The Free Press.

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On a Sheet of Blank Paper.

O virgin page, untouched, unstained,
Without a line, without a blot,
Thou cream-laid blank-faced mystery
Of untold thoughts, of unsung songs,
Who can foresee thy end, thy lot,
Who tell thy future history?

Perchance thou art reserved to bear
The record of a lofty mind,
Whose echo shall defy Time's wave;
Or in the rubbish basket near
Some cruel hand may bid thee find
Oblivion, and a wicker grave.

Shall, upon thy vacant face,
Some poet write a stirring ode,
Some wondrous lay, some graceful sonnet?
Or shall Miss Jones' fingers trace
Some lines to Madame a la Mode
About the color of her bonnet?

Thou may'st some doctor's mandate bear
For horrid drugs or an emetic;
Or serve to write an I O U;
Some love-sick swain to Dulcinea,
In halting doggerel most pathetic,
May send thee as a billet-doux.

Or on thee, haply, shall be wrought
Some picture, to for aye remain,
A masterpiece of tint and line?
Or shall the baser pen and thought
Of Thomas or of Sarah Jane,
Degrade thee to a valentine?

O empty blank! that only craves
A touch, a word, in paint or rhyme;
Thou silent monument of shame
On cowards, idlers, fashion's slaves,
On brains that have no thoughts sublime,
On hands that cannot give thee fame.

What ill destroyed, what good abused!
So ready thou to cheer or pain,
So prompt for blessing or for curse—
And here, half-conscious, as I mused,
I took the paper up again,
And scribbled off this idle verse!
—*Chambers' Journal.*

JET:

OR,

HER FACE OR HER FORTUNE

How if the door of moral suicide should be shut upon him—if Lady Austen, most fickle of women, should go the way of the crowd, bestow her affections and her jointure upon some Dr. Herzlieb of the minute, and leave him penniless?

"The possibility had been brought home to him, during a short stay in England, by a certain growing tone of fretfulness in miladi's letters; and, as I have said, his resolution was already taken when he met Jet Conyngham—Jet, whom to look at was to love, every whisper of whose girlish voice was music, and whose heart, whose fortune, almost before he had set himself to the task in earnest, he had won.

Biron's intention had been to commit moral suicide, to become the husband of Lady Austen. Without merit or demerit of his, he finds himself the lover of all that is sweet and pure in woman, honorable ease his portion for the future—with only an empty purse, only the petty annoyance of Schmidt and secretary asking payment of a bill, as present drawback.

A bill for some three or four hundred francs!—he smiles as he runs his eye down the items—items that, a fortnight ago, he might have disputed, but that to a future millionaire are insignificant. He compliments Herr Schmidt upon the moderate terms of his establishment. It is necessary that Mr. Biron run over to Nice for six-and-thirty hours—to speak candidly, it is necessary that Mr. Biron pay a visit to the Brothers Ulrich, his bankers. Herr Schmidt, of course, will allow him to remain his debtor until his return?

Herr Schmidt, although the most prudent Prussians, finds himself powerless before Le Reverend's airy treatment of his claims; and, in the early gray of the November morning, a girlish face, wet with tears, is bent forth from an upper window of the Hotel Paradis to watch Mr. Laurence Biron's departure.... April tears, quickly shed, quickly dried. Jet Conyngham's love is still at the blossoming stage, when to talk of an absent sweetheart is, to a heart of nineteen, only a degree less dear than his presence. And Cora, the one human being to whom she could speak of Biron, will arrive in Esterel to-night. Poor Cora, with the narrow horizon of Dulford bounding her desires, the unromantic Rector of Dulford for the hero of her life-drama!

Nothing, it has been cynically said, succeeds like success. Biron finds the axiom verified within an hour of his arrival at Nice. A week ago would MM. Ulrich Freres have advanced the Reverend Laurence Biron twenty pounds, twenty pence, upon his own note of hand? I think not. A week ago the Reverend Laurence Biron was only the money-borrowing, impecunious, black-coated adventurer, whom MM. Ulrich Freres have known, to their cost, for years; fair-sounding promises his vouchers, the dim prospect of one day becoming Lady Austen's husband his most valid security.

With his altered prospects his very outward man would seem to have changed. As he walks into the bank his air is that of a merchant-prince. He demands an interview with the senior partner as coolly as though his balance constituted the mainstay of the firm, and is accommodated with one hundred pounds simply in exchange for his own autograph—his own autograph, and the delicately introduced mention of Frederick Conyngham's name.

"Before the new year, my dear Ulrich, Mr. Conyngham will be my father-in-law. My engagement to his daughter is not yet formally announced, but I know that I can rely upon your discretion. As to the fortune of my *fiancée*—"

"The fortune of Mademoiselle Conyngham admits of no question," returns the complacent banker; "Mr. Conyngham's first wife was an heiress—West Indian property—money derived from sugar plantations. I was a boy at the time of his marriage, but I remember the circumstance well. The young lady to whom you are engaged will have a dowry, of forty thousand pounds."

Always that ridiculous legend of sugar-plantation and of a West Indian mother! Legend or no legend, the source of Jet's wealth matters little to Laurence Biron, so long as the wealth itself becomes his own. The weight of his hundred pounds, all in solid golden *rouleaux*, appears to him a delightful earnest of his gilded future. He walks about Nice, seeing the familiar shops and streets under the kind of glamour of an opium eater. Huge orange-and-blue placards are advertising to the public that the opera will open for the season to-night. The name of Mademoiselle Rose Pinson, a pretty *figurante*, whom Biron remembers well in Paris, is among the *corps de ballet*.

He wends his way to the principal Nice flowershop, buys the costliest boquet it contains, and has the gratification of flinging it that night, from his old place in the stalls, at the agile feet of Mademoiselle Rose! Coming out of the theatre, the notorious Count Zaffa—a too close gambling associate of other days—lays his hand on Biron's shoulder. The count proposes an hour's adjournment to the club for whist. As miladi is not in Nice, the evenings of his reverence are, of course, at his own disposal? Whist means baccarat; the hour lasts till daybreak; and Jet's lover loses—gold, I O U's—everything.

"The terrible eye of Morning sees him beggar'd as he stands!"

Well, as he travels back to Esterel in the course of the afternoon, Mr. Biron consoles himself by recalling the adage respecting bad luck at cards (curious that a man who looks upon conscience as a myth, upon prayer as moral delirium tremens, should still cling to some puerile, pet superstition, in the matter of hearts and diamonds!) To have lost may prove a better omen for his love affairs than to have won. If he could but free himself from the horrible embarrassment of the moment—for, whatever the fate of Schmidt and secretary, his debts of honor must not be slurred over like a tradesman's.... It has been decided between himself and Jet that Mr. Conyngham shall hear of their engagement at the first auspicious moment after Cora's arrival. Mr. Conyngham may prove a man easy to deal with on the score of money, a man belonging to the invaluable lending-section of the human race. If not—as money must be had and at once—why, there is Lady Austen. During all the by-gone years, all the stormy vicissitudes of their friendship, Lady Austen has never once drawn back from helping him in his difficulties. And when he is married—ah! when he is married—he will taste the sweetness of repaying her every benefit that the cruel reverses of his life have forced him to accept, and with interest!

Absorbed in dreams of Jet Conyngham—I mean of Jet Conyngham's fortune, and of the miserable shifts to which he may yet be put ere he handle it—Mr. Biron finds himself nearing the termination of his journey. The sun is setting over the mountains of Les Maures as the train passes by Carnoules. And the rose flushed peaks, the tender, opal sky, recall to him, little sentimental though he be, the scene among the fir-woods—his girlish sweetheart's first blushing whisper of his name, the first contact of her lips! He is not in love as Mark Austen was in love or as Jet is; but he likes the girl to the utmost point of his capacity for liking, and looks forward, with genuine impatience, to the moment when he shall once more fold her in his arms.

When love and interest are inseparably, vitally connected, even a thirty-six hours' absence may be fraught with peril.

The omnibus from the Hotel Paradis awaits him by command at Salon, the little station five miles from Esterel, at which passengers from the south are wont to stop in preference to making the longer circuit by Tamaris and the junction. The German conductor advances to greet him, finger on cap. Two other travelers are expected by this train for the Hotel Paradis. Will the gnadiger Herr have the complaisance to remain a short five minutes on the platform while their luggage is being seen to? Or will the gnadiger Herr take his place at once in the omnibus?

Biron takes his place mechanically, his thoughts still of Jet, and of how by this time she and Cora will begin to look for his coming. Mechanically he listens while box after box, *malle* after *malle*, are being thrown up, with many a muttered *sacré* from drivers and railway officials, to the roof. Mechanically he watches a couple of Englishwomen mistress, it would seem, and maid leave the station.

The Englishwomen advance. He hears a voice that he would recognize at the nether pole disputing the porter's demands in voluble bad French. He catches one glimpse of a face. Another moment, and Lady Austen for it is she—is standing on the step of the omnibus—has entered, recognized him.

"Laurence!"

(To be continued.)

Extraordinary Case of Abstinence from Food

Fasting for Seventeen Days—Novel Cure for Consumption.

From the Spectator.

There is now in this city a well-authenticated case of a lady, 53 years of age, who has not tasted food of any kind for 17 days, but we are not at liberty to give the name of the lady at present, or to indicate the locality where she may be found. Her account of herself is that when quite a child she began to study the Scriptures, but, somehow, she could never have her doubts set at rest until she met a young woman who preached repentance by baptism through Christ, and even then she was not convinced until she witnessed the cure of a young woman of that dreaded disease, consumption, after all the physicians she had consulted had given her up to death. The young woman was completely cured, and then this now old lady became a convert, and in a short time after was made the recipient of special dispensations from heaven. At one time she received a mission to fast, and actually refrained from food for forty-five days. About the 20th of July, while meditating in her residence at Goderich, she received a command to proceed to Hamilton and commence another fast, and accordingly she took the train and came to this city, and immediately commenced her mission, and will continue to refrain from food of all kinds until informed from above that she has accomplished her task. She converses freely about her belief and her special endowments, and is no doubt sincere in her hallucination. The family whom she is visiting have watched her very closely, and they state that she has tasted no food of any kind for the past seventeen days, and that the only liquids which have passed her lips during that time has been one glass of lemonade and a few glasses of water. She also states that 23 years ago her husband went to Australia to seek his fortune, and regularly remitted her money for several years, but receiving no letters from her acknowledging the receipts of money, he came to the conclusion she was dead, and ceased remitting. Not having heard from her husband she arrived at the conclusion she was a widow, and put on the clothing necessary to indicate this lonely condition; but one day she had a revelation, and was informed that her husband was still in the land of the living, had submitted her money, which a neighbor had appropriated to his own use. She did not say whether this man had been informed of the vision and had restored his ill-gotten gain, but the presumption is she would not hide such a vision under a bushel. The woman's body seems to be reasonably well sustained, but her face has a pinched and care-worn appearance, and her tongue is not apparently affected in the least. She says she is a mother in Israel, and whenever the time comes for her to re-commence eating she is admonished to set-to and devour all the food which her appetite or condition of body may demand. The gentleman whose house she is visiting had some doubt of her physical powers, and when informed the other day that she had carried a four gallon can filled with coal oil from the top to the bottom of the stairs he requested, as the feat was accomplished in his absence, that it should be repeated, and the woman at once complied, when the gentleman's scepticism was removed. She sleeps well, and states that she feeds on heavenly manna, but says nothing about honey. She exhibits considerable familiarity with the Bible, and quotes copiously from it to prove her claims to special attributes to be borne out by numerous texts. The Bible is correct in her opinion, and without it the world could not go on, nor would she be so specially favored. In conclusion, we might say, that the whole of the family where she is visiting—father, mother, son and daughter—believe in her truth and sincerity, and are convinced that she has not tasted food of any kind since commencing her fast.

Miss Beckwith's Swim.

London Telegraph.

Miss Beckwith accomplished the task yesterday of swimming twenty miles in the Thames, and it was stated that the feat was not performed for a wager, but to encourage ladies in the art of natation. The start from Westminster was fixed for noon, but it did not take place until twenty six minutes later, by which time several thousand spectators had gathered on the bridge and the Victoria embankment. As soon as the young lady, attired in an orange-colored costume, appeared on the steamer which was to accompany her she was greeted with cheers, and the cheering was repeated when she dived into the water. She was followed on the journey by a boat containing Prof. Beckwith and his son Willie, the champion of London. She swam in the middle of the stream with a long, powerful breast stroke, and reached Lambeth bridge in nine minutes. Battersea bridge was passed in thirty-four minutes, and Chelsea in forty-seven minutes, while the distance covered in the first hour was about three and a quarter miles. Going merrily along the swimmer was off Wadsworth in 1h. 15m., and Putney, five and a half miles from home, 1h. 36m. She continued the same measured stroke, and in 2h. 9m. passed Hammersmith bridge, where a large crowd encouraged her efforts with a cheer. The ship at Mortlake being reached, nearly half the journey was performed in a little less than three hours. Kew Bridge, eleven miles, was shot under in 3h. 28m. from the start, and then, for the first time, some refreshments was partaken of. At 5 o'clock Richmond was sighted, and a short distance beyond this pleasant resort a turn was made for home, the young lady not exhibiting the slightest symptoms of fatigue. The journey back to Barker's rails, Mortlake, where the twenty miles were completed, was accomplished without mishap, and Miss Beckwith, far from being exhausted, was taken into the steamer amid hearty manifestations of satisfaction, having been in the water six hours and twenty-five minutes.

..They have an ant out in Utah that must be almost as strong as a mother-in-law, for it is said to be able to draw 16 times its own weight. Four of them together weigh only a grain, but they can easily pull 64 grains, or 19 of them would be sufficient to move a pound. This ant is red and black, is a great fighter, and is said to keep diminutive cows, which it milks whenever it wants a drink. Anybody may believe the cow part of the story who is that kind of a man.

.."Camping and fishing parties," says the Ithaca (N. Y.) *Journal*, "can obtain a good light by soaking a common brick in kerosene oil for ten minutes. The brick absorbs the oil, and on being suspended with wire and ignited, a brilliant light, lasting for half an hour, is obtained. This is said by those who have experimented with it, to be greatly superior to the torch in general use."

.."Murder! murder!" cried a pretty milliner of Galveston, Texas, Mrs. Ella Quinn, and all the time she was peppering the body of Capt. Guthrie, a false lover, with Derringer balls. Guthrie was trying to dodge behind a tree, but he will die.

Cypriot Women.

The Turks when describing a Greek girl say that she is kneaded up with tricks. They ought to know, for in the palmy days of the harems those institutions contained many a young lady from the Ægean Isles, bought by agreement with her kinsfolk; and doubtless so late as two years ago the Turkish girl merchant paid his yearly visits to Cyprus. His ostensible purpose was to recruit dancing girls, for the word slavery was not to be so much as mentioned among the Greeks; but it was pretty well understood that when a young Cypriot woman accepted an offer to go and dance at Constantinople or Bagdad her relatives saw no more of her unless she turned up in after years as a large widow with a great deal of superfluous jewellery about her. Vassilopoulos, the inn-keeper, used to say (but this was some years ago) that the pashas, and even his Majesty the Sultan, had a particular liking for the Cypriot maidens, owing to their merry eyes, and their incomparable grace in dancing; and that if it had not been for the vigilance of the Cyprian young men and the patriotic disinterestedness of Cyprian mothers, the whole female population of the island sacred to Aphrodite would have found its way into the Turkish seraglios. This statement contained possibly but a grain of truth; for Cyprian mothers of the peasant class, when overburdened with families, did not think twice about accepting a merchant's offer of a cash payment in exchange for one of their daughters. The transaction was not, indeed, regarded as honorable; it was not talked about, and some mystery had to be observed in conveying the girl away; but the merchant scarcely selected more than a score or two of the population every year, and it was known that the chosen few were going to a life of brilliant possibilities which might result in their wielding considerable power in the State and sending home frequent remittances to their relations. For the rest, the female population in Cyprus, as in the other Greek islands, much exceeded that of the males; and when the inn-keeper's two sons, Dimitri and Pericles, went a-courting they must have found the marriage market rather overstocked. The Cyprian damsel is a curious compound of fascinations and oddities. Seen at her best, on one of those innumerable saints' days when she does no work beyond tricking herself out in fine clothes and assisting her mother to dispense hospitality, she looks like a masquerade heroine, whatever be her station. She weaves up her hair with gold coins, twists it, plaits it, and contrives with a red and yellow kerchief, a head dress which looks likes a turban, but is made top-heavy by being surmounted with an embroidered muffin-cap and tassel. She wears baggy breeches, sky-blue or pick, which descend to the knee, the rest of the legs and feet being bare, except when to honor company she reluctantly dons a pair of babouches, in which she feels uncomfortable. She is generally fat, and wears a short jacket profusely braided, which does not reach to her waist; she rouges and whitens her creamy complexion till it looks like the face of a wax image; she paints her eyebrows deep black, and by some cunning pencil-touches at the corners of her eyes, contrives to make them look twice their proper size. Then she feels happy, and giggles when complimented. She cannot read or write, but she can sing, play on a triangular guitar, and spin round in a fantastic dance which takes her breath away, and makes her cry "Hoo!" while the stranger who watches her turns giddy from sympathy. Nor is she without religion; for during the long Lenten fast and on Fridays throughout the year she lives on bread and olives, considering it a deadly sin to eat "anything that has breathed"—fish included. She sees less sin in telling fibs and in discussing scandal. It takes some time to familiarize oneself with a Cyprian girl; for something of the Mussulman practice of secluding women prevails among the Greeks, and a bevy of maidens will scurry off like frightened poultry if a man approaches them to talk; but once this shyness has worn off, the chief conversational topic of the bashful maiden will relate to her neighbors' shortcomings. She will tell you with smothered laughter things which she has learned in the most surreptitious manner; and her dark eyes will sparkle with the fun of mischief-making.

The countless feast-days in the Greek calendar afford an excuse for constant laziness, mixed with social festivity; and there is no hovel so poor but manages somehow on these occasions to put forth fruit jellies, raw spirits and coffee to entertain the stranger. Travelling about the island with Vassilopoulos, one was reminded one or twice a week that a day had come when no work was to be done; and, in fact, the fields are as deserted on these days as Scotch ones on a Sunday. In the morning the people troop to church, where the papas (priests) officiate in gorgeous vestments within churches mostly in ruins, but full of votive images in painted marble or in carved wood, dressed out like dolls. In the afternoon, romping, gambling, athletic feats, and often shrieking quarrels, ending by fights with knives, serve to while away the time until night comes on, when there is a great deal of dancing, singing and carousing inside barns. All this is gay enough, but soon palls upon the stranger, who finds the people more attractive on working days, when they have no frippery or gewgaws about them. The women are excellent housewives, and their daughters learn early to swab and scrub till they make the stone doorsteps of their cottages shine like alabaster. It might be wished that they were equally active in warring against the parasites which linger in the woodwork of their dwellings; but they seem to treat these creatures as honored guests, and never disturb them. On working days the Cyprian girl dresses loosely in cotton breeches and chemise, and lets her hair fall down her back, tying it just below the neck with a string of beads. She is surprisingly active despite her plumpness, and races about after goats, pigs, and fowls, with a fleetness which would do credit to a boy. If of marriageable age she will not beg, but at sight of a stranger halloos to her younger sisters to come forth and claim backsheesh; the which having been duly obtained (for those little Greek girls are wonderful coaxers), she levies her share, which is expended in buying finery of the pedlars. The dream of the Greek girl is to be as sumptuous as those Mussulman ladies whom she occasionally sees driving about the island in carts drawn by oxen, and whom she envies with all her heart without being able to see their faces. In all the Greek isles, the *setrarret*, or veiling, of the Mussulman ladies is very close; and their pride is also immense, for, being in a minority, they hold altogether aloof from the Christian women. The wives of second-rate Turkish officials not rich enough to afford ox-carts walk out to the bazaars attended by servants, and whenever they meet a man turn their faces, though veiled, right away from him. In lonely streets or country roads they stand still and turn their backs until he has passed. The Greek women, while laughing at these customs, secretly admire them, as enhancing the majesty of their sex; and one of the first purchases made by a Cyprian maiden when she has saved pocket money is a veil, in which she tries to drape herself, not over-successfully, like the Mussulman dames. This article, however, she only dons indoors, for in the open air it would excite the ire of the Greek boys, besides hiding that beauteous arrangement of rouging, blackening and whitening above mentioned. Dimitri and Pericles used to assert that a girl's face was no more made for concealment than the moon's, and the maidens of the place would no doubt have agreed with them, feeling proud at the comparison.

EPPS'S COCOA.—GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING.—"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavored beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal shaft by keeping ourselves well fortified with pure blood and a properly nourished frame."—*Civil Service Gazette.*—Sold only in Packets labelled—"JAMES EPPS & Co., Homœopathic Chemists London Eng." deod wssw

..The presents of Prince Arthur of England to his betrothed Prussian Princess have been manufactured in Paris. The gem of them all is an opera glass of gold, studded with jewels in beautiful and ingenious devices, among which is the coat of arms of the princess surmounted by a coronet.

..The singular spectacle of a hearse drawn by men was witnessed in Auburn. The harness broke, and fifty of the dead man's fellow workmen took the place of the horses.

WESTERN CORRESPONDENCE

CHATHAM.

Chatham, Aug. 8—Mr. J. J. Hawkins went through town last evening to Wallaceburg. He was accompanied by R. Stephenson, M. P.

A number of gentlemen pigeon-wingers went out after woodcock yesterday. They bagged a fair lot, considering.

Whooping cough is quite prevalent in North Chatham.

A great many citizens' families are rusticating on the lake shore.

A new stage line has been started by Mr. Bunnell, and parties take advantage of it to enjoy the breezes of Lake Erie a few hours every day.

The last issue of the *Banner* contains a long, incoherent letter from Timothy Mulqueen, over the signature of "T Mcqueen." The epistle is a literary and political curiosity, and shows that the schoolmaster is abroad with something wrong with his central ganglion. The fish has supplanted the *mutton*, and the result is a Faber-ication indeed! Another letter in the same sheet, signed "Independent," criticizing the speech of Mr. Hawkins at the Music Hall last week, is a tissue of falsehoods throughout. The writer of such a production must be lost to all sense of right or justice. By going too far east, the young scribbler turned up in the west.

The schooner Marco Polo, in tow of the Noyes, arrived at Piggott's wharf, foot of Second street, this morning. The vessel arrived from Dick Powers' mills, Georgian Bay, laden with 50,000 laths, 100,000 feet of lumber and 500,000 shingles, all for Mr. John Piggott. The Marco Polo is chartered by Mr. P. to bring five similar cargoes yet this season. This pushing and prosperous young lumber merchant has just had constructed and finished one of the finest offices for his business, corner of King and Forsyth streets, to be found anywhere. Success to the man who deserves it, says everybody.

The funeral of the late Dr. Sivewright yesterday was very largely attended, there being about fifty carriages in the *cortege*, besides a large number of people on foot. This testified to the high esteem in which deceased was held. The pall bearers were Drs. H. J. Murphy, A. B. Clayton, D. G. Fleming, G. E. Richardson, J. P. Rutherford and A. B. Macintosh, Esq., all residents of the town.

Mr. John Goodyear and wife returned from their European tour yesterday. John says, "My England is a glorious old land still!"

John Hyslop, merchant, Jas. A. Ellis, barrister, and Ellis Mills, yeoman, left per evening train east, bound to take in trans-Atlantic sights and scenes.

Under the auspices of the Sabbath School in connection with Dr. Russell's Church, Detroit, a party of 700 ladies and gentlemen came to Chatham on an excursion by the Steinhoff on Wednesday. They were accompanied by the D. L. Band. A reception by the Women's Christian Temperance Union of the town was tendered the visitors in the Music Hall. Mrs. Van Allen Vice Pres dent, occupied the chair, and Mrs. John Morrish acted as organist. Speeches were made by Dr. Russell and his son, of Detroit, and Mr. W. Martin, of Chatham. A vote of thanks to the speakers was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Walker, of the P. M. Church. Many of the visitors partook of refreshments at W Green's parlor restaurant. The party left about 4 p. m., the band playing "Auld Lang Syne."

OXFORD.

Ingersoll, Aug. 8.—Daniel Serros, the hostler at the McMurray House, Ingersoll, who was cut by the negro Neil in the late row, was taken to his home in Hamilton, where the doctors have decided that amputation of the arm is necessary.

The Lodge of Young Britons referred to last night in my despatch was instituted by Bro. H. Tozer, W.M., H. Watson, D.M., and James Lucas, Secretary, of Lodge No. 29, London. Quite a large number of our young men became members, and the lodge will be hailed as King William, No. 188. The following are the officers for the first term:—Bro W Haggart, W M; Bro R Size, D M; Bro John Armour, R S; Bro E Smith, F S; Bro W Size, Treas; Bro W Newcomb, I Tyler; Bro E Robinson, O Tyler; Bro John Lloyd, M of C; Bro W Longton, Chap; Bros H Bensl, F Moore, W Tennant, W Campbell and W Willord, Committeemen.

The Grits in this section are now being awakened to a true sense of their position. They are beginning at last to comprehend how exceedingly slim are the chances for the election of their candidate. They have resorted to almost every imaginable trick to discomfit the Conservative candidate; they have reviled and abused him in a manner worthy only the most unscrupulous of Grits. They have imported some of the ablest of their speakers, but in all this they have failed most signally, and it is with alarm and confusion they see how successful Mr. Gibson is in all the meetings that are being held throughout the Riding. There is a rumor afloat that Mr. James Noxon has consented to take another dose of political dirt. Notwithstanding his assertion some time ago that he would never support Col. Skinner, he is at last reported on good authority as one of the "ardent" supporters of the Colonel. This will be a bitter pill for him to swallow, and there is no doubt he will be followed by some whose motto seems to be, "By the party, with the party and for the party." And, again, there is an inconceivable number of Reformers here who will never sacrifice their principles by voting for Skinner. Mr. Gibson's friends have every reason to be satisfied with his prospects. He is continually receiving support from quarters where it is least expected, and to judge by present indications, he will have a handsome majority, whenever Mr. Mackenzie consents to bring on the elections.

There was another of those card parties, given by "Our Boys," held in Mr. Goodman's rooms. They are a novel kind of entertainment, and are quite popular.

LAMBTON.

Forest, Aug. 8.—The Primitive Methodist Church, which has been undergoing repairs, will be reopened next Sunday by Mr. J. B. Anderson, the revivalist.

Our civic holiday will take place to-morrow. The principal attraction is an excursion to Fort Gratiot.

Inspector Barnes is in Toronto, commissioned to purchase $150 worth of books for the East Lambton teachers' library.

Watford, Aug. 8.—There were large shipments of cheese at Watford yesterday from Warwick and Maple Grove factories.

The Judge sits here on the 17th inst. to revise the voters' list.

Courtright, Aug. 7.—Yesterday about five hundred people arrived per the C. S. R. on the Oddfellows' excursion from St. Thomas, Petrolea and the other stations along the line. The steamers Mary Mills and Julia took them out on Lake Huron, calling at Port Huron and Sarnia. On landing here on their return one of the excursionists unfortunately fell in the river, losing his hat and purse containing $12, besides the ride to St. Thomas. Fortunately for him, some of the bystanders went to his assistance promptly with a pole, and got him out without much trouble.

Mr. Noyle's new store is rapidly nearing completion, and presents a handsome front. Mr. Dunlop had just unloaded the Jenny Rumbell at his new dock. Her cargo was lumber and shingles.

Thedford, Aug. 8.—The union evangelistic meetings are still in progress. Up to Wednesday night 264 persons had professed faith in Christ, and handed in their names to the Evangelist John Bennett Anderson, who concludes four weeks' services on Friday night.

On Sunday Mr. Anderson goes to Forest to re-open the P. M. Church, and lecture in the Drill Hall on Monday, upon "Evangelistic Experiences in the Old World and the New." After a few days' rest in Toronto, Mr. Anderson commences Gospel meetings in Rev. J. B. Duncan's Presbyterian Church, McKay's Corners, on Sunday, August 25th. We understand that Mr. Anderson has received an invitation to conduct union meetings in Strathroy from the ministers there. Over 800 persons have professed faith in Christ at Mr. Anderson's meetings since May 12th.

WELLINGTON.

Guelph, Aug. 8.—Lottie Pratt, an inmate of a house of illfame, has been sentenced to a month's imprisonment with hard labor for stealing jewelry from Mattie Brown, another inmate.

On Wednesday morning Alex. Gray died in the General Hospital of typhoid fever, after an illness of six weeks. Mr. Gray came to Guelph from Aberdeenshire about four years ago, and was employed in the wholesale grocery of Mr. James Massie, M. P. P.

The supposed murder excitement arising out of the discovery of a pool of blood, a hat and a bludgeon, has been explained. A young man named Swalwell was passing Neeve street bridge on his way home on Saturday night, when a number of rowdies ran towards him, and with a terrible blow felled him to the ground before he had an opportunity to recognize any of them. He knew nothing more for several minutes afterwards, when he found himself near Birmingham's lime kiln, with two men rifling his pockets. He regained his feet and struck out for his life, when a third party, who had a stick in his hand, struck him on the head, which felled him to the ground. He lay there bleeding and miserable until four o'clock Sunday morning. He could hardly move, but succeeded in crawling to the quarry pond to wash off some of the blood, which began to flow afresh from the wounds received. He afterwards managed to crawl home, leaving his hat behind him, and by his terribly battered appearance startled his wife, who had been sitting up all night in great agony of mind, waiting for his appearance. Swalwell's injuries are very severe. Besides three large gashes on his head, and other bruises, there are two distinct cuts in his leg, made with a sharp instrument.

Glenallen, Aug. 8.—A Woman's Christian Temperance Association has been formed in Glenallen, with the following officers:—President, Mrs. Hough; Vice-President, Mrs. Bryant; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Allan; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Hough; Recording Secretary, Miss Wright; Treasurer, Mrs. Sutherland; Executive Committee, Mesdames Ghent, Robertson, Askell, and Miss Ella Hough.

ELGIN.

Shedden, Aug. 8.—On Monday afternoon a severe thunder storm passed over this village. During its progress the residence of Mr. John Francis, blacksmith, was struck by lightning, nearly all the glass in the windows up-stairs being broken, a portion of the brick gable torn off, and also part of the floor on the lower story. Fortunately, no one was injured, although Mrs. Francis and her two children were lying on a bed a few feet from where the lightning struck. A stack of hay, belonging to Mr. Thomas Tanner, was also consumed; also, an apple tree was struck on Mr. Orchard's place.

Iona, Aug. 8.—The barn of Mr. Robert Fletcher, of North Dunwich, was struck by lightning on Monday last, and burned to the ground. The contents, consisting of this season's crop, 300 bushels of old wheat, besides a large quantity of hay and farming implements, also fell a prey to the flames. Loss, $1,200; insured for $800. A terrific wind storm, little less than the appalling tornado of Toronto, swept over tracts of the same township. Mr. Gough, living near the Currie Road, had his barn carried from its foundations and dashed into splinters, it is said, and scattering the contents over the adjoining field.

The Rev. L. W. Randall announced on Sunday his resignation of the charge of the Baptist congregation, which he has held acceptably for some years. His successor is not yet announced.

MIDDLESEX.

Ailsa Craig, Aug. 8.—Mr. J. P. Wiser, of Prescott is in North Middlesex, and with Mr. John Walker, of Brecon, is buying cattle. They have already secured 500 head.

A tramp was idling round here the other day when he was offered $2 per day to work in the harvest field, raking and binding. He refused, saying that the thistles were too plentiful in the fields about here and would hurt his hands.

Parkhill, Aug. 8.—Mr. Donald McLeod has returned home from his trip through the Maritime Provinces. His health has been greatly improved.

Messrs. Noble and Harrison, who have returned from their western trip, deny the report that they intend settling in Dakota.

Last Sunday, while Rev. A. Fraser was returning from Cook's Church, Caradoc, his horses got frightened at the thunder and ran away, upsetting and smashing the buggy, but fortunately none of its occupants were hurt.

WATERLOO.

Berlin, August 8.—A couple of years ago a young German carpenter fell in love with a young woman then residing with her mother in this town. Despite the stories he heard of the immorality of both mother and daughter he married the girl, and the honeymoon was scarcely over before they commenced leading a cat and dog life, owing to bad temper. It must be related to the girl's credit that she was a faithful wife. Some three weeks ago, the wife went to see her mother, who had removed to Toronto, and staying longer than her husband thought was good for her, he peremptorily wrote her to come back or he would smash everything in the house. It turned out however that he had smashed the crockery before he wrote. On her return and, being informed of the state of things, she stopped at a neighbor's, and refused to stay in the house. When he saw her he tried hard to effect a reconciliation, but she positively refused, and after remaining here two days again took her departure for Toronto, where she will, in all probability return to her former course of life. The forlorn husband sold everything he had and started a few mornings ago for Cleveland.

Messrs. Groff & Bollert, two Waterloo boys, doing business in the growing village of Harriston, issue a monthly *Ladies' Journal*, containing a vast amount of reading matter, numerous fashion cuts, and general information specially adapted for ladies.

A Young Men's Conservative Club is being formed in Berlin. Already over 40 names are on the list of membership. The first meeting will be held in the Conservative Association Rooms, American Block, this evening.

Galt, Aug. 8.—We have our civic holiday to-day. The weather is splendid, and everyone is out of town.

Mr. Alex. Young, the newly-appointed Inspector of Weights and Measures, opened his office here on Monday.

Berlin, Aug. 8.—The proceeds of the late joint-excursion of Berlin and Waterloo to Scarboro' Heights amounted to nearly $600, of which one half is given to the Berlin Building Fund and the other is deposited in the Merchants Bank to the credit of the Waterloo Building Fund.

Heidelberg, Aug. 8.—Messrs. Kappas & Kreutziger erected their grist mill, 40x55 ft., three and a half stories high, here on the 3rd inst.; also a saw mill 30x60 ft. This was done by about one hundred men without any accident or anything whatever going wrong. Considering the large amount of timber that had to be handled, this was astonishingly quick work.

New Hamburg, August 8.—Mr. Mercer has a very large number of men, women and children engaged in pulling flax, which is this year a very good crop.

The Wilmot Agricultural Society have let the tender for the erection of a shed, 70x20 feet, to Mr. Henry Wiederhold.

Not a circus this season! What has become of them; where are they; what have we done to be so neglected? The children are crying for them, and the parents fret because they are not.

HURON.

Goderich, Aug. 8.—There was an excursion here on Tuesday from Stratford, which brought about 500 strangers into town.

Mr. Z. Tolsma received last week 19,635 lbs. of fish for re-shipment.

Mr. S. Sloane, of this town, shipped two sacks of wool last week.

Rev. Dr. Ure, of the Presbyterian Church, leaves this week for a month's holidays.

Mr. P. Fisher, of Port Colborne, on the 29th of May last, assisted by Mr. Charles Dodd, by an artificial process swarmed a hive of bees, and for four weeks after took honey from them each week, taking in all that time twenty pounds, besides having four large swarms from the original hive.

During the past week Messrs. Secord, Cozzens & Co. received 261,555 feet of lumber, and shipped six cars.

The Clinton Presbyterian congregation presented Rev Dr. Ure with $20 as an acknowledgment of his services as Moderator during the vacancy in their church.

The Goderich folly, the Summer Hotel, is to be sold by auction on the 4th of September. Some years ago the citizens got excited over the idea of building a summer hotel, they subscribed money, the frame work was erected, the subscriptions gave out, and there the structure has stood, a lost and an eyesore ever since. It would make a good ladies' college and might obtain a large number of pupils from the other side.

Exeter, Aug. 8.—Owing to the scarcity of hands for the flax harvest, Messrs. Paton & Dorward had a number of the little Arabs from London conveyed here to accelerate affairs. After due consideration, however, they did not take kindly to it, and the next day the majority of them took their departure down the railway track towards London.

A young woman from Hay Township left her home on Thursday last, accompanied by her parents, and carrying her illegitimate offspring, for the purpose of fastening on a young man in this town the child's paternity by its general similitude. It appears the infant, which was about three months old, had been ailing for some time, and while the party rested at Rodgerville, the little unfortunate breathed its last. They did not retrace their footsteps, but drove to Exeter, where the dead body of the infant was shown to the friends of the young man, after which they returned to the house. The child was buried on Friday.

On Sunday afternoon some boys gathered in front of the Lutheran Church, in Zurich, and amused themselves by pelting stones at the windows of a building owned by Mr. N. Deichert, opposite, breaking nearly all the glass they contained.

KINCARDINE.

Kincardine, August 8.—Mr. R. Walker has returned from Ottawa.

Miss Hunter is organist at the Princess Street Methodist Church.

The town band wants a leader. Prof. Crooks has left to take charge of the Brantford band.

The rifle team go to Walkerton to shoot against the Port Elgin and Walkerton teams.

Mrs. R. Baird very kindly presented the Hanlan Lacrosse Club with $4 on Tuesday last, for which they return their sincere thanks.

Kincardine has two fine summer hotels, namely, Harris' and McBride's. If you don't believe me, enquire at the Queen street barber shop.

Work has been commenced by the contractor, Mr. Gillies, on the Broadway street bridge.

Mr. Culvert's new store, on Queen street, is approaching completion. Jack will be "awfully fly" when he moves into it.

A Shaw, Esq., is in town.

The secretary of the band says they were paid for their services on the 25th June, some time before my statement appeared to the contrary. Now, I know for a certainty that they were not paid at the time I wrote, because I heard one of their number telling a prominent member of the Association that engaged them that it was time they had been paid for their services on that day, and the latter gentleman admitted that it was, and said he would see about it at once. As for their private business, why do they discuss it on the wharf on Sunday afternoons? That was where I heard it.

BRANT.

Paris, Aug. 8.—Mr. D. M. Green, of Brantford, has leased a store on Broadway, in which he intends to carry on manufacturing and japanning.

The market question, which has been long before the public, is to be taken up by the Town Council on Monday evening.

Mr. W. Irvine, V. S., performed a delicate operation on Mr. G. Pascoe's mare a few days ago. The animal was suffering from distemper. Dr. Irvine being called in laid back the skin, and took out a joint of the windpipe, affording instant relief, a tube being inserted through which respiration is carried on, and as soon as the obstruction is removed from the throat the tube will be taken out, the skin joined, and the windpipe will grow together.

CANADIAN CURRENCY COLLECTIONS.

Winnipeg is to have a fish market.

Thorald will have a civic holiday on the 19th inst.

A new Episcopalian Church is to be built at Oakville.

Another batch of Icelanders will arrive at Winnipeg shortly.

The chief local topic in Whitby is the proposed establishment of a market.

A volunteer force is to be formed entirely of Welshmen at the Melbourne slate quarries.

Telegraphic communication between Winnipeg and Thunder Bay will be established in six weeks.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Sarepta, has returned to Bracebridge after an extended tour through Algoma.

Last week a party, consisting of Thomas D. Bolger, P. L. S., and staff, left Barrie to survey the new township of "Joly," in Parry Sound district.

The congregation of the Presbyterian Church at Gravenhurst have extended a unanimous call to the Rev. A. Dawson, M. A., to become their pastor.

The Montreal *Star* says:—The Orange Grand Lodge of Ireland has offered to subscribe $50,000 towards expenses in testing the legality of Orangeism in the Province of Quebec.

A bear weighing about 125 pounds was killed a few days ago on the 10th line of Sydenham, on the farm of Mr. McLarty. He had killed several valuable sheep before he came to grief.

Mr. Minty, Lot 5, 4th con., Pickering, cut rye about a week ago about 9 feet in height. Several stalks have been taken out about 9 feet 3 inches in height. This is the tallest yet heard of.

The public lands in the township of Parke, in the district of Algoma, are open for location as Free Grants, under "The Free Grants and Homesteads Act," and the regulations made thereunder.

Rev. Benson Smith and wife celebrated their golden wedding at Wilton on the 31st ult. It was largely attended, and the bride and groom were the happy recipients of many valuable presents.

Deer hunting does not commence till September 15th, and closes December 15th. Those who hunt now are destroying deer at a stage when they are useless for food, and are liable to a heavy fine.

It is estimated that a quarter of a million of bushels of wheat of this year's crop will be marketed at Emerson, the large proportion being from the Western Menonite Reserve. A wheat warehouse is to be built at once.

..The fiery, untamed bicycle, which infests England to such an extent latterly, seems destined to run into the meshes of the law whichever way it turns. When one of them suffered from collision with a team, and the owner brought suit for damages, and urged that the team was on the wrong side and wouldn't turn, it was decided that the bicyclist was only a foot passenger and his machine was not a vehicle, and hence the law did not apply. Since then another bicycle has been brought into court for running over people in the street, and when it was urged in its defence that it was not a vehicle and the rider was only a foot passenger, so that the law did not apply, it was decided that it was a vehicle, and could not run over people with impunity.

..The revision of the New Testament is almost completed, and will probably be presented to Convocation in England next year. Already it is nearly all printed, the two Universities having given £20,000 for the privilege of printing it, of which they pay £2,000 yearly. Bishop Ellicott, the Chairman of the Revisers, has presided for six hours daily for four days every three weeks, is said never to have once lost his temper or failed to carry his colleagues with him. The revision of the Old Testament will require about three years longer.

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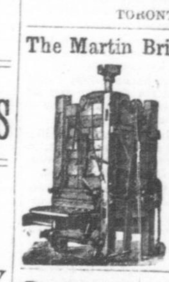

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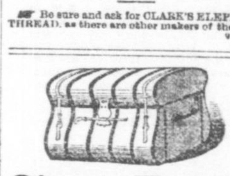

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†Chicago Express	5.40 a.m
Windsor Mixed	6.05 a.m
Morning Express	2.10 p.m
*Pacific Express	6.00 p.m
Windsor Accommodation	6.25 p.m

*Steamboat Express, Sundays, not Saturdays. †Chicago Express, Sundays, not Mondays. ‡Pacific Express, Sundays included.

GOING EAST.

Accommodation to Suspension Bridge and Toronto Branch	6.00 a.m
‡Atlantic Express	5.40 a.m
Day Express	1.55 p.m
Buffalo Express	5.50 p.m
Night Express to Suspension Bridge	11.20 p.m

*Atlantic Express, Sundays included. Suspension Bridge Accommodation arrives 8.45 p.m.

SARNIA BRANCH.

LEAVE LONDON.				ARRIVE AT LONDON.			
a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
6.50	7.01	2.00	6.10	9.55	1.45	5.45	9.55

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LEAVE LONDON.			ARRIVE AT LONDON.		
a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
9.00	2.30	6.45	9.25	1.35	4.45	5.45

LONDON, HURON & BRUCE BRANCH.

LEAVE LONDON.

Mixed Train	5.55 a.m.
Mail Train	2.15 p.m.
Huron Express	6.15 p.m.

ARRIVE AT LONDON.

Mixed	4.45 p.m.
Mail	10.05 a.m.
Express	10.10 p.m.

GOING SOUTH.

	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Leave Wingham at	7.30	10.55	5.30
" Clinton	8.31	1.10	5
" Exeter	9.20		7.35
Arrive at London	10.45	4.45	9.15

Grand Trunk Railway.

DEPARTURES.

For Toronto and Buffalo	7.15 a.m
" Buffalo, Toronto, Montreal and all points East	1.15 p.m
" Sarnia, Detroit and all points West	3.45 p.m
" Goderich, Brantford and Toronto	5.15 p.m

ARRIVALS.

From Goderich and Stratford	10.55 a.m
" Goderich, Toronto and Buffalo	1.00 p.m
" Buffalo, Toronto and Montreal	6.15 p.m
" Goderich and Toronto	9.15 p.m

Canada Southern Railway.

Trains leave St. Thomas as under:

GOING EAST.

Accommodation (ex Sunday)	5.00 a.m
Mixed at	7.00 a.m
Atlantic Express (daily) at	9.10 a.m
New York and Boston Express (daily)	4.40 p.m
Lightning Express (ex Monday)	3.30 a.m

GOING WEST.

Chicago Express (ex Monday)	5.25 a.m
Mixed (ex Sunday)	6.35 a.m
St. Louis Express (daily)	12.40 p.m
Pacific Express (daily)	5.00 p.m
Mail and Accommodation (ex Sunday)	5.05 p.m
St. Clair (ex Sunday)	4.50 p.m

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—AND—

STRATFORD & HURON.

Time Table No. 11—Taking Effect June 24, 1878.

GOING SOUTH.

	a.m.	p.m.
Leave Listowel at	6.00 and	1.30
" Milverton at	6.45	2.10
" G. T. Junction at	7.20	2.45
" Stratford at	7.25	3.05
" Woodstock at	8.30	4.15
" G. W. R. Crossing		4.45
" Norwich at	9.06	5.15
" C. S. Crossing at	9.29	5.45
" Simcoe at	10.00	6.10
Arrive at Port Dover at	10.30	6.40

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" C. S. Crossing at	7.28	3.30
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" G. W. R. Crossing		4.42
" Woodstock at	8.35	6.10
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