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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1874.

PRICE TWO CENTS

New Advertisements.

HOUSE TO LET.—A comfortable brick cottage to let, containing six rooms. Apply to R. Melvin.

WANTED.—By the 1st of October, a Cook and a large heavy white ox. Apply to Mrs. Biscoe, Woolwich street, Guelph, Sept. 4, 1874.

THE POINT FARM,

A Summer Resort on Lake Huron, Near Goderich, Ont.

The few remaining weeks of the season can be very pleasantly spent at the above place. Terms, \$10 per week. Children and servants half-price. Telephone office in the house. References permitted to Rev. I. B. Howard, and Rev. W. S. Ball, Guelph, Sept. 4, 1874.

FOR SALE.—A splendid chance for a Market Garden. Brick house and five acres land, 5 miles from town. Apply to R. W. Robertson, Flour and Feed Store, Guelph.

WANTED.—A nurse, with good references. Apply to Mrs. WATT, Near G. W. Street, Guelph, Aug. 25th, 1874.

WANTED.—A first-class Fancy Dry Goods Salesman. One of experience will find a permanent situation by applying to GEORGE JEFFREY, Guelph.

RED MILL Flour and Feed Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Family and Pastry Flour, and all kinds of Feed delivered in any part of the Town. R. W. ROBERTSON, Guelph, Sept. 1, 1874.

RE-OPENING OF SCHOOL. Mrs. Budd begs to announce that she will re-open her English classes, for young ladies and little boys, on MONDAY, 7th, Woolwich Street.

LUMBER FOR SALE. Oak, Cherry, Maple, Elm, Ash and Basswood.

All dry and of the best quality. MILLS & GOODFELLOW, Guelph, Sept. 2, 1874.

EDUCATIONAL. The Misses McDonald will resume their classes for Young Ladies, Tuesday August 15th, corner of Norfolk and Suffolk streets. Terms and particulars given on application. Residence Queen St.

N. B.—The Misses McDonald are prepared to give private lessons in Double Entry Book-keeping. Aug. 13-14nd &c.

FOR SALE.—A very excellent Building Lot fronting on Paisley Street and running through to Oxford Street—about half an acre. Apply to R. Easton, book-binder, St. George's square, Guelph.

10 acres of Land wanted, suitable for Strawberries, near the town. Apply to the above. Guelph, July 15, 1874.

OX STRAYED.—Strayed from the premises of Charles Heath, Puslinch, about 2 weeks ago, a large heavy white ox, 3 years old, blind of the right eye. Any person returning him, or giving information where he may be found, will be suitably rewarded. Address Guelph P. O. 82-83w3.

TO LET, FOR A TERM OF YEARS, "PENHURST," The residence of Rev. W. F. Clarke.

The premises comprise a dwelling house containing 13 rooms, and an acre of land well stocked with ornamental and fruit trees. For further particulars apply to the proprietor. Guelph, Aug. 31, 1874.

WALBOND'S CONFECTIONERY STORE, Next to Petrie's Drug Store.

Choice Confectionery, Ice Cream and Soda Water.

CAKES of all kinds constantly on hand. Weddings supplied on short notice. Guelph, July 29, 1874.

RECEIVED. Ex. S. S. Caspian, 1 Case Cutlery, 2 Cases Steel, " " 260 Bbls Hoop Iron, " " Scandinavian, 4 Cases Chains, " " 3 loose, " " 1 Case Hardware, " " Memphis 250 boxes Canada Plate, " " Screen, 16 Bolls Oil Cloth, " " Texas, 1881 Bbls Iron, " " Dominion, 11 Cases Hardware, " " 1 Case, " " 10 Cases Chains, " " 3 loose Chains, " " 155 Bbls Gas Tubes, " " 10 Kegs Nails, " " 5 Cases Borax.

More expected by every Steamer this month.

John M. Bond & Co. Direct Hardware Importers, Wyndham street, Guelph.

AT THE DRILL SHED, GUELPH, stage erected expressly for the occasion, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd and 4th.

Washburn's Last Sensation!

The Largest Hall Show ever organized in this country, embracing the finest Classical Gymnastic Performances, the greatest Musical Organization, the best troupe of Character Artists, composed of 30 Star Performers 30 splendid Brass Band and Superior Orchestra, and recognized by the GREAT LEADING MORAL ENTERTAINMENT OF THE DAY. For full particulars see our mammoth illuminated posters and small notices. Admission 25 and 50 cents, according to location. Reserved seats secured at Hall's Bookstore, without extra cost. Parties of 10 and upwards ticket-purchased today will be entitled to their seats at as above unless the entertainment. Fun

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Town and County News

Elora and Salem Agricultural Society's fall exhibition will be held in the Drill Shed, Elora, Friday, 11th September, 1874.

McEAGRE's factory in Harrison, had a narrow escape from destruction by fire, last week.

BASE BALL.—The Eckfords, of London, play the Silver Crooks, of this town, in Guelph, on Tuesday the 8th inst.

WATERLOO RACES.—The Waterloo Fall Races will take place on the 23rd, 14th and 25th Sept. The large sum of \$2,000 will be offered in prizes.

PRETTY SMALL.—Galt Town Council, at a recent meeting, refused to foot a thirty-dollar bill of expense which had been incurred during Lord Dufferin's short stay in that clachan.

GOING AHEAD.—About 40 new structures have arisen in Orangeville during the past year. The cost of these buildings will amount in the aggregate to about \$37,000.

RYAN DEAD BALL.—John Anderson has received another lot of these celebrated base balls. He is the authorized agent for Ontario, and will supply dealers at wholesale prices.

STOCK SOLD.—Mr. F. W. Stone, sold yesterday to G. B. Luke Esq., Amsterdam, N. Y. one pure bred Cotswold Shearling Ram. To George Ingersoll, Esq., Fonda N. Y. five imported Cotswold Ewes. Forwarded by the American Express Co.

TEMPERANCE MEETING AT ABERFOYLE.—The Temperance Social at Aberfoyle comes off to-night. All parties in Guelph interested in the movement are requested to attend, if convenient.

HARPER'S WEEKLY.—We have received the latest number of this popular periodical, from John Anderson. It contains a well executed wood-cut of the Champion Nine of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club of this town. For sale at Anderson's Bookstore.

A few days ago, as James Hoggarth was in the act of going down a ladder, from Meikjohn's new block, Harrison, his foot slipped, and he fell to the ground beneath, a distance of about twelve feet, spraining his ankle and otherwise bruising himself.

BASE BALL.—A Championship amateur match between the Staten Island Club and the Maple Leafs of this town, will be played on the Maple Leaf ground on the 10th inst. A splendid game is expected, as this crack American club comprises many of the old Star nine of Brooklyn, who defeated the Champions in 1871.

ON Wednesday evening, 2nd inst., a social party was given by Conductor Quirk at his residence in Fergus. The Battalion Band from Elora was present and played some of their choicest airs. The company enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Mr. Quirk having made ample provision in his usual liberal style to this end.—Elora Express.

A GREAT IMPROVEMENT.—The new street lamps, twenty of which are being put up in various parts of the town, are quite a success, both as regards appearance and improved light. They are similar to those in use in New York. The posts are of cast iron of a new design, the workmanship of Messrs. Mills & Goodfellow of this town, and look remarkably well. The lamp is of globe shape, with a reflector in the top, which gives all possible power to the gas jet. The names of the streets have been cast upon the horizontal arms of the posts, which will be a great convenience to strangers. We would suggest that the letters be painted white so as to be more easily read.

THE LECTURE ON OPTICS.—Professor Franks gave his lecture on Optics last night in the Town Hall to a large and respectable audience. He occupied fully an hour in describing the construction and functions of the eye, referring to the close to some of the diseases incident to it, which were followed by defective vision and other troubles. The lecturer was listened to with great attention. Afterwards he gave a number of stereoptical views, aided by the calcium light, which interested the audience very much. The professor remains at the Royal Hotel for some days, where parties requiring his celebrated perfected uniform spectacles can procure them, and have their sight properly fitted.

WASHBURN'S LAST SENSATION.—Washburn's Last Sensation Troupe made their first appearance before a Guelph audience last night, and among those present there will not be a dissenting voice to the verdict, that this is the best entertainment of the kind that has visited Guelph for a very long time. The most favorable reports were received in advance of it, and when we come to see for ourselves, the praise lavished upon it is fully warranted by the performance. The programme consists of songs and ballads, dancing and gymnastics. The St. Felix children are good singers and very graceful dancers. A song by the "Beautiful Indian Maiden," Noakaleeta, was deservedly encored. The gymnastic feats were wonderful, and the performance on the trapeze was astonishing. But it is needless to particularize where everything is so good. Every part of the entertainment is of a superior order, and there is nothing approaching vulgarity. They had a good house last night, and we feel pretty sure they will have a still better one to-night. There will be an entire change of programme at the Drill Shed

The Fergus Libel Case.

The Herald of Wednesday contains what purports to be a report of a Magistrate's Court in Elora, on Monday last, and an editorial upon the subject, which are, as might be expected, full of misrepresentations, willful falsehoods, and blustering biggism. When we state that the ire of the Herald people has been aroused because a canvasser for that sheet has been checked in an attempt to drag Mr. John Craig, of the News Record, into a Court of Justice, on a charge of libel, we have said sufficient to account for the perversion of truth in the report, and the vituperative character of the editorial comments. A brief statement of facts as to the doings of the Court in question will satisfy all candid minds that the Herald is simply repeating its old tricks of mis-statement and abuse.

A short time ago, an article appeared in the Fergus News Record offering a reward for the apprehension of the absconding editor of a light-class paper. Mr. Charles Acton Burrows, formerly of the Elora Standard, but now of the Guelph Herald, imagined that the article alluded to him, and he lodged an information with George Barron, Esq., of Elora, against Messrs. Robert and John Craig, on a charge of libel. Mr. Barron, conjointly with M. J. Halley, Esq., heard the case, and committed Mr. Robert Craig for trial. Mr. John Craig was then from home, but it was decided that if he returned in time the charge should be gone into on Thursday last. He did return, and in compliance with a note from Mr. Barron, appeared in Elora on Thursday. The Court assembled, and was composed of Messrs. Barron and Halley, and Messrs. C. Clarke, A. Gordon, and W. Robertson, of Fergus. We may state here that Mr. Barron personally went to Mr. C. Clarke's place of business, some few days before, for the purpose of asking him to assist in the hearing of the case. The complainant was not present, but was represented by Mr. J. Jacob, his attorney. The information was read, and Mr. John Craig pleaded "Not Guilty." Mr. Jacob stated that Mr. Burrows was absent, but could be present in a day or two. Mr. Clarke then moved the adjournment of the case until Monday last. At that time, Mr. Burrows and his Counsel appeared, and upon the Bench, in addition to the Justices present were Messrs. John Godfrey and Jas. Reynolds. When these gentlemen took their seats, Messrs. C. Allan and D. Foote, who were in the room, came forward and took their seats. Messrs. Reynolds and Godfrey are Conservatives, and Mr. Reynolds was there, as he informed a gentleman in Elora, because he had been sent for. We believe that Mr. Wiseler, of Salem, and a prominent Conservative Magistrate in Fergus were also sent for, but they did not attend.

The evidence of Mr. Burrows and of Mr. Vincent, his legal adviser in Fergus, was taken, but both signify failed to prove the publication of the News Record by Mr. John Craig. In desperation, Mr. Jacob called into the box one of the Magistrates sitting upon the Bench, Mr. W. Robertson, of Fergus, but still failed in proving publication. Not to be thwarted, he actually offered himself and swore to what Mr. J. Craig at once declared to be perjury. He said that, two or more years ago, Mr. J. Craig, on three several occasions went to him and told him that he was joint proprietor of the News Record. This did not prove Mr. John Craig's connection with the Record at the date of publication, nor any witness prove Mr. Burrows' identification with the absconding editor advertised for.

A very full and fair hearing was given to every witness, and for six hours the Magistrates quietly put up with very much that was insulting, and more that was irrelevant. Not a temp was made to curtail the voluminous evidence, and a desire was exhibited to get at the truth, which was as commendable as it must have been trying to the patience of the whole Bench.

When the Counsel had addressed the Court, each Magistrate gave his opinion. Mr. C. Clarke said that he was aware that the Bench could not decide upon the truthfulness or untruthfulness of the alleged libel, but that, before committing for trial the Bench must be fully satisfied that John Craig was publisher of the words complained of, and that they applied to Mr. Burrows. In his opinion, the prosecution had failed in these particulars, and he should not, therefore, feel himself justified in sending the defendant to trial.

Messrs. Foote, Allan, Gordon and Robertson coincided in this opinion, and Messrs. Barron and Halley—who had already committed Robert Craig upon much less evidence—and Messrs. Reynolds and Godfrey were in favor of committing. The case was accordingly dismissed.

Such is a brief statement of facts, and we are sure that upon a perusal of them, all who look impartially at the matter will feel satisfied that the Magistrate who favored dismissal did neither more nor less than the case, as submitted, justified him in doing. The Herald howls about "packing the Bench" but carefully hides the fact that if this was attempted or thought of, the effort to do it came altogether from its own political friends. The whole of the gentlemen present had a right to be there, and often sit upon the Bench. It may be that Mr. Reynolds is an exception to this, for, if we are correctly informed, he has not acted as a Magistrate in Elora since the memorable time when the Bench was packed by North Wellington Conservatives to secure the dismissal of the charge against Mr. Thomas Ferguson, M.P., who had violated the law in the Allan-Gowen election. It may be that Mr. Burrows will take other steps for the purpose of gaining his claim against the Messrs.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

Presidential Election. Firm Suspended. Cabinet Crisis in Spain.

London, Sept. 4.—A despatch from Madrid to the Times says that the Cabinet crisis continues. Senor Colonor, President of the Council, still persists in his resignation. Gen. Blanco and other leaders of the Northern Army have accompanied Gen. Sybalo to Madrid.

Brussels, Sept. 3.—By the explosion in the coal mine at Dour, yesterday, seven lives were lost and five miners badly injured.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 4.—The platform of the Convention held here, yesterday, opposed the third term of Presidency favor election of President by direct vote, recommends that the Government establish and operate a double track railroad, from the Missouri River to the Atlantic Coast, favors the transfer of the Indian management to the War Department, and favors free banking.

New York, Sept. 4.—Madame Agatha the operatic singer died here yesterday. Bigger & Co., heavy lumber dealers, of Newburg, have been compelled to suspend. It is said that the suspension is caused by the failure of Comptroller Green, of this city, to pay bills to the amount of \$200,000.

The Amaranth Voters' Lists.

(From the Orangeville Advertiser.)

For the satisfaction of the Guelph Herald we beg to inform that we were present at the Amaranth County of Revision, and we can tell something of what we saw and heard there. We saw eight Conservative names struck off which were put on the list by a leader of the party, not one of whom had the least claim to be on it. We saw eight other Conservative names taken off which had been placed there by owners of property and which the documents from the Crown Lands Department proved to be fraudulent. We saw a constable who had been doing his duty—an old infirm man—come into Court bleeding from the brutal conduct of a Conservative whose name had no right to be on the roll. We also saw the representative of the Herald endeavoring to get the name of a man kept on the roll, although it was proven that he died about ten years ago. We suppose the Herald and its friends are proud of such conduct when they invite us to go and see it. We can tell them however that every respectable man—no matter to which party he belongs—will look upon it as a disgrace to our Country.

Eramosa Council Meeting.

Centre Inn, Aug. 26.

The Council met here this day on a call from the Reeve. All the members present: the Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The Reeve reported to the Council the result of the journey to Toronto by himself and the Clerk, in the matter of the share of the Municipal Loan Fund coming to the Municipality, and that they had procured a check on the Canadian Bank of Commerce in favor of Robert Royce, Esq., as Treasurer of the Municipality for the sum of \$7,172.23.

Ten dollars were voted to the Reeve and Clerk and \$2 to Robert Royce, Esq., for their trouble in connection with the procuring of the share of the Municipal Loan Fund, and the whole expenses in the matter amounting in all to \$51.

A by-law was introduced and passed after the usual number of readings, and numbered 30, to apportion the aforesaid share (less the expenses) among the several school sections in the Municipality.

High Black, Esq., Collector for the Municipality, appeared before the Council and presented the usual bond, which was accepted and handed to the Treasurer for safe keeping.

Four names were ordered to be paid to Hart & Rawlinson for copies of the Statutes; \$4 was granted to Mr. L. Parkinson for the benefit of Mrs. Burton, an indigent.

A communication from George Elliott, Esq., Chairman, and Andrew Lemon, Esq., Secretary of the Directors of the Guelph General Hospital, soliciting assistance to defray the cost of the building, was read by the Reeve. After some discussion a by-law was introduced and passed after the usual number of readings, to assess the township 2-10th mills in the dollar for the assistance solicited, and numbered 31.

The Council then adjourned, to meet again at the Centre Inn on Monday, the 12th day of Oct. next.

J. A. DAVIDSON, Tp-Clerk.

Deliberate Murder Near Belleville.

Belleville, Sept. 3.—A most deliberate and unprovoked murder was perpetrated on Wednesday night at the Race Course Hotel about two miles east of Belleville. That place is noted for fast dances and rough crowds, and last night while a dance was going on two men, named John Josey and Jonathan Blythman, drove down in a buggy, and after remaining a short time, called one of the girls named Jane Boulton to the door, and urged her to go with them. Upon her refusal, Josey immediately drew a revolver and shot her through the head. She died in about two or three hours afterwards. The two men then got into the buggy and drove down the road, but after going a short distance, they got out and made towards the Bay. The police were quickly on hand, and succeeded in arresting Josey while he was endeavouring to escape across the Bay. The police patrolled the Bay all night, and finally succeeded in arresting Josey this morning near Redversville. Both men are now in custody.

H. C. B. Beecher, Esq., of London, Ont., was married in England, on Thursday last, to Mrs. Robinson. This lady, a sister of the late Mr. Street, M.P., was first married to Dr. Cummings, subsequently to Mr. Macklin, merchant, subsequently to the Rev. Dr. Robinson, and now to Mr. Beecher. She is reputed to

The Highway Robbery—One of the Supposed Robbers Arrested.

Chief Constable Kelly, assisted by Constable Crooks, arrested a young man of questionable character, named Alex. McGuire, this (Friday) morning, on suspicion of being one of the parties who committed the highway robbery on Jas. Frennan on Wednesday night. The officers tracked him to the cooper's shop near Mr. Pipe's grist mill, and fearing that he might attempt to escape they divided, one going to the front and the other to the back of the shop. When McGuire saw Crooks approaching, he took guilt to himself and started, and jumped out through the back window. He was here met by the Chief, and being fairly and cleverly caught, quietly surrendered, and was brought to town and lodged in jail. He will be brought up in due time.

Riel again to the Front.

RIEL IS ELECTED FOR PROVENCHER. Riel was elected on Thursday for Provencher by acclamation. Dr. Bowen was nominated in opposition, but through some informality the nomination was rejected.

Such is the despatch sent to the Globe. Riel evidently means mischief, but we question very much if he will again risk taking the oath. If he does, we hope he will be well watched and arrested. It is time that this farce of electing and re-electing him, and allowing him to go at large while under the ban of the law, was at an end.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—A despatch from London to the Globe says that the following gentlemen will be members of the new Board of Directors of the Great Western Board of Canada:—Right Hon. Hugh Childers (a member of Mr. Gladstone's Government and formerly a resident of Australia) Col. Gray, Messrs. Bald, Beckwith, Maclure, McMaster, Stitt, and Seymour Clarke.

Messrs. Bald, (Glasgow) Maclure (Manchester), and Stitt, were members of the Investigating Committee.

Rifle Shooting at Hespeler.

The good folks of Hespeler, and vicinity, having formed a Rifle Association in that village, on Saturday last, a number of Galt marksmen paid them a visit, and joined them in an afternoon's rifle practice. The range, situated near the residence of George Hespeler, Esq., is pretty fair, but some alterations will have to be made in the marker's butt, and other things—which, no doubt, the indefatigable promoter of the Association, Capt. P. H. Pin, will attend to in due time—before shooting can be carried out without danger. The new regulation circular target was used. The following is the score of the practice:

	200	300
H. Jaffray,	2995	9454-31
J. Bryden,	3453	9382-22
H. Stoddard,	3052	3340-25
J. P. Pin,	3223	9304-18
J. A. Cowan,	3243	9300-20
J. C. Evans,	4543	9042-24
J. Bonwell,	2225	3220-33
J. Rife,	4325	2225-24
H. Dixon,	3322	9050-17
H. Musser,	3333	Absent
J. Springer,	4932	9230-14
W. Baker,	5875	3035-25
W. Jardine,	2234	9300-16
J. A. Shaw,	3424	Absent
S. Bergin,	2950	9022-13
A. J. Brewster,	3392	2930-15

The Governor-General's Movements.

The Governor-General and party left Toronto on Thursday morning at half-past ten o'clock, in continuation of their tour; homeward. He was met at Whitty station by the Mayor of the town, Mr. Malcolm Cameron, M. P., and others.

The train was switched on to the track of the Whitty and Port Perry Railway, and ran up to the station of the latter. Here there was a large gathering of citizens, as well as a guard of honor of the 34th Battalion with their colors and the band of the corps. The Mayor read an address after which the party were driven through the town to the Ontario Ladies' College, where an address was presented.

The next stopping-place was Bowmanville. The station had been decorated with a great deal of pains, and a fine platform, for the presentation of the address, was erected at the rear end of it. In addition to the civic address one from the Temperance organizations was presented.

At Port Hope the Vice-regal train was run up near to the Town Hall of the Midland Railway. Here the civic address and also one from the Town Council of Lindsay were presented. When the procession was moving through the town a melancholy fatal accident occurred, which cast a gloom over the spirits of the party the rest of the day. An elderly woman named Mrs. McNeil, from the country, it was stated, was knocked down by one carriage and run over by another, and so seriously injured that she died almost immediately. This untoward event was the occasion of much distress, to Lady Dufferin in particular.

At Cobourg the party got a fine reception, and the town was nicely decorated. Addresses on behalf of the Town and Cobourg College were presented, after which there was a reception. The party were driven to the Arlington Hotel, where they were quartered for the night.

Deer, elk, reindeer, caribou, moose, hare, rabbit, wild turkey, grouse, partridge and pheasant shooting commenced on the 1st inst.

American manufacturers of firearms and locomotive machinery are just now receiving some very heavy orders from abroad. A Paterson manufactory has been for some time filling an order of forty-five locomotives for the Russian Government, of which ten engines and tenders are completed and will be forwarded per steamship Tagus next week. Orders for arms have also been made on Manchester and Providence companies to the amount of nine hundred tons of arms and shells ordered by the Turkish Government and to be forwarded to Constantinople. The Serrano Government has published reports from upwards of 200 correspondents throughout Scotland as to the prospects of the harvest in that country. On the whole, the harvest is likely to be a propitious one. Wheat takes pre-eminence as the best crop of the year, though barley is not much short of that crop, and both will yield returns considerably over the ordinary standard. The worst white crop is oats, which in nearly every instance are reported light and below the average, both

Local and Other Items.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Monday night, as Mr. Michael O'Loughlin, farmer, who lives near Mono Mills, was driving home he was thrown from his wagon and so seriously injured that he died last night.

FIRE AT FLEMINGTON.—The Flemington stove and shingle factory owned by John McDowell of Dundalk, was burned on Wednesday night about eleven o'clock. Loss considerable. Insured for a small amount. Fire from the bush supposed to be the cause.

CHERRY VALLEY RAILWAY.—The Directors of the Credit Valley Railway Co. paid a visit to Milton recently. The work along the line is being pushed forward with vigor, and it is expected that the road will be running from Toronto to Galt early next summer.

A SCOTCH COLONY.—A Kingston despatch says Colonel Shaw arrived at Toronto from Fort Garry, where he has taken up 200,000 acres of land for a Scotch colony he intends to found in Manitoba. He will proceed to Scotland in a few days.

FIRE IN HAMILTON.—On Thursday night a fire broke out in Sharp's planing mill on the corner of Vine and Bay streets, Hamilton. The mill was completely consumed, besides a large quantity of lumber and made up material in the shape of flooring, sashes, &c. A frame dwelling house near by, belonging to Mrs. Smoke, was also destroyed. Mr. Sharp's loss will be about \$8,000 above an insurance of \$1,000 in the Gore Mutual.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT PORT HOPE.—A fatal accident occurred at Port Hope on Thursday, which marred the pleasure of His Excellency the Governor-General's visit to that town. After the children of the public school had finished singing, and just before the procession started off, a team of horses took fright and plunged forward, knocking down a woman named Mrs. McNally, of Welcomes. The wheels of the carriage passed over her head, killing her almost instantly.

Lost.—A week ago last Monday a boy named Lucius McCarty, aged 14 years, and who is subject to falling sickness, left his home on the 14th Con. of the Township of Peel, and no trace of him can be found by his sorrowing parents, who have been searching for him since that time. The boy was dressed in a black and red shirt, grey pants, and was without coat, hat, vest, or shoes. Any information of the boy will relieve the anxiety of his parents at Parker Post Office.

STRAFFORD AND LAKE HURON RAILWAY.—A meeting of the shareholders of the Stratford and Lake Huron Railway, for the purpose of electing a President and a Board of Directors, was held at Stratford on Wednesday. Mr. A. D. Wright, of Woodstock, engineer pro tem, has received instructions to proceed at once to run trial lines as far as Clifford, and when this is done sectional bonuses will be submitted at once; \$110,000 having previously been voted, \$80,000 by the County of Perth, and \$30,000 by Stratford. It is expected the Directors will be ready to let the contract for the building of the road by the middle of November.

REMOVED FROM OFFICE.—Yesterday, Mr. E. Dewhurst, paymaster on the Welland Canal, was removed from office by order from the Minister of Public Works. We make no comment on this removal. We would rather say that there have been vague rumors in circulation, to the effect that it was expected to take place, but we have not the slightest idea upon what grounds, or for what cause the removal has been made, and it is for the season we at present refrain from comment. We understand that Mr. Bodwell stated to Mr. Dewhurst, that there was no reason assigned in the letter informing him of the dismissal. We assume, of course, that no official is removed from office by the Government without good and sufficient cause, which would be given to the public in case of a Parliamentary inquiry on the subject, but not probably otherwise.—St. Catharines News.

The German Festival.

The second day of the Gessangfest at Waterloo was as interesting as the first. At an early hour several thousand people were assembled in the village. The grand procession formed at the Sangers' Hall at 12.30, and marched through the principal streets, with bands playing, banners flaunting in the breeze, and crowds of wondering people accompanying them through clouds of dust that were thick enough to slice with a knife. Having passed through the village they went to the Concert Hall, and that building was soon crowded to suffocation. Considerably over 2,000 human beings partook, perspired, and wilted in that atmosphere of heat and dust for at least two hours, before some of them found out they could hear about as well outside. Among the pieces, Luther's magnificent choral—"A Strong Tower is our God" was rendered in a most impressive manner by the united male chorus, comprising nearly 200 voices.

Mr. Otto Klotz, of Preston, president of the festival, then addressed the visitors in German, and afterwards in English. He referred in eloquent terms to a United Germany, to the poetry, the song, the music, the literature, the science, the history of Germany, and the sterling qualities of the German character. Afterwards a fine selection of music, vocal and instrumental—namely German—was then rendered, to the great delight of the people. The instrumental portions were given by the Grand Trunk Brigade and Hamilton Artillery Bands, Mr. Zanman, the violinist, &c., and the vocal portions by the different German Associations, and the principal solos by Miss Maloney. The evening was spent by a part of the public in the Singers' Hall in the many movements of the dance, and the rest of those not too tired to sleep repaired to the Concert Hall, where a sociable time was spent with music, conversation and dancing, which filled up the order of the night.

CROPS IN SCOTLAND.—The Scotsman has published reports from upwards of 200 correspondents throughout Scotland as to the prospects of the harvest in that country. On the whole, the harvest is likely to be a propitious one. Wheat takes pre-eminence as the best crop of the year, though barley is not much short of that crop, and both will yield returns considerably over the ordinary standard. The worst white crop is oats, which in nearly every instance are reported light and below the average, both