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LAST week they had a lively time of it in the Assembly, discussing the relative purity, or rather the relative corruption of the two political parties. Mr Meredith opened the proceedings by a vigorous assault upon the record of the Liberal party, as revealed in the election courts, making special mention of Glenagarty. He also pointed at Mr Mowat as one who had advocated the principle of "fighting the devil with fire." Mr Mowat denied such an advocacy. He had stated that some people pleaded such an excuse, but he did not believe in such a principle. Mr Fraser then got at Mr Meredith and asked him fore and aft. He accused him of posing as a political Pharisee; and taunted him with saying he would "see Jimmy Weeks through." Mr Meredith, with great indignation, denied this, but Mr Fraser rubbed it in, by pointing to the unfulfilled threat of the opposition leader during the Middlesex election, a few years ago, regarding Mr Pardee. Others took a hand in this washing of political dirty linen, but the choicest bit of election scandal was when the black mustached Evarault, of Russell, with his pleasing French accent, described how the Conservative candidate in Russell, Mr Charles McIntosh, had two of his supporters hold up a board while Mrs McDonald and McIntosh did the high kicking act for \$5 a side. Mrs McDonald captured the stakes. None of the legislators pointed out the fact that only two members of the Legislature had been unseated for bribery by agents. There is room for a moral in contrasting the records of the courts in Federal and Ontario election cases.

DUNGANNON and Port Albert appear to be using every effort to agitate their railway scheme from Wingham. At the last meeting of the Ashfield council a deputation waited upon that body to obtain pecuniary assistance toward sending a delegate to Ottawa, and the sum of \$35 was obtained. We congratulate our friends on north upon their push and enterprise on the railway question, and commend their wide-awake action to the attention of Goderich railway committee.

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## WHAT'S UP?

Things That Are Happening Around Us.

The "Mill on the Square" Where "The Signal" was Printed Last Week—Restoration of Councilor Butler—Necessity for Improvements.

Port Albert.

Dr. J. R. Shannon will be at DeLong's Hotel, Port Albert, on Wednesday of each week from 12 o'clock to 3 p.m.

BOOM AT THE PORT.—About forty-five years ago Mr John Hawkins built a grist mill here, and ran it a number of years. It came into the hands of Jas. Crawford, about 20 years ago, who enlarged it and the saw mill, and ran them until 1876, when Mr Jas. Mahaffy bought the mill property and proceeded to improve it. Since that time he has done a fair business, buying wheat and shipping flour, but the time-honored stone were doomed, and at last Mr Mahaffy had to fall into line with the times. During the past year he has rebuilt the flour mill and has now a new substantial building, much larger than the old one. He has also deepened the fall, which is now 18 feet, and placed a second water wheel in, making, with both wheels, 75 horse power. During the two months a force of millwrights under Mr W. Kozzich, have been at work inside, placing a full line of the latest and best machinery for the purpose of converting wheat into the purest of flour. In the new mill, the wheat passes through four operations for cleaning it of seeds and dirt; it then passes through 10 pairs of rolls, 13 reels, 3 purifiers, bran dusters, etc., using 18 elevators to distribute the stock to the different machines. The machines are all strong and beautifully finished, and the millwright work such the machinery, birch, cherry, black ash and elm being used, and is finished like furniture. The mill will have a capacity of from 75 to 100 barrels in 24 hours, and is being generally arranged for working. It is arranged to make any grade of flour known to the trade, but is especially intended for custom work and making flour for the retail business. Wm and J. S. Greay, of Toronto, furnished the machinery, and their expert Mr Laurie, made the plans. They have kept Mr Mahaffy waiting several months for the machinery. When the C. P. R. is completed to Port Albert, our flour mills will have access to outside markets. Who says the Port isn't booming!

## DUNGANNON.

The municipal council of West Wawanosh met in the town hall on Saturday the 18th. All the members were present. The auditors presented their report of the municipal accounts for the year 1887, which was read and adopted. Other important business was transacted.

The Band of Hope held a concert on Friday 17th, as announced last week. There was a large attendance of young people. The Revs W. F. Campbell and D. G. Cameron, gave short addresses which were well received. The children adopted Mr Cameron's lectures, dialogues etc., in a manner which elicited great applause, the whole program being carried out very creditably and to the entire satisfaction of all present.

Revs Mr McKay, of Lucknow, and D. G. Cameron, of Dungannon, exchanged pulpits last Sabbath.

Mrs J. Johnston with her daughter, of Sanlic county, Mich., is visiting her brother Thos. Strothers, of this village, who is very ill.

A visitor arrived at Dungannon on Monday the 20th inst. Mr Gordon Anderson is the happy father. Mother and child are doing well. It is said the population of Dungannon is increasing gradually.

We are sorry to have to state that Mrs Walter Stewart has been very ill, but it is pleasing to note that she is in a fair way of becoming convalescent.

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