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Clocks and Watches Warranted.— Cord-wood and Country produce taken in exchange for work. St. Thomas, August 1, 1850.

### AUCTIONEERING!

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#### M. GUNN, Agent, St. Thomas.

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WANTED IMMEDIATELY, a smart Boy, from 12 to 15 years of age, as an apprentice to the Printing business. One whose parents reside in the village would be preferred. Apply at this office. MARTIN CULLAITON. WESTERN LIBERAL OFFICE, St. Thomas, August 14, 1850.

## Poetry.

### THE PLOUGH AND THE SICKLE.

With the pioneer axe what a conquest's made; What a field from the forest is won!

What regions reduced from the wilderness shade, Are now warmed by the beams of the sun!

From the rock where our fathers in exile first landed, Their clearing from river to river has spread

And mountains and plains by their sons are commanded, Till now on the beach of Pacific we tread.

What a farm for a nation to cultivate now! And gather the wonderful harvest it yields;

'Tis an empire reduced to the sickle and plow An empire of gardens, and orchards, and fields.

Hail, nation of farmers! rejoice in your toil, And shout when your harvest is o'er;

Receive the oppressed to your land with a smile; But frown every foe from your iron bound shore.

The plough and the sickle shall shine bright in glory, When the mitre and sceptre shall crumble in rust.

And the farmer shall live both in song and in story, When kingdoms and kings are forgotten in dust.

### Choice Selections.

#### THAT HOLE IN THE POCKET.

In this lies the true secret of economy—the cure of sixpences. Many people throw them away without remorse or consideration—not reflecting that a penny a day is more than three dollars a year. We would loudly complain if a tax of that amount were laid upon us; but when we come to add all that we uselessly tax ourselves for our penny expenses, we shall find that we waste in this way annually quite enough to supply a family with winter fuel.

It is now about a year since my wife said to me one day, "pray Mr. Slackwater, how you that half dollar about you that I gave you this morning?" I felt in my waistcoat pocket, I felt in my breeches pocket, I turned my purse inside out, but it was all empty space—which is very different from specie; so I said to Mrs. Slackwater, "I've lost it, my dear; positively, there must be a hole in my pocket!"—I'll sew it up, said she.

An hour after, I met Tom Stevens.—"How did that ice-cream set?" said Tom. "It set," said I, "like the sun, gloriously." And, as I spoke, it flashed upon my mind that my missing half dollar had paid for those ice-creams; however, I held my peace, for Mrs. Slackwater sometimes makes remarks; and even when she assured me at the breakfast table next morning that there was no hole in my pocket, what could I do but lift my brow and say, "Ah! isn't there! really!"

Before a week had gone by, my wife who like a dutiful help-mate as she is, always gave me her loose change to keep, called for a twenty-five cent piece that had been deposited in my sub-treasury for safe keeping; there was a poor woman at the door, she said, that she had promised it to for certain. "Well, wait a moment," I cried; so I pushed enquiries first in this direction, and that, and then in the other; but vacancy returned a horrid groan.—"On my soul," said I, "thinking it best to show a bold front, 'you must keep my pockets in better repair, Mrs. Slackwater, this piece, with I know not how many more, is lost, because some corner or seam in my plagiety pockets has been left open."

"Are you sure Sir?" said Mrs. Slackwater. "Sure! ay, that I am, it's gone!" my wife dismissed her promise, and then, in a very quiet way, asked me to change my pantaloons—before I went out, and to bar further argument, laid another pair on my knees. That evening, allow me to remark gen-

tleman, of the species 'husband.' I was very loth to go home to tea; I had half a mind to bore some bachelor friend, and when hunger and habit, in their unassuming manner, one on each side, walked me up to my own door, the touch made my blood run cold. But to not think Mrs. Slackwater is a Tartar, my good friends, because I thus shrunk from home; the fact was that I had while abroad, called to my mind the fate of her twenty-five cent piece—which I had invested in smoke—that is to say, cigars; and I feared to think of her comments on my party's pockets.

"These things went on for some months; we were poor for to begin with, and grew poorer, or at any rate no richer fast.—Times grew worse and worse. At length, one day my wife came in with a subscription paper for the orphan's Asylum. I looked at it and sighed, and picked my teeth, and shook my head and handed it back to her.

"Ned Bowen," said she "subscribed ten dollars."

"The more shame to him," I replied.—"He can't afford it; he can but just scrape along any how, in these times it ain't right for him to do it."

My wife smiled in her sad way, and took the paper back to him that brought it.

The next evening she asked me if I would go with her and see the Bowens, and as I had no objections, we started.

I know Ned Bowen did a small business that would give him about \$600 a year, and I thought it worth while to see what that sum would do in the way of house keeping. We were admitted by Ned and welcomed by Ned's wife. All was as nice as wax, and yet as substantial as iron—comfort was written all over the room.

The evening passed, some how or other though we had no refreshment, an article which we never had at home, but always went elsewhere, and I returned to our own establishment with mingled pleasure and chagrin.

"What a pity," said I to my wife, that Bowen don't keep within his income."

"He does," she replied.

"How can he on \$600?" was my answer; "if he gives ten dollars for charity and five dollars to that, and live so snug and comfortably too?"

"Shall I tell you?" said Mrs. Slackwater.

"Certainly, if you can."

"His wife," said my wife, "finds it just as easy to do without \$20 or \$30 worth of ribbons and laces, as to buy them. They have no fruit except what they raise, and have given them by country friends, whom they repay by a thousand little acts of kindness. He buys no cigars, or ice creams, or oranges, at twelve cents a-piece, or new novels—in short, my dear Mr. Slackwater he has no hole in his pockets."

It was the first word of suspicion my wife had ever uttered on the subject, and it cut me to the quick! Cut me? I should rather say it sowed me up—and my pockets too; they never have been in holes since that time.

Foxe.—Oh, marry the man you love, girls, if you can get him at all; if he is as rich as 'Croesus' or as poor as Job in his fall. Pray, do marry for pelf, girls, 'twill bring your soul into thrall, but marry the man you love, girls, if his purse is ever so small. Oh, never marry a fop, girls, whether he's little or tall; he'll make a fool of himself and you, he knows nothing well but to drawl. But marry a sober man, girls, there are a few left on this ball; and you'll never rue the day girls, that you ever married at all.

Applications for divorces are so numerous in Wisconsin, that it has been suggested that all married people, who don't want to be divorced, should signify the same to the Legislature, and then a general law be passed divorcing every body else!

He who has a high forehead, will have his eyes under it and will live all the days of his life.

## Provincial Parliament.

### BILLS FOR UPPER CANADA, PASSED DURING THE RECENT SESSION.

We publish below the Bills which have been passed during the Session of Parliament that has just closed. The number of Bills which received the royal assent on Saturday the 10th instant, were 146. Our space not admitting of the whole number, we have therefore selected such as have immediate reference to Upper Canada, and also those for United Canada. The number of Lower Canada Bills are 38, Upper Canada 60, and United Canada 37.—Ed. WESTERN LIBERAL.

### UPPER CANADA BILLS.

#### PRIVATE.—24.

An Act to authorise the exchange of certain Turnpike road debentures for others of the same total value but being respectively for smaller sums.

An Act to incorporate the Kingston Fire and Marine Insurance company

An Act to incorporate the Bytown and Montreal Telegraph company.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the Vaughan Road company.

An Act to amend the act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute of the city of Toronto.

An Act to authorise the trustees holding lands upon which churches are erected in Upper Canada to mortgage the same, to pay off debts due by such churches.

An Act to authorise Aaron Silverthorn and Newman Silverthorn, their heirs or assigns, to erect a dam across the river Thames.

An Act to enable John Counter to obtain a patent for making stoves of a new pattern and on a new principle.

An Act to incorporate the Toronto Necropolis.

An act to incorporate the Catarqui Cemetery company.

An act to prolong the time for the completion of the Grimsby Breakwater Pier and Harbor.

An act to amend the act, intituled "An act to incorporate certain persons as the Guelph and Dundas road company."

An act to authorise the removal of the site of Victoria College from Cobourg to Toronto.

An act to alter and amend two several acts passed respectively in the seventh year and in the eighth year of Her present Majesty's reign, relating to the Trust and Loan company of Upper Canada.

An act to incorporate the Elgin association for the settlement and moral improvement of the colored population of Canada.

An act to empower the Great Western Railroad Company to make a branch railroad to the town of Galt.

An act for the incorporation of a company to construct a railroad between Bytown and Prescott.

An act to authorise the formation of companies for the establishment of cemeteries in Upper Canada.

An act to amend the act to encourage the establishment of certain societies, commonly called Building societies in that part of the Province of Canada formerly constituting Upper Canada.

An act to enable the municipal corporation of the city of Toronto, to assist in the construction of the Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Railroad.

An act to incorporate the Hamilton Gas company.

An act to empower municipal corporations to subscribe for stock of the Great Western Railroad company, or otherwise to aid in completing that undertaking.

An act to extend the time for paying up the increased capital stock of the Bank of Upper Canada.

An act to amend the act intituled "an act to incorporate the Toronto, Simcoe, and Lake Huron Union Railroad Company."

### LOCAL.—3.

An act to enable the Commissioners for defining the boundary line between the townships of Walpole and Woodhouse, to perform the duty assigned to them by the act in that behalf provided.

An act to confirm a certain survey of the township of Ameliasburgh in Upper Canada.

An act to enable collectors of local taxes in Upper Canada, for the several years between one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine (both inclusive,) to recover taxes accrued in such years respectively, and remaining due.

An act to provide for the payment of the sum of money therein mentioned, for the use and support of three additional Grammar schools in the County of York, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

An act to provide for the future management of the Toronto Harbor.

An act to vest the Harbor at Colourg in the municipality of that town.

An act to establish a survey in front of the 9th concession of Cornwall, (from lot No. 22 westerly to the limit of the township) as the governing line of the said concession.

An act to determine the mode in which the side lines in certain concessions in the township of Edwardsburgh shall be ran.

### LEGAL CORRECTIONS.—5.

An act to extend the right of appeal in certain cases in Upper Canada.

An act to remove doubts as to the effect of the disallowance of the Act incorporating the town of Bytown.

An act to remedy an error in certain letters patent for two lots in the town of Chatham.

An act to alter and amend the practice and proceedings in action of Ejectment in Upper Canada.

An act to amend and explain the act relative to the side lines in the township of Osgoode.

### PUBLIC.—23.

An act to permit Lands in Upper Canada to be conveyed to trustees for Burial places.

An act to enable the Provincial Government to dispose of claims against certain Companies for loans made to them under the authority of certain acts of the Parliament of Upper Canada.

An act to amend and extend the provisions of an act passed in the twelfth year of her Majesty's reign, intituled, "an Act to authorise the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of roads, and other works in Upper Canada."

An act to remove certain doubts respecting the intention of the act of the last session of the Parliament of this Province for amending the Charter of the University of Toronto, and to provide for the institution and endowment of Regius and other Professorships, Lectureships, Fellowships, Scholarships, Exhibitions, Prizes and other rewards in the said University, and for other purposes connected with the said University, and with the College and Royal Grammar School of Upper Canada College forming an appendage thereof.

An act to amend the Registry Law of Upper Canada.

An act to provide funds for defraying the cost of the erection of the Lunatic Asylum, and other public building in Upper Canada.

An act to alter the practice of the law in action of Dower in Upper Canada.

An act to alter and amend the Act regulating the practice of the County Courts in Upper Canada, and to extend the jurisdiction thereof.

An act for the more effectual administration of Justice in the Court of Chancery in Upper Canada.

An act to establish a Board of Agriculture in Upper Canada.

An act for correcting of certain errors and omissions in the Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the last session thereof, intituled, "an Act to provide, by one general law, for the erection of Municipal Corporations and the establishment