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Guelph, 23rd November

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MONDAY EV'NG, DEC. 7, 1868.

Remuneration of Crown Witnesses.

A reference to the proceedings of the County Council will show that that body has adopted a measure none the less generous that it was necessary, for the remuneration of cases of criminal prosecution. Since the allowance to such witnesses has been cut off there have been many cases of hardship of which but few were aware. They might have been seen at Guelph during the last sitting of Court of Assizes. One in particular we noticed. A witness in a criminal case had come from the most remote part of one of the most remote townships of the County, and had been on hand when the Court opened. His appearance betokened, and his assertions confirmed the supposition, that he was not one of those to whom Fortune had been even moderately kind. We are not sure but he said he had borrowed the money which had paid his expenses up to the last day of the prolonged sitting of the Assizes, but here he was on that morning literally "dead broke forty miles from home," a perfect stranger, with no credit and no stock in trade except his plaintive story, which, we fear, availed him little. Possibly there were others as badly off as he, but this single case was sufficient to show the dire wrong of cutting off entirely all allowance to witnesses in criminal cases, no matter what their circumstances. Was that man to starve in the interests of justice, while the Government were casting about them to see what they could do with a surplus million of dollars? Or if he had chosen to evade hunger by trudging homeward before his borrowed resources were exhausted, would it not have been something bordering on barbarity to bring him back and imprison him for the crime of being unwilling to starve? Can the fulfilling of justice be supposed to be of so much more interest to the individual than to the Government (which in this instance, at least, means the country) that the former should be compelled to make all the sacrifice while the latter sits by with folded hands? Or is a witness a less important or indispensable individual than a jurymen that the latter should be paid for pronouncing a prisoner a criminal, while the latter receives not a penny for proving him so? Thanks to the County Council, witnesses summoned to our Courts need not henceforth shirk their duty from a fear of wanting the necessities of existence while detained here. The resolution authorizes the Judges to draw on the County Treasurer for the expenses of indigent witnesses, and from this it may be inferred that those whose circumstances are such as to admit of their taking a journey in the interests of justice without feeling the loss will be debarrd from remuneration until the Government shall make different provision. The Judges will investigate all appeals, and, beyond a doubt, act so as to prevent such cases of hardship as there have been already.

A False Rumour.

A rumour of a startling character was received here on Saturday night. It was reported that the Emperor of the French had been shot. Our despatch to-day, gives an emphatic contradiction to the report, and states that Napoleon is in his usual state of health. Some suppose that the story was got up by the stock brokers, others believe that the trouble between the populace in connection with the press prosecutions have given a colour to the report. The news to-day, says that Paris is tranquil, but though this is to a certain extent reassuring, it is impossible to say how far the trouble may spread, or how it will end. All this excitement or threatened disturbance need add greatly to the anxiety now prevailing in Europe.

The Whelan Case.

The Judges have announced that they will give judgment in the Whelan case on the 21st inst. In the meanwhile, the proceedings in error act as a stay on the sentence being carried out at the time named. It is not consequently required that a respite should be granted, and in case of a judgment being recorded adverse to the prisoner, he will be remanded back to the original custody to suffer the penalty of the law at a time then to be fixed. In the meanwhile, he will remain in Toronto.

The Parliament of the Dominion is further prorogued to the 16th day of January, and then not to meet for business.

ACCIDENT IN DOWNIE.—Mr. Whiffles of Downie, was thrown from his horse in Stratford on Friday evening; three ribs are broken and he is internally injured, but there are hopes of his recovery.

FIRE IN STRATFORD.—On Friday night about 9 o'clock, a fire broke out in the stables in rear of the old "Union Hotel." The whole centre of the town was in danger, but by the exertions of the people it was suppressed. No doubt it was the work of an incendiary.

A WOULD-BE ROBBER.—While Mr. McKenzie, of Hibbert, was returning from St. Mary's on Saturday evening a robber mounted the wagon and seating himself by his side, presented a pistol at his head. With the greatest coolness imaginable, Mr. McKenzie eyed the instrument with pretended curiosity, remarking, "hold it a little higher, I think I have one like it at home." The would-be robber, thrown off his guard, held "it a little higher," when Mr. McKenzie dealt him a powerful blow under the arm pit, sending the rascal reeling out of the wagon, and left him sprawling on the ground. The evening being pretty dark, Mr. McKenzie failed to identify the fellow, and he is likely to escape detection.

WOLVES.—The Barrie Examiner says: We are informed that these rapacious animals are rather too numerous to be pleasant in various localities, particularly on portions of the river Severn, and in parts of North Orillia. These unwelcome visitors have recently made frequent inroads and sad havoc amongst the sheep flocks of the farmers, who complain of the raids of the destructive creatures. The near approach to the settlement of these animals, is, according to the saying of the Wisconsin's prediction, the forerunner of a severe winter. Not long ago, a party of Potawatamie Indians, who were hunting deer on some of the tributaries of Lake Huron, not far from Sturgeon Bay, were obliged to decamp on account of the annoyance they were subjected to by the large packs of wolves that infest that locality. When the Aborigines have to beat a retreat, what will become of their white brethren?

BIRTHS.

Brown—At Guelph, on the 6th inst., the wife of C. Brown, Esq., of a son.

DIED.

McGuire—At Stratford, on Saturday evening, 6th inst., Mrs. McGuire, widow of the late John McGuire, Esq., formerly of Toronto Township Co. of Peel, and mother of Dr. McGuire, of Guelph, aged 72 years. Her remains will arrive in Guelph on Tuesday evening by Great Western Railway. The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon 9th inst., at 2 o'clock, from the residence of Dr. McGuire to the Union Cemetery, Guelph. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend without further notice.

New Advertisements.

LAST NOTICE.

Having placed my books in the hands of A. A. BAKER, Esq., all accounts remaining unpaid on the First Day of January Next, will be entered in the Division Court for collection. N. HIGINBOTHAM. Guelph, Dec. 7th 1868. 2nd w

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SPEED LODGE No. 180.

The next Regular Meeting of this Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 8th, when a full and punctual attendance of all the members is requested. Election of Officers. J. CRIDFORD, Secretary Guelph, 2nd December. w1d4

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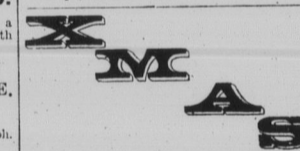
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Brushes, Combs, &c., in good supply. Special attention is directed to my Stock of HORSE CLOTHING, Blankets, Sursingles. A call is solicited. Repairing done as usual. H. METCALF. Guelph, December 4. 2d w

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The Stock is all quite new, and the Goods in excellent condition. Tenders for the above Stock will be received by me up to the 12th of December, 1868, at so much in the \$, The Stock Book or Schedule of Stock can be seen at my store in Guelph up to the 10th instant. JOHN HOGG, Assignee. Guelph, 2nd December. 2d w

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