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GODERICH, ONT., FRIDAY, SEPT. 2, 1881. THIRTY-FOURTH YEAR. WHOLE NUMBER 1822. MCGILLICUDDY BROS. PUBLISHERS \$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

New Advertisements.

Apples - G. H. Old. Caution - Joseph Healy. Mortgage Sale - D. Shoff. New Goods - J. Saunders. Shawl Found - J. C. Currie. School Books - E. Sheppard. Salmon Trout - D. Ferguson. Shawl Lost - D. C. Strachan. New Story - HURON SIGNAL. Caledonian Games - C. R. Cooper. Tenders Wanted - Robert Murray.

Travelling Guide.

GRAND TRUNK. EAST. Pass. Exp's. Mtd. Mtd. Goderich, Lv. 7.00am. 12.00pm. 3.15pm. 9.00am. Stratford, Ar. 7.50. 1.10. 4.45. 10.50. Stratford, Lv. 8.45am. 3.50pm. 6.30pm. 1.00pm.

Dentistry.

M. NICHOLSON, SURGEON DENTIST. Office and residence, West Street, three doors below Bank of Montreal, Goderich.

The People's Column.

SHAWL FOUND.-A DARK GREY woolen shawl was found near Balley's hotel. Enquire of J. C. CURRIE, High Constable.

SHAWL LOST.-IN TOWN, ON SATURDAY EVENING last, a bright blue shawl, with black and yellow stripes. A reward of \$2.00 will be given to any person returning the shawl to J. C. Strachan's stores. 14

CAUTION.-ALL PARTIES ARE hereby cautioned against negotiating a note drawn by E. Williams, in favor of Joseph Healy, and dated Dec. 12, 1880, for \$27, as the same has been lost, and no value has been received. JOSEPH CURRIE, Collector. 1892-11.

TO RENT.-THAT HANDSOME concrete house, on the corner of Newgate and Albert streets, occupied for over 10 years by Mrs. J. V. Ellwood. It is in good repair, with hard and soft water, and other conveniences. Apply to JOHN BRICKENRIDGE, builder. 178

STRAYED ANIMALS.-SEND \$1 TO THE SIGNAL to advertise animals straying on your premises, and to avoid blame for highly detailed notices. Address THE SIGNAL, Goderich, Ont.

MUSIC.-MISS SKIMMINGS WILL resume her tuition in music, on Wednesday, 1st September 1881. Terms \$6 per quarter in advance. See notices given if required. Stanley St. Goderich. 1890-11.

TENDERS WANTED.-THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL of West Wawanosh will receive tenders for the deepening and improving of Young's Creek, from a point in Colborne Township to the Blind Lane, which divides the fifth and sixth sections of West Wawanosh. The work will be in sections of one concession to each section. Tenders must state the amount of cubic yard for digging, which concession the tender is for, and give the names of two good and sufficient persons for the completion of the work. Plans and specifications may be seen at my office any Friday or Saturday, up till the 24th of September, 1881. Tenders must be lodged with me not later than the 24th of September. ROBERT MURRAY, Clerk of West Wawanosh. Wawanosh Township Clerk's Office, St. Helens, September 1st, 1881.

Real Estate.

FOR SALE, CHEAP.-LOT 34, Lake Range, Ashfield, Huron County, 1st acres, 130 cleared and highly improved, balance standing timber. Good orchard, new frame house, barn 10x30 and all necessary outbuildings. Two wells. For particulars address CHAS. McLEAN, Amherst. 178-2m.

FOR SALE.-LOT 9, LAKE SHORE Tp. of Colborne, containing 12 acres, 20 acres cleared, balance excellent timber. Soil a good clay loam. As this property adjoins the "Pine Farm" in the town of Goderich, it is highly situated. For particulars apply to J. J. Wright. March 1st 1881. 1776-4L.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.-AT Duncannon, 12 miles from Goderich, consisting of 4 of an acre of land, well fenced, a frame house, a good well and pump are also on the premises. The lot has been well improved. Terms reasonable. For particulars apply to Mr. J. M. BROWN, Merchant, Duncannon, or R. E. HOWE, N.B.P.O. 1787-4L.

HOUSE, AND LOTS NOS. 33 AND 34, corner of Victoria and East streets, in the town of Goderich, for sale cheap, or will be exchanged for farm property. For particulars apply to JAS. SMALL, Architect, office Crabb's Block, or J. C. CURRIE, auctioneer. 1787-4L.

SHEPPARDTON.-FARM FOR sale 60 acres, 30 acres cleared and well fenced. Brick Cottage 20x30, stone cellar, full size of house. A large creek runs through the lot, no waste land on the creek. A very fine orchard surrounds the farm. Good barn and other buildings. Terms very easy. Apply to R. T. HAYNES, lot 16, Lake Shore Road, Colborne Township, or to GARRISON & PROCTOR. 1768

FARM FOR SALE.-BEING LOT 9, con. 13, Colborne, about seven miles from Goderich, comprising 39 acres, 20 cleared, 19 in timber. A frame house, a good well and pump are on the premises. A young orchard, good pump, etc. on the farm. The farm has a road on two sides of it. Four acres of fall wheat are now in. Distant only 1 mile from a post office. For particulars apply to WM. SHIELDS, Sheppardton P. O. 1777.

SHEPPARDTON.-STORE, WITH Post Office, for sale or to rent, with 1 acre and stock all fresh and good. Will sell on very easy terms, having other business to attend to. For further particulars apply to R. T. HAYNES. Also 100 acres of land, West half of Lot 5, on the 3rd con., E. D. Ashfield, Good Orchard, Frame House and stable. Fifty acres cleared and well fenced. Apply to GARRISON & PROCTOR. 1761.

Auctioneering.

J. C. CURRIE, THE PEOPLE'S AUCTIONEER, Goderich, Ont. 1751.

NEWS ABOUT HOME.

"A chief's among ye, takin' notes, An' faith he'll print it."

TOWN TOPICS.

If you want a first-class cooking stove, call and see G. N. Davis' variety. Also American and Canadian oil stoves and family use. Something new-the magic fluting machine.

Mr. Walter Brough is in town. New wheat is now being ground at the Big Mill.

Mr. C. Crabb is taking his holidays in Chicago.

Miss Minnie Adams, of Toronto, is visiting friends here.

Mrs. Isaac Cassaday has gone to Brantford, to visit her friends there.

The thermometer ranged from 80 to 93 degrees during the last five days of August.

The boats of the Boatty Line have been carrying to their fullest capacity during the season.

Miss Stewart, milliner, will take in the full styles and replenish her stock at Toronto this week.

Mr. R. Simmons, and his sister, Mrs. M. Young and two children, have returned from Manitoba.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Seymour, have returned to Detroit, after a very pleasant visit to their old home.

Miss Emma Trelaevan, formerly of Goderich, took passage per str. Ontario, to reside in Dakota, U. S.

The bills of fare for the Langevin dinner, which were much admired, were printed at THE SIGNAL office.

The Model School opened on Monday last, with two pupils. The public schools resumed on Thursday.

The Misses Geraldine and Linda Cressman have returned from a visit to their relatives in Guelph, and other cities.

Mr. Geo. Old thinks he, this week made the biggest shipment of plums to the States ever made by one man from Goderich.

We are pleased to see again the pleasant face of Miss Maude Moorhouse, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Jennings, at Standish, Mich., U. S.

Mr. Edward Henley, who returned a short time ago from Kansas, has gone to try his fortune in Nevada, U. S. We hope he'll find silver galore.

Fred Wren's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Company will appear in Victoria Hall on Monday evening next. The press speaks well of the performance.

The Johnston Bros., of which firm G. B. is a member had a clip of about 10,000 lbs. this year from their Texas sheep. 22 cents per lb. was realized for it.

G. T. R. BRAKENEN'S EXCURSION.-It is expected that a monster excursion of G. T. R. brakenen from Toronto and westward will visit Goderich on Saturday.

REMOVED.-Owing to the removal of Riverdale private school to East street, the reopening of the institution have been postponed until Monday next, the 5th inst.

We understand that Mr. Secord, of Michigan, has commissioned Mr. Small, architect, to get up duplicate plans of the handsome residence of Mr. A. Dickson, postmaster.

Mr. John Hincks intends setting in Mich. having bought a drug business on Michigan Avenue, Detroit. He studied with Mr. James Wilson, Druggist. We wish him success.

On Tuesday afternoon the North Street Methodist church S. S. picnic was held in Bingham's grove. The ladies as in connection had prepared a splendid spread, and the children had a fine of it generally. The day, however, was one of the warmest of the year.

MARKET FEES.-The highest bidder failed to come to time. Mr. E. Graham, the next highest, refuses to take them at his bid of \$200. The next bidder, to follow precedent, would be entitled to them, but this offer being only \$112 the committee have referred the matter back to the council.

A Sunday school excursion, under the auspices of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches of Seaford, made Goderich the terminus on Monday last. A number of the excursionists took advantage of the trips of the Josephine Kidd to experience the sensation of a short lake voyage. Mr. Neeland, of the Seaford Star, was with the party, but it isn't necessary for us to remark that he wasn't one of the S. S. scholars. He merely came for relaxation, and relaxed accordingly.

A local newspaper is the mirror which reflects the intelligence and business enterprise of the town in which it is published. If the columns are well filled with the advertisements of those engaged in mercantile and other business pursuits, you may rest assured that the town has a live class of business men. Those who pretend to do business without the aid of that powerful auxiliary, printers ink, not only do themselves, but the town and community in which they are, great injustice. The people have come to understand that the most liberal advertisers are the best firms to do business with, and of course act accordingly. A well conducted paper does more toward building up a town than any other agency, and the business man who from year to year refuses to advertise in its columns, is not worthy of a very large patronage, and we may observe, he doesn't get any more than he is entitled to as a rule.-[Exchange]

The Town Council will gather around the municipal ball-to-night.

Miss Lucy Harris, of Cleveland, has been visiting friends in Goderich during the past week.

Mr. A. M. Polley shipped a cart-load of horses to Michigan, on Thursday of last week. He is now open to purchase any number of good large horses.

Second Honors.-We are pleased to state that our young townsman, Mr. P. Carrell, took second honors at the legal examinations in Toronto last week.

ACCIDENT.-Mr. Samuel Beaver, sr., of the Bayfield Road, sustained a broken rib on Wednesday, by his horse running away opposite Dr. Shannon's residence.

This week's SIGNAL is a capital number to send to absent friends. 40 cents will send the paper to any address, post-paid, during the balance of 1881.

THE LOCAL PAPER.-Mr. J. B. Traves, the President of the Canadian Press Association, in the course of his annual address, made the following remarks: "Strangers form their opinion of a place by city or village, mainly from its newspapers, and about the first thing one asks for is the local paper. He glances over it, and as it will get up and its advertising columns well patronized, or the reverse, he forms an estimate of the enterprise and push of the neighborhood; therefore business men should liberally patronize their local paper, both for their own good and the benefit of the locality, for assuredly, money spent in newspaper advertising-provided the advertiser fulfils his promises-is better laid out than three times the sum in other methods of addressing the public. The merchant who allots to advertising in newspapers a sum equal to what he pays for rent makes a wise investment which is sure to repay him. Those who do not advertise at all-because they think no benefit is derived from it-are the very parties who advertise most conspicuously by hanging their goods outside their stores and grow because they are not permitted to occupy half the street with their wares. This is a small claim in every community, and they wonder how it is their neighbors become independent and retire while they do not seem to advance at all.

A WARNING.-A well-known resident of Colborne was cited before the Mayor on Thursday last by County High Constable Currie, charged with carrying a revolver on his person, contrary to law. He was severely admonished by his Worship, and bound over to keep the peace for six months. This should be a warning to persons who delight in carrying pocket shooting irons.

CARRYING REVOLVERS.-Few people have any idea of the extent to which the original practice of carrying revolvers is prevalent among boys and young men. To the general public the presence of these silent deadly instruments is not known until an accident or something worse reveals the fact. The other day a stylishly dressed young man on one of the excursion boats was conspicuously handling a revolver and explaining its parts and action to his young lady who sat beside him. He handled it so carelessly that a number of others around her who not unaturally felt somewhat nervous at having a revolver pointed at their heads, within a few feet of them, requested the young lunatic to be a little careful how he pointed the weapon. He thereupon put it away, remarking rather sheepishly that he didn't think he was doing any harm. "He will probably go on thinking so until he blows out somebody's brains, and then perhaps he will realize the extent of his criminal folly. The young man referred to went below afterwards and amused himself firing at the birds which flew about the boat. To those who are in the habit of taking a walk to the lake, it is not an uncommon sight to see a gang of young lads practicing shooting with cheap revolvers. The root of the evil is undoubtedly to a large extent the "toy pistol" with which boys are familiarized almost as soon as they are able to walk. Their sale should be prohibited.-[Sarnia Observer]

The late Frederick W. Gunn, principal of a famous Connecticut school which he called "The Gunnery," guarded against the danger of a free use of firearms by the following order: "Never permit a boy to am an unloaded gun at you; if you do not knock him down I will thrash you. Never mind the loaded guns, they never hurt any one; it is the empty ones that do all the mischief."

SOMETHING UNUSUAL.-In Ashfield

last week the unusual occurrence of three balliffs seizing and attempting to sell the same goods at the one time was witnessed. Mellish, of Lucknow, seized under a chattel mortgage in favor of Cameron & Campbell; Hazan, of Ashfield, seized under several executions; and J. C. Currie, of Goderich, under a distress warrant from the landlord. There was a hoed of voices and great differences of opinion in the matter, but the priority of the landlord's claim, and the powerful lungs, sound logic and exhaustless wit of the Goderich balliff ultimately triumphed.

HOW TO SPOL THE PROSPERITY OF A TOWN.-Horace Greeley presents the following as a sure means of destroying the prosperity of the most promising town: "If you want a town to keep from thriving don't put up any more buildings than you can conveniently occupy yourself. If you should accidentally have an empty building and any one should want to rent it, ask three times the value of it. Demand a Shylock price for every spot of ground that God has given you. Stewardship over. Turn a cold shoulder to every mechanic and business man who seeks to make a home town a hotel of every new-comer with a scowl. Run down the work of every new workman. Go abroad for wares rather than seek to do business in your midst. Fail to advertise, or in any other way to support your newspapers, so that whether business is going on in that town or not. Wrap yourself up within yourself with a coat of impervious selfishness. There is no more effectual way to retard the growth of a town than actions like those enumerated, and there are people who are pursuing the same course every day of their lives, and to whom the above remarks are respectfully offered for their consideration."

Principal Grant.

"A chat with the Author of 'From Ocean to Ocean.'"

Rev. G. M. Grant, D.D., Principal of Queen's College, Kingston, returned this week from a trip to Manitoba, and for a few days was the guest of Rev. Dr. Ure, at his comfortable residence overlooking Lake Huron.

On Wednesday morning a representative of THE SIGNAL paid his respects to the distinguished collegian, whom he found in excellent health and spirits, having been much benefited by his recent visit to the North-west.

The conversation naturally turned upon the trip of the Principal to the Prairie Province.

"It is nine years since I last visited Manitoba," said Dr. Grant, "and although the Province has not been filled up at the rate of 50,000 per annum, as some predicted, yet it has made extraordinary progress."

"Don't you think the policy of the Government in locking up the lands had much to do with retarding the fuller progress of the country?" was the inquiry.

"I do," in the adjoining States the railways had thrown open the land to settlers, while in Canada the Pacific railway was a bone of contention between the two political parties. The Syndicate will open up the country more freely. The feeling in the country was evidently in favor of a company. In so gigantic a work some such scheme was necessary. It would be impossible for one man to control so great a work. A man might be able to manage a canoe alone, but he could not by himself control a steamboat-he would be fireman, pilot, engineer and purser."

And do you think, Doctor, that a company is better than Government control?" "I cannot say that. I am not anxious to state personally what I think. However, the feeling in the country was evidently in favor of a company."

"Don't you think the Syndicate has a fat thing?"

"Well, hardly. On some sections they will do well, but at the eastern and western ends they will have a difficult country to traverse, and will not have so 'fat' a thing on that account-that is, if they build the line faithfully and well. I think, however, that the character of the work done by the Government will be superior to that done by a company. And for this reason: The Government is watched by about half the people, who are interested in finding fault and picking flaws in any public work. If poor work is done, the country hears of it, and often it will be represented to be worse than it really is. With a company it is different. It is not in the interest of many to find fault with its work. Free passes are given to correspondents who write up the routes in the most favorable way. If we were to examine the construction of many railways built by companies we would find the work done on Government railways far ahead of it. The Government built the Inter-colonial railway, and a splendid railway it is. It will stand for years a monument of engineering skill."

"Another drawback to emigration to Manitoba," resumed the Principal, "was the fact that nearly all of the influx had to pass through American territory. This causes great worry and annoyance. When the through Canadian route is completed, I anticipate a greater emigration to Manitoba. I remember that when living in Halifax, we had to pass through the States before we could reach Upper Canada. It was very annoying to be exposed to so much inspection. Sometimes the customs officers would be vulgar and rude. Now that the Inter-colonial is built it is different."

And the Doctor shrugged his shoulders, as he thought of running the gauntlet of a lot of suspicious officials.

"And you think Manitoba will be a populous province?" was the next query.

"It will grow very fast, although not so fast perhaps as some would have us believe. When people talk of 100,000 a year increase, they expect too much. When I wrote my book upon the North-west I was taken to task because I said there were homestead routes for millions of people. I also pointed out its drawbacks, for it has drawbacks. I was somewhat severely handled for advising the people of my province (at that time Nova Scotia) to emigrate to the Prairie Province. Many took my advice, and all are now doing well. When I say 'doing well,' I do not mean that wealth is rolling in upon them while they sit with their hands in their pockets, or roll upon the grass staring at the stars. I mean that all of them are better off than they would have been at the end of the same number of years, and after the same labor, had they remained in the old Province."

The reporter having mentioned his fears of syndicate monopoly, the Doctor said: "Of course there are evils, but with all the evils of a Syndicate I think it the best mode of more immediately opening up the country. Had the Government pushed on the line, the land would likely have been disposed of in blocks to colonial companies. And so in a great measure the Syndicate will have acted. Large sections of land will be disposed of to smaller companies who will see to its fuller settlement."

After alluding to the pleasure of a visit to the North-west, where the breezes, laden with the scents of the wild flowers, blow bracingly across the prairies, Dr. Grant said that he knew of no more pleasant trip than making the round of the lakes.

ARRIVALS.

Friday.-None.

Saturday.-Tug Minnie Walker, Kindred, light.

Sunday.-Prop. Ontario, Sarnia, passengers and freight; prop. Saginaw Valley, Bay City, passengers and freight; prop. Josephine Kidd, Wallaceburg, hours.

Monday.-Prop. Quebec, Duluth, passengers and freight.

Thursday.-Prop. Quebec, Sarnia, passengers and freight.

Friday.-Prop. Josephine Kidd, Wallaceburg, sail.

Saturday.-Schr. Admiral, Sarnia, sail.

Sunday.-Prop. Ontario, Duluth, prop. Saginaw Valley, Cleveland, passengers and freight.

Monday.-Prop. Quebec, Sarnia, passengers and freight.

Thursday.-Prop. Quebec, Duluth, passengers and freight.

"Lake Superior is just like the sea. For days one is out of sight of land, the waves are large, and the breezes are as cool as on the ocean. I expect to see the round trip of the great lakes become very popular with tourists."

The Principal thinks Goderich a delightful spot.

He left for home yesterday.

A WARM WEEK.

The Mercury Dancing Around Ninety.

Since last Friday the heat has been unusually great for Goderich.

On Saturday the stores did not do their usual amount of business, as many ladies felt unable to do their customary shopping.

The evening congregations were smaller than usual in the churches on Sunday, and preacher and people suffered from the sultry atmosphere.

At the Park the heat appeared to be as intense as it was up town. The very waters of the lake seemed to be too lazy to form a wave.

It was very warm.

On Monday the heat was unabated.

On Tuesday the thermometer ran over ninety, and the people asked "How long is this going to last?"

Wednesday was as hot as any previous day. The sun glared fiercely down from a cloudless sky, and at noon writhed man and beast, and the early vegetables in the grocery window.

The afternoon was the most remarkable, however.

The sun grew as red as blood; the sky changed to a murky yellow, then to a dingy pea green, and finally turned to a bluish, leaden-grey tint.

At three o'clock a photograph could not be taken. A gentleman sat in vain for a picture, and so strange was the color of the sun-light that no shadow could be secured. The spotless white shirt front, when viewed through the instrument, looked yellow-a color over which photography has no power.

On Thursday a sprinkling of rain came, but although there was less sunshine, the atmosphere was close and stifling all day.

The air is filled with smoke from surrounding bush fires, and citizens report cinders of a light fleecy nature falling at times in town.

The wells are going dry all about town. In fact it is said that certain skinheads are selling water.

A fire at present would likely make a great sweep. The quantity of water would almost lay the town at the mercy of the flames.

If the drought continues, water will become so scarce and expensive that it will be a fashionable drink.

It's splendid weather for editing a readable paper!

THE AULD FIDDLE.

Introducing Civilization into McKillop Township.

Mr. James Dickson, Registrar, the "Auld Fiddle" at the Langevin banquet thus alluded to the early settlement of the County of Huron:

"It is now forty-eight years since I first came to this country. I was then little more than a boy, fresh from Edinburgh University, and had come with my father to bear the trials and privations of early pioneer life in the backwoods. My mother and the other members of our family were in the old land, and an ocean and a wilderness lay between them and us. Our worldly possessions, when we reached the Huron tract, consisted of two chests, which had been brought from Hamilton in an ox cart. My father and I crossed the Mattland with one chest, and landed on its northern bank-the first settlers in McKillop. (Cheese) after attending to the duties which devolved upon us for our immediate needs, we sat down to ponder on the best course to pursue in our battle with the mighty forest. After a while, my thoughts went from our present surroundings to the dear ones at home-in the old land, and possibly my father's thoughts drifted thitherward also. Finally he said to me: 'James, wad ye open the kist, an' see if th' feedle is a richt?'

I did as he told me, for knowing him to be a good fiddler, I thought the tunes of the old land might cheer us both. On opening the chest, I found the fiddle, and handed it to my father.

He took the violin from my hands, and after thumbing the strings, touching the bridge, and tapping the sounding-board, his face illumined, as he ejaculated, 'She's a richt, James; she's a richt.'

He then rubbed the resin on the bow, and drawing the latter across the strings, struck up one of the grand old Scotch airs, 'The Broom o' the Cowden Knowes,' which he had often played for mother and the bairns in 'Auld Scotia.'

When he had finished the first tune he played another, and yet another, and as the beautiful melodies rose on the air, I could not help thinking,

"Father, ye play the fiddle a great deal better now than ye ever did in Scotland."

The music was finished at last; my father relinquished the instrument to my hands, to place once more for safekeeping in the chest, and I saw then what I never saw before or since-tears trickling down his cheek.

And thus was civilization introduced into McKillop.