

# The Signal

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GODERICH, ONT., FRIDAY, JUNE 17, 1881.

THIRTY-FOURTH YEAR.  
WHOLE NUMBER 1791.

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**New Advertisements.**  
Cane Post—This Office.  
Nurse Wanted—This Office.  
Property for Sale—G. Sheppard.  
Fine Stationery—T. J. Moorhouse.  
Implement for Sale—J. C. Currie.  
Servant Wanted—Mrs. Grace Cameron.  
Dissolution of Partnership—G. & M. S. Levy.

**Travelling Guide.**  
GRAND TRUNK.  
EAST.  
Pass. Exp's. Mtd. Mtd.  
Goderich, Lv. 7.00am. 12.00pm. 3.15pm. 6.00am  
Seaford. 7.20. 1.10. 4.45. 7.25.  
Stratford. Ar. 8.45am. 2.15pm. 6.30pm. 1.00  
west.  
Pass. Exp's. Mtd. Mtd.  
Stratford, Lv. 7.50am. 7.50am. 3.45pm.  
Seaford. 8.15. 8.55. 1.15. 4.40.  
Goderich. Ar. 8.50pm. 1.15pm. 4.15pm.  
GREAT WESTERN.  
Pass. Exp's. Mtd. Mtd.  
Clinton going north. 8.30am. 4.20pm. 8.35pm  
going south. 3.50pm. 8.02am. 7.31.  
STAGE LINE.  
Luknow Stage (daily) arr. 10.15am. dep. pm  
Kinardine. (Wednesdays and Saturdays) arrives 9.00am. " 9.15 "

**Dentistry.**  
**M. NICHOLSON, SURGEON DEN-  
TIST.** Office and residence, West Street,  
three doors below Bank of Montreal, Goderich.

**The People's Column.**  
**NURSE-GIRL WANTED.**—IN A  
respectable family. Apply at this office.  
1791-4.

**WANTED.**—A GENERAL SERV-  
ant in a family of two. Apply for two  
weeks before eleven a.m. to Mrs. GRAHAM  
CAMERON, East Street. 1791.

**MUST BE SOLD.**—A FIRST-CLASS  
reaping machine, mowing machine, 1  
double wagon, 1 single wagon, 1 buggy,  
1 plough, 1 set bow sledges and a good working  
mare, for sale cheap, enquire at Currie's Ac-  
tion Mart, Kingston Street. 1791-4.

**LOST.**—MALACCA CANE, IVORY  
handle, name engraved. The finder will  
be rewarded, the thief prosecuted. For ad-  
vice call at this office. 1791.

**HOUSE TO LET.**—ON ST. AN-  
drews street, opposite St. Andrew's  
Church. It contains six rooms, and has both  
hard and soft water on the premises. Will  
be put in next order for a good tenant. For  
further particulars apply to Rev. Chas. Fletcher,  
Goderich.

**HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.**—A  
good substantial story and a half house,  
containing 8 rooms and kitchen. Garden ex-  
cellent soil, well planted with choice fruit trees,  
good stable, carriage lot, in one of the best  
localities in Goderich. As the property must  
be disposed of it will be sold cheap, only a part  
of the purchase money required down. Apply  
to GEO. SHEPPARD, Huron School Book Dept.  
1791-4.

**MISS WESTON, PRACTICAL**  
Dress and Mantle maker, would in-  
troduce to the ladies of Goderich that she has  
begun the business of dress-making at her  
residence on the Cambria Road, next to  
Smith's planing mill. Her styles are the  
newest and most fashionable styles. Agent  
for Corwell's patterns. 1790-3m.

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.**  
Notice is hereby given that the partnership  
heretofore existing between the undersigned  
as farmers, on the 8th con. Colborne was on  
the 31st of April, 1881, dissolved and all  
debts of George Levy will collect all debts and  
settle all accounts.  
GEORGE LEVY,  
George Cox, witness. M. S. Levy, 1791-3.

**Real Estate.**  
**FOR SALE, CHEAP.**—LOT 34,  
Lake Range, Ashfield, Huron County,  
181 acres, 130 cleared and highly improved,  
balance standing timber. Good orchard, well  
fenced, frame house, barn 40x50 and all necessary  
stabling, two wells. For particulars address  
Chas. McLellan, Amherst. 1790-3m.

**FOR SALE.**—LOT 9, LAKE SHORE  
J. T. Colborne, containing 112 acres, 30  
clear, balance standing timber. Good orchard,  
a good clay loam. As this property adjoins  
the "Point" farm it is consequently well  
situated. For particulars apply to J.  
J. Wright, March 1st 1881. 1796-4.

**HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.**—AT  
Dungannon, 12 miles from Goderich,  
consisting of 1 1/2 of an acre of land, well fenced,  
a frame house, a good well and pump are also  
on the premises. The lot has been improved  
well. Terms reasonable. For particulars can  
be had from Mr. J. M. ROBERTS, Merchant,  
Dungannon, or R. E. BROWN, Nilp. 1797-4.

**HOUSE, AND LOTS NOS. 33 AND  
34.** corner of Victoria and East streets, in  
the town of Goderich, for sale cheap, or will  
be exchanged for farm property. For particulars  
apply to JAS. SMITH, Auctioneer, Office, Crabbs  
Block, or J. C. CURRIE, auctioneer.

**SHEPPARDTON—FARM FOR  
SALE.** 90 acres, 50 acres cleared and well  
fenced. Brick Cottage 25x30, stone cellar, full  
size of house. A large creek runs through  
the lot, no waste land on the creek. A very  
fine orchard surrounds the house. Good barn  
and other buildings. Terms very easy. Apply  
to R. T. HAYNES, lot 16 Lake Shore Road, Col-  
borne Township, or to GARRICK & PROUDFOOT.

**FARM FOR SALE.**—BEING LOT 9,  
con. 13, Colborne, about seven miles from  
Goderich, comprising 90 acres, 50 cleared. A  
frame house, and a new frame barn 50x35,  
and a stable and other outbuildings are on the  
premises. A young orchard, good pump, etc.  
on the farm. The farm is a road on two  
sides of it. Four acres of fall wheat are sown.  
Distant only 1 mile from a post office. For  
particulars apply to Wm. SHIELDS, Sheppard-  
ton P. O. 1777.

**SHEPPARDTON—STORE, WITH  
POST OFFICE, FOR SALE OR TO RENT, with  
stock all fresh and good. Will sell very  
easy terms, business or otherwise, at a  
discount. For further particulars apply to R. T.  
HAYNES. Also 100 acres of land, West half of  
Lot 5, on the 3rd con. D. Ashfield, Good Or-  
chard, Frame House, amenable. Fifty acres  
cleared and well fenced. Apply to GARRICK &  
PROUDFOOT. 1781.**

**VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.**  
Lot 6, Con. 8, Township of Colborne, Co.  
Huron, containing 98 acres 75 of which are  
cleared and in a good state of cultivation.  
There is a frame house 20x28 with cellar under  
the whole, kitchen 16x20, wood shed 16x20,  
stable 18x30, for horses, also cow stable 14x20.  
There is a well with a never failing spring  
and a good young orchard with about 40 trees  
selected. Terms easy. For particulars apply  
to THOMAS WATSON, proprietor, Carlow or to  
GARRICK & PROUDFOOT. Goderich. 1756

## NEWS ABOUT HOME.

"A chief's among ye, takin' notes,  
An' faith he'll prent it."

### TOWN TOPICS.

"A Life for a Life" will be concluded next week.  
The small boy rattling the bones is one of the town nuisances.  
He who would sell to the best advantage should advertise.  
Wild strawberries sold in Goderich on Tuesday at 15 cents a quart.

The big strawberrie, you will observe, like the big boy at school, is bound to keep the little fellows under.  
BACK FROM QUEBEC.—Mr. Wm. McLean, the drover, returned from Quebec on Saturday.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. James Watson, the grocer, is laid up by a severe attack of illness.  
Mr. M. Twoomey, an old-time Goderich merchant, revisited Goderich this week.

Miss S. Kirkbride purposes spending a few weeks in Michigan for the improvement of her health.  
THE COWS.—The pound has been full of vagrant cows during the past week. The public streets have not been so clean and inviting for a long while.

ONTARIO MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—Dr. McMicking was one of the Huron representatives at the recent meeting of the above named body in Toronto.

CONVALESCENT.—We are happy to state that Mrs. H. H. Smith is recovering from a most severe illness, being now considered fully out of danger.

LOST.—On Friday, 3rd inst., between the station and Mr. John Hillier's, a caddy of tobacco, marked "H," Goderich, in black letters. The finder will be rewarded on leaving it at this office.

It is reported that our townsman, Mr. Palmer, who drives Lucy, the trotter, has got her speed down to 2:17, and that the sum of \$1,000 had been offered for her and been refused.

PATENT.—Mr. J. L. Sturdy, baker, has patented an invention to be used in working snow plows. Mr. Sturdy should get west, if last winter's weather is to be repeated in the prairie States.

The Canadian Illustrated News last week was a capital number. The illustrations being on the London disaster, were well executed, and the engraving generally was well up to the mark.

FOR DETROIT.—Miss Ferguson and Miss Davis took passage for Detroit on the Ontario, on Tuesday. They each intend to remain for a month or two, visiting friends in the land of the Stars and Stripes.

RETURNED.—After a residence of some eleven months in Manitoba, Mrs. John Payne returned home on Tuesday, much improved in health. Her father, Mr. Johnston, is permanently located in Emerson.

Deputy Sheriff Robertson returned on Monday from Kingston, whither he had gone in charge of Matthias Thomas, who was recently sentenced to the penitentiary for ten years for rape upon the person of his own daughter.

Mrs. Hazlitt, of Port Huron, the well-known temperance orator, is the guest of Hon. John Hibbard. Mrs. Hazlitt has given much time, money and energy to forward the cause of temperance, and is highly thought of by all who have the honor of her acquaintance.

QUOTING CHALLENGE.—We understand that Messrs. H. Martin and W. Potts, of Saltford, have challenged Messrs. E. Martin and P. Holt, of Goderich to a game of quoits, and that the iron circle will be pitched by the above named gentlemen at Saltford on Saturday.

EARLY CONSECRATION.—Mr. J. A. Turnbull preached a special sermon to young people in Knox Church on Sunday evening, taking for his text the words "Remember your youth," in the days of thy youth. There was a large attendance, and the discourse was an able one.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At the regular meeting of No. 152, A. F. and A. M. held on Thursday evening at Masonic Hall, the following officers were elected: W. M., R. Radcliffe; S. W., W. Rhyms; J. W., J. Green; Chan., A. Kirby; Secy., H. Clucas; Treas., F. F. Lawrence; Tyler, Malcolm McPhail.

EXTRA VAGANT.—Newspaper business don't pay, and yet one of our town editors can afford to wear two neckties on Sunday. One at a time before.—News it must have been the result of Friday evening's disposition, or, perhaps, one of the town scribes has been seeing double lately.

OUT WEST.—The Beaton, M. T., Record, records the presence of a surveying party of forty-two, under the supervision of Mr. P. C. Hindman, at one time of Goderich. Their work will be the survey of a route from the summit of the Rockies to Kamloops Lake, in British Columbia, a distance of some three hundred miles.

The Wingham Times says:—"Dr. Macdonald leaves on next week for a tour through the Prairie Province. He will be away about a month. During his absence his practice will be attended to by Dr. Duncan, graduate of Toronto University, Bellevue College, N. Y., Licentiate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ont., and the winner of the "University" and "Star" gold medals.

FOR CHICAGO.—The Misses N. A. Dark, N. Logan, Angie Dancoy and Dickerson left last week on a trip to Chicago and other points.

CROWDED OUT.—Our report of the M. E. Sunday School convention has been crowded out this week. It will appear next week.

Mr. Austin, who superintended the construction of the harbor, during the completion of Mr. Moore's contract, was in town on Wednesday last.

We learn that Mr. J. A. McDougall, of Smith's Hill, arrived at Quebec on Tuesday evening, on his way home from the Old Country.

FOR THE SYDNEY.—Ven. Archdeacon Elwood, Rev. R. Hicks, and Messrs. Deacon and Sheppard, of St. George's Church, will attend the Huron Synod to be held at London next week.

PASSED.—We are pleased to be able to announce that Mr. John McGillivray, son of Rev. A. McGillivray, passed successfully at the recent University examinations. His Greek paper was mislaid, hence his name did not appear in the first list of successful students sent out by the examiners.

CAMP MEETING.—Goderich District Camp Meeting will commence on Thursday next at 2 p.m., in Ashfield, near Leeknow, and will continue a week. Services every day at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 7 p.m. Every arrangement has been made for the accommodation of all who may attend.

The Toronto World of Friday last had the following:—"Deputy-sheriff Robertson was on his way from Goderich to Kingston yesterday with Matthias Thomas, who is sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for rape. They were delayed by the snow, up at G. T. R., and Thomas had to be detained in the goal house."

DOMINION DAY CELEBRATION.—A public meeting was held by the Mayor for this evening, in response to a requisition, for the purpose of taking steps to celebrate the 1st of July in Goderich. As the time is short, whatever is to be done should be done quickly. Let an attractive programme be arranged, and let the matter be well advertised, and with special rates on G. T. R., the town should be filled with visitors.

EYE, EAR AND THROAT.—We understand that Dr. Proudfoot, oculist and aurist of Montreal, who was advertised to be at the British Exchange Hotel, Goderich, from Wednesday until Friday, was detained in Seaford by the numerous operations he had to perform there, and did not arrive in town until last evening. He can be consulted for any disease of the eye, ear or throat.

Capt. Robertson, the gentlemanly commander of the Ontario, kindly "showed us through" the steamer on Tuesday. The new compound engines are now working admirably, and the boat is well-equipped in every respect. In reply to questions about the prosperity of the ports in the North-West, Capt. Robertson informed us that "The Landing" is very quiet, but that he was surprised at the wonderful change for the better in Duluth. He hardly recognized the zenith city, so rapidly has it shot ahead of late.

STRAWBERRIES.—Mr. John Stewart, of Benmillier, the well known fruit raiser, and floriculturist, has our thanks for a number of baskets of as choice strawberries as we ever put sugar and cream upon. The fruit was not only very yielding this year, but informs us that the crop is not expected to be a large one. There is one thing Mr. Stewart does not put with his strawberries—he doesn't put the biggest on the top. Our boxes were not specially picked for us, and the berries were big all through. Mr. Stewart is ready to fill orders for strawberries at the rate of the score at cheap rates. We predict a rapid sale for his entire crop.

THE ECLIPSE.—The total eclipse of the moon occurred early on Sunday morning, according to the predictions of the astronomers, and was witnessed by many citizens, as the lighted windows of many residences throughout the town testified. The first streak, so to speak, of the eclipse became visible at 11.40 p.m. on Saturday night, and while the earth's shadow was passing over the moon, its (the earth's) circular shape was distinctly seen. At 12.38 a.m. the moon was wholly within the shadow, and the total eclipse began, and from which the moon emerged at 3.57 on Sunday morning. The magnitude of the eclipse equaled 1.365 of the moon's diameter. That is, the diameter of the earth's shadow at the point where the moon crossed it is more than one and three-tenths times greater than the diameter of the moon.

MOONLIGHT EXCURSION.—The first moonlight excursion of the season was held on board the Josephine Kidd on Thursday evening under the auspices of Knox Church S. S. Bible Class. The excursionists were accompanied by the brass band, which discoursed sweet music, and some of the instruments joined in the hymns sung by the excursionists. We never accompanied a more delighted party. Mr. J. R. Miller, the teacher of the Bible Class, who was very attentive to all on board, has our thanks for complimentary tickets. He also deserves credit for carrying on the excursion in the face of certain croakings as to the unseaworthiness of the boat; but he had the fullest confidence in the staunchness of the craft, as, indeed, all who have been on board her also have. Should the class have another excursion next month, we trust that it will be more largely patronized, and be as orderly and as respectable as the first one.

Mrs. James, of Brantford, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Conductor Crawford, of this town.

LARGE CATFISH.—Wm. Eller, while fishing at the mouth of the river, succeeded in landing a catfish which weighed 12 1/2 lbs.

BIG FISH.—Mr. Alex. Craigie brought in the biggest fish of the season in his boat on Wednesday. It was a salmon about five feet in length, and weighed 57 lbs. Two men had to carry the monster off the boat.

CORRECTION.—Our correspondent who wrote the account of the recent literary contest at S. S. No. 1, Colborne, was in error as to the side which proved victorious. It was the side led by Miss Mary Robinson and C. C. Oke which came out ahead.

PERSONAL.—Mr. R. McNair, of Goderich, a student of Knox College, preached in the Presbyterian Church last Sunday, at the request of the managers. It was at Leeburn Church that Mr. McNair, about a year ago, preached his maiden sermon.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.—A strawberry festival will be held in the North-street Methodist church, on Tuesday evening next, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society. Strawberries and cream, readings and music, and a good social time expected. Admission 15 cents.

HONORS.—In the list of University honors given in last issue, the following was accidentally omitted.—Alex. F. McKenzie, of Wingham, son of a former townsman, Geo. McKenzie Esq., and a former H. S. pupil, passed his last year examination in medicine with honors standing 1st in the 1st class in anatomy, 1st in 2nd class in chemistry and natural philosophy.

WHO ARE THEY?—An exchange says:—"A Goderich firm are preparing to sink a salt well at Pt. Frank, and last week landed a quantity of their machinery at Theodora. Mr. R. Prittie and a gang of men from Arkona, moved the machinery from there to the port. One piece, a large boiler of 80 horse power capacity, kept them a week on the road, about seven miles.

There were 72 trains forwarded and 72 trains received at Stratford station on Tuesday, the 14th, and four million pounds of coal loaded on engines for fuel that day. All this business was done without one minute's detention to passenger trains. This is considered the biggest day's work ever done at any terminal station on the G. T. R.

SCHOOL BOARD.—The Board of School Trustees met on Monday evening last. There were present—Chairman Crabb, and Messrs. Cook, McEwan, Ferguson and Buchanan. Principal Miller's monthly report was read. Total number attending Public schools 761, of whom 407 were boys and 354 girls. Average attendance 609; per centage of attendance, 80. Mr. Buchanan was empowered to purchase some more desks for the school. The amount for the Public School for this year is \$4,300. Board then adjourned.

CRICKET MATCH.—The first match of the season was played on the grounds of the Goderich cricket club on Friday last, the 11th inst., between the clubs of Clinton and Goderich respectively. The latter won the toss and sent their opponents to bat at 11 p.m. A large number of spectators witnessed the game. So excellent was the bowling and fielding of the home team that the visitors were retired for a total of 74 runs. On Goderich taking the willow the runs began to bound upward, Stark, Dunsford and Armstrong totaling 60 runs between them before they went to grass. The inning of Goderich closed for 132. The Clinton men on again taking the bat succeeded in getting 40 on their score, but as Goderich had a plurality of 18, no second inning was participated in by the latter. The beautiful new broom which the visitors brought to town was left at Polley's stable, as they had no use for it after the game was over. The match was ably and satisfactorily umpired by Mr. W. Jackson, of Clinton, and Messrs. W. Welsh and J. Mosely, of Goderich. The following are the scores:

CLINTON.		2nd Innings.	
G Knox, b Ross, 3	G Knox, c Ross, b 11	G Knox, b Ross, 22	A McKewen, b Ross 0
A McKewen, c Dunsford, b Ross, 11	A McKewen, b Ross 0	F Fowler, b Ross, 9	F Fowler, c McEwan, b Ross, 4
H Dennis, b Ross, 4	H Dennis, b Ross, 0	J Lasham, b Ross, 0	J Lasham, b Ross, 0
T Johnston, b Ross, 6	T Johnston, c and b Ross, 6	J Harlan, c Ross, b 5	J Harlan, c Ross, b 5
D Forrester, b Ross, 5	D Forrester, b Ross, 5	G MacTaggart, not out 5	G MacTaggart, not out 5
J Craib, c McDougall, b MacDonnell, not out 6	J Craib, c McDougall, b MacDonnell, not out 6	J Craib, c McDougall, b MacDonnell, not out 6	J Craib, c McDougall, b MacDonnell, not out 6
Leg byes 6	Leg byes 6	Leg byes 6	Leg byes 6
Total 74	Total 40	Total 132	Total 74

Goderich, 1st Innings.  
Total 132  
Goderich, 2nd Innings.  
Total 74

Majority for Goderich 18

## THE CRUISE OF THE "KIDD."

How the County Councillors and Others Enjoyed Themselves Friday Evening.

On Friday evening last a gladsome gang, composed of County Councillors, Town Councillors, household councillors, newspaper men (public counsellors), and a number who were neither councillors nor counsellors, and probably never would be either, availed themselves of the kind offer of Mr. Joseph Kidd, and took part in the excursion on the "Josephine Kidd."

Shortly after eight o'clock the steamer left her moorings with as lively a cargo as she ever bore. The town band, under the leadership of Ben Armstrong, struck up a lively air, and the passengers took seats and turned their eyes toward the "steep." Some of the eyes didn't stay long turned in that direction, for whippersnaps got out that the Goderich Reeves had provided refreshments for the company, and in a short time the eyes followed the graceful form of Mr. Fred Johnston, the Purveyor-General, on the occasion, and shortly afterward a number of entire bodies rose up and followed the redoubtable Fred into the cabin, where "lemonade," cigars and other eatables were "dished" out to all and sundry who desired to be refreshed.

Dave Currie split the lemons on the occasion and did it in style, too. Then the band stopped their serenade and visited the cabin to "lemonade." During the intermission of the band for refreshments, Harry Smith's choir filled the breach, and "Annie Laurie," "Rule Britannia," "Fair Canada," "One more River to Cross," and other choice selections from the old masters (and the new, also) were wafted from the forward part of the boat. The melody was delightful, and the weather was bracing, and some of the excursionists didn't have their overcoats on; and that was the reason, some folks say, why no difficulty was experienced during the days that have intervened, in discovering the "sweet warblers" or the "Josephine Kidd," or the lightly clad gentlemen who attended the levee without making suitable provision for cool weather.

But hilarity reigned supreme, and when any of the passengers got cool forward, he strolled aft to see Dave slice the lemons for the other fellows, and so on, you know.

Young, of Colborne, was in his best mood; Walker of Tuckersmith strutted like a rooster in borrowed plumage, snugly encased in the overcoat of Capt. Traunch; Rogers of Brussels, was as happy as a clam, and talked of salt, and iron bridges and other matters dear to the hearts of Goderich people; Tom Bell, Hennings and Black of Turnberry, and Currie of East Wawanosh, were reminded by the appearance of the lake of the majestic spread of the Maitland at Rocke's pond, Wingham; Strachan, of Grey, let his soul flit to days gone by, and in the fulness of his heart lilted a Gaelic song for the special edification of Weir, of Howick. Hutchison was in his glory, and took pleasure from the enjoyment of the rest of the boys.

All was not peace, but everything was merry, and nothing seemed to detract from the merriment, not even when some of the number went aft to "lemonade." If you ask any member of the County Council of 1881 where he ever experienced true happiness he will tell you it was on the "Josephine Kidd," on the evening of the 10th of June, A. D. 1881.

Along by the coast skipped the "Josephine," and into the cabin occasionally skipped some of the passengers. It was difficult to know which was in best trim—the taut little craft or the living freight. The steamer seemed a thing of life, and was full of animation; the passengers were also full of life, and animation—and—but language fails us to depict the liveliness of the scene.

But now we have had a magnificent passage, it is time the bow of the boat should turn toward home. Mr. Joseph Kidd, the genial proprietor, who seems a commodore, every inch of him, (and there are a good many inches of him, too), suggests that we make Kinardine before returning. But his generosity must not be imposed upon; we may be glad to accept such a kind offer from him on a future occasion; and besides many eyes are watching in Goderich for the return of the "Josephine Kidd," this evening; and so she turns homeward.

Congratulation all around on the success of the trip, and the praises of Mr. Kidd are loud and long. Finally John Johnston of Goderich, proposes a vote of thanks and wishes increased wealth and prosperity to Mr. Kidd, in a few choice words. McMillan, the sterling representative of Hullett, seconds the resolution in a short but stirring speech. Three times three rings over the water, and "He's a jolly good fellow" rises from the gathering, clenched by three times three on its conclusion. A response from Mr. Kidd is now in order, and he makes it, and makes it well. The hilarity is infectious, other toasts follow, and cheer upon cheer breaks on the air.

But we are nearing Goderich; the beacon light has full language; the band strikes up "Auld Lang Syne"; the passengers join in the beautiful, old true song; and the cruise of the "Josephine Kidd" is at a close.

At the wharf there is more cheering; a procession is formed, marshalled by Hutchison, the band leads the way, and the march to the Square is made.

At Currie's a last call is made; an invitation is extended to all to enter, and the proceedings of the evening are brought to close with toast, song and sentiment.

## THE TRIMMER'S STRIKE.

Goderich Harbor Dockworkers Refuse to Unload a Vessel at the Owner's Rates.

Considerable excitement reigned along the wharves early this week, when it was announced that men employed to "trim" cargoes of grain refused to work at the wages offered by the captain of the Edward Blake.

On Thursday morning a representative of THE SIGNAL went down to the scene of the strike, and tried to get at the bottom of the affair. After introducing ourselves to the captain of the schooner, and being invited to a seat in the cabin, that gentleman told his story in a rather forcible manner. We led off by remarking that we understood that he had had a little difficulty with some of the trimmers.

"There hasn't been no difficulty on my part," returned Capt. Brooks; for a "difficulty" conveys to the mind of the average lake Captain, a popping of revolvers, a drawing of knives, and the shedding of gore.

"But we were told that you had some trouble with the trimmers—that they wouldn't work for your figures, and you would not come down to theirs."

"Well, you just bet I won't. I won't pay \$2 a thousand for getting my vessel trimmed here, when at every other port in Canada they charge only \$1.50, and sometimes under. These high charges are enough to kill this port. I'll be d—d if I'll bring another cargo here. I offered them \$1.50 a thousand, and they refused. Then I offered them 25c an hour, and they wanted 50c. Why that's five dollars a day. Well, says I, 'if you won't take my offer, I'll get my crew to do it themselves.' This morning some of the men from town came down to work, but a lot of them fellows threatened them off. I'll get my boat unloaded though, but d—n me if I feel like coming here again."

"And you find their prices higher than in other Canadian ports?" we enquired.

"Yes, I do. They want \$2 a thousand for taking it out, and the trimmers who put it in charge only \$1.25 at a port where they can get 60c an hour. It's all hard shovelling putting it in, but it's no hard work taking it out."

"Are those some of the men who refused to work," we asked, pointing to a number of old fellows who lolled about the vessel, lazily watching the toiling crew feeding the elevator with wheat.

"Yes, they hang around here, won't work, and won't let any other fellows but the crew work. If they come around too thick, I'll put them off the vessel. I won't put them on the dock either; but I'll just drop them over the other side, and let them reach the dock the best way can."

And Capt. Brooks, who is a powerful man, with a pugacious cast of countenance, looked as if he meant every word he said.

There are other captains besides me who will not come to this harbor and pay such charges for trimming," he added.

One of the malcontents was interviewed, who said that \$2 a thousand was little enough for trimming a vessel. He had often worked for less than 25c. an hour, and was quite willing to work for 25c. now; but if any man worked he would never get the end of it from the other fellows.

"The other fellows" lolled around the wharves or roosted on the bows of the vessels in port all day, while their families at home, with perhaps empty cupboards, waited their return with the money for the next meal. If it be true that dock laborers charge higher prices here than elsewhere, and captains and shippers say they do, then the business done at the harbor will not increase, and the men will be standing in their own light. Our town authorities and business men should look into the matter, and while the laboring man is not to be imposed upon, yet the interests of shippers and carriers, and the business generally of the town must not suffer on their account.

## SALT IN BRUSSELS.

Great Excitement—Salt Struck at a Depth of 1,000 Feet.

Special to the Signal.  
BRUSSELS, June 16th, 2:40 p.m.—The drillers at work at the salt well of Mr. F. C. Rogers, Reeve of this village, struck salt this afternoon at a depth of 1,000 ft. They have already gone through three feet of pure salt, and are still drilling. The utmost excitement prevails in the village, as the discovery of salt in this vicinity, completely upsets the theory of Steery Hunt and others regarding the location of the salt district.

**Millburn.**  
SCARCITY OF WATER.—Owing to the want of heavy rains, several wells and all the creeks at Millburn have gone dry. Many farmers have to drive their cattle to water.

**Benmillier.**  
We presume that your last week's reporter from this place is "frost-bitten," and afflicted with "matrimonial fever" of the worst kind, and in his madnes imagines all the "gents" and "ladies" in the same predicament as himself. We sincerely hope the disease in his case is "typhus" and fatal, as there is but little hope of him ever becoming convalescent.

—OUTSIDER.