RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

GOING WEST.

Chicago Express*	4.34 a.m
Louis Express*	11.06 a.m
Accommodation	11.45 a.m
Pacific Express*	6.15 p.m
Mail	7.55 p.m

GOING EAST.

Mail	6.40 a.m
Atlantic Express*	12.05 p.m
Day Express	3.05 p.m
St. Louis Express*	5.03 p.m
Mixed	8.10 p.m

*Run daily—Sundays included—between Niagara Fall and Windsor.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

GOING EAST.

Toronto, Montreal & Pacific Express	*5.00 a.m.
Toronto and Local Express	8.07 a.m.
Toronto, Montreal and Pacific Express	5.17 p.m.
Local Mixed	9.50 p.m.

GOING WEST.

Detroit Express	11.33 a.m.
Detroit, Chicago Express	*5.41 p.m.
Local	7.00 p.m.
Local Mixed	8.30 a.m.

*Run daily Sundays' included.

Mixed trains only run between St. Thomas and Galt and vice versa.

JAS. ENRIGHT, Agent.

New CONTINUED STORY.

Countess Narona.

BY WILKIE COLLINS.

Read the Opening Chapters

THIS -:- WEEK.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction Sale—C. Ellery
Polies—W. Mills
Card of Thanks—John O'Callaghan
Auction Sale—E. M. Scott
Lumber—W. C. Bell
House Wanted—CHRONICLE office.
Spring Suits—C. F. Mason
Spring Goods—White & Co.
Special—Charles St. Church.

The Chronicle

AND CANADIAN DAIRYMAN.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1888.

LOCAL MATTERS.

COASTING is now called slush-mugging.

THE boys say the "Globe" can down anything in town in the sled line.

NEW STORY.—Read the opening chapters of our new story "Countess Narona" on first page.

ADDRESS.—Rev. J. C. Robinson, missionary to Japan, delivered an address on his work in that country in St. James' Church, on Monday evening.

PURCHASED A SITE.—The C. P. R. Co. have purchased the land immediately north of the track running up to the Queen's hotel for $2,500. It is rumored that their intention is to build a station on the site next summer.

WOODSTOCK DEBENTURES SOLD.—Woodstock debentures to the amount of $32,000 were sold yesterday to the Standard Life Assurance Company for $34,300.41, netting 4¾ per cent. This is considered an exceptionally good sale.

SOLD OUT.—Mr. I. N. Burdick, of Dorchester Station, has sold out his property and store goods, amounting to about $9,000, to Messrs. W. E. Capstick and J. Rossiter, who assume control so soon as the stock is taken.

THE OLD MASTERS.—The "old masters" have come to life again according to a Tilsonburg paper, which, in referring to a portrait painted by a local artist says it "receives the highest commendation from *old masters*."

THE SCREW WORKS.—All rumors in regard to the Machine Screw Works shutting down are flatly contradicted in a letter from the firm in another column. Indeed the firm seriously contemplated enlarging their works a short time ago.

REMOVAL.—The C. P. R. telegraph office has been removed from M. L. Stevens store to Robinson, Walley & Co.'s they having secured the agency consequent upon M. L. Stevens retirement from business. Mr. W. Adair will still continue as operator.

LEAP YEAR CONCERT.—Do not forget the leap year concert in the Charles St. Methodist Church, next Wednesday evening, Feb. 29th. Music, addresses, readings, recitations, &c., entirely by the ladies, will form a decided novelty in entertainments.

ARRESTED.—James Clark was arrested here on Monday by Detective Phair of London, on an old warrant. He was accused by a German in December last of stealing $20 from him in an outhouse of O'Flaherty's Hotel, but succeeded in eluding arrest until yesterday.

MISTAKEN.—Some of the north of the river residents thought there was an eclipse of the moon one night last week. On investigation it turned out that two long men had got thrown into a snow bank by a coasting sled upsetting and the shadow thrown by their pedal extremities caused the mirage.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.—The 2nd of the series of entertainments promised some time ago will be given in the basement of the church on Friday evening, March 2nd. Readings, music, &c., also a lecture by J. Castell Hopkins on "The Land of the Southern Cross." Admission only 10 cts.

Rev. E. C. Saunders returned from Montreal on Tuesday. Dr. Buller of that city has performed several very successful operations on his eyes but he has yet to return to get the final one performed. He will occupy the pulpit in St. James Church next Sabbath.

AUCTION SALE.—Mr. B. Miller, of the south-east quarter of lot 8, con. 3, North Oxford, will sell by public auction, on Tuesday, Feb. 28th, his complete stock of farm stock and implements. Sale to commence sharp at one o'clock

CAKE WALK.—The members of the British Methodist Church will hold an old folks concert and cake walk in the town hall, on Tuesday evening, 28th inst. Vocal and instrumental music will be rendered by the old folk. The Misses Fryer, of London, will be present and accompany them on the dulcemer and violin.

A WARNING TO SCHOOL TEACHERS.—Newspapers in some parts of the country are warning school teachers against a swindle which is perpetrated by a man who calls upon them for the use of their names as references. The victim's name, written in a book, turns out later to be an order for a twenty dollar encyclopaedia.

SHORTHAND ENTERTAINMENT.—Mr. J. Bengough explained in a clear manner the mysteries of this science to an audience of about one hundred and twenty-five, in the town hall on Tuesday evening. After the address he introduced Miss A. Hardie who purposes starting a class here. Miss Wight of Toronto also gave two or three recitations.

BURGLARY AT THAMESFORD.—The store of Young & Kester, Thamesford, was broken into on Sunday morning and a general outfit of clothing, silk handkerchiefs, gloves, ties, &c., to the value of $100 taken. The combination till was broken into and some fifty or sixty cents in coppers taken. The thief has not yet been caught.

ROBBED AGAIN.—On Thursday night last, during the absence of young Mr. Dean, their store at Dorchester Station was robbed of some underclothing, neckties, &c. Thursday was the first night he was away from the premises since it was robbed before. The general opinion is that some person in the neighborhood watches Mr. Dean's movements.

INQUEST.—Thos. Sitz, a farmer residing in Dereham, was up before the P.M. on Friday charged with the crime of incest, at the instance of his fifteen-year-old daughter. He was remanded until Saturday and again remanded for a week to allow Mr. Chadwick to consult with the County Attorney as to the necessity of taking corroborative evidence. The evidence was heard with locked doors.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—News has been received in Brantford of a sad and probably fatal accident to Rev. Mr. Willoughby, one of the oldest of the superannuated Methodist ministers, who formerly resided in this town. The reverend gentleman, who is 85 years old, left a day or so ago for Norwich to assist in some revival services there. Unfortunately while descending the stairs at the house of a friend with whom he was staying, he missed his footing, sustaining painful injuries to the spine. Up to the time of the accident Mr. Willoughby was in splendid health. His friends in Brantford have been sent for, as no hope is held out of recovery.

ORANGES, ORANGES.—We have just received a lot of fine St. Michael oranges. This fruit is grown on the Island of St. Michael, off the Coast of Spain, and is very high colored and fine flavored, and makes nice table fruit. Try some at Beck's fruit store. 97c

Dr. McKay, M.P.P., is going to build an office next to his house on Charles street.

FALLING BRICKS.—Some bricks fell off the cornice of the building corner of Oxford and King Streets, opposite the Daly House on Monday, narrowly escaping a lady and gentleman who were going past at the time. Dangerous buildings like these should be repaired at once.

SHORTHAND CLASS.—Miss A. Hardie's Shorthand class will meet on Monday forenoon next, in the room over the G. N. W. Telegraph office. Entrance one door south of the office. Parties wishing information as to rates etc., can address Miss Hardie, care A. Matheson.

COMPLIMENTARY.—Speaking of the singing of Miss May Stevens, of this town, at a concert held near Paris lately, the Paris *Review* says: "Among the contributors to the musical exercises was Miss May Stevens of Ingersoll, who scored for herself a decided triumph. She sang in a rare sweet voice and with culture and expression 'Consider the Lillies,' being encored she gracefully responded."

A DOG'S EPITAPH.

"He was only a dog but
He was refined and gentle,
Loving and affectionate as a child,
Faithful and true as the best of women.
He was nearly human, but not
Near enough to have any of the
Imperfections of humanity.
'Tis said he had no soul;
If so, he was better than many men,
For, if there was no hope for heaven,
There was no fear for hell."

LITERARY SOCIETY.—The Collegiate Institute Literary Society met for reorganization last Friday evening at the school, when the following were elected as officers:—Pres., W. Scollan; Vice-Pres., J. Sheahan; Sec., Miss V. Pierce. A debate on the subject "Resolved, that it is for the best interests of Canada to exclude the Chinese," took place between Messrs. Urquhart and Chisholm for the affirmative, and Messrs. Boles and Scollan for the negative. Mr. Briden gave a reading and W. Flood a recitation, when the meeting adjourned.

A TOWNSHIP SUED FOR DAMAGES.—About the first of last December Wm. Dunlap, a well-know Warwick farmer, was killed by the upsetting of his waggon about three miles north of Watford. His window has entered an action against the township of Warwick for $10,000 damages, claiming that her husband's death was caused by the defective condition of the highway at the point where he met his death. The township authorities will defend on the ground that the deceased was under the influence of liquor, and that his death was the result of his own negligence.

I.O.O.F. CONCERT.—The Oddfellows of the town gave another of their pleasing open concerts in their fine hall last night. The capacity of the hall was tested to the full, and all were well pleased with the entertainment. The following ladies and gentlemen took part in the programme:—Miss B. McDonald, solo; Messrs. Jury, Upper and Robinson Bros., quartette; Miss Bevins, recitation; Mr. D. Sutherland, reading; little Miss Berry, song; Miss May Stevens, solo; Mr. J. Ireland, cornet solo; Mr. Jury, solo; Dr. Dickson, Scotch recitation; Miss McDonald, solo; Bro. T. Crawford occupied the chair. The entertainment closed with a vote of thanks to those having taken part in the entertainment, moved by Bro. Rowland, and seconded by Bro. Gemmel.

SOCIAL AND PRESENTATION.—The Ladies Aid of the King St. Methodist Church held a successful sleighing social at the residence of Mr. T. Choate, London road, on Monday evening, the proceeds amounting to $30. After tea had been served and a short programme gone through with, Rev. Mr. Maitland read the following address and presented Mrs. Andrews with a handsome lady's gold watch:

TO MR. AND MRS. J. ANDREWS;

We, the members of the King St. Methodist church, feeling under great obligation to you for your united services rendered during a period of many years, in the department of church music, take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of those services, and also the high esteem and affection we cherish for you both. Coming to the aid of our church in this relation and gratuitously giving your time and the value of your musical culture and taste, you have, in no small degree, contributed to the interest of our services and the prosperity of our society. We gratefully acknowledge the good you have done us and the benefit, through your offerings rendered to the cause of God in our midst. To Mrs. Andrews we present this token of our remembrance of your labors and pray that the Great Head of the church may spare you both many years, to sing the old songs of praise, and then bring you both to join in the new song in our Father's kingdom. Signed on behalf of the congregation, WM. DUNDASS, T. H. BARRACLOUGH.

FATALLY INJURED BY A PIECE OF GRINDSTONE.—A melancholy accident occurred on the farm of Jos. McVey, near Plover Mills, West Nissouri, on Monday afternoon. It appears Mr. McVey's sons, assisted by a neighbor's son, Mr. William Jones, were running a grindstone by horse power, when unfortunately the stone broke just as it had reached a high rate of speed—broke into four pieces, one of which struck Mr. Jones on the left breast with such terrible force as to crush in the ribs against the lungs, lacerating the latter in a frightful manner. Since then the young man has hovered between life and death, with but faint chances of recovery. An idea of the force of the blow may be gathered from the fact that one part of the stone was driven through the side of the barn and far into an adjoining field while another passed through the roof, tearing off tough elm sheeting on its way. Much sympathy is expressed for the family by a large circle of acquaintances.

INDUCTION AND TEA MEETING.—The Rev. Herbert C. Ross, late of Ancaster, was formally inducted as pastor of Knox church on Thursday afternoon last, at the church. Rev. W. Wylie, of Paris, preached a short sermon, after which Rev. G. Munro, of Embro, gave a short account of his stewardship since his appointment as moderator of the session, and formally inducted Mr. Ross to his charge. Short addresses were delivered by Rev. Wm. Robertson, Chesterfield; Rev. Dr. Beattie, Brantford, and Rev. W. T. McMullen, Woodstock. In the evening a very successful tea meeting was held in the town hall. Some four or five hundred sat down to the excellent supper provided by the ladies, it being nearly ten o'clock before all were served. The programme was very pleasing and entertaining, the musical part being well supported by the Schofield family, who brought down the house; Miss Morrison, Miss Boles, Mrs. Love, and Messrs. Douglas, Jury, Johnston and Cuthbert. Short and interesting addresses were delivered by Revs. Munro, Wylie, P. R. Ross and H. C. Ross. The members of Knox church are to be highly complimented on their choice of a pastor.

PERSONAL.

Mr. J. S. Deacon of Milton, was in town last week.

Miss Miller, of Woodstock, is the guest of Mrs. H. Campbell.

Mr. C. W. Riley left for London, Eng., on Monday.

Mr. Blackwood, of Winnipeg, was in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. McLellan are visiting in Orangeville.

Miss Robbin, of Belleville, is visiting her uncle, Mr. E. H. Cotter.

Miss Nassoy, of Buffalo, is the guest of her sister Mrs. J. A. McInnes.

Mr. J. Gibson is in Halton this week addressing temperance meetings.

Miss Upper, who has been attending Alma College, St. Thomas, is home again.

Bishop Baldwin conducted confirmation services in Tilsonburg and Norwich during the past week.

Mr. C. Saunders, of London, was in town this week. He looks as if travelling agreed with him.

Mrs. Wm. Wilkinson, who has been ill at Culloden for the past two months has recovered. She returned home on Wednesday.

CARRIAGES. CARRIAGE. CARRIAGES.

A. Sutherland has purchased his partners share in the carriage manufacturing business lately carried on by them, and begs to announce that he will be still found at his old stand on Oxford street, next to Frezell's hotel, ready and willing to manufacture, repair or sell carriages, buggies, wagons, cutters and sleighs of all descriptions. He has on hand at the present time in his show room some very nice two-seated phaetons, Detroit phaetons, and Buffalo road wagons. The foremen of the paint and blacksmith departments have been with Mr. Sutherland for the past eleven years and are skilled and reliable workmen. The trimming department is under the supervision of a skilled workman from Guelph. Mr. Sutherland has increased his staff of men and all work turned out by him will be found first-class. Those wishing to purchase any of the above lines would do well to call on Mr. Sutherland, as he is prepared to sell on easy terms at close rates.

R. S. MURRAY & Co. are prepared to fit up Private Residences, Churches and Public Buildings, with Brussels Carpets, Wool Carpets, three ply Carpets, Union Carpets, Linoleums and English Oil Cloths from one yd. to eight yds. wide. Fifty different patterns of New Carpets, Damask Curtains, Feather Beds and Pillows, and every other article of House Furnishings suitable for all classes of people. When in the city call and inspect our stock, price and quality of goods. R. S. Murray & Co., 124 Dundas Street & 125 Carling Street, London. 1763

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McDONALD VS. BUCHANAN.

Opening of the Examination Yesterday Morning.

The investigation into the charges of corrupt practices, intimidation and irregular practices, preferred against Mayor Buchanan, opened yesterday morning in the Court House, Woodstock, before His Honor Judge Finkle. The list of charges comprises twenty-nine specific items. There are over sixty witnesses, including two ministers and a married woman. Mr. G. T. Blackstock appeared for Buchanan and Mr. Wallace Nesbitt for McDonald.

Mr. Wm. Tennant, town clerk, was the first witness. He testified to the manner in which the ballot boxes were given out and returned. He swore that besides the voters' lists certified to by the County Judge, he (the clerk) had prepared a supplementary list of land holders' sons for each ward, which he also put in the ballot boxes with the certified list. As to why he had added these names witness was unable to say, except that he believed that they were entitled to vote. He positively denied that Buchanan had brought any pressure on him to add the names. Buchanan had mentioned the matter and had expressed his belief that they (the land holders' sons) were entitled to vote. About two o'clock on the morning of the election Buchanan visited him (witness) at his house in reference to a certain defaulters' list and it was after this visit, and before daylight that the additional list was made out. Returning to the ballot boxes, Mr. Tennant swore that after the election he had opened the boxes for Mr. Watterworth. Afterwards on entering his office one day he found Mr. Buchanan there and he (Mr. Buchanan) directed his attention to the fact that the ballot boxes were opened. Who had opened them Mr. Tennant was unable to say. In his cross-examination witness swore that two or three days after the election Mr. Watterworth came to his office and he (Watterworth) and witness counted over the ballots in one box. Witness thought that he was privileged to do this by statute. [It is needless to say that Mr. Blackstock put a different construction on the words of the statute.] Afterwards Mr. Buchanan complained that Watterworth had been allowed to see the ballots. On another day Watterworth in the clerk's absence took with him a voters' list as he (Watterworth) afterwards said. With regard to the list of land holders' sons Mr. Tennant explained that the names were merely transposed from the general certified list to their respective subdivisions. The names were not added; merely transposed. Buchanan's only connection with the circumstance was a remark of his to the effect that he thought landholders' sons should have a vote. The number of names thus involved was 15, and of these 9 voted.

Chas. Cragg, the deputy-returning officer for Ward 2, was the next witness. He swore that Buchanan was in the polling booth on the day of the election and was abusive and intimidating, or as the witness put it, was very "obstreperous." Witness swore that he allowed one married woman to vote because Mr. Buchanan said she had a right to vote, after the (witness) had refused to accept her vote. He did so, he said, because he wanted the election to pass off peacefully. Then McDonald, Watterworth's scrutineer, did a good deal of kicking.

SPORTING.

TURF NOTES.

F. A. Folger of Kingston, has a colt which will be 3 years old in June, and which he will match to trot any other horse in the Dominion of the same age for $1,000 a side.

R. C. Stinson, of Brantford, Ont., who handled Patron as a yearling and Houri as a 2-year old, is the only man living who has trained two trotters that have made records below 2:20 as 3-year olds, Patron's 2:11¾ and Houri's 2:19¾ in 3 year old form. Stinson thinks that a 2-year old colt named Brandoline, by Brown Wilkes, now in his stable, will be the holder of the 3-year old record next year.

BASE BALL.

Tip O'Neill, the St. Louis Browns famous left fielder and champion batsman, bears the proud distinction of having made the highest average ever secured by any player. It is 495.

JUST THE REVERSE.

"Do you dawnce the lawncers, Dr. Brown?
"No, I do not dawnce the lawncers,
But when the dawncers' health breaks down
I sometimes lawnce the dawncers."

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The columns of THE CHRONICLE are at all times open to correspondents for the discussion of matters of general interest, but the Editor does not assume responsibility for any statements or opinions therein expressed.]

MORE LIGHT WANTED.

To the Editor of THE CHRONICLE;

DEAR SIR,—About three weeks ago a somewhat ambiguous item appeared in your Beachville correspondence anent school matters. As a result several friends in different parts of the country have kindly extended to me their sympathies and inquired as to the difficulties. It now seems necessary, in simple justice to myself, to ask your correspondent to be more explicit in his late charges that all interested, particularly the writer, may know just what was meant. Yours,

J. P. ARCHIBALD.

THE SCREW WORKS.

To the Editor of THE CHRONICLE;

DEAR SIR,—We wish through your paper to contradict some rumors that have been circulated on the streets of our town and elsewhere in regard to our works "that the screw works is shut down or is going to shut down." Both of these statements are untrue as we are not nor have we any intention of doing so. We suppose this report arose from the fact that we laid off some of our men, but when business guarantees us in employing twenty (20) or more men we will do so; when we require only ten (10), that is the number we will keep. We believe it has also been said "they are in difficulty." If that means that we cannot pay our debts, the only reply we have is that we can pay one hundred cents on the dollar, and we think this is all the explanation this point requires. If any person should not be satisfied with the above, if he will call at our office we will try to satisfy his anxious mind. Thanking you Mr. Editor for space, &c., we are Yours respectfully,

JOHN MORROW & Co.

PROGRESS OF THE PRINCIPLES OF IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

To the Editor of THE CHRONICLE;

SIR,—Allow me to call the attention of your readers, very briefly, to the progress which has been made in the last year or two by the principles of Imperial unity, and to ask the co-operation of all who desire to see our connection with the British Empire preserved and promoted, in the work which the Imperial Federation League is carrying on in Canada, Britain, Australia, and wherever the banner of England floats over a self-governing community. The Colonial and Indian Exhibition of 1886 was a most vivid evidence of the advantages that may be obtained from closer trade relations within the bounds of the Empire, and was itself a strong proof of the fact that in matters of trade the ocean is to-day a connecting link in the chain of commercial combination rather than an obstacle to commercial unity. The Colonial and Imperial Conference of 1887 proved that the feeling in favor of Imperial Combination was more than simply a growing sentiment and that it had crystallized into a practical reality. I am proud to say that it was by means of an influential delegation from the Imperial Federation League, headed by its enthusiastic and able president, the Earl of Rosebery, waiting upon the Imperial Premier, that induced the ministry of the day to call this Conference. It was in every way a success. Practical discussion and business details were the order of the day, and several arrangements were made which will undoubtedly prove stepping-stones to the policy which we are advocating. But perhaps the most important fact in connection with this event is the consideration that it will prove a precedent for future meetings, and has clearly shown the practicability of such gatherings of British and Colonial statesmen, and their ability to discuss Imperial questions in a spirit of broad patriotism and genuine fairness. These two great events will alone demonstrate the remarkable growth of our principles, but they are not the only proof. There are now branches of the Imperial Federation League in Halifax, Montreal, Victoria, B.C., and Toronto, Peterboro and Ottawa, besides Ingersoll, and others which are in course of formation. When the branch was organized here in 1886 there was only one other in Canada, and I think we may fairly say that some progress has been made. In Great Britain in the last two or three months strong branches have been formed, amongst other places, at Selby, Rochester, Huntingdon, Edinburgh and Glasgow, while the movement is everywhere being vigorously pushed. Let me then appeal to all who are interested in the question in this vicinity to come forward and help the Ingersoll branch in the work which it would like to perform.

Yours truly,

J. CASELL HOPKINS.

"Hand S" Condition Powders will cure roughness of hair in your horses and produce a fine glossy coat.

FREEMAN'S WORM POWDERS are safe in all cases. They destroy or remove worms in children or adults.

LITERARY NOTES.

The March *Century* will contain the story of "Colonel Rose's Tunnel at Libby Prison," told by one of the one hundred and nine Union officers who escaped on the night of February 9, 1864. The successful construction of this tunnel, dug from a dark corner of the cellar of the prison, through fifty feet of solid earth,—the only tools being two broken chisels and a wooden spittoon in which to carry out the dirt,—was one of the most remarkable incidents of the war. Colonel Rose, to whose indomitable will and perseverance the success of the scheme was due, is now a captain in the 15th United States Infantry, and of the fourteen men who assisted him in digging the tunnel, eleven are still living. The narrative in the March *Century*, which is illustrated, forms one of the untechnical papers supplementing the War Series, and it is said to be one of the most romantic records that *The Century* has ever printed.

CATALOGUES RECEIVED.

We have received the 1888 catalogue of the Forest City Farm, Cleveland, C. J. Emery, proprietor. It shows that there are 145 stallions, mares and colts of royal blood in the farm's stables, among which are these stallions: Patron 2.14¼; Nugget 2.26¾; Brown Wilkes 2.21¾; Hermes 2.27½; Connaught 2.24; Monte Carlo, by Monacobecara, and Mar Caspeo, by Director 2.17, Kate Nutwood. The brood mares with trotting records are: Mattie Hunter 2.12½; Secret 2.20¾; Kate Middleton 2.23; Carscarilla 2.25½; Bertha S. 2.29½; Gumball 2.31¼.

Savage & Farnum's catalogue is just to hand. It is finely illustrated and gives history of both breeds Percheron and French Coachers. There are about two hundred pure bred horses on hand, also a fine line of high grades. Catalogue will be mailed free to applicants. Grose Isle, 10 miles below Detroit, was first settled by the French about 100 years ago, and is now occupied chiefly by French horses, Percheron and French Coach, on Island Home Stock Farm.

OUR DAILY BREAD.

Heavy and sour bread or biscuit has a vast influence through the digestive organs upon the measure of health we enjoy. How important to our present happiness and future usefulness the blessing of good health and a sound constitution are, we can only realize when we have lost them, and when it is too late to repair the damage. Notwithstanding these facts, thousands of persons daily jeopardize not only their health, but their lives, and the health and lives of others, by using articles in the preparation of their food the purity and healthfulness of which they know nothing. Perhaps a few cents may have been saved, or it may have been more convenient to obtain the articles used, and the housekeeper takes the responsibility and possibly will never know the mischief that has been wrought. Paterfamilias may have spells of headache, the children may have lost their appetites, or look pale; if so, the true cause is rarely suspected. The weather, the lack of out-door air, or some other cause, is given and the unwholesome, poisonous system of adulterated food goes on. Next to the flour, which should be made of good, sound wheat and not ground too fine, the yeast or baking powder, which furnishes the rising properties, is of the greatest importance and of the two we prefer baking powder, and always use the Royal, as we thereby retain the original properties of the wheat, no fermentation taking place. The action of the Royal Baking Powder upon the dough is simply to swell it and form little cells through every part. These cells are filled with carbonic acid gas, which passes off during the process of baking.

The Royal is made from pure grape acid, and it is the action of this acid upon highly carbonized bicarbonate of soda that generates the gas alluded to: and these ingredients are so pure and so perfectly fitted, tested and adapted to each other that the action is mild and permanent, and is continued during the whole time of baking, and no residue of poisonous ingredients remains to undermine the health, no heavy biscuits, no sour bread, but if directions are followed, every article will be found sweet and wholesome.

DISTRICT NEWS.

EAST NISSOURI.

Council met pursuant to adjournment at Kintore on Monday, 13th February at 10 a. m. Members all present except the Deputy Reeve. The Reeve took the chair at 10:40. The clerk read minutes of previous meeting which were approved and signed. Sundry letters were also read and laid on table. On motion a By-law was introduced appointing pathmasters, pound-keepers and fence-viewers for the current year. The said By-law received two readings, and was laid over. The auditors being present with their report, leave was granted them to read the same which occupied some time, after which, on motion said report was adopted and the clerk was authorized to get 200 copies provided in pamplet form for distribution amongst the ratepayers. On motion the following orders were drawn on the treasurer: H. G. Gomlay, $6.00; A. Goodman, $6.00; (auditors), $12.00; widow McKay, (indigent), $5.00. On motion resolved that the collector having finished his work for 1887, the clerk is authorized to give him his bonds. On motion the Council adjourned to meet again Monday, 16th April, at 10 a. m. at Kintore.

C. R. COMMANDER,
Clerk.

THAMESFORD.

Miss M. J. Pullyblank of Harrington, is visiting her brother, Mr. S. Pullyblank.

Mr. F. Gibson of St. Catherines, is the guest of his uncle Wm. B. Freel.

Mr. C. Judds, has left the village to accept a position in London.

The Masons of the village are making preparations to hold a grand conversazione on March 6th, in their hall.

Kintore people are busy drawing ice from the village pond just now.

Mr. J. Weir got his foot bruised at the saw mill last Thursday by a heavy plank falling on it.

Logs are coming in pretty fast just now at the saw mill, and Mr. Cawthorp is doing a rushing business.

Mr. Van Sickle of Jersey City, N. J., shipped from Ingersoll on Thursday a car load of horses purchased in this vicinity.

Mr. N. C. McCarty has purchased a three-year old Clear Grit. He is going to make a trotter out of him.

Mrs. Wm. Oliver, an old resident of this village, died last Wednesday night after a short illness of inflamation of the lungs. The funeral took place on Friday to the Presbyterian Cemetery, and was largely attended. She was 74 years of age.

A Social in connection with the Methodist church was held at the residence of Mr. Joseph Horsman, 10th line, on Tuesday evening. Over $30 was realized. The following ladies and gentlemen took part in the programme: Mrs. Young, Miss Horsman, the Misses McLellan, Miss Sifton, Miss Cogswell, Mrs. Koster, and Messrs. Suetsinger, and Snell. The Rev. Mr. Scratch occupied the chair.

The residence of Rev. Mr. Scratch was taken possession of on Friday night by about seventy young people, members of his congregation under his charge. They brought a quantity of provisions with them, and after lunch had been served and the dishes washed by the young men who, it being leap year, were invited to do so by the ladies, the following address was read by Mr. B. Snell, and Mr. and Mrs. Scratch wore presented with two handsome goat robes for the cutter, and a silver butter dish by Mr. Reavly and Miss C. Horseman.

DEAR MR. AND MRS. SCRATCH,—We desire to take advantage of this opportunity to express in a slight degree the deep love we feel for you. During your three years stay with us your efforts have been directed towards our temporal and eternal welfare, and through God's goodness your prayers have been largely answered. You have always taken deep interest in everything that tends to make us better men and women, and your loving actions and kind advice will be remembered by us through life. It is with sorrow and regret that we accept the fact that your stay with us nearly draws to a close, but what is our loss will be others gain. In conclusion we beg of you to accept the accompanying not for its intrinsic value but as a slight token of our affection, and may the divine Father ever continue to guide and bless you.

Mr. Scratch thanked the young people in a few words for their kind remembrance, and after a few songs had been sung the young folks returned to their homes.

Brethren from St. Mary's, Ingersoll and Dorchester, visited the I. O. O. F. at their last weekly meeting. When business was disposed of, all sat down to an oyster supper prepared under the able management of the committee appointed.

The ladies "Lyceum" is in a good healthy mental condition. Having finished the play, "Merchants of Venice," from the careful study of which they derived much benefit, they are now starting "Hamlet." A cordial invitation is extended to all who love study to join in the reading of the tragedy which is the history of a man's own mind.

VERSCHOYLE.

Miss Smith, of London, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. Phillips.

Mrs. Anna Little has gone on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Walker, of Stratford.

Mr. E. C. Corbett's foreman had a shoddy peddlar arrested and duly brought before a Culloden J. P., but failed to convict his man owing to the pleadings of an Ingersoll lawyer.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell, of Tilsonburg, occupied the pulpit of Ebenezer Church last Sabbath and advocated the missionary cause in a clear and forcible manner. Mr. Joseph Gibson, of Ingersoll, also gave a short address on the same subject.

Some farmers in this locality who patronized the Mount Elgin Cheese Factory during the past summer are experiencing some inconvenience because the cheese has not been sold yet. They wish it would take a "bump" and go off.

The B. C. Church which has not been much used as a place of worship since the Union has been sold to Mr. J. H. Wilkinson, who has moved it to the corners, and intends using it as part of his new cheese factory, which he is preparing to build in the spring. Mr. Durham Boyce became owner of the shed, both buildings were sold privately and very cheap.

PUTNAM.

Geo. Gee, who lately removed from here to Dorchester Station, is very low with hemorrage of the lungs. The doctors have no hope for his recovery.

John Atkins, an old and respected settler of this place, but of late years a resident of Ingersoll, is also very sick with no hope of his recovery, having been stricken down with a paraylytic stroke on the 4th inst.

Anthony Allison has rented his farm to James Beachham for a term of years, and has bought a house and lot at Dorchester Station from Geo. Patterson for $475.

A very successful oyster social was held at the residence of Mr. Samuel Barr, on the evening of the 15th, many coming a distance of six to eight miles, about 170 being present. Receipts of the evening, $43.

Affliction and death is visiting this community, reminding us that we are but frail mortals. First we have to record the death of Alex. Fleming, postmaster and blacksmith of Crampton, who died on the 11th inst., after a short but severe sickness of one week's erysipelas in the head. Deceased was in the prime of life, greatly beloved and respected by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He leaves a widow and three children in the great loss they have sustained. One of the largest processions witnessed here attended his funeral to the Putnam cemetery. Rev. Mr. Knott of Avon officiated, delivering a very impressive discourse from Amos, 4th chap., 12th verse. The pall-bearers were, J. Longfield, D. Longfield, Robt. Howe, Wesley Cornish, John Jenkins and E. Procunier.

A striking contrast presented itself to a great many who attended the mournful and solemn funeral above mentioned on the afternoon of the 14th, and on the same evening attended by invitation cards, a reception party was held at the residence of Mr. Peter Allen to tender their best wishes and respects to Mr. Geo. H. Allen and his bride, Miss Nellie Hume of Ingersoll. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's father, Oxford St. Ingersoll, in the afternoon. A large number from Ingersoll came by train to Putnam. The Baptist choir of which the bride is a member came in full force and contributed much to the enjoyment of the evening by their superior musical talent. The bridegroom's mother and sisters provided a sumptuous supper, to which the large party done ample justice. The bride groom and bride were the recipients of a large number of valuable presents, viz: from Ingersoll, by the Baptist choir, silver fruit stand and a silver cruet; Mrs. Munro, pickle cruet; Mrs. and Miss Menhennick, Parlor lamp; Mrs. F. McCutcheon, teapot; Misses M. and E. Hume, pair of panel pictures; Mr. and Mrs. R. Rogerson, parlor lamp; Mrs. McKenzie, picture of C. H. Sturgeon; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hume, Richmond Hill, silver cake basket and set of toilet mats; Miss M. F. Siple, Norwich, table linen. From Mossley the following: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gibson, fruit stand, Mr. and Mrs. T. Cornish, fancy table; Miss T. and A. Gibson, parlor lamp; Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, glass cruet; Mrs. H. Johnson, white bed spread; Mr. Jno. Gibson, fruit dish. From Putnam: Rev. R. Whiting, silver napkin ring, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sherwood, card receiver; Mr. and Mrs. T. Conner, toilet set; W. C. Dundas, silver napkin ring; Miss Tessie Dundas, half dozen teaspoons; Misses Hattie and Nellie Craig, one doz. fruit dishes, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Beer, parlor lamp; Mr. G. A. Dundas, half dozen teaspoons; Miss Annie Rouse, pair of vases, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dundass, half dozen goblets and celery glass; Mr. and Mrs. R. Bennett, half dozen tea spoons and butter knife; Mrs. McKenzie, darning bag; Miss Fannie Allen, white bed spread; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Dundas, breakfast cruet; Miss Carrie Allen, glass water pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dundass, pickle cruet; Mr. W. P. Dundass, half dozen teaspoons; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Uglow, half dozen dinner knives and forks. Mr. and Mrs. Allen purpose making Ingersoll their home. The people of Putnam are sorry to have George leave as he has many sincere friends, and has always taken an active part in everything that would tend to promote the welfare and prosperity of this place and vicinity, and we all wish them health prosperity and happiness, in their voyage of life.

FARM AND DAIRY.

INGERSOLL MARKETS.

GRAIN AND SEEDS.

White Wheat, per bush	$ 78	to	80
Red Fall Wheat	78	to	80
Spring Wheat	70	to	80
Barley "	45	to	62
Peas "	55	to	65
Oats, "	32	to	40
Corn "	50	to	54
Buckwheat "	00	to	00
Rye "	55	to	00
Clover Seed per bush	$ 5 25	to	5 50
Timothy Seed "	2 50	to	3 00

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, per bag	1 00	to	1 10
Onions "	1 25	to	1 50
Apples "	50	to	60
Dried Apples per lb	5	to	5
Tallow "	3	to	04
Lard "	10	to	12
Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs	$ 5 25	to	6 50
Live Hogs, "	5 00	to	5 5
Hay, per ton	12 00	to	15
Straw, per Load	3 00	to	3 00
Beef Hides,	0 05	to	0 06
Calf Skins	0 00	to	0 6
Lamb Skins	0 55	to	0 60
Pelts	0 30	to	0 40
Wool,	0 22	to	0 20

PROVISIONS.

Flour, old process, 100 lbs	1 75	to	2 00
Flour, new process, Fall, 100 lbs	2 00	to	2 25
Bran, per ton	18 00	to	20 00
Shorts "	20 00	to	22 00
Oatmeal	2 75	to	3 00
Oatmeal, new process	3 00	to	3 25
Cornmeal	0 00	to	2 50
Marrowfat Peas	0 70	to	1 00
Butter, tub	18	to	20
Butter, rolls, per lb	20	to	22
Eggs	15	to	17
Cheese,	11	to	13
Stilton Cheese	15	to	16
Sugar C