The Power Behind the School-Bill

In his recent circular to the Press, Dr. Ryerson answered or attempted to answer a good many objections to the New School Bill. He did not refer to the fact that he has got a law passed which has made him the Autocrat of the Education Department. The laudably ambitious Teacher has to wear himself out with study in order to obtain the first-class certificate grade A which qualifies him for the office of Public School Inspector. The man, teacher or not, who can bring influence enough to bear on the Chief or who is himself of the Tory stripe and politically influential in his locality, no matter how poorly educated or ignorant he may be, a twirl of Dr. Ryerson's official quill can make him a rank, on the highest footing as, fit to bear inspector, of our educational institutions. The trouble is, not merely that this evil *may* be done by Dr. Ryerson. We fear there is scarcely a County where the powers of the Chief have not been manipulated to the benefit of political friends and therefore to the prejudice of the teacher who reached *Parnassus* by toilsomely creeping up the steep and difficult *gradus*.

The County of Grey, for example, for school-supervision, was divided into four sections, each comprising three or more townships. The Chief Superintendent qualified all four Superintendents without requiring them to pass any examination, without exacting even a *thesis* from them. More. He qualified a former Superintendent who had been out of office for about three years, and the Superintendent of the town school in Owen Sound on the same generous terms. Of the four first alluded to, one at least had NOT held office for three years; of the six who were "certificated" on their application, some, it is true, had taught school; but fortunately for the schools had retired from teaching. The incompetency of most of these men was notorious; as Township Superintendents their visits were regarded as "one grand comedy" by both teachers and pupils. Some of the gentlemen appointed may be considered as qualified for the position—but there is no guarantee to that effect; and what we specially object to is that the *imprimatur* of the Autocrat is allowed to give form a favorite, a prestige which none should be allowed to enjoy without complying with the terms of the Act. Dr. Ryerson is the last man to trust with any discretionary power. As he binds the bonds of others tight and fast, let us look to it that he does not overstep the bounds of his own enactment.

County News.

COLBORNE

The Municipal Council met at the Town Hall, on Friday the 8th day of September. Present the Reeve and all the Councillors. After the minutes of last meeting were read and approved, it was moved by Mr Buchanan, seconded by Mr Stalker that a rate of 3½ mills to the dollar be raised for County purposes, on all the rateable property of the Township, and a By-Law be passed for the same.—Carried. Moved by Mr J. Morris, seconded by Mr Stalker that the petitions now laid before the Council by the School Trustees for certain sums to be raised on their different sections for the teachers, salaries and other incidental expenses, be granted and a By-law be now passed for the same.—Carried. It was moved and seconded that the Clerk should notify Joseph Goldthorpe to clear off the side-road leading to the 2nd and 3rd Con., W. D. by the 15th of October next. Also to Donald McKinnon to open the road past his lot leading to the river. Also to Charles McHardy to remove his fence from the side line, between lots 4 and 5 on the 10th Con., W. D. Also to Chas Stewart to clear off the fence on the 11th Con., W. D., on or before the 15th of October; and to Edwy Marr, as Pathmaster, to cause the fence to be removed between lots 10 and 11 on the 7th Con., E. D.; and also to John Million, as Pathmaster, to order the removal of the fence on the 6th Con., E. D., by the 15th of October next. Upon failing to perform the same the Council, otherwise the Reeve, to take action in the matter.—Carried The Clerk also to notify Wm. Wallers to remove all rails and obstructions lying on his beat, as Pathmaster; and to George Boyd to remove the rails lying on the road in front of his lot, on or before the 15th of Oct.—Carried. It was moved and seconded that a bill for lumber, presented by N. Morrish, amounting to $34.56 be paid forthwith.—Carried. It was moved and seconded that Andrew Dart be appointed Sexton in the room of James Barker resigned.—Carried. The Council to meet again on Friday the first day of December, at the Town Hall at the hour of 10 o'clock, a. m.

JAMES TEWSLEY,
Township Clerk.

ZURICH.

TEMPERANCE DEMONSTRATION.—The Temperance Demonstration given in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, the 12th inst., proved a success. It was largely attended by the people of the surrounding locality, and four Lodges of the B. A. O. G. T. were represented. Bro. Rey, of Hills Green Lodge, occupied the chair. Revd Mr Kose delivered an eloquent address in the German language, which was well received. Revds Mordon, Aitken and Vaulst, and also Bro Geo. McLeod and Pat'k O'Brien delivered able addresses in English, and were warmly applauded. An excellent Choir was in attendance, and cheered the audience with some choice music. The best of feeling prevailed, and at an early hour the audience dispersed, well satisfied with the progress of the cause in Zurich.

BUSH FIRES.—The bush fires which had somewhat abated, have again broken forth, and are devastating the surrounding forests. In some places the roads are almost impassable on account of the density of the smoke.

IMPROVEMENTS.—Mr Brown is making extensive improvements in his store. Mr Hill has erected another large building to be used as a stable and driving-house. Mr Carrick has torn down his old sawmill, and is now rebuilding it on an improved plan.—Com.

Dominion News

A Volunteer Camp has been formed at Prescott.

The "Canadians" beat the "Old Countrymen" at Cricket in Toronto by a score of 184 to 164.

The Stormont case has been closed by both parties agreeing to have the election declared void.

The Quebec Provincial Exhibition was opened on Wednesday. Implements, Horses and the Arts are well represented, but half the cattle stalls are empty.

In the French Cathedral, Montreal, during service, the widow of Dr. Connolly, who recently at New York killed two of his children and then himself, suddenly became a raving maniac, her mind having been weak since the tragedy enacted by her husband.

The harbor of Halifax and Bedford basin are full of mackeral.

Quarantine buildings are to be erected on Lawlor's Island, near Halifax.

The meeting of the London Council to discuss the leasing of the Port Stanley to the Great Western Railway, dispersed in an uproar, without coming to a resolution.

The Reform gathering at Paisley was large and enthusiastic.

A Little Nonsense.

"A little nonsense now and then,
Is relished by the wisest men."

The fate of flowers—To be blowed.

The "Taylor" crew gave their opponents "fits."

The navy of Brazil is said to have never yet lost a vessel.

An African giant, eight feet high, is on his way to America.

A Western gentleman advertises for a "self-supporting wife."

Cats in France are to be taxes 5 francs each, and birds 1 franc.

Some Minnesota corn is so tall that they have to use ladders to husk it.

It is supposed that artificial ice was made as far back as the Fifth century.

An Englishman is said never to travel without an umbrella and dressing case.

A Western genius is catching fleas, pulling out their legs, and selling them for flax seed.

The life insurance companies of Berlin Prussia, are insuring lives against the cholera.

A French barber's sign reads thus:—"To-morrow the public will be shaved gratuitously."

The female population of Edinburgh exceeds the male by nearly 19,000. In Glasgow, the excess is 16,000.

It is said that a tourist traveling continuously, without stoppages, can now go round the world in eighty days.

The French decimal system of weights and measures goes into operation over all Germany on the 1st of January next.

In the public schools of Munich, Germany, gymnastics have been introduced as an abligatory branch of instruction.

A Californian editor has bought a mule and a brother editor chronicle it as a remarkable instance of self-possession.

Thirteen thousand seven hundred and seventy-one miles of railroads were in use in Great Britain and Ireland, Aug. 11th.

Vienna will soon have a paper published in the English language. Two of the former editors of Galignani's *Messenger* will be at the head of it.

Goethe said that the destiny of any nation at any given time depends on the opinions of its young men under the age of five and twenty.

A LIBERAL BRIDEGROOM.—A greenhorn took a notion to get married. After the ceremony was concluded, the happy husband took a twenty-five cent stamp from his pocket, deliberately walked up to the parson and handed it to him, saying "Parson keep the whole, you needn't give me back any change."

"If *this* should meet the eye of John Smith," said an enraged man, doubling up his fist and shaking it as he spoke, "he will hear of something to his disadvantage."

"Why don't you ask me how I am?" said a visitor to a little four-year-old boy. "Because I don't want to know," replied the child.

"Is there much movement in real estate in San Francisco?" asked a gentleman, the other day, of a newly arrived Californian. "Not since the earthquake," was the sardonic reply.

A correspondent who has an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, wants to know if the wheel of time is ever *tired*.

A countryman who had eaten cream cakes with a friend in a city restaurant, afterwards came to town with his sweetheart and took her to the same place to taste those luxuries, but forgetting their name, he did the best he could and called for a plate of those soft shelled doughnuts.

POWER OF ADVERTISING.—A man who had lost a dog in St. Paul, Minn., went into a newspaper office to advertise him, and while writing out the advertisement the dog came into the office and he

A Mrs. Slattery of Ottawa the other day had three daughters at a birth.

The Nissouri murder case comes up at the London Assizes next week.

Oxen for Sale.

A GOOD YOKE OF WORKING OXEN. FOR particulars Apply a 1 2nd Con. Township Ashfield, E. D.

A BENNETT.

7 Sept sw8w-1m*

STRAYED HORSE.

CAME INTO THE PREMISES OF THE UNDERsigned, lot 9, 11 Con. Colborne about 1st May, a black horse, aged. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take it away.

ALEXANDER BOGIE.

Colborne 1st Sept 1871. sw-3t*

ONE OF THE MOST DESIRABLE

Business Stands in Goderich

For Sale.

—oo—

THE PREMISES OCCUPIED BY R. B. SMITH, CONSISTING OF A 3 Story Brick Building, fire proof roof, store and dwelling. Front entrance to dwelling from Square Situate on North side of Market Square, 22 ft. frontage by 147 ft. deep with right of way to North St. and Hamilton St.

Will be sold by Auction on 15th Sept. next on the premises.

TERMS EASY.

Enquire of

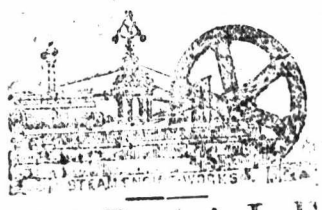
W. M. SAVAGE.

Goderich, August 25th, 1871

The above sale postponed until the 1st Oct. same place and time.

HURON FOUNDRY

East Street Goderich.



FOR SALE

1 Portable Boiler, 16 Horse Power,
1 Tubular Boiler, 25 " "
1 Tubular Boiler, 16 " "
1 Steam Engine, 14 " "
1 Second hand Separator & Horse Power,
1 New Separator & Horse Power,

A GOOD STOCK OF IRON & WOODEN PLOUGHS WITH STEEL AND CAST BOARDS.

Straw Cutters, Agricultural Furnaces, Cultivators, Gang Ploughs &c., &c.,

ENGINES, BOILERS & SALT PANS, made, and all kinds of Mill Work and Repairing done with neatness and despatch

R. Runciman,

HURON FOUNDARY, CODERICH.

Goderich, 14th Sept. 1871. sw6-tf

G McKENZIE

Has moved, to his own Store on

Hamilton Street

The Stock purchased by him from the Insolvent Estate of

Mr JOHN HARRIS

Which he is determined

TO CLEAR OUT

AT AN

Enormous Reduction

FROM THE USUAL PRICES.

FARMERS!

Here is a chance to save money

Goderich, 18th August 1871.

TELEGRAPH BOOK STORE.

AS THE ENTIRE ATTENTION OF THE SUBscriber is required by his Telegraph business. He has determined, during the next 15 days, to clear out his entire Stock of

BOOKS, STATIONERY, &C.,

AT AND UNDER COST.

Call and Get Bargains.

H. ARMSTRONG.

Goderich 15th Sept. 1871. sw6-tf

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

IN THE MATTER OF ROBINSON & WILKINson, Insolvents. A Dividend sheet has been prepared, open to objection until the twenty-second day of Sept inst. after which dividend will be paid

D. WATSON
Assignee.

Goderich, September, 12th, 1871 w2-2t

BLACKSMITH WANTED.

IMMEDIATELY, A STEADY MANACCUSTOMED to horse-shoeing and general country work, constant employment.

WILLIAM ROBERTSON
Lennuller P. O. 14 June, 1871.

Goderich 14 June, 1871. w22-tf

The Cheapest,

AND LARGEST,

Book And Stationery Store

—IN—

Western Ontario.

—IS—

AT MOORHOUSE'S.

NORTH SIDE MARKET SQUARE.

N. B.—By importing direct from

British Manufacturers

HE IS ENABLED TO OFFER ALL goods in his line at a slight advance on the sterling price; in fact, his customers are supplied with goods at retail at about same rates that small dealers have to buy at wholesale.

35,000 Rolls of Wall Paper to select from, being the

LARGEST AND CHEAPEST STOCK

held by any one house in Ontario.

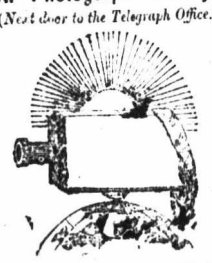
IN SAME HANDS 12 YEARS,

No Change.

Goderich, Sept. 5th, 1871. sw64

New Photograph Gallery!!

(Next door to the Telegraph Office.)



THE Subscriber having commenced business in Acheson's Block, corner of the Market Square and West Street, in the Town of Goderich, over the store formerly occupied by Mr JOHN HARRIS, would respectfully solicit a share of public patronage. Visitors will find the rooms fitted up in the most modern style. He is prepared to do all kinds of work in the Photograph line, such as

PHOTOGRAPHS, AMBROTYPES, PORCELAIN PCTTURES, &c.

PRICES REASONABLE

Special attention paid to copying old Ambrotypes. Large and small pictures in the best style of the art. No pictures allowed to leave the Gallery unless approved of. A CALL SOLICITED.

W. J. WHITLEY.

Goderich, Sept 14th, 1871. sw6y

A FARM FOR SALE.

A FARM FOR OF 118 ACRES. WITHIN FIVE miles of the Town of Goderich, 70 of which are under Cultivation and in good order almost clear of stumps. This farm is bounded by Lake Huron and beautifully situated. Gravel Road all the way (and no Toll to pay) and there is a Large Orchard on the Premises Bearing Choice Fruit

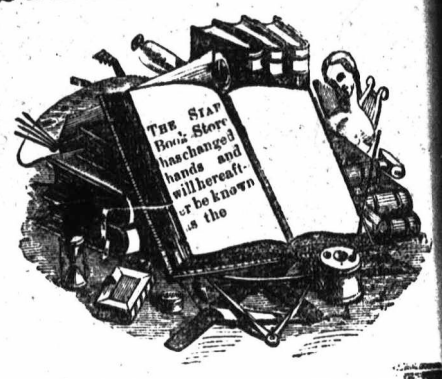
TERMS.

One-third of the purchase money required down, the balance may remain as long as it suits the purchaser by paying interest every six months at 6 per cent.—For further particulars Apply post-paid to

A MACKAY
Goderich P. O. Drawer 14

Goderich 18th June, 1871. w22 tf

BUSINESS CHANGE!



NOVELTY BOOK STORE.

CAMERON'S BLOCK KINGSTON STREET GODERICH, THREE DOORS WEST OF THE HURON HOTEL.

Clearing out sale of Wall Paper, Borders and Window Shades, to make room for New Goods. Those wanting wall papers will find them cheaper at the NOVELTY BOOK STORE than any other place.

Remember the place, late Star Book Store Kingston Street Goderich.

THE NOVELTY BOOK STORE

is the Best and Cheapest place to get Plain and Fancy Note Paper and Envelopes. Books. School Books, Copy books, Geographies, Blank books, Pocket Books, Diaries, A large Toy Department, purple Carmine Red, Blue and Black, everything you want in the Stationery line, sold cheap at the.

NOVELTY BOOK STORE

When in town keep your money till you call and see how cheap everything is at the

NOVELTY BOOK STORE,

HURON HOTEL BLOCK KINGSTON STREET GODERICH.

Goderich, September 1st, 1871. sw2-tf

EMPORIUM!

New Goods Arriving Daily

AT

J. C. DETLOR & CO'S.

JUST OPENED A CHOICE LOT OF

New Dress Goods,

New Flannels,

New Fall Tweeds,

ALSO A LOT OF KID GLOVES

ALL COLOURS AND SIZES

J. C. DETLOR & CO.,

Goderich, July 25th, 1871.

JUST RECEIVED

AT

D. FERGUSON'S

Fifty Cases of Boots and Shoes

TO BE SOLD

AT THE USUAL LOW RATES.

A Call Solicited.

Goderich, 15th August, 1871. 30—t. f.

NEW DRY GOODS

NOW OPENING

AT

R. B. SMITHS

The first instalment of this Season's Goods in which are over 70 pieces of

Fancy Dress Goods in the

LATEST STYLES.

LUSTRES AND ALPACAS,
HOYLE'S PRINTS,
SKIRTS & SKIRTINGS,
HOLLANDS, TABLINGS,
WINCIES, FLANNELS,
&c., &c., &c.,

R. B. SMITH.

Goderich, 11th August, 1871.