

On Friday morning a fire broke out in a steam laundry situated on the corner of Main street and the Village of the Moors, by owned by Mr. James Hamilton, conductor on the Great Western railway. The entire premises were destroyed, loss about \$2,000, an insurance. The cause of the fire is supposed to be incense.

On December 18th two brothers in Toronto quarrelled about some money which had been left them by their mother, and the younger, aged fifteen, tried to take it from the older, who stabbed him in the breast, a knife wound causing death on Thursday. Deceased was over eighteen years of age.

On information laid before a Justice of the Peace the Village Clerk of Toronto was arrested, the charge being that he had altered the assessment of \$100,000, in order to qualify him to run. The constable handed the accused over to the Police, who dismissed the case on the ground that the accused was not immediately upon arrest, issued a warrant on which the clerk is again detained. There is great anxiety in the village. The trouble is chiefly due to a man named Joseph Slater attempting to murder his wife on Monday, in Chatham, by shooting her with a shot gun, the shot taking effect in the neck and breast. He afterwards attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a pocket-knife. He came from England and was a very dissipated character. His wife had separated from him and stayed at the Station Hotel. Slater entered the hotel kitchen by the back door and fired at his wife. She fled, and Slater followed her. He was arrested with him about one mile distant. Slater is now in custody at the Court House and is charged with murder. Slater is a member of the Public Improvement Commission, and has been instrumental in securing a public body to draw funds to be used for the improvement of the town.

GODERICH TOWNSHIP.
CHURCH CRISIS.—The new Free Wesleyan church, near the union school, on Jan. 20th. The public work was completed with the exception of the outside painting.

EXETER.
Minister.—On Tuesday evening of last week some persons attempted to set fire to Crocker & Fairbank's London store, but without success. A number of young men were in the crowd, and it was believed that they were carrying out a plan to burn the store. The fire was extinguished by the fire department.

ST. PATRICK'S WARD.

Wm. Campbell	41	62
Wm. Mitchell	42	68
Rajah Martin	42	68
Samuel Pollock	43	68
R. J. Whiteley	43	68

ST. GEORGE'S WARD.

J. C. Dator	64	74
M. Hutchison	64	74
W. M. Savage	64	74
H. H. Smith	64	74
W. G. Smith	64	74
Geo. B. Johnston	64	74

ST. ANDREW'S WARD.

Stephen Andrews	41	62
H. W. Hall	41	62
F. W. Johnston	42	68
Alex. Watson	42	68

CLERK.
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AN ASSOCIATE OF BRET HARTE.
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LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS.
A great many new buildings have been raised throughout the town, and the old buildings are being repaired. The streets are being cleaned and paved, and the public works are being improved.

NILE.
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