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Local Notices.

All advance notices in the local columns of THE SIGNAL *of meetings or entertainments at which an admission fee is charged, or from which a pecuniary benefit is derived, must be paid for at the rate of one cent per word each insertion, no charge less than twenty-five cents. Where advertisements of entertainments are inserted a brief local will be given free.*

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—Peter Adamson.
Wanted—Frank Turner.
Special Sales—John Acheson.
Estray Steer—Michael Schwanz.
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Hurrah for the Holidays—Fraser & Porter.
Chautauqua Orchestra Concert Co.—Mr J. M. Depew.

MARRIED.

THURLOW—MCDONALD—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 30th Oct., by the Rev D. G. Cameron, of Dungannon, David Thurlow, of Colborne, to Christina McDonald, of Ashfield.

STOTHERS—MALLOUGH—At the residence of the bride's father, Dungannon, on the 20th inst., by the Rev D. G. Cameron, Joseph Stothers, of West Wawanosh, to Martha, daughter of William Mallough, J. P.

DIED.

MOORE—In Detroit, on Sunday, Nov. 17th, Elijah Moore, aged 76 years and 8 months.

FRASER—In Goderich Township, on Wednesday, Nov. 20th, Edith Gertrude, eldest daughter of James W. Fraser, aged 5 years and 1 month.

TOWN TOPICS.

"A chiel's amang ye, takin' notes,
An' faith he'll prent it."

A GOOD PRESENT.—The most useful gift you can make is to give a Wirt Pen. Apply to D. McGillicuddy, agent, Goderich.

Geo. Stewart, the Hamilton-st. photographer, has struck a new winkle for photographic Xmas cards. See them and order a dozen or two.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union meet in the basement of North-st Meth church every Tuesday afternoon. Prayermeeting at 2:30, business meeting at 3.

F. & A. Pridham, the people's clothiers, can furnish everything from a mackintosh to a shirt collar. They carry the leading lines, and change the goods for cash at rock bottom prices.

Saunders & Son are crowded to the door with the E. & C. Gurney Coy's stoves, and have no room for their immense stock of Christmas presents, which are now arriving and which will be opened early in December. In order to make room they will offer special prices during this month on all stoves. If you want one call and see them at the cheapest house under the sun.

One of the newest and best phases of reproducing the works of the great masters in the most inexpensive form, while retaining all the fine qualities of the more costly representations, is the artotype system. Mr R. Sallows has taken hold of this line of business and is framing a number of the best productions for the Christmas trade. All wanting work in his line are requested to leave orders at once, as there will be a rush at Christmas time, and everybody cannot be served.

BRIEFLETS.

Miss Agnes Thomson manipulated the organ in Knox church last Sabbath very acceptably.

Dr McDonagh will be in Goderich for consultation on the first Saturday of every month.

Prof. Jas. Cooke, organist of Knox church, is laid up with a severe attack of rheumatic fever.

Dr M Nicholson, the West-st dentist, makes the preservation of the natural teeth a specialty. Gas administered from 9 a. m. for the painless extraction of teeth.

Don't forget anniversary services in the Victoria-st. Methodist Church, next Sunday and Monday. Let all go that can—good preacher! good supper! good program!

On Friday, Nov 15, Miss Straiton brought into THE SIGNAL a handsome bouquet of pansies, newly plucked, which were equal to any we had seen during the previous season.

Persons wishing to improve their memories or strengthen their power of attention should send to Prof. Loisette, 237 Fifth Ave., N. Y., for his prospectus post free, as advertised in another column. 10-tf

Mrs Potts, of Saltford, plucked several boys of handsome spring violets in her garden on Wednesday last, November 20. The little strangers looked just as pretty and bright as they would at the other end of the floral year.

AN IMPORTANT IMPROVEMENT.—The new Soft-Stop and Practice Pedal attachment to a Newcombe Upright Piano serves the nerves of the listener or performer, when practising, as well as the instrument from wear, and preserves the tone. tf.

HE AWAITS THE REVEILLE.—Old Sergeant Kelly, a veteran of the British army, laid down his arms on Wednesday last, and surrendered to Death, after a sternly fought battle of some months' duration. The veteran was in his 84th year, and was a prominent figure in Goderich Orange circles for a lengthy period

The Kingston *Whig* says:—Mr Taylor, student at Queen's college, occupied the pulpit of the Presbyterian church, Napanee, last Sabbath. His discourses gave evidence of more than ordinary ability for one of his age, remarks the *Beaver*.

That pioneer business man, Mr C Crabb, will be out with a new announcement next week, which will stagger the trade. He has been established in business for fifty years, but that has only given him additional experience and increased vigor in trade. Keep your eye open for his new announcement.

HIGH SCHOOL.—The following are the names, in order of merit, of the seven pupils who obtained the highest places at the last monthly examination of the junior division; Maggie Tichburne, Jno Kinahan, Charles Watson, Pearl Strang, Otway Stuart, Wesley Reid and John Old.

W. C. T. U.—An interesting temperance meeting was held Tuesday evening under the auspices of the W C T U. The feature of the evening was an instructive and entertaining temperance address by the Rev D. G. Cameron, of Dungannon, which was much appreciated. Mr R W McKenzie occupied the chair.

OBIT.—On Sunday last there passed away, at the residence of his son, in Detroit, Elijah Moore, an old and esteemed resident of Goderich, in his 71st year. Deceased had been in declining health for some years, and was in Goderich a couple of weeks previous to his death. He was a quiet, respectable citizen, and had the good will of all who knew him.

DUNGANNON CORRESPONDENCE.—The budget from our esteemed correspondent at Dungannon has been mislaid in the office this week, and consequently does not appear. We particularly regret its non-appearance at the present juncture, as it was brimful of interesting and readable paragraphs about the coming railway town of the north. However, Dungannon shows up well in our columns this week, and we hope our correspondent and the public up north will accept our apology on this occasion. Accidents will occur in the best of regulated families—and printing offices.

EVANGELISTIC.—Mr P. J. Loizeaux, an evangelist from New York, preached the Gospel in Victoria hall last Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Considering the weather and short notice the meetings were well attended, and much interest manifested by those present. Mr Loizeaux has been engaged in evangelistic work over twenty six years, and is well known throughout Canada. He is an eloquent, earnest speaker, and well taught in the Word of God, Should he be led to visit Goderich at a future date he will have many hearers.

RECEIVED A CALL.—The Hamilton Presbytery at its session this week sustained a unanimous call from the united congregations of Strabane and Kilbride to Rev D G Cameron, of Dungannon. The stipend promised is $900 a year, with a free manse and glebe of seven acres. Mr Cameron has been a period of five years at Dungannon, and in the face of many difficulties has done a good work. If he accepts this call, Dungannon and Port Albert will lose a faithful pastor. His decision will likely be given at the meeting of the Maitland Presbytery at Wingham on Dec. 10th.

HIGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.—A meeting of the high school board was held on Monday evening. Present—Chairman Kay, Rev Dr Ure, Dr Taylor and Mr Jordan. An increase of $50 was granted to Mr Currie, teacher, to commence at New Year's. Miss Charles, B. A., now teaching in Guelph Collegiate Institute, has been engaged as fifth teacher at a salary of $800 a year, to teach Modern Languages, including English. This will make the teaching staff of our high school one of the most efficient in the province.

RECEIVED THE BENEFIT.—On Tuesday last S P Halls, M. W., and G W Thomson, Recorder of Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 27, A O U W, presented on behalf of the Order to Mrs A Morton a warrant for two thousand dollars, the beneficiary of her late husband. The following is Mrs Morton's acknowledgment: To the Officers and Members of Maple Leaf Lodge, No 27, A. O. U. W: I desire to express to you my sincere thanks for the prompt payment of my husband's insurance policy; and that without any trouble on my part. Such an Order recommends itself. Yours sincerely,

MRS A MORTON.

Goderich, Nov. 19th, 1889.

"THE CRIME OF THE CENTURY."—Mr A. D. McDonald, of Lucknow, has been canvassing the town for the past few days for a book entitled, "The Crime of the Century, or the Assassination of Dr. Patrick Henry Cronin," which has been prepared by the noted journalist, Henry M. Hunt, of Chicago. The book will contain about 475 pages, and will be profusely illustrated; handsomely bound in extra fine cloth, $1.50. The story of the crime has additional interest in Canada owing to the fact that the victim was a well-known Canadian, from the city of St. Catharines, Ont. It shows how, link by link, the chain of evidence was forged. The betrayal of Ireland's interests by her supposed friends; the discoveries of a patriot; his exposure of the infamy; the conspiracy to silence him; his defiance; his bloody removal; the capture of the culprits, and a memorable trial. The book will issue from the press about the end of December, and as it is sold only on subscription, all desiring to secure a copy would do well to leave their order with Mr McDonald.

ANNIVERSARY.—The anniversary services of the Victoria st. Methodist church will be held (D.V.) next Sunday and Monday. Rev. Wesley Casson, of Seaforth, one of the ablest ministers in the Guelph Conference, will preach at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. On Monday the usual first-class hot supper will be served in the school room from 6 to 8 p.m. After supper a program of rare excellence—intellectual and musical—is prepared. The able and talented Rev. Wesley Casson will deliver an interesting and instructive lecture, subject—"The British Empire." Tickets for supper and lecture only 35c. The ladies are providing supper for 600. We wish our Victoria-st. friends great success, and we feel confident the attendance next Sunday and Monday will exceed that of any previous year.

THE GREAT CONCERT.—Mr Karl Schmidt, solo violincelloist of the Chautauqua Orchestra Concert Company, of Toronto, who are to appear in concert in this town on Friday evening, December the 6th, was a pupil of Julius Kenzel, teacher of the violincello at the Conservatory of Music, Leipsic, Germany; afterwards he was elected court soloist to the Grand Duke Frederick Franz II. of Mecklenburg Schwerin, and at the last Hamburg Exposition he was engaged in the Grand Opera of the great Hans Von Bulow. He was in company with the celebrated waltz composer, Johann Strauss, on a tour through the European Continent, and at his first appearance in Toronto was received with great enthusiasm. Don't fail to hear him. Reserved seats 50 cts; general admission 25 cts.

IN THE EXCHEQUER COURT.—Hawley v. the Queen—Some time last fall the Government of Canada decided to acquire, for addition to the lighthouse property at Goderich, a small parcel of land owned by the Hawley Estate, and offered $500 for it. The executors declined this sum, and thereupon the usual expropriation proceedings went on, and the question of value was referred to Mr Muma, one of the referees of the Court, who has been occupied for three days this week taking evidence. Mr Garrow, Q C., appeared for the petitioners, and Messrs Campion and F. W. Johnston represented the Crown. Many of the old residents and prominent citizens gave evidence as to value of property. As is usual in such cases there was a considerable difference between the valuations of the witnesses for the different sides. The question seems to be largely a matter of conjecture, as no similar properties have recently been in the market. Judgment was reserved.

GODERICH AND WINGHAM JUNCTION RAILWAY.—A meeting of the provisional directors of the Goderich and Wingham Junction R. R. Co. was held in the Town Hall, Tuesday evening last, Mayor Butler in the chair. The routes of the proposed lines to Wingham and Guelph were fully discussed, after which the following resolutions were submitted:—Moved by Mr J T Garrow, seconded by Mr M C Cameron, that the application to be made to the Dominion Parliament respecting the Goderich and Wingham R. R. be so made as to read that the new Act will authorize the proposed road to run via Dungannon, with the right to build a branch to Lake Huron at Port Albert; and that section 23 of the Act be so amended as to enable the Company to contract, and agree, and amalgamate with, or sell out to the Canadian Pacific R. R., or any other Company. Carried unanimously. Moved by H Horton, seconded by C A Humber, that in view of the necessity of getting a charter to some point or place east of Goderich the mayor, reeve, and Messrs Cameron, Garrow and Holmes be appointed a committee for the purpose of considering and digesting a route from some point east of Goderich that may be deemed most advisable in the best interests of the town, and report as early as possible. Carried.

BENMILLER.

From our own correspondent.

A pleasant event took place at the residence of our genial postmaster and storekeeper, Mr Thos. Gledhill, on Tuesday, Nov. 19th, the occasion being the celebration of the 21st anniversary of David Thomas, eldest son of Mr Gledhill. One of the events of the day was the address of Mr J. J. Wright, of the Point Farm, to the young man upon reaching his maturity, when on behalf of the father he was presented with a handsome gold watch. A shaving apparatus by his grandmother, Mrs Rogers, and a handsome silk handkerchief by Mr Jonathan Miller were also presented to the blushing recipient. About twenty guests were present and a most enjoyable time was spent.

INSTALLATION.—The members of Court Benmiller, No. 186, C.O.F, met on the 11th of November for the installation of officers, which was duly performed as follows: Bro. Alexander Robertson, C. R.; William Good, V.C.R.; Thos. Gledhill, R.S.; Thomas Ginn, Treasurer; W. Vanstone, F.S.; Stephen Butts, Chaplain; John Breen, S.W.; William Maedel, J.W; Emanuel Mohring, S.B.; Peter Fisher, D.B.; Jesse Gledhill, P.C. R.; Dr. Taylor, Court Physician. After the business of the Court was over an enjoyable evening was spent in discussing general topics and in partaking of a well-spread lunch. Benmiller Court stands seventh in finance, and is surpassed by none in discipline. The auditors' report shows $1,089.84; expenses from the 1st of May, $323 15; leaving a balance on hand of $766.69, an increase of $30.30 in the last six months.

VIA DUNGANNON.

The Railway Question Ventilated Up North.

Addresses on the Subject from Almost Every Point of View—Dungannon Swings Into Line with Goderich—Now for Work.

Thursday of last week there was a large representative gathering of the ratepayers of Dungannon and vicinity to hear the railway question discussed.

The meeting was called by Mayor Butler, of Goderich, at the request of the committee of the town council and a resolution of the Board of Trade, and Goderich was represented by Mayor Butler, Reeve Proudfoot and Mr D. McGillicuddy, and Colborne was championed by Reeve Beck, who carefully watched the interest of his township in the premises. In addition there was present a strong delegation from Lucknow—some twenty-five in number—led by that redoubtable bonus getter James Somerville, ex M.P., and Reeve Bryan, who had driven in to see that Lucknow was given a show in the new railway program; Port Albert was represented by Messrs Mahaffy, A. Hawkins, C. O'Connor and others; Ashfield by Reeve Griffin and deputy-reeve Girvin, and a goodly sprinkling of ratepayers; and the Wawanoshes by councillors and Todd, Gibson and other well-known progressive residents.

The meeting opened by Mr J. M. Roberts, of Dungannon, being elected chairman, and the first speaker was

Mayor Butler, of Goderich, who stated that the town of Goderich practically held a charter over the proposed route, and intended with the assistance of the friends in this section to build the road to Wingham. The old charter had expired by effluxion of time, but he had good legal advice that under certain conditions it would still hold. It had been stated by interested parties that Goderich intended to give Dungannon the go-by, and one of the principal objects of this meeting was to show that there was no ground for such an assumption. Up to the present no line had been laid down, and under that condition Dungannon or any other place could not be given the go-by by Goderich. For years past Goderich had been agitating for competitive roads, most of the agitation being confined to the south and east. Finding that the roads from the south were slow in coming, they had now turned to the north. Mr Van Horne two years ago had shown a delegation from Goderich an air-line from Guelph, and had expressed his determination to build such a line as soon as he was in a position to do so. A charter was got shortly after that for a continuation of the line at Wingham to connect with the proposed Guelph line somewhere in Colborne township. This charter when nearly expired had been asked for by Mr Meyer, and he could have had it had he been willing to give the slightest information regarding what he proposed to do with it, and the route he proposed to take. The speaker again disclaimed against Goderich having a feeling against Dungannon, and said this meeting had been called principally to disabuse the people of this section of that error, which had been placed in circulation by designing persons. The town council had passed a resolution repudiating the idea of antagonism to Dungannon. (Applause.)

Mr Wm Mallough was of opinion that the old charter, if good, would not suit Dungannon. The line might be an air line, and in that event would go three miles east of them. (Applause.)

Mr Somerville, ex M.P., of Lucknow, said if Goderich applied for a renewal of the charter, it would have prior claim to any other charter; that was his experience of the parliamentary railway committee's procedure. He then went on to advocate the necessity of building the road by Lucknow to Dungannon, from Wingham. Lucknow was a thriving town, and could give financial and moral aid towards building the proposed road, and he believed it would be in the interest of the promoters of the new scheme not to give Lucknow the cold shoulder. Ashfield had a butt end that looked upon Lucknow as its best market, and that end would be a big factor should a bonus be desired. They were willing to work with Goderich and Dungannon, but they certainly would work for Lucknow. What was wanted was concerted action, vigorous action, and all to pull one way. If it came by Lucknow, Ashfield and Kinloss could be looked to for large bonuses; if not, the chances for assistance from these quarters were nil. To the people of Dungannon he would say: unite with Goderich and then with Lucknow, and you will get the road. (Applause.)

The chairman was pleased to hear from Mr Somerville that Lucknow was in harmony with the proposed scheme. Lucknow, it was true, did a large trade, but the bulk of that trade was obtained from the section around Dungannon. Dungannon was the centre of a large section not served with railways, which was populous and progressive. Hence the necessity for railway communication at this point. (Applause.)

Mr Proudfoot was not aware that Lucknow was in the scheme. When the original charter was obtained, the people of Goderich were not in a position to build the road themselves and the charter was allowed to lapse, but good reasons could be shown why the road could not be gone on with in the specified time, when the application for renewal was made. He had no objection to Port Albert's getting a railroad, but he had been appointed a delegate to attend this meeting to disabuse the people of Dungannon of an erroneous idea that had been drilled into their ears by interested parties, that Goderich was opposed to a line coming from this section. The town council had passed a resolution to show that Goderich had no animosity against Dungannon in the matter, but wanted harmonious action. There was no reason why a road from Wingham to Goderich by Dungannon should be inimical to the interests of Port Albert, for no objection would be raised by Goderich to a spur line to that point, although we could not be expected to build it for them.

Mr Mahaffy, had almost come to the conclusion that Port Albert was to be ignored were it not for the side allusion of Mr Proudfoot. The scheme we had got up was worked by Wingham and Port Albert, and Dungannon had afterwards been brought in. He did not take any stock in the Lucknow road, for Ashfield would not give five cents for such a road.

Mr Somerville—I would give that myself, and I am in Ashfield. (Laughter.)

Mr Mahaffy—Well, I mean you could not calculate on a township bonus. Some years ago Ashfield gave $10,000 of a bonus to a railroad that never touched it, but it won't do it again. Port Albert, if it had half as much expended upon its harbor by Government as Goderich had, would be a better harbor. Goderich had received about half a million dollars and Port Albert only $9,000. Even now a large vessel chartered with grain from Fort William to Goderich was on its way to Sarnia to unload a portion of its cargo, owing to the fact that it could not enter Goderich harbor with a full cargo.

Mayor Butler—What boat is that?

Mr Mahaffy—The Myles.

Mayor Butler—I can inform the gentleman the Myles arrived in Goderich this morning.

Mr Mahaffy—I don't mean the Myles; I mean that other boat—blame it! I can't just think of the name.

Mayor Butler—The Shickluna, perhaps.

Mr Mahaffy—No, that's only a little bit of a thing. I mean one of the 40,000 bushel boats.

Mayor Butler—Goderich harbor has never claimed to admit 40,000 bushel boats.

Mr Mahaffy—I know that, but it is in poor shape for any freight boats just now. We want railroad communication to Port Albert, and unless a line is built to that point Ashfield can not be looked to for a bonus.

Mr Bowers said the remarks made by the chairman covered his views on the railway question.

Reeve Beck, of Colborne, had been on the railway committee at Goderich for some years and during that time had heard not a word against a road by Dungannon. If this road were gone on with Colborne would be benefited, and could be looked to for assistance. What was principally wanted was railway competition. He was satisfied a renewal of the charter would be granted. He also believed the Guelph junction line would be constructed shortly, and that, too, would run through Colborne.

Mayor Butler said, in reply to Mr Mahaffy, that Goderich had unfortunately not received the full benefit of the large expenditure of public money at its harbor, but that was not the fault of the town. The manner in which the harbor had been treated was a disgrace to the country, and something would have to be done quickly to remedy the present state of affairs. Goderich was on the map as a harbor of refuge, but, owing to the negligence of the powers that be, it was now little better than a decoy. We were here, however, to talk railway and not harbor accommodation.

Reeve Griffin, of Ashfield, would like to hear the amount of bonuses expected. He thought the matter should be carefully considered. Unless the township of Ashfield was benefitted much of a bonus could not be expected. Even if the road went to Port Albert, a large part of the township would be unserved.

The chairman summed up the arguments of some of the previous speakers and stated that the consensus of opinion was that railroad competition was badly needed to lessen the cost of freight. He then called upon

Mr D. McGillicuddy, of Goderich, who was satisfied that the large number present and the live discussion of the question thus far was good evidence that a railway project such as that embraced in a line from Wingham to Goderich was of deep importance to the people of this vicinity. It had been rumored in this section that Goderich was opposed to a line from the north, but such was not the case. What was wanted by Goderich was railway competition, and no matter what point it came from it would be welcomed. There was a time when a line by way of Dungannon would have been looked upon by some in Goderich as prejudicial to the trade of the town, but that day was past. Now such a contracted feeling was held only by a few mossbacks who, entertaining such views, could hardly be looked upon as progressive business men at all. (Laughter.) We wanted to build the line from Wingham to Goderich, and we wanted the assistance of every municipality and business place along the line. In return for such assistance Goderich would give its help to the intermediate sections. The charter which was supposed to have lapsed must be of some value, for Mr Meyers was willing to accept it three months after the 20th of June, when it was alleged to have expired, and if it was of any use to him it ought to be of some use to another company. The construction of a through road from Guelph was a contingency of the near future, and in that event there would be a junction of the two lines at some point in Colborne—possibly near Carlow. He plainly stated some of the difficulties that lay in the way of a line by Lucknow, the principal objections being the increased length, and the fact that the line from Wingham to Lucknow would be running parallel with an existing line of road. The state of trade in Goderich and the existing railway difficulties in the way of increasing the volume of traffic from the town were then taken up and discussed. In conclusion he pointed out that Goderich had undoubted possession of the field, and even if the old charter did not hold, they had first place before the railway committee in Parliament for a renewal. Goderich intended to build the road, and the question for Dungannon to consider was whether it would not be better to link its interests with the county town rather than continue to fight for the charter from Wingham to Port Albert. He had no objection to Port Albert's getting railway connection, and when the line to Goderich was completed it would be easier to build a spur to that point, but he believed the interests of the people of this section would be best served by joining with Goderich, which was in a better position to give financial and other material aid to the project than any other terminal point on the Lake Shore. The terminal point would be looked to for about a third of $60 000 stock required before the statute could be complied with, for it required money and men to build railways, and there was a better chance of getting both in a town of 4,000 or 5,000 population than in smaller and less influential places. He instanced the case of the line between Simcoe and Port Rowan, which was completed in about a year from its inception, and stated that a similar live action in the present case would bear like results. There was no time for delay, as the application must be made at once if the charter was to be granted by next parliament. Joint action all along the line was required, and now was the time, or never. (Applause.)

Reeve Bryan, of Lucknow, believed by including Lucknow in the scheme better bonuses could be obtained from the adjoining municipalities. He did not think it would be in the interest of the scheme to leave Lucknow out in the cold, and gave statistics to show that the trade of his town would be a factor in causing a railway to swerve a little out of its course.

Mr W. Mallough thought after hearing the explanations by the Goderich gentlemen that it would be in the interest of Dungannon to have "*via* Dungannon," inserted in the charter. The Goderich gentlemen may have the power to act from the town or they may not. Inserting Dungannon in the charter would settle the matter so far as we were concerned.

Short explanatory speeches were made by Messrs. Butler, Proudfoot, Mallough, Somerville, C Girvin, Bryan and others, when the following resolution was submitted:

Moved by Mr John McLean, seconded by Mr B Augustine, that in view of the fact that Goderich is determined to have its charter renewed, and from explanations made by Mayor Butler, Reeve Proudfoot and Mr McGillicuddy, of Goderich, and Reeve Beck, of Colborne, that they decide to co-operate with Dungannon and other municipalities interested, as soon as possible, resolved that our committee work with Goderich, thereby saving time and money, provided the charter read as follows:—From Wingham to Goderich, via Dungannon, with power to build a branch line from Dungannon to Port Albert.

The resolution was carried almost unanimously, only some five voting against it.

A vote of thanks was tendered the chairman for his able and impartial discharge of the duties of his office, after which the meeting was brought to close by cheers for the Queen.

Sweet By and By.

Translated for THE SIGNAL.

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Air son tiodhlac do—Labhairt a Ghraidh
Is gach Beannachd a Shealbhaich Sinn a Bhos.

The death of Miss Aggie Messer, Bluevale, took place on Monday, 4th inst., at 4 o'clock in the morning. Miss Messer had been growing weaker for some time but had never found it necessary to take to her bed until the Saturday previous to her death, from which time it was seen that the end must soon come.

Saturday the 9th, Samuel Smale, sr., and Mrs Denny, Brussels, were united in marriage by Rev W T Cluff. On Wednesday evening of last week the town band serenaded them and the "boys" with a number of our townspeople were entertained to an oyster supper.