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Business Directory.

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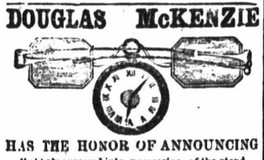
BRADEN AND GLUCAS.
House, Sign & Ornamental Painters,
PAPER Hangers and Imitators of Woods and Marble
KINGSTON Street.
GODERICH.
Agents for Jackson's universal 'Map and Wringer.'
Opposite Saunders Hardwarde Store.
Goderich, Aug 17th, 1870. 1yw31

W. G. WILSON
Issuer of Marriage Licenses,
Insurance & Real Estate Agent
COMMISSIONER IN B. R.
DEEDS, MORTGAGES, &c.,
DRAWN AND EXECUTED,
MONEY TO LOAN AT 8 per cent.
Oct. 18th 1870. sw17-1y EUREKA, Ont

COLBORNE HOTEL,
GODERICH.
E. MARTIN, Proprietor.
Good Accommodations. Ample Stable Room.
☞ This is admitted to be a First class house kept in Good Style.
August 15th, 1870. swl-tf

Land Office,
A REGISTER of Improved Farms and Wild Land for Sale,
G M TRUEMAN,
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 swl

DOUGLAS McKENZIE

HAS THE HONOR OF ANNOUNCING that he has entered into possession of the stand occupied for the last 8 years by
MR. ISAAC FREDRICK!
HE has purchased an entirely new and carefully selected stock of
JEWELLERY, WATCHES AND CLOCKS,
of all qualities and prices suitable, for the trade of this section
AND IS PREPARED TO GIVE CUSTOMERS, old and new, the same uniform satisfaction which Mr. Fredrick has so long done. Having had 5 years experience as
WATCH-MAKER & JEWELLER,
in Scotland and 2 years with Mr. Fredrick he is prepared to execute all jobs entrusted to him in a workmanlike manner and at the most moderate rates.
With reference to the above, I have great pleasure in certifying that Mr. Douglas McKenzie was in my employment for two years and that I consider him a first-class Jeweller, capable of doing as good work as any was of Toronto
ISSAC FREDRICK.
Goderich, Nov. 17th, 1870.

THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED GUN SHOP WEST OF TORONTO,

THE UNDERSIGNED IS PREPARED TO MANUFACTURE
RIFLES,
SHOT GUNS,
PISTOLS, of all kinds,
and every thing in his line, on the shortest notice. Repairing of all kinds done on the shortest notice, and warranted.
REMEMBER THE PLACE
(in rear of F. Jordan's, Drug Store.)
J. C. McINTOSH.
Goderich August 4th, 1870. 2w

MASONIC APRONS
FOR SALE AT
H. GARDINER, & Co's.
Goderich, 5 July 1870. w

MONEY TO LEND.
EASY TERMS.
J. B. GORDON.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870 swl

MONEY TO LEND
ON IMPROVED FARMS,
AT 8 PER CENT!
—ALSO,—
Some to Invest in Town Property
J. B GORDON,
Barrister, &c., Goderich.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 swl

Money to Loan on Real Estate,
APPRAISER to the Trust and Loan Company of Upper Canada.
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MONEY
AT
EIGHT PER CENT
LENT ON MORTGAGE.
Apply at
WM. R. BAIN'S
Chancery and Law Office, Crabb's block, Goderich.
Goderich, Aug 15th, 1870. swl

NEW Waggon and Carriage FACTORY.
BATES & ELLIOTT

Beg ing to the public of town and country that they have opened a Waggon and Carriage Shop on St. David's st, (Lewis Elliott's old stand,) immediately adjoining the Western Hotel. B. & E. attend personally to all the work entrusted to them, and are prepared to turn out
Waggons, Buggies, Cutters, Sleighs,
and everything in their line, of the very best material and workmanship and at the very lowest remunerative rates.
JOBBING
Promptly attended to.
ON HAND, a large assortment of
SLEIGHS
which will be sold Cheap for Cash or Cordwood.
Goderich, Aug 1 1870. w30

HURON HOTEL,
ZURICH, CO. HURON
JOHN PRANG, - - Proprietor.
This house is fitted up with every convenience for the travelling public,
☞ Good Stabling and prompt attendance
Aug 15, 1870. w15-tf

Business Directory.

Extensive New Premises
AND
SPLENDID NEW STOCK

C. Barry & Bro.
Cabinet Makers, Undertakers & Wood Turners,
HAMILTON ST.
Have removed across the street to the store next door to Wm. Acheson's Harness Shop, where will be found
A GOOD ASSORTMENT!
of Kitchen, Bedroom, Diningroom, and Parlor Furniture, such as
TABLES,
CHAIRS (hair, cane and wood seated)
CUPBOARDS
BEDSTEADS,
WASH STANDS,
MATTRESSES,
LOUNGES,
SOFAS.
WHATNOTS, LOOKING GLASSES
GILT FRAMING.
☞ C. B & B are prepared to sell everything in their line
Cheap for Cash.
N. B. A complete assortment of Coffins and Shrouds always on hand and a Hearse to hire; all on reasonable terms,
A CALL SOLICITED.
Goderich, 15 w30-tf

REMOVAL.

ALEX. WALLACE,
WATCHMAKER
AND JEWELER,
WEST STREET,
GODERICH.
THE Subscriber having removed to the Store lately occupied by A. Naysmith, West Street, opposite the Post Office, wishes to thank his friends and the public, for the liberal support with which they have favored him for the last 25 years, and begs to assure them that no effort will be spared to merit a continuance of their patronage, his anxious study will be to supply
Watches Clocks and Jewelery
which will give satisfaction to the purchaser, and as all work has been done by myself, customers may depend on having it well executed.
☞ A good assortment of Gold and Plated Jewelry, Watches, Clocks &c., always on hand.
ALEX WALLACE.
Goderich Aug. 15th 1870. w30

PHOTOGRAPHS
$1.00 Per Dozen.

HALF DOZEN FROM BACK NEGATIVE 51 cents, postage free. One dozen from back negative 87 cents, postage free, to any address.
☞ Particular Attention paid to Copying old Ambrotypes,
For either large or small photographs. The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, would just say that he has made such improvements in his gallery as will merit a continuance of the same.
☞ A Great Reduction on Large Photographs.
E. L. JOHNSON.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870. w30

SASH AND DOOR FACTORY.
THE undersigned having purchased the Planing Mill and Sash Factory owned, and occupied by Donald Cumming, are now prepared to carry on the business of manufacturing
Sash, Doors, Blinds, Mouldings, Flooring, Siding,
and all kinds of
CIRCLE WORK,
such as Circle and Gothic Sash and Frames
They think from their experience in Factory Work, that they can give satisfaction to all who may favor them with a call.
N.B.—A liberal discount to the trade.
20,000 feet of Dry inch and a quarter Flooring on hand.
JAS BUCHANAN,
DAVID LAWSON,
WM ROBINSON.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—We are now prepared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time or for the spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50c. to $1 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this notice may send their address, and test the business, we make this unparalleled offer: To such as are not well satisfied, we will send $1 to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, a valuable sample which will do to commence work on, and a copy of The People's Literary Companion—one of the largest and best family newspapers published—all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work address
E. C. ALLEN & Co., AUGUSTA, MAINE.

TWO FARMS for SALE
FOR sale two very valuable FARMS in the Township of Goderich. For particulars apply to
JOSEPH SHAW, Huron Road.
Goderich Township
August 15, 1870 30

Feed! Feed!!
JUST RECEIVED
AT
Shephard & Strachan's,
20 TONS OF BRAN, SHORTS & Midlings,
WHICH THEY WILL
Sell Cheap for Cash.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870. swl

B. McCORMICK, TAILOR, &c.
(McLEANS OLD STAND, EAST ST.)
REVIOUSLY CUTTER, TO J. C. DETLOR, & Co
TESTIMONIAL:
GODERICH 19TH, SEPT. 1869. Mr. McCORMICK has been in our employment as Cutter for over 1 year. He is capable of cutting for any first class establishment. We bespeak for him the confidence of any who may employ him.
JOHN C. DETLOR & C

Business Directory.

NEW CABINET
AND
UPHOLSTERING SHOP,
WEST STREET
OPPOSITE BANK OF MONTREAL,
GODERICH.

ERIC McKAY,
WOULD RESPECTFULLY announce that he has opened a new shop in the above line, on West Street, opposite the Bank of Montreal, where he will keep constantly on hand or make to order
FURNITURE OF ALL KINDS.
Having on hand an assortment of Upholstering material, he will be prepared to fill promptly all orders in that line.
☞ A quantity of Gilt and Rosewood Mouldings on hand.
Picture Framing to Order.
☞ He trusts by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 30-tf

WARMING AND VENTILATING
REITH'S PATENT,
Hot Air Furnace,
IS A CHEAP AND EFFICIENT MEANS OF HEATING and ventilating
CHURCHES,
SCHOOLS,
PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
STORES AND PRIVATE DWELLINGS.
Burning either wood or coal.
☞ Parties in this section can refer to M. C. Cameron Esq., M. P., in whose residence the patentee has erected a furnace.
For further particulars, Apply to the Patentee,
JAMES REITH.
Paris Ont. 18th Nov. 1870 sw27-3m

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE

CRABB'S BLOCK, KINGSTON STREET.
Prices to Suit the Times.
Photographs reduced to $1.00 per Doz.,
OR 75cts. PER HALF DOZEN.
Large Photograph Reduced in Proportion.
Also will make the largest Photographs made in Goderich, very cheap. Porcelain pictures from one dollar upwards at
D. CAMPBELL'S
Photograph Gallery.
Goderich Aug. 15th, 1870. w30

THE
Oldest Establishment in Town.

MARTIN AMANN
BEGS TO INFORM HIS OLD CUSTOMERS that he is till able to sell for cash, at the owest rates,
ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE,
At his shop on Kingston Street, opposite the Huron Hotel, Goderich. Give him a call.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

IS UNRIVALLED for Purity and lheapness. It saves Eggs, Butter Milk, etc., and is warrante to contain nothing injurious. For sale by the Grocers.
ROBINSON & HOWELL.
Agents for Goderich.
E. PLUMMER & CO.,
Chemists, London Ont
w8v

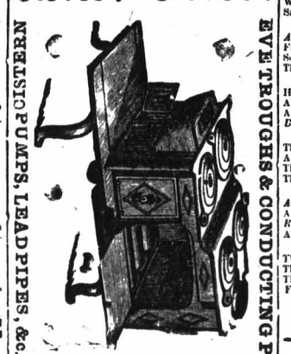
MONTREAL OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR TICKETS to and from Liverpool London derry or Glasgow, by the above Steamship Co'y, apply to
P. H. CARTER.
Agent, Grand Trunk Railway.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

IMPORTAN NOTICE.
F. R. MANN,
House Sign & Carriage Painter
DESIRES TO ACQUAINT THE PUBLIC THAT he has fitted up a shop on North street next to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with varnish room attached where he is prepared to fill all orders promptly, and at reasonable prices. Thankful for the patronage of the last 7 years solicits a continuance of the same.
Now is the time to Paint your Cutters Sleighs, and Carriages.
☞ Orders from country Carriage shops attended to with dispatch.
Sign Painting, Gilding, Graining, Glazing, Paperhanging, &c., &c
F. R. MANN.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 swl

JAMES STEWART
WHOLESALE AGENT
OF
The far-famed and reliable St Catherine's Nursery & D. W. BEADLE, ESQ.
FOR ALL KINDS OF
FRUIT AND ORNAMENTAL TREES, GREENhouse Plants Grape Vines, &c., &c.
☞ Any stock not on hand, ordered on the shortest notice. House—Maitlandville. Goderich P. O
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

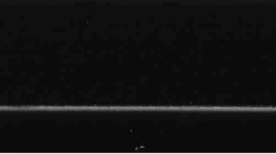
Ontario Carriage Shop,
(Hamilton St, Goderich.

R. J. WHITELY,
IS still in full operation, and is turning out superior
Carriages, Buggies, Wagons
of all kinds, SLEIGHS CUTTERS, &c.
A number of first class Buggies on hand, and for sale cheap for cash. Prices of all articles, in the line that will compare favorably with any in the County
☞ All work warranted
Particular attention paid to Wagon and Carriage Repairing
R. J WHITELY.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

Stoves! Stoves!

EASTERN PUMPS, LEAD PIPES, &c., &c.
EAVE TROUGHS & CONDUCTING PIPE.
PLAIN AND FANCY
TIN WARE,
COAL OIL,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
☞ Coal Oil Lamps, &c. &c Old Iron Copper, Brass, Wool Pickings, and Sheep Skin taken in exchange.
J. & J. STORY,
☞ Sign of the Large Coal Oil Barrel,
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 swl

MONEY TO LEND
At Greatly reduced Rates of Interest.
THE undersigned has any amount of money to loan from two to fifteen years, at a low rate of interest and favorable terms of repayment, payable by yearly instalments rate of expenses will defy competition.
HORACE HORTON
Appraiser for the Canada Permanent Building & Savings Society, of Toronto.

INSURANCE CARD
The Subscriber is agent for the following first-class Insurance Companies
PHOENIX of London, England.
HARTFORD of Hartford.
PROVINCIAL of Toronto.
BRITISH AMERICA, of Toronto.
Fire & Marine business done at the lowest rates
HORACE HORTON
Office Market Square, Goderich.
Sept 26th 1870. w36-1y.

MONEY TO LEND
ON EASY TERMS
[INCORPORATED] THE A. D. 1864
HURON & ERIE
SAVINGS & LOAN SOCIETY.
CAPITAL, - - - - $700,000.
THIS SOCIETY ADVANCES MONEY ON SECURITY of Real Estate, and on Terms very favorable to borrowers.
NO LAWYERS' COSTS ARE CHARGED
The Society pays Solicitor's charges. Any sum of money, from $200 upwards, is lent for any number of years from one to fifteen. Money may be obtained at any time with little or no delay beyond the time occupied in investigating the title and preparing the Mortgage, the cost of which is paid by the Society. The full amount of the loan is advanced—no deduction being made for commission or other charges, which often add so materially to the cost of a loan from other societies or from individuals. The borrower can repay his loan by yearly, half-yearly, or monthly payments. The periodical instalments include, besides interest, a small sum for principal, and they are so divided that by their payment the debt is entirely extinguished, and the mortgage discharged at the end of the time stipulated.
EXAMPLE.—A Borrower obtains $500 for 15 years; he pays $46.70 each year, and at the end of the time his Mortgage is "paid off." The rapidly increasing business of this Society is the best indication of the favor with which it is regarded by the farming community, and its popularity will become greater as the merits of its system of lending become better known and understood. By the small payments of principal included in the yearly instalment, the borrower gradually and without trouble, pays off his loan—thus avoiding the risk of losing his property, which too often happens when the principal falls due in a large sum at the end of the term. He can, at any time, pay off his loan in advance on favorable terms (which can be settled at any monthly meeting by the Directors, on the application of the borrower,) and interest at six per cent. per annum will be allowed on all payments in advance.
Full particulars and loan table may be obtained at the Society's Office, or by letter postpaid, addressed to the Secretary, or from any of the Society's valuators
CHARLES FLETCHER Valuator at Goderich
Lazarus, Morris & Co.

Opticians and Oculists,
MONTREAL,
HAVE WITH A VIEW TO MEET THE INCREASED demand for the celebrated Perfected Spectacles, appointed F. JORDON, chemist and Druggist, Goderich, Ont as their Sole Agent for this place. They have taken care to give all needful instructions, and have confidence in the ability of their Agents to the requirements of all customers. An opportunity will be thus afforded to procure, at all times, Spectacles unequalled by any for their strengthening and preserving qualities.
Too much cannot be said as to their superiority over the ordinary glasses worn. There is no glimmering, wavering of the sight, dizziness, or other unpleasant sensation on the Lenses, they are soothing and pleasant, causing a feeling of relief to the wearer, and producing a clear and distinct vision, as in the natural healthy sight. They are the only Spectacles that
PRESERVE AS WELL AS ASSIST THE SIGHT.
they are the cheapest because the best, always lasting many years without change being necessary.
☞ We employ no Peddlers
F. JORDAN,
Sole Agent for Goderich
Goderich Aug 15 1870 w18

VILLAGE LOTS FOR SALE IN BAYFIELD.
THE subscriber offers for sale four eligible lots situate in the Village of Bayfield. On the premises are a good frame dwelling, barn and vinegar factory. For particulars apply to
JOHN CROOK.
Goderich, July 12th 1870 ww26

AFTER THE BATTLE.

BY JOHN CARRICK.

For the Signal.

The evening wind dispelled the sulphury smoke,
The cannon's volley'd thunders ceased to roar;
The sun's expiring rays, with radiance broke,
On dying soldiers, stretched on beds of gore!

Those who for devastated lands and homes
Had given their lifeblood, to defend and save,
Lay side by side, among their hated foes
Who fought for fame to rank among the brave.

But blest are those, from whom—ere gloomy night,
The ebbing stream, of stormy life hath flown;
Who, ere the chill December's night drew o'er,
Did cease, in agony to writhe and moan.

But for the maimed who, bleeding, helpless lie
Mid mingled groans of comrade and of foe,
Who lie neath gloomy night's dark canopy,
Dying, and stiffening in their couch of snow?

The harrowing throes of pain, the nurseless bed,
Serve to distract the wounded warrior's brain,
But mangled bodies, victory or defeat
Can ne'er allay the warrior's mental pain!

This, victory or defeat can never change,
His troubled mind reverts to thoughts of home,
The childless mother, or the widowed wife
Or tearful lover, waiting his return.

Alas! the friends, who wait the laurell'd youth,
Or yet the noble, though, defeated brave
Will ere the dawn, find nought, o'er which to weep,
Save his cold corpse, within its nameless grave.

And were this all—but no, the spirit shrinks
From scenes of blood, and death, with terror wild,
Soul-harrowing thoughts, of devastated homes,
The ravished mother—or the starving child;

How long will those discordant passions rage,
And rule supreme, within the human breast
And war, that hellhouse, hell-born demon war,
Be in such fascinating colours drest?

Till weapons till the soil, or prune the trees,
And peace shall reign supreme, throughout the world,
Till from his throne, within the human heart
The despot war, unworshipped, unhurled.

Ambition must forsake the human heart,
And *pride* be thrown unto the winds of heaven!
Revenge be of the future, or the past,
And each forgive, as he would be forgiven.

Then will the drum's discordant soundneer take
The husband, or the father, from his home,
Then by the trumpet's note to range the swain
From his "beloved fair" be called to roam.

Zurich, Jan. 19th. 1871.

Board of School Trustees.

The Board met on Thursday, 2nd inst., Present Messrs W. Kay, in the chair, J. Nairn, L Elliot, D. Ferguson, G Swanson and C. Crabb. The minutes of last meeting were read approved. Sundry accounts were passed. A tender was read from D. and D. McLaren offering to supply the Schools with dry hard wood for $3.25 per cord. It was agreed to continue the advertisement three weeks longer and leave the matter in the hands of the Contingent Committee. The following reports from Dr. McLean, L. S., and Mr. Miller, Principal, were read and adopted:—

L. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Goderich, February 2nd, 1871.

To the Board of Common School Trustees for the Town of Goderich.

GENTLEMEN—I beg leave to present a short report of the condition of your schools at the close of the year 1870.

My time having been very much occupied by other engagements, I was unable to give the schools the oversight which I had intended, and for the present year I am unwilling to undertake anything more than to give assistance during examinations with occasional visiting of the schools, or when the Principal requires assistance.

As Mr. Miller will give statistics, I will merely give my opinion of the efficiency of the teachers.

Mr. Miller has succeeded in improving the discipline of his own department and also the conduct of all the children of the Central School in the play-grounds and on the streets. The various studies in his room have also been prosecuted with marked success, especially Grammar, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, Derivation and Meaning of words.

In Mr. Thompson's room there was some excellent reading, and the pupils did very well in Arithmetic, but only moderately well in the other studies.

Miss Dixon's class was in a pretty fair state. Her pupils acquitted themselves very well in Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic.

The Reading in Miss Morgan's class was very good; in the other studies the pupils did pretty well, on the whole, there has been a decided improvement in this class.

Miss McLellan's class did very well, except in Geography.

Miss Logan's class was in an excellent state in all respects.

Miss Trainer is succeeding admirably in her department.

Miss Longworth still maintains her schools in the highest state of efficiency.

Miss Newton is also doing very well.

In St. David's Ward, Miss McMahon is working hard and is succeeding pretty well. This teacher has had a difficult position till lately. She has now a commodious school-room, and will be able to manage better than she could before.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen
Your obedient servant,
Thos. F, McLEAN, L. S.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL *to the Chairman and members of Common School Board Trustees, Goderich.*

Gentlemen. I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following statements and tabulated views, embracing the important features connected with the Central and Ward Schools, during the year 1871.

The number of pupils registered between the ages of 5 and 16 was 954; other ages 14. Total 968.

The per centage in attendance during the time specified was nearly 69—that is, of every one hundred entered upon the roll, 69 were present every day. This number is not so high as it ought to be, and we trust that the efforts, now being made, will be the means of securing an increase. It is the daily average attendance and not the numbers enrolled that affords the criterion of the real amount of labor performed by the Teachers and the general effects of the system.

The number of Boys on the Roll, was 515; girls, 453.

The No. of Pupils attending less than 20 days, was,	46
" " between 20 and 50	120
" " " 50 " 100	206
" " " 100 " 150	208
" " " 150 " 200	256
" " 200 & whole yr.	139
The average attendance for the first half-year, was	539
The average attendance for the last half year was	529
The average attendance for the whole year, 118,655 days divided by 222 days, was	535
The greatest No of pupils present on any day was	634
" least do do	335
The greatest number enrolled in one month, was	834

CLASSIFICATION

No of pupils in 1st Book	213
" 2nd "	312
" 3rd "	253
" 4th "	104
" 5th "	86
" Arithmetic	755
" Grammar	443
" Geography	755
" British History	86
" Writing	755
" Book-keeping	16
" Music	968
" Military Drill	90

As will be seen from the above, the time of teachers is principally occupied with teaching what is frequently called the 3 R's—the studies best calculated to prepare our youth for the real business of life, which is the true aim of education. The class in military drill made considerable progress, and the exercise seemed to afford pleasure as well as real benefit to those engaged. The application for arms, made to the Minister of Militia, I regret to say, could not be entertained at that time, but I trust we shall yet be provided.

The standard of the Christmas examinations was raised somewhat, throughout the classes, above that adopted at the last examination. The prizes awarded and the method pursued in awarding them, so far as I have learned, have given complete satisfaction, and will, no doubt, accomplish the end for which they were given. Upon the whole I think the progress made during the year has been very satisfactory. In addition to my report for the year ending Dec 31st, 1870, I propose giving a comparative statement of numbers on Roll and average attendance during my term of office, with the corresponding months of the previous year:—

Month	No on Roll 1870-1	No on Roll 1869-70	Increase or Decrease	Daily average attendance 1870-1	Daily average attendance 1869-70	Increase or Diminution
Feb'y	655	674	D19	513	520	I23
March	667	666	I 1	523	545	D22
April	694	682	I 12	537	555	D19
May	703	632	I 71	551	503	I 48
June	834	680	I154	590	530	I 60
July	651	623	I 28	451	514	I 37
August	648	609	I 39	504	498	I 6
Septemb'r	665	639	I 27	518	506	I 12
October	653	613	I 40	492	427	I 65
Novemb'r	688	577	I 111	554	401	I 153
December	691	585	I 106	569	478	I 91
January	730	625	I 105	570	457	I 113

From the above, it will be seen that the school is increasing in numbers and it will show too that the town must be on the upward grade. The number in the various classes for the past month averages 71 for each teacher, and were distributed as follows:—

Miss Newton,	62.	Miss McLean	73.
" McMahon	100.	" Logan	78.
" Longworth	94.	" Bailey	61.
" Trainer	73.	Mr Patterson	64
" Dixon	72.	Mr. Miller	53.

I would respectfully suggest to the Board the advisability of providing a Bell for the Central School. We labour under difficulties at present which might partially be obviated if the pupils knew the school time better.

To the Board my warmest thanks are due for the generous construction invariably put on all my recommendations, and the cordial support as invariably given during the past year.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
J. R. MILLER, Principal.

Feb. 2nd, 1871.

The Librarian's report was also read and adopted, and on the motion of Mr Crabb, seconded by Mr Nairn, the thanks of the Board were conveyed to Mr Miller for his careful attention to the duties. It was moved by Mr Ferguson, seconded by Mr Nairn, that $20 be granted the Librarian as a small acknowledgment of extra work in re-arranging the Library. There voted *nay* Messrs. Crabb, Swanson and Elliot; *yea* Messrs Ferguson, Nairn and the chairman. The motion was lost. It was moved by Mr Crabb, seconded by Mr Swanson, that Dr McLean be appointed L. S. for the current year at a salary of $100—carried. Adjourned.

To the Editor of the "Huron Signal."

DEAR SIR—Having received a communication from the Original Importers and Growers of the Fine Norway Oats, that they would forward to me on the opening of Navigation a sufficient quantity to supply the Farmers in this neighborhood, and as I have not time to attend to the distribution of same. I have handed the sale of them over to William Campbell, Esq., Secretary of the Goderich Salt Co., who is prepared to take all orders. I will warrant them as the true Norway Oats. See his advertisement.

I remain, Dear Sir,
Yours very truly,
HUGH JOHNSTON.

After so many reports of the great value of South African diamonds, it is startling to see an other that they are only lumps of translucent quartz, and that London lapidaries will have nothing to do with them. It is further said that large stones are generally of doubtful value.

DR. LIVINGSTONE'S SAFETY.—A Cable telegram dated London, Jan. 25th says: Sir Roderick Murchison has received a letter from Africa giving positive intelligence of the safety of Dr. Livingstone.

London, Jan. 26.—The Anglo-American Committee, composed of eminent political, legal, and military men, will shortly publish an expensive report on the fishing question and other points of difference between the United States and Canada. The conclusions of the report are generally somewhat unfavorable to the Americans, but nevertheless take the ground that Canadian pretensions on the question of headlands are unfounded.

The submarine telegraph cable between Placentia, N. F., and the French island of St Pierre, failed the day before yesterday. The accident will not interfere with the European business.

The dry goods clerks of Boston are indignant because some of their employers have invited a clergyman to deliver a lecture on "Fast Young Men," for their special benefit. They publicly protest that they, as a class, do not need any such lecturing.

Baron Gerolt, the Prussian Minister, denies, officially, that there is any truth in the report so extensively circulated during the San Domingo debate in the Senate, that Prussia was anxious to secure a foothold in the West Indies by purchasing an island there. Prussia is not desirous to obtain any territory which would be so open to attack, in case she should become involved in another foreign war.

"Yea; No, Nay." A striking instance of independent membership.

"Come now" says one, "let us toss for the oysters." "All right" replies the party addressed. "Heads or tails?" asks the former. "Heads!" shouts the latter as the coin spins in the air. "No; tails," he adds as he sees the female side of the quarter turned up to the sky. Then the undecided individuals proceeds to "explain" that when he said "Heads" he meant "Tails." At just such another game of "pitch and toss" plays the so-called "independent" representative—who kicks over the traces when he dare but goes the whole ministerial hog when he must; trying to slip out of certain dilemmas by the extraordinary vote of "Yea; no Nay."—The only difference between the game and the vote appears to be that the speaker of the assembly is much more easily satisfied with the "explanation," than the party done out of his oysters would be. For further particulars *vide* our legislative report of 30th January. This will be an interesting item for the *Globe's* biography of Mr Hays promised at the end of the session.

The raising of Cashmere goats for their wool has become an established pursuit in Nebraska. One gentleman has a flock of 200.

Legislature of Ontario.

Toronto, Jan. 30.

The Speaker took the chair at 3.15 o'clock.

After routine, Mr Graham (York) introduced a Bill to amend an Act respecting municipal institutions. The Bill, he explained, had reference to drainage in villages.

The Attorney-General introduced a Bill respecting Commissioners of Police. He explained that the Government had passed a Police Act, and the present Bill was to give effect to that Act. The Bill proposed that certain powers should be given to Commissioners of Police, revokable at the pleasure of the Lieutenant-Governor. The powers given to these Commissioners would be similar to those exercised by magistrates in towns and cities. He had found Mr. McMicken's services very valuable; and the Bill would enable them to be utilized to the greatest extent.

In reply to observations from hon. members,

The Attorney-General said he had a strong opinion that, sooner or later, they had better have a system of police to supercede the present mode of arrests, and obviate the difference of magistrates.

After remarks by Messrs. Lyons, Wood and Lount, the Bill was read a first time.

Hon. Mr. Richards introduced a Bill, founded on his resolutions, respecting arrearages on Clergy, Crown and Grammar School Lands.

Hon. J. S Macdonald introduced a Bill providing for the establishment and government of Central Prisons in the Province of Ontario.

The Attorney-General introduced a Bill respecting Asylums for the Insane, with a view to bring these institutions under one control.

Mr Blake called attention to the late day when the estimates were brought down.

Mr Boyd also referred to the fact that the press had been furnished with a copy before the hon. members.

Several private Bills were forwarded a stage.

Hon J Carling moved a third reading of the Bill respecting the Goodhue estate.

Hon Mr Richards moved for a third reading of the Bill, No. 12, intituled 'An Act to confirm the deed for the distribution and settlement of the estate of the Hon. George Jervis Goodhue, deceased,' and

Moved that the said Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend the same by inserting a fourth section in the said Bill in these words, or to the effect following, provided always, and it is hereby declared 'That the foregoing enactments, or any of them, shall not take effect until it shall have been decided by a majority of the Judges of the Superior Courts in this Province that the interests in the testator's estate by the said will, bequeathed in trust for all his children, who shall be living on the death of his said wife, were on his death, or at any time thereafter before the passing of this Act, vested interests in such children, and also by inserting in said Bill further provision for obtaining the decision of such Judges.'

Hon Mr. Richards defended his resolutions on the ground, that the Legislature had no right to alter the will.

Hon. Mr Wood said that the will was not properly understood, and that the children should enjoy the property, saved the rights of the widow.

Mr. Coyne and Mr. Blake were laying of the Bill

Mr. Blake stated that he would sufavor a three months' hoist if it rose on the third reading.

The amendment was lost by 45 to 7.—

On motion of Mr. Backer, the Bill to incorporate the Oakville, Milton and Guelph Railway Company was reported, the capital being reduced from $350,000 to $200,000.

On motion that the House go into Committee on the Bill to legalize certain by-laws passed by the corporation of the Town of Brantford, and certain agreements made between the said corporation and the Great Western Railway Company of Canada, and the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, respectively—Hon. Mr Wood—

Mr. Boyd moved three months' hoist, which was lost by 15 to 30.

It being six o'clock, the House rose for recess.

After recess,

The House went into Committee on Hon. Mr. Wood's Bill, and passed the various clauses.

The House went into Committee on the Bill to empower the trustees under the will of the late Joseph B. Spragge, to sell certain lands in the township of Blenheim, in the county of Oxford—Mr. Lount.

Mr Lyon moved a three months' hoist, which was defeated by 27 yeas against 26 nays.

Mr. OLIVER called attention to the fact that Mr. Wigle had left the Chamber before the names were read, and that his name should be struck from the list.

Mr. BLAKE corroborated this, and after a short discussion, the clerk removed Mr. Wigle's name from the division list, announcing the numbers as equal—27 on each side. This announcement was renewed laughter.

Mr. LOUNT (the promoter of the Bill) said Mr. Hays had not voted.

The SPEAKER called upon Mr. Hays to vote.

Mr. HAYS—I vote yea—no, nay, (Laughter.)

An explanation ensued, and Mr. Hays stated that his intention was to oppose the amendment. His name was consequently ... and the motion was carried by 28 to 27, ... against, being the signal for renewed cheering and laughter.

The motion for going into committee was then carried, and the Speaker, amid much laughter, called upon Mr. Hays to act as chairman of the committee. At this point, the Attorney-General, who had been absent from the Chamber, during the division, reentered and took his seat.

Toronto Jan. 31.

The Speaker took the chair at 3:15.

After routine, the Attorney-General moved that this House will to-morrow resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following resolutions:—

First—That the occupation of the Rockwood Asylum for the use of an average number of three hundred of the insane of the Province, permitted by the Dominion Government, renders it expedient that the control of that institution should—if on no other than economical and administrative reasons—be vested in the Provincial Government.

Second—That, with that view, it is expedient that authority be granted to the Commissioner of Public Works to negotiate for the purchase or leasing of said institution, and the land pertaining thereto, upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

Third—That any agreement for the purchase or lease thereof shall be subject to the ratification of the Legislative Assembly.

He argued that the expense of the Rockwood Asylum, which was under the control of the Dominion Government, was more to the Province then the other Asylums put together. For this and the other reasons it was desirable that the Province should have control of the Asylum.

Mr Blake said it was strange that the Attorney-General should boast so much of his economy, and not be able to prevail on the Dominion Government to be more economical. With regard to the Rockwood Asylum, he would oppose the motion, unless there was full information placed before the House

The Attorney General said information would be obtained. The motion was carried.

The following Bills were read a third time and passed:—

A Bill to appoint trustees for certain lands belonging to the Presbyterian Church in connection with the Church of Scotland in the town of Cornwall; and authorising such trustees to sell a portion thereof—Mr Craig (Glengarry.)

A Bill to enable the trustees of the Stamford Presbyterian Church to sell lands held by them for the use of the congregation, and for other purposes—Mr Beatty.

A Bill to empower the West Middlesex Agricultural Society to sell certain lands—Mr Currie.

After some discussion, the following orders were allowed to stand:—

Receiving the report of the Committee on a Bill to amend the law relating to Election Petitions, and for providing more effectually for the prevention of corrupt practices at elections for the Legislative Assembly of Ontario—Hon J S Macdonald.

Receiving the report of the Committee on Resolutions, Master in Ordinary and Referee of the Court of Chancery—Hon J S Macdonald.

Hon Mr Cameron proposed to go on with the School Bill, but, at the suggestion of Mr Boyd, the discussion was postponed.

A Bill to provide for the organization of the Territorial District of Thunder Bay—Hon J S Macdonald—passed through Committee.

A Bill to incorporate the Sisters of St. Joseph, of the Diocese of London—Hon. J Carling—passed through Committee.

The House then went into Committee