held on Monday evening. Beyond the payment of some accounts no business of importance was transacted.

BIBULISTIC.—A friend of ours at the Springs says that the principal duty there is to drink all the water they can. Some of our thirsty citizens here appear to think the obligation extends to whiskey only.

NEW BASE BALL CLUB.—We understand a new base ball club, rejoicing in the name of the "BEAVERS," has been organized in Maitlandville. A match with the Goderich club is likely to come off shortly.

THE RIDGE.—A Baltimore gentleman who has been on a visit to our town was so pleased with it that he is desirous of purchasing a property. He made an offer of $4500 cash for the "The Ridge," which was declined, it being held at $6000.

MANSARD ROOFS, or something akin to them, have made their appearance in Goderich. The new stores of Messrs. McLean and O'Dea on the Market Square, have been topped off with fair sized lumber yards.

A STRANGE COINCIDENCE.—A favourite horse which has belonged to the late Sheriff Macdonald for many years, dropped dead at the gate on returning from the Sheriff's funeral on Friday last.

A HEALTHY STATE OF AFFAIRS.—The large and populous County of Huron cannot furnish sufficient prison labour to cut the wood required for the jail, even at this season. There are seldom more than one or two prisoners in confinement.]

UPSET.—On Tuesday evening last a small boat in which were three boys, was upset by the swell of the *Wm. Seymour*, just outside the piers. The steamer was immediately stopped and a boat lowered. The boys were picked up and escaped with only a ducking.

A COMMISSION to investigate and settle the claim of the township of Biddulph and McGillivray against the County of Huron on account of the Municipal Loan Fund, will meet at the office of the Attorney General in Toronto, on Saturday next, at 10 o'clock.

DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT.—We understand Mr. Butler will shortly give his promised "Entertainment," in Goderich, assisted by several talented Amateurs in Dramatic, Musical and Comic line, when an evening of no ordinary amusement may be expected.

YACHT.—M. P. Hayes, Esq., of Seaforth, Manager of the Royal Canadian Bank and President of the International Salt Company of this town, has a pleasure yacht under construction on the beach below the old harbour. There is no place in Canada more favourably situated for yachting than Goderich.

SENTENCED.—James Dunn, who was committed to jail about a fortnight ago charged with theft at Clinton, was brought before Judge Toms on Saturday last and pleaded guilty to the charge. He was then remanded till Tuesday, when he was again brought up and sentenced to three years imprisonment in the penitentiary.

EMIGRATION.—We observe by the report of G. McMicken, Immigration Agent in Manitoba, embodied in the report of the Minister of Agriculture for 1872, which has just come to hand, that more settlers arrived there from Huron than any other county in Ontario. Our contribution towards settling that province amounted to 131.

NEW MATERIAL FOR SIDEWALKS.—Mr. Hood, Street Inspector, has had the sidewalk on the south side of East Street, between the Station and the Foundry, covered with a coating of leached ashes. At present it is a great improvement on the gravel paths and should it stand the test of time other walks in town will be improved in the same manner. We long to see some other material used for sidewalks than gravel, which is so disagreeable to walk upon and so destructive to shoe leather.

ST. PATRICK'S WARD ELECTION.—The nomination of candidates to fill the vacancy in St. Patrick's Ward caused by the resignation of Hugh Gardiner, was held in the Firemen's Hall on Thursday last, S. Yates acting as Returning Officer. Wm. Campbell who formerly occupied a seat in the Council but was defeated last January, was nominated by Mark Wade, seconded by Geo. Evans, and G. M. Trueman was nominated by George Dobbie, seconded by W. A. Martin. The polling takes place today. Mr. Campbell, who makes an excellent councillor, will probably be elected.

OBSTRUCTING THE SIDEWALKS.—Parties building appear to think they have a right to use the sidewalks for laying down their material upon. Perhaps a lesson from the Street Inspector might open their eyes. On Monday night a load of stone was deposited on the sidewalk opposite a new building in course of construction on Victoria Street and left there all night without any mark to show that it was there. All summer the sidewalk at the corner of the Square and West Street, where a new block is being erected, has been obstructed more or less and the wonder is that a serious accident has not occurred.

HOW TO MAKE BARREN TREES PRODUCTIVE.—We were shown a few days ago in the garden of Dr. McDougall of this town, the result of an experiment for making barren fruit trees productive. The doctor has a fine, thrifty apple tree, which, though it has been in his garden for many years, has never produced a peck of fruit. He was about to cut it down, when his brother asked him to allow it to remain a year longer till he tried an experiment. He took a small rope about the size of a clothes line and tied a couple of lengths of it tightly around each of the main branches just above where it left the trunk, and the result is that the tree promises a full crop of fruit. That this is the result of the experiment is shown by the fact that on one of the branches where the rope broke and was not replaced there is not an apple to be seen. Can any of our readers give an explanation of the philosophy of this curious result?

POSTPONEMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.—The Council of Public Instruction has thought proper, in consequence of representations as to the shortness of the notice and the difficulty of holding the examinations for admission to High Schools at the close of the Midsummer vacation this year, to adopt the following minute, which has been approved of by His Excellency the Lieut.-Governor in Council: "*Ordered*—That in order to afford the amplest opportunity for notice and preparation for the first uniform examinations for admission of pupils to the High Schools, that part of the thirteenth regulation which requires the entrance examinations to the High Schools immediately after the close of the summer vacation, be suspended for the current year, and that these first examinations this year take place the first two days of the autumn term of the High Schools; namely, the thirteenth and fourteenth of October next."

CANADIAN MONTHLY.—The August number of this magazine is to hand. The following are its contents,—Toronto of Old, by Daniel Wilson, LL.D.; Beautiful, Why Wilt Thou Die? Poem, by John Reade; Undine, from the French of M. A. Theuriet, (concluded); The Parting of Hector and Andromache, by G. S. Fogel Conclaves, Ceremonies observed at election of a Pope; Sunbeams in the Wood, Frances Havergal; Headwaters of Cayuga Lake; To Florence, Poem, from Francis T. Palgrave's "Idylls;" Current Events; Literary Notices, &c. We are glad to observe that in reviewing the Pacific Railway Scandal in Current Events an independent course is pursued. The writer says, —"It is a calamitous affair. Yet it may prove a happy turning-point in our political history, if the people, after the political corruption and demoralization which they have undergone, have virtue still left to meet the crisis." We give more extended extracts elsewhere.

OBITUARY.—It is with feelings of deep regret that we record the death of Mrs. F. A. Robertson of this town, which melancholy event took place quite unexpectedly at St Catherines on Sunday afternoon last. Mrs. Robertson has been in ill health for some time and went to St Catherines a few weeks ago, trusting that the change of air and the advice she would receive there would prove beneficial. She was considerably better of the change, and her friends were in hopes she might be entirely restored to health. The end of last week she did not feel so well though no danger was apprehended, but on Saturday she commenced to sink and expired about 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The only friends who were present were her niece, Miss Horton, who has been with her during her stay in St Catherines and her brother-in-law, H. Horton, Esq., who fortunately went down last week. On Monday morning a telegram was received by her father, R. Gibbons, M. P. P., announcing her demise and the news was broken to her husband on his arrival faom Kincardine by the *Signal*, he having had no idea previously that his wife was in such a precarious state. The body arrived by the two o'clock train and was yesterday interred in the Maitland Cemetery. The family and friends have the heart felt sympathy of the community in their bereavement, and in its attendant circumstances as was unexpected.

A THRIVING TOWN.—In an article under the above caption the London *Advertiser* thus speaks of our town,—"The town of Goderich shows many indisputable blessings of prosperity. Where the disasterous fire of a few months since occured, a fine block of brick stores is being erected, and at several other points on the octagonal square may be seen similar evidences of mercantile progress. There are at present some twenty salt wells in operation, preparing ready for market several thousand barrels of salt annually. The price has advanced to $1.10 per barrel, and great activity in the business is apparent as a result of the rise, and large shipments to Chicago, Milwaukee and other American cities daily take place. A well established company will shortly commence sinking another well of unusual large bore, in the town, and it is expected the salt interest, although the supply in very large, will continue to prosper. The harbour is now one of the best on the eastern shore of Lake Huron. A new entrance has been constructed by the Government which will allow storm-craft vessels to make port without the danger of running aground formerly. A breakwater is also contemplated to prevent a slight sand deposit in the harbour during storms. Goderich is recognized as the headquarters of the Lake Huron fish trade, and are very numerous and have extensive curing establishments. Regarding about the town indications are not wanting of the part the people and the government intend to take in the future development of the County."

Carrnbrook.

DEATH.—John Fisher, who injured in the course of time ago by falling from a building some 22 feet in height, died last Sunday night. Dr King and Crapo had a post mortem examination and found that the spine was fractured, which accounts for the paralysis of the lower part of the body.

Wingham

ACCIDENT.—Malcolm McLean, who was engaged on the W., G. & B. R. R. on what is known as the "Big Bend," had his thigh bone broken by the falling of part of the embankment, under which he was working. Under the skilful treatment of Dr. Tanlyn he is doing well.—*Times*

Brussels.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—The first accident on this section of the W. G. & B. Railway occurred on Tuesday last about a half mile this side of Wingham. The train was coming from Wingham, and had just passed a bridge near the village. From some inexplicable circumstance, the truck of the tender jumped the track. The lever and track casings were broken and two springs were thrown out, such as the coupling. The truck was not much injured and sent to Hamilton for repairs. No person was injured.—*Post*

Seaforth.

ACCIDENT.—A serious accident occurred on the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway this morning to day. A number of men were engaged distributing telegraph poles on the line between Palmerston and Listowel, when they came to fetch a load from Rinevale. As they were returning the first car ran off the track and upset, when two men on it were badly hurt. One had his leg broken above the knee, and the other received some very bad cuts about the head and neck, but not serious. Drs. McDonald and Fowler were called to attend to them.

Fordwich.

ELOPEMENT.—A rather curious case of elopement took place a few days ago. The facts of the case are as follows: A labouring man named John Atwood and wife lived in a small house by the side of the road. He was engaged with a farmer, leaving the wife and child at home to take care of the place. One evening on his return he found his wife missing, and the child in the cradle. He immediately made enquiry as to her whereabouts, and was informed that she had eloped with a coloured individual named Laburtes, and when last seen they were on the Seaforth road, wending their way toward Brussels. The very prudently allowed her to take her course and make the best of her new bargain. —*Tribune.*

McKillop.

MRS. CUFF RECOVERING.—This old woman, Mrs. Hannah Cuff, who fell and broke the right thigh bone at the joint, about a month ago, is doing well, though it is probable that she will be confined to bed for nearly another month to allow union to take place. She is nearly 60 years of age and has a broken down constitution, and under the circumstances it would have been no wonder if union hadn't taken place; indeed it was scarcely to be looked for considering that the fracture was the worst one in the body, i. e. the neck of the thigh bone. However, as far as the case has gone it has agreeably surprised all concerned and high hopes are entertained of a successful termination.

Tuckersmith.

SUDDEN DEATH.—On Sunday the 27th ult., the wife of Mr. John Carnochan of this Township died in labour, leaving a young and interesting family. The deceased lady and her husband are well known and much respected in this part of the country, and in his sad bereavement Mr. Carnochan has the sympathy of the entire community. Quite a number of women have died in this part of the country under similar circumstances—such as the wife of Mr. Geo. Sparling of Seaforth who died during labour quite as suddenly as Mrs. C., while to go a little further back the wife of Mr. John Andrew of Seaforth died shortly after her confinement. Others in this township could be mentioned which shows that it has been a serious time amongst women in this part of the country.

Clinton.

AN UNCOMMON AFFAIR.—It is not a common thing for a couple to get married without any previous acquaintance of each other, but such was the case of a young couple now residing in this village. It appears that a certain young man, considering himself in need of an help-mate, and as his acquaintance with the fair sex was rather limited here, he repaired to the village of Mitchell, where he heard of two sisters, whose mother had died a short time previous, and who were at the time, in rather straightened circumstances. He immediately repaired to the place of their abode, (not having seen either of them before in his life,) and "proposed" to the first of the sisters whom he met, but she flatly refused him, He then "tittled" to the second, who accepted. Immediate preparations for their marriage were made, and shortly after they were declared man and wife, and are now living together as happy and contented as if they had been courting for ten years.—*New Era.*

Seaforth

A NEW HOTEL.—Mr. Thos. Foster long and favourably known as the straightforward, orderly landlord of the "Royal Hotel," has opened a new Hotel next door to the Post Office and nearly opposite the "Commercial Hotel." The building is commodious and is well fitted up to accommodate a large number of boarders as well as any number of travellers. Mr. Foster has always had a good reputation as a hotel keeper and was especially popular with the people of the north, and no doubt he will sustain his good reputation, and his old friends will no doubt find him out in his new stand which will very likely be a permanent one as he is the owner of the hotel himself, and also owns the Foundry next door to it.

FRANK PATTRIDGE GONE.—Our old friend "Frank" has left Seaforth, where he had resided so long that he had almost become an "institution of the place." He has taken up his abode in Galt where he has got a good situation in one of the Presbyterian Churches as Precentor, and will also carry on the photographing, and no doubt will succeed well as he is an excellent photographic artist. He was a genial, whole-souled, witty, humourous man and will be sorely missed in Seaforth Society. We wish him "a length of happy days" in his new home.

ICE CREAM FESTIVAL.—An ice cream festival is to come off in Kidd's Hall on Thursday evening the 7th inst., in aid of the Church of England. Music, readings, and ice cream will be the order of the night. The admission fee will be 10c., refreshments extra. We expect a good turn out as the ladies have it in hand.

Kincardine.

W. G. & B. RAILWAY.—The propellor *Africa*, from Montreal, arrived here on Saturday night, with 400 tons of iron rails with which the contractor will proceed to lay the track from this end of the railway. A locomotive or two are expected up next trip. The grading of the railroad between this place and Lucknow, is nearly completed and the bridges are in a forward condition. We notice also that the ties are well distributed all along the line, so that there is nothing to prevent tracklaying from proceeding with rapidity. The people along the route are naturally looking forward with considerable anxiety to the opening up of the line to Goderich, and to a daily visit of the "iron horse," with its streamlet of baggage.—*Reporter.*

EXTRAORDINARY HAUL.—Mr. Tiernan, our enterprising tailor, assisted by his son on Tuesday of last week, hauled home from the farm of Mr. Bruce, a quantity of the best of potatoes, the product of one bushel planted. The yield was 18 bushels, or 576 bushels to the bushel planted. Mr. Tiernan's potatoes are a good specimen of the Scotch Sydna variety, and are the product of a well manured piece of land. The yield is a marvellous one, and we hope for the credit of our farmers that it may be duplicated in every instance.—*Reporter.*

Bayfield.

BATHING SEASON.—We had the pleasure of witnessing an exhibition on Tuesday of a very valued belle of Lake Huron, who kindly condescended to display her charms" by bringing in the morning's catch of 5,000 lbs. weight, mostly salmon trout. This was the weight of the haul after being dressed.—*Reporter.*

Dreadful Railway Accident.

SEVERAL PERSONS KILLED AND INJURED.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—A serious accident occurred this morning on the North Western Railway, near Wigan, to the Scotch tourist express train from London. Twelve persons were killed and twelve others dangerously injured. The killed are Sir John Alcock, Mary of Co injured will die.

Brussels.

What's the date of your bottle? was the question of a Colebskill school to a bashful daughter, after some fun for her sister of his expense.

Rather a [illegible] report recently circulated in Brussels, being to the effect that a cow calved during a thunder storm, and that the lightning had struck the calf and killed it, we have ascertained to be a mere piece of pleasantry on the part of our informant.—*Post.*

"Get your name and business printed on your envelopes," such is the advice tendered by a correspondent, who tells how a friend promptly recovered a lot of important missives which a verdant youth had deposited in an office letter box instead of in the Postal receptacle. The suggestion is worth acceptance.

HINTS.—If you are anxious to get a good article now be charged the lowest price for your goods, pay promptly. If you would remain on terms of friendship with those you trade with, pay promptly. If you would avoid embarrassing others who are depending upon the settlement of your account, or if you wish to prevent mistakes and litigation, keep your accounts well adjusted, and pay your bills promptly.

SALT.—There is a fair prospect of a "salt corner" in Saginaw. Buyers are in the market, purchasing the make of the season to Nov. 1st, for cash and sixty day payments. Half a dozen firms have sold there "under" at from $1.40 to $1.42, and a number of others have been approached and declined. The amount on hand and controlled by the buyers will exceed 250,000 barrels. The market for some time has been brisk, with buyers on hand as fast as the salt was ready for market, and the quotations of $1.10 to $1.50 have been readily realized. Manufacturers have been contented with these figures, and in the even tenor of trade there has been no evidence of any sudden rise or decline in the market, and none has been expected. All at once the fact is presented that there are not 10,000 barrels of manufactured salt on the river north of Carrollton in the market, and many of the works have sold for months ahead. The movement is said to be in combination with other dealers to corner the market.

A GOOD HORSE.—There is much pleasure and profit in the services of a good horse, and but very little of either in a bad one; no person from choice will retain a bad horse, many, however are in possession of such who need not be. We think there are few horses so bad that their condition cannot be improved and rendered more valuable and useful for their owners, to effect which, there is nothing equal to 'Darley's Condition Powders and Arabian Heave Remedy;' it has effected astonishing results in thousands of cases. Remember the name and see that the signature of Hurd & Co., is on each package. Northrop & Lyman, Newcastle, Ont., proprietors for Canada. Sold by all medicine dealers.

VIRTUE.—Virtue rarely passes unrecognized by the world. A few distorted optics may fail to recognize her features, but it would be as easy to conceal the face of the noon-day sun under a mask as to hide her resplendent features. And so it is with the "Canadian Pain Destroyer;" every one who uses it speaks in the highest terms of its virtues and pain removing qualities. For rheumatism, neuralgia, colds, cholic, cramps and summer complaints, it has no equal. For sale by Druggists and country dealers. Price 25 cts. per bottle.

CANADA.

A $40,000 fire has occurred in Sherbrooke, Q.

R. P. Jellet is appointed Judge of the County Court of Prince Edward.

T. A. Lazier is appointed Junior Judge of the County Court of Hastings.

An Australian rope walker is announced to place a rope across the Niagara River shortly.

A new Cave of the Winds is said to have been discovered at Niagara Falls on the American side of the river.

A Company has been formed at Wingham, with a capital of $20,000, for the manufacture of furniture.

Merriam, one of the "Lord" Gordon kidnappers, has been admitted to bail in $3,000. It was refused in all the other cases.

The Canada Southern Railway Company have in contemplation the construction of a new suspension bridge across the Niagara River at Clifton.

At the recent examination of teachers, held in Pembroke, twenty-four candidates applied for third class certificates; of these only two were successful.

Work was commenced on Section 15 of the new line of the Welland Canal last Saturday, by Mr. John Brown of Thorold.

A hail storm visited Arichat, Cape Breton on Thursday afternoon, which broke, it is estimated, from 20,000 to 30,000 panes of glass.

Boring in the Carrondrook salt well has now reached a depth of six hundred feet. The indications of a successful salt strike at about the usual depth are said to be good.

The Governor-General is staying in Halifax, where he will remain all week. Some official squabble has prevented the giving of a grand ball to His Excellency, as had been arranged, whereat the citizens are indignant.

The Kincardine *Review* is the vilest looking sheet we ever saw. To look at, it seems to be rolled up, twisted, squeezed, torn and dirtied according to order. The *Review* is verily a wretched rag.—*Hamilton Times.*

On Thursday of last week, a man named John Fisher a resident of Carron brook, while working on a barn in course of erection on the farm of M. Lynch, McKillop, fell from the plate, a distance of 22 feet, fracturing his spine and completely paralyzing one side of his body. Though so severely injured, he is recovering.

On last Saturday, in the township of Erin, two blacksmiths made one hundred horseshoes in seven hours. The quickest time made during the performance was six shoes in fifteen minutes, and a dozen in thirty five minutes. Can any of our Huron Vulcans by this in the shade?

The Strathroy *Dispatch* recently mentioned the death of Sergeant Lidesworth which took place lately at Cambachi, in the Township of Plympton, Lambton, at the advanced age of 102 years. He was a native of England, nearly seven feet in height, had been married four times, and was the father of thirty children. He served twenty-two years in the British army, and was in receipt of a pension of fifty cents per day until his death.

The County court of the County County of the County of Perth, on County property, in the new South Riding Registry building, and as the municipalities composing the Riding will agree to pay the whole expenses of the building. Under the circumstances it is not very likely that advantage will be taken of this offer, for as of St. Marys has offered a site costing about $600, their share of the copying of the books, etc., and all other expenses since the establishment there of the Registry office, based on the equitable division of the South Riding, also their proportion of the erection of the building on the same principle, but the Committee want more, and there is every probability that the Council at its next meeting will back up the action of the Committee.

Unprejudiced opinions concerning the aspect of the Pacific scandal are, of course, entitled to first place. Of such a class is that given by the *Montreal Times*, a highly influential, non-political journal. It says:—"It would be useless to deny that the evidence supplied in these documents is most direct and whether they substantiate the charges of Hon. Mr. Huntington or not, they will at least convince the reading public that the leaders of the Government had a corrupt understanding with Sir Hugh Allan to supply funds with which to carry the elections. And few will find it easy to escape the conclusion that the money was spent for these disbursements. It is with regret and with a sense of humiliation that we feel compelled to admit so much."

An exchange says that within the last fortnight a new kind of potato bug has made its appearance in the county of Kent which promises to be fully as destructive as the old one. They are striped like the ordinary bug but about three times its length. They possess long legs, with which they throw off with remarkable celerity the bug which approaches the hill. They are a persistent and voracious, while the numerous enemies make it almost impossible to do anything with them. The worst of it is, that they do not confine themselves exclusively to potatoes, but they seem able to take the meal off any ordinary garden vegetable that comes in their way. Their first appearance was noticed in Romney about two weeks ago, but they have since reported themselves at