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Goderich, June 17th, 1879.

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, JUNE 18, 1879.

RECREATION.

The beautiful and balmy weather we are now having suggests the propriety of summer recreation. It is not necessary, in order to enjoy the beauties which nature has spread broadcast over the face of the land, that one should go to Newport, Long Branch, Coney Island, Orchard Beach, Saratoga, or any of the other fashionable and expensive resorts. In our own town and even among our farmers are many who will not take time to enjoy themselves by a relaxation from the cares of their ordinary business. To do justice to our physical organizations, as nature has formed them, we should take this rest. To be possessed of a sound mind and sound body should be, and we presume is, the desire of every one. To have this it is as absolutely necessary to have relaxation from our ordinary avocations as it is to have our food and sleep at proper times. To those at a distance who wish to give vigor and tone to their listless, nerveless constitutions, and who would provide themselves with a stock of vigorous stamina to enable them to battle with life successfully for another year, there is no place they can visit with as much advantage as the beautiful town of Goderich. We do not say this from totally selfish motives.

It is more in the interest of pleasure and health seekers and from a thorough conviction that we are doing a service to our fellow men that we are led to make these remarks. This last year we have added to the number of our first class hotels, and the older ones have been enlarged and the fittings and appurtenances therein and about so arranged as to keep up with the times and in consonance with the requirements of that class of the travelling public, who in leaving home do not wish to totally sacrifice domesticity for the questionable pleasure of enjoying the formality and gew gaws too often to be found at hotels in places of summer resort. To those having families Goderich offers superior attractions, not solely on account of the extremely moderate cost of living here, for even if so disposed there is here no temptation whatever to indulge in lavish expenditure for dress or amusements. At the more pretentious and fashionable places this does not hold good, and many families have had to regret for the balance of the year the insidious financions which have drawn them into a vortex of financial obligation afterwards found so difficult to redeem. Nor shall we rest our case here, for the moral as well as the social well being of the younger members of a family are of supreme importance.—As regards this feature of the case, there is probably no other town on the continent which bears a more lovable aspect or enviable reputation. A lack of dissipation and immorality here is as noticeable as the reverse is unfortunately conspicuous at the more fashionable summer resorts.

Then we have lake and stream and those who wish for an extra amount of muscular development can have any amount of boat exercise, etc., and the disciples of Isaak Walton have a fair chance of following very satisfactorily the bent of their inclinations. Those wishing to obtain a fresh lease of life in the most natural manner cannot do better than correspond with some of our Goderich Hotel men, and then come and pass a couple of months in Goderich or vicinity.

Our remarks have been directed to one class of the community, but they are not the only ones who require some relaxation from the toils of life. There are the farmers and their families.—This is probably the very best time of the year to visit your neighbors and bring your sons and daughters with you and allow the young folks as well as yourselves to have a holiday at this slack season, and before the continuous labors of haying, harvesting, threshing, etc., shall demand attention. Too often we do not pay sufficient attention to the physical well being of ourselves and those around us. Many will call to mind how often they have heard the remark, "so and so would have been alive yet if he or she had been ordinarily prudent, had not worked so hard," and so on. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," is as true as it is a trite expression. If farmers as well as others will not allow themselves to be so eternally engrossed with their usually arduous duties, but take a few holidays while they may, they will not only find a direct benefit physically and intellectually, but after the short respite they will buckle on their armor and more satisfactorily and profitably wrestle with the labor which this sincursed humanity has had imposed upon it.

The Tory print says: "the Conservative party was betrayed, and our Grit friends know by whom." Well, probably we do. At all events we know a certain young Orange leader was boldly charged with voting for Ross. But then if this young Conservative Orangeman had conscientious scruples against voting for Mr. Kelly, surely a brother in the faith ought not to publish him as a Judas therefor.

"Excessive privacy and constant retirement are apt to make men out of humor with others and too fond of themselves." What a vast number of persons Mr. Pat Kelly must be displeased with just now! what a vain man must he be about this time?

Mr. Kelly has now found by experience, that private life is not only more pleasant but more profitable than the princely one of an expectant M. P. P.

RURAL SPORT.

On Wednesday of last week, through the kindness of Mr. Geo. Morris of Colborne, we had the pleasure of spending a very pleasant afternoon with the clan Morris, about forty of whom were congregated at the residence of Mr. Joseph Morris, of that ilk, about one and a half miles from Goderich. The immediate occasion of the gathering was to witness the carrying out of a previously arranged quoit match between representatives of Colborne and East Wawanosh, Mr. John Morris and Mr. James Symington for the former and Mr. Enoch Short and Mr. Thos. Taylor ex-reeve for the latter. Ex-Warden Wm. Young acted as umpire with his usual impartiality and bon-homme. Previous to the contest for the championship, the patriarchal Mr. John Morris who now carries his three score years and ten as jauntily as do many of the rising generation of one third his age, challenged Mr. Whitely of the SIGNAL, to single combat "just by way of diversion". Refreshment having been partaken of and the quoits produced the game commenced. It was evident from the start that Mr. Morris was going to have it all his own way. The result justified this expectation. The old gentleman seemed so elated with the success of the Mowat government and Mr. Ross that we believe he could have beaten the best player in the Dominion. The champion game now commenced. The competition was keen. Mr. Symington having a keen eye and balanced judgment as to distance. Mr. Taylor was very happy in making his quoits lay just where he pitched them to. The muscular pitching of Mr. Shorts evinced a vast reserve of power which makes him a formidable opponent, while Mr. Morris, "the noblest Roman of them all" kept up his score with remarkable success. The most unbounded enthusiasm was displayed by players and onlookers and we question whether the thousands who thronged the Tyne on last Monday and witnessed the success of Canadian Hanlan against the champion sculler of England, were more thoroughly delighted than were those assembled at Mr. Joseph Morris' on last Wednesday. Wawanosh was finally declared victorious. This is the third match between these parties. A return one is to be played shortly at Mr. James Sallows, near Manchester. In a single combat between Messrs Symington and Taylor, the former was declared the victor, so that East Wawanosh did not have all the laurels. Besides those bearing the Morris patronymic, many relatives were present, among others Mr and Mrs. A Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, Mr. Shorts and sisterinlaw Mrs Dr. Shorts from Michigan, Mr and Mrs. Sallows also Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Young Mr. and Mrs. James Symington several young ladies and Mr. W Lanham of Saltford. In the evening a splendid tea was partaken of by all. The hostess Mrs. Morris taking good care that the cravings of the inner man were gratified by a liberal supply of the good things of life lavishly spread out in the large dining hall, and to which ample justice was done. Mr. and Mrs Joseph Morris deserved and received the thanks of all present for providing such a rational afternoon's amusement.

MR. KELLY'S DEFEAT.

So far as Mr. Kelly is personally concerned we feel no disposition to gloat over his defeat. He has been more deceived than guilty of deception. Two weeks before the election we said "the unlikelihood of Mr. Kelly's return has been the strongest motive in having him nominated." This has been borne out. We also said that, "West Huron, strong in their condemnation of a truculent minority shall relegate Mr. Kelly, the *innocent object of pretended friends perfidy*, to the pleasing solitude of bonny Blyth." We again hit the nail on the head. And rumor is now life that some of his apparently warmest friends, but rivals for his position, did not even vote for him, and it is currently reported that if there were any means of proving it, it would be found that these gentlemen actually voted for Col Ross.

SOUTH HURON RETURNS.

TUCKERSMITH.

		Bishop	Jackson
Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	58	93
" "	" 2..	102	22
" "	" 3..	89	26
" "	" 4..	80	47
		329	188

Majority for Bishop....141

STANLEY.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	100	40
" "	" 2..	46	89
" "	" 3...	31	62
" "	" 4..	57	45
		234	236

Majority for Jackson..... 2

HAY.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	64	36
" "	" 2..	67	45
" "	" 3..	93	45
" "	" 4..	59	22
" "	" 5..	70	30
		353	78

Majority for Bishop....175

USBORNE.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	57	101
" "	" 2...	101	29
" "	" 3...	48	85
" "	" 4...	74	41
		280	256

Majority for Bishop....24

STEPHEN.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1...	44	82
" "	" 2..	78	87
" "	" 3...	84	40
" "	" 4..	76	41
" "	" 5..	57	43
		339	277

Majority for Bishop....62

GODERICH TOWNSHIP.

Polling Subdivision	No. 6..	14	45
" "	" 4..	24	57
" "	" 3...	41	79
		79	181

Majority for Jackson.....102

SEAFORTH.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	50	25
" "	" 2..	45	65
" "	" 3...	56	66
		151	156

Majority for Jackson..... 5

EXETER.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	44	104
" "	" 2...	54	90
		98	194

Majority for Jackson..... 97

BAYFIELD.

Polling Subdivision	No. 1..	30 67
Majority for Jackson		 37

RECAPITULATION.

	Bishop	Jackson
Tuckersmith	329	188
Stanley	234	236
Hay	353	178
Usborne	280	256
Stephen	339	277
Goderich Township	79	181
Seaforth	151	156
Exeter	98	194
Bayfield	30	67
	1893	1733
	1733	

Majority for Bishop..... 160

After his defeat Mr. Jackson of South Huron published a letter in which among other things he says: "I cannot point to any particular township more than another; all have contributed their share of patriotic men who came forward to battle in a righteous cause—in the cause of liberty, and to secure an honest Government for this fair Province of Ontario." We agree in this with the defeated candidate. Most assuredly all the townships did contribute "patriotic men who came forward to battle in a righteous cause to secure honest government," and what is more they not only "battled" but secured what they battled for. South Huron is sound.

THE BOAT RACE.

HANLAN THE WINNER.

(From the Signal Extra.)

NEWCASTLE ON TYNE,
June 16th, 12.20 P. M.

The great boat race between Elliott and Hanlan took place to-day, Hanlan being the victorious oarsman winning as he liked. The race was witnessed by thousands of spectators who cheered lustily for our "Canadian hero" as he passed the winning post.

LATER.

NEWCASTLE ON TYNE,
June 16th.

Hanlan won by eight lengths.

English sporting papers say that such work as Hanlan did on Monday has never before been accomplished in British waters. Hanlan started out making 42 strokes to the minute. Elliott making 40. Hanlan made the first mile in 6 minutes 11½ seconds leading his rival five lengths and eventually winning by eight length in 21 minutes 1 second.

County Court.

JUDGE SQUIER PRESIDING.

First day—Tuesday, June 10th, 1879. Court opened at 12 o'clock, noon; adjourned till 9 a. m., on the 11th.

Second day—O'Brien vs. Swinerton—This was action for breach of warranty of a horse. Mr. J. T. Garrow for plff. M. C. Cameron, Q. C., and Mr. B. V. Elliott for deft. The second, third and part of fourth days were occupied in the hearing of this case. Many (16) Veterinary and other witnesses were examined. Finally defendant agreed to pay plff. $60. Plff. to pay costs. The case was settled in this way without going to jury.

Fourth day—White vs. Elder—This was action for commission for sale of land. The plaintiffs in this case were non-suited. Mr. Malcomson for plffs. Mr. Holmsted for deft. The plaintiffs in this case were the publishers of the Exeter *Reflector*. They undertook to sell or find a purchaser for the farm of Mr. Elder for a commission of two and one half per cent. The price fixed on farm was $12,000. If through their instrumentality Mr. Elder, himself, sold the farm, they were to receive their commission. The proprietor made the sale to a party whom plaintiffs sent to him; but as the price was not that named in the agreement with plffs. they were not entitled to their commission.

Fifth day—Saturday—Johnston vs. Buchanan *et al*—This was action on promissory note. J. T. Garrow and F. W. Johnston for plff. B. L. Doyle and E. Campion for deft. Jury case. Verdict for plaintiff for $213.99.

Erwin vs. McDonald—Action on promissory note. Mr. F. W. Johnston for plff. Mr. J. H. Benson for deft. Referred by consent to Judge Toms.

Farran vs. McClirchy—Action on promissory note. M. C. Cameron Q.C., for plff. Mr. Malcomson for deft. His Honor made Record a Remanet in this case.

Sixth day—Monday—Davis vs. Hart—This was an action for damages.—Plaintiff lost some cattle which were afterwards found with deft., who would not give them up untill they were identified by him. Plaintiff's son indentified property. Defendant still refused to give property up. Plff. had to take proceedings, issue writ, etc., in order to get his property, thus he claimed damages for having to resort to these proceedings.

PRESENTMENT OF GRAND JURY.

We, the Grand Jurors for Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, would respectfully beg to congratulate your Honor on the comparative absence of crime in the county, as evidenced by the small number of cases presented for our consideration and also by the very small number of prisoners at present confined in the County Jail.

We visited the Jail and were received with the greatest courtesy by the Gaoler and Matron—Mr. and Mrs. Dixon—and showed through the different cells and apartments. We found everything in perfect order, clean and apparently well kept, reflecting great credit on the officers of the Jail. We found therein four prisoners—three male and one female. In respect to these, one will be released through expiring of sentence during the next twenty four hours. In the case of John Ready, an idiot boy, we strongly recommend that he be removed at once to the asylum for idiots for this Province. We found William Wild, a man confined for attempted suicide, whom we would recommend to be discharged as he appears now to be perfectly sane and realizes keenly his position. In the case of the female prisoner we would also recommend that she be discharged, as her health appears to suffer very much by the confinement.

We would respectfully request your Honor to urge upon the County Council the absolute necessity of immediately making the Jail more secure and we would strongly endorse the recommendations contained in the report of Inspector Langimeur of the 3rd April last in regard to the improvements required in the Jail, as we seem to have a more desperate class of criminals to deal with than formerly. All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. SHEPPARD, Foreman.
Goderich, June 13, 1879.

School Board.

Special meeting was held on Monday night, 16th. All present except Mr. Passmore. The object was to receive plans for school building. Communication and plans and specifications, from James Smaill, Architect, for the proposed additions and alteration to St. David's Ward school, were received.—Sixteen feet is to be added to rear, and that end of present building is to be taken out. There will be two separate entrances from the east side protected by a double porch 14 x 14. The present doorway facing Kingston st. will be closed up. A new floor of white ash will be laid in old building—same as in new one. To comply with the law, the doors will be made to open outward.—So also will those of Central School. Moved by Mr. Nicholson, seconded by Mr. Simmons, that plans and specifications submitted by Mr. Smaill are hereby approved of and the work be proceeded with—Carried. Moved by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Nicholson, that tenders be called for, up to noon on first Monday in July, for effecting improvements in St. David's Ward school in accordance with above mentioned plans and specifications—Carried. As will be seen, Mr. Simmons seconded one of the above motions, yet afterwards said he did not think the work was at all necessary. Communication received from Dr. Taylor certifying to illness of Miss McKeown, teacher in St. Patrick's Ward school. Committee of Management were instructed to obtain one to take her place. On motion of Messrs. Cooke and Ferguson, the board adjourned.

The Exter *Times* owns right up. It makes no absurd excuses but admits they were badly beaten. Listen to this from its last issue:—"We expected Mr. Jackson would be elected, but miscalculations were made somewhere. There is no use lamenting over it. It cannot be remedied now. We are used to it and can stand it, though a change once in a century would not come amiss.—We would like to know how it feels to elect a member, that's all, and it would satisfy us." Again it says:—"The battle has been fought, we are vanquished, and hold out the right hand of fellowship to the victors, and bow to the decision of public sentiment and public will." The *Times* is wise in its day and generation. It makes no absurd charges against anybody, has nothing to say about being "betrayed" or "sold," but candidly and good naturedly admits a straight defeat.

Among the emigrants to Manitoba with the Greenway party last week were Mr. Malcolm McCharris and family of Goderich. The town can ill afford to loose such an enterprising citizen. The best wishes of many friends go with him and his.

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

Cheap.—A letter received in town from Dakota says eggs are selling there at 4 cents per dozen and butter 8 cents per lb.

Horrible!—The carcass of a horse is lying on the common at the south end of Cameron St, The health committee should at once see that it is buried.

On Friday evening a Literary and Musical Entertainment will be held in Temperance Hall, in connection with the West Huron Teachers' Association. All are invited.

Elder Wm. H. Seagmiller of Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, U. S., recently delivered a discourse on Mormonism in the Stratford Town Hall but failed to make any impression. No doubt the dynamite explosion gave the Stratford folks a faint idea as to how things would be if a half dozen wives occupied the house now made sufficiently lively by one industrious spouse.

About chickens.—The Mayor of a neighboring city deals with the chicken nuisance in the same manner as our chief magistrate should be authorized to deal with the cows—prevent them from running at large. John Dolan was asked to say why he allowed his chickens to promenade Mrs. Mary Lyons' garden and scratch out seed planted therein. Mr. Dolan had nothing to say and was fined $1, His Worship at the same time telling him that he must not let his small chicks run at large.

Assistance.—Says an exchange: The Seaforth Expositor suggests the propriety of the stock breeders of the county doing something on behalf of Mr. J. J. Fisher, in view of his having suffered such serious losses by the death of his horses. We heartily endorse this view, We may state, however, that we have reason to believe that he will have nothing further to do in reference to importing stock, his experience having entirely disheartened him.

Strange.—The town fathers encourage in every possible way the planting of shade trees on the streets in order that the town may be beautified and rendered attractive. This is quite right and proper. Yet strange to say these same town fathers allow cows to run at large and destroy these trees which have cost so much in trouble and hard cash. The said "fathers" may be the "collective wisdom" of the town, but evidently in this matter they don't occupy a very tenable position.

Our esteemed contemporary says:—"The SIGNAL but echoes the sentiments of the leading Grits of this town,"—Well, we are happy in the thought, and yet more happy in finding that we hold such "a flattering and honorable position." When we add to this that we also echo the sentiments of many leading liberal Conservatives, we feel that our lines have been cast in particularly pleasant places. Don't you wish you were "we"?

Church Change.—At a meeting of the managers of Knox Church a short time since, to take into consideration the condition of the congregation and their ability to pay two ministers, it was decided that in view of the present depressed state of the country and reduction in membership of the church through removal, it would be advisable to reduce expenses and retain but one minister. The meeting was characterized by the utmost harmony, pastors and people agreeing exactly in their views as to the best course to pursue under the circumstances. We believe both ministers are to resign during the coming month, and that Rev. Mr. Sieveright desired that he should not be considered a candidate for the vacant charge. It would seem therefore that we are shortly to lose the services of this energetic and popular minister. We are not aware whether Dr. Ure will remain or not, but if his health will permit of his taking full charge it is to be earnestly hoped he will see his way to remaining. His removal from amongst us would be sorely felt by all classes and creeds both in town and the surrounding country. Rev. Mr. Sieveright will be very greatly missed indeed, and when he takes his departure in a few months he will carry with him the respect and esteem of the entire community.

That Explanation.—In reference to a buncombe resolution moved at the last regular meeting of the School Board, and in speaking to which Mr. Simmons demanded an explanation as to how the Belden Atlas came to be ordered for the School Library, we may mention that Mr. Crabb was perfectly justified in calling Mr. Simmons to order and in reminding him of his lack of a knowledge of what was going on at many of the sittings of the Board, We have seen the order for for the Atlas signed by Messrs Crabb, Nicholson, *A. C. Simmons*, Ferguson, Lewis Elliott and G. Swanson. It is certainly a matter for regret that Mr. Simmons was so hasty in impugning the veracity of his fellow members. And now when he finds himself brought to book for his hardihood his peace of mind is very much disturbed. It would be just as well for this member to not to be so positive for the future, and as the chairman remarked, to not act as if he were the whole town. If Mr. Simmons was so very anxious to save money for the town in this Atlas affair, he should have thought of it before he made himself a party to ordering it and not stultify himself by declaring that that which he agreed to under his own signature was reprehensible and extravagant. The peculiarity of Mr. Simmons' mode of saving money to the town may be judged by the fact of his having signed an order for purchasing this Atlas; now he takes objection to it, and as if to fill up the measure of his inconsistency he moved a resolution which, if it means anything, means that the board are to accept of the work.—A silly statement is made by Mr. S. that the library in the Central School is *only* used by school teachers, This is a condensed fib. It is open to all for the small fee of 25 cents a year, and is used by many who are not teachers. There are about 1500 volumes to select from.

Belding's Historical County Atlas—We have had the pleasure of inspecting an advance copy of the above Atlas for Huron County, which we are informed is now ready for delivery to subscribers. The fact that this splendid work is prepared on the subscription plan, and that the number is limitited to those giving orders previous to publication, will be regretted by many who cannot now procure a copy of what we consider, from personal inspection, to be one of the most valuable publications to every citizen of this County, which has ever issued from the Press. This very fact, however will make the work more highly prized by those who have been fortunate enough to secure a copy. Messrs. Belden & Co., are the largest Atlas publishers in the Dominion; and it can clearly be seen that one of the chief points of their success in business—aside from its being a purely Canadian enterprise—is the great care and attention bestowed upon every part of the work, even to the minutest particular. This course has enabled them to more than fulfil their engagements with their patrons in Huron, by giving them an Atlas even superior to the samples with which their Agents canvassed the County. Anything like a description of this splendid book would require more space than is at our disposal; but the whole may be summarised by saying, that for the scope of its contents, the elegance of its design, the beauty of its finish, and the exceeding care and accuracy which mark its every detail, it stands preminently ahead of any similar work we have ever yet inspected, and its value as a book of reference, an scarcely be over-estimated. The publishers are certainly to be congratulated upon the energetic and successful manner in which they have carried out an enterprise involving the expenditure of an immense amount of time, toil, and capital, while everyone interested in the prosperity of the County, or the country, will welcome the work, as the ablest exposition which they can expect to see—at least during the present generation—of the progress, development, and existing conditions of the "Garden of Canada."

Corn are busy breaking down street lines and our councillors are quietly looking on.

Cutworm is as bad on the plums this as any former year, and growers are not using their usual diligence to exterminate the pest.

Adjourned.—The board of Directors of the West Riding Agricultural Society met yesterday and adjourned till next Monday at One O'clock.

What next.—The other day a Guelph man stole a grindstone. A few days before a Lucan man was charged with stealing a printing office.

Excursion.—The select excursion of the season will leave Goderich for Port Huron by steamer Keweenaw on Tuesday 24th June. It is gotten up by the Masonic fraternity of Goderich.

Dominion Day.—As the 1st of July to be overshadowed by the 12th. No movement yet by our "city fathers" or any other man towards making a gala day of it on the first. Canadians to the front.

Creditable.—At the recent examination of medical students in Toronto, Walter G. Macdonald of Goderich passed, in all subjects, very successfully his second year. He is a very studious and will command success.

Getting Rid of them.—It is said that Sir John has appointed some seven hundred and sixty-nine official assignees. After which he voted for a Bill to abolish the whole fraternity. That's one way of gathereng a lot of office seekers into a net and then drowning them.

Those having Pictures of any kind to frame, will save money by calling at Saunders' Variety Store. He frames Pictures of any kind at half the price charged by other dealers. He also has a fine stock of chromos at very low prices. "Framing strictly cash". "The cheapest house under the Sun.

Mr. M. G. Cameron, Barrister, got some dodgers printed about 11 O'clock one day advertising the loss of a dog. The estray must have been a very intelligent animal, for in about twenty minutes after the notices were posted up, he walked into the office of his master and gave himself up. Printers ink will fetch 'em.

Home Manufacture.—There is not another article manufactured in Canada for which the people of this country receive so good value as in that of Myrtle Navy Tobacco. A test of several years has proven this; it still holds its favor with the public with an increasing demand for it. It is really as good an article as the imported article at double its cost. It is manufactured by Tuckett and Billings, of Hamilton. and is sold by all respectable dealers.

Blood will tell.—Our kindly recommendation to our coterm; to apply to Mr. McCaig for a supply of goats milk was too heroic a dose. Our esteemed contemporary chooses the *Similia Similibus Curantur* style of remedy, and consequently prefers the lacteal product of long eared quadruped. Family affinity, we presume, accounts for this taste.

Cows.—The Mayor and Council of Woodstock have grappled with the cow nuisance. They have passed a by-law, taking effect June 1st, prohibiting the running at large of live stock under a penalty of $30. Hadn't our council better send down for a copy? To be sure we would prefer they should get up one of their own, but if they are not disposed to do this citizens would be thankful for the adoption of one framed elsewhere.

The contract for the Leeburn Church has been given to Mr. Donald Cumming. The cost will be about $1000. It is intended to have it ready for holding service in July. It is calculated that the subscriptions to be obtained and volunteer labor, with $600 to be received for insurance will pay for the building and leave it free from debt. Great credit is due to those in Leeburn and vicinity for their perseverance in this work. Rev. Mr. Sieveright, with his usual energy, has been very active in this good work.

Look out.—Farmers and others in this vicinity buying buggies from parties whom they do not know, run a great risk. A Custom House Officer a few days ago seized six buggies in Galt, five covered and one open, which it is claimed are the balance of 23 which are liable to seizure for under-valuation. It is understood that the other 17 have been sold to farmers and as soon as the officers find them they will pounce on them. As the parties selling them are irresponsible persons the farmer has no remedy.

The B, M. E Church at the recent sitting of Conference deposed the Rev. Solomon Peter Hale of Ingersoll from the ministry for being refractory. He is a black or colored gentleman and is now without a church. We have a black smith in town who owns a church. Would it not be brotherly for the blacksmith to offer the black-clerical the use of his building. This would not be quite so sacrilegious as offering to bet the edifice upon the defeat of the Mowat Government and it would certainly be quite as remunerative a speculation.

Death.—There are quite a number of our readers who will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Isabella Savage, mother of our respected townsman Mr. W. M. Savage. The few old time residents will remember the deceased as a hale, hearty woman when she first settled in Goderich about 42 years ago. She was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, 76 years ago, and died at her residence here on Tuesday last. A large number of relatives and friends attended the funeral on Thursday morning. She was a consistent member of the Roman Catholic body and was buried with the rites of her church.

This from the Montreal *Witness*: The Hamilton *Spectator* confesses that if Sir John Macdonold's Government should have to go to the country now it would go hard with them, and that with its protection record the party can only hope to hold together through the present Parliament by the personal popularity and tact of Sir John—after him the deluge; protection at all events is condemned and doomed.

The following are the stations for the Ministers of Canada Methodist Church for the Goderich district.

Goderich—John A. Williams, D. D.
Clinton—D. G. Sutherland, B. D.
Holmesville—Joseph Philp.
Bayfield—Jas. Livingston, W. S, Jamieson.
Kippen—Nathaniel Smith.
Londesboro'—James Caswell.
Blyth—George Clark.
Belgrave—Andrew Edwards.
Wingham—Wm. Bryers.
Lucknow—Robert H. Waddell, B. D.; John Walker, superannuated.
Ashfield—Andrew Miliken (Lucknow)
Teeswater—Charles E. Stafford.
Ulster—Richard C. Henders (Teeswater)
Dungannon—Robert Davy; one wanted;
Luther O. Rice, superanuated.
Kincardine—Wm. McDonagh.
Bervie—Christopher Hamilton, Walter W. Campbell; Jas. Geddes. Supernumerary.
A. A. Bowers, college; A. E. Smith, college.
J. A. Williams, D. D., Chairman; Wm. McDonagh, Fin. Secretary.

Fraud.—Some not very reputable person abstracted from the press room of this office a blank ticket for the Masonic excursion on the 24th June, and sold it to another party from whom Mr. Straubel, bought it. The ticket was not signed or numbered, but Mr. S. did not notice this when purchasing it. Eventually he got his money back. Previous to this he made us acquainted with the circumstance and naturally wished to know how this ticket got abroad. Upon inquiry we found that the employees of this office were perfectly innocent in the matter; and suspicion strongly points to a young man who strolled into the press room while the tickets were being printed, and who must then have abstracted this one; for we are informed that he was the party who first sold it. A criminal prosecution is talked of and might be beneficial to this young man.

The County Council are in session. We shall next week give an account of their doings.

"Going out washing and Ironing done in here" is the way the laundry folks on Kingston Street, near the Huron Road put it on their shingle.

Hanlan has won. And so is R. R. Thompson winning a reputation for doing the best work in the Photo line. Just call around and see samples. Enlarged premises. The finest establishment in the country.

The pearl long legal may just as well keep kool. Don't be in a hurry to get angry young man. You will have many opportunities to do so before you occupy the seat you held before the dazed vision of deceived Mr. Kelly.

Dead Horse.—On Saturday evening just as the weeks work was done, a fine looking gray horse attached with his mate to a waggon loaded with wood, very suddenly dropped down on the street just opposite the SIGNAL Office and died in about two minutes. He was the property of Mr. Donald McKinnon of Colborne. The animal was in good condition. No cause can be assigned for his so suddenly shuffling off the equine coil, His value would be over $100.

An extremely vivid imagination will produce strange hallucinations. While dining at one of our hotels during the recent sitting of the court a legal gentleman from Seaforth was addressed by a member of a strolling troupe as a former acquaintance. The L. G. indignantly repelled the idea. "Why" said the Thespian, "do you know sir I believed you to be the publisher of the local Tory newspaper." L. G, nearly fainted at the bare mention of such a comparsion and was perfectly astounded at the credulity of mankind. He had once, by a great stretch of imagination on the part of a stranger been taken for the lately defeated in West Huron; but to be thought to have any possible resemblance to —"Oh Oh" he exclaimed in the agony of his tortured soul.

Good Chance to Become Rich.—A grand bazaar in aid of the Catholic school building fund will be opened in Oddfellows Hall on Tuesday July 1st, and will continue for four days. The hall will be open each day from 10 a. m. to 11 p. m. There will be a grand display of choice and fancy articles by the lady managers. Our town ladies will do well to avail themselves of this rare chance to get cheap and fancy articles. Meals will be served in grand style at all hours of the day at the moderate sum of 25 cents, but the great feature of the bazar will be the drawing of the prizes, the principle ones of which will be a house and lot worth $700, a ladies beautiful reception chair, worked by the sisters of St. Joseph, valued at $40, and a beautiful oil painting of Father Shea valued at $25. Don't fail to procure a ticket for one or more of these articles as they are richly worth the price laid on them. In order that all purchasers of tickets may be fully satisfied the drawing committee will be composed of three Catholic and three Protestant gentlemen. Those who have not yet purchased tickets will do well to procure them as soon as possible. If the ticket venders have not yet called on you and you do not know where to procure a ticket, the best thing you can do is to call on Father Shea who has a few on hand yet. Or should he have them all sold he will direct you to the very spot where you can get all you want. All the delicacies of the summer season will be on hand, ice creams, strawberries, iced soda water and ice cold lemonade, and lots of boquets of all sizes and shapes. A grand chance to present your lady friend with some choice presents. Remember the day and place—July 1st at Oddfellows Hall. 1687-b

The Cardwell army system in England has broken down even under so small an emergency as the Zulu war The army is full of boys, and the linked battalion machinery went to pieces under the very first strain. The short service system has given a splendid reserve of seasoned troops, but the law does not permit them to be called out except in case of serious national emergency; and the Judges have just decided that they may not even volunteer for active service at other times. It is proposed to bring in a short bill to remedy this absurdity, Lord Cardwell himself approving. Changing the old system, which was cheaper and gave us a better lot of men, has cost the nation several millions of money. The next step will probably be a royal commission to discover what is generally known; and then, in a year or two we shall begin to go back again to the arrangements which we have been at so much trouble to upset, that we might have regiments on paper that don't exist in reality; an army of lads drilled by juvenile sergeants, and a reserve of comparative veterans, whose services it is contrary to law to command, and illegal to receive voluntarily. So says a London correspondent.

The comforting intelligence of the death of another spring poet reaches us. The increasing mortality among this class will no doubt have a healthy effect upon the business of the country.

The Salt Question.

REPLY TO OUR ENGLISH LETTER.

To the Editor of the Huron Signal.

Dear Sir,—"I feel it is my duty and I will," to use a quotation from Pinafore, to reply to your correspondent, Mr. Ransford, who dates his letter from Brighton, England, in answer to my letters published in your column a month or two ago, on the vexed salt question.

Certainly I must thank him for his candor in stating that in some of the arguments brought forward I am correct. That assertion coming from such a source is most gratifying; but at the same time it carries with it an air of doubt as if I was writing at random, and for once had made a lucky hit. As stated in one of the letters referred to, I have been out of the salt business now for some years, and gave for reason that after visiting the English works and comparing the very inexperienced way in which all the Canadian manufacturers went to work to make cheap salt, I thought it by far the best plan to quietly slip out of the business. That assertion I again repeat and do not feel in the least "ashamed" as your correspondent "wonders" I should.

To commence with the first of the charges imputed against me by Mr. Ransford, I find that he says that I am wrong in stating that Cheshire salt underseils Canadian in Chicago, and immediately after he goes on to say that a large exporter of bacon at that place told him that the Liverpool buyer compelled him to cure with English, as bacon cured with American salt did not keep well, *for which he had to* PAY VERY HIGH. That needs a little explanation so as to enable your readers to understand what idea is intended to be conveyed both by Mr. Ransford and myself. In the first place the American or Onondaga salt is not of sufficient purity to be used for the purpose, and secondly the Canadian manufacturers have not given them an article fitted for the purpose, though they have a brine equal to any that is found in Cheshire, hence it does not require much of a stretch of imagination to see the reason why, for their own interests, the Liverpool buyers *compel* the American packers to but salt manufactured in England. A prominent buyer of salt from Chicago distinctly told me some time ago that the only purpose for which Goderich salt was used was for *making a pickle* and that for the final process of packing it did not answer. That fact can be proved at any time by your correspondent if he will open a barrel of Chicago packed pork and see the large and uniform crystals used for the purpose, though the same may have been packed for one or two years, and if he is impartial he must admit that it is not at his works nor any other works in Canada that salt of that grade has been turned out to compete for that particular trade, and therefore, I feel that I am justified in stating that Cheshire salt underseil's Canadian, not only in Chicago, but at all the pork packing centres on the other side, and as a matter of course, after it has travelled over 3000 miles to reach them, must, to use the words of the packer mentioned above "cost very high."

The next charge against me is rather a serious one for I am accused of having a "little scheme" on hand to get up a company to purchase Platt's works, &c. In answer to that I shall distinctly state that that accusation has not the least foundation. At the time the letters were written and published, Mr. Platt nor, for the matter of that, no other person had the remotest idea who the writer was, and I cannot conceive why such an unfounded charge should be brought against me. I simply brought those works forward to shew that the site on which they are built was the most eligible that I knew of to run a salt business successfully. That idea I do not depart from even now, for they have natural advantages unsurpassed by any works that I have seen either in Canada or England, and it would certainly look as if that particular site was intended for the developement of the inexhaustible deposit that lies beneath.

I quite agree with Mr. Ransford that the profits on salt making are only "a question of cost of fuel." On that point I distinctly told the manufacturers that so long as they used wood as fuel they would never make cheap salt to compete with the English manufactures, at least for certain markets in the Dominion that ought to be their own. The advantages of using coal over wood are many. In the first place it is less costly, for one ton of coal is equal to two cords of hard wood, and secondly the labor required to feed a furnance built to burn coal is much less than for one to burn wood. To make my meaning plainer I shall take the case of a large manufacturer—the Stapleton works for example. During the winter months they will lay in a stock of say 2000 or 3000 cords of wood, and when the season arrives for consuming the same that enormous bulk of fuel has to be moved to furnance doors, which entails extra expense, to say nothing of the positive disadvantage of burning green wood, or of having wood of inferior quality, which must be a debit to profits. On the other hand see the advantages there are in burning coal. That fuel being of one uniform quality can be regulated to a shovelfull closer the furnaces being smaller can be controlled easier, and by a system of trams from the coal yard on the works can be dumped at furnace doors at a cost much less than for such a bulky fuel as wood.

Mr. Ransford in a playful way asks me to answer a few questions. I cheerfully acceed to his request. 1st. Where are vessels laden with coal to come from? If he means where the mines are situated, I say Pennsylvania, and Cleveland is one of the ports of shipment. At those mines stack or refuse coal can be had at very low figures indeed, and I have it on good authority that a cargo was landed at Goderich for less than $2.50 per ton last year. The present tariff has of course sent up the price 50c, more, but even then I still maintain that it is cheaper fuel than wood. Then he wishes to know:—Where salt laden vessels are to "gracefully" (that's your Brighton correspondent's own word) sail to? Evidently his knowledge of transport is very limited or he would not ask such a question. I should surmise by that that all his experience is based upon what he may