The Quebec legislature met on Thursday and Dr. Ferrie was elected Speaker of the Lower House.

An extensive wheat factory in St. Catharines, "Queen City of the West," was burned down on Friday morning.

The union of the two Presbyterian churches in Halifax was consummated on Sunday, under most favorable circumstances.

Bishop Bourget has requested the Catholics of Montreal not to be present at the Guibord funeral, and asks them to pray that sound may happen.

A coloured man named White was on Friday sentenced, at Guelph, to be hanged on December 22nd for the murder of his wife.

Some days ago the trial of the Carquet sisters was begun in Bathurst, N. B., but all attempts at forming a jury so far have failed.

At London Assizes Monday a verdict of $1,500 damages was awarded to the plaintiff in a breach of promise case.—The courtship extended over a period of six years.

On Saturday last the night express train going north, four miles from Paisley station, ran over a man named Jacob Grant, a Swiss, killing him instantly.

Caleb Boyle, who lives near the village of Sydenham, was run over by his own wagon on Wednesday night, and died about two hours after. He is supposed to have been intoxicated.

William S. Davidson, hawker, of Mitchell, had his right arm so seriously shattered by the accidental discharge of his gun on Saturday, as to render amputation necessary, which was performed.

A student named Leonard, of Victoria Medical College, Montreal, was arrested on Thursday evening in the Catholic Cemetery in the act of disentombing a newly buried body.

In Lucknow, a few days ago, a child ten years old, son of Mr. Robert Hetherington, got badly scalded. Mrs. H. had a pail of boiling water sitting on the floor and went out for a pail of cold water to put with it, for scrubbing purposes. Whilst she was away the child pulled the tub over on himself, scalding him very badly.

A special telegram to the *Globe* says the elections in British Columbia are over, and that the Opposition have returned 14 members, the Independents 6 and the Government 5. Nine seats filled by Ministerialists in the late house have been won by the Opposition, and only one seat held by the Opposition has been lost by them.

Mr. W. J. Melville, near Belleville, whilst out shooting, last week, met with a painful accident. He stood his gun against a tree, and when he raised it the trigger caught in a knot, causing the discharge of both barrels, the contents of which entered the right side of the neck. It is expected that he will recover.

A public meeting, held in Mount Forest on Thursday last, passed a resolution declaring that the statement published in the Conservative papers that Messrs. D. Hay and T. Gibson had promised the electors, on behalf of Mr. Mowat, that Mount Forest would be the county town in the new county in that district if they voted for the Government supporter was untrue.

On Sunday night about eight o'clock the jewelry store of John Street, of Gananoque, was entered by burglars, and the safe, with a key lock, was unlocked, and about $4,000 worth of jewelery and watches taken. The thieves quietly put back the customers' watches in the safe, and decamped, leaving the safe closed. Diligent search is being made for the thieves, but so far without success.

On Saturday morning the boiler in Hess & Bros. saw mill at Listowel burst. It being a heavy one, of 60 horse power, it made a total wreck of the whole mill, not leaving a bit of it standing; the first story was of stone, but all was completely scattered, smashing a great many windows in nearly all the business part of the town, in some cases about fifty lights of glass in a building, and many of the stores having nearly all their fronts blown out. Fortunately all were at breakfast at the time and no one was hurt. Loss heavy.

A visit was made to the Toronto goal on Saturday to see Mr. and Mrs. Davis by one of their counsel. The male prisoner was found reading the Bible. He said he had given up all hopes of life, and nothing should turn his mind from that good book. The female prisoner was at tea, and she also said she expected no mercy. They both refuse to see anybody but ministers and religious friends. Davis said he would not pander to the morbid desire of the public for news by making any confession, and spoke very harshly of newspaper men.

An inquest was held in Montreal, on Friday, on the remains of Mary Glen, wife of Thomas McKay. It appears the woman was given to drink. On Thursday night last she was sitting near the table, on which was a lighted candle, and being under the influence of liquor, her clothes, by some means, got on fire. Her husband, who was sleeping in an adjoining room, was awakened by a burning smell, and found his wife's clothes on fire and an empty flask on the table. He extinguished the flames with difficulty and had her attended by doctors, but she soon died.

A Mr. Harris was drilling a rock under water at the Moorfield grist mills on Saturday, and proceeding to blast with dynamite, the first charge failed to explode, and was found to have lodged in the pipe. A second charge was also lodged, which he thought was in the rock below the water; and on drawing up the pipe it exploded above the surface of the earth. Harris who was the engineer and Joseph Wade, who was assisting him, were both struck. Harris died next morning about 4.40; Wade is seriously injured, but it is hoped will recover shortly.

On Sunday week last a young man named Milton London, residing in the Township of Glanford, was fired at and the ball passed through his hat. It appears that London, who resides with his father, heard a noise in the stable. He immediately proceeded to discover the cause. As he was going from the house to the stable, some one fired at him, the ball going through his hat, narrowly missing his head. He went back to the house, and getting his father and the hired man, returned to the stable where they found one of the horses with his tail shaved off. The perpetrators of the outrage have not yet been discovered. It appears that the same young man was shot at about two months ago.

The Steamer Cumberland, Capt. Parsons, of Goderich, arrived at Collingwood, on the 6th. The captain on the up trip reports that when off Thunder Cape on the 26th October, at 1.30 a. m. the wind blowing a terrific gale from the north-east, with a blinding snow, rendering it impossible to see even a few feet, he stopped the steamer to try and get a right of Thunder Cape light. When drifting he found land to the leeward, and thinking it to be a small island outside Thunder Cape started ahead in order to clear it, but had not proceeded more than two boat lengths when he saw land dead ahead with Thunder Cape bluff right above him, and found he was in a small bay called T harbor. Finding it im possible to get out he beached her on a sand ridge and opened her sea cocks, letting in about four feet of water to keep her steady, the sea outside causing a heavy swell which might drive her too far ashore. As soon as daylight enabled the captain to ascertain his position he sent to Silver Islet to have tugs and scows in readiness to assist him as soon as the storm abated. On the 28th Oct. the tugs and scows came alongside and took the freight to Silver Islet and hauled of the steamer. On the 29th she reloaded and proceeded to Prince Arthur's Landing, the vessel and cargo having sustained no damage whatever. During the time the Cumberland was in T Harbor two feet and a half of snow fell. The captain's many friends, and those persons who have relatives among the crew, in Goderich, will rejoice at their safe restoration from so perilous a situation.

Grand Trunk Railway.

TRAINS WILL LEAVE GODERICH AS FOLLOWS:

No. 1 Express, 7.00 a. m., for Toronto, London and Buffalo.
No. 7 Mixed, 9.15 a. m., for Stratford.
No. 3 Mail Express 12.45 p. m., for Toronto, Buffalo and Detroit.
No. 9 Mixed, 3.45 p. m.,

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AS FOLLOWS:

No. 8 Mixed, 8.10 a. m., from Stratford.
No. 2 Mail Express 2.00 p. m., from Toronto, Detroit and Buffalo.
No. 10 Mixed, 6.00 p. m., from Stratford.
No. 4 Express, 10.00 p. m., from Buffalo.

We shall be glad at all times to receive items of local news, reports of meetings, accidents, or any incident of interest either in the locality where it occurs or to the county at large. Such matter may be sent at the rate of one cent per os. if marked Printer's Copy, and not sealed. To ensure publication in any particular issue it should reach the office not later than Monday evening.

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We are getting up a County Club with the WEEKLY GLOBE, and hope all desiring to subscribe will join in the club at once. Call and see our club rates with other papers also. All subscribers to the WEEKLY GLOBE will get the GLOBE and other papers at here club rates of postage. New subscribers dealt liberally with. Those subscribing now will get the GLOBE to January 1st, 1877, thus getting the balance of this year free. Terms cash in advance.

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, NOV. 10, 1875.

Ontario Parliament.

The Parliament of Ontario has been called together for the dispatch of business on Wednesday, the 24th day of November.

Political Notes.

Halton has again returned a Ministerial member, Mr. W. D. Leyon being the successful candidate, with a majority of 87. The late member had a larger majority than this, but being so frequently before the electors and possessing a good parliamentary record stood greatly in his favor. The new member has polled very well, and there is no evidence of a waning of confidence in the Government among the people of Halton.

Hon. Beverly Robinson was returned for West Toronto, on Saturday, by a majority of 340 votes over Mr. Turner, the Ministerial candidate. Mr. Robinson has large family connections in the Riding and his family is very wealthy, which fact had a wonderful influence in his favor.

A Grievance.

During the latter part of John Sandfield Macdonald's government, the people in the vicinity of the 16th concession of Grey appealed to have a drain built which would enable them to redeem a large lot of waste land. Agents of the government had represented to them that the work would benefit them greatly and having every confidence in their rulers, they took this step although warned by the township council to be better assured of the proper execution of the work before entering into a contract. The appeal was granted and the drain was dug under the supervision of a government engineer, but it was planned and executed in such a bungling way that it has proved rather a detriment than a benefit to the locality. The people of Grey, however, have been assessed in order to pay the cost of the work, and feeling that the tax was an imposition, inasmuch as they had failed to realize any benefit from the outlay they have taken steps to have the Government throw off the debt, or part of it at least. Mr. Thomas Strachan, Reeve of Grey, was accordingly deputed to wait upon the Commissioner of Public Works at Toronto and lay the opinions of the people before him. A week ago Saturday he reported to the ratepayers of the 16th concession at a public meeting held to hear the judgment of the Commissioner, that the Government was not prepared to throw off the debt, although sympathy was expressed with the people. That the Government will refuse the petition of the people is not expected, at least if common justice is to be done in the premises, for the persons who undertook the work are certainly responsible for its perfect completion, and the ratepayers of the 16th concession of Grey cannot be expected to pay for uselessly spent money without grumbling and murmuring with good reason. The late Government, by its conduct, saddled the present one with many difficult and trying tasks by its bungling and corruption, but the latter's duty is thus rendered all the more apparent, if public confidence in the honesty and efficiency of our rulers is to be maintained. We cannot accuse the people of Grey of being reckless, for if the public has occasion to be suspicious of its Government, matters have come to a serious pass, and since their confidence has been misplaced it is the duty of the present Government to restore it. Mr. Frazer, commissioner of Public Works affirms that money having been expended upon the drain it has to be refunded to the Treasury, which in a sense is fair enough reasoning; but is not just reasoning in view of the bungling, whig characterized the work on the drain—and the justice of this will no doubt be confessed by the Government when it comes to investigate the matter closely. At the session which is coming on soon, our local members should bring the matter fully before the proper authorities and endeavor to save the people in this instance from the incompetency and what we believe is jobbery on the part of the contractors.

The Mt. Forest Scandal.

The last issue of the Exeter *Times* contains a few remarks upon the charge which has been preferred against Mr. Gibson, M. P. P. for East Huron, of having offered improper inducements to the electors of West Wellington to favor the interests of Mr. Garbutt, and accuses him of having pledged the support of the other Huron members of the Local House in securing the establishment of a new county with Mount Forest as its chief town. It also states that Mr. Bishop of South Huron denied having promised to assist the scheme, and was greatly astonished to hear his name in that connection. To this we might add that Mr. Ross has given no pledge, and is as free from any connection with the reported scheme as is Mr. Bishop. As this evidence we have offered would lead the *Times* to be more decided in its censure upon Mr. Gibson, when it evidently feels certain is guilty of the offence of making the promise to the people of Mount Forest, we reiterate the denial published in last week's issue so that Mr. Gibson will not have to bear the stigma of assuming to pledge his colleagues without their consent. The main fact is denied, but out of a misconstruction of Mr. Gibson's words the story is made of his having pledged Messrs. Ross and Bishop to support the erection of a new county. When the question was put to him, he replied that "they knew just as well as he could tell them that, every thing else being equal, he would prefer (and he had no doubt all the Huron members would) to support a place whose views were in accord with the Reform party," and at the same time stating that he did not approve of the construction of a new county.

Now the people in that section are very desirous of carrying this scheme, and they approached the candidates with the question to secure their support therefor. From the Government party they naturally expected to receive the most effective aid and the questions proposed to Mr. Garbutt's supporters put them in an embarrassing position in the presence of the lynx-eyed and unscrupulous opponents who were watching for the opportunity of hurling the charge of bribery against the Government. But Messrs Gibson and Hays acted honorably, and when the question was put to them they gave their individual opinions, and the former spoke fearlessly and honestly that, as a Reformer and when the matter required to be acted upon in the Legislature, he would naturally be drawn to give his support to a Reform community. This was natural and honest, and the statement being unassociated with any pledge from the Government, but being expressed in connection with this own opinions upon the subject, shows to what a mean level the Tory press stooped to bring forth the shameful charge. His words indicate that no pledge was made; that Messrs. Ross and Bishop's opinions upon the subject were unknown to him; that he spoke in response to the question as one determined to act honorably; and that the charges preferred against him are base and shamefully untrue. The desire to make out a case of bribery against the Government is too evident to be lost sight of, when we find that the whole story originated from the shameful misconstruction of Mr. Gibson's words.

REV. MR. MACDONNELL, of Toronto, in a sermon addressed to his congregation propounded doctrines of the Universalist stamp and not strictly Presbyterian. The sermon created a profound sensation, an investigation has been made by the Presbytery, which has resulted in a mild reproof. Mr. Macdonnell acknowledges that his attitude toward the doctrine of the future punishment and eternity was not so much of hostility to Presbyterianism as of doubt, and the Presbytery taking this into consideration have come to an amicable settlement of the matter.—Mr. Macdonnell regretted also that he had erred in speaking publicly of the matter whilst the subject was a doubt in his mind, and the finding of the Presbytery gave him time wherein he might reason the matter privately and to report his concurrence with the doctrines of the church at the Assembly in June next.

PREMIER MACKENZIE has been making a tour through the Eastern Provinces, and his progress has been attended by cordial manifestations of respect on the part of the people.

A Wonderful Adventure.

NINE DAYS ALONE IN THE PACIFIC OCEAN ON A PLANK. A HEARTLESS OFFICER. THE WAYS OF PROVIDENCE.

Some time ago there came to the Colborne hotel an Englishman of respectable and intelligent appearance, about 40 years of age and of a quiet disposition. He was enquiring for work, and Mr. Wm. Martin employed him to help in gathering his crops. While in conversation with Mr. Martin, one evening, he related the following strange adventure through which he passed four years ago:

In the year 1871, he shipped as a sailor on one of the staunch ocean schooners that sail between Australia and England, and after being about 20 days out a heavy storm overtook them, the vessel sprung a leak and she went down. Only one boat was launched, and into it were crowded eleven persons, as many as it could possibly hold. The unfortunate sailor had been cast into the water, but had succeeded in getting hold of the end of the boat, and was clinging to it for dear life.—The captain saw him, and drawing a revolver placed it to the sailor's head and said "Let go, or I'll blow your brains out." It seemed as if sure death awaited him on every side, but the fiendish gleam from the captain's eye decided him to abandon himself to the mercy of the waves. As he swam about he succeeded in getting hold of a board which had drifted from the wreck. His chances of escape from his perilous position were exceedingly slim, but he did not despair, and kept a bright look-out for a sail, until the pangs of thirst drove every other thought from his mind.—He had in his pocket three biscuits, and after these were gone he gradually lost all sense of his perilous position. For nine days he drifted about, four of which he can remember with some distinctness, but from that time until he found himself on board a strange vessel and in tender hands everything is oblivion.—When found he was almost lifeless, but clinging so tenaciously to the plank with his hands and legs that it was taken from his grasp with great difficulty, and the most untiring efforts of physicians on board were necessary to invigorate the waning life. He soon grew strong enough to tell his strange story, and it was listened to with profound wonder. The vessel was bound for one of the Pacific ports, and it was six months before the sailor was able to reach his family, when he learned that his vessel had been reported lost with all her crew, nothing having been heard of the boat of which the captain had charge. Truly the ways of Providence are evident, and "truth is stranger than fiction.

Burglars at Work in Seaforth.

LOGAN & JAMIESON ROBBED OF $400 WORTH OF GOODS.

BE ON THE WATCH.

From our correspondent.

EXTENSIVE ROBBERY.—An extensive and daring robbery took place in town some time between Saturday night and Monday morning last. Logan & Jamieson's dry goods store was entered through the cellar doors, and silks, satins, furs and laces to the amount it is supposed of $400 taken from the store. The robbers it seems proceeded towards Stratford with their booty, as Mr. McNaught heard them passing and re-passing towards the common in that direction, where it is now ascertained they had a team in waiting, as they were afterwards seen between Mitchell and Stratford, making towards the latter place. Policeman Delmidge has started in pursuit and hopes are entertained that the booty may be recovered.

It appears also that the burglars attempted to break open Mr. McDougall's warehouse, as his back door had been burst in with a crowbar, but something must have disturbed them in their innocent pursuit of this world's goods, or perhaps in the language of scripture, "they fled when no man pursued."

MARINE.—The barge Enterprise left this port for Windsor on Wednesday night with 500 barrels of salt, shipped by Mr. Wm. Campbell. The Tecumseh will take a cargo of salt this week to Chicago, and Mr. Campbell is securing the city of Owen Sound to carry a load. Two loads of lumber arrived for Williams & Murray during the week. The Ontario passed up on Sunday on the last trip of the season with a large cargo, and the Sovereign passed down on Monday night on her last trip. The Evening Star arrived with a cargo of fish from the Islands, on Monday, 300 barrels of which went to Mr. D Ferguson.

Improvements in 1875.

SOME IDEA OF THE PROGRESS OF THE TOWN IN THE WAY OF BUILDING.

THE AMOUNT OF MONEY INVESTED.

During the past year building operations have been prosecuted with vigor, and houses are springing up in every part of the town, to its great improvement. Three of our churches have undergone extensive repairs, Knox church to the extent of about $2,300; St. George's church, $2,000 for repairs and $1,000 for organ; and Brock street church about $200. Large sums have been expended on improving personal property, such as the erection of driving sheds, stables, and other outhouses, and embellishing or renovating dwellings. Through the kindly assistance of the various builders in town we are enabled to furnish the following list:

NEW SALT BLOCK.

Messrs. Ogilvie & Hutchison have completed the building of their salt block, and the pans and steam pipes will be put in by spring, is 130 × 30 ft.; and the ground floor intended for a storeroom, whilst the second floor will be occupied by four pans each 12 feet wide and extending the full length of the building. An average of 150 bbls. per day will be made. The steam is carried in pipes through the brine—one eight inch pipe running around the pan, and 2 inch pipes running at intervals of 15 inches As the steam condenses it is to be carried back to the boilers again. The cost of the building will be about $3,000.

ST. PATRICK'S WARD SCHOOL.

The new ward school is one of the handsome additions to our improvements. It is built of frame, two stories high, with two large school rooms, 26 x 38 feet, two ante-rooms and a room on each floor for the teacher. The ceilings are high, 12 feet, 6 in., and the rooms are light and airy; the floors are of ash, and the general appearance inside is cheerful and substantial. Mr. Geo. Grahlem, the contractor, has done his work in an excellent manner, and the school is an ornament to the place. It cost $1400.

MESSRS. GORDON & MCBRIEN'S LIST.

This firm had done a very good year's business, their contracts footing up to $15,250, and the work they have done is really creditable to them, and is deserving of high praise. The following is their list for this year:

Mrs. Wilson, frame house on McDonald street, two stories, 18x24 feet; cost $650; plastering, &c., extra.

Arthur Cantelon, frame house on Quebec street, 22x30 feet, six rooms and kitchen, cost $650.

David Hays, frame house on Lighthouse street, 20x28 feet, eight rooms, cost $650.

John Bruce, frame house on St. Patrick's street, 28x38, 11 rooms, cost $1,950; extras will bring it up to $2,100. F. R. Mann, painter.

James Yates, frame house on Victoria street, 21x30, seven rooms, cost $600. J. Breckenridge was plasterer for all the above.

Mr. Whitely, frame house in Goderich township, 23x33, 8 rooms, cost $700. W. Sharman, plasterer.

J. C. Kirkpatrick, brick houses on Hibernia Terrace, 32x50, 20 rooms; cost $5,200. Reed & Sharman, plasterers. E. R. Watson, painter. This is a beautiful residence, and is complete in every respect, and has cost a good deal more than the contract price for extras. The work throughout is painted in beautiful colors, the work being done by Mr. Watson in a fine manner.

Alex. McD. Allen, brick house, two stories, corner Raglan and Cameron streets, 32x41, 14 rooms; cost $4,000. F. R. Mann, painter, J. Breckenridge, plasterer. This is another fine residence, and is very creditable to the builders, as a complete and well finished residence.

D. Doty, brick house, on Colborne street, two stories, 32x38, 10 rooms, cost $2,000. E. R. Watson, painter. J. Breckenridge, plasterer. This is a neat and tasteful building.

J. Tait, frame house on Quebec street, 18x24, three rooms, cost $250.

MR. JAS. REID'S LIST.

Mr. Reid had a goodly number of contracts, and has done some fine work during the season.

J. B. Somerville, story and a half frame house on Trafalgar street, 20x28, 5 rooms, cost $500. E. Sherman, plasterer; L. Ellard, painter.

Wm. Martin, two story brick house on same street, 24 x 32, 12 rooms, cost $1,000. J. McVicar, bricklayer; J. Breckenridge, plasterer.

S. Pollock, story and a half frame store on Victoria street, at present occupied by J. B. Somerville & Co., cost $500. Story and a half frame house on Bruce street, 22x30, kitchen 12x14, cost $800. E. Shannon, plasterer; L. Ellard, painter.

Frame house for himself on Wolf street, story and a half, 10 rooms and two halls, cost $1,000. A well-finished and complete dwelling.

Henry Martin, cottage on Cambria street, 22x30, one story high, cost $500. E. Sharman, plasterer; L. Ellard, painter.

Michael Cray, story and a half frame house on Anglesey street, 22x32, eight rooms, cost $650. E. Sharman, plasterer; E. R. Watson, painter.

MACLEAN'S BLOCK.

Mr. Wm. McLean's new brick block on the corner of the Square and Hamilton street is a handsome addition to our buildings. It has a frontage of 99 feet, is two stories high, and is divided into two stores on the ground floor; one being 73 feet deep by 23 feet wide, and the other a small but very neat store. The brick work is done in splendid style, and the window caps and sills are of artificial stone in rich designs, which give the whole building a splendid appearance. The front store will be the finest in town, being commodious and well finished, the show windows in front occupying the entire front, and the wall supported by graceful iron pillars and a heavy stone cap. The glass for the windows is being imported, and will be the largest and best west of Toronto. The roof is covered with Glen's patent cement, and thoroughly fire-proof. Mr. E. Moore, the contractor, has done his work in a creditable manner, and the work of painting is being well done by Mr. Clucas. Mr. Jas. Smaill was the architect for the work. The building will cost $6,000. Mr. McLean has spared no pains in making the building first class in appearance as well as in general appointments, and true enterprise distinguishes his efforts.

MRS. JOHN BLAKE'S BLOCK.

This new brick block on the west corner of Montreal Street is another fine addition to our improvements. It comprises three stores—two fronting on the Square, and one on Montreal Street—and has a total frontage of 100 feet. It is two stories high with Mansard roof, covered with shingles set in Glen's patent cement and finished with fire proof paint. When completed the cost will be $5,500, and it will be a handsome and desirable stand, very creditable to the enterprise of Mrs. Blake and to the skill of the architect and builders. Mr. Edward Sharman is the contractor; Mr. Jas. Reed does the carpenter work; and Mr. Smaill is architect. The window caps are of artificial stone made by J. & G. W. Thomson, who also made the caps and sills for Mr. McLean's block, and gives the building a fine appearance.

SCATTERING.

Late Prof. Ferguson, two story frame cottage on Gloucester Terrace, containing 7 rooms, costing 3700.

Ed. Sharman, brick cottage on East street, 28x36, 8 rooms, costing 3800. Mr. Sharman does the work himself.

J. & G. W. Thomson furnish artificial stone for door and window caps.

Mr. D. K. Strachan has completed a very neat looking rough-cast store, 50x19, two stories high, at a cost of $800, doing the greater part of the work himself. It presents a handsome appearance, and is a fine addition to Mr. Strachan's block of buildings.

Jeff. Davis, frame house on West street, 20x30, with 8 rooms, cost $300. E. Moore, builder.

Capt. Parsons, two-story frame dwelling house on West street, 32x40, 9 rooms, cost $2,200. Mr. E. Moore, carpenter; Reed & Sharman, plasterers; H. Clucas, painter; Jas. Smaill, architect.

Mr. Smaill, conducted the erection of A. McIntyre's brick block in Lucknow, which cost $9,500; the Presbyterian Church at Teeswater, which costs $7,500; and the new Presbyterian churches in Goderich and Colborne townships.

Local News.

ABOUT TOWN.

SENTENCED.—John Hopper, of Goderich, charged with bigamy at the York Assizes was last week sentenced to one week's imprisonment in common jail.

AGENTS WANTED to canvass this county for a first class Canadian Nursery, and other business, for which liberal terms will be made to a live man. Particulars at Signal office.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.—This church will be opened as a place of worship for the Gaelic mission, on Sabbath the 21st November, by the Rev. John McTavish, of Woodstock, in Gaelic and English.—The church has been newly shingled.

A GOOD CHARTER.—The schooner *Ontario* left on Saturday with 11,000 bushels of barley, shipped by Wm. Seymour & Co., for Cleveland, and 400 barrels of salt for Windsor, shipped by Wm. Campbell.

THE GRANGER.—This is the title of a new paper to be issued weekly, in London, Ont., and to be devoted to the interests of the Patrons of Husbandry. It is neatly gotten up, and the present number is a splendid one. The subscription price is 50 cents per annum.

NEW MUSIC.—"Father, bring home your money to night," "You are always young to me," and "Pim Flaherty" are three new pieces just published by A. S. Irving & Co., of Toronto, in the five cent form. Lovers of music should get a copy of each of these pieces.

EPIZOOTIC.—This disease is prevalent amongst horses in every locality, manifesting itself by heavy discharges from the nostrils, dullness and readiness to sweat. Physicing is said to be a good cure, and be careful to keep the horse dry. No deaths are reported.

RUNAWAY.—On Saturday evening about dusk, Mr. Geo. Jamieson, accompanied by a little boy, was driving on Brittania road, when his horse became frightened at a bed tick of straw which a boy was wheeling along the road. The horse ran away, throwing the occupants out of the wagon, breaking the shafts and the dash board. No one was hurt.

NEW BUSINESS.—Mr. John Currie, having severed his connection with the sheriff's office, from which he retires on the first of January, will start the business of auctioneer, conveyancing, &c., in connection with his office of Division Court bailiff. Mr. Currie possesses a large fund of experience and good business ability, and we predict for him much success.

HIGH SCHOOL EXAMINATION.—We direct attention to the announcement in another column of the entrance examination to the High School. Candidates should take notice that there are but two examinations in the year, and by taking advantage of the present one they will not have to wait until next midsummer before entering.

GODERICH CURLING CLUB.—A meeting of the members of the club took place on Thursday evening last, at the Colborne Hotel, when the following gentlemen were appointed officers for the ensuing year:—President, A. M. Ross, M. P. P.; Vice President, M. Hutchinson; Treasurer, Henry Horton; Secretary, P. Adamson; Rink Committee, Capt. Dancy, Thos. Hood, E. Martin, The first four officers were appointed a managing committee. It was resolved that the club unite itself with the Ontario Branch of the Royal Caledonia Curling club. The members fee was fixed at $3, payable in advance. The club is in a healthy condition, and the prospects for a good season's sport are excellent.

ST. ANDREWS DAY.—At a meeting of Scotchmen held in the Colberne Hotel, on Thursday evening, the following committee was appointed to make arrangements for celebrating the day: Messrs. M Hutchison, chairman; A. M. Ross, M. C. Cameron, Wm. Young, Warden; Jas. Dickson, Registrar; J. H. Finlay; D. Ferguson, A. Watson, Jas. F. Dickson, D. Strachan, Jas. Thomson, P. Adamson, and T. Hood. Mr. J.F. Dickson, was appointed Secretary. As the Scottish vocalist Kennedy will be in town on the evening after St. Andrews Day, it is proposed to hold the celebration on that date—1st December. A meeting of the Committee will take place at the Colborne Hotel this evening, at 7:30.

TRACT SOCIETY MEETING.—On Wednesday evening last Rev. Mr. Hastman, agent of the British Tract Society, addressed a large gathering in the Y. M. C.A. rooms, on the affairs of the Society, Mr. Thos. Mair in the chair. After the introduction of his subject, the lecturer proceeded to give some statements regarding the society, its resources, publications, and the different directions in which the operations are carried on. The annual income of the Society is upwards of $300,000, and of this sum upwards of $170,000 are appropriated for gratuitous circulation. It embraces a wide range of material, its publications consisting of upwards of 100,000 different subjects which are translated into 120 different languages. It has five depositaries in Italy; one in Rome under the shadow of the Vatican. Similarly in Asia, India, China, South America, and Mexico. Its agencies are at work diffusing the light of Gospel truth. Turning to our own country, for the past ten years, the Society have supported two missionaries at the Welland Canal for mission services among the sailors passing there, and particularly on Sundays, when vessels are detained. Rev. C. Fletcher, Rev. Mr. Bowers, and Capt. Gibson, gave short addresses, and the evening seemed to be productive of very great benefit. Mr. Eastman solicited contributions throughout the town with great success, and the money secured will be refunded in its value of tracts.

A THRILLING ADVENTURE.—Our readers will recollect that, on the 14th Oct., a very serious fire occurred in South Quebec, resulting in the destruction of a hotel and other buildings, and the death of one person. From a private letter we gather the particulars of a startling experience through which a resident of Bayfield and his little son passed. Mr. C. J. Wilson started about the beginning of October on a trip to England to attend to some business which demanded his attention. On arriving at Quebec he put up at the hotel which was burned on the 14th. On the morning after his arrival, he rose early leaving his little son asleep in bed, and crossed the river to see the vessel on which they were about to set sail. He had been on the opposite shore but a few minutes when, on looking toward the City, he saw the hotel in flames. His anxiety was great when he thought of his little boy asleep in an uppper chamber of the building, and the moments seemed hours until the time for the return trip of the ferry boat. The trip was quickly made, and Mr. Wilson made all speed to the hotel and after a lengthy search learned that his boy was safe and sound and under the care of the policemen. It appears that the little fellow, having made his way out of the hotel when the alarm was sounded, was drawn with the crowd between two of the burning buildings, where he was in danger of being tramped to death by the hurrying excited people; but a gentleman, with more of his wits about him than the others had, saw the lad and put him in safe hands. Mr. Wilson lost a considerable portion of his baggage, but thought nothing of this when he found that his little son was safe. We hope his sojourn in the old country will have only this one event to mar its pleasures.

MASONIC.—An emergency meeting of Goderich Lodge, No. 33, will take place at the hall on Monday evening next.

MRS. MELLISH, on Kingston St., cuts and sells dress and other patterns as usual.

GENERAL SERVANT wanted in a small family. For particulars apply at Signal office.

SENTENCED.—Sydney West, the man who stole so many gloves, &c., from Wright & Foster, of Clinton, was on Monday sentenced to one year at hard labor.

PEW WANTED.—Wanted at once a pew in the lower part of Knox Church or front gallery. Apply to A. S., Signal office.

PERSONAL.—Mr. J. R. Miller will deliver an address on his North-West trip, on Saturday.

—Wm. E. Maguire, son of Mr. Maguire, of Goderich, we are pleased to say, has passed a very creditable primary examination before the Benchers, to admit him as astudent in the Law Society, standing fourth in a list of fifty candidates.

—Mr. Jos. Whitehead, we see by the Nor'. Wester of Oct., 17, has completed the grading of the Pembina Branch railway up to the boundary of the Province. He has 200 teams and 600 men employed, and the work is being prosecuted with great vigor.

WE ARE in receipt of the New and Popular Song entitled "Silvan Gray," published by S. Turney, Brockville, Ont. Price 30cts. Sample copy sent to any address on receipt of 16cts, by the publisher.

KNOX CHURCH.—The collections in this church last Sabbath, to pay for the communion plate, amounted to $92, more than sufficient to pay the cost.—The managing committee will this week visit the members to solicit subscriptions to liquidate the debt on the church.

GODERICH TEMPLE, No. 223, I. O. G. T.—The following officers were duly installed on Monday evening, of last week, for November quarter: Bro. R. Parker, W. C. T.; Sister McCreath, W. V. T.; Bro. W. McCreath, W. S.; Bro. A. Saunders, W. A. S.; Bro. F. Hick, W. F. S.; Bro. Tisdale, W. T.; Bro. Bell, W. C.; Bro. Belcher, W. M.; Sister Armstrong, W. D. M.; Bro. Mann, W. I. G.; Bro. Pawblow, W. D. G.; Sister Martin, W. R. H. S.; Sister Cathcart, W. L. H. S.; Bro. Bossey, P. W. C. T.

SOME MORE "TRUE LOVE".—One evening last week a somewhat strange scene was enacted on the streets. Lothario is a young man who has paid his addresses to two maidens, one of whom regarded him as the "apple of her eye," and never doubted his sincerity. Her faith received a severe shock, however, as she was taking a stroll with a companion. Leaning on the arm of her lover was a fair young lady, and the sight chilled her being, and as she fainted away she gasped, "Take me home to die Rosie." She was taken into a store near by, restoratives applied and after some little exertion she revived sufficiently to be taken home. Here is a subject for a romance, which some of our sentimentalists might work up with pathetic effect.

L. H. & B. R.—The Great Western Railway official car arrived at Clinton, on Saturday at 11 a. m., by special train from London, with a party of gentlemen on a tour of inspection over the London, Huron and Bruce Railway extension. The party consisted of Mr. Broughton, General Manager of the G. W. R.; Mr. Masson, Chief Engineer of the L. H. & B. R.; Mr. Hobson, Chief Engineer of the G. W. R.; Messrs. Champion and White, Freight Agents of the G. W. R.; Miss Smith, and others from London, and Miss Carling and others from Exeter. After dining at the Rattenbury House the gentlemen were escorted to the train by the Mayor of Clinton, and left for London at 1:30 p. m., highly pleased with their first visit over the London, Huron and Bruce Railway.

THE PENNY READINGS.—The first of the penny readings took place on Friday evening last at Oddfellow's Hall. The attendance was not large, but the reserved seats were all occupied by an appreciative audience. The programme was opened by a "Grand March" from the band, and the beautiful quartette "Cantelina" followed, sung by Mrs R. B. Smith, Miss B. Trainer and Messrs. J. H. Colborne and H. H. Smith in a manner which elicited warm applause. Mr. J. D. Grover gave a very amusing reading, on account of the adventures of a clumsy, bashful bachelor; and later in the evening gave Tennyson's "Charge of the light Brigade." An instrumental performance on the concertina by Mr. F. Bond and on the guitar by Mr. Smith was prettily done, and received an encore. Mr. Dixie Watson was in very good voice and sang "Only a lock of her hair," with excellent effect, and in response to a vigorous encore gave a new song, 'Tim Flaherty,' in a manner which brought down the house. The Misses Trainer sang two duetts, very pretty and difficult, in a pleasing manner, although Miss T. Trainer was prevented by a slight cold from singing with her usual power. Miss B. Trainer was in excellent voice, and her singing was expressive and full of vigor. "I cannot sing that song to-night" was well rendered by Mrs. R. B. Smith, and her singing, especially in the two quartettes, was much admired. Messrs. Bond, Smith and E. R. Watson gave a pretty selection of instrumental music on the organ, concertina and guitar respectively, and were loudly encored. Mr. H.I. Strang kept the audience in laughing humour for some minutes by reading an amusing extract from the diary of an amateur gardener. "God save the Queen," by the band concluded the entertainment, which was highly satisfactory to the audience, and appreciable. The organ used on the occasion was kindly lent by Mr. D. Gordon. The sum of $12.75 was cleared from the entertainment. Mr. Smith announces that the next one will take place on Wednesday evening of next week.

Knox & Rothwell's Carriage Factory.

This establishment has grown to possess an excellent reputation for its manufactures, as the many prizes taken in this section, and the increasing business which falls to them amply testify. Since starting in 1873, they have taken first prizes wherever they exhibited for fine buggies, which is a specialty with the firm. Both gentlemen are practical and experienced workmen, Mr. Knox having gained his knowledge of trimming in one of the old establishments of Toronto, and Mr. Rothwell his knowledge of carriage building in Hamilton. Specially among the orders filled during the past season we might name the following: covered phaeton, for R. Clendenning, Dungannon; pleasure sleigh, A. M. Ross, M. P. P.; single phaeton, H. McMicking, Manitoba; top buggy and open phaeton, W. Gray, Tiverton, Co. Bruce; open phaeton, M. Furse, Walkerton; single buggy, J. Smith, Bay City, Mich.; three-seated pleasure sleigh, H. Hinoks, Goderich Township; light driving buggy, Dr. Taylor, Londesborough; and top phaeton, which has taken five first prizes to Peter Fisher, Colborne. Orders have also been filled for every town in the county, as well as to many towns and cities in Ontario and Quebec, as well as to the Far West and the United States. In every department of their business, they have all the best appliances for prosecuting their work, and the best materials are used in the manufacture of vehicles. All the work turned out shows the taste and skill of first-class workmen. With commendable enterprise Messrs. Knox & Rothwell have decided to exhibit a buggy at the Philadelphia Centennial, and a beautiful design has been drafted by Mr. Knox, of a piano-box buggy, which, when completed, we have no doubt will be a perfect beauty. In wishing the firm every success, we feel they are meeting it with well-merited abundance, as their work is not excelled in the Dominion.

WEST WAWANOSH.

COLLISION.—On Monday, as Wadsworth's stage was coming to Goderich, to passing a load of hay at Girvin's school house, they collided with a buggy in which were seated Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bowen, of Wingham. Both persons were thrown out, the buggy badly smashed, but no one hurt. No blame could be attached to any one for the accident.

ZURICH.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—A serious accident happed to Randolph Yeoh while engaged threshing on Mr. Nicholson's farm on Wednesday, two miles from Zurich.—Just as they finished and were going to stop the machine he got in contact with the gearing, which was unprotected, and was drawn into the wheels, which cut a large piece out of his side about the ribs. He died on Friday of his injuries Deceased was a much respected farmer. He leaves a wife and family.

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