Perth : Rev. R. L. Stepher

Smith's Fails: Rev. S. Milne, and W. H Burrett, M. D. Carleton Place: Robert Bell, Esq., Rev L. Halleroft, Rev. Mr. Preston, and A. Mc Arthur, Esq., vice Rev. J. McKinnen, and Rev. Ar. Buker resigned.

Village of Lanark : Alexander J. Hall. and J. Wright. Village of Renfrew : John L. McDougall and Felix Devine. Village of Pembroke

and Samuel Mitchell. Village of Pakenham : Jas. Dunnett, Esq. Doctor Sweetland, and Alexander Fowler, vice Alex, Mann, resigned. The following gentlemen are Superinten

dants for the several townships in the United Counties of Lanark and Renfrew J. A. Murdock--Lanark, Bathurst

Drummond, Darling, Dalhousie, Sherbrooke North, and Lavant, Alvah Adams, South Sherbroke

Michael B. Stanley, Burgess North. Rev. W. Byrne, Bromley, Grattan, Algona, Brudenell, Raglan, Rudeliff and Lyndock. Rev. Mc. Tomlin, Pemtroke, and Alice. Rev. John McMorin, Ramsay,

Rev. A. Mann, Pakenham. Rev. S. Milne, Montague. Rev. S. Fraser, McNab. Rev. H. Cameron, Ross, and Wests Robert Childerhouse, Stafford, Geo Brown sen. Admaston.

Tho. Brady, Esq., Bagot, Blythfield, Sebastopol, Griffith, and Mattawachan. John Conden, Brougham. Rev. T. S. Campbell, Wilberforce Jas. Johnston, Horton. Rev. Mr. Sanderson, Rolph, Pettiwawa.

Buchannan, Wylie, and McKay. Rev. J. B. Worrell, Elmsley North. A By-law was introduced and p ssed, appointing Archibald McDougall, Eric Harrington, and W. O. Buell, Inspectors to examine the Books of the Brockville & Cttawa Bailway Company, according to the terms of the Act 27 Vic., Chap. 57, Sec. 14.

A Railway Committee was appointed, con sisting of Messrs. W, Robertson, Archibald McDougall, Albert Teskey, Young Scott, John Haggart, Eric Harrington, John Smith, Thomas Murray, and the Warden, Robert R. Smith. The Railway report adopted gave the committe the undermentioned power:

The committee, or a majority of them, were given power and authority to represent the Council in all matters in connection with the loan to the Brockville & Ottawa Railway Company, and the amount due the Government; and are directed to carry out the suggestion contained in the Railway report adopted by the Council on the 8th October, last to employ Solicitors and coun sel to take steps against the Company if so advised; and for this purpose the Warden affix the seal to all papers required to be signed; and on behalf of the council to treat counties. The Treasurer to pay all e penses incurred by the committee certified by the chairman. The committee to report at the next meeting of council. The Warden was directed to call a special meeting of council when requested by the committee

Messis. Haggart, Buell and Doran, were appointed members of the Jail committee to fill up vacancies caused by the individuals not being members of the Council for 1874, who were members of the committee

Mr. Haggart presented the petition Samuel Bothwell, stating that he had lost very heavily by hisj il contract, and praying the council to make him some allowance over his contract. The council declined responding to his request.

The following accounts were ordered to be J. D. Kellock, & Co., for Oil, Turpentine &c., \$13 99,

W. & C. W. Botsford, for Stoves, \$8 00 George Corry, for Blacksmith Work, William Butler, for Pipes, Dishes, &c #34 69.

Perth Board of Public Instruction \$18 74. Lapark do Pakenham do Carleton Place 22 90 James Shaw, junr., for Stoves, 22 00. Alex. Kippen, for work on Sheriff's Rooms \$124 844.

Gaoler's account, for Stove, Bedding, &c. Jail, \$124 82. Robert Menzies, for Carpenter Work \$15 40.

Roaf & Downey, for legal services in sui of Sykes & Co., ve. Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company and Lanark and Ren-Sheriff's account for 1863, \$134 00.

G, E. Neilson, for Advertising, \$4 76. Cairns & Scott, for do. \$7 98. Wm. Gill, account for cleaning Court House, \$5 60.

George Ross, account for salary as clerk to Renfrew Board of Public Instruction. The Finance Committee reported that an

account of George Ross, claiming a balance of torty doll rs, for services as Secretary, previous to June, 1862, had been laid before them. They recommend that it be not paid, as they considered that the sum of \$80 against the counties up to the date specified

They called the attention of the Council to the fact that the Railway committee ap-pointed in 1862, to inspect the books of the Railway Company had not submitted a re-

salary, as Jul Surgeon, be raised to eighty P. P., M. K. Dickinson, Mayor, J seph dollars per annum, as, in compliance with the rules and regulations respecting prisons, the rules and regulations respecting prisous, more of his time would be occupied formerly; this being an increase of forty isters of Finance, the Postmister-General.

Railway Committee. Mr. Buell moved, see onded by Mr. Dodds, that the By-law appointing a Railway Committee, together with the reports of the Council, for 1863, and the proposition of Mr. Richardson, be referred to a committee composed of Me. Dougall, Code, Chambers, Doran, and the mover to consider the came, and the mover to consider the came, and the proposition of Mr. Richardson, be referred to a committee composed of Me. Dougall, Code, Chambers, Doran, and the mover to consider the came, and annual to the came and the proposition of the Council. The Mayor of Ottawa stated that the people of that city having remarked the anxiety of Government employees as to the number of dwelling the came and the proposition of the Council. The Mayor of Ottawa stated that the people of that city having remarked the anxiety of Government employees as to the number of dwelling the council. Railway Committee. Mr. Buell moved, sec-

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Watson, Lett, Ryan, R. R. Smith, Scott, Murray, Law, Tesky, Dickson, Rankin, Fisher, Whalen, Brown, Sheady, Carswell, Burton, Gallaher and Hamilton,-29.

The Clerk was directed to procure from

and pigeon-holes as might be required. Mr. Haggart, as Chairman of the Rail-

be printed.) The Council having given a hanks to the Warden, for the able and satsfactory manner in which he had presided over the Council, adjourned to June, 1864. -Standard.

Werald. The

CARLETON PLACE. Wednesday, Feb 10th, 1864.

We published, last week, an account of a neeting, held by some of the friends and his political course in opposing the present very lengthy letter, in which he promises to Executive Council 64. requiring 10; visit his constituents before the meeting of viucial Registrar 63, requiring 8; Minister it is reasonable to hope that a consultation And we trust that when the House meets. oc will still be found voting with his friends

departments to that city. This is matter that interests everybody in this part of the country, and we have no doubt the locument, which we append, will be read

with interest. We will only add that the Ottawa mem pers are beginning to look at the matter in a roper light, and coming to the conclusion of supporting the present administration, for the good of their own section of the province. although they may differ from them on some for others who are also interested in the renoval to Ottawa, to bestir themselves and do what they can to bring about a consum- that the future capital of C nada should aggest that the electors of South Lanark Canada. It was also under consideration hould lose no time in considering the mat- whether additional buildings for the accomter seriously, and look at the question in all modation of the Queen's Printer's office its bearings. Perhaps they, too, would think it advisable to request their member could readily be secured. to lay by, for a time, his party feelings, and The Mayor of Ottawa, in the name of the study the interests of his constituents and of the Ottawa section of the prevince. If the present ministry be defeated, it is hard to say what effect it will have upon the removal to the new parliament buildings. It

would certainly delay, very considerably, the arrangements that are now being made. The following account of the proceedings of the Ottawa deputation bears particularly upon the question of the hour, and will interest our readers more than anything we a general election should occur, a house McDougall, Mowat, Blair, Letellier, La could write. It is taken from the "Quebea Mercury" :-

The deputation appointed at a public meet ing of the citizens of Ottawa on Thursday port of their doings, or in what manner the money drawn by them from the Treasurer week, to wait on the Government, on the had been expended, though they had been requested so to do, by resolution, in the October session of 1863.

What on the Government, on the subject of accommodation for employees, arrived in this city yesterday morning. Four of the number then nominated composed the of the number then nominated composed the deputation, viz: Messrs. J. M. Currier, M. mier, the Attorney General East, the Minollars.

In amendment to a motion appointing a missioner of Public Works, the Provincial Secretary, the Minister of Agriculture, and

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Victoria ward, forty dwellings, having from six to fifteen rooms each, and rent varying from \$100 to \$500. St. [George's ward, thirty-two dwellings, having from five to afteen rooms each, rent from \$50 to \$400. Ottawa ward, seventy dwellings, having from five to fifteen rooms each, rent from \$36 to the Government, up to 31st December, 1866, to be paid and assumed as stated in the proposition of Mr. Richardson made in the January session of 1863.

Lost on the following division:
YEAS.—Messrs. Doran, Code, Chambers, to \$400, making a total of 210 dwellings. Dodds, Buell, Clark, and Stanley.—7.

NAYS — Messrs. Spalding, Kippen, Harrington, Guthrie, McNee, Purden, Conn, McGregor, Foster, McDougall, John Smith,

McGregor, Foster, McDougall, John Smith, three minutes walk from the Parliamen buildings containing sixty bedrooms: British Hotel, (new), five minutes walk from Parliament buildings, containing one hun-The Clerk was directed, when transmit- drel and twenty bed rooms; Beaver Hall, ting the notice of appointment of Inspecture ten minutes walk from Parliament buildings. of the books of the Brockville and Ottawa eighty bedrooms; Mathew's Hotel, (new) Railway Company, when replying, to state ten minutes walk, forty bedrooms; York when it would be convenient for them that street Hotel, seven minutes walk, forty bed rooms; Rideau Hotel, five minutes walk A resolution was adopted directing the twenty bedrooms; giving hotel accommoda Railway committee to obtain if possible tion of about 480 bed rooms. A list of exceed the stimate, but also that the expen-from the reconstructed Railway Company a building lots for sale in different parts of the ditures are under the estimate. This intelspecial and sufficient guarantee of security, city was submitted by the deputation. The for all interest due or to accrue, on deben-prices ranged from \$200 upwards according tures against the United Counties of Lan- to the locality. It was stated that Mr. Mc ark and Renfrew, to the Government up to Greevey contemplated erecting thirty build- ed contrast as it does to the results arrived ings next summer, and had secured the building lots in a favorable locality within the proper quarter of the weights and meas-ures for the County of Renfrew, and also buildings. Other capitalists were expected what may still be required for Lanark, as directed by resolution in the January sesting to engage extensively in building as soon as the time of removal was finally decided on. It was the desire of landed proprietors of

The Premier (Hon. J. S. Macdonald) replied that he was glad to see the spirit in way Committee, appointed in June session. which the citizens of Ottawa had approached 1862, was dir cted to submit, at the June and taken action in this important matter, session, 1864, a statement showing how the both for the sake of the employees and their money had been expended that was drawn by him, as Chairman of the said Railway ment might be carried out without any hindrance. It gave him pleasure to be thus Mesers Haggart, Buell, and the Warden | made aware of the co-operation of the people were appointed a Printing Committee, and of Ottawa in their efforts to provide suitable accommodation for the public servants. They were directed to have the minutes of this ession (January, 1864) printed, either on might rest assured that he and his colleaheets or in pamphlet form (500 copies to gues would continue to use every effort in their power to carry into effect the promises they had made to Parliament and the country. At the same time it should not be overlooked that the contemplated removal to Ottawa was a movement involving great week of the coming session. This, we Ottawa was a movement in the people of responsibility on the part of the people of Ministers. When

it was considered that about 3,000 persons are directly and indrectly connected with vious occasion. the Government, that is : those employed in the Civil Service, the Queen's and Parliamentary printing offices and binderies, requiring at least 400 awellings; it would be en that the task was one of great magnitude, and required all the precaution of the the Grenadier Guards, accompanied by government and the mutual co operation of Brigade Major Montgomery. The attenhe people of Ottawa to meet the necessities of the case. The hon, gentleman stated supporters of the Hon. Mr. Foley, at which that from a return made by the several de- what it should have been—the Almonte esolutions were passed finding fault with partments it was found that in connection Company only mustering 27, including the with the Governor General's Office, there officers, and the Carleton Place Rifles, 43. are 47 persons requiring 8 houses; Provinand clerk are directed to sign all papers and government. Mr. Foley has replied by a cial Secretary's Office 89, requiring 11; The colonel was well pleased with the condiwith the Government, the other municipalities interested, and the Bondholders; and the Bondholders appearance of the men; but did not compliment that his General, 78, requiring 12; Attorney General, 78, requiring 14; Attorney Ge to effect any arrangement that may, to them, opposition to the present ministry arises from eral, L. C., 24. requiring 4; Attorney Gen- in drill; which was owing to their very ir- of so long a time, we are glad to learn that 162, requiring 24; Bureau of Agriculture, 47, requiring 10; Crown Lands Depart-

and meeting with the people of his county, ment 356, requiring 50; Post Office Dewill have a good effect in softening down the partment 167, requiring 24; Adjutant Genhard and bitter feelings which he has enterhard and bitter feelings which he has enter-tained towards the head of the government tive Assembly 370, requiring 74; Legisla-tained towards the head of the government tive Council, 207, requiring 35; making a since his removal from a seat in the Cabinet total of 3,022 persons requiring 320 dwell ings. Add to this 1000 persons, such as Queen's Printers, Parliamentary printers thus depriving him entirely of sight on that and binders, and the number is over 3000, We publish, to day, an account of the exclusive of a great many families who follows low in the wake of the government. He and interview of the members of the Ottawa his colleagues were sincere in their desire deputation with the heads of the government, and intention of removing the departments to Ottawa next fall-if at all practicable but it must be admitted that much depende on what might be done during the next session of Parliament. It would be necessary for them to ask for supplies to go on with the Parliament buildings. After some further remarks on the subject, the Prenier went on to say that the government had at portance to the Ottawa section. It was true the administration were obliged to husband supply the deficiencies which had heretofore although they may differ from them on some accumulated, but his colleague, the Minispolitical questions. Would it not be well ter of Figure, had managed our affairs so as to command the considence of capitalists to aid us in carrying on those improvements

> would be erected. He believed a residence for His Excellency the Governor General deputation and the people of Ottawa city, assured the Government of their hearty cooperation, and he was certain that the ex lanations which had been received from the

people of Ottawa. The hon. Mr. Holton reminded the deputation that if he should fail to obtain the supplies, it would prevent the possibility of removing to Ottawa next fall; for if he did not succeed in getting an appropriation, it would be impossible for his successor to obmight be returned which would not be as favorable to Ottawa as the present. Much. herefore, depends on Ottawa and their representatives-in fact, they held their inter ests in their own hands, and he hoped a failure of the policy of the Government, with egard to the removal, would not be charge-

In answer to an in suiry by the Hon, Mr Mowat, it was stated that the population of Ottawa, at the last census, was 16,000, which has since decreased about 2,000; hence the number of vacant houses. The Attorney General West intimat

that he would cause the report of the Ward Committees and other statistics furnished by the deputation, to be supplied to the va rious departments.

Amongst those who were present with the deputation was noticed Mr. Cassells, Manager of the Bank of Upper Canada in this

city; Ralph Jones, Esq., W. Patrick, Esq., of Prescott, and G. H. Perry, Esq., of Ot-

Some of the Tory newspapers have be sal of usclam officials, reduction of enorm salaries and other matters of a like nature which have been attempted by the pres an with a view of effecting nt and trying, if possible to make up for the extravagance of their predecessor and bringing the expenditure within the

The public, however, will be glad to learn that the cru of "retrenchment" is not altogether a "mmbug"—that ministers are sincere in their efforts to try and save the country from min. The announcement is already made by telegram from Quebec, that, for the first time in many years, not only does the revenue of the Province for 1863 exceed the estimate, but also that the expen ligence will be hailed by the country as ex ceedingly matifying, showing such a mark

at by previous Administrations. Equally ratifying is it to learn that pre vious to January, the Finance Minister re full the interest due at the commencem A resolution was adopted directing that the office vacated by the Sheriff, and to be occupied by Mr. Rice, Deputy Clerk of the C. own, should be fitted up with such shelves and piges pholes as wight be required. Messrs. Baring & Glynn, also out of re enue. This is a very much better state affairs than when each year the debt, instead of being decreased, had largely to be in creased in order to meet the ordinary lia

Further, we learn the pleasing fact that debentures falling due in Canada to the amount of \$800,000 have been promptly re

It is also further stated that the Finance Minister will be able to lay the Public Accounts on the table of the House the first lieve, is considerably earlier than they have been presented to Parliament on any pre

The Almonte Infantry and Carleton Place Rifle Companies were inspected on Saturday last, by Lieutenant Col. Earle, of dance of both Companies was much below Pro- tion of the arms and accoutrements and the regular attendance during the Fall

The "Hastings Messenger" says that last week two boys were amusing themselves by throwing chips at each other when one hap pened to fall upon one of their eyes, which cut it so much that the humors of it ran out eye, and endangering also the sight of the other, for there is a strong sympathy be tween them. Parents cannot too strongly warn their children against such dangerous ways of amusing themselves.

The aspect of affairs in Europe continues formation that the United Service Gazett announces the speedy departure of a brigade present under consideration a scheme of in- of the Royal Artillery for Copenhagen. If the Sabbath. The next day after she was ternal improvements, a portion of which, if undertaken, could not fail to be of vast imectness is very much doubted.

The steamer Edinturg from Liverpoor the resources of the country to overtake and has also arrived but brings no important news. The following items, only, have been

Copenhagen, Jan. 20. The Rigard has commenced a discussion on advantageous terms. They were anxious of the address, and all parties have declared that unconditional adherance to the constitumation so devoutly to be wished. We would have increased facilities of trading with tion is the pledge of Independence of Den Montreal-the Commercial Emporium of mark.

The Saxon battalion at Kiel had suddenly received marching orders, and leave to-day for north west Holstein, where the Saxon contingent will be concentrated. The Austrian troops destined for Schles wig had commenced marching, and are ex-

pected at Kiel to-morrow. The citizens of Quebce gave a dinner the Administration, on the night of the 4th Ministry would be highly gratifying to the instant. It is said to have been a splendid uccess. About 600 rat down to the tables All the interests of the city were well repre sented, and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed tain the necessary amount to carry on the were Messrs. Atty. Gen. J. S. McDonald. mildings without a delay of months, and if Atty. Gen. Dorion, Hon. Messrs. Holton, framboise, Huntington, and Thibeadeau Mesars. J. S. McDonald, Doroin, and Thibeaudeau replied to the toasts of the "mem bers of the Administration," entering into a defence of the actual administration of affairs. Hon, Mr. Dorion foreshadowed part of the Government policy to be the en largement of the Western canals with trade, the effecting of reforms in the Criminal Law, and legislation upon other matters demanded by public opinion. Hon Mesers. Letellier, Huot, Joly, Caron, Drummond and others likewise responded in re-

Orange County Meeting. Dougall, Code, Chambers, Doran, and the mover, to consider the same, and report to this Council at as early a day as possible.

This amendment and the resolution were lost by another amendment being carried, to the effect that the Council do go into committee of the whole upon Railway matters.

In committee of the whole, with Mr. Haggast in the chair.

A motion was introduced by Mr. Boal, associated by Mr. Boal, associated by Mr. Doran, that the Railway Committee of the investigations of the committees of the investigations of the committees of the investigations of the committees of the investigations of the committees; in the event of a removal from Quetawa.

A seigure of live stock, entering Canada at Niagara bridge, has been made by the United to associate the desired information, and to associate the desired information of the uninformation of the constitution of the constitution of the constin The County Meeting for South Lanark

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the 2nd February, being the first day of hemselves for call to the bar, and the folowing were successful in passing their exmination :- J. W. Beynon, B.A., Perth ; A. C. Chadwick, Toronto; S. F. Lazier, B. A., Hamilton; N. Murphy, Toronto; G. M. Rae, Toronto; Alex. Roche, Port Hope: P. Rose, J. F. Smith, B.A., Newtonville; M. Sullivan, Sarnia, and Wm. Chisholm. Cornwall. It is feared, however, that Messrs. Rae, Murphy, Chadwick and Rose will be delayed for another term, from the fact that their time has not quite expired.

To the Editor of the C. P. Herald. Philipsville, February 4th, 1864 ..

DEAR SIR,-I have been a resident of his place for the last thirty-five years and also attended all the last county elections that passed over up to this date. I now give you a small sketch of the last election in this place. I never witnessed a more peaceable one than it was on the first day but on the second day's polling the Roman Catholic Priest of Smith's Falls came here with the Hon. T. D'Arey McGee and comnenced to drag his people to the poll, the same as you or I would drag a sheep to the pen. He tried to make them vote against their own good will and feelings but his influence did not amount to much as so them told him that he was for Richards the first day, and they then could not see why he turned his coat so quick if it wasn't that D'Arcy greased his paw pretty well. The state of things are coming to a curious pitch if religion can be bought at the time of elections. The above Reverend Gentleman tried to raise a row with D. Ternev Smith's Falls, in a crowd of over five hundred people but Mr. Terney lad the good sense not to mind him, which he gets the highest credit for. He was sent into the priests and was surprised when he saw the Priest of Smith's Fall's pursuing the course he did on the second days polling. Nevertheless Mr. Terney came out of the contest honourable, where the Rev. M. Clune must have come out of it disgraced to himself and his people. Hoping to see this in

I remain yours, A SPECTATOR.

Sabbath Desecration. To the Editor of the C. P. Herald. Perry's

SIR-If the religious state of a community is to be judged by the way that the holy Sabbath is respected, a stranger would be likely to conclude that there is little or no religion in this place. Thirty years ago, when the writer first came here, it would freing the Rapids, and has obtained a footing in Amprior, as the travelling public are compelled to respect the command in that village. Would that our city fathers would take the subject into consideration, and pass such a By-law as would compel both man and beast to rest according to the commandment that is given with a Remember. This part was visited more than once by a destenetive fire, and it is to be feared that a severer punishment awaits us as a community. Teams loaded and unloaded pass and repass here every Sabbath. And as soon as the ice is fit to bear the boys on the mill pond, it is covered with skaters, and that too during divine service on the Sabbath. In the summer season a number of little urchins may be seen on the highway with The aspect of affairs in Europe continues their wickets set up playing cricket. If I warlike. The steamship Acabia brings in then lift my eyes to look on our beautiful Lake, it is nothing strange to see the steamer Pontiac towing one or more Rafts. The new steamer Jason Gould, too, runs trips on launched last spring, being the holy day, she gave a free trip, and had her deck pretty well covered with pleasure seekers. Before I dismiss the steamers, allow me to ask you Mr. Editor, is it lawful to run these crafts on the Sabbath? If a person chances to go through a part of Stafford, known as the French settlement, it is very annoying to see men and boys going about with powder horns and shot bags hung on their person. and fire-arms over their shoulders like a soldier on duty, while others of them choose to take the fishing-rod. I heard an old pachelor who lived in the vicinity sometimes

> the day of the week, but never have to think one moment on Sabbath morning. That day is regularly and early aunounced by the acclamation of fire arms. When will men begin to learn righteou ness and respect the commands of God? They see their fellows dropping into eternity on every hand, and yet live as if death i annihilation. If this is the means of stirring up this, or any of the Municipal Councils, o take action on the subject, my design is

I am Sir. &c. AN OLD SETTLER. Pembroke, Feb. 2nd, 1864.

Capture of a Waggon Train. Headquarters Dept. Western Virginia, January 31. Again we are in the midst of excitement

and activity, caused by a severe conflict that

took place yesterday afternoon in the neighborhood of Williamsport, Hardy County, which lasted with considerable persistence and severity for four hours. On Thursday night a train of about fantry, and one hundred of the Ringgold esvalry battalion the whole under the command of Colonel J. W. Snyder.

Nothing unusual occurred until the train

Nothing unusual occurred a Williamsport, got about three miles south of Williamsport, when it was suddenly set upon at different maints by onen and concealed forces of the

nemy.

The guard at once formed and deployer for action. A hard fight ensued, comments of the in killed and wounded, rank and file.

opened fire from pieces of artillery.

The superiority of the enemy's strength.

We learn from the Toronto Globe that on there being in all about two thousand men -also gave them the advantage in outflank Hilary Term, twelve gentlemen presented his ingenuity simultaneously to operate on themselves for call to the bar, and the fol.

The enemy however completely failed in his object, which seemed to be to surround, and if possible capture the whole party. Several times the rebel lines were broken and several times the rebel charges were repul-

lities gained them a success. were so exhausted with marching, counterng, and operating in various ways, that it was as much as they could do successfully defend themselves, let alone making further efforts to retake the train. At one time the train was in a fair way of being entirely aved; but owing to the exciting skedaddeling propensities of some few of the teamsters, and the effect of their conduct on others, a kind of panic was the result. A portion of the train was saved notwithstanding the above mentioned mis-

MINUTES OF PAKENHAM COUNCIL.

Saturday, December 19th 1863. The council met at ten o'clock, a. m. There were present the Reeve and Mr. After waiting an hour the Reeve adjourn-

ed the council until one o'clock, for want of a quorum At one o'clock the council met, all

The minutes of the last sitting were read. approved and signed.

Notice from the Insurance Agent, res pecting Insurance on the Town Hall, was

Application of Doctor Fowler and Mathew Harvey, praying that a certain cross street Post Master's postage account for

current year was read. A communication from the County Clerk A communication from the County Treas-

urer, respecting Railway tax; read. Printing account from James Poole, Esq. Several Reports from Overseers of High

ways, received and read. Mr. Hilliard ave notice that he would introduce a By-law at the present session of council, to provide for the payment of all monies that may be granted at the present session, for Township purposes; read taintain any poisonous substance unless the

Mr. Hilliard moved, seconded by Mr alcohol which was undoubtedly present, and Forsythe, Ordered, That the Treasurer do renew the Policy of Insurance on the Town Hall. Carried. Mr. Hartney moved, seconded by Mr Burrows, Ordered, That the following accounts be paid by the Treasurer, viz

William Dickson, Esq., Postage account George Parker, for work done on the 11th line James Poole, printing for 1863 Wm. Dickson, for a new bridge at James Scott, Esq., for work done

on 11th line and cross road John Elliott, account Mr. Hilliard moved, seconded Forsythe, That Samuel Dickson, Esq. Public Road, across Lot No. 8, in the 10th

concession; and he was heard. Mr. Dicksor declined contracting for mak-Road is let out by contract, he, Mr. Dickson, will give ten dollars to assist in making it, if made within twelve months.

Mr. Hartney moved, seconded by Mr. Burrows, That Mr. Scott, Collector, he heard in reference to Mrs. Reed's taxes, and he was heard, and it was ordered that Mr. Scott be authorized to accept from her, one half her taxes, say nine shillings. Carried.

Mr. Hilliard moved, seconded by Mr.

Burrows, Ordered, That the clerk do give the necessary orders on the Treasurer the several sums granted this day. Carried. Mr. Hilliard moved, seconded by Mi Hartney, Resolved, That the Overseer Highways, in Pakenham village le author ized and is hereby authorized to open up the street between the 15th and 16th Lots, from Graham street to Victoria street. Car.

Mr. Hilliard moved, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, That the clerk do post up Notices for Tenders and Specifications for a Bridge across the Indian River, on the 6th line Carried. The Council now adjourned until Satur

day evening, the 26th inst at the hour o Saturday, December 26th, 1863.

The council met at 5 o'clock, p. m. There were present the Reeve and Messrs. Bui rows, Forsythe and Hartney. The minutes of last sitting were approved and signed. Application of Members and others, of the Church of England, requesting the use of the Town Hall for their Sabbath School

was read Mr. Hartney moved, seconded by Mr say, that as he lived alone, when he would Forsythe, That the Sabbath School in con wake up first in the morning he would have nection with the United Church of England to think a little before he could remember and Ireland be allowed the use of the Town Hall, in accordance with the prayer of the applicants. Carried.

Six Tenders were received for building bridge over the Indian River on the 6th Tenders opened and read Mr Hartney moved, seconded by Mr Bur aows, that the Tender of James A. Conners and James Patterson for building the bridge on the 6th line be accepted, by their signing the contract. Carried.

Mr Martney moved, seconded by Mr Burrows, Resolved, That the Clerk do enter into a contract with J. A. Connery and Jas. Patterson, for building the bridge on the 6th line, the butments to be built of good in front of the house, where he was found sound cedar, not less than nine inches on the on Friday morning in a semi-conscious state, small end; four stringers upon each space, to be of large cedar, flatted upon the upper side, and not less than twelve inches on the mall end. Carried. Mr. Hartney moved, seconded by Mr

pay to Mr Burrows, the sum of two dollars, being for services rendered by him, in letting out and superintending the repair of five minutes be sertain roads and bridges in this year. Car. eighty waggons was sent out from New Creek, heavily laden with commissary stores for the garrisen at Petersburg, and accomto the Clerk the sum of two dollars, as part Creek, heavily laden with commissary stores for the garrison at Petersburg, and accompanying the train was an escort of about of his expenses in going to Perth, on business connected with this council, Carried, the Twenty-third Illinois (Irish brigade,)

The Twenty-third Illinois (Irish brigade,)

The last time as a Council, this Gallon was Auctioneer. The lands were to the last time as a Council, this council, the council c Council begs leave to tender to be a series for his Esq., Reeve, their grateful thanks for his and courteous consideration, in gentlemanly and courteous consideration, in presiding over our deliberations during the current year. Carried unanimously.

The Council was now adjourned by

JAMES CONNERY. Town Clerk

In the Albany Legislature on Thursday the Ningara ship Canal bill was taken up in Committee of the whole. Two or three sections were read, when progress was rewhere it was before. There is evidence, cil, on the 2nd.

says the Albany correspondent the New York Herald, that there will be a strong opposition to the bill in both Houses.

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The Poisoning Case

The patiently waited for report of Prof. Croft on the analysis of the contents of the stomach of the deceased Margaret Reid, the avestigation into the death of whom we have already published, was received on Friday last Mr. Lees, County Attorney. He at once communicated with the magistrates who had been engaged in the enquiry, who on learning the nature of the report, issued an order for the enlargement of the young man Benjamin Butler, charged with impli At last as night closed the superior quali-ties of the rebels, and not their fighting qua-deceased. The report of Prof Croft has set at rest suspicion, and raised the veil of what otherwise would have been remembered as a 'mysterious case.'

The fact ascertained that no poisonother than alcoholic poison -was contained in the contents of the stomach, transmitted to him for examination, removes an obstruction, or prepares the minds of all those who have heard the evidence of the first and sub tequent day's investigation, to pronounce. that the unfortunate deceased met her death directly at her own hands; and that the act of doing away with her li'e, was premid ated at deliberate. There was nothing in the evidence whatever to directly connect Butler with her death, and even had the report of Prof Crof been confirmative of the presence of poison, there was no reason to show that the deceased had any hand in its administration, although under the peculiar circumstances of the case a suspicion would have attached to him. The ground for such an imputation does not now exist, and in justice to Butler since his name has been published, in connection with the unfortunate affair, it is but right that this statement be made public. The following is a copy of the report of Prof. Croft :-

Toronto, January 27, '64 SIR,-I heg to report that I have careful y examined the stomach and contents sent o me in a A bottle se led with a seal bearing the inscription "J. Garvey, Chemist. Rideau Street, Ottawa," for all poisons.

I first examined for Prussic Acid, Ox alic Acid, then for Vegetable Alkaloids, and finally for Arsenic, Mcreury, &c., &c. No. traceof any of these poisons could be detected. During the distillation for extracting Prussic Acid, a liquid was obtained which on the application of the proper test showed the presence of a considerable amount

The surface of the stomach did not ex hibit any of the characteristic appearances peculiar to arsenic In my opinion the stomach did not son

may have been swallowed in so concentrated form as to cause death. The stomach must before opening have been nearly full of half digested food. I remain.

> Your obd't. servant. (Signed) HENRY CROFT.

DISGRACEFUL. - In Monday's Mercury we mentioned that the body of Peter M'Cul 20.00 loch, tailor, Scone, had been found in the Tay. The body was taken to Scone, where 34.83 it was interred on Tuesday. There is good reason to suppose that M'Culloch committed suicide; and it seems to be the general opin-11.00 ion amongst the antiquated inhabitants of Scone, that the body of a suicide should not be allowed to enter the churchyard by the heard in reference to the repairs upon the gate, but ought to be lifted over the wall. The reason for this is supposed to be that in the event of the body being allowed to pass through the gate, the first bride "kirkvery short period after her marriage, and that he first child carried to be christened will commit suicide before it reaches the age of eight years. As the hour for the funeral approaches a bevy of the gude wives of cone, numbering about forty, took up their position on the road leading to the graveyard, and as the hunble cortege drew near they endeavored, first by persuasion and at last by threats, to prevent the coffin being carried through the gateway. The under taker expostulated with the angry dames, and at length after a deal of wrangling and unseemly conduct, the remains were allowed to pass on. Who will say that the days of superstition are gone. - Caledonian Mer

BISHOP COLENSO .- The Bishop of Nata has written a letter to the Times, complaining of various features in the prosecution instituted against him before the Bishop of Capetown. His letter concludes as follows Lastly, I desire to call attention also to the fact that, under the above circumstance and in a court thus constituted, the Bishop of Capetown purposes, in the words of his citation alove quoted, to proceed at once to "final adjudication," and so by his sole irresponsible decision to bind the consciences of all the Bishops of the Church of England in South Africa upon some of the gravest questions which are now the subject of anx ous inquiry in England. This agrees with the statement of the Bishop of Oxford, in his reply to the Bishop of London in the late session of Convocation, that from the judgment of the Bishop of Capetown in his detropolitan Court there would lie no appeal. For a presbyter or deacon of the diocese of Capetown there would be an appeal from the adgment of his bishop. Can it be that for a bishop holding his office from the Queen by letters patent there is no right of appeal from the judgment of his Metropolitan

SUDDEN AND MELANCHOLY DEATH .- A young lad, named Dennis Kinsley, about 17 ears of age, a native of this town, but who has recently been in the American Army arrived here at 2 o'clock on Friday morning having deserted. He applied at Mr. Michael Kimmitt's, who keeeps a salloon or tavern near the canal bridges for admission, but for some cause was refused, when taking off his coat and boots, and making a pillow and was ordered away but was afterwards taken into the house, where he lingered until the afternooon, when death ended his misery. It is supposed his system had been weakened by exposure and want, and that Forsythe, Ordered, That the Treasurer do he died from some affection of the brain. His brother who works in town did not learn the poor fellow's condition until about five minutes before his death .- St. Cather

Gallon was Auctioneer. The lands were attuated principally in the vicinity of Fenction Falls, and in the townships of Somerville Bexley, Verulem, &c... county of Victoria.

A portion only of the land in Verulem and Fension was sold, at prices varying from +3 to \$8.50 per acre, what was sold being considered cheap.

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