

Comographs.

The following testimonial of a certain patient medicine speaks for itself: "Dear Sir—Two months ago my wife could scarcely speak. She has taken two bottles of your 'Life Renewer,' and now she can't speak at all. Please send me two more bottles."

A seedy-looking individual stepped into one of our gentlemen's furnishing stores recently and asked for a pair of four-ply cuffs. The articles were handed him, and he examined them in a dubious sort of way, and then remarked: "See here! these ain't the right thing! I want the four-ply kind—them that you can turn four times without washing."

"My husband's will!" [She reads eagerly.] "Ah dreadful!" "What! has he disinherited you?" "Worse than that! Listen: 'I leave all my fortune to my wife.' " "Well, go on!" "On the condition that she shall marry at the expiration of a decent term of mourning. It is my wish that she shall not continue her racket under my name."

The Englishmen in Paris afford no end of amusement to the natives. The other day an Englishman called at the office of the Northern Railway and inquired the price of sending a corpse from Paris to London. He was told, and informed that he must bring his corpse around within six hours. "Aow!" said he, "there's no 'urry about it, you know. It's for me, you know—I want to be buried in England later on."

The circus camel has his back up for the season.

The same cholera which is doubling up the population of Upper India is also reducing it one-half.

"How can I leave thee!" said Adam to Eve. She made no reply, but pointed calmly to a fig tree in the distance.

"Are you building castles in Spain, Mr Jones?" said a landlady to a boarder who was thoughtfully regarding his coffee cup. "No, madam, only looking over my grounds in Java," replied Jones.

An old bachelor, who particularly hated literary women, asked an authoress if she could throw any light on kissing. "I could," said she, looking archly at him, "but I think it's better in the dark."

A commandant of cavalry, a good soldier but rather rough to his men, understood that there were many murmurings against him. The commandant is a man of quick action, and when next a grand manoeuvre was ordered, he addressed his soldiers as follows: "I hear that some of you have complaints against me; now if any of you have anything serious to say, I would be glad to have you ride out from the ranks that it may be explained." At this the whole corps moved forward. The commandant looked a second, and then calling "Halt!" went on with the exercises without a word.

"What are you looking for?" asked one of the widow Bedoit's two daughters, who were entertaining their young fellows on the piazza rather late one night last summer, of their mother, who seemed to be hunting for something round the front yard. "The morning papers," answered the widow. The young man left.

A Horrible Story From Mexico.

A private letter from Col. T. H. Bringham, dated at Parral, Mexico, May 10, 1879, shows that the preparations for extensive and successful silver-mining operations are progressing very satisfactorily. In the latter, the Colonel gives the following narration:—"Last week in Chihuahua a woman went into a shoemaker's shop in front of his dwelling and was measured for a pair of shoes. The son of Crispin said to the woman:—'You have a very pretty foot.' 'Do you think so?' said she. He replied:—'Yes; that is the prettiest foot in Mexico.' The woman was to come back next day and leave \$1, when the shoemaker was to be commenced. The shoemaker's wife, hearing all, said nothing. The next day the shoemaker was out when the woman with the pretty foot called, according to agreement, and the wife got her into the back room and stabbed her to death. The wife then cut a steak out of her leg and packed the body under the bed. The shoemaker came home and eat his dinner. The wife asked him if he liked the meat. He answered that it was the best he had ever eaten. The wife then told him that he had eaten a part of the prettiest leg in Mexico. He asked her what she meant. She showed him the body under the bed, and made a dash at him with a knife, but he escaped and ran to the Palacio and told the Judge what had happened. The Judge summoned a guard of soldiers and went to the house. He asked the wife if she had committed the murder, and when she answered yes, and attempted to justify the act, he ordered her to be shot on the spot, and his orders were promptly obeyed."

A Marvel of the Period.

If any one had said, even a short time ago, that Castor Oil could be made nice to take, he would probably have been regarded as a fit subject for a lunatic asylum; yet that is the fact to-day. Scott & Bowen have manufactured a tasteless combination of Castor Oil with glycerine which is more like cream than the abominable dose that was the horror of our childhood and the dread of older years. Scott & Bowen's PALATABLE CASTOR OIL—25 cents a bottle—is a treat instead of a repugnance to the palate.

It has been so long since we have heard anything through the columns of your paper from this place, we thought it not out of place to drop a few lines. Concerning the prospect of the crops, they are looking remarkably well, considering the cold and frosty spring, and the long spell of dry weather we had previous to the first of this month. We will not have as heavy crops as we had in '78, neither in the fall crop or spring, though there will be more grain according to the straw this year than last. The straw will, no doubt, be very short. The hay crop, too, will be far behind what it was last year, but to take it on the whole we cannot complain. The frost of last Friday morning done some damage to such as potatoes and corn that was on rather low land; other than that we think no damage done.

Mr James Ross, of this place, has purchased a new straw thrasher from Messrs Fleming & Errett, of your town. We seen the working of their threshers last fall, and can say that they did the work well and gave universal satisfaction. We are proud to think we have such manufacturing done so near at home, and must congratulate those gentlemen for their energy and enterprise as manufacturers.

As regards the past election, we must say that it has been one of the quietest we ever saw, and judging from conversation we must come to the conclusion that most all are satisfied with the result. We hope elections will always turn out as peaceful and favorable.

We are enjoying beautiful weather now; crops are growing fast, and the last shower has been very acceptable.

Mr J. E. Bennett has about finished his barn, which adds greatly to the value, as well as to the looks, of his farm. There has been considerable building done in these parts this season, and we hope there will still be a desire to push along and improve, for we are looking forward to the day when this place will be second to none as a farming district in the province.

Mr Riley, one of the parties that went west to Nebraska, prospecting for land, has returned, and gives glowing accounts of that place, and intends going in the fall.

Weddings are on the decrease, but we expect great things in that line later in the season.

Peculiar.

Tilbury East Council.

The members of the Council met as a Court of Revision for the purpose of revising the assessment rolls of the municipality, on Thursday, the 29th day of May. The members severally made and subscribed the oath prescribed by law. There were no appeals.

It was moved and seconded that the assessment rolls of this municipality for 1879, as prepared by the assessor, be confirmed. Carried.

The Court then rose, and the members resolved themselves into Council pursuant to adjournment.

A motion was made instructing the Treasurer to lend the trustees of S. S. No. 4, till the 1st of January, 1880, the sum of \$130 on receipt of sufficient security for the repayment thereof.—Carried.

A motion was made and carried instructing the Commissioner of the 2nd Division to examine into the grievance alleged by John W. Harwick, with regard to a portion of No. 2 Gov. Drain, and to report to this Council at next meeting.

Moved and seconded that the assessor be paid the sum of \$51, being salary for 1879, in full, and that the Reeve give an order for the same. Carried.

The following sums were ordered to be paid:

J. R. Gemmill for printing.....\$45 00
James Kennedy and S. Sales & Son for assisting survey of S. S. Drain..... 5 00
W. G. McGeorge examination of Campbell Drain and report..... 5 00
John Hill, charity..... 5 00
Stephen Gibberty, collector salary for 1878..... 70 00

By-Law No. 6 to authorize the trustees of Union S. S. No. 2 Tilbury East to borrow the sum of \$750 for certain purposes therein mentioned, was read a third time and passed.

On motion John Graham was allowed to pasture his horses on the Town Hall lands on condition of attending to the gates and keeping the key of the Town Hall.

The report of the committee appointed to examine the head of the westerly branch of the McDougall drain was read.

The report of the committee appointed in the matter of James Stewart's application for repairs to the head of the westerly branch of the McDougall drain, recommending the scouring of eighty-four rods of said drain, was adopted, and Mr Mann instructed to let the said work.

Mr McGregor's report on the letting of the work of repairs on the outlet to the McDougall drain was adopted.

The Clerk was instructed to communicate with the authorities of the G. W. R. in the matter of the petition of Narcisse Dauphin and others relative to the drainage of certain waste lands lying to the north of the G. W. R., and the report of Messrs Shackleton & McIntosh therein.

Council adjourned till June 16.
D. R. FARQUHARSON, Clerk.

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" 8th April.

" 1st June.

" 24th August.

" 30th September.

" 2nd December.

W. B. Wells, Jr., Clerk, Chatham P. O.

2nd Division:—

MORPETH—Thursday, 23rd January.

" 27th March.

" 22nd May.

" 24th July.

" 18th September.

" 23rd November.

John Duck, Clerk, Morpeth P. O.

3rd Division:—

DRESSER—Tuesday, 28th January.

" 1st April.

" 27th May.

" 28th July.

" 23rd September.

" 24th November.

S. Wallace, Clerk, Dresser P. O.

4th Division:—

BLENHEIM—Friday, 24th January.

" 28th March.

" 22nd May.

" 24th July.

" 18th September.

" 23rd November.

George Young, Clerk, Blenheim P. O.

5th Division:—

WALLACEBURG—Wednesday, 24th January.

" 2nd April.

" 28th May.

" 24th July.

" 23rd September.

" 24th November.

John Little, Clerk, Wallaceburg.

6th Division:—

BOTHWELL—Monday, 5th January.

" 28th May.

" 22nd September.

" 31st March.

" 24th July.

" 18th November.

John Taylor, Clerk, Bothwell P. O.

7th Division:—

MERRICK—Wednesday, 28th March.

" 31st May.

" 24th July.

" 18th September.

" 23rd November.

D. R. Farquharson, Clerk, Tilbury East P. O.

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