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"BE JUST AND FEAR NOT."

FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 12, 1875.

The Protest Against Mr. Hay's Election.

The petition against the election of Mr. Hay has been forwarded to Toronto, and efforts will be made to have the trial come off as early as possible. We are assured by many of Mr. Daly's friends that several serious cases of bribery have come to light, and that Mr. Hay will, most certainly, be unseated. In justice to the latter gentleman, however, we must exhonorate him from any personal knowledge of unfair means having been taken to secure his election. The mischief was done by overzealous friends, but as the law is so framed he is responsible for the actions of the promoters of his election, and will have to stand the consequences. We believe it is understood that in the event of a new election taking place, Mr. Robert Jones, ex-Warden, will be the Conservative candidate. He is well known in the Riding, of sound principles, and on him we believe the party would unite to a man.

Cause of Bankruptcy.

Periodically comes accounts of numerous failures. Once more the season is upon us. Almost every day we hear of suspensions not only near home but from all parts of the Dominion and the States. Some of these are caused by circumstances over which the insolvent really has no control; others are simply fraudulent, and others again are the result of incompetence. Respecting this latter class we hear that such cases are more frequent than is generally supposed. A prominent wholesale merchant informs us that it is no uncommon thing for a firm to start with a capital of $5,000 and do a business of perhaps $100,000. This does not, however, last very long, yet when the end comes the bankrupts appear quite astonished and declare they cannot account for their misfortune. The explanation is very simple, though. The firm has discounted largly, and, like most modern merchants, the partners have resolved to "sell cheap," "cut down prices," &c. They have consequently, having a good credit, thanks to some confiding friends, turned over a large amount, but in their calculations they have neglected to take into consideration the heavy interest claimed by the Banks. The difference between this interest and the profit realized upon the goods is very small and out of this there is to be paid the rent of shops and residences, salaries of clerks and other employees, town assessments and the expenses of stylish establishments up town. With such a state of affairs it is not to be wondered at that, notwithstanding the large business done, the house becomes bankrupt. This style of insolvency has been attributed to incompetence, but the world will say it is incompetence that is inexcusable. For such losses as arise from cases of this kind the mercantile world has itself largely to blame. Credit is given where it is not deserved and the natural result is disappointment.

South Huron.

The election in South Huron for the Commons, caused by the unseating of Mr. Cameron for bribery on the part of his agents, promise to result in favor of Mr. Greenway, the Conservative candidate. He has gained such strength during the past few months, and such a re-action has set in against the Dominion Government, that there is apparently to be no effort made to defeat him. His opponent, Mr. Cameron, is in the Southern States for the benefit of his health, and will not return until the elections are over. We would advise Mr. Greenway's friends, however, not to be too sanguine of the result. The Reform party, no doubt, will endeavor to [illegible] march on them, but they should [illegible] battle come what [illegible] *Expositor*, (Grit,)

"comes round there will be a just and "fair redistribution of the constituencies "in this County, and with South Huron "constituted as it then will be the Re-"form candidate, whoever he may be, "will be able to regain the constituency "without much difficulty."

High School Matters.

We take from the *Bexcon* of last week, its report of that part of the County Council having reference to High Schools, so that those interested may see that the attempt to repeal the by-law passed in the December session, curtailing High School districts, and which struck a deadly blow at our Mitchell school, was no easy task:—

"The deputation on High School matters in Listowel and Mitchell addressed the council relative to the maintenance of High Schools.

It was then moved by Mr. Alexander, seconded by Mr. Kertcher, that the county give a grant equal in amount ($400 instead of $200) to that given by the Government to High School districts Nos. 2 and 3. Yeas—Messrs. Davis, McDermott, Gardiner, McConnell, Hay, Kertcher, Alexander, Roe, Rutherford, Read Sharman, Jarvis, Thompson, and Follis—14. Nays—Trow, McMillan, Wilker, Suehring, McDonnell, Fairles, Brunner, Beatty, and Dinsmore—9

The motion was carried by a majority of 5.

A committee, composed of W. R. Davis, chairman; James Trow, R. L. Alexander, T. E. Hay and Jas. Sharman was then appointed to draft a by-law relative to High School districts.

The committee commended that the districts Nos. 2 and 3, remain as they formerly were, and that Mitchell and Listowel each contribute annually $250 above their share, according to the equalized assessment, the by-law to become null and void when either of the municipalities fail to pay the proposed grants. The report was adopted.

A by-law to the above effect was considered in committee of the whole. An amendment moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Gardiner, that the townships of Logan, Fullarton and Hibbert be not asked to contribute more than $300 annually towards the maintenance of High School No. 2 and that the townships of Wallace, Elma and Mornington be not asked to pay more than the same sum to district No. 3, was carried on a rising vote of 12 to 14.

On the by-law coming to a third reading, it was moved Mr. Trow, seconded by Mr. Wilker, that the by-law be amended by rating High School districts Nos. 2 and 3, in accordance with Statute, and that the balance necessary for the maintenance of these High Schools, after the government grants, and the special annual grants from the towns of Mitchell and Listowel are paid, be collected from the district.

On this motion a vote was taken, resulting as follows:

For the motion—Messrs. Trow, Davis, Wilker, McMillan, Hay, Kertcher, Rutherford, Alexander, Roe, Read, Sharman, Jarvis, Thompson Beatty, Dinsmore.—15.

Against—Messrs. McDermott, Jones, Bain, Gardiner, McConnell. McDonnell, Suehring, Brunner, Fairles, Follis.—10.

Moved by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. McDermott, that the by-law be laid on the table till the June session.

For the motion—Messrs. McDermott, Jones, Bain, Gardiner, McConnell.—5.

Against—Messrs. Trow, Davis, Wilker, McMillan, Hay, Kertcher, Rutherford, Alexander, Roe, Read Sharman, McDonnell Suehring, Brunner, Fairles, Jarvis, Thompson, Beatty, Dinsmore, Follis.—20,

The by-law as amended by Mr. Trow's motion, was finally passed."

Political Scraps.

PAXTON'S majority in North Ontario was 114. He was the Grit candidate. The number of ballots rejected was 167. It would be tantamount to treason to insinuate that Paxton was "counted in" by friendly returning officers.

Sir John Macdonald and his Ministers formerly carried on the affairs of the country on a salary of $5,000 each per annum. Hon. Alex. Mackenzie proposes to pay himself $12,000 per annum, and his colleagues $10,000 each. It is pleasing to notice this rapid stride in economising the expenditure of the Dominion.

In Montreal West election case on Saturday, Judge McKay delivered judgment, and dismissed the preliminary objections which would have rendered necessary an *enquete* into Mr. White's conduct during the Prescott election. No enquiry can be made into Mr. White's qualification as petitioner, but may be into the qualification of the other petitioner.

The Kingstonians seem determined to have their fill of politics and another tussle at the polls. The return of Sir John Macdonald has been petitioned against by the "Reformers," and the Conservatives have retorted by protesting the claims of Mr. William Robinson to a seat in the Local. While we have no desire to shield any man who is known to be guilty of an infraction of the law, we cannot help expressing the belief that these persistent assaults upon Sir John's seat smack strongly of a spirit of persecution. The fact that Dr. Stewart, a violent personal enemy of Sir John's is the petitioner, strengthens that belief.

FROZEN TO DEATH.

MOUNT FOREST, Feb. 8.—During the severe storm which prevailed in this district on Wednesday and Thursday last, a farmer of the name of Augustus Wagner was frozen to death. Deceased had been in town on Wednesday and started for home in the afternoon. His non-appearance next morning caused some anxiety amongst his neighbors, and search was made, but without success. On Sunday following the towns-people, among whom he had many friends, rendered their assistance, when he was discovered by Amos Bigham in a snow-drift. He was in a sitting pos ture, and apparently, after having lost his way, wandered around until exhausted, had sat down to rest. He was found in this posture frozen stiff. He was highly repected in this section, and leaves a wife and family to mourn his loss.

M. Valentin, Republican, has been elected to the French Assembly from the Seine-et-Oise beating a Bonapartist. The cause of the Republic seems progressing steadily.

Of the war in Spain one dispatch says that the Alfonsists had entered Estella, that two Carlist generals had been killed by their own men, and that Don Carlos had retreated to Vergara, Guipuzcoa. On the other hand, the Carlists claim they have regained the ground they lost in Guipuzcoa, that General Loma has been compelled to aban- [illegible] Zaranz and Guetaria, and is hemmed [illegible] San Sebastian, and that the Alfonsists [illegible] at 1,200 killed. Mea[illegible] Alfonso [illegible] Madrid on Satu[illegible] leaving [illegible] command of the [illegible] Vergara, it [illegible]

The Stratford "Herald" on High Schools.

The "Herald" editorially says:—

"Perhaps there was no question before the County Council at its last session, which attracted more attention than the High School question, or more properly, the question of how the schools of High School districts Nos. 2 and 3, were to be maintained. As our readers are aware, these districts are composed as follows: No. 2 of the municipalities of Hibbert, Logan, Fullarton, and Mitchell; and No. 3 of Wallace, Elma, Mornington and Listowel. Mitchell and Listowel were to furnish buildings—which they did, at a cost of $5,000, and $1,500 respectively—and it was further provided by the By-Law that the County should supplement the Government grant of $400, by a sum of $200, and the several municipalities in each district, were to be rated, for the support of the school, in accordance with the last revised assessment. Under this plan the townships had to pay a much larger amount than Mitchell and Listowel, and the dissatisfaction arising from this, culminated in the repeal of the By-Law in December last. Of course under these circumstances, it was simply impossible to carry on the schools, and deputations were sent from Mitchell and Listowel to endeavor to induce the Council to pass such a by-law as would make the schools workable. At the suggestion of Mr. Davis, Reeve of Mitchell, the members of the deputations were heard before the Council. We regret we are unable to give the speeches. We had secured a pretty full report, but it was lost or destroyed, during the late fire; so we must content ourselves by saying that the members of the deputations succeeded in presenting their case before the Council in a very strong light—the speech made by Dr. Hornibrook especially, was the subject of remark; his words were remarkably well chosen, he never wandered from his subject, and when he sat down the impression seemed to be that he had thoroughly exhausted the question. A By-Law was finally carried, which provided that the towns of Mitchell and Listowel should each pay, towards the maintenance of the schools, a sum of $250 above their shares according to the equalized assessment, and that the balance required above this and the Government grant, of $400, and the County grant, which was also increased to $400, was to be raised as under the old By-Law. The settlement thus arrived at is, we think, at once, satisfactory to the Townships interested, and highly creditable to the towns of Mit[illegible] and Listowel. Justice compels us to [illegible] that the result thus arrived at, was [illegible] a great measure to the exertions of [illegible] putations, and those of Mr. Davis, [illegible] Mitchell, who certainly wo[illegible] matter."

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In reply to Mr. Wood, Mr. Mackenzie stated that the Government did not propose to deepen the St. Lawrence canals beyond twelve feet.

In reply to Mr. Wood, Mr. Mackenzie stated that in the bill about to be introduced provision for the appointment of an Inspector of Insurance Companies was made.

Mr. Mason's motion for an address to obtain a copy of Lord Dufferin's Commission and of the Royal Instructions, was carried.

Mr. Mason brought up the question of the commutation of Lepine's sentence, by a motion for the production of papers and correspondence, which, after some debate, was carried.

Mr. McKenzie Bowell moved that the journal of the House, recording the evidence taken at the bar of the House last year, be read. Hr. Holton deprecated discussion, and wished that the matter should be left with the Government. Mr. Bowell, in reply, said he had no confidence in the Administration, but he eventually allowed the motion to stand.

Mr. McKenzie produced the correspondence on the mitigation of Lepine's sentence. House adjourned early.

Mr. Mackenzie gave notice of resolutions in respect to the North West troubles, proposing that Parliament petition Her Majesty to grant a complete amnesty to all offenders, but as regards Riel, Lepine, and O'Donohue, only after five years' exile from British soil.

Feb. 9th, 1875.

In the House of Commons, the Speaker announced the resignation of Mr. Paquet, and that he had issued the writ for a new election for Berthier.

Mr. McMillan (East Middlesex) was introduced by Sir John Macdonald and Mr. Stephenson.

Mr. Mackenzie submitted the report of the Select Committee appointed to suggest lists of Standing Committees, which was adopted.

After several bills had been introduced and certain returns connected with the Marine and Fisheries Department had been brought down.

Mr. Mackenzie offered certain explanations respecting the numerous Ministerial changes which have taken place since the Grits came into power. The course pursued by Mr. Blake was severely criticised by Sir John Macdonald, who also animadverted on the disingeniousness shown by the Government respecting Mr. Dorion's retirement from the Cabinet. The right hon. gentleman created considerable merriment over the succession of Mr. Vail to the office of Minister of Militia, pointing out how Mr. Mackenzie had ignored the qualifications of all the hon. members then sitting for Nova Scotia. The debate closed with a lame attempt at defence by Mr. Blake.

In reply to Mr. Wilkes' question with reference to the Government providing for a drill shed at Toronto, Mr. Vail would give no assurance.

A special despatch to the *Standard* from Hendaye reports 12 cannon, 4,000 rifles and 500,000 cartridges for the Carlists were landed on the coast of Biscay on Saturday.

A race between the ships "America" and "British Peer" for $1,000, to be sailed from [illegible] Francisco to Liverpool, is now in pro[illegible] and their arrival will be looked for [illegible]st. Both ships sailed from San [illegible] Dec. 8 for Queenston.

QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, Feb. 8.—It is reported that the members of St. Patrick's Church favorable to the passage of the bill now before the Local Parliament, praying for certain amendments to their act of incorporation, intend going in a body to the Parliament House to vindicate their claim.

JUBILEE.—An encyclical letter from the Pope was read yesterday in the Roman Catholic churches announcing a universal jubilee for this city. It will take place next week at the Basilica.

WORLD OVER.

The *Journal du Loiret* says that a woman at Orleans gave birth to a son on New Year's Eve and to a daughter three days after.

All accounts from Asia Minor are to the effect that the famine, instead of decreasing, is daily becoming more distressing. Many deaths occur daily.

There is to be a solemn inauguration of a Masonic Temple at Rome during the next month, it being understood that a great demonstration will be made on the occasion.

The Queen of Madagascar, it is said, has ordered the liberation of all slaves imported into her Kingdom since the date of the treaty of 1865, entered into with Great Britain for the suppression of that traffic.

The first marriage of an Old Catholic priest in the Canton of Berne took place on the 9th inst., at Bienne. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Protestant pastor and the Old Catholic parish of Berne.

The late Elector of Hesse-Cassel has left £700,000 to be equally divided among his children. The share of the eldest son is no more than that of the others, probably because he is a member of the Prussian Army, against which power the Elector apparently nourished an undying hatred, because it annexed his territory. In his will he protests against that proceeding, and expresses a hope that Austria will some day restore the electorate to his family.

The Pope has received an Irish deputation, headed by the Rector of Irish College. The address which was presented stated that there were everywhere machinations against the Pope, and set forth expressions of Ireland's devoted affection to the Church and the Pope. He briefly addressed them in reply, concluding by giving them his blessing. A deputation of French priests also had an audience of the Pope, and presented him with 30 magnificently bound volumes of addresses, praying that the Church may be [illegible] and Heart of Jesus.

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A PROTESTANT CHURCH ATTACKED.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 1st, *via* Havana.—On the evening of the 26th ult. a mob attacked the Protestant Church recently established in Acapulco by Rev. M. N. Hutchenson, Superintendent of the Presbyterian Mission. The rioters were armed with matchets and rifles. Mr. Hutchenson escaped and took refuge on a United States man-of-war in the harbour. Gen. Mejia, Commandant of the Castle, ordered out the troops, and charged upon the mob. Four Mexicans and one American were killed, and eleven others wounded. Among the latter was Mejia's Adjutant. None of the rioters have been arrested. An investigation is in progress, and reinforcements have been sent to the city to protect the judge who is taking testimony.

UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The House refused to second the demand for the previous question on a resolution offered by Mr. Speer, of Pennsylvania, and that in the judgment of the House the election of a President for a third term was against the traditions of the country, and dangerous to the liberties of the people. The vote stood yeas, 67; nays, 102.

ANOTHER RECALCITRANT.—Whiting, wh[illegible] received sixty thousand dollars of the Pacific Mail Steamship subsidy, has been discover[illegible] ed in Hamilton, Ontario.

RAID ON INDIANS.—News has been re[illegible] ceived of an attack by Americans and Mexicans on an Indian encampment near Fort Stanton. The military have been called out to aid the red men. Several Indians were killed. The raiders succeeded in capturing a number of horses.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9.—Several earthquake shocks were felt here on Sunday, causing some alarm, especially among congregations in churches. No damage reported.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Last evening three men entered the pawnbroker's shop of A. Heaney, Atlantic avenue, Brooklyn, under pretence of doing business, knocked down and gagged the proprietor, took from his pockets $200, and robbed his safe of jewellery valued at $7,000.

Last week, while some men were sinking a well at Portlandville, Dakota, when the drill had been sunk about thirty feet an open space was discovered, and by sounding they could not find bottom. When the drill was withdrawn a volume of hot steam rushed out, and has continued to escape. The snow has been melted for about a half mile around the well, the air and earth being very warm, and wolves and other wild animals congregate there at night to escape the cold. The well is regarded as a great curiosity by the people of that country.

The Speaker's ball at Ottawa a brilliant affair; 500 were present.

The sick squaw of a dusky chief in Washington Territory lately told her noble husband that she didn't think that she should ever feel any better unless he killed her doctor. This is a novel and startling view of medical matters, and interesting to the profession. The doctor was duly killed; and upon being tried for his murder, the chief was acquitted on the ground that he acted in defence of his wife's life! The doctors in those regions must feel a little doubtful about continuing in the business under such circumstances.

As an incident of the severity of the season it may be mentioned that on the 12th of January, 12 locomotives were frozen up on the C. B. & R. Railway near Burlington.

There is a vague rumor that Queen Victoria is shortly going to make a continental trip, not unconnected, it is said, with the marriage of the young Princess Beatrice.

SCOTLAND.

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[illegible] having his leg broken. The passengers manifested their sense of the captain's weatherly qualities by presenting him with an address accompanied by a more substantial token of their regard, in acknowledging which he spoke highly of the courage and conduct of his officers and crew.

Town and County News.

The dedication of the new Masonic Hall, Seaforth, will take place on March 3rd.

A fire at Trowbridge, on Friday, destroyed the barn of Alfred Brewer, incurring a loss of $300.

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The Toronto *Daily Leader* is about [illegible] enlarged to forty-columns. The *Sun*, of the same city, has been greatly decreased in size. The *Liberal* is still in existence, but the *Globe* has not yet condescended to notice it.

The Seaforth *Expositor* says that their new Oddfellow's Hall is "one of the most commodious, as well as most neatly furnished west of Toronto." The Mitchell brethren will try to surpass it, however, the coming summer.

CHURCH RE-OPENING.—The Primitive Methodist Church, Mitchell, which has been under repairs during the past few weeks, will be re-opened for divine worship on Sunday, the 21st inst. Tea-meeting in the Town Hall, on the Monday following.

POULTRY SHOW.—This week the great New York poultry show takes place in Buffalo. Mr. Gœble, of Mitchell, exhibits thirty-seven pairs of high-bred pigeons, and as he was a most successful competitor at previous shows we expect at this one he will also carry away many prizes.

The town Treasurer of Clinton receives a salary of $100—or $50 more than that paid the Treasurer in Mitchell. The Collector receives $60, and two Assessors $60 each. The care-taker of the Hall and council chamber only gets $50. The salaries are very badly proportioned.

THE ALLAN LINE.—The fine steamers of this popular line not only stood the storms raging on the Atlantic during the past two months without any serious accident occurring, but they have made excellent time. Tourists to the old country should be sure and take passage by this line, not only on account of the cheapness of fares, but the shortness of the route, and safety and comfort of the vessels. W. R. Davis, Agent, Mitchell.

THE STRAFORD HERALD.—The scorching which our Stratford contemporaries received at the late fire, appear to have done them good. The *Herald* comes to us this week much improved in appearance, the whole of the reading matter being set from new type. The general get up of the paper is most creditable, and more care than usual seems to be devoted to the editorial and local departments. Altogether the *Herald* is a good readable paper.

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GRAND TRUNK STATION.—We are [illegible] receipt of a letter from a gentleman signing himself "Traveller," making complaint about the depth of snow allowed to remain about the Grand Trunk Station, Mitchell. We must be excused for not publishing it, as we have personally visited the scene of objection, and found that the steps, platform and grounds around the building are perfectly clear, while the waiting rooms are clean and well-heated. In fact, we doubt if there is a better kept station along the whole line of the Grand Trunk, and Mr. Doer, the obliging and popular agent, deserves great credit for the way he looks after the Company's property and the interests of the public.

MAIL IRREGULARITIES.—It is really annoying the way mail matter sent from this office is sometimes delayed in its delivery. During election week, THE ADVOCATE parcel did not reach Listowel until the week after its publication, although it was mailed early on Friday morning. Now we have an almost similar complaint, but of a more serious nature. On the 24th day of October last a small package of printed matter was mailed to Mr. James F. Evans, of Listowel, and although enquiry was constantly made at the post office for it, it was not delivered until a few days ago, being over three months on the road, a distance of twenty-two miles! The post-mark showed that it was mailed on the day above referred to, so that no blame is attached to the Mitchell post master. Such a state of things is most disgraceful, and should at once be enquired into by the Post-Master General.

We see by the Municipal Manual that the Government revenue for shop and hotel license is hereafter to be $50, instead of $45. This will raise the license in Mitchell from $70 to $75.

Seaforth council has decided to collect no market fees this season. The Hallkeeper gets a salary of $400—exactly $200 more than is paid Mr. Smith, in Mitchell. The town constable receives a salary of $350—or $250 more than Mr. Coppin receives in Mitchell.

HOUSEHOLD SCRAPS.—Mr. G. Gates, of Wroxeter, has been presented with a daughter. The genial correspondent of the *Expositor*, Mr. Cooper, Brussels, has received a like gift. Mr. D. Morice, Stratford, refused a similar token of prosperity, but accepted a son instead.——Mr. J. M. Eakins, druggist, Stratford, went into Downie the other day and changed the name of the eldest daughter of James Redford, Esq., ex-M. P. We wish the happy couple much joy. Mr. David Noble, of Walkerton, did a noble thing the other day. He visited our sister town, Seaforth, and married one of its charming daughters, Miss Matilda Elder. Rev. J. W. Cutler, also of Seaforth, believes in wedlock. He woed, won and married Miss Margaret, eldest daughter of Rev. G. Lawrence, Niagara. May their journey through life be one of peace, happiness and prosperity. Mr. Edward Kerr, of the "Powter House," Mitchell, is a sy customer. He made out he was going to the eastern markets to replenish his stock, but on reaching Stratford he drove straight to the "Balmoral Hotel," and, with the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Patterson, transformed Miss. Bessie Browning into Mrs. Kerr, He then proceeded on his way.——J. Copp, Clinton, in his 55th year, has departed this life. Mrs. Patrick Kelly, Fullarton, is dead. Marin Globb, Stratford, aged 44, is also no more.

WINGHAM.

The Rev. E. Davis, of London, will officiate in St. Pauls Church on Sunday morning and evening next. His father, the Incumbent, is at present on a tour through the States for the benefit of his health. Then last heard from, he was improving nicely, the mild climate being most favorable to his complaint. If all goes well, he will be home for Easter Sunday.

EGMONDVILLE.

A BROKEN LEG.—On the night of the 4th inst., while a son of Mr. Thos. Condon, of this village, was wrestling with another boy (who 'tripped' him,) he got his leg broken through both bones above the ankle. The boy was carried in to his father's house, and Dr. Campbell, of Seaforth, sent for, who soon set the fracture, and the boy is progressing favorably.

SEAFORTH.

AN ACCIDENT.—Mrs. Wm. Montgomery, of Main-st., Seaforth, while coming home from a prayer meeting, on the evening of the 9th, fell on the ice and broke one of the bones of her arm, just above the wrist.

ODDFELLOW'S HALL.—This Hall was open for inspection by the public on Monday last from 2 to 9 P.M. It is one of the finest halls in the Province. Large numbers visited the edifice. There is a fine store below, occupied by "Logan & Jamieson"—which rent for a good sum—and is probably the finest store in town. The whole building cost somewhere about $7,000. The furniture of the Hall cost $800. The Lodge has at present about 120 members, and at the present rate of increase the membership will reach 200 before the end of the present year. The order is very popular in town.

FIRE IN SEAFORTH.—On the morning of the 10th inst., about 6 o'clock, a stable behind Mr. Campbell's tailor shop was observed to be on fire. The bells were rung and the alarm of fire was sounded, and for a time the whole town was in violent commotion. Great exertions were made to save the building, and also to keep the fire from spreading to Mr. Campbell's splendid shop, which was well filled with cloths and other goods. The family who live above the store threw their furniture and valuables out at the window, and for a while confusion reigned supreme. A chemical hand engine worked and owned by Mr. D. D. Wilson, our worthy Reeve, did excellent service and probably was instrumental in saving Campbell's store, and consequently in keeping the devouring element from spreading. The cause of the fire is ascertained to be from hot ashes, which had been put into a barrel in the stable in question, and there being plenty of boxes, straw and other combustibles, it soon spread. The fire, it seems, had smouldered all night and broke out in the morning. If Campbell's two storey building had gone, and it caught fire once or twice, it is very likely the Mansion House would have been consumed, with a good part of the business portion of the town. The Council are speaking about following the example of Mitchell and getting fire protection. We hope they will not lock the stable after the horse is stolen.

STRATFORD.

On account of the late fire damaging their goods, Messrs. Horn & Clark have determined to turn all their tremendous stock of Dry Goods into cash. Persons requiring goods have now a splendid opportunity as they will be sold at from 25 to 30 per cent. below the usual retail prices. The sale will continue for 30 days from the 11th February. Give them a call.

Condensed from the HERALD.

SCALDED.—Yesterday morning when trying to loosen one of the steam cocks in Mr. Marshall's mill, two young men named A. E. Little, and Edmund Chandle, got badly scalded in the face. The injuries are painful but not serious.

PUBLIC SPIRIT.—We learn that Mr. Wm. Easson turned out with his teams and teamsters on Tuesday of last week and filled up the holes on the Northern Gravel Road, which had been a sourse of annoyance for some time. Such a display of public spirit serves notice as well as the thanks of the community.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—On Monday, a man named Spence, employed at the freight house of the G. T. R., met with a severe accident by being crushed between one of the freight cars and the platform of the freight house. Fortunately a number of men were standing around at the time and they succeeded in prying the car back with a handspike. Spence was badly cut about the head, and his nose and a number of his ribs were broken. We are glad to learn that he is doing well.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—On Thursday last a brakesman on one of the Grand Trunk trains met with a serious accident. The train had been stuck in a snow drift about three miles above Mitchell, and the locomotive and tender was detached for the purpose of breaking a way through. They had succeeded in doing this, and were in the act of coupling on to the train again, when one of the brakesmen named Rodgers was caught between the tender and the baggage car. His left arm was badly bruised, and four of his teeth broken by the force of the blow on his jaw.

MARKETS.—Fall Wheat, 85c. to 86c. Spring do., 85c. Barley, 90 to 95c. Peas, 70 to 72c. Oats, 37 to 38c. Flour, per bbl., $4.75 to $5.00. Oatmeal, $5.00 to $5.25. Potatoes, per bag, 80cts to $1. Apples, per bag, 75cts. to $1.15. Beef, per lb., 4c to 6½c. Mutton, 5c. to 7c. Dressed hogs, per 100 lbs, $7.80 to $8.00. Butter, 20c. to 22c. Eggs, per doz., 20c. to 21c. Turkeys, 75c. to $1.00. Chickens, 20c. to 30c. Hides, per 100 lbs., $7.50 to $7.60. Sheepskins, 75cts to $1.25. Hay, per ton, $12 to $14. Wood, per cord, $3 to $4.

ELMA.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. John McFarlane, of Hibbert, who was working in this township getting out logs, had one of his legs broken in three places on Tuesday last, by being caught by a falling tree. Drs. Hornibrook and Hodge attended the injured man, but it is not known yet whether amputation will be necessary or not.

WROXETER.

COUNCIL MEETING.—The Council met at the Commercial Hotel on Tuesday evening. Samuel Hossack was appointed Assessor at a salary of $15. The Clerk was instructed to obtain a map of the village from the County Engineer for $20. A petition for the limitation of the number of tavern licences was received, but no action taken. R. Fox was appointed License Inspector at a salary of $10. A by-law was ordered to be prepared and submitted at next meeting regulating the issuing of tavern and shop licenses. It was resolved that all persons having more than one dog should be taxed $1, and that a tax of $2 be imposed on bitches. W. Smith, an indigent person, was granted $5 relief. The village bell was assumed by the corporation, and arrangements made for its regular ringing. Adjourned,

SUFFERING AT SEA.

The New Haven JOURNAL reports that the brig "Morning Light," Capt. Dill, which arrived there a few days since from Demarara, loaded with sugar, reached port only after great suffering to those on board. She was driven by the storm off the coast, but was finally fortunate enough to reach Vinyard Haven. When she arrived at that port she was so covered with ice that her rigging and ropes had to be cut to release her sails. Five of her crew were badly frozen, and it is thought three will lose their feet and two their hands. Capt. Dill received the assistance of Massachusetts fishermen, who assisted in bringing her to New Haven. The crew are at the hospital at Vineyard Haven, and when better will, probably, be transferred to the Sailors' Hospital on Staten Island. The "Morning Light" has since sailed for New York.

COMMERCIAL.—As we go to press, fall wheat is selling in Mitchell at 82c to 85c, per bushel; spring wheat, 82c to 85c; oats, 38c to 40c; peas, 65c to 70c; barley, 85c to $0.92; potatoes per bag, 70c to 80c; eggs, 14c to 15; butter, per lb., 18c to 20c; hay, per ton, $10 to $11; hides, $7.00; oatmeal $5 to $5.50; hogs $7.00; to $7.50; flour, per bar, $5.00.

I have removed to my new store, nearly opposite L. Bennett's grocery. Harness of every description, boots and shoes in endless variety cheaper than ever before offered in the county. I have opened out with an almost entire new stock. I have also gone extensively into Household Furniture, of every quality, the prices of which will astonish intending buyers. Reserve your orders until you see the stock. All outstanding accounts and notes must be paid at once.—W. ABBOTT.

THE GREAT NUMBER OF CASES BENEfited and cured has established beyond a doubt the remarkable efficacy of Dr. Wheeler's Compound Elixir of Phosphates and Calisaya in the treatment of the diseases of the lungs. Consumption, in the majority of cases, is unmistakably the result of depraved nutrition and poor blood. There is loss of appetite, feeble digestion, imperfect assimilation of food, and consequent failure of nerve power to maintain the vital forces. The cough, raising of phlegm, night sweats and general debility arise from slow starvation, as it matters not how much nourishment is taken if the stomach cannot prepare for sustaining the constitution. The Elixir immediately supplies the waste of brain and nerve, invigorating the stomach liver and kidneys, and thereby arresting decline.

BIRTHS.

SPARLING.—In Blanshard, on the 4th inst., Mrs. Augustus Sparling, of a son.

BRAY.—In Mitchell, on the 27th ult., the wife of Mr. T. L. Bray, of a son.

FINCH.—In McKillop, on the 7th inst., the wife of Mr. Cyrus Finch, of a son.

READING.—In Cromary, on the 9th inst., the wife of Mr. Jos. Reading, of a son.

AMBLER.—In Elma, on the 9th inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Ambler, of a son.

DIED.

KNOTT.—In Carlingford, on the 2nd inst., Rachel, the beloved wife of Mr. John Knott, aged 21 years. "In the midst of life we are in death."

PAY UP.—All parties indebted to the undersigned, either by note or book account, must settle the same on or before the 27th of the present month, to save costs.

F. FISHLEIGH.

Mitchell, Feb. 11, 1875.

DWELLING FOR SALE.

The subscriber offers for sale the new dwelling which he at present occupies, on St. George's St., and the land attached. Also, the whole of the household furniture will be sold without reserve. For particulars apply to

JOSEPH KETTERSON.

Mitchell, Feb. 11th, 1875.

For Sale.

LOT 19 on the 12th con., Fullarton. The above lot is situated 8 miles from Mitchell, 9 miles from St. Mary's, and on a good gravel road, with two never failing springs, two frame barns, sheds and stables, one frame and one log house, good orchard, 80 free from stumps, the remainder good timbered land. Convenient to churches and school-house.

For further particulars apply to Samuel Gourley, proprietor, Palmerston, or James Gourly, Fullarton.

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PUMP FACTORY.

The subscribers have started a Pump Factory in the village of Carronbrook, and as they are in possession of steam power, they will be able to not only do their work well, but cheaper than those who have got to work by hand. Every variery of wooden pumps, including the celebrated Force Pump, made to order, and placed in wells, all being warranted for two years. Orders respectfully solicited.

MUNSINGER & BOULTON.

Carronbrook, Feb. 10, 1875.

FIRE! FIRE! FIRE!

Great sale of Dry Goods partly damaged by the late fire.

HORNE & CLARK,

With a view to turn all their immense stock partly damaged at the late fire into cash, will, on Thursday next, 11th inst., commence selling off their immense stock at less than cost price, and will continue from day to day until the 10th of March. The following comprise a list a portion of their stock: 2,000 yards Imperial Carpet, 1,000 yards 2 ply all wool carpet, 1000 yards Union Carpet, several pieces of Crossley's celebrated Tapestry carpets, also a lot of Tapestry carpets.

A large stock of Blankets, Marseilles Quilts, white and colored, Dress Goods, Prints, White and Grey Cottons, Wool Damask and Repps, Table Linen, Window Hollands, Undressed Hollands, Broadcloths, Tweeds, Overcoatings, Underclothing, Flannels, Flannel Shirts, White Shirts, Felt Hats, Cloth Caps, Overcoats, Undercoats, Rubber Coats, Pants and Vests, Fancy Ties, with lots of other goods.

A clear saving of 25 per cent. made by buying at this sale. Sales each day from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sales at reduced rates made for cash only.

TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

Clothing made to order at our usual low rates and fashionable styles.

HORNE & CLARK.

Stratford, Feb. 11th, 1875.

PARK LOT FOR SALE.

Part of lot No. 2, containing 2¾ acres, west side of the town of Mitchell, well fenced, and a building at present used as a slaughter-house thereon, will be sold cheap. There is a good spring of water on the premises. Apply to WM. ALDRED, Donegall P. O., or to DAVIS BROS., Mitchell.

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