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FRIDAY EV'G, APRIL 30, 1869.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

FROST.—There was a heavy frost last (Thursday) night, which was very unwelcome to farmers, gardeners and others.

DRAMATIC.—Owing to unavoidable circumstances, the entertainment announced for this evening, is postponed until further notice.

An organ-grinder who grinds out sweet melody, and a "cheap Jack" who gives away things for "almost nothing," are the latest distinguished arrivals in Guelph.

FREE EXHIBITION.—Prof. Graves will give a free exhibition of his wonderful trained horses in the Drill Shed to-morrow night. No gentleman admitted without a lady.

GLENALLAN HORSE SHOW.—This show came off on Saturday last, and prizes were awarded to Mr. Worling's "Jack Alive," Mr. White's "Messenger," and Mr. Cascadon's "Riga."

LACROSSE GROUND.—The Union Lacrosse Club have rented from Mr. Frank Smith the ground used for the past three years by the Base Ball Club. First practice to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

WATCHES, JEWELLERY, &c.—We would call attention to the advertisement of Mr. John R. Porte, who has received a large and very select stock of watches, clocks, jewellery, plated ware and fancy goods, of the best quality, which he is prepared to sell cheap. Give him a call and examine his stock.

"NOW OR NEVER GALOP."—W. E. Tunis & Co., Clifton, have forwarded us the "Now or Never Galop," composed for the pianoforte by the well-known musician, E. A. Jones. We commend it to the attention of our musical friends, who will find it for sale at the bookstore of T. J. Day, Market Square, Guelph.

STIRTON HORSE EXHIBITION.—The first annual show of stallions came off at Stirton on Friday last, when prizes were awarded as follows: Hack horses, 1st prize, F. Farrell, Wallaceville. There were only two entries in this class. General purposes—three entries—1st prize, Wm. Worling, Alma. Draught horses, two entries, 1st prize, Wm. Huston, Peel.

W. G. & B. RAILWAY.—Mr. Lackey, superintendent of the work on this road, informs the Mount Forest Examiner that things are progressing favourably along the line. The chopping has been let as far as a point opposite Hirst's tavern, about four miles from Elora, on the Guelph and Elora road, and part has been finished. He also states that it is not considered advisable to commence shovelling before the commencement of May; and further, that a number of contracts have been let for the getting out of ties—one party having engaged to furnish no less than one thousand.

HOME NEWS (?) FROM ABROAD.—A correspondent informs the Elora Express that a new society has been recently organized in Guelph, under the somewhat funny appellation of the "Guelph Scrubbing Society." The object of the new organization is said to be the wiping out of and cleansing away the filth and noxious vapors which pervade the haunts of codfish and shoddyism in the County Town. A concert, in aid of the object above named, will, we learn, be given at an early date, the proceeds to be applied to the purchase of scrubbing brushes, and when procured we presume we may look for a regular levelling, and see the Royal Town reduced to the lowest state of democracy. If they make a judicious use of the scrubbing brushes, they may do some good.

HOUSE-CLEANING.—This employment is the order of the day in Guelph at present, and the houses of the citizens generally are undergoing the renovating process so necessary at this season of the year. Whitewashing is not out of full length, and appears to be doing a heavy business. A writer has said that as women have the most to do with this house-cleaning process, they should dress like it most, but such is not the case. That man's disposition is angelic, who can pass through the ordeal of scrubbing, cutting and scrubbing in a house thus afflicted, without losing his temper. As house-cleaning appears to be imperative, there is no resource but to submit to the nuisance. There will be a worse one when the hot weather comes on, and we are given over to the tender mercies of dust, flies, mosquitoes, and creeping things of all kinds, with the thermometer at 100° in the shade.

A BAD FALL.—Yesterday (Thursday) afternoon, as Mr. Fred. Sturdy was engaged painting the sign at the brick building now occupied by Messrs. McLeod, Wood & Co. as a melodeon and organ factory, on East Market Square, one end of the two-inch rope which supported the scaffolding gave way suddenly, striking him to the ground, a distance of some thirty feet. He fell partially on his side, and his head striking against some scrap iron on the ground he was cut severely, and for a moment or two was rendered insensible. Had it not been that he retained sufficient presence of mind, as he felt him falling, to grasp hold of the rope, thereby breaking his descent, he would undoubtedly have been killed. He was at once conveyed home and his injuries attended to by Dr. Howitt. Another man who was on the other end of the scaffold, which fortunately remained firm, hung on to the ladder, and was taken down uninjured.

ECCLESIASTICAL.—On Thursday past the Rev. Wm. Mitchell, of Guelph, was ordained and inducted to the pastoral charge of the united congregations of Centreville and Millbrook. The Rev. W. Donald, of Port Hope, preached the ordination sermon. The Rev. J. M. Rogers, of Peterborough, delivered the charge to the newly ordained minister, and the Rev. J. E. King, of Mount Pleasant, addressed the people. In the evening a social was held in the Temperance Hall by the ladies of the congregation. At the close of the meeting, the Rev. W. Blain, retiring moderator of the Kirk Session, presented with a purse by Mr. H. Waddell, on behalf of the congregation, for services rendered during their vacancy, and a quarter's salary in advance to the Rev. Wm. Mitchell, their new pastor.

By agreement among the doctors in a town in Michigan, any person allowing his account to run over sixty days, will be refused the services of the physician.

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SODA WATER MANUFACTORY

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SODA WATER, LEMONADE, SARSAPARILLA, GINGER BEER, and the celebrated

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We are using H. F. SMITH'S (Toronto) improved English Machinery, and are prepared to fill orders to any extent. We have nearly two thousand (2,000) dozen Bottles now in stock.

Having had several years experience in the business (Mr. H. was for two years Manager of the TORONTO STEAM POWER SODA WATER MANUFACTORY), we intend supplying our customers with a First-Class article. Parties at a distance can have SODA WATER shipped by rail or stage. All bottles must be returned paid for. Orders will receive prompt attention. Factory—Corner of Norfolk Street and Nelson Crescent.

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Coal Oil 35c. per gallon

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Any Quantity of Stone on Hand and Cut to Order.

To suit purchasers. All orders left at store of Hirsch & Kennedy, Produce Merchants, West Market Square, Guelph, will receive prompt attention.

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THE WORLD OVER.

There is to have a public banquet in Halifax.

There is a general planting of shade trees along the streets of Montreal, and that by order of the Common Council.

The vote on the Luther by-law will come off on May 13th. Western division will vote at school house No. 5, con. 7 and Eastern division at school house No. 2, con. 2. Great efforts are being made to defeat it.

An annexation league exists in Nova Scotia and is in correspondence with parties in Washington. Its chief influence, however, is with the people in the United States; in Nova Scotia it is comparatively harmless.

Sir John A. Macdonald is very much embarrassed just now by the pressure from members to appoint an Irish member to the Cabinet. It does not seem likely that any appointment will be made during the session.

A man in Albany took a drink of gin and molasses the other day, and swallowed a small chip with it. The chip, which came from the molasses cask, lodged crosswise in one of the man's intestines and caused death.

TELEGRAPHIC.—The telegraph is new to Kincardine and the operator is a popular man; hence when a Kincardine man wishes to treat a friend he says, "come in and send a telegram." The story may not be strictly true, but if it is, it is not a bad idea.

BAGPIPES.—Some person of a musical turn of mind has been serenading Goderich for some nights past on this delicate instrument. The Signal says its sounds are most ravishing.

Up to Tuesday night no apparent change, either for the worse or better, had taken place. He still preserved consciousness and was able to converse intelligibly with his attendants for a few minutes at a time.

The London Chemical News tells tea makers that water which has "five degrees of hardness when boiled," is better than soft water for tea; that boiling tea is commonly, and makes a difference of one degree in the amount of tea required.

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PUBLIC EXECUTIONS.—We observe with pleasure that Mr. Morris has introduced a Bill for the abolition of public executions. No one who has witnessed the revolting scenes at the public executions which have taken place in Canada within the last ten years, the shocking depravity exhibited, and the demoralizing influences which ever attend them, but will approve of the Bill, and we hope to see the satisfaction of announcing before Parliament rises that it has become the law of the Dominion.

SAD ACCIDENT IN ROTHSAY.—On Tuesday of last week, says the Elora Express, a little boy, aged seven, son of Mr. John Ogden, of Rothsay, while looking over a bridge crossing a creek in that village, fell into the stream and was drowned. He was accompanied by another little lad, who saw the accident, but was so frightened at it that he did not mention it until his return from school—to which he and little Ogden were going when it happened. The body was found near Gubb's mill, that evening. Life being of course extinct.

ANOTHER HYDROPHOBIA CASE IN DUNDAS.—Another melancholy case of hydrophobia has occurred in Dundas. A boy, nine years old, son of Stephen Johnson, constable, was bitten by the same dog that bit Mr. Wyatt, whose death from hydrophobia occurred a few days ago, and has shown symptoms of the disease. He was bitten through a glove, and hopes were entertained that the poisonous saliva had not penetrated to the wound, but to-day symptoms of the disease are noticed. The best medical skill has been sent for.

SAVAGE ASSAULT BY WHISKY DESTRUCTIVE MASON.—Whisky detective Mason, while waiting on Thursday at the Police Court for some of his cases to come on, got into an altercation with a man named Robert Nichol, saddler, on Church street, and after first assaulting him with his walking cane, drew a clasp knife, and stabbed the man in two or three places; one wound was on the right breast, and another on the left arm. It is not known yet what will be the result of these wounds, and Mason has been committed to await the event.

CANADIAN INDEPENDENCE.—The N. Y. Tribune is jubilant over the fact that the Montreal Star favors Canadian independence. It says: "The party of independence in the New Dominion finds voice in a significant article which we reprint this morning from the Montreal Star. We have little doubt that the Star reflects in this matter an aspiration which, if not yet wide spread, is rapidly spreading. We are glad of it. Independence is only a step toward annexation, and that is the radical cure for the weakness and poverty of the New Dominion. The resources of the country are magnificent, but they will never be fairly developed until Canada becomes a State of the American Union."

Letter from Houghton, Michigan.

Mr. Charles Colton, late of Guelph, but now a resident of Michigan, sends us the following:—

THE LAST OF A NOBLE HERD.

The Indians of this country say that about twenty years ago there was a famous herd of moose living in the woods around the head of L'Anse Bay, which even then were noted for their great size and beauty and exceeding fleetness of foot. Many an ambitious hunter here attested this latter fact, for many days and nights were spent, and many scores of miles were tramped through the woods in vain pursuit. But finally the day of triumph and slaughter came—the famous herd were entrapped and all killed except one old leader stag, who broke away, and by dint of great strength and endurance eluded his pursuers. For about two years nothing was seen or heard of him, but after a time there came rumors of a gigantic moose roaming in the woods in this vicinity. For several years some Indian hunter or white traveler would occasionally meet him, but before they would recover from their surprise at seeing such a monster the old fellow would be gone out of sight. Once a determined party hunted him for three days, from the head of Torch Lake, which appears to have been his favorite stamping ground, westward toward Lake Superior, then back again and off to the eastward, until they finally gave up the chase. At another time he was seen out in a clearing at Torch Lake, but quickly disappeared upon seeing a human being. This winter some Indians appeared determined to catch him, and finding his track gave him several lively chases; but until a week ago, he always escaped. Then a half breed, Peter Markman, got after him, and there being a thick crust on the snow, the man could move at will easily, while the hoofs of the heavy moose broke through at every leap. Peter finally overtook him and quickly closed his career with a rifle ball. He skinned him, cut up his flesh, brought it to town and found a ready sale for most of it at from 25 to 50 cents a pound, realizing over \$300. I could not learn anything definite from Peter as to the size of the animal, for those Indians haven't much of an idea of our method of measuring by feet and inches, but he said he could not reach up to the highest branches on which the animal had been feeding. The head he cut off and brought in, I saw. It was certainly a monster, and would indicate that the body must have been of great size—the head of a horse or an ox would look quite small alongside of this head; it measured 29 inches from the end of the nose to the crown, and 30 inches from tip to tip of the ears. The nostrils are exceedingly large, and I saw a man thrust his hand up easily nearly a foot. The front of the under jaw has eight large cutting teeth, which bite against a tough semi-horny pad in the upper jaw, which has no cutting teeth. The head is entirely from neck and minus the tongue weighs 48 lbs. It is a great pity the entire animal could not have been preserved. Unfortunately it was killed at the season of the year when the head is shorn of its greatest beauty—the enormous branching antlers. It is now being put in a state of preservation in the rooms of our Historical Society of Houghton. Houghton, April 19th, 1869.

Nova Scotia Legislature.

The Local Legislature of Nova Scotia was opened on Thursday. The Lieutenant Governor in his speech thus referred to the appeal arrangement: "I duly transmitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, through the Governor General, the resolutions passed by you in September last, in request to the release of Nova Scotia from the Act Confederating the British North American Provinces, and in a reply thereto I have received the copy of a despatch from Earl Granville. I have also received an official communication from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, transmitting a copy of an order by the Governor General in Council, together with correspondence on the subject of an increased subsidy to this Province, all of which documents will be submitted for your calm and earnest consideration."

After the speech was read in the Assembly, Mr. Purdy, one of the members rose and demanded of the Government an immediate declaration of its policy.

The address gave any indication of what course was to be pursued respecting the agitation for Repeal; and it was due to country that a declaration of policy should be at once made. The organs of the Government had been preaching annexation for some time—and he wanted to know if the Government assumed the responsibility of the views thus expressed.

Attorney-General Wilkins said, at the proper time the Government would make known their policy.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

By F. T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.

FRIDAY, April 30.—George Pipe and James Davidson were charged with breach of by-law in removing stones from Edinburgh street, thereby cutting up the highway. The case was withdrawn.

A BRUTAL AFFAIR.—A correspondent sends the London Free Press the particulars of the cruel treatment of a horse by its owner, while he was in a rage, and from the effect of which the poor animal died. On Friday, 23rd of April, a farmer of South Dorchester, County of Elgin, took his team out to draw some logs. The horses, from some cause, did not draw well, and one of them slipped down. It is said that this mishap so enraged the driver that he seized a handspike and with it laid the animal prostrate, after which he proceeded to administer kicks in the head with his plated boot, every stroke laying open the flesh to the bone and leaving great gashes. The horse died under his cruelty. It was in very fine condition, and worth over \$120.

Mr. McDonell, Warden of the Penitentiary at Kingston, has, it is said, tendered his resignation. Mr. Ferres has been promised the appointment by Sir John A. Macdonald, for political reasons rendered at Toronto to the Penitentiary Committee, and of course he will get the place.

CHARITABLE.—The municipal council of the Township of Peel, at its last sitting, ordered the Reeve to issue his order in favour of Widow Stack, for the sum of \$25, to assist her in the purchase of a cow in lieu of the one killed by lightning during the late storm.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

LONDON, April 29, evening.—The proceedings in the House of Commons this evening were unusually interesting.

Right Hon. Chichester Fortescue, Chief Secretary for Ireland, in reply to a question of Lord Manners, deploring the recent outrages in Cork and Londonderry, every endeavor had been made by the Government to suppress the riotous proceedings, and the Peace Preservation Act had been fully entered. He also stated that further explanations at this time were impracticable. John Arthur Otway, member for Cuthbert, denied the authenticity of the telegram purporting to have been received from Sir Rutherford Alcock, British Minister to China, that the Chinese Government and people were opposed to progress.

The Irish Church Bill then came up. After a short debate on Mr. Disraeli's amendment, to give the glebe houses to the Church, the proposition was rejected as follows: For the amendment, 227; against, 316; majority for the Government, 91. During the discussion, the O'Connor Don stated that the trustees of Maynooth College were willing to put that building up for sale, if the same could be done with the glebes of the Church. On the clause allowing the retention by the Church of any real or personal property, the produce of property or monies given by private persons out of their own resources since 1660, or the produce of monies raised by private subscription since that year. Mr. Gregory moved to substitute the year 1608 for 1660. Mr. Disraeli moved for the omission of the date altogether.

Sir Ronald Palmer spoke in opposition to the amendment. He thought the fixing of the date at the year 1560 to be more desirable to the Church and the country, than the leaving to the former all endowments made subsequent to the Reformation. Both the amendments were then withdrawn, and Mr. Gladstone's Hardy submitted a motion to fix the date at 1560. The House divided upon this motion with the following result: For the amendment, 220; against, 306; majority for the Government, 86. Sir Frederick Wm. Key Gates (member for Londonderry) motion to retain the Royal and other grants made since the second year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, was negatived by 283 to 180.

LONDONDERRY, April 27.—Serious riots occurred here yesterday between Catholics and Orangemen. During the collision between the two factions, the police charged upon both. Firearms were freely used. Several of the rioters were killed and two wounded. The riot assumed at one time fearful proportions, but the efforts of the police, and the appearance of the military from the garrison, finally succeeded in restoring quiet, and the city is now tranquil. The military will remain on duty for a day or two.

LONDON, April 29.—Captain Carlton was shot at Athlone yesterday.

To-day was the last but one of the Newmarket spring meeting. The great feature was the thousand guinea stake for three year old fillies, won by the Duke of Beaufort's "Scottish Queen."

MADRID, April 29.—The majority in the constituent Cortes urge a prompt decision either for the Duke of Montpensier or the Prince of Asturias as King, or the declaration of a Republic. The Republicans are about to start a national petition in favour of a Republic.

GENEVA, April 29.—It is rumored to-day that the Swiss Government has requested Joseph Mazzini to leave the country. Mazzini lives at Lugano, near the Italian border, and his connection with the recent conspiracy at Florence and Milan, has probably led the Italian Government to make such a request of Switzerland.

VIENNA, April 29.—The law declaring Prague in a state of siege, has been nullified. Placards have been posted in various parts of the city requesting the inhabitants to avoid any further disturbances.

American Despatches

Cuban Matters in England—Reciprocity—Arrivals.

NEW YORK, April 29th.

The steamers Denmark and Idaho from Europe have arrived.

The N. Y. Tribune's special says the Ways and Means Committee have taken up the subject of a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty with Canada. The Committee or some of the members of it will during the summer visit Montreal and Ottawa in an official capacity for the purpose of observations and conference.

The Tribune's special says: The British Minister denies that Great Britain has had even so much as under consideration the question of the Cuban insurgents. He denies the report that it was ever designed to recognize the insurgents as belligerents. He says the government is not even informed of the existence of a Provisional Government on the island. He represents the relations of Spain with Her Majesty's Government as highly friendly, and he regards the report hereby contradicted as intended to embitter the relations between the United States and Great Britain, and just at a time when the questions in difference between the countries are in a critical state.

It is ascertained that Mr. Thornton, in his projected journey north will visit Canada to acquaint himself with the sentiments of the Dominion men concerning the idea of annexation lately so much mooted.

Revolution Gaining Strength—Immigration—Tobacco.

THE revolution in the Eastern Department of Cuba is gaining strength. The Spanish troops in that part of the island are suffering greatly from sickness.

Advices from San Domingo state that the immigration from Germany is increasing.

The tobacco crop of the country is said to be immense.

Massacre in New Zealand.

NEW ZEALAND, April 29th.

A terrible massacre had occurred at White Cliff, Tararua, on the 15th February, during which Lieut. Gracyno, wife and family and six settlers, were killed. Settlers arriving in town report the stores closed and flags flying at half-mast.