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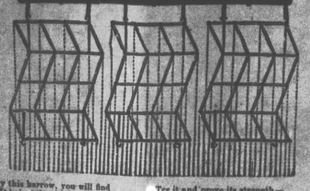

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BAYFIELD.

PRESENTATIONS.—The Rev. H. Gibson, Presbyterian Minister, Bayfield, was the recipient of a very liberal donation the week before last, from the Bayfield section of his Church. The Varna section of the same Church presented Miss Kezia Gibson and Mrs Keys (formerly Miss Janet Hall), each with a very handsome volume of "Good Words," as a token of the appreciation of their services in leading the musical part of the devotions for the congregation for the last three years.

THE FLOOD in the river this year has been the highest ever known by even the "oldest inhabitant," causing a good deal of damage to property. A scow belonging to Messrs. Keys & Elliott, was carried away, also some of the fishing shanties destroyed, and some of the boats are considerably damaged by the floating ice.

MR. T. J. MARKS has again opened out business in his old stand, lately occupied by Messrs. R. Bates & Bro.

YOUR CONTEMPORARY seems to have no end of Bayfield correspondents, who are creating a wonderful amount of excitement in this part of the world, and the idea of starting a paper in the village is now mooted. If the excitement would only keep up, it might pay.

PARLIAMENTARY.

Ottawa, March 31.

In the Senate, Hon. Mr. Vidal moved the adoption of the Committee Report on a Prohibitory Liquor Law. After some discussion the report was accepted with the following amendment:—"It appears just and expedient that the prayer of the petitioner should be granted."

In the Commons, Mr. Wilkes presented a petition fifty foot long, from residents of Yorkville, in favor of prohibition.

The Premier, replying to a question, stated that it was not the intention of the Government to recognize the alleged loss, of the Hudson Bay Company in the troubles of 1869 and 1870, but such claims as they deemed just they would present to Parliament and ask its sanction for their payment.

Mr. G. W. Ross moved the House into Committee to consider the measures best calculated to diminish the evils of intemperance. Hon. Mr. Holton moved that the House proceed to the discussion of Government orders. Mr. Ross objected. He thought this was treating the question very cavalierly. Discussion ensued, resulting in Mr. Ross withdrawing his motion.

A large amount of general business was transacted.

Ottawa, April 1.

In the Commons, the Bill to amend the General Railway Act, passed its second reading. In Committee of the Whole, the Premier agreed to an amendment to give railway companies the right to exercise the powers contained in the Bill only against their own servants.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie moved the second reading of the North-west Territories Bill. In Committee it was resolved that the salary of the sheriff for the North-west be fixed at $1,200; that of the Clerk of the Courts at $500. The Bill was reported with the amendments, which were concurred in.

Concurrence was also taken in the several items of the Supplementary Estimates reported by the Committee.

On the item of $3,562to pay Hon. D. A. Smith, M. P., the sum of $300, advanced by him on the 6th of February, 1872, together with the interest thereon.

Mr. White (Hastings) moved in amendment, "That the item be not concurred in, the said sum having been paid for a purpose of which the House cannot approve."

Hon. Mr. Tupper said he was bound to say in the absence of the member for Kingston that that hon. gentleman considered this a debt which the country was bound to pay. A vote was taken on the amendment, which was lost by—Yeas, 27; nays, 89.

Ottawa, April 2.

In the Senate a discussion took place upon the expenditure contemplated for the construction of the Georgian Bay Branch railway, and a resolution characterising it as premature and unwise was adopted.

The Railway and North-West Territories Bills were read a third time and and passed.

On motion of Mr. Ross (Middlesex), the House went into Committee to consider his resolutions respecting prohibition, Mr. Goudge in the chair. After a lengthy debate the amendment of Mr. Bowell was put to the Committee and lost—Yeas, 9, Nays, 72. The original resolution was then carried, and the Committee rose and reported.

Hon. D. A. Smith entered into explanations refuting the charges made against him through the press by O'Donohoe.

Ottawa, April 3.

Mr. Mackenzie said he had two contracts in connection with the Canada Pacific Railway, one for the work from Fort William to Shebandowan; and the other from Cross Lake to Red River. The tenders were in both cases from Messrs. Sifton & Ward, the amounts being $406,194 and $402,905. The contracts were for bridging and grading, and for 45 and 77 miles respectively. He moved that the House ratify the contracts at once in order to allow the work to be proceeded with.

Dr. Tupper proposed to lay the matter over for three months, but the motion was carried.

Mr. Mackenzie said the tenders sent in for the 37 miles between Cross Lake and Rat Portage were so enormous in amount, the highest being $2,000,000 more than the lowest, that the Government did not think fit to accept any of them.

Hon. D. A. Smith and Mr. Shultz indulged in a wordy till but were promptly interrupted by the Speaker.

Mr. Yall, in reply to Mr. Carow, said the number of men at the disposal of the Government for drill purposes this year would be about 28,000, which would be 42 men and officers per company. During the time the men were under canvass they would be paid according to rank, when in private drill-sheds at an equal rate about $1 a day.

Communications.

We wish it to be strictly understood that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the expressions of our correspondents.

Shop Licenses.

To the editor of the Huron Signal.

DEAR SIR,—In your last issue a letter appeared signed Fido, concerning myself and my character and I consider it my duty to myself to say that Mr. Fido has published a tissue of falsehoods. 1st. With regard to the boys and girls petition, that was presented to the Council, it was not done from a conviction of duty. It was got up in an underhanded way, for those parties who signed it acknowledged to me that they did not know they had signed such a paper. 2nd. When reporting the petition with two dozen names in the village, I would have no difficulty in getting such, and I would say to Mr. Fido a ten dollar bill, if he chooses, that I could get two hundred ratepayers in the Township to befriend me and more if required. I am confident that no one in the village or in the Township ever saw any rowdyism or drunkenness in my house when I had a license as was represented to the Council by Mr. Nott, and when challenged by me to give the names of his informants, he either could not or would not do so. Had Mr. Nott been a straightforward man for public business he would have told the parties to be present at the Council and make the charge against me. It would be cruel for all who had a license at the time had one, if they kept to the law or not as I did; there could be no necessity for trying to get a petition. You will remember the petition that the present Deputy Reeve and one of the Councillors advised me to get up and see if there was any ill feeling against me in the village. There was scarcely all in the village signed it who were asked, and it was a creditable petition, signed by ratepayers, and those who signed it knew what they were doing.

Mr. Fido wished me to take a candid and fair view of the matter regarding injustice to the taverns. Now there are many taverns in town which have to have the same accommodation. There are also many stores that applied for licenses and will pil.A. Again Mr. Fido accuses parties of watering their horses at the taverns and coming to me for their liquor and that I charge them in my books. I suppose a man has a right to do this if he pleases. And if a person does not get his liquor from me in this way, and the taverns do not supply him, he will go to town for it and so the township loses money. I do not therefore think that I rob the taverns of any of their legitimate business any more than the town. I think I can speak the truth as well as Mr. Fido and I defy him to say anything to the contrary. Again he speaks of Mr. Nott presenting two bills of mine at the Council, where glasses were charged for. This is a falsehood for there was only one bill presented and that one was got in an underhanded way, but no glasses were charged for in the bill.

True, Mr. Fido, our laws are good and ought to be obeyed. Has why did not Mr. Nott, when he was fighting against me at the Council last year, give notice, when I told him, of a certain tavern keeper who stole left the town, by, about his house being open every Sunday for the sale of liquors, and I told him I could prove it. Temperance men! what was his answer; he said he had nothing to do with him. I suppose he was not breaking the laws of God and man with the sale of liquors on Sunday. Mr. Nott cannot deny it, for others heard me tell him of it, but all his talk was about me to please one or two parties in the village who were ashamed to have their own names mentioned. Our Reeve and others of the Council remarked that I did not get fair play.

In conclusion Mr. Fido speaks of a good deal of chuckling over the quashing of Kernighan and steven's conviction which is entirely false. Mr. Fido should have been at the Judges Court when the case came on. The defect was that two parties, in their evidence, contradicted each other so frequently that the case broke down completely for the want of sufficient evidence My Attorney pointed this defect in the evidence out to the magistrate but he would not listen to it. The parties were pretty sure of a conviction or they would not have gone nine miles for a J. P. when one could be found within one mile. I think it is wellwe have a Judge to appeal to in such cases. The parties even implanted my daughter who never saw the man in her life, and I think the parties giving such evidence ought to be prosecuted for perjury.

RATEPAYER.

GODERICH AS A SUMMER RESORT.—Every year brings into greater prominence the attractions and beauties possessed by Goderich, Ont., as a summer resort. It is located on the east shore of Lake Huron, and the air from the lake is highly invigorating, and the scenery picturesque. Hitherto there has been a lack of hotel accomodation, but this deficiency is, to a certain extent to be supplied this year. A joint stock company has been organized for the purpose of erecting a large hotel, capable of accommodating 200 guests, upon one of the most eligible sites in the city, commanding an excellent view of the lake and harbor. The hotel will be supplied with salt water baths and fitted up in first class style in every respect. One of our most eminent physicians, who spent a portion of last season at Goderich, says of it :—"I do not know of any place, such a short distance from Detroit, that is in all respects so desirable a summer residence for families." During the ensuing season the steamer Benton will make weekly trips to Goderich at greatly reduced rates of fare.—*Detroit Tribune.*

BIRTHS.

In Seaforth, on March 21, the wife of Mr. R. Latimer, of a son.

In Tuckersmith, on March 26th, the wife of Mr. John McCoy, of a daughter.

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In McKillop, on March 31, the wife of Mr. A. Gordon, of a son.

In Seaforth, on March 28, the wife of Mr. John Gibson, of a son.

In McKillop, on March 28, the wife of Mr. James McIntosh, of a son.

In Goderich, on the 30th March, the wife of Mr. Samuel Curran of a son.

In Seaforth, on March 24, the wife of Mr. R. Smith, of a daughter.

At Egmondville, on March 25, the wife of Mr. G. E. Jackson, of a son.

In Seaforth, on April 1, the wife of Mr. Andrew Young, of a daughter.

In Clinton, on the 30th ult., the wife of Mr. H. Moore, of a daughter.

In Goderich, on the 27th ult., the wife of Mr. John Stewart, of a son.

In Goderich on Tuesday, March 23, the wife of Mr. Wm. Mitchell of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

In Wingham, on March 23, by Rev. Mr. Pritchard, Mr. David Alexander, to Mary, daughter of Mr. William Kinahan, all of West Wawanosh.

At the residence of Mr. John Turner, Varna, on March 31, by the Rev. H. Cameron, Kippen, Mr. R. J. Turner, of Varna, to Miss E. A. Bell, of Matilda.

In Clinton, on the 25th ult., by the Rev. T. Brook, Mr. M. Glew, to Miss M. A. Jones, daughter of Mr. W. Jones, all of Hullett.

At the residence of Mr. John Mitchell, by the Rev. R Ure, Mr. John Smith, to Miss Mary McIver, all of Goderich.

At the residence of the father of the bride, by the Rev. R. Ure, Mr. John A. Girvin to Miss Jane E. Arthur, all of Goderich.

DEATHS.

In Clinton, on the 24th ult., George, infant son of Mr. Harry Hunt.

In Hullett, on March 26, Robert, third son of Mr. George Watt, aged 3 years and 6 months.

In Colborne, on the 31st March, Mr Alexander Davidson, brother-in-law of Mr. Wm. Bissett, aged 86 years.

In Goderich, On Sunday, 4th inst., Mary Margaret, beloved wife of Mr. Jas. Stewart, aged 29 years.

THE MARKETS

GODERICH, April 7, 1875.

Gold 1.16½. Salt, per bbl 90 to $1.00 retail; wholesale 75 to 80.

Wheat, (Fall) ⅌ bush	0 85	@ 0 87
Wheat,(Spring) ⅌ bush	0 82	@ 0 85
Flour (per bbl)	4 00	@ 4 50
Oats ⅌ bush	0 40	@ 0 42
Peas ⅌ bush	0 65	@ 0 70
Barley ⅌ bush	0 60	@ 0 65
Potatoes ⅌ bush	0 75	@ 0 80
Hay per ton	10 00	@ 12 00
Chickens	0 15	@ 0 20
Butter ⅌ lb	0 15	@ 0 18
Eggs ⅌ doz	0 15	@ 0 18
Beef	5 00	@ 6 50
Pork	0 05	@ 0 09
Hides	0 00	@ 0 08
Wool	0 75	@ 0 85
Sheep	4 00	@ 6 00
Tan Bark	4 00	@ 4 50
Apples	0 75	@ 1 00
Turkeys	0 90	@ 1 00
Geese	0 60	@ 0 70
Ducks	0 60	@ 0 70

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