LISTOWEL STANDARD.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1879.

HON. ALEXANDER MCKENZIE and Messrs. Waod, Hardy and Fraser were expected to address the electors of East Huron at Wroxeter yesterday.

MR. JOHN T. STAIRS, the Conservative candidate, was elected on Tuesday last in Halifax City and county as representative to the House of Assembly by a majority of about 600. Where, and oh, where, has the reaction in the Maritime Provinces gone to?

THE Winnipeg *Times* is authority for stating that fully two thousand Americans have settled in the North-west during the past season. This looks as if the "obnoxious" land policy of the Dominion Government was not looked upon by our cousins from over the border with the dissatisfaction which the Grit luminaries would have us believe is almost universal.

CANADIANS on the Pacific slope will be gratified to learn that the Government has let the contracts for the British Columbia section of the Pacific Railway. The contracts have been awarded to the lowest tenders, as follows:—Section 1, from Emery Bar to Boston Bar, Messrs. Duncan McDonald & Co., for $2,727,300; section 2, from Boston Bar to Lyllon, Messrs. Purcell, Ryan, Goodwin & Smith, $2,573,640; section 3, Lyllon to Junction Flat, Messrs. Duncan McDonald & Co., for $2,056,950; section 4, from Junction Flat to Savonna's Ferry, H. M. Cavanagh, Ottawa, for $1,809,150.

THE REVENUE.

Some of our Opposition contemporaries still adhere to the assertion that the new tariff is making ducks and drakes of the revenue, and by way of proof they quote the revenue returns for that portion of the year which best serves their purpose. Everybody knows that in anticipation of an increase in the tariff, merchants imported very largely for some time prior to the opening of Parliament; indeed the Reform press took particular note of this, and charged the Government with disturbing the business of the country. In January, 1878, the Customs revenue was $767,698, while in January, 1879, it was $935,918, an increase of $168,000, showing that the abnormal importations had begun even that early. This being the case, the only fair way of making a comparison of revenue under the new tariff is to take the returns, not since the first of April, fifteen days after the tariff came into force, as the Opposition journals have done, but from the first of the year, seeing that the prospect of a change led to extraordinary importations at that time. The figures, adopting that plan which is the only honest one, are as follows:

CUSTOMS.

	1878.	1879.
January to March	$2,763,157	$4,171,089
April to June	3,022,584	2,817,671
July to September	3,132,745	3,313,016
	$8,924,486	$9,802,676

Increase in first nine months of 1879, $878,190.

EXCISE.

	1878.	1879.
January to March	$1,256,968	$2,390,095
April to June	1,017,772	523,523
July to September	1,083,903	812,943
	$3,358,643	$3,726,501

Increase in first nine months of 1879, $367,858.

The total increase in both Customs and Excise revenue for the first nine months of 1879 is, therefore, $1,246,048. It must be borne in mind in considering the Excise returns that the malt duty was lowered last session from two cents to one cent per pound. While these, the main sources of revenue, are thus fulfilling the expectations of the Finance Minister, it is only just to say that the revenue from minor sources is failing. Here are the figures.

Post Office, January to September 1878	$874,478
Post Office, January to September, 1879	780,376
Decrease	$94,102
Public Works, including Railways January to September 1878	$1,061,860
Public Works, including Railways January to September 1879	1,479,068
Decrease	$182,762
Bill Stamps, January to September 1878	$143,814
Bill Stamps, January to September 1879	129,225
Decrease	$14,589
Miscellaneous Revenue, January to September 1878	$597,683
Miscellaneous Revenue, January to September 1879	574,040
Decrease	$23,643

The total decrease under these heads amounts to $315,096, and it may be fairly attributed to the lingering depression which Mr. Mackenzie bequeathed, among other legacies, to his successors. Deducting this decrease from the total increase given above, the fact remains that the revenue for the first nine months of 1879 exceeds that collected in the corresponding period last year by $930,952, which is a very satisfactory exhibit.—*Mail.*

A THUNDER CLAP.

How Joly & Co. Received the result of the Elections.

Quebec, Nov. 21.—The announcement of the result of the elections was like a thunderclap to the supporters of Mr. Joly. They could not believe it, and best expressed their own astonishment by asking their opponents if they, too, were not astounded at the result. The official returns have not yet been all received, but there is no doubt that the Hon. Mr. Paquet is elected by a majority of 603. The Hon. Mr. Robertson has a majority of 636, out of a total vote of 1,122 divided thus: Robertson, 879; McMaster, 243. Hon. W. Lynch shows a majority of 332, against a Liberal majority of 281 at the last election on the 27th September, 1878.

The newly elected ministers are expected to arrive here on Monday or Tuesday morning, when they will at once take possession of their departments and go to work.

The Hon. Mr. Flynn will leave for Gaspe on Monday. It is not expected any opposition will be offered to his return after the overwhelming majorities given in favor of those who were opposed, but if there should be, the result will only be to prove more decisively than ever that the government is accepted by the people. Radicals have flooded the county of Gaspe with hand bills, stating that the Hon. Mr. Flynn sold himself to the government for $5,000. It is the intention of the Hon. Mr. Flynn to trace this home, if possible, and prosecute the guilty parties.

It is rumored that a session of the provincial assembly will be held early in the year.

The Seaforth *Expositor* considers that the usefulness of county councils is gone. It says: The only work which is now left for our county councils is the guardianship of the county buildings, the equalization of the assessment rolls, and the construction and repairs of certain bridges. Respecting the first of these, there is no reason why the county buildings should not be handed over to the care of the Local Government. They now have supervision of the gaol, of the registry office, and of certain county officials, and they could just as well take entire charge of the whole thing. It could be done without additional expense to the country, and the property would be as well cared for as it is now, or perhaps better.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

Information Regarding the same which the Ratepayers should Remember.

Important changes have been made by the Supplementary School Act of 1879, on the mode of electing school trustees in cities, towns, and incorporated villages. The following is an outline of these, to which we ask the attention of our readers:

The second Wednesday of December, at noon, has been appointed as the day of nomination, at such place as may be fixed from time to time by resolution of the board, or should that be a holiday the day following.

Returning officers are to be named by the board who shall preside at the meetings for nomination, and, in case of the absence of any of them from his own ward the meeting shall choose a chairman who shall preside.

If at the said meeting only the necessary number of candidates to fill the vacant offices be proposed the returning officer, or person presiding, shall after the lapse of one hour, decide such candidates duly elected; but if more are proposed and a poll is demanded the meeting shall be adjourned till the first Wednesday in January when a poll or polls shall be opened at such place or places, and in each ward where such exists, at the trustees shall determine by resolutions.

The hours of polling shall be from ten o'clock in the forenoon till five in the afternoon, and no longer; but any poll may be closed after eleven o'clock when a full hour has elapsed without a vote having been polled.

The returning officer, or person presiding, shall on the day after the close of the election, return the poll book to the board of trustees, with his solemn declaration annexed that it has been correctly kept, and contains a true record of the votes given at the polling place for which he was returning officer.

The public school board shall before the second Wednesday in December in each year, fix the place or places for the nomination meeting, and also for holding the elections in case of a poll, and name the returning officer or officers.

The board shall add up the votes recorded for each candidate, as appears from the poll book, and declare the one having the highest number elected; and at noon of the following day put up in some conspicuous place in the municipality, and at one or more of the school houses therein, a statement shewing the number of votes for each candidate; and a majority of the number of trustees remaining in office shall be a quorum for this purpose.

Should two or more candidates have an equal number of votes, the member of the board present who is assessed highest on the late revised assessment roll, shall, at the time of declaring the result of the poll, give a vote for one or more such candidates, so as to decide the election.

WRECK OF A LAKE STEAMER.

The Waubuno Foundered in the Georgian Bay—Over Twenty Persons on Board—Not a Soul Saved—She is supposed to have Gone Down without a Moment's Warning—Dr. Doupe and Wife, of Mitchell, among the ill-fated Passengers.

Parry Sound, Ont., Nov. 25.—Considerable excitement was caused here this morning by news from Waubaushene that the wreck and cargo of a steamer, supposed to be the Maganettewan, had been seen by fishermen in the Georgian Bay yesterday. About two hours after the news first came, the Maganettewan arrived all safe, and reported that the steamer Waubuno, owned by the Georgian Bay Transportation Company, left Collingwood about four o'clock Saturday morning, heavily laden with freight and a few passengers, amongst whom was Mr. B. Fisher, editor and proprietor of the *North Star*. The Maganettewan left Collingwood at 2 p. m. Saturday, and encountered a very heavy sea before she reached Christian Island, where she lay at anchor until this morning, when she came in here without seeing any signs of the Waubuno. Mr. J. C. Miller, M. P. P., at once started the tug Mettiegew in search, with Captain Burritt and a few picked men. The Waubuno was built by Messrs. J. & W. Beatty, of St. Catharines, in 1865, and was considered quite unfit for the route, especially at this season of the year.

Later.—The tug Mittiegew has just returned, and reports having found a portion of the wreck of the steamer Waubune near the Hay Stacks, about five miles northwest of Moose Point. The life-boat was found bottom up on the shore of the islands, which is strewn with the cargo and wreck of the steamer. No trace of the passengers or crew. The tug returns in the morning to resume the search. Mr. A. Cadott reports that while coming down the Georgian Bay, yesterday, that he passed portions of the cabin and decks of a steamer. Also that barrels are coming from the Western Islands. He says that the north shore is lined with portions of the wreck and cargo.

Collingwood, Ont., Nov. 25.—As far as we can learn, the list of passengers and crew on the steamer Waubuno are:—Passengers—W. H. Doupe, M. D., and wife, of Mitchell; B. N. Fisher, of the *North Star*, Parry Sound; Mr. Sylvester and wife; a man named Griffin, of Gananoque, and three farmers, names unknown. The crew are:—Captain, G. H. Burkett; Mate, A. Forbes; Purser, John Rowland, jun; Engineer, Jas. McQuade; Wheelsmen, J. Harris and J. McMurchy; Firemen, P. O'Grady and R. Cook; Waiter, Geo. Bass; Cook, J. Hall (colored); Porter, B. Wylie; Lady's Maid, Mary Hoitt. Deck-hands, Wingrove and Jamieson—all these of Collingwood. No more particulars have been heard since last evening.

Collingwood, Ont., Nov. 26.—The tug Mary Ann has returned this evening from the scene of the wreck of the steamer Waubuno, with portions of the upper works, several mattresses and other articles, all of which belonged to the ill-fated steamer, after a thorough and diligent search of two days, and finding nothing of the crew or passengers. Mr. T. Long, Secretary of the Georgian Bay Transportation Company, who was on board the Mary Ann, gives it as his opinion that the Waubuno has foundered between Hope island and Long Rock, and that all on board have perished. The fact of not finding the remains of the three boats leads it to be supposed that she sank almost instantaneously, and before the boats could be got out of the davits.

A special despatch to the *Globe* states that among the portions of the wreck which have been found were the medical certificate of Dr. Doupe and a book containing the name of Alex. Forbes, the mate. When the steamer went down it must have been after every effort to save her had proved vain. Unless by a miracle, which no one can now conceive, some one has been saved from the wreck, the secret of the terrible hour when the doomed Waubuno struggled for life against the angry, pitiless waters will never be known.

The live stock shipped from Canada from the ports of Montreal and Quebec this year consisted of 21,112 head of cattle, 77,181 sheep, and 3,656 hogs, the estimated value of which is $2,935,730.

An old man named West was brutally murdered with an axe at Perth, Ont., on Tuesday last. The murderer is supposed to be a simple minded young man named Benjamin Mitchell; who has been committed for trial.

A daring robbery was committed in Cobourg, either on Saturday or Sunday night, in the store of P. McCallum & Sons, dry goods merchants. A hole had been cut through the floor from the basement, through which the burglars entered, and ransacked the store, and when they came to a package of silk they appropriated it and left. About $1,500 werth of goods were stolen. There is no trace of the robbers as yet.

THE IRISH AGITATION.

Excitement in the Emerald Isle—Lawless Deeds and Disloyal Speeches—Arrest and Trial of Three of the Leaders—The British Government taking steps to alleviate the Distress.

Between ten and eleven o'clock last night (19th inst.,) Thomas Flagherty, a farmer residing at Monasterridan, near Ballaghderen county, Sligo, was dragged out of bed by a party of twenty men with their faces disguised. Having blindfolded their victim, they took him about fifty yards from the house, cut off a piece of his right ear, beat him unmercifully with a piece of bush, took away his gun, and there left him. He alleges the cause of the outrage to be that he had paid his rent before it was due. His landlord is Mr. McDermott, Q. C.

London newspapers of opposite political views agree that the arrests of Davitt, Killen and Daly had the effect of reducing the anti-rent agitation, to the abandonment of incendiary language in their speeches. The *News* thinks all the agitation will henceforth become more disciplined and organized, while the *Times* anticipates it will soon die out, as audiences at meetings will soon tire of listening to dull speeches. The only disquieting circumstance concerning the meeting at Bala on Saturday was the military discipline observed by the processionists, evidently the result of training.

James Daly who has been arrested with two others for using seditious language, is one of the most prominent men in Castlebar, the county town of Mayo. He is the proprietor of Daly's hotel and part proprietor of the Castlebar *Telegraph*, and has taken an active part in all the various "national" movements of the past twenty years. It was chiefly through his influence that Mr. John O'Conner Power was returned as second member for Mayo in 1874. He is a fluent and forcible speaker of the sun-burst type, and his arrest will doubtless lead to his return to Parliament at the coming election, provided of course he is not sent to goal for a long period. Michael Davitt, one of the men arrested with Daly, is a released Fenian who has been stumping Connaught in the interest of the anti-rent agitation for some months past. Killen, the third man, is a young, well-to-do farmer, of Ballyhurnis, Mayo. He was in the United States for a year or two, and is a decidedly advanced patriot. The Castle authorities have made a big mistake in making martyrs of these men. For every man imprisoned a thousand will step into the national ranks and the result may be a disastrous one.

Manchester Nov. 24.—A London correspondent says Lord Beaconsfield on Saturday requested the attendance at his residence of a very active member of the Home Rule party, with whom he conversed for a long time about the petition of the Irish members of Parliament that the Government would relieve the distress in many parts of Ireland, the greatest of which results from the scarcity of fuel. Beaconsfield declared that the government contemplated sending large quantities of coal to be distributed at cost.

The pastoral of Archbishop McCabe, of Dublin, was read in all the Catholic churches on Sunday, declaring that all must take part in bearing the burden of the bad harvest in Ireland; that they must take care not to drive God from their side by violation of His law. The pastoral also says:—"Unfortunately, men proclaiming sympathy for the people are disseminating doctrines which, if pushed to their logical conclusion, strike at the root of good faith and mutual confidence."

Sligo, Nov. 25.—The prisoners arrested last week were charged before the magistrates yesterday with sedition. The enquiry will be very protracted. Parnell and a number of priests were present. No demonstration was made. The prisoners were brought to Court under a heavy escort. There was a great crowd in Sligo, and extra police were drafted in. Mr. Munroe, in describing the character of the meeting at Guerteen, alluded to the alleged use of inflammatory language, and to the presence of men armed with imitation pikes, and carrying banners inscribed with disloyal mottoes. After the policemen present at the meeting had been examined, Munroe applied for the committal of Daly, who was accordingly committed for trial, bail being accepted. Killen and Davitt were remanded for further examination. On the news of Daly's liberation reaching Castlebar, there was great rejoicing and illuminations prepared to celebrate his arrival. Mayo will insist upon his being its future representative in parliament. Daly was required to give £500 security and find two sureties in £250 each to answer the charges against him at the next Assizes.

A report is current that the Government has arranged to advance money to tenants on the security of their landlords, to be repaid in a term of years. Parnell denies that he has advised the tenants never to pay their rents.

The British Government purpose to commence drainage works in Ireland, with a view to give employment to laborers in the distressed districts.

A CHAPTER OF SUICIDES.

Amelia Tucker, aged 27, of Peel, hanged herself in the Hamilton lunatic asylum last week. The body was sent to Peel for burial.

Francis Wood, formerly a resident of Puslinch, Wellington county, committed suicide at Portage la Prairie a few days ago by taking laudanum.

Mrs. Paton, on the 5th line of Erin, committed suicide by hanging herself on Saturday, the 22nd, to a tree in a swamp adjoining her house. An inquest was held by Coroner McNaughton, and a verdict of suicide under insanity was returned. Mrs. Paton was a woman about 36 years of age and a mother of six children. A brother of hers put an end to himself in the same way two years ago.

Robert Haig committed suicide last Monday evening by drowning himself in a little creek on his brother's farm in Pilkington, less than two miles below Elora on the Guelph gravel road. The deceased was an old and well known resident of this county. About 20 years ago, or more, he was postmaster in Elora, and held positions of trust and responsibility in mills and stores about that village. Afterwards he removed to Harriston, where he received the office of town clerk and did a conveyancing business. He was always a kind of a cripple, and a couple of years ago got a leg broken, which had afterwards to be amputated in Guelph hospital. The poor man's great failing was a fondness for drink. In order to remove him from this temptation his brother in Pilkington took him down from Harriston to live with him on the farm, and there he has been perfectly sober for the past eight months. The death of his father a few weeks ago made a sad impression on Robert's mind, and he appears to have blamed himself as the cause, and to have labored under the hallucination that he was likely to be punished as a criminal for the deed. While lying in bed with his brother one night lately he said "surely they would not hang me for it without a trial at any rate." On Monday evening he went out of the house without saying anything, and not returning in a reasonable time search was made for him, when he was found lying in a deep hole in the creek. His crutches were lying on the bank close by. The deceased was 57 years old and unmarried.—*Fergus News Record.*

The city of Brooklyn's debt is over $40,000,000, or about one-fourth of the whole public debt of Canada. The arrears of taxes amount to $12,000,000.

The 30th of this month will be the 50th anniversary of the first vessels passed through the Welland Canal, and five years before on the same day the first sod was turned by Mr. Geo. Keefer, the President of the Canal Co.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The widow of Charles Dickens is dead.

One hundred horses perished in the burning of the street railway stables in New York on Tuesday last.

Drayton is to have a grand poultry and butter show sometime between now and Christmas.

D. C. Kilpatrick, waggon maker and founder, of Drayton, has absconded and his estate has been attached.

W. C. Little, M. P. P. for South Simcoe, has been Reeve of Innisfil for twenty-seven years. He is about to retire from the office.

The Wingham Council have decided not to proceed with the erection of their waterworks this fall, but will do so as soon as the spring opens.

A branch of the Dominion Alliance was formed at Ottawa on Friday night. Sir Leonard Tilley was elected President and Hon. R. W. Scott one of the Vice-Presidents.

The marriage of King Alfonso of Spain with the Archduchess Marie Christine of Austria will be celebrated on the 29th inst., and the Court festivities will be conducted on a splendid scale.

A by-law has been introduced into the Palmerston council, to exempt from taxes, for ten years, Dr. Clarke's new brewery, the ground it is built upon, and the machinery, plant and profits of the brewery.

Richard Nolan, of Arthur, has been committed to gaol for threatening to burn down the barn of John Walsh, in that township, on the 19th of this month, and threatening to do him bodily injury. He will be tried at the ensuing Quarterly Sessions.

At Norwich, Conn., a little child was recently punished by a teacher, and attempted to run home. The teacher caught her at the door, and in shutting it caught her head between the door and jamb, inflicting severe bruises. Last week the child died. There is a good deal of excitement over the affair.

A Watford firm engaged in exporting apples to England, paste on each barrel a printed slip containing statistics of Canada of use to those who will be benefitted by migrating to this country, a contemporary well says, "other shippers of goods from Canada might follow so good an example."

Wm. Dempster, late manager of Molson's bank at Ingersoll, who was released on bail a few days ago, was re-arrested and taken to Woodstock on a new charge—that of forgery. The scene at the prisoner's residence when the arrest was being made was a heartrending one, his family clinging to him in an agony of despair.

The new depot of the Great Western Railway at Clifton, which takes the place of the old wooden building destroyed by fire last April, is said to be one of the most substantial on the company's line. The building is of brick, with stone cap sills and corners. It has a length in the main building of 300 feet, two stories high, and a width of 35 feet. In this is included two wings on each side 120 feet long and 30½ feet wide. The first floor of the main building is devoted to waiting rooms and ticket offices for the accommodation of the ladies and gentlemen, and are handsomely finished and decorated. The east wing is divided into six apartments, dining room, lunch counter and wine room, kitchen and scullery, wash room, ladies saloon, U. S. Customs, and hallway 10 feet wide passing through the building. The west wing is devoted to the various offices connected with the railway traffic, such as telegraph, baggage, express, customs, etc. In addition to this are refreshment rooms fitted up in elegant style.

FARM SALES.—The following reported sales of farming lands will prove of general interest in the several localities named: John Roat has sold his farm near Berlin to Mr. Hall, lumber merchant, for $8,250 cash. D. McDonald, of Gray, has sold 150 acres of his land to Thos. McFarlane, of Osborne. John Carrigan's farm, 10th con., Downie Township, has passed into the possession of William Rae, for $5,500 cash. J. Wood has bought the fifty acre farm lately the property of Mr. Murray, of the 7th con., Logan, for $2,650. Reuben Parker, of Wardsville, has sold his farm to William Linfoot, of Westminster, for $3,000. Theobald Tuscopf, of Ellice, has bought George Wood's farm, lot 16, 2nd con., Downie, for $7,600. Alex Clark has sold 50 acres of his farm, lot 6, 2nd con., Anderdon, to Lewis Grondin, for $1,700. J. P. Martyn has purchased 100 acres of the Brigham Estate, South Yarmouth, good stock-farming land, for the sum of $6,000. John Johnston, of Morris, has acquired the Yule farm, 100 acres, lot 40, 4th con., West Wawanosh, for $4,000. The executor of the late Gregston Lockhart has sold his farm, lot 21, 2nd con., Burford, comprising 100 acres, to James Cortin, for $4,000. Thos. Jackson, Southwold, has purchased from John Nelson, lot 3, 2nd range east of River Road in the same township, 100 acres, for $6,100. Robert Bryden, Paisley Block, has purchased 100 acres of land in the township of Proton, five miles from Graham's Corners, for $2,000 cash. Isaac Graham has disposed of his farm of 50 acres on the 12th concession, McKillop, to Alexander Barron, of the same place, for $2,100. Richard Berthman's farm on the gravel road, township of Wallace, consisting of 62 acres, has become the property of Ed. Anderson, who pays therefor $2,800 cash. Irving Jackson, Grey, exchanges his farm, lot 13, 9th con., and $2,500 in money for a certain saw mill property in the township of Culross, county of Bruce. M. Burkholder, of Cherry Wood, sold his farm of 50 acres, part of lot 30, in the 2nd con., Pickering, to Mr. Roach, for $3,500. Peter Ewen bought John Gilchrist's farm on the 7th con., McGillivray, 100 acres, for $5,600, and Gilchrist bought John J. Matthews' farm, East Williams, also 100 acres, for $4,000.

WALLACE.

The following is the result of arithmetic examination held in S. S. No. 8, Wallace; maximum being 100:—*Sixth Class*—Girdy Lewis, 50. *Fifth Class*—George Homer 88, Susan Tiernan 69, Ida King 51. *Fourth Class*—William Bond 70, Thomas Salter 68. *Third Class*—Letitia Sheppard 60, Mary Griffith 60, Agness Patterson 60, Lillie Bond 60, Thomas Marks 40, John Markle 40, William Turnbull 40, William King 30, Samuel Dunlop 30, Joseph Sheppard 30.—COM.

CRANBROOK.

PRIZE BUTTER.—The prizes offered by W. W. Stevenson & Co. last spring will now be awarded the prize takers, as we understand that they have got their last returns from the old country for this season. We might say that they have shipped several tons of butter this season to Aberdeen, Scotland, and have done well, considering the low prices at which butter has ranged. The prize takers are as follows: 1st prize, Mrs. S. Whery, senr., Elma, $4; 2nd, Mrs Geo. Dark, Grey, $3; 3rd, Mrs. Peter McDonald, Grey, $2; 4th, Mrs. S. Kitchen, Elma, $1. There were a number of others equally as good, but light in color, as follows: Mrs. T. Mitchell, Mrs. R. Tindall, Mrs. A. Tindall, Mrs. J. Daniels, Mrs. P. Supler, sen., Mrs. S. Siemon, Mrs. R. Robinson.—COM.

BURNS.

A GOOD RECORD.—Burns church congregation has since the settlement of Mr. Kay amongst them shown every symptom of prosperity. The church, which was soon found to be too small, has been enlarged and all the new additional pews, along with many vacant old ones, have been rented. The grounds in front of the church have been much improved by way of gravel walks &c. The manse, which is far from being the least important item in connection with a minister's comfort, has also been thoroughly renovated. It has been bricked outside, new chimneys built, repainted both inside and outside, and new woodshed, pumps, &c., added. In connection with the sister congregation the salary of Mr. Kay when he came was raised $200 above his predecessor's, and under his ministrations 44 names have been added to the communion roll since July last in the entire charge. Surely both Mr. Kay and his congregation are to be congratulated in bringing about such happy results.—*Cor. Beacon.*

MORNINGTON.

PLOWING MATCH.—The second annual plowing match of this township, which was announced to take place on the 7th inst., was, owing to the depth of snow, postponed until the 13th. The field, which was on the farm of Mr. A. Torrance, was in fair condition, but the number of contestants was small, only eight plows appearing in the three classes. The following were the prize takers: First class—1, H. Kelly; 2, Jas. Hamilton; 3, Albert Doering. 4, Benj. Gibson. Second Class—1, Jas Cochlin; 2, Jno. Chalmers, 3, Jno. Albrecht. Boys' Class—H. Doering. Judges—James Dickson, Elma; John B. Campbell, Wellesley; D. Pugh, Milverton. The work was very creditable, especially in one instance in the second class, which was considered by many proficients as being fully equal to any in the first class. At the conclusion of their labors the plowmen were entertained very hospitably by Mr. Torrance.

MILLBANK.

FUNERAL.—On Thursday last this community was called on to witness the peculiarly sad spectacle of a double funeral of the remains, of two young persons, who had grown up around our firesides and who were cut off in the prime of life at almost the same hour. On Tuesday Mary, the eldest daughter of Mr. David Lowrie, after some months of patient suffering, from dropsy, yielded to the grim monster, death, and was taken where pain is unknown and sorrow cometh not. A little more than a day later her brother, Robert, fell a victim to the combined attack of dyspepsia and pulmonic afflictions. The latter had been employed previous to his sickness as conductor on the G. W. Railway, in which capacity he made many fast friends. The former was no less a favorite among her acquaintances. Both born and brought up in this village, ended their earthly career here without making a single enemy, and the sympathy for their bereaved relations is both universal and sincere.

PALMERSTON.

On Saturday last the workmen on the Sloan Brick & Hunter grading were at work on Mr. Thompson's land, within a few rods of the site of the Palmerston station.

A meeting is to be held at Palmerston on Tuesday 9th December, for the purpose of devising means to prevent the breaking up of the present boundaries of counties. The Reeves of the municipalities in the county of Wellington have been invited to attend.

The Palmerston brewery is almost completed. Its total cost is in the neighborhood of $40,000. Application has been made for a license.

BUSINESS.—Trade is improving and business appears to be brisk. There are several changes of location here. Mr. Hartley has moved into one of the stores in McEwing's new brick block, with a stock of stationery and fancy goods. Mr. Thompson occupies the next one as a drug store. The third is being fitted up for a grocery and will be occupied by Mr. Hayhurst. They are very neat shops and tastefully fitted up. Mr. Gamble has opened out a new stock of gents' furnishings and clothes in Mr. Hartley's old stand, Pott's block.

FAILURE.—I observe by posters round the town that Shafer & Whitzel's factory and effects are to be sold by the Sheriff on the 1st December.

NEWRY.

GENERAL.—Business is commencing to look up in the "capital" of the township. Our enterprising merchant, Mr. C. M. D. Williams, has lately stocked his establishment with a much larger and better class of goods than many country stores can boast of. If 'bis don't "boom" at our mercantile depot this winter the fault will not lie with the proprietor.——Friend Cook, the genial landlord of the hostelry over the way, has set his house in excellent order, having erected a considerable addition thereto and rejuvenated the entire premises. A municipal dignitary—and who has had a better opportunity of judging?—is authority for affirming that this is the best kept hotel in the township. Mine host is a most obliging caterer; may his shadow never grow less.——In noting the various evidences of the "hum" which has lately set in here, our newly organized "string band" should not be overlooked. Ye ancient instrument of musick, the Jews harp, has obtained a monopoly in said band, the mellifluous strains of which are repeatedly wafted upon the nocturnal breeze as the serenading "musicusses" take the notion to honor leading citizens. And yet it is possible that these efforts to beguile are not always appreciated, "the man who hath not music in his soul," of course being the only individual likely to demur.——Mr. McPhail, who has been auctioning off goods for some time past, left this week for pastures new.

MILVERTON.

Mr. C. Henry, for many years proprietor of the Milverton brick yard, has sold out his claim to Mr. P. Livingstone for about $500. Mr. Livingstone has only recently returned from Nebraska, where he was engaged in the same branch of industry.

CHURCH OPENED.—The new Lutheran church in this village was opened for public worship on Sabbath 16th inst. Rev. Mr. Fyke preached in the forenoon, in German, and in the evening in English. The church was well filled during both diets of worship, and the contributions were very liberal. The building, which is the handsomest church in the village, is brick, the design elegant, the inside well painted, and the location everything that could be desired. It is a credit to the denomination and an ornament to the village.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE.—A few evenings ago the inmates of the Presbyterian parsonage were made the subjects of a very agreeable surprise. Early in the evening a goodly number of the friends of Mr. Kay, from the north congregation, took possession of the manse, and after the usual courtesies, in which the inner man were not overlooked, Mr. John Stewart, in the name of the friends, presented the rev. gentleman with a neat, well-finished set of harness, accompanied with an address, the sentiment of which bespoke the endearing friendship which exists between them as pastor and people. Mr. Kay sincerely thanked the friends for their kindness on this and previous occasions, and expressed the hope that the bonds of friendship between them might be both pure and lasting, and that the divine blessing might attend his endeavors to distribute amongst them the bread of life. The remaining portion of the evening flew swiftly past, and at a late hour the company dispersed, all well satisfied with their visit. It may not be amiss to state that this is not the first time that the people of the congregation have shown their appreciation of Mr. Kay and his services as their minister, whilst the regard and esteem in which he is held by the general public has been shown on various occasions in a tangible manner.

To the Editor of the Standard:

SIR,—A number of the leading men of Listowel have of late been exerting themselves in organizing many good and useful institutions; in fact, the town of Listowel is pregnant with resources for shedding the light of life and liberty into the dark and chaotic souls of the vulgar. For my part, I feel proud of the many efforts that are being put forth to make Listowel the congenial abode for the cultivated and refined, and a "temple of virtue" for the "lowly." However, when I survey this new fashioned rotunda in all its parts, I cannot but think of the old philosopher, who, after having entered into an Egyptian temple and looked about for the idol of the place, at length discovered a little black monkey enshrined in the midst of it; upon which he could not forbear crying out, to the great scandal of the worshippers, "What a magnificent place is here for such a ridiculous inhabitant!" Notwithstanding that the means is accessible to the ladies and gentlemen of the town for acquiring knowledge of a higher order, it cannot but be admitted that thus far this great privilege has not been appreciated, and consequently our literary faction has failed to accomplish the grand object for which it was created, viz., the education of the masses. There is a kind of heaviness and ignorance that hangs upon the minds of some individuals which is too thick for knowledge to break through; their souls are not to be enlightened. "Black night enwraps them in his gloomy shade." There are a number of young men and women in every town that devote their time and talents to no higher purpose than dealing in wit, ridicule, and scandal. By these pernicious arts the honor of families is ruined; the noblest virtues and most exalted traits of character are exposed to the contempt of the vicious and the ignorant. Would that an everlasting mark of displeasure was set upon those who make it their business to tear in pieces the reputation of a fellow being. As this class comprehends a larger portion of society than some unobserving minds are ready to admit, it becomes a duty devolving upon the promoters of the fine arts to see if a few of the many engaged in this nefarious work cannot be induced to comefrom the ranks, renounce their allegiance to falsehood and scandal, and humbly bow themselves before the shrine of virtue and morality, that they may be inspired with a love of the truly beautiful and the exquisite; a fondness for the sublime, the elegant, and the tasteful; give elevation and polish to their minds, inspire them with a love of improvement and refinement, and assist them in forming and realizing high conceptions and undertakings.—Yours zealously, J. W. C.

No More Despair for the Debilitated.

Where Consumption—not always the fatal tubercular consumption of the lungs, but general decline of vital energy, and wasting away without renewal of the tissues of the body. When this surely shows itself the doctor stops his usual prescriptions and orders **Cod Liver Oil**. Three times a day the patient tries and swallow the nauseous dose, and as often feels, that the repulsion it causes weakens the power of nutrition and digestion, far more than it supplies nourishment to the debilitated system. It is only by mingling the Oil as in **Scott's Emulsion** with the **Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda** that the disgusting taste and smell of it can be entirely removed. This mixture is pure and smooth and pleasant as sweet milk, and not only restores digestive vigor to the fluids of the stomach, but it enriches the blood, and subdues all of its scrofulous symptoms.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Ladies kid gloves for 50c. per pair at Bean & Gee's.

Thorley's food increases the flow of milk in cows. Try it; at J. A. Hacking's.

The cheapest place to buy groceries, wines and liquors is at the Toronto tea store. McMillan, Duncan & Co.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.—For the largest stock, best material and lowest prices, go to HACKING'S Drug Store.—21.

Coal oil, 20 cts; 5 gallons 75 cts; medium size crimp top chimnies, 5 cents; good burners, 10 cents; at Hacking's drug store.

GLASS, GLASS.—I have just received spring stock of window glass, all sizes, which will be offered at very low prices. Call and see. J. A. HACKING.—21.

Winceys at 6c. per yard and upwards at Bean & Gee's.

FIRE! FIRE!—Mr. R. F. Brook being determined to rebuild the Listowel Woolen Mills, and needing capital, desires all persons who are indebted to him, to call and settle accounts within two months; otherwise his accounts must be placed in other hands for collection.—22.

STEEL ENGRAVINGS.—A fine collection of steel engravings are on view at the warerooms of Messrs. Hess Bros. Parties wishing to embellish their rooms with really handsome engravings, should inspect this collection. A large variety of Chromos are also on exhibition, and will be sold very cheap. Call early.

SHIRTS! SHIRTS! SHIRTS! Made to order at Bean & Gee's.

AGENCY.—Mr. John Page has been appointed as agent for the Galt nursery for Listowel and vicinity, and all orders sent in, and all moneys paid to him for trees, shrubs, &c., will be acknowledged by us. D. CALDWELL & SON Galt.—29.

Stop the Cough.

Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam is composed of the most healing balsams and gums. The Balsams, which enter into its composition, were used by natives when America was first discovered, and are combined with other vegetable tonics, so blended together, that it is a specific for all affections of the throat and lungs. Thousands of bottles are used annually, and it is considered one of the standard preparations of the day. For Coughs, Colds, etc. For sale by all dealers at 25cts. per bottle.

Among the Luxuries of Life.

But a brief period has passed since a month's time was necessary to accomplish a journey a few hundred miles and then we went lumbering over the rough country highways on springless seats. Now the same journey is made in sumptuous drawing room cars, with all the comforts and many of the luxuries brought to you by servants. Once upon a time when we found it necessary to our health we set apart a brief period to "doctor up" and then came a struggle with that awful Castor Oil. Now we sip it from the bottle while we continue regularly at our vocations. But it is **Scott & Bowne's Palatable Castor Oil** we take. It is one of the luxuries of life that is afforded at 25 cent.

DAIRY MARKETS.

Little Falls, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Sales to-day, 5,000 boxes of factory cheese sold at 11¾ to 12¼c., 250 boxes dairy cheese sold at 9c. to 12c; 200 packages of butter sold at 22c. to 30c.

Utica, Nov. 24.—Cheese dull, buyers unwilling. Transactions, 5,300 boxes at 12c.

LISTOWEL MARKETS.

Nov. 27, 1879.		
Wheat, fall, per bush.	1 14	to 1 16
Spring Wheat, "	1 09	1 12
Barley, "	0 40	0 48
Peas, "	0 56	0 59
Oats, "	0 27	0 30
Flour, per brl.,	6 00	
Oatmeal, "	2 50	2 50
Cornmeal, "	0 00	2 00
Butter, per lb.,	0 18	0 18
Eggs, per dozen,	0 16	0 15
Potatoes, per bag,	0 60	0 60
Hay, per ton,	7 50	8 00
Wood, long,	1 75	2 00
Wood, short,	1 00	1 25
Hogs	4 60	5 00
Hides, per cwt.,	7 50	8 00

STRATFORD.

Nov. 27, 1879.		
Wheat, fall, per bush.,	$1 17	to 1 20
Wheat, spring, "	1 13	1 16
Barley, "	0 45	0 50
Oats, "	0 32	0 32
Peas, "	0 60	0 62
Flour, per brl	5 75	6 00
Potatoes, per bag,	0 50	0 55
Butter, lb. rolls,	0 16	1 18
Eggs, per dozen,	0 14	0 16
Hides, per cwt.,	6 50	8 50
Hay, per ton,	7 00	8 50
Wood, per cord.,	3 00	3 25

TORONTO.

PRICES AT FARMERS' WAGONS

Nov. 27, 1879.		
Wheat, fall, per bush.,	1 22	to 1 25
Wheat, spring, "	1 18	1 25