The Toronto Globe is defeated, and its proprietors, Messrs. Barrett & Scott, have made an assignment.

Mr. Hightower, of Hamilton, last week loaded 200 tons of bulk salt in ten hours, for Chicago.

The house of Mr. Ward, of Milton, was struck by a cyclone near Long Point on Thursday morning, and completely demolished. Three of the inmates were drowned.

The steamboats and steamers of Hollin Lake, resolved to take and give American silver at a discount of 20 per cent.

A Quebec dispatch says that Louis Riel was in that city on Saturday on his way to Beauport Asylum, he being a violent lunatic.

The Ontario Rifle Association matches begin on August 21st, with a prize-list of $6,100. Partly circular targets will be used.

Miss Kate Hamilton, of London, who was recently knocked by being thrown against a telegraph pole by a runaway pony, died on Friday morning.

On Friday afternoon 4,000 children of the Christian Brothers' Schools performed their annual visit in procession to the different churches in Montreal.

Three hundred wild pigeons, which are to be used in a match to be shot at Belleville shortly, arrived last week from Detroit.

Joseph Johnston, a craftsman, aged 40, dropped dead last Thursday while splitting wood. Heart disease was the cause.

Of the 926 exhibits, of mineral, ores, &c., at the Centennial the United States shows 300, Canada 245, and the remainder is divided between seventeen other countries.

A scheme is now before the Guelph Council for the introduction of a system of drainage, water-works, and street improvements, involving an outlay of $100,000 which will be raised by debentures.

On Friday night a man named Miron, in attempting to jump off the Grand Trunk train at Oakville while in motion, fell to the ground, the wheel of one of the cars passing over his right hand and wrist, fracturing it badly.

A Commissioner of Inland Revenue, of Goderich, and S. Chime, License Inspector for North Perth, on Friday seized an illicit still and apparatus within the premises of James Freeborn, lot 10, concession 11, township of Mornington.

Provision has been made for twenty-three thousand volunteers being trained during the coming summer, the drill to extend over eight days and to be done at headquarters of corps, and on different days, if convenient to the men. The regiments to be drilled will be decided by lot.

Peter McMillan, a farmer on the 6th con. Westminster, was severely injured by a kicking horse, on Friday. He was working about the animal in the stable when he received a kick in the mouth, cutting his lip through and carrying away the greater part of his teeth and lower jaw.

Tillotson and Babcock, charged with attempting to obtain $2,500 from the Canadian Savings and Loan Society on a forged deed of land, falsely representing themselves as James Hayes and Jas. Flood, were examined on Friday at the police court, London, and committed for trial.

In 1871 the county of Hastings subscribed for $50,000 stock in the Grand Junction Railway. After paying $15,000 on this amount the Warden sold the stock for one dollar to a young man without means, thus avoiding any further payment by the county. The Railway Company brought an action to set aside the this transaction, but the Court of Chancery has sustained the Warden.

On Thursday afternoon a number of gentlemen, among them Hon. A. Mackenzie, Alonzo Wright, M. P., Colonel Gilmour, Henderson Batson, X. Buchanan, Mr. Egan, and others, met in the Rideau Club, Ottawa, and opened a subscription list for the relief of the sufferers by floods at the Gatineau Point. Before the meeting dispersed over $700 was subscribed. Considerable distress exists at that village.

The Grand Lodge of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows was held on Thursday, in Hamilton, when a large number of delegates were present. Encouraging reports of the progress of the order were presented, and a balance of $6,295 was shown in favor of the widows' and orphans' fund. The following were appointed officers of the Order for the ensuing year:—Joseph Phelp, Hamilton, grand master; George Bozall, Toronto, deputy grand master; Thos. Barry, Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

The British Columbia Pacific Railway surveying parties arrived at Victoria on the 4th instant, and have proceeded to work. Mr. Cambie, under Mr. Smith, has charge of the surveys, which comprise parties under Jennings, Gamsby, Hunter, Trutch, and McMillan which, with the two parties now out, will make seven divisions in the field this year. The Fraser route will be located this summer. Mr. Dawson, of the Geological survey will accompany Cambie through British Columbia during the coming season.

A melancholy drowning accident resulting in the loss of three lives occurred near Bobcaygeon, in Pigeon Lake on Tuesday morning of last week, which was only found out Thursday. Mrs. Fortune, her two youngest children, aged respectively six months and two years, started on Tuesday morning in a small punt to row over to Mr. Crowley's on Jacob's Island. Nothing was heard of them till Thursday, morning when the body of Mrs. Fortune was found a short distance from where they were last seen on the Tuesday morning rounding a point on the Harvey shore. The bodies of the two little children have not yet been recovered.

An inquest concerning the death of Mrs. J. D. Macrae at Hamilton was held last week, owing to suspicious circumstances connected with her sudden death. The doctors who made the second *post mortem* examination, the body having been exhumed, gave evidence, the drift of which was that death had been caused by a clot of blood on the brain, formed either by a blow or the rupture of a blood-vessel. Miss Macrae testified that on the day of her mother's death she heard her father say "take that," accompanied by a noise which she thought was a blow. Mr. Macrae, who is a well-to-do citizen, has been arrested.

An action for libel against the *Mail* Printing and Publishing Company for $20,000 has been entered in the Superior Court at the suit of Mr. Joseph Perrault. The action is taken for an alleged libel in a letter which appeared in the *Mail* of the 12th instant, from its Philadelphia correspondent, entitled "Corruption of a Canadian Commissioner;" the particular portion taken exception to being, "Mr. Wade, whom he (Mr. Perrault) employs to write the names and decorate the cases, pays him 20 per cent. on all he does; in other words Perrault, a public servant, deals far from honestly with the Canadian public.

On Thursday the afternoon express of the Great Western Railway going West met with an accident at Sifton's Cut, four miles west of London, involving the probable loss of two lives. The switch being left open at that point, the train ran off while going almost at full speed. The locomotive upset, and the steam chambers burst, the escaping steam scalding the engineer, George Irwin, and the fireman, Joseph Pringle, his son-in-law, in a horrible manner. The train stopped without any further serious accident, the passengers escaping with a severe shaking up. Irwin died shortly after. At the inquest the jury returned a verdict, placing the responsibility for the death of George Irwin upon the Great Western Railway Company and the section foreman, David Spence.—The latter has been taken into custody on a charge of manslaughter. Pringle lingered in great agony until Saturday, when he died.

Grand Trunk Railway.

TRAINS WILL LEAVE GODERICH 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, 12.30 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, 2.10 p. m., from Toronto, Detroit and Buffalo.
No. 10 Mixed, 7.00 p. m., from Stratford.
No. 4 Express, 10.00 p. m., from Buffalo.

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, MAY 24, 1876.

License Regulations.

From the printed rules and regulations for the guidance of inns, taverns and places of public entertainment, adopted by the Commissioners for West Huron, we gather the principal features for the information of our readers.

These printed forms will be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of each person who receives a license, so that none may violate the new law through ignorance and that all who visit such places may see and read them.

It is first resolved that all licensed places of entertainment are for the accommodation of travellers only, and not for "the purpose of promoting drunkenness, encouraging or engendering habits of dissipation and idleness, or of tippling and vice." Each bar-room, or other place where liquor is sold, is to be closed at 11 o'clock p. m. and remain closed until 6 a. m., during which hours no liquor is to be given away, sold or bartered, and such places shall be closed on all statutory holidays. Exceptions are made to this rule in cases where liquor is required for medical or sacramental purposes, and in the former case only in compliance with a requisition signed by a duly registered medical practitioner; also in case of *bona fide* travellers who are guests at the hotel arriving after the closing hour or leaving before 6 in the morning. Particular mention is made of gambling, which is prohibited, as well as the selling of pools, playing cards, checkers, dominoes, &c., and even a bowling alley is forbidden. No liquor is to be sold to minors, without a written order is furnished by the parents, and no minor or apprentice shall be permitted to frequent or loiter about an inn, except such person be a boarder at such inn. Habitual drunkards are not to be furnished with drink, and none shall be given or sold to any person in a state of intoxication. Tippling and unnecessary drinking are prohibited. It is specially stipulated that hotels or places where liquor is sold shall not communicate by any entrance with a shop or store where groceries or provisions are sold. Each place of public entertainment in towns must be a well appointed and furnished eating house, besides possessing 10 properly furnished bed-rooms and two sitting rooms in addition to the requirements for family use, as well as stabling for twenty horses. In villages and country places each tavern must possess from four to eight bedrooms and one sitting room, and stabling for ten horses. The premises must also be kept clean and orderly. Gamblers and suspicious or disreputable characters are not to be harbored, and no persons shall be permitted to wrangle, wrestle or fight on the premises of the holder of a license. The strict fulfilling of the requirements of the law regarding the observance of Saturday night and Sunday is provided for. It is resolved that no more than two shop licenses shall be granted in the Riding. The inspector is required to visit each licensed house to see that these requirements are adhered to and make report to the Board of Commissioners. Any violation of these regulations will entail a fine of not less than $2 and not more than $20 for each offence upon the offender, and if the fine is not paid the license will be withdrawn.

These regulations are stringent, and their strict observance will result in much good.

A Proper Act.

It is with pleasure that we print the following letter:

To the Editor of the Huron Signal.

SIR,—I wish, through your columns, to acknowledge the receipt of a cheque for $10 from A. M. Ross, M. P. P., to be added to the "grant given by Goderich Township" to purchase prizes for a competitive examination amongst the scholars of the different school sections. Such praiseworthy liberality will be properly appreciated.

Yours &c.,
JAMES PATTON,
Tp Clerk.

By reference to another column it will be seen that Mr. Ross has also presented liberal sums to the Clinton School Board and the Hullett Agricultural Society, and no doubt we will be called upon to chronicle other liberal donations to good objects. No better means could be adopted to return to the people the extra $200 which the members voted to themselves as an increased indemnity, at the last session. It is to be hoped that other members of the House will follow Mr. Ross' example.

VIRGINIANS pride themselves upon their British parentage, and the people of that state have a warm affection for that country. As an indication of their feelings the report is made that extensive preparations have been made for the celebration of the Queen's Birthday, and to-day as much, and more probably, enthusiasm will be displayed in doing honor to Her Majesty as in Canada. The circular issued by the executive committee contains the following sentiment:—"Virginians love the Old Country as the dear old home of their ancestors—the birth-place of civil and religious liberty—the mother of free nations—and deeply revere those noble virtues and womanly graces which have made the reign of Queen Victoria so conspicuous." Such a sentiment, manifesting itself at a time when the United States and Britain and her colonies are meeting on such friendly terms at the great exhibition, augurs the forming of more friendly relations than ever between these countries.

SEVEN BRIGADE MAJORS on the Militia District Staff are to be removed in accordance with the promise made by the Government at the last session, which will result in a saving in the militia expenditure of about $10,000. Col. Service, District No. 1; Mayor Smith, Dirtrict No. 3; Cols. Hanson and de Bellefeuille, District No. 6; Cols. McCully and Irches, District No. 8, and Col. Sawyer, District No. 9 are the officers relieved from duty. It is stated that this move will not effect the efficiency of our militia organization and that still further pruning may be performed without bad results and to the benefit of the Dominion Treasury.

MR. D. STIRTON, M. P., for South Wellington has resigned his seat in the House, to accept the position of post master of the town of Guelph. He has been an old and faithful servant of the people, having entered public life in 1857, and no person is more worthy of such an appointment than he.

NORTH MIDDLESEX is now busy with preparations for the approaching election contest. The candidates are Mr. C. Scatcherd, brother of the late member, Reeve of London and John Lord, Reeve of East Williams, conservative. Mr. John Watson, who is spoken of as the independent candidate, but it is rumored that the gold which rained so plentifully from the skies in the contest by-election, is therefore between the two former gentlemen, with cause the chances are in favor of Mr. Scatcherd.

BUFFALO Board of Trade has passed a resolution favorable to reciprocal trade with Canada, seconding the action of the cities of Boston and New Orleans. They have communicated with the Government, recommending the appointment of commissioners to meet with the British commissioners for the purpose of arranging some basis for a treaty of reciprocal trade between the two countries.

THE DUNKIN BILL is to be submitted in Kent County. At a convention of temperance people there last week this action was resolved upon, and every effort to secure thorough organization is being put forth to ensure the carrying of the bill.

SIX TURKS, the principals in the assassination of the French and German consuls at Salonica, have been executed. Negotiations are pending between the three interested powers, which promise an amicable settlement of the complications between them.

Teachers' Association.

The usual semi-annual meeting of the Huron Teacher's Association was held in Clinton, on Friday and Saturday last, the President, Mr. J. R. Miller, I. P. S. for West Huron, in the chair, and considering the bad state of the roads, and other circumstances was well attended, more than 100 teachers being present during the whole or part of the proceedings.

The Hon. Adam Crooks, the new Minister of Education, was present at all the sessions of the association, and made himself very popular with the teachers by his affability and by the kindly interest which he manifested in the proceedings, as well as in the welfare of the profession, in proof of which he was unanimously elected an honorary member of the association.

At the Friday afternoon session, in addition to the usual routine business and a brief address by the new Minister on his introduction to the association, the subject of "Ratio and Proportion" was taken up by Mr. Gregory, of Exeter, and his method of teaching it exemplified and explained at considerable length, after which Mr. Dowar, I. P. S. for East Huron, delivered an excellent practical address on some points suggested by his inspectoral visits.

In the evening, Hon. Mr. Crooks delivered a public address to a very large and attentive audience, in the Town Hall, the Mayor in the chair. The Hon. Minister after explaining that he had a double purpose in attending this and similar meetings, viz., to show his sympathy with the teachers in their arduous and important labors, and to become acquainted with the practical working of the present law and regulations in order to be better able to judge what further changes might be necessary, devoted his address chiefly to an explanation of the distinguishing features of our school law as compared with that of the United States and Britain, and of the duties that under it, devolve respectively on the central and local authorities.

After the address, Mr. S. Hicks read an excellent paper on "The Books which a Teacher should read," taking strong ground in favor of a liberal culture of the mind by a judicious course of reading, if teachers wished to rise in their profession.

On Saturday forenoon, Mr. D. Currie, of Usborne, took up the subject of "National Philosophy, with special reference to the Lever," and explained it in a very clear and practical manner as fully as time permitted. Indeed, one teacher remarked that if the subject were as well taught in all schools, teachers would be less afraid of the natural philosophy paper at their examinations.

Rev. Mr. McCuaig, of Clinton, then read an admirable paper on "How to teach Morals in our Schools," enforcing and illustrating, among other things, the necessity of teachers' paying good attention to the old maxim, "Example is more powerful than Precept," in teaching both morals and manners. We should be very glad to see Mr. McCuaig's paper printed and widely circulated.

The only remaining subject, viz: "Grammatical Analysis," by J. Turnbull, B. A., having been by consent allowed to stand over, the association then proceeded to the discussion of the resolutions submitted by a committee which had been appointed the previous afternoon to consider several matters of importance. After some discussion the following resolutions were adopted unanimously, or by large majorities:

1st That in the opinion of this Association, county and city boards of examiners should not be allowed to renew third-class certificates, except in the case of assistant teachers of the 1st and 2nd forms, and then only on the recommendation of an Inspector and Board of Trustees, such certificates to be legal only for the school in which the teacher is engaged; also, that an elementary knowledge of book-keeping, human physiology, natural philosophy, algebra and geometry be required in future for 3rd class certificates, and that the history be confined to English and Canadian only.

2nd That there be three public examinations in each year, viz: at the end of the first, second and fourth terms.

3rd That natural history, agricultural chemistry, domestic economy, civil government, botany and Christian morals, as taught from a text book, be made optional subjects.

4th That the Easter holidays be dispensed with, excepting Good Friday and Easter Monday.

5th That one day in each half-year be allowed to teachers for attending Teacher's Institutes.

The association then proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year with the following result: President, Mr. A. Dewar, I.P.S. East Huron; Vice Pres., the Presidents of the various local associations; Sec. and Treas., Mr. Geo. Baird, jr.; Delegate to Provincial Association, R. I. Strang, B. A.

The Association then adjourned, to meet again in September.

COLBORNE.

ACCIDENT.—On Thursday last a son of Mr. Hillary Horton had a narrow escape from instant death. He was at work chopping in Mr. McManus' bush with another young man. He was standing on a log which he was chopping, when a tree which his companion had felled struck a sapling, bending it down, and when relieved it sprang back striking young Horton between the shoulders. He was pretty badly hurt, although no bones were broken, and under the care of Dr. Cassady he is recovering.

On the 5th inst., a young lady named Appleton, living near Fostoria, Ohio, apparently died. The funeral was arranged on the 7th, and the body taken to the church. Before the commencement of the services the minister discovered moisture on the under side of glass plate in the coffin over the face of the supposed corpse. The body was examined and found to be warm, and was taken home and has remained in that condition since, all efforts at resuscitation proving unavailing.

THE COURT OF REVISION for the Township of West Wawanosh will be held on Monday, the 29th inst., not Saturday, the 27th, as advertised last week.

Local News.

ABOUT TOWN.

GROCERIES.—Mr. R. Ferguson is doing a very good business in groceries at his store on East street.

CHEESE FAIR.—The first market of the season, at Stratford, will be held in the Board Room, on Wednesday, May 31st.

LIQUID POISON.—Chinese powder is recommended to be an excellent article to destroy vermin which does so much injury to manual bushes, &c. Hugh Miller & Co., of Toronto, advertise the article in another column.

SENTENCED.—On Saturday last, Judge Toms gave sentence in the case of Michael Griffin charged with assaulting a constable while in the discharge of his duty, and Griffin was sent to jail for 4 months at hard labor.

PERSONAL.—Mr. John Stewart, of the Goderich Artillery Co., has returned from the Military School, at Kingston, where he has been studying during the last term. He took a second class certificate.

BROKEN SCREW.—On Friday, as the tug Mayflower was towing a raft of saw logs for Mr. S. Platt, into the new outlet of the river, her screw struck a boulder and one of the flanges was broken off. The cost of repairing the injury will be considerable.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.—A social will be held in the Methodist church, North street, this (Wednesday) evening, commencing from 7, o'clock. There will be an interesting programme of readings and music. Tickets 20 cents each.—God save the Queen.

FOR BRUSSELS.—Messrs. J. & G. W. Thomson, manufacturers of artificial stone, shipped the necessary patterns, &c., for Brussels on Thursday, where they have a contract for supplying sills, caps, ornaments, &c., for the new Methodist church in that place.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The next meeting of the Goderich Temperance association will take place in Knox Church, on Friday, 2nd June. A programme is being prepared for the occasion. These meetings will henceforward be held regularly.

RECOVERING.—Alex. Gammill, the young man recently injured by the accidental discharge of a revolver, is out of danger and will soon be able to attend to his duties again. His escape was a narrow one, and the circumstance will prove a warning to those in the habit of using firearms to use the greatest care in handling them.

NEAL DOW.—This famous temperance lecturer has made an engagement with the Goderich Temperance Association to deliver lectures in Ontario during the month of October. Associations wishing to secure a lecture should communicate with the Secretary of the body here.

GOOD FOR GODERICH.—Notice was received last week from Philadelphia that forty-two bids have been made for Knox & Rothwell's piano-box side-spar buggy, which is now on exhibition in that city. Three of these bids were made by parties in Europe, and the rest by Americans. This speaks volumes for Messrs. Knox and Rothwell.

CHEAP RATES.—The Grand Trunk Company will issue, for a few days, at this station, return tickets to Montreal, good for seven days, at the astonishingly low rate of $6.85. No doubt a good number of our citizens will avail themselves of this opportunity and visit the great city for purposes of pleasure and business.

SHIPMENTS.—The following are some of the shipments made from the Grand Trunk station for the week ending Saturday:—Z. Tolams, 1 brl. and 72 packages fresh fish, valued at $534.03; Allan Murray, 37 brls; Jas. Clark, 30 brls; John Clark, 1 brl; H. Bain, 6 brls; M. McKenzie, 5 brls; M. McPherson, 3 brls; John Ralph, 1500 lbs. rags; W. G. Smith, 2 rolls leather; Kirkpatrick, Bro. & Co., 1 roll leather; J. V. Detlor & Co., 2245 feet walnut lumber; M. Butler, 3 car loads scrap iron; Wm. McLean, 24 head of cattle. Shipments of lumber and salt in another column.

Y. M. C. A. ANNUAL MEETING.—The rooms of the Association were crowded to their utmost capacity on Tuesday evening of last week, on the occasion of the annual meeting. Mr. Thos. Mair occupied the chair, and after the formal opening of meeting, he as retiring President, reviewed the work of the past year in a short address. The Secretary, Mr. B. Armstrong, then read application forms for membership, and 15 active—which were accepted. He also read the annual report, which after expressing thanks to Almighty God for the prosperity which had attended the progress of the Association during the past year, gave a description of its present condition. During the year the proceeds were, from spelling matches, $46; concert, $46.50; strawberry festival, $10, (these three items show the sums realized after paying all expenses); donation from Moore & Co., harbor contractors, $13; sale of papers, $13.26; subscriptions, $140; members' fees, about $100; borrowed money, $66.—Total, $427.71. The sum of $60 borrowed money was applied to the purchase of an organ costing $85, the remaining $25 being paid from the funds of the association. Heretofore a rent of $36 per annum was paid for the use of an organ. Owing to the improvements which were made in the rooms during the year, such as furnishing the reading and prayer rooms combined with the ordinary expenses, the demands upon the funds were heavy. The Lecture and Essay committee met with great success, and expressed their thanks to the many persons who kindly co-operated with them in the endeavor to make their entertainments pleasant, special mention being made of Dr. Thompson who did efficient service, and a compliment was paid to Miss Pasmore in these words, "We should not forget to give expression to our appreciation of the services of Miss Pasmore as organist of the association during the past year, and wish her much joy in her new sphere." A marked increase was reported by the membership committee. Last year's annual report gave a membership of 86 persons; this year the number was 153—active 109, associate 34, honorary 10. Tract distributing was carried on with success, and under the auspices of the committee for this purpose, regular service was held in the jail, on the vessels during the season of navigation, and very successful prayer meetings were conducted in the rooms. The number of religious meetings held in the rooms was about 160, with an average attendance of 75 persons, and an aggregate attendance of 12,000. On the roll of the mission school were one hundred names. These children are not attending any other school, many because of the want of proper clothing. Careful attention has been given them, and some of those who were unable to procure proper clothing were provided therewith in order to induce them to attend.—The report was unanimously adopted, and the election of officers was then proceeded with resulting as follows:—President, Thos. Mair; Vice Presidents, Venerable Archdeacon Elwood, Capt. Gibson, W. R. Robertson and James Martin; Recording Secretary, Benj. Armstrong; Corresponding Secretary, W. J. Gordon; Treasurer, J.T. Duncan; Chairman of committees—Finance, W. J. Gordon; Room, Library and Reception, S. Calbick; Lectures and Essay, W. E. Dorland; Membership, Rev. C. Fletcher; Mission, John Jamieson; Tract, Capt. Gibson; Employment and Boarding House, J. W. Armstrong. A pleasing programme was then gone through, consisting of readings by Messrs. J. T. Garrow, Wm. McBride and W. E. Dorland, and excellent singing by the North Street Methodist church choir under the leadership of Maj. Thomson, Miss Andrews presiding at the organ with her usual skill. Much amusement was caused by the sale of the papers, Capt. Gibson acting as auctioneer, and good figures were realized. The meeting, which had proved a pleasant one, was brought to a close about 10 o'clock, Rev. C. Fletcher pronouncing the benediction.

APPOINTMENT.—Mr. A. Gardiall, of Goderich, we are pleased to learn has received the appointment of gaoler for the Inglewood Assizes.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.—We understand that a number of our citizens are about to join together and order to give our fellow citizens a holiday on Monday next, the 24th instant, in order to enable them to enjoy the day. We understand that the Goderich Band will be engaged during the day.

BUSINESS TRANSFER.—We learn that Ashton has bought the business of the Misses Gibbons, in this town, and has taken possession. The business was purchased by the latter of a Mr. Scott, who is said to have paid for it the sum of $2,000, subject to a mortgage of about $1000.

AT THE CENTENNIAL.—Some of our American exchanges make particular mention of the exhibits made by Knox & Rothwell, Ogilvies & Hutchison and E. F. Armstrong & Bro., of this place, as being worthy close inspection by visitors. No doubt our other exhibitors will receive their meed of praise, as the reporters examine the exhibition more carefully.

COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS.—Mr. Miller requests us to state that owing to severe illness, it is not possible to hold the competitive examinations at the time specified. He will, however, with the assistance of Mr. Strang, of the Goderich High School, who has kindly consented to act, endeavor to hold them during the first week in July. Further notice will be sent to teachers in a few days.

MACHINERY ARRIVED.—The engine and attachments for the Goderich Harbor Mills have arrived from the Corliss Engine Works, Providence, R. I., and will be placed in position as speedily as possible. The castings are simply immense, the 25 ton fly-wheel, which was shipped in segments required two cars to carry it, and five cars were required for all the machinery. The machinery previously in the mill looks diminutive in comparison with that just arrived.

BRIGADE ORDER.—The following Brigade Order, District No. 1, has been issued:

Head Quarters, London, Ont.
May 19, '76.

Leave of absence having been granted to Lieut. Col. Ross, commanding 33rd Battalion, to proceed to England, Lieut. Col. Coleman (Senforth) will take over charge and command the Battalion until his return.

(Sd.) JOHN B. TAYLOR,
Lieut. Col D. W. G.
Military Dist. No. 1.

GUTHRIE HOME.—Mr. John T Middlemore, manager of Guthrie Home, London, Ont., informs us that he has just reached thereith fifty English boys, who he wishes "to place in Christian homes in this country." A number of children brought to this country by this gentleman have been placed in homes in this vicinity, and have given great satisfaction. In households not blessed with children, these little waifs might be placed, and bring much happiness with them. Any who wish to adopt a child, will get all needed information by applying to Mr. Middlemore.

FARMING OPERATIONS.—The weather for some time past has been very unfavorable to the prosecution of farming operations, and owing to the great quantities of rain which have fallen the work of seeding has been seriously retarded in localities where the soil is heavy. Some farmers have not got through one half their work. Rain fell on almost every night of last week and very copiously too, so that ploughed ground in some localities had to be ploughed over before any seeding could be done. The present week has opened promisingly, and we hope dry weather will continue long enough to remove the difficulty now in the way of our farmers. On light land this trouble is not experienced.

SAD ACCIDENT.—On Sunday afternoon a painful accident happened to Mrs. Wm. McLean, her neice Miss Mary Jane Cox, and her little daughter. They were out driving, intending to go out to the cemetery after taking the little girl to the Sunday School. When they had arrived at the Square the horse which was not accustomed to a top buggy, became frightened when the occupants attempted to put down the top, and ran away running along East Street towards the station. Mrs. McLean pulled upon the reins with all her strength, but, as Mr. McLean had recently been speeding the animal, it only ran the faster, and to add to its fear the little girl began to scream and tug at the reins. When opposite Capt. Dancy's residence, the horse turned towards the sidewalk and the buggy struck violently against one of the trees. Mrs. McLean and the little girl were thrown out with great violence, but Miss Cox was thrown against the trunk of the tree and fell back into the buggy again, when she leaped to the ground although considerably stunned and confused. Both Mrs. McLean and her daughter were senseless, and the former was at once taken into Mr. Miller's residence and the latter into Capt Dancy's, medical aid being called in. Mrs. McLean's injuries were painful though not serious, and beyond a number of bruises and the shock to her system she sustained no injury, and is recovering as rapidly as can be expected under the circumstances. The little girl was dreadfully cut about the face, and was badly bruised about the body, but we are glad to say is recovering. The buggy was considerably damaged.

PRESENTATION.—On Saturday forenoon last, before the opening of the morning session of the Teachers' Association at Clinton, the teachers of West Huron presented Mr. J. R. Miller, I. P. S., with a beautiful gold watch valued at $120. The gift was accompanied by the following complimentary address, read by Mr. Hall, of Usborne:

"To J. R. Miller, Esq., Inspector of West Huron Public Schools,

"DEAR SIR,—We, the teachers of West Huron, having noticed with admiration the commendable zeal and perseverance with which you have discharged the duties of Inspector of our schools, beg leave hereby to express our approbation of the same.

"We are well aware that, in the transition state of our school system, many obstacles had to be overcome, many objectors silenced—very many difficulties grappled with—old prejudices had to be removed—fossil ideas of education exploded and many intricate questions answered.

"In all these we have admired the prudence, tact, zeal and indomitable perseverance which have characterized your actions, and we feel that, in a very great measure, it is due to the strenuous efforts put forth by you in classifying the pupils of our schools and insisting on the maintenance of that classification, in encouraging and aiding the teachers as well as advising the trustees, that the aggregate attendance of 12,000, on the roll of the mission school were one hundred names. These children are not attending any other school, many because of the want of proper clothing. Careful attention has been given them, and some of those who were unable to procure proper clothing were provided therewith in order to induce them to attend.—The report was unanimously adopted, and the election of officers was then proceeded with resulting as follows:—President, Thos. Mair; Vice Presidents, Venerable Archdeacon Elwood, Capt. Gibson, W. R. Robertson and James Martin; Recording Secretary, Benj. Armstrong; Corresponding Secretary, W. J. Gordon; Treasurer, J.T. Duncan; Chairman of committees—Finance, W. J. Gordon; Room, Library and Reception, S. Calbick; Lectures and Essay, W. E. Dorland; Membership, Rev. C. Fletcher; Mission, John Jamieson; Tract, Capt. Gibson; Employment and Boarding House, J. W. Armstrong. A pleasing programme was then gone through, consisting of readings by Messrs. J. T. Garrow, Wm. McBride and W. E. Dorland, and excellent singing by the North Street Methodist church choir under the leadership of Maj. Thomson, Miss Andrews presiding at the organ with her usual skill. Much amusement was caused by the sale of the papers, Capt. Gibson acting as auctioneer, and good figures were realized. The meeting, which had proved a pleasant one, was brought to a close about 10 o'clock, Rev. C. Fletcher pronouncing the benediction.

"Be pleased also to accept this address with the watch, and may your life be long spared to fulfil the duties of your honorable position and the smile of Him who is the fountain of all wisdom rest upon you, and may He ever guide and direct you in the discharge of your duties, and after the termination of this transitory life reward you with everlasting joy and happiness.

"Signed on behalf of the teachers of West Huron,

SAM'L P. HALLS."

Mr. Miller was completely taken by surprise, but managed to respond to the sentiments of the address in fitting terms, expressing sincere satisfaction at finding that his efforts were so appreciated by the teachers and reciprocating the good wishes they had tendered. He would cherish the gift but more particularly the sentiments which were connected with its presentation, and they would be prompters to him while he endeavored to perform the duties of his office faithfully and to the satisfaction of all.

BEAD Crofts & Johnston's ad. They have received a large stock of goods to replenish their millinery department.

RAYFIELD.—Mr. John Dobson, of Goderich, has a hen's egg which weighs ounces and measures [illegible] inches round the other way.

THE GRAND TRUNK.—We learn that the Grand Trunk Co. have purchased the Buffalo and Lake Huron Railroad, which, it is understood, will be run in connection with the Goderich branch on Goderich station, so that the Company will have a shortcut to western points. We hope so.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.—The examination of teachers takes place a week earlier this year than last year, commencing on July 10th. In consequence the public schools will be closed a week earlier than usual, viz: on July 7th.

OUR BAND.—The Silver Cornet Band will feel their new uniform (a fit) go to press this (Tuesday) evening, and entertain the public to some choice music. The new suits are made of handsome light gray Halifax tweed, and trimmed with military black braid. The caps are black, trimmed with the same kind of braid.

POINT FARM.—Queen's Birthday will be celebrated at the Point farm with the usual festivities. Polley's omnibus will make trips during the day; fare 25 cents. See adv. in another column. A great number of improvements have been made about the establishment, and a trip to the Point will prove entertaining.

OFFERS.—A number of these strange people have been in town during the past few days, all seemingly in good circumstances. Two of the families rode in gaudily painted wagons, and drove good teams glorying in silver mounted harness. All seemed to enjoy themselves, from the red-faced burly leaders down to the agile little youngsters.

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

—Brussels brass band gives a concert in Cranbrook on June 7th.

—American silver is at a discount of 20 per cent. in Blyth.

—Lucknow has adopted the 20 cent. discount on American silver scheme.

—Nineteen village lots will be sold at auction in Wingham, on the 27th inst.

—At Bruce's mill, Sunshine, a few days ago, Patrick Brown cut 16 bunches of shingles in an hour and a half.

—Isaiah Hall, of Grey, has an egg that measures 7½ inches one way and 5 the other, and weighs five ounces.

—Mr. R. McLaren, of Tuckersmith, left Hensall last week on a visit to Scotland.

—Prof. Le Rue, magician and humbug, was rotten egged in Blyth, on Saturday evening after his exhibition.

—$250 has been granted by Morris Council towards gravelling the road leading to Blyth station.

—Morris Council will petition the commissioners to grant a license to R. Brownlee, of Blyth.

—Fire broke out in P. Kelly's saw mill, on Saturday night, (13th) but was discovered and put out before it made headway.

—Robt. Millen is about to build a large brick store in Worcester and Mr. John Robertson intends to erect a block of brick stores this summer.

—On Tuesday, of last week, two boys, sons of Mr. Stuart, of East Wawanosh, were quarrelling about an axe, when one of them got a large gash on the right thigh.

Turnberry Agricultural Society intend fencing in the public square Lower Wingham, and erecting buildings thereon, for agricultural show purposes.

The quarterly meeting of the District Temple of East Huron on the 1st of June will be held at Eden Church, Turnberry, and not Bluevale, as stated last week.

—The examination of the pupils for admission to the Clinton High School, will be held on Tuesday, 27th and Wednesday, 28th June, at 9 a. m. Candidates if possible to notify the head master on or before the 3rd of June.

—Mr. Geo. Bearnath, of Lot 27, Con. 6, Grey, had his barn struck by lightning on Wednesday morning last and considerably damaged. He had also two sheep killed. His loss is fully covered by insurance.

—Mr. James McDonald has sold his farm, Lot 37, Con. 2, L. R. S., Tuckersmith, to his neighbor, Mr. Appleton Elcoat for $6,800 cash. The farm contains 100 acres, and has good frame buildings.

—His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario has been pleased to make the following appointment:—William Wallace Farran, of the Town of Clinton, to be a Notary Public in and for the Province of Ontario.

—W. J. McIntyre, of Blanshard, while at Woodham's for days ago met with a severe accident. He was untying his horse, when the animal reared up and struck him on the head with one of its fore feet, inflicting a severe wound.

—A large barn belonging to S. Cole, Hullett, was struck by lightning during the storm on Wednesday morning and consumed, together with three fat cattle, three cows, a quantity of grain, and a number of implements. Loss, about $1,000; insured.

—The gable end of the barn belonging to Mr. George Bernath, lot 27, con. 9, Grey, was struck by lightning on Wednesday morning last. The timbers at the end of the building were considerably damaged, and two sheep were killed.

—The residence of Mr. Wm. Grieve, Con. 4, of McKillop, says the *Expositor*, had a narrow escape from destruction during the severe storm of Wednesday morning last. The fluid struck the chimney of the kitchen shattering it to pieces then passed down the chimney through the stove pipe and stove, spreading the pipe over the room, knocking the lids off the stove, blowing the doors open, and scattering the ashes over the room. Leaving the stove it passed along the floor, tearing up a board, passing under the house, and affecting a passage through the stone foundation wall by throwing a large stone out of the wall. Further than seriously alarming the inmates of the house, no other damage was done.

—One day last week two countrymen, passengers on the early train going south on the London Huron and Bruce, were noticed by a sharp young newsboy, who thought them fit subjects for the trial of a "confidence game," which has ere now got several of the craft into trouble. Engaging the attention of the couple the boy took up a book, worth about 75 cents, took out of his pocket a 25 cent "shinplaster" and a $5 bill, placed them, apparently, in the book, but in the process of the "dodge," the operator dexterously abstracted the $5, leaving only the 25 cents. One of the countrymen gave him $3 for the lot, no doubt thinking he had a bargain. The man discovered the swindle, and communicated the fact to a constable on his arrival in London, but the boy could not be found. The men were from Goderich township.

EXETER.

Mr. Jas. Pickard last week sold a splendid drove of cattle for the Montreal market, receiving 5 cts. per lb. live weight.

Mr. J. Fishburn, V. S., of this place has a cow, which, in two weeks time gave sufficient milk for the use of his large family, besides supplying milk for two pigs and a calf, and 20 lbs of butter were made as well.

Building operations are being pushed forward on an extensive scale.

Competition on the market here raised the price of wheat to $1.03 per bushel on Wednesday.

Exeter is getting so big that a man out for a walk one dark night last week got lost. It is said that the *Times* man was hunting around his neighbors' hen roosts for the brain food which the *New Era* man talks of, and being discovered, the above story was originated by him as an explanation of his conduct.

Communications.

We wish it to be strictly understood that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the expressions of our correspondents.

Bayfield Cemetery.

COPY OF PETITION AND CORRESPONDENCE TOUCHING ITS AFFAIRS.

BAYFIELD, 10th April, 1876.

We the undersigned, who are all and each personally interested in the due preservation of the graves of our departed relatives, ask that you will at once take the necessary steps for the proper protection of the same and repair damages already done.

(Signed,) Minus Woods, M. D., Geo. Castles, Robt. Reid, W. W. Connor, T. J. Marks, H. Wainright, John Keys Andrew Elliott, John Johnson, John Pollock, Ed. Talbot, C. J. Wilson, John Ferguson, John Morgan, H. McCann, David Cullen, Jas. McDonald, E. Eberhardt, Thos. Stinson, Norman McAulay, A. Hanckie, John Wilson, John Talbot, Jas. Castle, R. Ching, V. Homan, F. C. Wilson, W. M. Faulie, Fred Woods, Aaron Walwin, L. Denison, S.