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Board of Health.

Board of Health met in office of Secretary on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Members present, Dr. Clapp, Dr. Wilson, Thos. Inglis, Henry Dahmer and James Johnston. The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The Secretary explained that he had called the meeting at the request of the medical health officer. The medical health officer then explained why the meeting had been called. There were several cases of scarlet fever in the village and he thought that the board should meet and take what steps might be judged necessary in the premises to prevent the future spread of the disease.

Johnston—Inglis—That in the event of Diphtheria breaking out in any family that would not be able to pay for diphtheria anti-toxin treatment, this board of health shall pay for the anti-toxin supplied by the physician in such cases.—Carried.

Dahmer—Johnston—That the minutes of this meeting be published in next week's Gazette.—Carried.

Huntingfield.

Everybody is anxiously waiting for the packers to come and take their apples out of sight.

We have just received word that Mr. John Mawhinney, an old and respected citizen of the 2nd, died on Monday. He lived in this neighborhood since the country was new.

Some of the farmers have commenced to take up their turnips. They are a fair crop.

One of our young men thinks there is no place like Hamilton. Do the frogs bite good these light nights?

Bills are up calling for tenders for drawing the mail from Clifford to Huntingfield.

Mr. George Harkness had a sheep worried with dogs the other night. Shoot the brutes when you see them.

Mr. G. Pomeroy happened with what might have been a bad accident lately. While drawing his threshing machine in to Howard Lowry's barn, something struck the front wheel and swung the tongue from Gan, striking James Fleming on the leg, but not hurting him seriously. The machine upset on its side, smashing the front wheels of the truck. No further damage was done, except a short delay in the work.

BELMORE.

Dr. Russel, our resident physician visited his parents at Seaforth on Thanksgiving Day.

Mrs. Lamouby and Mrs. Harrison paid a transient visit to their Mildmay friends on Sunday.

Quite a remnant of the backbone of our country could have been found in Wingham on Friday last when Sir Wilfrid Laurier visited that town.

The barn belonging to Mr. Edwards has been renovated, remodelled, renewed, extended, shingled, straightened, stocked, and stared at, so now it is one of our most prominent buildings in town.

Mr. Robert Lane, the enterprising local cattle dealer, has received another carload of cattle, which will be disposed of shortly.

A large number of stock cattle passed through town on Saturday. The cattle were bought by several prosperous Carrick farmers who intend feeding them for the spring markets.

Rev. Mr. Lake is holding revival services in the Methodist church at this place.

Mr. D. N. McDonald received word early Monday morning of the death of Mrs. Ratcliffe in Brandon, Manitoba. Deceased, who is well known here, is the mother of Mrs. McDonald, who was with her at the time of her death. The body will be taken east for burial.

The tax rate for the village of Clifford has been struck at 18 mills on the dollar. This, the Express says, is one-half mill higher than last year, but is still a very low rate.

British trim the Boers.

A hard battle was fought on Friday last at Glencoe Camp, about 40 miles north of Ladysmith. The Boers occupied an elevated position called Dundee Hill, which overlooked the British camp and their occupation was a surprise to the British. At daybreak they opened fire on the British. In a short time the British artillery had their guns in position and in about a quarter of an hour, by their excellent and accurate marksmanship, silenced the Boer Artillery. The British Infantry and Cavalry at once moved against the Boer forces. The King's Royal Rifles and Dublin Fusiliers charged magnificently, climbing the hill amidst a terrible fire, and unheeding the many who dropped out of the ranks, killed and wounded, carried the enemy's position with great slaughter, driving the Boers into the valley, where the fighting continued. The cavalry charged the Boers in the valley and drove them to the Eastward inflicting great loss during their flight. The artillery did great execution and showed their great superiority over the Boers in marksmanship. Many of the enemy surrendered. It is estimated that the British lost 250 killed and wounded and the Boers 800. General Symons, the British leader was mortally wounded early in the engagement.

A second engagement took place at Eland's Laagte, a station fifteen miles north of Ladysmith, which resulted in another British victory. Lieut.-Gen. French commanded the movements of the British troops with great skill. The Boers occupied a strong position on a steep hill and the battle was almost a repetition of that at Glencoe the day before. It began with an artillery duel and ended with a brilliant charge up the hill, and driving the Boers before them off the hill. The cavalry again came into play, charging through the Boer ranks thrice, causing great havoc and slaughter. Many prisoners were taken, among them a German major named Schiel. The British captured the guns and much ammunition in both engagements. The British loss is placed at 150 and the Boer much larger.

Additional Locals.

—W. W. Beitz of Walkerton was in town on Thursday last, shaking hands with old friends.

—W. Goldberg of Hamilton was in town last week, and made a large purchase of scrap iron from the firm here.

—The Conservatives of Walkerton are making an effort to have Sir Charles Tupper address the electors there in the near future.

—Jas. McDonald of Teeswater, formerly blacksmith of Mildmay, was in town on Thanksgiving Day. He intends going west in the spring.

—The case, Crown vs. Ruland and Kempel has been in progress at Walkerton this week, and judgement is to be given this morning. A couple of our medical men were up giving evidence.

A. McD. Allan, who has been procuring fruit in various parts of the Dominion for the Paris Exhibition of next year, is authority for the statement that the county of Huron is going to be the banner county, so far as the exhibit of apples is concerned. This will be something to the credit of the county, and should be a good advertisement for it.

The following is taken from an exchange.—I once knew a German musician who led the orchestra in a small theatre. His flute player was always late, and yet the leader's scoldings seemed to have effect. Finally the cornetist told the flute player that continued tardiness was sure to cost him his position, so he came early—in fact was thereafter the first to arrive. The leader then referred to him promptly: "Hans, vos ist loos mit you? You vos early of late." "Yah," replied Hans. "You always ust to be behind before." "Yah." "Undt I vos glad to see you first at last."

COUNTY AND DISTRICT.

At the half-yearly meeting of the G. T. R. directors in London, Eng., President Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson declared that the greatest obstacle to successful railway management in Canada was the rate wars. The travelling public are not opposed to rate wars.

A Minte farmer named W. Wilson, writing to the Globe, blames the hotels for the falling off in the attendance at the Industrial Fair. The hotel rates are too high, the writer says. Hired men and farmers are not prepared to pay \$2 a day hotel fare. Mr. Wilson anticipates a greater falling off next year if the present high rate continues.

Bruce is loyal to the Mother Country. Mayors Stalker of Walkerton, Perry of Warton, and Robb of Paisley, and D. M. Jermyn, Warden, of Warton, and Lieut.-Col. J. H. Scott of Kincairdine, commander of the Bruce Battalion, all approve of sending a contingent to help her out of the Transvaal difficulties.

Mrs. Wm. Swartwood of Mountain Top, near Wilkes Barre, Pa., gave birth to her twenty-fifth child Monday. It is a boy and strong and healthy. He has twenty one brothers and sisters living, three others having died. He is an uncle several times over. The husband is an engineer on the New York Central Railroad.

A jury of women who have tested the merits of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills return the verdict that for backache and kidney disorders there is no preparation in any way equal to this great discovery of Dr. A. W. Chase, America's greatest physician. This great kidney cure is sold by all dealers at 25 cents a box, and has proved most effectual as a remedy for the many ills to which woman is subject.

A Canadian Pacific despatch says that enormous damage by prairie fires is reported in the Dauphin district, Manitoba, during the heavy wind of a few days ago. A district of nearly one hundred miles square was burned over, and nearly all farmers have lost hay, and many are left without houses and stables. The Government will have to give assistance to some of the settlers, several of whom are left with nothing but the clothes on their backs. The heavy rainfall of this week has, fortunately, choked the flames.

An accident occurred at Guelph Junction at an early hour Thursday morning last, when a brakeman named W. Langhrey was instantly killed. The unfortunate man was coupling cars when he slipped and was run over. The body was badly mutilated. Deceased had been breaking on the C. P. for about two years. He was about 27 years of age, and had only been married a short time. His wife and parents live in London.

A terrible thunderstorm last Saturday morning about daybreak did considerable damage in Bruce township. Mr. Ropel, of the 6th con., had a horse and three cattle killed by lightning. They were standing near the barn when the bolt struck them, but the barn was not touched. A tree standing about two rods from the front door of Mr. Richard Mills' house on the 9th concession was completely shattered. The house had a narrow escape.

What is David Livingstone's opinion of the Boers? The celebrated missionary and explorer had his house plundered by them, his library burned, his stock of medicine destroyed, and it was a lucky thing for Livingstone he was absent when the Boers paid their visit to his house or he might have shared the fate of the guardians of his house, who were killed. The Boers actually offered a large reward for the production of Livingstone's body dead or alive. He who conquered the fanatical native by kindness, and could travel unharmed among the most savage tribes, narrowly escaped death at the hands of the very men who are now importuning the Almighty to help them against a foe that stands for liberty, justice and civilization. If David Livingstone were alive to day he would not say amen to Kruger's prayer.