

# Auron Signal.

ODERHOE, AUG 17, 1865.

## THE NEW MINISTRY.

The new Ministry is composed as follows: Receiver General and Premier—Sir N. F. Bellas. Attorney General West and Minister of Militia—Hon. J. A. McDonald. Attorney General East—Hon. George F. Carter. Minister of Finance—Hon. A. T. Gasp. Commissioner of Crown Lands—Hon. A. Campbell. Minister of Agriculture—Hon. T. D. McGee. Commissioner of Public Works—Hon. J. C. Chaplin. President of the Council—Hon. George Brown. Postmaster General—Hon. W. P. Howland. Provincial Secretary and Minister of Education—Hon. W. McDougall. Solicitor General West—Hon. J. Cockburn. Solicitor General East—Hon. H. L. Langrin.

## Asiatic Cholera.

This frightful epidemic, the Asiatic Cholera, is evidently on its march westward. Originating amongst the population of the far East, it has traveled gradually on west, creating great destruction of life in Egypt, and thence, notwithstanding every precaution, crossing into Europe. Cases are reported in Italy, England, &c., and we are now startled by the intelligence that it has appeared in our own country, two cases being reported in Montreal. This scourge is most to be dreaded in the lowest quarters of the large cities and towns, and the greatest care should be taken by the authorities in forcing sanitary measures upon the people, where they cannot be reached by common sense reasoning. Godrich being one of the healthiest towns in Canada, may hope to escape in a great measure should the epidemic become general, but measures within the corporation require looking after.

## Attempt to Kidnap George N. Sanders.

The correspondent of the Leader states that a second attempt has been made to abduct George N. Sanders, and carry him into the States, thus securing the large reward offered by the United States Government. This is the account of the affair: On Sunday evening an attempt was made to carry off Mr. George N. Sanders. On Thursday the conspirators offered O'Leary \$10,000 to assist them. He acquiesced and informed the Chief of Police of the proceedings. On Monday evening O'Leary called at Sanders' house, with a carriage driven by Hoan, one of the conspirators. O'Leary told Sanders the Recorder wanted him at his house, Costa Saint Antonio. On the road opposite Prince Farm three men sprang into the carriage, knocked O'Leary down, and handcuffed Sanders. The carriage was brought to the toll-gate, and a little further on several shots were fired. Twenty policemen, with Chief Fenwick, gave chase, and succeeded in capturing two of the men, Carlos E. Hogan, driver, and W. A. Burns. The police are in pursuit of the others. The plan was to have a boat at Lachine to carry Sanders to the States, and to take him to the States.

## OUR PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

### AN UNUSUAL MEETING IN THE TOWN HALL.

On Wednesday evening, 9th inst., an hall of the Mayor, a public meeting was held in the town hall to consider whether we should go upon an excursion, and when we are sorry to say that only about sixty persons attended the meeting, and that the ratifiers generally took no interest in the matter. Mr. D. G. Smith, (in the absence of Mayor Welton) was called to the chair, and Mr. W. T. Cox appointed Secretary. After a statement from the chair as to the objects of the meeting, Mr. Wright, being called upon, stated that he had applied to the Railway authorities to see at what rate a train could be procured for Guelph, to which it was answered that such a train would be granted for one dollar each excursionist for the round trip. It was desirable to be thought that the masses of the town should have a day of recreation, and he would therefore suggest that the excursion be to Guelph, on Thursday, the 17th inst. Mr. Hays asked what the Railway Co. would do were any other place picked upon. Mr. Yeomans said he understood that the fare would be the same to either London or Guelph or Bradford. Mr. Hays thought that it would be better on the whole to go to Bradford. Many Goderich people had friends and acquaintances there with whom, no doubt, the day would be very pleasantly spent. Mr. Yeomans said he would support Mr. Hays' idea. He believed the Sarina people were desirous of having their excursion to the same place as ourselves, and Bradford would be just the place for such a meeting of sister towns. Mr. Wright said he still adhered to Guelph. It was entirely unnecessary to seek the aid of a town like Sarina or any other town. We could turn out a crowd which would prove that Goderich was so good as her neighbors. Guelph was in the heart of one of the finest sections of the country, and was a most flourishing town. By going there in a body we should make a number of new friends, and no doubt they would return the visit long. In his position as a member of the Bar he had ample means of testing public feeling as to where we should go, and he was assured that a large majority were in favor of Guelph. It was then moved by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hays, that we have a Public Holiday. Carried unanimously. Mr. Tomes moved, seconded by Mr. Hays, that the excursion be to Bradford. That the excursion be to Bradford. Moved in amendment by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hays, that Guelph be the place decided upon. After an immense amount of discussion, during which the proceedings became generally more and more confused, a vote was called for, but the show of hands being considered unsatisfactory, the house was divided, amidst anything but decorous remarks, cheering and pulling. Even then the result seemed doubtful, but after a few minutes' deliberation, the house was divided, and Bradford was chosen by a majority of one.

### A Committee composed of Messrs. Hays, Fenwick, Tomes, Clifford and Yeomans was appointed to make necessary arrangements with the Railway officials, after which they will be announced.

We are sorry that the above meeting was not better attended, and that a more marked

## THE KIPPEN REAPING MATCH.

### Taking into consideration the number of machines on the ground, the number of intelligent farmers interested in the trial, and the keeness of the contest between rival manufacturers, the Reaping Match at Kippen, on Friday last, was decidedly the greatest affair of the kind ever held in the County of Huron.

### Mowing and Reaping.—1st Mr. Arthur, 2nd Mr. George, 3rd Mr. Kirby, 4th Mr. Watson, 5th Mr. McArthur, 6th Mr. Newell, 7th Mr. Watson, 8th Mr. Watson, 9th Mr. Watson, 10th Mr. Watson.

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## Death of a Woman Under Peculiar Circumstances.

### SUSPICIONS OF FOUL PLAY!

### Her Husband Known to have been her Enemy!

### HE DISAPPEARS SUDDENLY!

### Coroner's Inquest on the body.

### On Thursday morning last (9th) Mrs. Charlotte Johnston, wife of William Johnston, a tanner of this town, died under circumstances which tended to create suspicions of foul play.

### The circumstances of the case may be summarized as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Johnston have been living together unhappily for some time past in consequence of drink. The husband occasionally drank to excess, but his unfortunate wife more frequently, it is to be feared. This propensity in his companion seems to have exasperated Johnston very much, and he is known to have beaten her repeatedly. On Tuesday afternoon, the 8th, he kicked her home from a neighbor's door striking her with his fist, and from evidence given seems to have continued the maltreatment afterwards. On Wednesday night, seeing the low condition of his wife, and no doubt, fearing arrest, Johnston fled.

### When the above circumstances became known abroad on Thursday morning, Dr. McDougall, in his capacity as coroner, took immediate steps towards holding an inquest on the body, of which the following is a full report:—

### CORONER'S INQUEST.

### A jury was empanelled by Dr. McDougall, Coroner, at noon, on Thursday (9th) inst., for the purpose of holding an inquest, adjourned to the Huron Hotel for the purpose of examining the witnesses. The Coroner informed the jury that if after viewing the body, they considered it necessary to have a post mortem examination, he would have a medical man called for that purpose. The jury decided that it was necessary in the interests of justice, and Dr. Shannon and Mr. Lean were called upon to make the examination and report to the jury.