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THAT AWFUL SHINGLE.

When the angry passion gathering in my mother's face I see,
 And she leads me to the bedroom—gently lays me on her knee,
 Then I know that I shall catch it and my flesh in fancy itches,
 As I listen for the patter of the shingle on my breeches.
 Every tinkle of the shingle has an echo and a sting.
 And a thousand burning fancies into active being spring;
 And a thousand bees and hornets 'neath my coat tail seem to swarm,
 As I listen to the patter of the shingle—Oh, so warm!
 In a splutter comes my father, whom I thought away had gone,
 To survey the situation and to make her lay it on;
 To see her bending o'er me as I listen to the strain
 Played by her and by the shingle to a wild and weary refrain.
 In a sudden intermission, which appeared my only chance,
 I say strike gently, mother, or you'll split my Sunday pants;
 She stops a moment, draws her breath—the shingle holds aloft,
 And says, "I had not thought of that, my son just take them off."
 Holy Moses! and the Angels, cast your pitying glances down,
 And thou, oh, family doctor! put a good soft poultice on;
 And may I with fools and dunces, everlastingly commingle
 If ever I say another word when mother wields the shingle.

IRISHTOWN COUNCIL.

MEETING OF THE GOOD MEN AND TRUE WHO LEGISLATE FOR IRISHTOWN—PRESENTATION OF A COW BELL—AGRICULTURAL AND OTHER NOTES.

The regular meeting of that wise and learned body, the Irishtown Council, took place last Tuesday evening, all the members being present. The Mayor in the chair.
 Charlie Mitchell tendered his resignation as assessor and collector. Charlie said that his first tour had not been an unqualified success, the first place he when the woman, when he harked to hawass 'er property 'ad said, 'ere 'arriet, here's a lunyatic asylum broke loose, and he had been forced to depart; the next place hereabout, another lady cum to the door and pointed silently and majestically to the gate with the dishcloth. He had seen a wild look in her eyes, so he left at once. The third place they had picked him up and slammed him agin the fence, and danced a war jig on him, and tossed him into a hole and commenced showering dead cats and old boots on top of him. Such playful exercises were too much for a man of his years, so he would resign. His resignation was accepted.
 Johnny Berry said that Charlie did not go about it right. By the faith, said Johnny, there's more ways of killing a cat nor of stabbing it to dith wid a hay-rake.
 Mr. Murphy, a ratepayer, now stated that he had with sorrow noted, as the mayor had nothing to call the council to order, he had an old cow bell in his hand which he thought wud answer the purpose, and he would now make a presentation of it to them. Mr. Murphy's present was accepted, and a vote of thanks tendered him.
 Johnny McNearny said that a deputa-tion of min from the Hair Loine Railroad were after being to Oirishtown to thry and git the Council to let them remove their road to the city insted of the Southern. They had pleaded very hard, and had shown meself an' his worshup the mayor, the plan of the road, which wud go right through Harry Bab's pippen, which would have to be destructioned or used as a passenger station.
 Mr. McNearny would move that no aid be granted to thim, Mr. Harry Babcock seconded the motion.
 Moved in amendment by Johnny Berry, seconded by Con. Coughlin, that a bonus of \$1.82 1/2 be granted to the Air Line, on condition of their removing the road to the larboard side of Harry Babcock's hog pen. Lost—the original motion being carried, and Three-fingered Jack, an Air Line spy, who had been in the audience, stole silently away.
 Con. Coughlin now arose, and stated that he was after being sorry from the hair of his head to the soles of his num-

ber thirteens, that the council do not thry to incourage agricultural pursnits, he was going fur to take the mather up, and he moved that a prize of \$1 32 be granted to the first grower of that illegant fruit the potater.
 Billy O'Neil had all the pleasure in the worruld in seconding the motion of his learned friend in the swallow tailed coat, He (the speaker, ought to be afther knowin' somethin' about that illegant fruit, the potathy, as his sister was married to a Murphy; he was not however, given to agricultural pursnits, the greatest wan he ever seen being an angry farmer after an Irishtown gouncillor, when the lather was thrying a new way to raise apples, be the aid of a sack, on the farmer's place. After all, anythin' for an honest livin' as the Irishtown man said whin he stole the chickens.
 Johnny McNearny now spoke briefly on the subject, saying he was in favor of agriculture, and knew the consumer helped the producer, so he had now a farm implement in the shape of a stone jug, wid the extract uv corn in it. The jug was passed around, each one sampling the produce of the farm. It was finally decided to lay the matter of the prize over to another meeting, till the opinion of the learned Dr. Forbes be ascertained. It was then
 Moved by Johnny McNearny, seconded by Mr. Jones, that a college for the purpose of edycation, to surpass the Halma College in the village of St. Thomas, be made out of Con. Coughlin's house. Mr. McN. stated that he had been afther re-saving an illegant edycation in the lattie's academy, when a childer, having been intended for a school m'an, and he wud loike to see a college for edycation in the city. The motion was carried, Billy O'Neil alone voting nay. After which
 Con. Coughlin arose and said that he had heard that the grate lecturer, Bob Ingersoll, was coming to Canada, and as there was a number of infidels in Oirish-town, he thought the council should in-vite the lecturer to the city, he would Move that an invitation be intinded to Bob. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.
 Johnny Barry opposed the motion, he said: 'Oh, the dirty bogtrotting thafes of the worruld, who wud support that motion! If any infidels iver cum to this city, we will be afther murderin' thim, and ridding thim on the sharp end o' a rail. Niver lit me see sich a thing as that agin, or I'll be afther takin' my bit of a stick and clauin' out the whole matin'.
 Mr. Barry moved in amendment, se-cended by Harry Babcock, that Bob be invited to stay away. The amendment was carried on the following division: Yeas—Messrs. Berry, Babcock, O'Neil, and Mayor Wiggins, Nays—Coughlin, and Jones.
 A petition from J. Wolvareine Burrows was now read, asking for the position of keeper of the lighthouse on the raging canal, should one be built.
 Harry Babcock said that no word had been received from Mr. Mowat, as yet, in regard to dredgin' out the creek. A learned discussion here ensued, in which all the members of the council took part. It was at length decided to send the fol-lowing letter to the Hon. Mr. Mowat:
 To his right royal highness, Holliver Mowat,
 Respected Sir—We, the inhabitants of the glorious city of Irishtown, do humblee and reverdintly peationion you to pass an act of habus corpus, to bild a kana from Port Stanley to this city. If it is not bilt at onst you may as well be afther resinin', as we will go agin you, and Billy Wiggins has grate influens with the markis of loren.
 The Irishtown Council.
 Signed and sealed in my presence,
 G. Page Webb.
 Billy O'Neal wanted to place a latin quotation of his at the bottom of the letter, but it was decided not to do so.
 The petition of the St. Thomas Street Railway for leave to extend their line to Irishtown, was not entertained, Mr. Jones contending that the mud carts in the vil-lage could be used just as well as street cars. A deputa-tion of some of the prom-inent Irishtown ladies, now waited on the council, and asked for a grant towards the Irishtown Ladies' Home, for the past month.
 Johnny McNearny said they could not well refuse sich a nice lot of darlints any-thing, he was a devil among the girruls and they all fell in luv wid him. He was willin' to grant a sum to thim, and on condition of their lavin a part of the home for the benefit of sick sailors, as the kanal is going to be pushed through, he would move that \$3 84 cents be granted to the Ladies' Aid Society.
 Con Coughlin did not appear to under-stand the matter at first. He did not know what Home was meant; he thought some one was wanted to see the ladies home, so he said if it was afther wantin' a

man to see thim home they war, he was the lad to do it. He wud see all the darlints safely home. The matter was explained to him, and he seconded the motion, re-marking that he was glad the home was not to be used (as on in a certain town is) for a lyin' in place for mothers uv families who had uiver bin jined in the whole sands of padlock, or widlock, or some other lock. The motion was carried.
 Billy O'Neil then arose and said: Gin-tlemin; I take plisure dape and arnist in seeing yees all here to-nite; I wish to tell yees that the hecnery for the manufacture of spring chickens be stame will soon be afther startin' in the vilage, and we all can have our chickens for tea ivery night, and be as high toned as a methodist min-ster. As it is gettin' late, I will move that the council do adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jones and carried, amid'cheers, one ratepayer stating that it was one of the most sensible things they had yet done.
DRESSING A BEEF IN 2.45.
 Here is a paragraph from the St. Louis Rural World which will be interesting to the butchers: On Sunday last Edward Hardnett and William Carey, two butchers employed at the beef canning works in East St. Louis, performed the remark-able feat of dressing a beef in two min-utes and forty-five seconis. After the animal (which was a heavy bullock) had been killed, and its head and legs cut off (the latter at the knees), the word was given and the two men went to work with sharp knives, and in the above nauded time had stripped it of its hide, abstracted the entrails, divided the animal and hung up the halves. The fastest time made before was by Lafferty and Ferguson at Brighton, Mass., two years ago, who dressed a beef in four minutes and one and-a-half seconds.
A CENTENARIAN INTERVIEWED.
 INTERESTING CONVERSATION WITH A VENE-ERABLE LADY WHO WAS AN EYE-WITNESS OF THE BATTLE OF BUNKER'S HILL.
 From the Port Hope Guide.
 Saturday morning a friend called at our office to inform us that among the guests at B Ackham's hotel was that rarity of rarities, an individual who past all dispute had completed a hundred and ten years of earthly life. The Psalmist says that if 'the days of our years' exceed four score, they are full of 'labor and sorrow', but there are exceptions to all rules, and the placid and comfortable countenance of the old lady, during a conversation a representative of the Guide had with her this morning was suggestive of anything but toil and grief. And yet her life-history is full of the materials which a romancist would be glad to avail himself.
 On making enquiry at the office of the hotel, the interviewer was at once shown up to the parlor, of which the old lady and her daughter were at the time the only occupants. The reporter was most courteous and conversation commenced forthwith.
 To the observation that it had long been a disputed point whether for gener-ations back there had been a well authen-ticated case of human life a century long, the old dame briskly replied:
 'No doubt of it, in my case, sir; I saw the battle of Bunker's Hill fought, and you know when that was. And I can remember farther back than that too.'
 'You are not a native of Canada?' was the next query.
 'Oh, no; I was born in the State of Con-necticut. Latterly I have lived at Mallory-town, and I am now going to Beaverton to spend the remainder of my days with my daughter.'
 It should have been stated that the old lady's name is Bovaire, and that of her daughter, who is fifty-one years of age, Mrs. Thomas McCulloch.
 In reply to sundry questions, the fol-lowing facts respecting the old lady's early days were elicited. She is the daughter of a Tuscorora chief, and her mother was a Scotch woman. A party of immigrants canoeing up a stream in Connecticut, pulled in to shore to rest for the night. A roving band of Indians were in the neighborhood of the place of disembarking, and the chief, attracted by the charms of the mother—then a girl—of the subject of the present notice, abducted her. He did about the best thing for himself with-out knowing it, that he possibly could have done. Under her teaching he em-braced Christianity, and subsequently after due preparation, devoted himself to missionary work. Eleven children were born to them, during their many happy years of wedded life.
 The venerable lady has been twice married, and is now a widow. She has had seven children of whom the daughter who is now affectionately tending her is the sole survivor. She is a devout Christian, and a member of the Methodist Chqrch, and so highly esteemed for

consistent life that on her departure from Mallorytown on Friday scores accompanied her to the station to bid her a sorrowful farewell.
BORN
 In Southwold, on the 28th March, the wife of Mr. R. Hopkins, of a son.
 On the Townline, on the 22nd March, the wife of Mr. James Hill, of a son.
 In Ridgetown, on the 23rd March, the wife of F. Pocock, of a daughter.
 On the 23rd March, the wife of Mr. Fred. Dumbley, Aylmer, of twin sons.
 In Port Stanley, on the 25th March, the wife of John H. Newton, M. D., of a son.
MARRIED
 In this town, on the 25th March, by the Rev. E. Harris, Mr. S. Fraine, merchant tailor, to Mrs. T. Ballah.
 On the 25th March at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. D. C. Clappi-son, Mr. John Atkinson, of St. Thomas, for-merly of Hamilton, to Lucinda L. youngest daughter of Henry H. Hines, of Barton.
DIED
 On the 31st ult. Mary E. Sheppard, be-loved daughter of Rev. E. Sheppard, in her 20th year.
 In Yarmouth, on the 28th March, Mary Noble, aged 84 years, 3 months.
 In Port Stanley, on the 18th March, 'the wife of Mr. S. W. Burwell, aged 29 years.

ST. THOMAS MARKETS.
 St. Thomas, April 2, 1880.

Fall Wheat, white, per bus.	\$1 25 to 1 36
Spring Wheat, do.	1 20 to 1 26
Barley, do.	1 10 to 1 10
Oats, do.	0 50 to 0 68
Indian Corn, do.	0 45 to 0 62
Wheat Beans, do.	0 30 to 0 34
Indian Corn, shelled, do.	0 56 to 0 56
Corn, do.	0 50 to 0 60
Wheat Beans, do.	1 00 to 1 00
Flour, do.	1 25 to 3 50
Eggs, do.	0 12 to 0 15
Butter, per pound, do.	0 20 to 0 25
Cheese, do.	0 07 to 0 08
Potatoes, per bag, do.	0 65 to 0 70
Apples, per bag, do.	0 45 to 0 50
Beef, do.	0 04 to 0 06
Mutton, do.	0 05 to 0 08
Lamb, do.	0 07 to 0 08
Dressed Hogs, do.	4 75 to 5 25
Chickens, per pair, do.	0 25 to 0 40

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 FRANK BOGGS,
 Market Clerk.
 St. Thomas, March 1st, 1880-74f

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 Jan. 1880. 1-4y

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