A Montreal saloon-keeper has been fined $50 and costs for selling liquor to a boy on a game of cards.

The Canada Pacific Railway Government was sustained by 23 in 14 on the vote of want of confidence.

A man, name unknown, hung himself in his room at a Queenstown hotel a few days since. Drink the cause.

Strathroy has voted $100,000 towards the construction of the Port Stanley, Strathroy and Port Huron railway.

A Roman Catholic Hospital for incurable women is to be built in Montreal, at a cost of $600,000.

It is proposed to supply Guelph with water, at a cost of about $600.

The Merrick Lodge are taking steps to prepare for the reception of the Grand Lodge meeting in Goderich in June.

Mr. Wm. Gray, late of the Bank of Montreal at Quebec, has been sued for slander by Mr. McCauley, the damages being laid at $10,000.

It is rumored that Lieut-Governor Archibald, of Nova Scotia, and John Hillyard Cameron are to be appointed Judges of the Supreme Court.

As two little Hamilton boys were playing with a toy pistol a cap exploded and hit one of them in the eye. It was injured so badly that he will lose it.

A farmer near Oshawa, who was induced lastfall to go to Texas, has lately returned with his family, satisfied that Canada is the best place after all.

On Saturday, while three men were crossing the river Otonabee a mile below Chatham the boat upset and one of the men, named Bowes, was drowned.

A man named Joseph Williams, a Welshman, was found in London on Friday night, by three mellows and seriously assaulted, besides being robbed of $18 and his bank book.

Dr. O'Brien was, on Saturday, with imposing ceremonies and before an immense concourse consecrated the fifth Bishop of Kingston, on Saturday, in room of the late Bishop Horrill.

On Friday morning a fire broke out in the stables of the Credit Valley Hotel, Streetsville which were quickly consumed, together with two horses and other contents. Loss about $2,000; no insurance.

Mitchell that the fall wheat has been destroyed by the cold snap of last week' At six o'clock on Saturday morning the thermometer denoted nine degrees below zero.

An old man named John Fraser wandered into the woods near Townster, on Thursday last, while intoxicated. Search was made for him up to Saturday evening, when he was found frozen stiff.

The Victoria, N. S., election case was decided on Saturday at Halifax, the judge's decision was in favour of the petitioner, Mr. Barclay Tremaine, thus unseating Mr. Charles Campbell who has been at Ottawa during the past session.

A new-born male infant was found, on Friday, by the fence on the railway track, a short distance east of Brampton, with its head crushed to pieces by a large stone. It had the appearance of a fully developed infant.

A Montreal gentleman connected with the literary profession made an attempt to commit suicide last night by taking a large quantity of laudanum. He was laboring under a fit of aberration superinduced by excess in drinking.

John Hunter, of Collingwood, convicted at the St. Catharines Assizes of arson with intent to defraud an insurance company, was sentenced to fourteen years imprisonment.

Mr. Johnson, who lately lost all his printing material by the fire at Athur, has purchased the plant of the defunct Elora Standard and will at once commence the republication of his paper at Arthur.

Mr. Gilbert Dallas, who lives on Carleton's Island, while out hunting, had his head horribly wounded and skull fractured by the accidently bursting of the fowling piece he was in the act of using, which was an old musket that had been repaired.

Andrew's brush factory in London, was burned down on Friday morning. The family occupied the upper part of the building, and narrowly escaped with their lives by being lowered from the window. Loss $2,000.

The remains of an infant were found under the snow on Victoria street Ottawa, on Thursday, by two children who were playing. At the inquest the doctor said it had been born alive and had been a couple of months under the snow. No trace of the mother has yet been found.

In Ottawa, on Friday afternoon a woman asked to leave a child in a grocery store in a destitute condition, and the proprietor kindly consented. A short time after the cry of an infant was heard in the basket. The distracted proprietor is somewhat at a loss to know what to do with it.

George S. Philip, solicitor, &c., committed suicide in Galt, on Friday morning. He was found at seven o'clock lying on the floor of his bedroom, with the top of his head blown completely off. A rifle was found by his side him, with a piece of cloth tied to the trigger, with which he had set it off.

Charles McKnight, a young man engaged as guardman in the New York Central Railway yard at the Suspension Bridge, on Friday, whilst switching some freight cars got his foot caught in a frog near the switch, holding him fast, while the train was moving towards him. Failing to extricate himself he was run over and fatally injured.

J. W. Campion, fireman in George Greenlee's shingle factory, Cummingsville, while in the act of oiling the engine, accidentally fell, and his clothing becoming entangled in contact with a shaft. He had presence of mind enough to throw off a belt and stop the machinery, when he was released from his perilous position.

The contracts for bridging, grading, and fencing the London, Huron, and Bruce Railway were let in London, on Thursday. The road to Blyth in North Huron has been divided into four sections. The first two sections were obtained by Mr. Steele, of St. John, Mich.; the others by Mr. L. J. Berbank and Mr. O. C. Bunker of La Crosse, Wis., respectively. The road bed is to be finished by the beginning of August next.

Messrs. Knowlton & Lamb have returned from New York with a most encouraging report in favour of the utility of the vulcanizable waterproof gum manufactured out of milkweed. They have been assured a steady sale for all they can produce. A factory is to be erected at once to manufacture the gum.

A Montreal telegram to the New York papers says:—"There is authority for stating that the Pope will most probably select this city as his place of residence should political events in Europe necessitate his leaving the Holy See.' The Catholic population of the diocese of Montreal is not 410,000. He will certainly be very welcome.

A sad case of infanticide has occurred at Newmarket. The unfortunate mother, a domestic, was taken away from the house of her master in very weak state, which aroused suspicion, and on making an examination of the girl's trunk the body of a newly born infant was found, with a string tied tightly around its neck. The girl was traced to the residence of her adopted mother, who had taken her away, but no further trace of her could be found.

The weather on Manitoulin Island this winter has been severely cold. There snow was about three feet deep. There has been great destruction of fish in one of the inland lakes, called Perch Lake. The water in this lake is very shallow, only from two to three feet deep in winter. It has been frozen right down to the bottom in many places, and the fish were crowded into these parts where it was a little deeper. A piece of the lake as now open, and there are thousands of dead fish floating on the surface, and millions of live ones huddled together so thick that you could scoop out cart loads of them with a shovel.

Grand Trunk Railway

TRAINS WILL LEAVE GODERICH AS FOLLOWS:

No. 1 Express, 7.00 a. m., for Toronto, London and Buffalo.
No. 7 Mixed, 9.15 a. m., for Stratford.
No. 3 Mail Express 11.45 p. m., for Toronto, Buffalo and Detroit.
No. 9 Mixed, 3.30 p. m.,

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AS FOLLOWS:

No. 8 Mixed, 11.00 p. m., from Stratford.
No. 2 Mail Express 3.05 p. m., from Toronto, Detroit and Buffalo.
No. 10 Mixed, 7.00 p. m., from Stratford.
No. 4 Express, 10.00 p. m., from Buffalo.

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Huron Signal.

GODERICH, APRIL 21, 1875.

The Great Dominion.

This is the title of an address by Edward Jenkins, Esq., M. P. P., agent General for Canada, to the Manchester, England, Reform Club, and which, printed in neat pamphlet form by Dawson Bros. of Montreal, is upon our table. As the title and Mr. Jenkins' connection with English immigration to this country indicate, the subject is the Dominion of Canada, and is an excellent compendium of general information regarding the resurces and condition of the vast territory, with a hasty sketch of a vision of its future greatness. Mr. Jenkins has studied and acquired a vast amount of information, and being possessed of much ability as an orator this address is both interesting and readable. In a moderate flight of fancy he introduces his English hearers to the Dominion at its gateway, the mouth of St. Lawrence and enters upon a rapid description of the salient features of the Maritime Provinces—Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. These provinces possess twenty-five and a half million acres of good settlement lands, fertile in the production of cereals and valuable in its tracts of timber. Coal, iron, gold and stone are mined with great success, whilst along the shores the fisherman pursues his avocation which in value throughout these three provinces in 1873 netted $9,660,000. But in its maritime wealth this portion of the Dominion stands most prominently, St. Johns having the proud distinction of standing, with its 250,000 tons of shipping and 50,000 inhabitants, in this order among the four first maritime cities in the British possessions, Liverpool, London, Glasgow and St. Johns, and being superior to New York and Philadelphia. The total tonnage of sea-going vessels, is 770,000, and altogether the shipping of Canada is very little behind that of the United States.

After referring to the construction of the Baie Verte canal which will save a great distance between the upper ports of the St. Lawrence and New York and provincial ports, the sketch introduces a vivid picture of Quebec, which we will leave the artist to depict in his own words, as viewed in the ascent of the St. Lawrence :—

"On either side is an endless panorama of boldness and beauty, of wilderness and cultivation, from the highland mountains of Gaspe to the smiling fields and quaint villages of the Isle d'Orleans stretched out in a patchwork of cultivation. This is the province of Quebec. And what a province! Its length between 700 and 1,000 miles, its breadth about 300. In area it occupies 193,355 square miles, or nearly 124,000,000 of acres."

Here is a timber limit of 107,000,000 of acres of which but little more than its existence is known, a sea coast adjacent to which most valuable fish abound; a well watered, fruitful and picturesque country with a salubrious climate successfully supported unfit for human habitation, and containing a known wealth of gold, silver, copper, iron, lead, plumbago, zinc and other metals inviting the influences of capital and enterprise to create them sources of immense wealth. Quebec is easy of access by British capitalists, and it is a wonder that they should overlook this Eldorado to sink capital in the pursuit of a Will-o'-the-wisp fortune in some foreign country. The province is too little known by Britain, but the provincial Government is vigorously engaged in the work of opening up the country and unveiling the almost incredible picture of its wealth and richness.

Ontario is viewed next as the leading province of the Dominion—its "very heart and life." In its comparatively small area is included many sources of wealth and greatness—to the north we find vast tracts of timber upon which the plundering axe of the lumberman has but slight effect, vast tracts of fertile country awaiting the tide of immigration; in the southern portion is a well settled, prosperous and wealthy people, progressive and enterprising; towards the west minerals abound, whilst almost encircling it is a chain of "inland seas," well stocked with fish, making an unequalled highway for commerce, and helping to make the land more rich and productive. It is only in late years that the Province had any conception of its real wealth, of its cultivable land and extent of habitable territory; but it has become disabused of its ancient beliefs, and as the emigrant penetrates beyond the Provinces' northern boundary line of oblivion and the improvements of civilization follows its progress, energy is called into greater action and the fertile valleys in the vicinity of the Laurentian range and the banks of the many lakes and rivers are rapidly becoming inhabited. The people of Ontario are really British, with the energy and caution of that people, and with none of the mercurial temperament of their Republican neighbors. Their loyalty is unquestionable, the narrow-minded opinion of the Tory press on the Reciprocity question to the contrary, and although an independent spirit manifests itself it is only the innate British spirit assisting its right to a participation in a scheme of Imperial Confederation and superiority over the offspring suckling at the mother's breast.

The North-west Territories constitute the picture upon which the lake provinces are but minute details in the superficial portrait. The extent of farming country is enormous; it is well watered, being possessed of navigable rivers, large lakes and facilities for canal building. Cereals grow with wonderful success, the wheat being pronounced to be of extraordinary quality, and roots grow to large proportions.—Minerals and coal abound to an extent hardly conceivable, and a field of immigration is here open to accommodate a hardy race. British Columbia is possessed of a beautiful climate, is fertile, has mines of coal and valuable minerals, and is destined to be the gateway for the trade of the East with Europe. "The Canadian Pacific Railway will place New Westminster 500 miles nearer London than San Francisco," and will pass over a more level grade and through a more fertile country. The Labrador coast is represented by fishermen, who realize a large revenue from this source, and in and about the Hudson Bay or Immense wealth in minerals, furs, fish and the products of wild fowl are stored.

Mr. Jenkins refers to a matter which may not be generally known, and that is that the climate of this country is better adapted for the cultivation of vine, hemp, &c., than that of the United States, and that the same remark applies to the most part is too high, which fact is demonstrated clearly when we consider that the latitude of Canada is the same as that of the grain-growing section of Europe.

Financially the country is in a healthy condition, being far in advance of the other British colonies in this respect. "Her debt does not exceed $120,000,000, or, taking the population at 4,000,000, about £6 2s. 3d. sterling per head. More than half of this debt is represented by public works, canals, harbours, lighthouses, river improvements, railways, &c., and over $40,000,000 by military and provincial securities. In four years only, from 1869 to 1873—the trade of the Dominion leaped up from $128,000,000 to $217,304,516, an increase of nearly 80½ millions. The total value of the exports from the Dominion for the fiscal year ending June, 1873, was $90,810,573, and of the imports $126,493,943. The banking statistics of Canada show a steady growth, combined with a strength of position her Republican neighbour might well envy."

Lengthy references is made to the ability which controls this embryo nation and its institutions, in terms which indicate Mr. Jenkins' love for Canada, as well as a true conception of its condition. He appears satisfied that a new spirit of energetic enthusiasm has been instilled into the inhabitants and the legislation, which surmounts none of the barriers of narrow bigotry and conservative stupidity which have retarded progress in the past to stand in its way. An era of prosperity has begun which defies and mocks the croakings of the ill-natured London *Times*, which has always regarded every Canadian project as a swindle and an attempt to feed English capitalists to the extent of their last pound. Mr. Jenkins certainly gives the best and most favorable report possible, but it is no fancy picture,—it is a hasty sketch, which in detail would be still more magnificent and convincing to the spectator.

The Way of the Transgressor.

Last week judgment was given in the suit for libel, Crook *vs.* The *Mail*, awarding the plaintiff one shillings damages. Some time ago the journal made use of some libellous remarks with regard to Mr. Crook's (Provincial Treasurer), conduct and connection with the disposal of municipal debentures in England, and the suit was brought for a small amount of damages simply for the purpose of vindicating that gentleman's honor in a court of justice. The result therefore is quite satisfactory to the plaintiff, and will be another lesson to that journal to curb its slanderous tongue. Assuming to occupy the position of leader amongst the Conservative journals, the *Mail* has maintained its prominence by means the ungentlemanly, and recognizing the fact that notoriety is a stepping stone to popularity, the entanglement in a few libel suits with leading persons was but a manifestation of their spirit of enterprise. With the recklessness of an Ishmael it has thrown itself, poisoned arrow in hand, in position to assail the character of honest and responsible men. Its motto is on par with the Democratic election cry of "anything to beat Grant," and the eagerness to get a "slap at McKellar" was only equaled by its unscrupulousness in abusing a man for whom it gave no second thought, for that purpose. Opposition it can not regard with any degree of good grace, but everything not Tory must needs be characterized as rotten, disreputable and infamous—even to the court which decided adversely to its interests. With a sneer it comments upon the late trial and insinuates that justice was blindfolded by saying that "wretches have hung that jurymen might dine."

Notwithstanding that the *Mail* has railed at the verdict with considerable ire, its courage is shaken and its wrath is as feble as its "gentlemanly" characteer. The author of the libellous article speaks apologetically, and bewails the position in which he is placed—of being the mouthpiece of certain persons who forced him to express opinions and sentiments contrary to his principles and feelings. When the prospectus of the journal first appeared a platform was announced which was accepted as the signal of a welcome era in journalism, but within of a short period from the time of the first issue of the paper every good principle set forth had been violated, but, as the manager of the *Mail* himself says, in opposition to his desire. What a humiliating position! We read of the manner in which editors in France rid themselves of the pestilence of libellous articles, by having a dummy about their office who puts his signature to all their editorials and taking upon himself the brunt of the law's revenge. Here we have a man acting as the mouthpiece of a few, submitting to be the law's victim and the subject of people's contempt. The picture is not attractive—it shows a lurking, cowardly spirit flitting in the background dreading the daylight and pusting forward a poor tool to do the dirty work of assailing honest men and scattering its venom upon them. Well might it be asked "to what base means" has this leading Tory organ come?

Spring Assizes.

On the 13th inst., the Court was occupied all day taking evidence in the case of *Edgar et. al. vs. Little*. The defendant in this case was charged with damaging the property of plaintiff by fire which was set on the property of defendant and spread to that of plaintiff. After taking the evidence, the plaintiff took a non suit—Thos. Robertson, Esq. Q. C. for plaintiff—Mr. Idington, of Stratford, for defendant.

Kendall vs. Mitchell. Action on an account—Verdict for plaintiff $500 subject to the award of Henry McDermott. E. Holmsted for plaintiff—J. S. Sinclair for defts.

Edgar vs. Hodge. Record withdrawn.

Kelly vs. Munro. Action for ejectment. Verdict for plaintiff with immediate execution—S. Malcolmson for plff. J. S. Sinclair for deft.

Hastie vs. Johnston. Action for ejectment—Verdict for plff. with execution in two weeks from date—W. R. Squier for plff. J. S. Sinclair for deft.

Kerr vs. Harris. Record withdrawn.

Canada Co. vs Montgomery. Action for ejectment—Verdict for plff. with execution in ten days—J. L. Lyon for plff. B. L. Doyle for deft.

McLaughlin vs. Hogan. Action on promissory notes—Verdict for plff. $498.50. S. Malcolmson for plff. J. L. Lyon for deft.

McGrory vs. Murphy. Action for timber sold—Verdict for plff. $2,000 subject to award of I. F. Toms Esq. M. C Cameron for plff. J. S. Sinclair for deft.

Goderich Foundry Co. vs. Swinburne et. al. Action on common counts—Verdict for plffs. against defts. Scott and Swinburne $280, and for deft. Jane McGregor, with leave to plffs. to move to enter a verdict against said Jane McGregor also. A certificate for full costs was granted—M. C. Cameron for plffs. J. Davison for defts.

Macmath vs. Confederation Life Assn. Action for wages claimed by plff. as servant of defendants—Verdict for plff. $197.20 and certificate for full costs granted. M. C. Cameron and G. B. Gordon for plff. James Beatty Q. C. for defts.

Queen vs. James Grisley. The prisoner was charged with perjury and the Grand Jury returned a *true bill*. Prisoner was bound over in his own recognizance for $500 to appear at next assizes for trial. The Crown and other witnesses were also bound over in $200 to appear.

The Grand Jury handed in the following presentment:

We the Grand Jurors of our Sovereign Lady the Queen, on our oath present, That we have visited the Jail and found the same in a most orderly state. We would recommend that a suitable library be provided for the use of the prisoners in Jail.

We would congratulate your Lordship on the lightness of crime in such a large and populous County, we having but very few cases [illegible] complaints have been made by the jurors that the seats or forms now in use in the Court House are very uncomfortable to sit on during a protracted [illegible], we would recommend that a change be made. We beg to thank the Crown Counsel and County Attorney for their courtesy to us in conducting the business brought before us. We cannot close this our presentment without expressing deep sympathy with the family of the late respected Daniel Lizars Esq., who for so many years filled the position of Clerk of the Peace in this County.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID PATTON,
Foreman.

Grand Jury Room,
Goderich, April 15th, 1875.

His Lordship replied referring to the several subjects mentioned to the presentment, and stated, as regards the seats or forms referred to it was a matter for the County Council to take action on. His Lordship in referring to the late Clerk of the Peace, spoke in feeling terms and expressed deep sympathy with the family and friends of the deceased.

The Court closed on 15th inst., at noon.

West Riding Spring Show.

The first spring show of entire stock for the West Riding of Huron took place on Friday last. The attendance of visitors was pretty large, from the fact that it was an inclement day preventing farmers from continuing their spring work but the display of animals though excellent was very small, many entries having been made which were not accepted as the animals were not brought forward. The entries may be accounted for from the fact that some exhibitors were unable to come owing to the Bon Miller and Manchester bridges having been swept away. A goodly number of farm implements were on exhibition, and quite a number were disposed of. Mr. H. J. Nott had on exhibition a light, strongly-built gang plow which was generally admired. Mr. Westbrook exhibited a very neat and sulky hay rake, a compact, well finished mower and seed drill from L. D. Sawyer & Co's works which were sold to Mr. Isaac Fisher, Colborne. He also exhibited a staunch looking gang plow. Massey Manufacturing Co., Newcastle, had a number of ploughs on the ground, as did also Thomson & Williams, of Mitchell, who also showed a good mower. Messrs A. J. Reece, Auburn, agents for Bell & Co., St. George, and Billington, of Dundas, showed an excellent seed drill, plough and a new model mower. Mr. J. Brundson, of Londesboro' showed the well known "champion reaper" and "superior" seed drill of the Jos. Hall make. A. Harries, Son & Co., of Brantford, had a combined Kirby, Burdick single reaper and Kirby mower. After dinner the horses were called upon the ground and Mr. Jas. McDonagh's "Boonie Scotchman," and Mr. J. J. Fisher's "John Bull" entered for the prizes in heavy draughts. The former is a bright bay, three years old, of powerful build and heavy, and very active. This occasion was the second upon which he was exhibited this spring, having taken the medal at Lucknow on the 14th. "John Bull" is a beautiful black seven years old horse, lighter in build than "Bonnie Scotchman" of very fine shape and good action.' He is well known and has taken a number of prizes throughout the Province. The judges studied the two horses for a considerable time before arriving at a decision. In roadsters there were two entories, both two year old colts out of Peacock, whom they very much resemble. Mr. Fisher's colt was the smallest, but is well shaped, lively and possesses many good points. Mr. Robt. McCulloch's colt was universally admired for its beauty and activity. It is a beautiful bay, as lithe as a cat, full of fire, well trained, and a fine trotter. Three agricultural horses were shown, "Young Conqueror of the West," a fine black colt three years old, being very much admired. Mr. John Glen showed a light bay colt two years old which promises to be an excellent animal, and Mr. Otter Wilson showed a fine looking eight year old animal which he bought last winter.

In bulls over two years only two entries were made, John Washington's "Dixie Duke" and Chas. Young's "Stanley." Mr. Cardiff, of Durham, the former being a fine beast, dark red and very heavy, and the latter a fine animal light red in color and good weight. Mr. Wm. Cunningham showed a very good grade in the class of bulls under two years. The following is the prize list.

HORSES.

Heavy draught horse—1st Jas. McDonagh's "Bonnie Scotchman;" 2nd J. J. Fisher's "John Bull."

Agricultural Horse—1st Henry Beadle's "Young Conqueror of the West;" 2nd John Glen, 3rd Otter Wilson.

Coach Horse, or roadster—1st Robt. McCulloch, 2nd J. J. Fisher.

BULLS.

Over two years of age—1st John Washington's "Dixie Duke," 2nd Chas. Young's "Stanley."

Under 2 years—1st Wm. Cunningham.

Mr. J. J. Fisher showed a lively looking Jackass which was highly recommended.

After the prizes had been awarded the directors assembled in the Agricultural Hall to consider the subject of where the fall show was to be held. Mr. Wm. Young, President of the Society, stated that ninety-six names had been secured in Colborne as members of the society on condition that the show be held in Smith's Hill. Messrs Anderson and Girvin stated that a large number in the vicinity of Dungannon had subscribed on condition that the show be held there.

Mr. Washington considered that it was not proper to take names conditionally.

Mr. Clendenning was called upon and stated that the people of Dungannon would guarantee to put necessary additions to the drill shed, properly furnish with pens, fences and level the three acres of ground adjoining, and to give accommodation for man and beast. Private stabling was offered for 100 horses and the Methodist Church sheds would accommodate from 10 to 15 teams. They had two large hotels, and should these fail to give all accommodation necessary, they had halls which could be fitted up for the purpose. Everything would be done for the public comfort. The village was centrally situated, and offered the best position for the holding of the show.

Mr. Young stated that Mr. McDonagh was willing to give a 21 years lease of 5 acres of ground, well fenced and free of all expense. Stabling accommodation could be had for a large number of horses, and there was plenty of good pasturage. They had a good hall, and should visitors want any other accommodation than that afforded by the hotel and in houses in the vicinity, the distance to Goderich was very little and they could easily go there. Mr. McDonagh would provide more hotel accommodation, and the people of Smith's Hill would enlarge the hall.

A communication from the Hullett Branch Agricultural Society proposing to amalgamate with the West Riding Society, placing all their funds to the credit of the union and to hold the show at Clinton, was read.

Mr. Andrews, of Clinton, stated that they had an excellent show ground and good buildings. They proposed to admit every member and exhibitor free. The amount of membership fees which the Hullett Branch Society would hand over would be from $300 to $400. They could better accommodate that show than any other place.

Some further discussion followed, and it was proposed to vote on the three places together and that which received the smallest votes to be dropped and to vote on the two remaining places. The following was the result:

FIRST VOTE.

Clinton.	Dungannon.	Smith's Hill.
Cameron,	Anderson,	Hopkins,
Cunningham,	Girvin,	Hopkins,
Fisher,	Anderson,	Smith,
Lyon,	Girvin,	Taylor,
Taylor,	Fisher,	Young,
Young,	Cameron,	—4
—4	—3	

SECOND VOTE.

Girvin,	Dungannon,	
Anderson,	Clinton,	
Fisher,	Clinton,	
Taylor,	Dungannon,	
Cameron,	Clinton,	

Dungannon was thus chosen. Messrs Girvin, Clendinning, Anderson, and others stated that they would accommodate as many as possible who would make application to them, and any who drove cattle in the show the day before the show began could have them housed and pastured at Mr. Girvin's and other farms in the vicinity of the village.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at Bingham's restaurant, in Goderich, on the 22nd day of June, to prepare the prize list.

AMERICAN.—Two inches of snow fell in New York on the 13th, and half a foot at Scranton, Pa.

Two steps from Dorrenville to Sacramento was stopped on the 15th by highwaymen, and Wells, Fargo, & Co's treasure box containing $6,500 in gold dust, bars and coin, was carried away.

The present cold snap has had very serious results in the fruit growing districts of many parts of the Western States.

Anton Linburg, a Swede, while drunk, fatally stabbed Andrew Johnson, in his sick room at Collinsville, Conn., on Friday night. John Felton, a German, who occupied the room on learning the trouble, was stabbed four times by Linburg and died instantly. Felton's wife also received a fearful stab in the hip. Linburg then plunged the knife into his own body, and also cut his throat. He lived but a few moments.

An attempt was made to blow up a Catholic Church in Cincinnati on Sunday night, by parties unknown, who placed five cans of gunpowder in the vestibule. The plot was discovered and thwarted in the nick of time.

The Chipman Silver Mine at Newburyport, Mass., was sold last week for $1,000,000 to a joint stock company organized in New York for the working of the mine. The same parties paid $41,000 for other parcels of land in the vicinity.

Spelling matches continue in favor at Boston. For this week five grand matches are announced, one of the prizes being a $600 rosewood piano.

ENGLAND.—A Bill enjoining Moody and Sankey from holding meetings in Her Majesty's Opera House, London, has been filed by seat-owners—not owners of the building, as stated. The Princess of Wales, Duchess of Sutherland and attendants were present lately at one of the meetings.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer introduced the Budget to the Imperial Parliament, on Thursday, announcing a surplus of £417,000.

The revival excitement in London continues. Four crowded meetings were held on Thuesday. At one of them held in Spurgeon's tabernacle, and having special reference to students for the Christian's ministry, Mr. Moody delivered a stirring address, closing with an appeal to the audiences to go out into the streets and work for Christ, to which thousands responded by rising.

GERMANY.—Bismarck states that he is not an enemy of the Catholic Church but of the Papacy, which has resolved to exterminate heretics.

The Emperor has signed the bill passed by the Prussian Diet withdrawing State grants from the Catholic clergy.

TURKEY.—It is reported that the Turks have murdered 270 christians in Roumania and Bulgaria, during the last three months, and that the names of the victims have been communicated to the foreign representatives in Constantinople.

SPAIN.—A number of women and children, says a Madrid despatch, have been seized by the Carlists, who threaten to shoot them unless they are ransomed.

FRANCE.—A party of three persons ascended in a balloon at Paris on Friday, for the purpose of making scientific observations. The balloon attained the extraordinary height of 8,000 metres. Two of the aeronauts were suffocated to death, and when the balloon reached the ground the third was almost insensible, and has since been so ill that his recovery is doubtful.

News has arrived giving particulars of the state of affairs in China. Chinese troops have been shedding blood in Formosa. The particulars of the first fight in Formosa between the savages and Chinese troops are that two Chinese officers ventured, in January last, to enter the region of the Boton aborigines, and were immediately killed. On February 13th a body of two hundred troops were sent from the village of Hong Kong to retaliate. They burned one village and put the inhabitants to death, including old men, women and children. On their return they were surrounded and routed with a loss of ninety killed, among whom was the Chinese leader. The savages loss is estimated at thirty.

WINGHAM AND VICINITY.

The late freshet carried away the new bridge on the 12th con. of Grey.

Mr. Wm. Goy, of Turnberry, swallowed an ounce of laudanum on the 12th inst. The dose was too large to have a fatal effect, and Mr. Goy has recovered.

Mr. C. Blakeslie, of Wingham, whilst assisting to repair the bridge at Lower Wingham, carried away by the freshet, fell into the river He managed to get hold of plank and drift near the shore about an eighth of a mile from where he fell in.

Mr. Robt. Follis, 10th con. of Turnberry was chopping wood, on the 9th inst., in a swamp, and a tree which he had cut having stuck on a hemlock stub he climed up to dislodge it. The stump appeared sound, but the moment he put his full weight on, he sank to the bottom a distance of about 20 feet. Here he remained in a very cramped position for nine hours, until some of his neighbors, heard him calling and took him out.

SEAFORTH.

From the *Expositor*.—The first meeting of the Seaforth District Teachers Institute will take place on Saturday April 24th, in the Seaforth School Room, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Fall wheat in this section, and south of this, is looking unusually well. Most of the fields are already well covered and look green and healthy. Grass seed has also been a good catch.

During the past 23 days, Mr. A. Armitage has shipped from the Seaforth Station, 167 car loads of grain and salt. The grain was on account of Liverpool and Glasgow orders, and the salt for the Canadian and American markets.

ASHFIELD.

A CONTRAST.—Mr. W. J. Hayden, of Ashfield, had a bed of crocuses, four varieties, in full bloom in his garden the week before last. Any one who saw his garden then and visited it during the snow storm last week would have occasion to marvel at the fickleness of spring weather.

LUCKNOW.

Measles are becoming very prevalent in these parts.

Business in town is dull, and not much stir is expected until after seeding.

Rev. H. Kellam, of Lucknow, is very ill and unable to attend to his pastoral duties.

The large sum of $842.08 was taken at the Lucknow railway station for passenger fares on the 7th inst.

LOCAL NEWS

A BROKEN ARM.—A son of Mr. M. McKellar of Blyths got his arm broke on the 13th inst., while wrestling in the school yard.

PERSONAL.—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Acheson reached home on Saturday, looking greatly improved by their trip to the West.

BANK OF UPPER CANADA.—Mr. Mellwain of the Hodgeville agency, Ont., will be sold for sale by public auction at Hodgeville on Tuesday, 27th inst., a number of first class milch cows.

SUDDEN.—We notice the death of R. McDonagh, son of Mr. Jas. McDonagh of Smith's Hill, has passed successful examination in medicine before the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

FRESH ARRIVALS.—Messrs. Trull & Field have received another large and well assorted spring stock of groceries. Be sure and read advertisement and call at their store.

LOST HIS FINGER.—While Wm. Lamb of Colborne, was splitting rails in the woods on the 13th, the axe glanced and struck him on the left hand cutting the first finger off at the second joint.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.—The Committee of candidates for the Methodist Church of Canada, will be held in Seaforth, on Wednesday, April, commencing at 9 o'clock. Quarterly meeting of Goderich circuit will be held in Goderich on Tuesday 18th May, at 2 p. m. The representatives will attend on Wednesday 19th May, at 10 a. m.

PAY UP.—The new postal law will compels newspaper offices to prepay postage on all papers leaving the office. Being likely to come into force on the 1st of May, we could request those indebted to us to pay up. Look at the addresses or the paper you will see whether you are in arrears or not, we will charge the same price as usual for the paper, namely $1.50 per annum, but always in advance.

LOCATING THE LINE.—A staff of engineers employed in locating the line of the London, Huron, and Bruce Railway passed through Brucefield on the 12th inst. The engineers are now at Kippen with a few men. The present line is being run several rods further west than the lines formerly run. This is the fourth line that has been run by the surveyors for this road, and it is hoped by many that it will be the last and final one.

HAD A COLD.—Mr. Smith made a little trip into the country last week when the weather was balmy and beautiful dressed in his summer clothes. He returned home on Friday with a cold nose and bleary eyes and accosted his wife in a hoarse manner with—"Mrs. Smith get by udder clothes mighty quick. He has vowed to wear his furs all summer.

NEW STORE.—Messrs. Trull & Field have entered into partnership and opened a new grocery and provision store in the handsome store belonging to C. Crabb, Esq., and adjoining his stand, where they have laid in an excellent stock of groceries, provisions, wines, liquors, &c. of the finest qualities, which have purchased their stock for cash, and will always sell at the lowest remunerating prices, and purchasers would do well to call upon them. See advt. in another column.

VENUE OF THE RANTAGE.—During the heavy gale which blew from the southeast on Thursday night last, the M. C. Cameron broke loose from her moorings and drifted out on a meandering excursion around the harbor. She succeeded in taking off the Todman's jib-boom, making a large hole through the side of the Grand Trunk elevator and breaking off her own jib-boom, before being secured.

EXTENDING THE HARBOR RAILWAY.—A number of Grand Trunk officials were in town last week making arrangements for extending the harbor railway as far as Harbor Lane. The track will be run at the foot of the hill and behind the Grand Trunk elevator to Ogilvie's elevator. A proposition was made to continue the track to the end of the dock, if the warehousemen were willing to cooperate for that purpose. The expense would be small, and the plan would be very advantageous.

THE CAMP.—We understand an effort is being made in town to have the various battalions of this military district assemble here for the annual drill this coming summer. Every person who recollects the presence of the military in town in June, 1871, will be anxious to welcome the district to visit us again. The Middlesex and Wellington battalions have expressed themselves anxious to come here, and we know no place so well adapted for the purpose. Let us like to afford pleasure to the men themselves. Let some of our leading military men take the matter in hand.

A FAILURE.—As many of our readers will know efforts have been made in Michigan lately to find a salt bed other than that from which the brine supply is at present drawn from. Their brine is much weaker than Goderich brine, and it was thought by boring to a depth similar to the wells here a stronger spring would be found. A Michigan paper thus announces the result of one effort:—"Messrs. Thompson Bros. at White Rock, Mich., after boring to the depth of 1,311 feet, have abandoned their effort to reach the Goderich salt vein. It has cost them a great deal, and there was a poor chance of success."

THOROUGHBREDS.—Mr. John Salter, of East Wawanosh, is manifesting considerable enterprise in the direction of thorough breeding in cattle. He has lately purchased from Mr. Foley, of the County of Durham, a well known stock raiser, three head of Devonshire cattle, viz., one cow, a one year old bull, and heifer calf, all from registered stock, the mother of which has taken several first prizes at Provincial Fairs, and New York, Michigan, and Ohio State Fairs.—*Wingham Times.*

CLOTHES STEALING.—One evening last week a seedy looking character named Porthill was detected by Mr. Jos. Morris, of Colborne, in the act of stripping his clothes line. Mr. Morris grabbed the fellow by the coat collar and getting assistance brought him to town, but having no commitment he had to remain in town over night until he could interview a magistrate. The thief was safely lodged in jail the next day. He was seen prowling about Mr. Symington's house and two fine shirts disappeared with him. He also stole two coats from one P. Carroll and pawned them for 25 and 50 cents each.

The prisoner on Tuesday was brought up for trial, and elected to be tried before the Judge instead of a jury, and pleaded "guilty" and stated that he had no desire to steal, and could not have done so, but that he was drunk at the time. Sentenced to three months in the common jail.

THE WEATHER.—The recent few weeks of fine spring weather had almost convinced the public that "gloomy winters' noo awa," to remain away until the summer and autumn months had again passed. Taking time by the forelock, the newspapers gave hints upon public conduct during the season of spring, old Sol's face beamed with winning smiles, busy husbandmen delved and sowed seed, birds that ought to be possessed of more wisdom twittered and sung summer lays, Jack Frost was deceived and submitted to be completely exterminated and the man of the household who sawed the wood smiled and looked supremely happy, when a change came over the scene and the prospects of spring were buried in a second edition of winter. The season is proverbially fickle, but almost every one seemed satisfied that the last flake of snow had been seen. What gardening has been done, however, will be but slightly affected by the cold and snow, as the seeds sown had not time to germinate and the frost was not severe enough to cause the earth to heave up. Fall wheat will not be injured, but the few flowers, crocuses and other early plants, have been nipped by frost and will be retarded in their growth. Since Friday the weather has been wintry like, and snow fell, storms were gotten up and the wind chilled to the marrow after the most approved December fashion.

AT WORK.—The tug Mayflower towed the dredges out of their winter quarters on Monday, and they are at work.

FINDY CHANGES TO TURN PENNY.—By the Globe of Monday we notice the following shifting of assignments:—"Ebenezer Mayes Folo, coal, Sandusky to Goderich, at four shillings per ton."

INSTRUMENT.—Six years ago on the 17th of April the Grand Trunk Railway was blocked up, here, with about six feet of snow on the level. Let us see how we are off for the present year.

DROWNED.—George Bissett and Wm. Bissett, two young men aged 21 and 23 years respectively, were drowned in Lake Huron on Sunday last, and were allowed four days to pay same.

ARTIFICIAL STONE CO.—A company has been organized in town to carry on the manufacture of artificial stone. They have a stock of cements and the necessary tools ordered and the patterns will be forthcoming as quick as possible.

TOO SOON.—Mr. Rob. Tolmie has sold the tug Dory to a gentleman in Kincardine, where she will be taken as soon as navigation opens. Mr. Tolmie is refitting the Sarah E. Day