

WHALEN TO BE EXECUTED.

The Governor in Council has refused to grant further delay in the Whalen case. He will, therefore, be executed on Thursday. This is what everybody expected since the highest judicial authority in the land had declined to grant him a new trial.

Whalen refuses to see strangers, and retires to his cell when any one appears. He continues to be visited by the clergymen of his church and Sisters of Charity. The latter are unremitting in their attention to him.

The unfortunate man seems to profit by their counsel and has apparently lost almost every trace of his former violent behaviour. His end he looks on as certainly approaching, and, to all appearances, doing his utmost to properly prepare for it.

Doyle and Buckley are still awaiting their trial as accessories to the murder. They are confined in the usual corridor in the city gaol. Buckley still continues to behave in a semi-demented way, and is without doubt somewhat unsettled in his head, tho' not so seriously but that a few weeks in the open air would restore him to his perfect senses.

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The New License Law.

We draw attention to the following important provisions of the new law respecting tavern and shop licenses: Over and above the sum which may be imposed by municipalities, there shall be paid in cities a duty of \$29; in towns, \$17; in townships and incorporated villages of \$10; and for each shop license, of \$12; provided that for saloons, the Provincial duty shall be \$25.

Ash Wednesday.

To-day (Ash-Wednesday), which is the first day of Lent, had formerly two names; one was *cinquagesima*, "the head of the fast," the other Ash Wednesday, so called from the ancient ceremony of blessing ashes on that day, with which the priest signed the people on the forehead in the form of a cross, saying, "Remember, man, that thou art ashes, and shalt return to ashes."

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HARRISTON CORRESPONDENCE.

From our Correspondent.

HARRISTON, Feb. 7.

Nothing of any great importance has lately transpired here, and were it not that it is time to say something, the evolution of events would be still further awaited. January was a splendid month, mild and open in as far as the weather was concerned; but not very favourable for the transmission of grain, etc., to the market, the roads not having been exactly suitable for either sleigh or wagon, and many were glad, when at the commencement of the present month, winter again asserted its claim and snow fell in sufficient quantity to make first rate sleighing. No one remembers of so many sleighs passing through that village as during last week, and the capacity of the Guelph Market Square for the accommodation of any number of sleighs and waggons, and the capacity of the buyers purses for purchasing any quantity of grain, pork, etc., must have been severely tested.

It is estimated that on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of last week, not fewer than between two and three hundred loads passed down the Elora and Saugen road daily. The highest number is perhaps not over the mark. Still business has not greatly improved. Here there is scarcely a perceptible change, and complaints of a similar nature are heard from almost all other places.

Guelph itself does not seem to afford an exception, for from the county town we have some gentlemen here endeavouring to improve their trade by selling off by auction such articles as doubtless could not be so easily disposed of at home; but they do not seem to succeed very well. The days for people in the back country being attracted by such announcements as "Auction Sale of Dry Goods, etc.," have passed by, and from the small encouragement given to the gentlemen in question, it is feared that their stay in our midst will be of short duration.

The telegraph movement is still the principal topic of conversation here; but whether the town offered will be sufficient inducement by the Company to warrant their entering into the project is not yet known. If instead of from Harriston on the Saugen Road to Mount Forest on the Owen Sound Road, a distance of ten miles, the line commencing at Clifford could have been taken direct by the Saugen Road to Elora, a distance of thirty-five miles, a far greater extent of country would have been benefited, but parties mainly interested in the matter, consider this in the meantime to be impracticable, and the line as now proposed as better than no line at all—but the larger scheme will surely follow.

Minto generally goes in for large things, and it will not long be satisfied with this ten mile Mount Forest arrangement. The grist and saw mill owned by Mr. Wm. Murray, near Mildmay, in the Township of Carrick, was on the evening of Saturday last totally destroyed by fire, the large water wheel being the only thing saved.

The extra guard on the gaol only stand sentry during the night. The Deputy Sheriff on Tuesday afternoon commented on Whalen the determination of the Government that he was to suffer the extreme penalty of the law on Thursday. Whalen replied that he had expected that. Workmen prepared the same afternoon to commence the erection of the scaffold.

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Had such a scheme as penny postage across the Atlantic been proposed about twenty years ago its advocates most certainly would have been looked upon as agitators for things impossible; but now, with the number of steamship fleets, and the quickness of the passage between Quebec or New York and Liverpool, there is no difficulty in the way of bringing about a reduction of ocean postage from 12 1/2 cents to 2 cents, if the post-office authorities do not consider it would operate injuriously against them, or render this branch of the post-office service a non-paying one. It is perhaps doubtful whether the number of letters at present in transition between the two continents would be increased six times, which would be required to render the amount received, for the carriage of the ocean mails equal to what it is at present; still, with the example of France, the experiment of a cheaper rate is at least worth trying, though a penny per half ounce strikes us as being somewhat too low, and as going to the other extreme. We cannot send a letter from Guelph to Elora, Elora or Harriston, a matter of a few miles—far less than three cents—and yet it is proposed to send one to Cornwall, Donagob, or Cathness for two cents! People don't write letters generally for the mere sake of writing, even if they were to go free; and there is no one so poor as not to be able and willing to pay five cents for the transit of a letter to the old country, if he has anything to write about at all. A uniform rate of five cents on all half-ounce letters from England to America, and vice versa, would be a most popular one to the people of both countries. A fall from a yolk shilling (Montreal mail line) and 15 cents (Canada line) to a uniform rate of one penny would be rather too much of the good thing at once, and it might be better to try how a five cent ocean postage would succeed first. If the adoption of this rate fairly realised expectations, a further reduction might then take place if thought necessary.

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BIRTHS.

MORRISON.—In Minto on the 7th instant, the wife of Mr. William Morrison of twins—son and daughter. PARSONS.—At "Forest Home," near Rockwood, on the 6th inst., the wife of Mr. James Parsonson of a daughter. SCOTT.—In the Gore of Puslinch on the 6th inst., the wife of John Scott, Esq., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

CHISHOLM.—McDONNELL.—At the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Mr. Deane, Mr. Wm. Chisholm, Insurance Agent, to Miss Mary McDonnell, all of Minto. MILLIGAN.—McROCK.—In Howick on the 6th inst., at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. Samuel Neil, by the Rev. George McLennan, Mr. John Milligan, to Miss Sarah Ferguson Murdoch, all of Minto. STEVENSON.—On the 5th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. R. C. Moffat, Walkerton, Mr. John Stewart, farmer, to Isabella, second daughter of Mr. James Stewart, all of Carleton Place.

HOOPER.—HEWER.—On the 6th inst., by the Rev. Geo. Wood, at the residence of Mr. Francis Newton, Mr. Wm. Hooper, to Mrs. Martha Haver, all of Guelph. LEMON.—DIXON.—On the 4th inst., by the Rev. Geo. Wood, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. John Lemon, to Miss Sarah Drayton, all of Guelph.

DIED. RUSSELL.—At his residence in the Township of Erin, on the 4th instant, Christopher Russell, M. D., a native of Lanarkshire, Scotland, aged 70 years.

New Advertisements.

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE FOR 1869. The first edition of one hundred thousand of VICK'S ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE OF SEEDS and GUIDE IN THE FLOWER GARDEN is now published. It makes a work of 100 pages, beautifully illustrated with about 150 fine wood engravings of flowers and vegetables, and an elegant colored plate of some of the choicest fruit. It is the most beautiful, as well as the most instructive Floral Guide ever published, giving plain and thorough directions for.

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GREAT WESTERN HOTEL. JOHN HEWER, Proprietor. The subscriber having lately leased the above Hotel, would respectfully inform his friends and the travelling public generally that he has thoroughly renovated and refurnished the premises throughout, and is also making other improvements which will render its accommodation for guests second to none in town. The table will always be supplied with the choicest market offerings, and the bar with pure liquors and the best brands of cigars. Nothing will be left undone to ensure the comfort of all who may favor him with their patronage. Extensive stabling attached, capable of accommodating 200 horses.—An attentive hostler always in attendance. Stage to all parts of the country call at this hotel daily. Guelph, 9th February. d260n

Neither two hours at HAME Town Hall, Wednesday the 10th of February. KENNEDY'S LAST NIGHT. PROGRAMME: O! Why left I my name A man's man for a' that London's Bonnie Woods and Braes Johnny's Bowlee Tak yer and Cloak about ye Why should I, a Brisk Young Lassie I have come on the continent of each Scots wha hae w' Wallace bled Add Long Syne

PIANOFORTE. MISS KENNEDY. Admission 25c, reserved seats 50c. Tickets can be had at the door. Doors open at seven. Concert to commence at eight. Guelph, 9th February. d2

FRESH Haddock, Codfish and Sea Herrings. Choice Haddies, Bloaters Salmon Kippered Herrings Pickled Codfish Labrador Herrings Lake Huron Herrings White Fish and Trout Dry Codfish and Haddock.

GEORGE WILKINSON, Hamilton Oyster Depot, Wyandhamst. Guelph, 9th February. d4

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3rd.—The information necessary to the essayists to enable them to write on any of the subjects that shall be submitted, shall be fully within the scope of the Library.

4th.—The essays shall be referred to a committee of gentlemen, thoroughly competent to examine them and decide upon their merits.

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6th.—The essays shall remain the property of the subscriber, who alone shall possess the right of publishing them.

7th.—Every one, upon payment of one dollar, has the right to compete for any of the prizes, or for all of them.

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