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LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Mr. T. F. Kingsmill is on his way to the European markets on his semi-annual purchasing trip.

Gas Inspector Williams, of this city, reports the gas supplied by the St. Thomas Gas Company for the past quarter to be equal to that of 16.24 standard candles that is .24 above the standard required by law.

St Thomas *Times*:—"A charming Xmas number of the FREE PRESS visited us this morning. Our contemporary is to be complimented on its enterprise, as each Xmas finds it a year ahead of the last in improvement."

The name of Miss Allinson was omitted from the report of the recent entertainment in the Wellington Street Methodist Church. This young lady belongs to the lyceum, and is always active in the work connected with the church entertainments.

Thos. Grears, the unfortunate stone-cutter, of Woodbridge street, Detroit, formerly of this city, whose sad circumstances were mentioned in these columns a few days ago, lost another child on Tuesday morning, which makes the third. One still lives.

Among the imports per SS. Sarnia from Liverpool for Londoners were the following: John Birrell & Co., 6 pkgs. mdse.; W. J. Reid & Co., 21 pkgs. do.; John Green & Co., 10 do; Struthers, Anderson & Co, 3 do; James Cowan & Co, 4 do.; John Labatt, 12 bales hops.

Emma Studley applied at the Police Station yesterday for the issue of a summons against H. H. Scott, the Bailiff of No. 5 Ward, whom she charges with assaulting her and acting in a disorderly manner at her house. He will appear at the Police Court to day.

Ella Payne, the young girl charged with larceny, was let off by the Police Magistrate yesterday, sentence being suspended. The drunks were, William Lear, fined $5 or 20 days; George Maher, discharged; George Harvey, fined $2 or one week; James Shepherd, fined $5 or 20 days.

The Toronto *Telegram* asks:—"Why should Protestants sit still while their schools are being interfered with by the representatives of the Catholic Church? We can all see how quickly the Catholics would spring to their feet if any of their rights were threatened by the Protestants."

Mr. George W. Ross continues to repeat his statement that after the decision of the Privy Council in the Ontario boundary case, the Dominion Government had granted timber limits in the disputed territory. The statement is a falsehood; but Mr. Ross will continue to repeat it at every meeting he attends to the close of the campaign.

Mr. John McClary, of the firm of McClary & Co., of this city, was in Port Stanley the other day regarding the establishment of a branch foundry there. A public meeting of the ratepayers of the village was held Tuesday to consider the granting of a bonus of $5,000 in consideration of the foundry employing between 40 and 50 hands.

The *'Tizer* is fond of holding certain gentlemen in London responsible for the actions of their supporters. It cannot, therefore, complain if we hold Dan. McKenzie, ex-M. P. P., responsible for its vile utterances against as devout and respected a Christian gentleman as is to be found in Canada, viz.: Rev. Evans Davis, of London South.

The following have successfully passed the professional examination for first-class and assistant High School Masters' certificates, at the respective training institutes:—Strathroy—First-class (also qualified as assistants) E P. Rowland, J R. Stuart. Assistant Masters—F. O. Colbeck, J. W. Garvin, A. D. Passmore, R. A. Patterson, G. D. Wilson, H. Charles.

The Hamilton *Times'* bravado that Mr. Meredith dare not visit that city to speak on political questions is best answered by an advertisement in the issue of the *Spectator* of the same day, wherein it is stated that the Leader of the Opposition will address the electors on Thursday evening at the Roller Rink. This is a sample of the Grit lies sent out about election times.

"An Eye-opener" writes as follows to the Toronto *Telegram*:—"Much has been said through the press about His Grace Archbishop Lynch and Mr. Fraser having in a great measure the control of the Ontario Government. If such was the case hitherto, what may be expected in future should the Ontario Government be retained in power by the Catholic vote?"

The *'Tizer* has turned its attention (and abuse) to Rev. Evans Davis, of London South, for expressing his honest convictions upon the mutilated Bible. Now, it might tell the Christian public of London South what it thinks of its Grit friends in that suburb who held open meetings at McKenzie's committee rooms, on the Wortley road, during the afternoon and evening of Sunday last.

A Farmers' Institute, attended by professors from the Ontario Agricultural College, will be held in the Lobo Town Hall, at Coldstream, on January 10 and 11 next, and on the evening of the 10th, under the auspices of the Lobo Lecture Club. Papers of practical worth and interest to farmers will be read and discussed, and addresses by prominent men in the county will be given. Four sessions will be held, free to all interested in agriculture.

Court Welcome, No. 12, I. O. F., held its semi-annual election on Monday evening at the Hall in the Hicks Block, the attendance being very large. The brothers chosen as office-bearers were:—G. H. Thomas, C. R.; P. Phillyis, V. C. R.; A. McCombe, R. S.; T. Amor, F. S.; J. Amor, Treas.; R. Gilmour, Chaplain; Dr. O. M. Belfrey, Physician; R. Gardner, S. W.; T. Belcher, J. W.; R. Bissett, S. B.; W. L. Dundas, J. B.; W. Bryant, C. D. R. C. R., J. H. McClelland, P. C. R.; Bros. Phyllyis and Bryant, Finance Committee.

The Toronto *News* (the labor organ of that city) says:—"Mr. Hardy's assertion that the Provincial Franchise Act is based upon the platform of the Knights of Labor, if he is correctly reported, is an audacious misstatement. As every one should know, that platform demands manhood suffrage—not a clumsy, complicated scheme, so intricate in its working that it is a matter for a lawyer to decide who has or has not the right of suffrage. Moreover, the same objection applies to this feature of the Government's policy as to the emigration matter."

Mr. George Buskin, missionary of the Algoma and North-west Evangelical and Colportage Mission, directed to the laborers of that district, is in the city, seeking aid to further the work. During the past four years more than 1,000 Scriptures in many languages, and 2,000 Scriptural books have been supplied; large numbers of religious tracts and magazines have been distributed, and many religious services held. The district is large, and laborers numerous and scattered, and the work a needy one. Communications can be addressed, care of Mr. Heath, Secretary Y.M.C.A. A contribution was made two years since in the city for the work.

At the closing exercises of the Princess avenue school the following programme was cleverly presented to the pleasure and approval of the large audience:—"Deacon Brown," recitation, Miss A. McKeown; "The First Music Lesson," duet, Misses J. Pratt and M. Sweeney; "The Wonderful Scholar," dialogue, three little misses; "Mother's got a Baby," recitation, Miss Minnie Davis; "Cantalina," solo, Miss Fannie Bell; "Christmas Eve," recitation, Master Wm. Pearse; "The Grasshopper," duet, Misses A. Chapman and G. Laing; "Waiting and Watching," recitation, Miss Ada Boyd; "The Month of the Year," dialogue, six boys and six girls; "The New Year's," dialogue, a boy and a girl; "The Three 'Ifs,'" recitation, Master Wilby Judd; "Something Sweet to Think Of," solo, Miss Annie Cannom; "A Fussy Old Maid," recitation, Miss N. Fletcher; "Going to Tea," recitation, Miss H. Nash; "Thompson's and Butterwick's Difficulty," reading, Master S. Screaton; "Keep in the Middle Road," chorus song, several voices.

The death of Julia, wife of Issac Barrows, occurred at Nilestown on Saturday evening. Deceased had endured a long and painful illness with a Christian spirit of submission. The funeral, which took place on Monday, was largely attended. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. S. Goodell, of Smithville, who set forth the beauty and grandeur of Universalism, in which faith deceased rejoiced to live, and which grew brighter day by day unto the close of her life. She was 61 years of age, and had been a resident of Nilestown for many years, being held in high esteem by all who knew her. The Methodist Church, in which the services were held, was filled with friends who came to pay the last respects to one whom all will remember with gratitude and praise.—COM

The Methodist Church, Kerwood, was formally reopened on Sunday last, large and attentive congregations being present at both morning and evening services, at which the Rev. Messrs McDonagh and Hayhurst officiated. The Sabbath school was also visited by these gentlemen, who delivered interesting addresses to the teachers and classes. On Monday a splendid tea meeting was held in the church, which has been enlarged at an expense of over $1,000, and under the presidency of the pastor, Rev. W. H. Shaw, a very pleasing programme was rendered, and a large sum realized, which, with the numerous subscriptions heretofore received, will extinguish the entire debt owing on the church.

A perfect boon appears to have been inaugurated in favor of Mr. R. Tooley, the Liberal-Conservative candidate for East Middlesex. Betting rules strongly in his favor, and such confidence is expressed in his return that wagers are now being made not simply upon his election but on the probable majority which he will receive. One gentleman yesterday wagered $100 even that Mr. Tooley will have a majority of one hundred votes, and another bet of $50 to $25 was wagered that the Conservative candidate will secure one hundred and fifty majority. In fact the *'Tizer* people admit as much themselves—in a private and confidential way.

The Brantford *Telegram* says:—"Major Smith, C Company, Infantry School corps, Toronto, in speaking to our representative, said that the number of applications for admission to the School was greatly in excess of the accommodation. Twenty-five officers and over 80 non-commissioned officers and men applied for admission for the term commencing Dec. 1st, of which number not more than 15 officers and 25 non-commissioned officers and men can be taken. The opening of the School about to be established at London will absorb a great many of the applicants and relieve the pressure on C Company."

THE KENNEDY MURDER.—An esteemed correspondent, writing from Granton, says he has just returned from East Tawas, Mich., the scene of the finding of Joseph Kennedy's body. The particulars learned are somewhat different from first reports. The body was found in a swall near a cottage occupied by Tom Murphy. It was discovered by D. Larrabee and J. N. Green, who had been told a day or two previous to the finding of the body by a neighbor named Wilkins that Murphy told him he had buried a calf there. This aroused the suspicions of Larrabee and Green; who, going out under the pretense of hunting, went to the spot named by Wilkins and found the body buried under about three inches of earth, the feet being barely covered. The body was brought to Tawas City and placed in the vacant photograph gallery. An inquest was held in the Court House by Coroner A. G. Van Wey. The Joseph Kennedy referred to is a brother of John Kennedy, of Biddulph. He is supposed to have been murdered by some bad characters in a house of evil reputation, which he was lured to visit on a pretence of a business engagement.

WHAT'S IN A NAME.—Judge Chambers, of Detroit, has been engaged for a number of days in hearing testimony in the alleged infringement of patent case brought some time ago by the Grand Rapids Hoptonic Co. against Kirby Gregory, who is engaged in selling another quality of hoptonic for the Carling Brewing and Malting Co., of London, Ont. The plaintiffs secured a temporary injunction at the time they filed their complaint, but it was dissolved soon after by Judge Jennison, who expressed the opinion at the time that it was no infringement. The Grand Rapids Company complained that Carling & Co. manufacture a production which they call hoptonic and sell at a shilling a bottle, while the product of the complainants is sold at a dollar a bottle. This, they claim, is injuring their business, and that Carling & Co. are profiting by the complainants' advertising. Carling & Co. claim that as their tonic is composed more or less of hops they have a right to call it a "hop-tonic." The hearing has been continued until December 30. Judge Chambers says that the question is a puzzling one, as it involves the right of a man to name his article what it is.

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