dure, and the promise is of a bountifureturn to the husbandman. With

spirit of thankfulness for past blessi g

and a bright expectation of things to

going sketch will not prove uninteresting to The Signal's readers, "The History

PRISON REFORM INQUIRY.

OPENING SESSION OF THE COMMIS-

SION HELD AT HAMILTON.

The Chairman States the Scope of the In

as to the Hamilton Jail.

vestigation-Many Sheriffs and Jailers

Present\_Governor Ogilvie's Evidence

Hamilton, July 9.—The Prison Reform Commission, consisting of J. W. Langmuir

(chairman), Hon. Timothy Anglin (Secretary), Hon. Charles Drury, Dr. A. M. Rosebrugh and A. F. Jury, met here to-day.

The commission was appointed by the On-

tario Government in consequence of resolu

There was a large attendance of witnesse Including Sheriff T. C. Dawson and Jailer

Hamilton of St. Catharines; Sheriff James Smith and Jailer John Coulson of Welland;

Sheriff McKellar and Jailer Ogilvie of Ham-

liton; Rev. T. Geoghegan, Rev. Father McEvay, W. C. Barnes and Rev. J. S. Ross.
The chairman explained that the com-

ission had a large scope, but would make

enquiry especially on these points: 1, the

cause of crime; 2, any improved means for providing and conducting industrial schools;

children from a criminal career; 4, improve-

with tramps and habitual drunkards. The

commission had chosen Hamilton to open in,

not on account of its prominence as a crim-lnal centre, but simply because it was near

Governor James Czilvie of the Hamilton

jail was the only witness this morning. He gave a long statement of the treatment and

classification of the prisoners in his charge.

language than the men. He had never heard

old prisoners recounting their crimes to the

younger men; on the contrary, they are very careful about talking of previous crimes,

The establishment of a municipal work-house would reduce the number of prisoners

in the jail, enable them to improve the

say that he knew one case where a committal to jail has had a deterrent effect on

them. Drunkenness among women has largely decreased in recent years, due in his

opinion to fear of the Mercer and also to the excellent work of Christian societies.

Habitual drunkards may generally be looked

upon as a charge on their families, not as

boys is the field sports instituted by the

elergy of St. Matthew's, where the boys can

assemble in the evenings and amuse them-

formed by the committals.

He could not keep those awaiting treeparate from the sentenced offenders.

improved means of rescuing destitute

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#### DUNLOP'S HISTORY.

Early Days.

A Succinct Account of the Growth and Development of a Noted Part of Colborne Township-Interesting Reminiscences.

Written for The Signal.

A history of this stirring burg may prove interesting reading to its resident and perhaps, to others of your readers During the past 56 years this community has been known to civilization under various names, such as Lawson's Corners, Hyndman's Corners, Anthony Allen's, etc. In 1878 the residents succeeded in having a post-office established. The place was then named Milburn, but the Government changed it to Dunlop in 1881. This last name, we think, will never be changed. What we call Dun-lop extends from John Barker's north to the line fences of the border farm of E. shore, Colborne township, Huron, Ontario. To your readers we will try to give a brief history of the events which have occurred in this place and the names of those who once made it their home, who have moved away, or have been called to another home, and also of its present burghers. Some are business men and others farmers. The early

THE LATE SHERIFF HYNDMAN Sheriff did similar work on the east side. Here we were shown the place where stood the first tree stumped out by him deal of the lumber for the flooring and when it was set up was,

'THE CAMPBELLS ARE COMIN'. In addition to his home affairs the liquids. Perhaps at this jun. Sheriff took an active interest in the would be well to make a note of In addition to his home affairs the welfare of the township, being popular with all, and his early demise, being cut down in his forty-fourth year, was mournand his widow and family moved away from here. The experience of the Sheriff in digging for water, and the answer of Geordie Hull who had dug 30 feet and bored 70 feet, and when asked what lock in 1836. The annals of the cord-

had he struck, replied, "Nothing but blue clay," are well-known. The pin was taken from the pump in 1881, and Leaves from the Story of the can be seen at the homestead. At the north end Blarney Hall was built by the late John Galt in 1834, and was the first bachelor residence here. Step by step the march of progress has been in this locality, and from the day of the loggings, small clearings, the reaping-hook, and cradle and flail to that of the mower, reaper, self-binder and steam-thresher seems after all but a narrow

has seen many owners, having been burned down and risen again. It was first run by water power by D. Lawson, sr., whose son John was drowned by fallsr., whose son John was drowned by failing into the race above the big wheel and being forced under by the current, the body being discovered by the late A. H. Green. Mr Galt purchased it in 1850, and ran it for many years with a and the other was caused by someone and Going as foreman. In due, the work of the great the standard to take advantage of the dry man named Going as foreman. In due course came steam power. For a time J. Gilmour was the lessee, and then came W. M. Savage, who had his ups Shaw and the boundary farm of W. came W. M. Savage, who had his ups Clutton, on either side of the Lake and downs, and who upon being burned out in 1871, erected a gristmill in connection with the sawmill. But unfortunately he did not succeed in working up a trade for the gristmill, and continued to work the sawmill until 1873, when Fisher & Morrish took the burden off his shoulders. In 1875 R. Jewell took held of the sawmill, and was followed by the late A. Hodge, who was succeeded by the present owner, Mr George Neibergall, who has exhibited commendable energy in enlarging the capacity and and the Canada Company, the latter of employing a number of hands in cutting whom cut small clearings on their farms on the west side of the smithy, and the lumber trade.

THE EXCHANGE HOTEL

has flourished under different landlords. in 1834, the spot having been marked.

Being a man with a family the Sheriff opened it about the close of the Fifties. man with a family the Sheriff opened it about the close of the Fifties. In the beginning of the Sixties A. Allen became its landlord, and for nineteen siding of his house, as well as for his years kept the hotel, its bright fire of barn (which is still standing, although it logs in the big fire-place being still rewas built in 1835), from Detroit. Mr Cloating, a framer, who lived in Leeburn, was the builder. Some of the breath and comfortable warmth as they logs in the big fire-place being still relumber was cut in saw-pits. Like all passed and repassed the old hostelry in pioneers, the Sheriff had his troubles inclement weather. The old fireplace with the roads in bringing in supplies was done away with by Mr Dixon, who from Goderich, and spent many a day in succeeded Mr Allen in 1879. Mr Dixon with the roads in bringing in supplies from Goderich, and spent many a day in fixing up the long mudhole near the Exchange hotel. Old settlers today tell us of the Sheriff's fine library and of opening the box in which his piano came from Scotland in 1835, and upon which the statement of the st the first tune played by Mrs Hindman and it is needless to say that "Andy" is popular with all classes of the community and the general travelling public whether they indulge in "hard" or "soft" Perhaps at this juncture it

DUNLOP'S HORSES, PAST AND PRESENT,

wood period will be fresh in many memories, and the prowess of the team of our Irishman, and those of others of our restlents will be embalmed in our local history. Quite a trade was done in cord-wood in the olden days. The farm of R. Quaid was a great point for this industry when owned by the late R. H. Kirkpatrick. Other farmers also drifted into the trade, and a number of the salt-blocks in Goderich were built from timsecond to no other similar institution on this broad footstool. Through its win blocks in Goderich were built from tim-bers purchased here. Peter Hollenback, bers purchased here. Peter Hollenback, who now sleeps with the silent majority, hewed many sticks, assisted by his son Sandy, and drew them out with the aid of oxen and James Campbell's fine yoke of black cattle. Our townsman, D. Cumming, also controlled a large force of men engaged in the taking out of timber at that time, and constructed a wooden railway to the Lake to facilitate the handling of the output. Though an old settled part our burg has no kirk or chapel. In the early history of the place our people went to hear the Word to Garbraid or to No. 1 schoolhouse, but now the Leeburn church bell sees many trending thither in answer to its call.

Nature smiles. The earth is clad in very defining thither in answer to its call. istration several cases given up as hopeprogress has been made in the past, and the outlook for the future is bright Nature smiles. The earth is clad in vertrending thither in answer to its call, whilst others are attracted by Goderich bells or the stirring sound of the Salva-tion Army drum. The rising generation

in the good old days in a log schoolhouse taught by a Mr Sims in Garbraid in the Thirties, is eld No. 1 later on, and later still in No. 6. In 1879 D. Cumming made an effort for the Dunlop section, but the scheme was not pressed. In 1887, however, the agitation for better school accommodation was renewed, and after a sharp and vigorous struggle the battle was fought and won on Jan 11th, 1888. Two weeks later the site was selected; during the following summer the present commodious and handsome temple of education was erected; and in Jan., 1889, it was opened to the service of the public for the inculcation of know-ledge to the rising generation, The board of trustees for 1889 was J. O. Stuart, chairman, John Horton and Robert Quaid, and the teacher for the first year was St. Q. H. Williams. The present teacher is Miss M. J. Linfield. A school bell was presented to the section in 1889 by Robert Porter, M. P.

IN MUNICIPAL MATTERS some of our residents have taken a part. The late Sheriff Hyndman sat at the municipal board as a commissioner; R. gate and report upon the question of prison Jewell, another resident was in the township council of 1877, and took a higher step as deputy-reeve the following year.
Then there was a battle for the reeveship in 1879. The little meeting in the back chamber of the "Exchange" was noted in THE SIGNAL of Jan., 1890, and is not forgotten by many of the present residents. The climbing of snowdrifts in canvassing and the bringing of electors to the polls showed that Dunlop perseverance could win the day. From 1880 to 1885, A. Allen was Colborne's deputy. reeve, and in 1886, on the retirement W. Young, he succeeded to the reeve-ship. Since his withdrawal from the council board no other resident of Dunlop has seen fit to come forward for municipal honors. Although our farmers do not make a great commotion outside on

THE QUESTION OF AGRICULTURE gradually but surely wire fences, good farmhouses, enlarged barns and improved methods have appeared in our midst, the best systems of drainage have been adopted, and summer fallowing has banweeds. Our townsman, A. Allen, has of late years taken quite an interest in agricultural shows and become an extensive importer of stock from the Old Land. For many years past we have had a public market scales for the weighing of stock, hay, grain, &c., which is in frequent use by the farmers of the neighborquent use by the farmers of the neighborhood. As a centre for collecting shipments of cattle, and a point for purchasing horses Dunlop has in past years proved itself equal to the best, and has become a favorite rendezvous for dealers.

though they frequently tell how often they have done time. The Central Prison takes THE BUSH FIRES the worst prisoners away, and sometimes even the 30-day men are sent when they are of 1864 and 1871 are still remembered by many of our residents. One of these short of labor at the Central conflagrations was started by three juveclassification and discipline of the jail. It would be an impossibility to adopt the cellular system in the Hamilton jail, because who wanted to take advantage of the dry time, Both fires did ultimate good, but were rather harmful to the cash returns all the inmates of the cells in one corridor at the time. One of the pastimes of can speak to each other. He thought the Dunlop lads in the Sixties was walking isolation of prisoners would be cruel, would on the rope in the millyard, at a height weaken their minds by brooding and injuri-ously affect the morals of prisoners. of 30ft. The Ross boys-Hugh and Robert—were good at this exercise, as was also John H. Barker. In quoiting for being drunk and disorderly, of whom contests during the past ten years quite about one-fifth were confirmed drunkards, a number of laurels have been gained by and they were hardened rather than re-D. Cumming. As

A BUSINESS CENTRE Dunlop has quite a name. The first smithy was established here in 1872, and was continued for several years by John McIntyre, now of Saltford; and after it was closed H. J. Horton, now of Goderich, at the request of the

community started in the business in Supporters of their families. He would favor December, 1875. When, two years latered in the business in Supporters of their families. He would favor sending them to an inebriate asylum where er, Mr Horton joined the married forces of the section, he was induced to open a store in Oct., 1877, and when the postoffice was established he took charge of office was established he took charge of it, Mrs Horton making up the first mail, Illiterate children are usually the children of and A. C. Macdonald, a well-known drunken parents. One of the grandest in-resident, posting the first letter. In 1881 stitutions for the prevention of crime among Mr Horton resigned the post-office and store, and Mrs Lasham, now of Saltford. took the place for a year, assisted by her grandson, A. McQuarrie. Since her de-parture Mr and Mrs Shaw have con-

selves under supervision.

In answer to Mr. Drury the witness said ducted the store and post-office. that prisoners should have hard labor, and that it should be real hard. The jail here saw Mr Horton build a good residence, and in the fall of 1888 the old smithy in five years when there was no stone at the jail, and the news spread about so quickly the state is all was immediately overflowed. THE BLACKSMITHING BUSINESS. increased requirements of the trade. Overtaken by severe illness, however,

Mr Horton was at this juncture com-pelled to relinquish the business, and The Toronto Mail thus refers to s well know Clintonian :- Among the rented the premises to Mr C. Fisher, rented the premises to Mr C. Fisher, who, efter a year's residence removed to another stand. At the time of writing from Rat Portage, Ont., Mr C. C. Rance. He says business is booming the original smithy is without a tenant, in his town. The population is now 1, for there is good material upon which to and it is likely pressure will be brought to 500, and over forty new houses were down in his forty-fourth year, was mourned by all who knew him. Two years after his death the log house was burned, and his widow and family moved away. The first team was brought to this section by Sheriff Hyndman in 1836, and his widow and family moved away. The first team was brought to bear by our residents to induce the township fathers of Colborne to purchase it for a township hall, and sell the building mining firm, for \$150,000. Lumbering

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DUNGANNON. From our own correspondent.

The strawberry festival referred to in ur last came off on Tuesday evening. At the entrance examination held here ast week twenty eight candidates wrote Further particulars in the near future.

Weather so far is propitious for the hay crop being secured. Wheat, which a apparently a good crop, is rapidly approaching maturity. Miss Rose, of Kingston city, is visiting her uncle, Mr Thos. Anderson, Ashfield.

The young lady is enjoying herself very much, and likes this part of the country, tions passed by the Prison Reform Conference held in Toronto last November requestas all visitors do. ing the selection of "a commission to investi-A meeting of the directors of the West reform, with the view of suggesting im-proved methods of dealing with the criminal Wawanosh Mutual Fire Insurance Co. was held here last Wednesday. The institution is still progressing owing to the

classes," and their first session was held in the court house here at 11 o'clock this mornbusiness being properly transacted THE SIGNAL is anxiously looked for every week. We understand the proprietor shortly intends to make still further improvements in the literary and mechanical make-up of the paper.

cess to him in his enterprise DUNLOP. From our cwn correspondent. R. Quaid 'is building an addition to his house. Chas. Morris, of Garbraid, is

doing the work. The vacation has come and the school ments in the management of county jails and the management of prisoners; 5, the here was dismissed for the holiday term last week. Miss Linfield, the teacher, most fitting practicable employment for will visit in the township of Hay during prisoners in the province; 6, the question of the vacation among her old scholars Indeterminate sentences for offenders against where she taught previous to assuming provincial laws; 7, improved way of dealing duties here.

Miss Ida Bothwell, of the Sauble, Mich., has been visiting here and with her cousin, A. Cumming, is visiting rela- in the Dominion. Prices lower than at any tives in Kingsbridge at present

Mr John Gentles, of Kincardine, gave our burg a visit last week. Mr and Mrs E. F. Moore,

ed by two of their children, formerly of Goderich, but now of Chicago, were the guests of Mr and Mrs Allen last week. Jas Young was in Kingsbridge last week and took a hand in Mr Hussey's PERSONAL,-Willie Brodwell, who re-

sided in our midst for some time, and at-tended S.'S. No. 6, in Saltford, during his sojourn here, was amongst us last week, the guest of his uncle, A. C. Macdonald. Will was pleased with the new schoolhouse here and remarked he wished it was there when he had to tramp to Saltford over the snow mountains of '85. Since he left here he has travelled over the great plains of the Far West and has been in Oregon, and is now returning to his home in Alpena,

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The World's Fair fakirs hav way rejoicing, but Geo. Stev good photos at the reliable Hamilton-st. and Square.

The lining that has been in basins during the past we and wear and tear, and second the state of the s

The rest of the countryside i fact, but visitors may not kn Sallows, photographer, is tures equal to Chicago or Teand finish.

as it's my intention to man abome, I beg to inform the citi and vicinity if they will call it. Davis, I am prepared to de plumbing line. Workman none, and the charges not extit

What is some people's loss. This is the case with Saunsuffered loss by the fire in the ly, but they are offering goods damaged by smoke. It is a support of the same of the sa BRIEFLET

Charles Reid left on Sa Kincardine. Rev W. A. Young was day last. J. E. Sharman is spend in town.

Robert Morton left on

visit relatives in Avr. Miss Le Touzel is v about Clinton this week. Mr. W. B. Elliott arr Detroit Thursday morning Rev S. Bond and wife guests of Mrs Geo. Pat. Kelly, reeve There has been son caught in the river during

Miss I. E. Sharmar Tuesday on a visit to fr Mr Frank Humber re orday last from a two w Mr J. W. Vanatter,

is spending his vacation vicinity. Mrs Morton and two Thursday last to visit i

Mr and Mrs McDons of Hamilton, are visitin of Mrs Hyslop, Anglese Miss Jennie Moore Harry, of Chicago, is o town, the guests of Mr. Mr David Armstong

couple of weeks left for Mr Ed. Moore, of isit to our town in the and New York.

Mr A. B. Cornell. turned home on Monda ing friends in the Old past six weeks.

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