A national dominoes club has been formed in Montreal.

Hon. Judge Fournier of Russell visited Montreal on Monday, and was warmly received.

William Johnson, about 10 years old, while driving off the dam at the iron bridge, Brantford, on Saturday, fell into the stream and drowned.

About five o'clock on Saturday afternoon Mr. Kilner, of Montreal, was robbed of $2,400 on the G. W. Railway platform, Hamilton, while waiting for the train to start for Toronto.

Hon. E. Blake and Mrs. Blake, accompanied by Mr. Kinlock, his private secretary, on Saturday embarked on the steamship Sarmatian for England.

Tenders are held in readiness at Halifax to sail for Sidney, C. B., where a disturbance is feared, the former threatening the miners because they refuse to strike.

On Saturday morning James Dates, of the sixth concession, Sidney, gave his little son the halter of one of his horses which was feeding in the door-yard to hold. The animal became restive whacked around and kicked the boy so severely that he died within a few minutes.

It is now possible to go from Sarnia to Halifax by rail through Canadian territory, the last remaining link, that of the Intercolonial between northern New Brunswick and River du Loup, being completed the other day, and the first train passing over on Saturday.

Mrs. McLeod, an old lady living in Huron township, County Bruce, was killed on the evening on the Kincardine side of Lucknow, on Friday, by the express train from Palmerston, while attempting to cross the track in front of the engine. Mrs. McLeod was about 70 years old.

EXETER.

As high as $1.06 was paid last week for wheat on the market.

Exeter has been made a regular station of the Canada Methodist church.

The *Times* man has been presented with a 6½ in. by 8½ in. hen's egg.

Willie Sentor, son of the photographer, was thrown from a wagon on the 26th ult., and had his arm broken.

The fire companies had a torch-light procession on the night of the 24th.

Daniel Dyer, son of the proprietor of the new planing mill, on the 30th ult., allowed his arm to come in contact with a circular saw while in motion, and had the flesh of the arm dreadfully cut. The arm has been saved.

We are pleased to learn from the *Times* that Thos. Greenway, Esq., is again in business, having made a satisfactory settlement with his creditors.

About twelve o'clock on Tuesday night of last week a fire was discovered in the awnings of Drew's block, occupied by Stanley & Jermyn and F. W. Mitchell as general stores. The fire soon got into the hall and stairs, but the prompt arrival of the fire engine soon put out the flames. Damages not very heavy. Incendiarism is said to be the cause of the fire.

CLINTON.

B. B. C.—A new base ball club has been established with Wm. Doherty as President, and E. Morrow, Secretary.

MUSICAL.—On the 25th ult., Mille. Inez. Fernandez, the colored prima donna, gave a concert here before a small audience.

BUTCHERS' STALLS. — Four of the butchers' stalls in the market were let last week at auction, the prices realized being $40.25 each for three of them, and $63 for the other.

FIRE.—Early on the morning of the 27th, the roof of Mr. Fair's saw mill was discovered to be on fire, and although it had made considerable headway, the alarm, and response to it, was so quickly made that its progress was stayed, and was shortly after completely extinguished.

SCARLET CASE.—A case which is providing considerable food for the gossips, recently occurred in a place not a great distance from here. It seems that a certain Mr. B. lost his wife, by death, about four week's since. She had scarcely been laid away in the cold ground before he—an old man—commenced paying his attentions to a person scarcely yet out of her teens. A week ago the two were made one flesh and the neighbors are very indignant at the man's conduct.—*New Era.*

GODERICH TOWNSHIP.

COUNCIL MEETING.—The Council met at Holmesville to-day (May 26th, 1876,) as Court of Revision. Members all present, who having made the legal qualification, the appeals against assessment were gone into. John Churchill's assessment reduced $100; Thos. Whitely's do $100; C. Crabb, Esq., $300; Jas. Laithwait do $550; nine acres too much assessed deducted included in foregoing. The following persons were exempted from statute labor and taxes for the present year, Rush Hall, Joseph Bradley, John Pennifather, Mrs. McGibbon, Mrs. Biggar, Mrs. Williamson. The assessment roll being revised the Court of Revision concluded, and the Council resumed ordinary business. The minutes of last meeting were read and passed. The by-law allowing all pigs over fifty pounds live weight when properly rung to run at large (boars excepted) was read and passed. Mrs. McGregor was granted $10, being indigent; Wm. Collins was granted $25 being indigent. The following accounts were paid: Thos. Elliott, for work done on 1st con., $11; Robt. Marshall, work done on centre road, $1.25; *Star* office, printing, $26.55; Sam'l Johnston, repairing culvert 1st con., $3; Alfred Gale, repairing bridge, Huron road, $43; Clerk serving notice of appeal, $1.50; Gab'l Elliott drawing scrapers from Varna to Holmesville, $3; Sam'l Rathwell and others turnpiking $27; Geo. Jamieson, culvert Huron road, $20. The Council then adjourned to meet again third Monday in June.

JAMES PATTON, Clerk.

SEAFORTH.

RIFLE CLUB.—It is proposed to establish a rifle club here.

STAGES.—A stage has been placed on the route between Seaforth and Walton.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.—The Seaforth Teachers' Institute will meet in the public school buildings, on Saturday, the 10th inst.

COWS.—Last week Mr. Robt. Winters shipped 19 milch cows to Buffalo, for which he paid from $24 to $30 per head. —*Expositor.*

IMPORTANT TRIAL.—On Thursday last Mr. Simon Powell was brought before the Magistrates' Court, charged with selling liquor without a license. Great interest was manifested in the case, over 100 people being present. Nine magistrates sat upon the case—the temperance party and liquor party each drumming up the J. P.'s supposed to be friends. The magistrates were the following:—J. Beattie, A. Armitage, A. Govenlock, D. D. Wilson, T. J. Coleman, E. Cresswell, T. Downey, Jos. Evans and Geo. Jackson. The case was an exciting one and the magistrates had a long consultation and discussion after the evidence was taken. The case was fully proved and the evidence complete, but the question as to the owner of the bar was raised. Four of the magistrates, it is understood, were favorable to acquittal, viz., Jackson, Coleman, Downey and Evans; four strongly for conviction, viz., Armitage, Beattie, Govenlock and Wilson; while Cresswell, who held the balance of power in the case, finally voted with the temperance party, and the case was decided—$30 and costs.—COM.

As a result of the experiments in feeding pigs at the Model Farm, at Guelph, it seems that pieces of fat, dish washings, sundry parings, bits of bread and various other nondescripts; kitchen refuse are evidently, at least one third better as pig food, than peas either raw or boiled, and that to boil peas is no gain but rather a loss, both by reason of extra labor, consumption of fuel, and wear and tear of implements, as well as in producing fewer nutritive properties.

Grand Trunk Railway.

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE DODERICH AS FOLLOWS:

No. 1 Express, 7.00 a. m., for Toronto, London and Buffalo.
No. 7 Mixed, 8.45 a. m., for Stratford.
No. 3 Mail Express, 12.20 p. m., for Toronto, Buffalo and Detroit.
No. 9 Mixed, 3.30 p. m.

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AS FOLLOWS:

No. 8 Mixed, 8.15 a. m., from Stratford.
No. 2 Mail Express, 3.10 p. m., from Toronto, Detroit and Buffalo.
No. 10 Mixed, 7.00 p. m., from Stratford.
No. 4 Express, 10.00 p. m., from Toronto.

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, JUNE 7, 1876.

The Deputy Reeveship.

Mr. Dixie Watson, at the solicitation of many friends, has withdrawn his proposed resignation, as it has been deemed needless to put the town to the expense of another election, when the principal part of the duties of the Deputy Reeveship will be performed before Mr. Watson leaves town. We are pleased with this new turn of affairs, and the more it is wise one. The expense of an election, which would be a considerable item, will be saved, and no inconvenience or loss will result to the town through Mr. Watson's absence. As he will be in attendance at the present session of the County Council, he will then have once the chief business of the year transacted; and the remaining session is not of great importance.

This arrangement will meet with general approval, no doubt, and the town will be saved the probable excitement of a municipal contest.

MR. D. MCDOUGALL, M. P., one of the Centennial commissioners has written a letter to the *Mail* in reply to the serious charges made against the commissioners, by the Philadelphia correspondent of that paper. He clearly refutes all the charges, which have evidently originated in the fertile brain of the egotistical correspondent. The manner of arranging the Canadian exhibit was assailed, fault being particularly found with the glass cases, but Mr. McDougall has explained that the commissioners not being acquainted with the nature of the articles intended for exhibition, and it being necessary that their part of the arrangements should be completed in time they had done their best under the circumstances. No disagreements have taken place between the commissioners, as has been said, and other unpleasant stories are stated to be either exaggerations or untruths. When the trial of the libel suit comes on, it is evident the defendant will find himself in an unpleasant situation.

SEVERAL gatherings of Grangers took place throughout the Province on Friday last, and in every case the meetings while being very large were orderly, and those present represented an influential and well-to-do class of farmers. It is evident that this organization is increasing very rapidly, and judging from the sentiments expressed by the speakers a better feeling exists between the Granges and merchants and dealers. Peddlers and middlemen were very generally attacked by the speakers. Much that was severe and unpleasant has been said in discussion between the advocates for and against Grangeism, but it is evident that there were misunderstandings arising from the distorted stories about both sides of the case which accompanied the inception of the society in Canada. Now that a better understanding of the subject is being obtained, the harsh opinions entertained on either sides, no doubt, will vanish.

SIR A. T. GALT last week lectured on the financial condition of the Dominion, before a large and intelligent audience in Toronto. His view of the situation is thus summarized by a cotemporary: "He holds that the present and recent depression has arisen from general extravagance, under which he includes that of individuals, companies and the Government. Imports have been excessive, and the country has been drained to pay the interest upon their cost. The loan societies have brought out large sums to be lent upon interest. Municipalities and the general government have borrowed many millions, to be invested in unproductive works. The right way to get back to prosperity is to stop all this, to square up, reduce interest, live economically once more—in short, to come down to our level." The arguments are sensible, and worthy of close attention.

THE frequent escapes of prisoners from Canadian jails is drawing forth many severe comments. The revelations in the case of the Pembroke jail showed gross mismanagement on the part of the keepers, who did not properly examine the prisoners as they were brought in, and when the investigation was made they were found to possess revolvers, knives, &c. In the case of the escape from Cayuga jail, the jailor was greatly to blame in entering alone the cell of the prisoner who assaulted him. He gave the prisoner a favorable opportunity to regain his freedom, and it is not to be wondered at that one in his desperate situation should have availed himself of the chance. The inspectors have received a cue to make more rigid examinations of our prisons and the officials in charge, which they should follow.

THE Exeter *Times* charges the village assessor with being influenced by political motives in the performance of his duties. He has placed names on the roll of persons who had no votes, it is said, for the purpose of making some Reform votes; errors have been detected in considerable numbers, and, something peculiar, none appeared as assessed upon income. It is evident the assessor lacks judgment, or he would not have committed the injustices which our cotem. accuses him of doing, in some cases, through political reasons.

OUR shipping interests do not give evidence of the depression of our trade harped upon by protectionists. In the year 1872 the Dominion, not including British Columbia, possessed 473 steam vessels, which number increased to 661 in 1875. These vessels are classified as follows: "West Ontario, Huron and Superior, 293; East Ontario, 88; Montreal, 124; Three Rivers, 51; Quebec, 89; Maritime Provinces, 106." British Columbia has 21 steam vessels.

THE Dunkin Act is to be tested in a goodly number of counties of this Province, as will be noticed in our Canadian news. Bruce county is the latest addition to the list, and and at the temperance convention which will take place in this county shortly, it is almost certain that it will be decided that the act should be voted on in Huron.

Albert Gagson, aged 15, was drowned while bathing in the river at Montreal, on Friday. John Murray, aged 8, was saved from drowning by John Jordan who plunged into the water and brought him out.

AT THE recent conference of the Primitive Methodist church of Canada, fraternal greetings were presented from the Methodist Church of Canada expressing a desire for union between the churches. The conference answered, passed a resolution advocating the continuance of the union, it is to be regretted that this friendly overture was not met cordially, and the excellent memorial of church unions established in this instance.

TURKEY has passed through a bloodless revolution. The imbecile and selfish Sultan Abdul Asis has abdicated the throne at the wish of his subjects and his place. No disturbance took place, and the change appears to satisfy both Christian and Mahometan. It is now reported that Abdul-Asis, the deposed Sultan, committed suicide on Sunday morning by severing arteries in both arms. He was 46 years of age.

ONTARIO COUNTY has met with a sad and peculiar loss, in the death of its two members of parliament within a week. Mr. A. Gordon, M. P., for the North Riding died on the 28th May, just a week after he had visited his sick colleague at Ottawa; and Hon. M. Cameron, M. P., for the South Riding, died on Thursday.

THE condition of Europe grows more critical, and the Eastern question assumes alarming extent. The matter may be settled peaceably, but when four great nations and a people in rebellion confront one another armed to the teeth, over the disputes of a tottering empire, it is not easy to contemplate amicably arrangements.

Death of Mr. Cameron.

As the subject of this obituary held a close association with this county, socially and politically, as well as having to do with the early career of this paper, the reproduction from the *Globe* of the following condensed history of Mr. Cameron's career will be interesting to many of our readers:—

By the death of the Hon. Malcolm Cameron, member for South Ontario in the House of Commons of Canada, one who constituted a link between the old Governor and Council era and the days of British North American Confederation and Responsible Government in its fullest sense is removed from the political stage. Dating back to his first election, Mr. Cameron was the father of the House of Commons. He was elected as a representative of the people eight years before Sir John A. Macdonald, Mr. Cauchon, and Mr. Langtheir, the three next in order of seniority; ten years before Sir Hillard Cameron, and twenty-five years before the present First Minister of Canada. He was, we believe, at the time of his death the only member of the House of Commons who had held a seat in either of the old Province of Canada previous to the union in 1841.

Mr. Malcolm Cameron was born on the 26th of April, 1806, at Three Rivers, his father being Mr. Angus Cameron, formerly of Argyleshire, Scotland, who came to Canada as the hospital sergeant of a Scotch regiment, and was so highly valued in that capacity that he was retained in the same position up to the period of the disbandment of the regiment in 1816, while many who had fewer claims obtained commissions during the war of 1812. When still very young, Malcolm Cameron removed with his parents to Perth, Ont. In early life he became acquainted with a number of Scotch emigrants who had taken part in the political agitation in the Old Country in 1819 and bore the name of "Radicals," which Mr. Cameron ever after claimed as his own political designation. When only fourteen years old his father died, and Malcolm being offered a situation in a store in Lanark, accepted it. But disagreeing with his employer, he left the store, and, walking to Montreal, hired himself with characteristic energy and independence to a hotel-keeper as stable-boy in order to earn enough money to take him home. His next effort was to improve his somewhat neglected education, which he did so successfully that a clerkship in a brewery was the reward of his exertions. His old association with the liquor traffic had on him an effect different from that which it exerts on too many. Urged by the counsels of his mother, who had enforced abstinence while the lad was under her control, Malcolm Cameron became a firm advocate of the temperance cause, until his death. Meantime he continued to read diligently, spending his first earnings in works of history, while always eager at the same time to indulge in higher literature.

His first commercial enterprise was commenced when he was only twenty years of age, but this was soon terminated. In 1833 he visited Scotland on business, speculated largely in goods, and married an excellent lady, his cousin, Miss McGregor, of Glasgow. In 1836, being then only twenty-eight, he was elected for Lanark to the old Upper Canada Assembly in opposition to the Government of Sir Francis Head.

When the union was affected, he was re-elected for Lanark, and was on very friendly terms with Lord Sydenham, the first Governor-General of the united Provinces, who offered him a seat in the Cabinet as Inspector-General. This, however, was declined, and Mr. Cameron's first official position was that of Inspector of Revenue under the administration of Sir Charles Bagot, during whose incumbency he effected some important reforms. With the reaction which set in shortly afterwards his chances of political advancement were, for the time, at an end; and it was not until the return of Baldwin and Lafontaine to power in 1848 that he entered the Cabinet. In that year he had a severe contest with Mr. John Hillyard Cameron for the representation of the county of Kent. The result was in his favour, and he held the seat for the ensuing three years.

What Mr. Cameron was fain to call his Radicalism brought him into collision with his political chief, Mr. Baldwin, between whom and himself there never probably existed complete harmony. The result was his retirement from the Government in February, 1850. In October, 1851, he became President of the Council in the Hincks-Morin Administration; but on offering himself for re-election his popularity with the electors of Kent was found to have materially lessened, and he was defeated by Mr. George Brown, who then for the first time entered public life. A seat was, however, found for him in Huron, which county he represented until 1854, when he was defeated, and with his colleagues had to retire from office, having filled in the meantime the positions of Postmaster-General and Minister of Agriculture. He shared in the various schemes and measures of the Hincks Administration, including the construction of the Grand Trunk Railway, of which he was one of the Government Directors. He was out of Parliament for four years until elected in December, 1858, for Lambton, which he had unsuccessfully contested after his defeat in Huron. He represented the former Riding till 1860, when he resigned, and was elected to the Legislative Council for the St. Clair Division. In 1863 he quitted Parliament to accept the Queen's Printership, in which office he continued for some years. Subsequently he contested South Renfrew for the Commons in 1869, South Lanark for the Ontario Local House in 1871, and Russell for the Commons in 1872; on each occasion unsuccessfully. It was not till 1874 he again obtained a seat, having been elected at the general election in that year for South Ontario, defeating the Hon. T. N. Gibbs, who had represented the Riding since 1863.

Returning to the Parliamentary arena at so advanced an age, it was not to be expected that the old politician of the ante-union era would take any very prominent part in the business of the House of Commons. He was distinguished by a marked individuality of manner and character; and while with one or two exceptions he acted with his party, it can hardly be said that the confidence shaken by his course in the earlier portion of his public career was ever completely restored. There was always that in him and his career to excite for the exceptionally private in which the latter part of his life was spent—something that marred his public usefulness. Still, looking back at his early history, and recollecting what by his own manifest energy he was able to accomplish, it must be admitted that his was a career in many respects note-worthy to be recorded. He was an enlightened advocate of canal and railway construction in the interest of the country, of the rights of women to their property, of honest exemption, the abolition of imprisonment for debt, of a liberal fiscal policy, of vote by ballot, of municipal government, of arbitration in place of war, and of the total prohibition of the liquor traffic. Of the last named measure he was an earnest and uncompromising champion, and had filled most of the more responsible offices connected with the temperance and prohibition movements. He had been engaged in many business enterprises, including the proprietorship of more than one newspaper, with varying results, but had for some time past retired from active business pursuits, and resided at Ottawa, where he died on Thursday morning, aged 68 years.

West Riding Fall Show.

As we go to press we learn that at the meeting of the Directors of the West Riding Agricultural Society, the question of the place for holding the fall show came up, and after some discussion Mr. J. McDonagh's proposal to furnish sufficient accommodation at Smith's Hill was accepted. It was further offered to make the exhibition free to all visitors, no admission fee to be charged either at the gate or hall.

Many will learn of this decision with regret, for the accommodation required can hardly be provided. The buildings which will be put up will only be for temporary use, and the public will not be willing to put up with any inconveniences which will naturally attend such arrangements for public accommodation. It is evident that the show will be far from successful this year.

Town Council.

A special meeting was held on Thursday evening the Mayor in the chair and all members present except Councillor Andrews.

Report of the Fire Committee was read. It suggests that a by-law be passed prohibiting any but members of the company from interfering with the engine. Mr. Thompson said that when the last fire occurred the Engineer was at the harbor; that this was too far away in case of fire; that he could obtain work at the Foundry Co's. Works; he should be confined within reasonable limits so that in case of fire his services could be had promptly; that he has two assistants who are incompetent to take care of the Engine and the Town pays a salary to the Engineer to attend himself. Mr. Cleese thought the assistants competent. Mr. Thompson said that the Council could only look to the Engineer who was employed by the Town, they could not recognise the assistants. Mr. Garrow moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that the Clerk be instructed to notify the Engineer to give his prompt attention when fire occurs and to locate himself conveniently to the Engine House. Carried. The report was then adopted.

Council went into committee. Mr. Garrow in the chair, to consider the Harbor Committee's Report, with resolutions or suggestions for the regulation of the harbor and docks. As usual the discussion arose as to whether or not the docks are the property of the Town, and ended by a division of opinion. Mr. Garrow questioned the advisability of the Council passing such resolutions for submission to the government, and thought they might more properly be put in the shape of a by-law. After a few alterations in the free tariff the resolutions were adopted, after the committee rose and Mayor resumed the chair.

Mr. Garrow moved seconded by Mr. Hutcheson that a grant of $100 be made towards the celebration of Dominion day.

Mr. Campbell moved, seconded by Mr. Sloan, that the amount be $50. On division the amendment lost and motion carried.

Council then adjourned.

County Council.

Goderich, June 5th, 1876.

Th Council met pursuant to adjournment from last meeting. Members all present.

The Warden addressed the Council upon the condition of the gravel roads, the equalization of the assessment rolls and the Sauble bridge.

Petition of W. Clegg and 113 others of the village of Blyth praying to be incorporated was read and granted.

Moved by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Proctor, that R. W. Mitchell be appointed to take the census of the village of Blyth and report the same to this Council on or before the 8th inst.—Carried.

Petition of Wm. Hutton and 30 others, praying the Council to rebuild Graham's bridge, was read and referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by Mr. Garrow, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that the Road and Bridge committee be instructed to obtain the opinion of M. C. Cameron, Esq., Q. C., Goderich, for use at the present session, upon the question of whether this Council can be compelled to rebuild the bridge known as Graham's bridge and can this Council legally close the bridge, and if so, upon what terms as to compensation, &c.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

Tuesday forenoon.

Petition of Andrew Hood and others praying for a grant of $100 to improve the boundary line between the township of Howick and Maitto was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Report of County Engineer was read and referred to the Road and Bridge committee.

Moved by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Kane, that the usual grant of $200 be paid to the village of Wingham, to aid in building a lock-up, said building being now complete and ready for the use of the County—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Buchanan, that the County assume the old line of toll roads and also that portion called the Northern Gravel road. The council went into committee of the whole, Mr. Connor in the chair. After the motion was discussed in committee the Warden resumed the chair, and the motion was referred to the Road and Bridge committee.

Moved by Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Monteith, that Mr. Slemmon be appointed on the Equalization Committee in place of Mr. Strachan who is detained at home on account of severe family affliction. Carried.

WINGHAM.

Nineteen quarter acre lots were sold at the recent sale, realizing $2,299 nett.

The License Inspector is actively at work. On Monday of last week Thos. Mattison, of Zetland, was brought before the village magistrates and fined $20 and costs for selling liquor without license; W. J. McCutcheon, Wingham, was fined $10 and costs for allowing card playing in his hotel; and the case of R. Sadler, Wingham, for keeping a bar and giving away whiskey was postponed until yesterday.

There is considerable talk in town, says the *Times*, regarding the whereabouts of a lady who has been canvassing this place for the sale of corsets. Her satchel was found in shallow water near Fisher's mill-dam, Lower Wingham, on Saturday last, but the lady has not as yet been found, and no information has been obtained respecting her.

Local News.

ABOUT TOWN.

CHEAP.—The fare for the round trip between Goderich and Philadelphia is $21.65.

PROMOTION.—Mr. R. R. Thompson has commenced operations for taking down the old store, and has already taken a number of men away about.

ARAB RUNNING.—Mr. John Brokenridge has commenced operations in the brickyard situated on the flat beneath the Grand Trunk station. This yard has been lying idle for two years past.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.—The examination of Candidates for Public School Teachers will be held in Goderich, on Monday, 10th July, at 9 a. m. For all information, see advertisement in another column.

PERSONAL.—Dr. & Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Meyers left on Friday to "do" the Centennial.

—Dr. Hodgins, Deputy Minister of Education, will be in town to-day, and will be the guest of Mr. J. B. Miller. He will visit some of the schools, and be present at the meeting of the Exeter Teacher's Institute on Saturday.

—Mr. A. Goodall, who has received the appointment of gardener at the Hamilton Asylum, left town last week for his new abode. We wish him success in his new position.

—Mr. Robert Carey, we are pleased to see, graduated at the recent examination in the Toronto University, with the degree of B. A.

—Rev. W. G. Henderson, M. A. is absent from town attending conference.

—Judge Sinclair is in town for the purpose of winding up his affairs here.

SHIPMENTS.—During the past week the business at the station was not very brisk. Our fishermen shipped 29,900 lbs. fish; Kirkpatrick Bros. & Co., 30 rolls sole leather; Stephen Butt, 16 quarter barrels ale; C. McGaw, 55 packages butter, Foundry Co., two land rollers and a number of castings, and steamer *Benton* transhipped 204 grindstones.

ARCHITECTURE.—In another column will be found the business card of Parsons Bros. Architects, 363 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. This firm has attained to high celebrity, and specimens of their architecture may be found in the principal cities of the United States. The plans of our new summer hotel were prepared by them.

"GODERICH WALTZ."—We have received from the author, Miss Lizzie A. Donagh, a new waltz with the above title, and dedicated to the citizens of the town. Much care and musical taste is manifested in the composition of the piece, which is very pretty and promises to become popular in many other places besides Goderich. The music may be had at Moorehouse's.

SWIMMING BATH.—Messrs. Miller & McQuarrie are busy putting the finishing touches to Mr. E. Hooker's swimming bath and gymnasium, which will likely be completed this week. Dressing rooms occupy one side of the room, and swings, bars, &c., are provided for exercising with, and a shower bath occupies one corner. No doubt large numbers will resort to this place during the hot days of summer.

MOONLIGHT EXCURSION.—This (Wednesday) evening, the steamer Bertschy will make a "moonlight excursion" on the lake, leaving the dock about 8 o'clock. The Siver Cornet Band will accompany the excursionists, and a pleasant time may be anticipated. The excursion is given as a complimentary benefit to Capt. G. W. McGregor, and his many friends, as well as those who enjoy real pleasure, will no doubt join the party.

AN IMMENSE BELT.—The following item contained in despatches from Montreal on Thursday, refers to Messrs. Ogilvies & Hutchison's mill: "There is on exhibition to-day in this city a leather belt 36 inches wide and 110 feet long made for a Goderich grist mill. The belt will be used in connection with a Corliss engine, which will supply the motive power to the machinery and can carry 300 horse power." Peck's famous girdle would appear not so very large in comparison with this immense belt.

A TREAT IN STORE.—Our citizens will be pleased to read the announcement in another column that Mrs. Morrison, assisted by the Grand Opera House Co., of Toronto, will appear in the Oddfellows' Hall, to-morrow (Thursday) evening. We need say nothing in praise of the Company, as their fame is established. The play on this occasion will be the famous comedy entitled "Our Boys," the performance of which in Toronto, the *Globe* speaks of as follows: "The comedy is a capital piece for the stage, and its setting is the handsomest that has been seen even on the boards of the Grand Opera House. The furnishings and stage effect in the second act are magnificent, and display an amount of care and taste that take the audience by surprise. The entertainment altogether is of a first rate character, and deserves the praise that has been bestowed on it." Tickets may be had at Moorehouse's.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—On Friday evening, according to announcement, the regular open meetings of the Goderich Temperance association were resumed. The attendance was not so large as at the first meeting, but after a few more have been held a livelier interest will be awakened in the gatherings and the attendance will improve. On this occasion the President Mr. H. I. Strang, occupied the chair, and after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. Seivewright, made a few remarks touching the affairs of the association. Mr. S. Sloan, Secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting and the constitution and by-laws of the association prepared by the committee, which were adopted. As only three of the six directors required had been appointed, and as Mr. B. L. Doyle did not wish to act in that capacity, three other directors were appointed as follows: Capt. Gibson and Messrs. Jas. Martin, and Jas. Wilkinson. Rev. J. Sieveright was then called upon and addressed the meeting. After a few general remarks he said that intemperance affected all classes and communities—it affected business; caused disasters and turned the noblest intellects into idiocy and it was to the interest of all to endeavour to secure general salvation from the ravages of the traffic. Over two hundred acts have been passed by the British Government to regulate the traffic but without success; it is now our duty to destroy it. It was often argued by the opponents of prohibition that the loss of revenue could not be compensated for, but a Government which would put forward such an objection would dig the grave of a nation's prosperity. If a company was to start in business with the purpose of spreading the Asiatic cholera, no one would defend them from the hue and cry which would be raised against such an institution by talking of vested rights and such. And yet drink kills more people than Asiatic cholera does. Perhaps the best means of securing prohibition was to secure votes in the different counties upon the Dunkin Act. Although this Act did not give entire prohibition, it was very near to it. Three counties in Ontario have already adopted the Act, and an effort was being put forth to have it adopted in all the counties west of Toronto. If the friends of Temperance would strive to cripple the liquor traffic, and do the best they could to drive the curse from the land, victory must rest with them. Mr. J. R. Miller then gave an excellent reading from the sketches by Collier, the learned blacksmith, after which short addresses were delivered by Mr. Strang and Mr. Thomson, and the meeting was brought to a close by Capt. Gibson pronouncing the benediction. During the evening the North Street Methodist Church choir furnished excellent music, Misses Andrews and Barnes presiding at the organ with their usual good taste. The pledge book was opened at the close of the meeting and quite a number of signatures were obtained.

OUR READERS will remember the auction sale of valuable household furniture by G. M. Trueman at Judge Sinclair's residence this day, commencing at 12 o'clock noon. See adv.

SERENADE.—The Silver Cornet Band on Tuesday evening last, serenaded the Mayor, councillor Hutchison and Mr. Henry Horton. The band was handsomely entertained.

NEW CONVERSIONS.—On Thursday next the regular meeting of the West Riding Prohibit will take place in the new Temperance Hall, on North St. In the evening a public meeting will take place, when an interesting programme will be rendered.

BAND BOOK LOST.—On Tuesday evening a music book belonging to one of the members of the Silver Cornet Band was lost between the residences of Mr. Henry Horton and Mr. John Bates. The finder will oblige by leaving at this office.

LECTURE.—Dr. Hodgins, Deputy Minister of Education will deliver a lecture on Monday evening, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. on the subject of "Hymns and Hymn Writers." The lecture has been highly spoken of by the Toronto papers, and no doubt will be worth hearing. The place of delivering the lecture will be announced by bills.

ROW AT THE DOCK.—John Tuill, who lately returned from California, got into a row with one of the crew of the *Mary Robertson*, and burning with vengeance, on Monday he visited the boat and attacked one of the crew. In the row which ensued Tuill had his face badly cut and was knocked senseless. Some persons near by attended to him, and when he had revived he rushed into the fray again, but a number of the bystanders soon placed him *hors de combat*. He received a severe cut on the scalp and one over his right eye, and was otherwise badly used up.

VOLUNTEER DRILL.—On the 2nd June, a ballot was taken by Lieut.-Col. Taylor, D. A. G., and Lieut.-Col. Moffatt, Brigade Major in London, to determine what corps should perform the annual drill in the First Military District for the year 1876-7. The ballot resulted as follows.—Corps to be drilled.—London Field Battery; Wellington Field Battery; Sarnia Garrison Artillery; First Regiment of Cavalry; 7th London Light Infantry; 25th Battalion, Elgin; 26th Batt., Middlesex; 27th Batt., Lambton; 28th Batt., Perth; 29th Batt., Waterloo; 30th Batt., Wellington Rifles, 33rd Batt., Huron. Corps dropped out.—Goderich Garrison Artillery; 22nd Batt., Oxford Rifles; 24th Batt., Kent; 32nd Batt., Bruce.

EXCITING RACE.—On Monday afternoon an exciting foot race took place on the Market Square, Mr. A. M. Polley and Mr. Jock Adams being the contestants. A considerable amount of money was staked on the result, and a large crowd was in attendance. The course was 50 yards long. After a good many false starts the two runners got away evenly, and went puffing along at break-neck speed. Mr. Polley leading Jock by a head till near the winning post, when Jock spurted nobly and both came in so closely that while one judge declared Jock the winner, the other decided the race as a tie. Much excitement ensued, and all strongly presented that the race be run over, but it could not be so arranged. All bets were declared off.

ANOTHER ROBBERY.—On Sunday evening at about 9.30 o'clock, a lad named Wm. Willoughby entered Mr. Fred. Hutty's restaurant and helped himself to a jar of candies, some oranges and a jelly cake. He stepped into the dining room, and just then a couple of the boarders came in, and going to the dining room detected the lad munching an orange. The lad was at once turned over to a constable and taken to jail. Mr. Hutty also lost $4 on Friday evening, and young Willoughby stated that his companion named Scallion entered the store on that night and took the money from the till. A warrant was issued for Scallion's arrest on Monday. Willoughby was brought before the Mayor, on Monday, and was committed for trial. This same lad was some time ago confined in jail for stealing preserves from Mr. B. L. Doyle's house.

MACKINNON PEN.—We have examined the new famous Mackinnon Pen, and consider it a most ingenous and valuable invention. It combines, in the shape of a pencil, the most perfect of pens with an inkstand, the supply of ink being contained in the handle. The pen may be carried in the pocket, and as it holds a supply of ink sufficient for ten or twelve hours, its usefulness is quite evident. It promises to supercede lead pencils, obviating the necessity of sharpening the pencil and soiling of fingers in the operation, while by its use the annoyances resulting from bad pens and the unavoidable spreading of the black liquid on the fingers and clothes, are escaped, and the loss of time through the dipping for fresh supplies of ink is done away with. It is constructed very neatly, and is handsome in appearance, besides being strong and durable.—Wherever it is used, it is highly spoken of, and deservedly too. The agents are at present in Iowa taking orders, and are meeting with considerable success.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.—On Monday night burglars visited the residence of Mr. H. Harrison, salt manufacturer, on the Huron Road. About 12 o'clock he was awakened by the sound of some persons making an effort to enter the house by the back way, and calling to a friend who was stopping with him for a few days they proceeded to the place from whence proceeded the sounds, when the fellows decamped. At about two o'clock they were again heard, but ran off as soon as they heard the inmates of the house stirring. An examination of the premises on Tuesday morning showed that the would-be burglars had attempted to enter the house by way of the coal hole which was open, and the foot-marks showed that the party consisted of three or four. At the first alarm, the thieves ran towards the river, one of Mr. Harrison's tenants having heard them pass his house. People should take precautions to secure their premises against burglars, and be prepared to give them a warm reception in case of a visit.

BOLD ROBBERY.—Some time on Thursday morning a daring burglary was committed in town, the store and residence of Mr. D. Ferguson having been entered. It will be remembered that Wednesday night was very sultry, and that a pretty heavy rain fall occurred a little after midnight. Feeling the heat oppressive Mr. Ferguson, on retiring, left his bedroom window open, and slept soundly until the shower began when he detected in the noise of the storm the sound of some one moving about in the house. He gave little thought to this, supposing that it was some member of his family closing the windows. In the morning, however, he had reason to think differently, and it is evident the movements heard were made by the burglars. They had evidently entered through the bed-room window, and rifled the pockets of Mr. Ferguson's pantaloons, which were hanging on a chair beside the bed, and took therefrom about $60 and the keys of the safe. After having visited the son's bed-room and "gone through" his pockets, taking $5, they proceeded to the store and after trying to pry open the front entrance and the door on St. Andrew's Street, succeeded in opening the window beside the latter door and effecting an entrance to the store. With the keys in their possession, the work of opening the safe was easy, but their disgust at finding only a few coins to reward (!) their trouble must have been considerable. They were evidently old hands at the business, as a couple of peculiar coins and some valuable papers were not touched. The small drawers in the safe were broken, the keys not having been used to open them, and burnt matches were strewn about the floor. No goods were taken from the store, which would lead to the conclusion that the thieves were strangers in this locality, and the supposition that they were the parties who robbed the stores in Kincardine a few nights before in a similar manner. On Wednesday, just before the store was closed three strangers were noticed about the store, and they went in separately and purchased a plug of tobacco each; and it was noticed that a couple of strangers followed Mr. Ferguson and his son to their residence that evening. The same parties were also noticed prowling about the Bank or Commerce about midnight on the previous evening, and when sent by the night watchman they disappeared. No clue has yet been obtained as to the whereabouts of the robbers, and it is altogether likely that they have made their escape good. The keys of the safe were found on the floor of the store.

SCHOOL BOARD.—The regular meeting took place on Monday evening. The principal's report was read and adopted, and communication papers were ordered to be procured in accordance with the recommendation of the report. A cheque was received from Mr. A. M. Ross, M. P. P., for $10 to procure prize books, and a resolution thanking Mr. Ross for the liberal donation was adopted. Accounts of J. Story, $6.10, and W. T. Walsh, $7, were ordered to be paid. The estimates for 1876 were then read, when it was moved that the Town Council be requested to place $5000 to the credit of the School Board for school purposes. Mr. Jas. Addison was appointed to take the census of children in town between the ages of 5 and 21 years, for the sum of $30. A communication was received from Mr. Paxmore, challenging Mr. Swanson to furnish proof of the statement made by him (Mr. S.) at a recent meeting of the Board, that Mr. Paxmore furnished wood for the use of the schools while he was a member of the Board; and in case the evidence was brought forward, or the statement could not be proved, either Mr. Paxmore or Mr. Swanson was to forfeit a certain sum for the use of the schools. Communication received. Some repairs were ordered to be made, and the Board adjourned.

BRUSSELS.

The *Post* man returns thanks for a donation of ice cream. He is enquiring for a spoon to cup it with.

A young man named Drew, a few evenings ago, fell through an open hatchway into the cellar, but was not badly hurt.

The streets are in very bad repair.

John Macdonald, M. P., of Toronto, on Monday laid the corner stone of the new Methodist church. He was presented with a handsome silver trowel on the occasion.

Some time since, says the *Post*, Mr. Wilson, of the Brussels Foundry, mailed a letter containing $50 to a city firm, but received no acknowledgment of its receipt. Enquiries were set on foot by the Post office authorities, and the whereabouts of the missing letter has been traced. It was found in the cast off coat of the person to whom it was addressed, and who had failed to acknowledge receipt