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G. C. Shannon M. D.
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DR. CASSADY,
(of McGill College)
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PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, ACCOUCHEUR &C., Office and Residence (Late Widow MacPherson's Hotel). Amherly Ont., November 21st 1870. w44-6m

Ira Lewis,
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M. C Cameron,
BARRISTER, ATTORNEY, CONVEYANCER, &c., Kingston st., Goderich, Ont. w49

Cameron & Garrow.
BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY, &c. Office, Kingston street, Goderich.
M. C. CAMERON, w52 J. T. GARROW.

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Isaac F. Toms.
BARRISTER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, SOLICITOR IN Chancery, &c., Goderich, Ontario. Office—Crabb's Block, Kingston street sw77

Doyle & Squier,
BARRISTERS AND ATTORNIES, SOLICITORS in Chancery, &c. Goderich, Ont.
B. L. DOYLE. sw5 W. R. SQUIER, B.A.

P. F. WALKER, Attorney-at-Law Conveyancer, Notary Public, &c. Office of the Clerk of the Peace, Court House, Goderich Ontario sw94

Hays & Elwood,
BARRISTER & ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, SOLICITORS in Chancery & Insolvency, Conveyancers, &c. Money to Lend. OFFICE: Crabb's Block, over Mr. Archibald's Store. sw37.

William R. Bain, B. A.
CHANCERY AND LAW OFFICE. Crabb's new buildings, Kingston, Street Goderich.
N. B.—Conveyancing. Money lent on reasonable terms. Disputed and defective titles to real estate quieted. Goderich, Aug. 14 1869. w30

M. NICHOLSON,
SURGEON DENTIST.
Rooms over the Post Office, West Street, Goderich
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CIFFORD ELLIOT.
ATTORNEY-at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c.
WINGHAM, ONT.
Money to lend. Disputed Titles quieted. Crown Land Patents obtained cheaply.
July 25th, 1870. w27-1y

T. B. Stokes,
AGENT FOR STRATFORD AGRICULTURAL works (Joseph Sharman, proprietor). Residence, Bayfield Road. w11-1y-8p

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Strong & Squier.
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS, NO. 6, Arcade Building, Buffalo, N. Y.
Taxes C. Strong, Attorney-at-Law. H. B. Squier.
Aug 13th 1870. w30

D. McDougall
LICENSED AUCTIONEER, BAYFIELD, County of Huron. Sales in village or country punctually attended to. w9-1y78

L. B. Hamlin,
CIVIL ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR, LAND Estand Conveyancer. Kincardine. 1

PAINTING
BRADEN AND CLUCAS.
House, Sign & Ornamental Painters,
PAPER Hangers and Imitators of Woods and Marble
KINGSTON Street.
GODERICH.
Agents for Jackson's universal 'Mop and Wringer,'
Opposite Saunders Hardware Store.
Goderich, Aug 17th. 1870. 1yw31

W. G. WILSON
Issuer of Marriage Licenses,
Insurance & Real Estate Agent
COMMISSIONER IN B. R.
DEEDS, MORTGAGES, &c.,
DRAWN AND EXECUTED.
MONEY TO LOAN AT 8 per cent.
Oct. 18th 1870. sw17-1y ZURICH, Ont

JAMES STEWART
WHOLESALE AGENT
OF
The far-famed and reliable St. Catherine's Nursery
D. W. BEADLE, ESQ.
FOR ALL KINDS OF
FRUIT AND ORNAMENTAL TREES, GREEN-house Plants Grape Vines, &c., &c.
☞ Any stock not on hand, ordered on the shortest notice. House—Maitlandville. Goderich P. O.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

HURON HOTEL,
ZURICH, CO. HURON.
JOHN TRANG, - - Proprietor.
This house is fitted up with every convenience for the travelling public.
☞ Good Stabling and prompt attendance
Aug 15, 1870 w15-ft

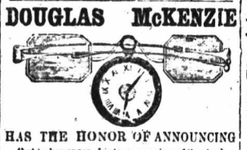
NEW
Waggon and Carriage
FACTORY.
BATES & ELLIOTT
HAVE pleasure in intimating to the public of town and country that they have opened a Waggon and Carriage Shop on St. David's st., (Lewis Elliott's old stand,) immediately adjoining the Western Hotel. B. & E. attend personally to all the work entrusted to them, and are prepared to turn out
Waggons, Buggies, Cutters, Sleighs,
and everything in their line, of the very best material and workmanship and at the very lowest remunerative rates.
JOBBING
Promptly attended to.
ON HAND, a large assortment of
SLEIGHS
which will be sold Cheap for Cash or Cordwood.
Goderich, Aug 1 1870. w30

TWO FARMS for SALE
FOR sale two very valuable FARMS in the Township of Goderich. For particulars apply to JOSEPH SHAW, Huron Road. (Goderich Township
August 15, 1870 w30

VILLAGE LOTS FOR SALE IN BAYFIELD.
THE subscriber offers for sale four eligible lots in the Village of Bayfield. On the premises are a good frame dwelling, barn and vinegar factory. For particulars apply to JOHN CROOK.
Goderich, July 18th 1870 ww26

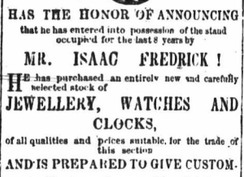
Business Directory.

DOUGLAS McKENZIE



HAS THE HONOR OF ANNOUNCING that he has entered into possession of the stand occupied for the last 8 years by
MR. ISAAC FREDRICK!
HE has purchased an entirely new and carefully selected stock of
JEWELLERY, WATCHES AND CLOCKS,
of all qualities and prices suitable for the trade of this section
AND IS PREPARED TO GIVE CUSTOMERS, old and new, the same uniform satisfaction which Mr. Fredrick has so long done. Having had 5 years experience as
WATCH-MAKER & JEWELLER,
in Scotland and 2 years with Mr. Fredrick he is prepared to execute all jobs entrusted to him in a workmanlike manner and at the most moderate rates.
With reference to the above, I have great pleasure in certifying that Mr. Douglas McKenzie was in my employment for two years and that I consider him a first-class jeweller, capable of doing as good work as any west of Toronto
IS AC FREDRICK.
Goderich, Nov. 17th, 1870.

PHOTOGRAPHS
$1.00 Per Dozen.



HALF DOZEN FROM BACK NEGATIVE 51 cents, postage free. One dozen from back negative 87 cents, postage free, to any address.
☞ Particular Attention paid to Copying old Ambrotypes.
For either large or small photographs. The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, would just say that he has made such improvements in his gallery as will merit a continuance of the same.
☞ A Great Reduction on Large Photographs.
E. L. JOHNSON.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870. w30

SASH AND DOOR FACTORY.
THE undersigned having purchased the Planing Mill and Sash Factory owned, and occupied by Donald Cumming, are now prepared to carry on the business of manufacturing
Sash, Doors, Blinds, Mouldings, Flooring, Siding,
and all kinds of
CIRCLE WORK,
such as Circle and Gothic Sash and Frames
They think from their experience in Factory Work, that they can give satisfaction to all who may favor them with a call.
N. B.—A liberal discount to the trade.
20,000 feet of Dry inch and a quarter Flooring on hand.
JAS BUCHANAN,
DAVID LAWSON,
WM. ROBINSON.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

TO THE WORKING CLASS.—We are now prepared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time or for the spare moments. Business pleasant, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50c. to $5 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all those who think we make this unparalleled offer: Tous ha s not well satisfied, we will send $1 to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, a valuable sample which will do to commence work on, and a copy of The People's Literary Companion—one of the largest and best family newspapers published—all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work address E. C. ALLEN & CO., AUGUSTA, MAINE.

MONTREAL OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR TICKETS to and from Liverpool London derry or Glasgow by the above Steamship Co'y, apply to P. H. CARTER.
Agent, Grand Trunk Railway.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

IMPORTAN NOTICE.
F. R. MANN,
House Sign & Carriage Painter
DOES HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT he has fitted up a shop on North street next to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with varnish room attached where he is prepared to fill all orders promptly, and at reasonable prices. Thankful for the patronage of the last 7 years solicits a continuance of the same.
Now is the time to Paint your Cutters Sleighs, and Carriages.
☞ Orders from country Carriage shops attended to with dispatch.
Sign Painting, Gilding, Graining, Glazing, Paperhanging, &c., &c.
F. R. MANN.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870 sw1

PLUMMER'S SNOW FLAKE BAKING POWDER
IS UNRIVALLED for Purity and heapness. It saves Eggs, Butter Milk, etc., and is warrante to contain nothing injurious For sale by the Grocers.
ROBINSON & HOWELL.
Agents for Goderich.
E. PLUMMER & CO.,
Chemists, London, Ont
w8y

Business Directory.

Extensive New Premises
AND
SPLENDID NEW STOCK

C. Barryl & Bro.
Cabinet Makers, Undertakers & Wood Turners,
HAMILTON ST.
Have removed across the street to the store next door to Wm. Acheson's Harness Shop, where will be found
A GOOD ASSORTMENT!
of Kitchen, Bedroom, Dininggroom, and Parlor Furniture, such as
TABLES
CHAIRS (hair, cane and wood seated)
CUPBOARDS
BEDSTEADS,
WASHSTANDS,
MATTRESSES
LOUNGES,
SOFAS.
WHATNOTS, LOOKING GLASSES
GILT FRAMING.
☞ C B & B are prepared to sell everything in their line!
Cheap for Cash.
N B A complete assortment of Coffins and Shrouds always on hand and a Hearse to hire; all on reasonable terms,
A CALL SOLICITED.
Goderich, 16 w30-1

REMOVAL.

ALEX. WALLACE,
WATCHMAKER
AND JEWELER,
WEST STREET,
GODERICH
THE Subscriber having removed to the Store lately occupied by A. Naysmith, West Street, opposite the Post Office, wishes to thank his friends and the public, for the liberal support with which they have favored him for the last 25 years, and hope to assure them that no effort will be spared to merit a continuance of their patronage, his anxious study will be to supply
Watches Clocks and Jewelery
which will give satisfaction to the purchaser, and as all work has been done by myself, customers may depend on having it well executed.
☞ A good assortment of Gold and Plated Jewelry Watches, Clocks &c. Always on hand.
ALEX WALLACE.
Goderich Aug. 15th 1870. w30

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE

CRABB'S BLOCK, KINGSTON STREET.
Prices to Suit the Times.
Photographs reduced to $1.00 per Doz., OR 75cts. PER HALF DOZEN.
Large Photograph Reduced in Proportion.
Also will make the largest Photographs made in Goderich, very cheap. Porcelain pictures from one dollar upwards at
D. CAMPBELL'S
Photograph Gallery.
Goderich Aug. 15th, 1870. w30

WARMING AND VENTILATING.
REITH'S PATENT,
Hot Air Furnace,
IS A CHEAP AND EFFICIENT MEANS OF HEATING and ventilating
CHURCHES,
SCHOOLS,
PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
SHOPS AND PRIVATE DWELLINGS
Burning either wood or coal.
☞ Parties in this section can refer to M. C. Cameron Esq., M. P., in whose residence the patentee has erected a furnace.
For further particulars, Apply to the Patentee,
JAMES REITH.
Paris Ont. 18th Nov. 1870 sw27-3m

NEW CABINET
AND
UPHOLSTERING SHOP
[WEST STREET]
OPPOSITE BANK OF MONTREAL,
GODERICH.

ERIC McKAY,
WOULD RESPECTFULLY ANNOUNCE that he has opened a new shop in the above line, on West Street, opposite the Bank of Montreal, where he will keep constantly on hand or make to order
FURNITURE OF ALL KINDS.
Having on hand an assortment of Upholstering material, he will be prepared to fill promptly all orders in that line.
☞ A quantity of Gilt and Rosewood Mouldings on hand.
Picture Framing to Order.
☞ He trusts by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870 30-1y

THE NEW GROCERY STORE.
WHITELY & ELLIOTT
DEALERS IN
GROCERIES,
PROVISIONS,
WINES & LIQUORS,
Corner Kingston Street & Market Square
GODERICH.
Goderich June 20th 1870. sw87-tf

MILLINERY & DRESS-MAKING,
MISSES STEWART
BEG TO INTIMATE THAT THEY HAVE RENTED The Store on the Market Square, next door to Mrs. Mack's Confectionery Store, where they are prepared to execute all orders for millinery and dress-making in
The Newest Styles and with Despatch
N. B. Several apprentices wanted Immediately.
Goderich 12 Sept, 1870. sw7-m6

Ontario Carriage Shop,
(Hamilton St, Goderich.

R. J. WHITELY,
IS still in full operation, and is turning out superior
Carriages, Buggies, Wagons
fall kinds, SLEIGHS CUTTERS, &c.
☞ A number of first class Buggies on hand, and for sale cheap for cash Prices of all articles in the line that will compare favorably with any in the County
☞ All work warranted
Particular attention paid to Wagon and Carriage Painting
R. J WHITELY.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

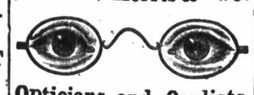
Stoves! Stoves!
NRETSUCPUMPS, LEAD PIPES, &c. &c.

EVETROUGHS & CONDUCTING PIPE.
PLAIN AND FANCY
TINWARE,
COAL OIL,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
☞ Coal Oil Lamps, &c. &c. Old Iron Copper, Brass, Wool Pickings, and Sheep Skin taken in exchange.
J. & J. STORY.
☞ Sign of the Large Coal Oil Barrel,
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 sw1

MONEY TO LEND
At Greatly reduced Rates of Interest.
THE undersigned has any amount of money to loan from two to fifteen years, at a low rate of interest and favourable terms of repayment, payable by yearly instalments rate of expenses will defy competition.
HORACE HORTON
Appraiser for the Canada Permanent Building & Savings Society, of Toronto.
INSURANCE CARD
The Subscriber is agent for the following first-class Insurance Companies
PHOENIX of London, England.
HARTFORD of Hartford.
PROVINCIAL of Toronto.
BRITISH AMERICA, of Toronto.
Fire & Marine business done at the lowest rates
HORACE HORTON
Office Market Square, Goderich
Sept 26th, 1870. w36-1y.

MONEY TO LEND
ON EASY TERMS
INCORPORATED THE A. D. 1864
HURON & ERIE SAVINGS & LOAN SOCIETY.
CAPITAL, - - - - $70,000.
THIS SOCIETY ADVANCES MONEY ON SECURITY of Real Estate, and on Terms very favorable to borrowers.
NO LAWYERS' COSTS ARE CHARGED
The Society pays its Solicitor's charges. Any sum of money, from $200 upwards, is lent for any number of years from one to fifteen. Money may be obtained at any time with little or no delay beyond the time occupied in investigating the title and preparing the Mortgage, the cost of which is paid by the Society. The full amount of the loan is advanced—no deduction being made for commission or other charges which often add so materially to the cost of a loan from other Societies or from individuals. The borrower can repay his loan by yearly, half-yearly, or monthly payments. The periodical instalments include, besides interest, a small sum for principal, and they are so divided that by their payment the debt is entirely extinguished, and the mortgage discharged at the end of the time stipulated.
EXAMPLE—A Borrower obtains $500 for 15 years; he pays $66.70 each year, and at the end of the time his Mortgage is paid off. The rapidly increasing business of this Society is the best indication of the favor with which it is regarded by the farming community, and its popularity will become greater as the merits of its system of lending become better known and understood. By the small payments of principal included in the yearly instalment, the borrower gradually, and without trouble, pays off his loan, thus avoiding the risk of losing his property, which too often happens when the principal falls due in a large sum at the end of the term. He can, at any time, pay off his mortgage, or any portion of it, in addition to the instalments, without incurring any bonus or fine, on application of the borrower, and interest at six per cent. per annum will be allowed on all payments in advance.
Full particulars and loan table may be obtained at the Society's Office, or by letter postpaid, addressed to the Secretary, or from any of the Society's valuators
CHARLES FLETCHER, Valuator at Goderich

Lazarus, Morris & Co.



Opticians and Oculists,
MONTREAL,
HAVE, WITH A VIEW TO MEET THE INCREASED demand for the celebrated Perfected Spectacles, appointed F. JORDON, chemist and Druggist, Goderich, Ont as their Sole Agent for this place. They have taken care to give all needful instructions, and have confidence in the ability of their Agents to the requirements of all customers. An opportunity will be thus afforded to procure, at all times, Spectacles unequalled by any for their strengthening and preserving qualities.
Too much cannot be said as to their superiority over the ordinary glasses worn. There is no glimmering, wavering of the sight dizziness, or other unpleasant sensation, but, on the contrary, from the peculiar construction of the Lenses, they are soothing and pleasant, causing a feeling of relief to the wearer, and producing a clear and distinct vision, as in the natural healthy sight. They are the only Spectacles that
PRESERVE AS WELL AS ASSIST THE SIGHT.
They are the cheapest because the best, always lasting many years without change being necessary.
☞ We employ no Peddars.
F. JORDAN,
Sole Agent for Goderich
Goderich Aug 15 1870. w13

Affairs in France.

Gambetta has resigned, and we are glad of it. Brilliant and patriotic as he was, his enthusiasm was leading him beyond due bounds and if he had continued at the republican helm, the desperate death-struggle would have been prolonged from point to point until not a single slope of the sunny hills of France was left unbathed in blood. It is expected that the general election will result in the return of those candidates who are favorable to peace. Both France and Germany are heartily sick of the war, the press is pleading for peace, and if the voice of the people can make itself listened to, the devouring sword will not again be unsheathed. The British Minister Mr. Odo Russell is prepared to advocate an extension of the armistice, as asked for by Jules Favre, and Prussia now occupies such vantage-ground that Bismarck will probably think he can afford to be generous, so that there is every reason to expect the extension will be conceded. The London *Times* is of the opinion, from all the information received that the desire of Paris is "peace at any price." It is time the law of self-preservation should re assert its power and subdue the *dementia* the Parisians have lately been carried away by. It will be a difficult task to ward off the famine that threatens to count its victims by the hundred thousand. Friend and foe alike are doing their best in the extremity and we hope the relief will be sufficient and in time. Fifty carloads of "London gifts to Paris" have left for that city and every nation in Christendom is doing something to repair the ravage. Meantime the restoration of the Imperial dynasty is on the cards again. Though such would not be "a consummation devoutly to be wished" better even so than that the "pale horse" should keep on his ghastly rounds.

County of Huron Sabbath School Convention.

In pursuance of a resolution, adopted at a public meeting of the Sabbath school teachers of Goderich, January 16th 1871, convened at the request of Rev. W. Millard, Secretary of the Provincial Association, a County of Huron Sabbath School Convention will be held in Goderich, on Thursday and Friday, 23rd and 24th Feb. 1871. The Meeting of the first day will commence at half-past nine o'clock a. m.; and at nine a. m., the second day. Each Sabbath School in the County is invited to send five delegates; and it is hoped that all who are interested in the work will gladly avail themselves of this opportunity to be present and give their hearty co-operation and support. Delegates are requested to be present as early as possible on the first day. Ministers of the Gospel are respectfully invited to attend, and to give notice of this meeting to their congregations. Other County Associations are cordially invited to send Delegates. Delegates and visitors will please report themselves on arrival at the Church, where a Reception Committee will be in attendance to appoint them homes during their stay.

A Delegation from Toronto including the Rev. W. Millard, the Central Secretary of the Provincial Sabbath School Association will be present. The Singing will be conducted by C. W. Coates, Esq., Toronto. It is expected that a County Association to hold annual Conventions will be formed at the meeting. It is requested that all Delegates who intend being present at the Convention, will give the Questions prepared for discussion their careful and prayerful consideration, so that the meeting may prove interesting, instructive and profitable. A Collection will be taken up at each evening meeting to defray printing and other expenses. Superintendents and Secretaries are particularly requested to answer the questions respecting the state of their Schools and return that half of the sheet to Mr. W. R. Robertson, Goderich, not later than 18th February, so that a report may be ready to be presented on the first day of the Convention. Will all friends of Sabbath Schools, into whose hands this Circular comes, ask God's blessing on the Sabbath School Convention to be held in Goderich?

REV. W. SMYTH,
W. R. ROBERTSON,
J. R. MILLER, } *Committee.*

Essence of the News.

Mr. John Martin, a Presbyterian, as been returned M. P. for the County of Meath.

London City Council proposes, with the approval of the people, to give a bonus of $1000 per mile to the London Huron and Bruce R. R.

The Revenue of the Dominion for January is $1,085,215; expenditure, $2,225,872

It is suggested that the only use Alaska can be put to is to make it a penal colony.

The purchase system in the British army is to be done away with and voluntary enlistment encouraged.

The Montreal *Witness* publishes a report that Sir Francis Hincks intends with the approval of Parliament, to close all savings banks having no individual liability

Burglars and small-pox trouble St. John's N. B.

A Railway deputation has left London to hold meetings in Kincardine, Wingham and Lucknow.

The Dominion government keeps on increasing its staff of employees.

Montreal is to give its Mayor a dinner and a diamond ring.

The London Conference of the great powers has been happily harmonious. A pacific solution of the eastern question is reported attained.

The Imperial Parliament was opened by the Queen in person, who, amongst other things said that there was a satisfactory prospect with regard to the settlement of questions pending, with the United States.

Toronto has beaten Buffalo at curling by 29 shots; the score standing 120 to 91. No 1 Toronto, No 1 Buffalo by 31, so that the other three rinks were closely matched.

The English government has recommended the adoption of the ballot in Parliamentary elections.

Small-pox is said to prevail severely in Manitoba; 2000 persons having fallen victims to it.

Potosi has been captured by the Bolivian revolutionists and was subject to pillage and all sorts of atrocities for 3 days by the drunken soldiers.

Rev Dr. Urquhart, a nature of Rossshire died at Cornwall on Sunday, aged 79 years. While Master of the Grammar School there he educated the Hon. J. S Macdonald and the late Chancellor Van-Koughnet.

The New York Chamber of Commerce has granted £20,000 to aid French and Prussian sufferers.

AMBERLEY.

FEBRUARY, 8TH, 1871.

[From our own Correspondent.]

WEATHER—We are now after having a few days of crackling frostiness, so intense in its biting propensities as almost to produce Hydrophobia. Indeed our forest trees became so affected thereby, as to get into a state of Hypochondria fancying, I suppose, themselves to be artillery guns, from the manner in which they roared and thundered, rousing the apprehensions of some of our lieges, to the extent of a live certainty, that the realization crisis of invasion had at last arrived, and that the Fenians had, for the third time, crossed the national line of demarcation, and would doubtless be successful in carrying out their diabolical purpose of turning Canada into a howling wilderness, dismal and gory with the best blood of Perfidious Albion; or otherwise convert it into a new empire under the temporal and spiritual rule of *Pio Nono* or the indomitable Geo. Francis Train; (third efforts being always reckoned lucky according to hackneyed tradition.) However, as nothing very serious transpired, save a few frozen noses, and as the elements have become more passive; and as the trees have again recovered their senses, our lieges have once more relapsed into their usually calm frame of mind. I think they must feel in some measure convinced that Delirium Tremens may be produced by more agencies than merely bachanalian indulgence. Your poetical correspondent here, whom neither heat nor cold can at any season *unhorse*, asks me to forward you the following verses on this wintry subject. You all observe that they are not in the *Tennysonian style*.

'Our guid wife woke thro' the night
And shiver an' could was she
And yet she swat as if pelted frightit
An' cry'd to me to see me.

Get up gudeman as fast you can
And get the room in order!
The Fenians come wi' a firty gun
Again has crossed the border!

Hoot-toot! Quo I, that's doonright fudge
Its just the Templars blawin
They 've aye sic delusions at their lodge
Which seem to be sae amusin;
The Fenians are too big a scare
Wi' their threatenings every the last time:
I trow they'll tak the risk nae mair
O sic unsomfortous pastime.

Hark! bang! bang! bang! wi' crash and clang
The door at round second splittin!
Confounded your saucissons, sic cries
Wi' sic a noise ye 're frightin!
The Templars force go out to shoot!
Wi' sic an warlike clangour,
We'll a' be shot and hunt out right
Gif here we tak much longer.

Quo I guidwife lie doon again
And keep yeselves from wankin'
Ye tremble like a leaf of aspen stare
An gif ye been a-sankin'
Ye'll catch a fever and last maybe long
And I do pitch wuised
Could ye see a man at lesson bawbee
To get ye ready buried.

It's neither Fenians, Franks nor Huns;
Sae be na sae dirtiffey
Its just the Templars out wi' guns
And and undressed offey
This bonny sodd wi' sweet musketch
Among the branches gintin
Has lured them out to get a doukit
In Colson and Squier's huntin

But just as I had called her fears
To rest and tak a doukie
A dreadful volley stunned our ears
And shook our habitation!
Bang!—bang—pelt and, balls shot and shell
Around us were and rigin!
Till like a lady, in hoops sae lay
Around our bed big stagin!

I could na paint the sugh so quaint
That next day wife, poor creature,
Wi' cauld in mouth wi' tae drunk'd
A-tattle, cried before
She fairly swatt and fainted
A sweetie to her lemon
Maist nations pray like fools to tell
For my gudeman and orders.

Now think ye wad the Fenian loons
Come over again to invasion
To shoot us at kitchen
And spare wi' a speculation
Or think ye wad the Congress of rebels
Invade our Canadian
Yon cousins and sweethearts, wives and fields
Knee deep in mortality wawdin?

Na! "twas the frost a poor nair strang
Fifty a cheap process intoed
That spoils the cows wi' tinkering shock
Which e'er Doctors 've ever yet tried!
It rends the mouldered bowel stress
And spoils them a bonnie!
And ben is unknown wi' sic a dose
The bilious liver and livers!

THE I. O. T. British American Lodge, Ashfield held an open meeting in their lodge on the evening of Friday 3d inst. R Baldwin, Esq. presiding. There were various addresses by members of the lodge and also by brethren from other quarters all of which bore evidence of much ability and zealousness of principle on the part of the speakers and showed in a very satisfactory manner, the forwardness of the temperance cause in that and the surrounding districts. A variety of songs, &c., on sumuitaneous subjects, was also sung, or said in a singing sort of strain, the music having been kept at home for some other occasion, (nothing like economy,) and much amusing and instructive rhetoric served to while away the moments very cheerfully. One of the lecturers, Mr. A Fletcher spoke forcibly and eloquently on the fatal influence of intemperate habits on the moral, intellectual, and physical characters of of men of genius, and on referring to the case of Robert Burns, did much honor to his own head and heart in combating a basely founded stigma too frequently brought forward by abstinence lecturers, viz:—Holding up to public horror or at least reprehension what they through an over refinement of ignorance are pleased to call the failings of his moral character by over indulgence in social drinking."

Truly enough Mr Fletcher might ask, why drag the subject of Robert Burns more before the public than that of other men? Yea he might also ask why drag his name before the public in connection with this subject at all; what has the moral character of Burns to do with the ruin or prostration inflicted by intemperance? I know as much of the private or public character of Burns as any man in Canada is fit to know; and I never could yet understand what data those overweening orators, of the teetotal platform, base their scurrilous animadversions.—Who, I would ask, having the smallest tithe of knowledge concerning the status of Robert Burns, as a member of *the great social brotherhood of mankind* ever could draw a single inference either from his private or public life or from any properly interpreted passage in his matchless letters or poems, to substantiate such an idea as that of *moral prostration*? Why, the very Yankees, who in their blustering pomposity would be readily supposed desirous of annihilating everything British, and especially British literary genius, would not hesitate to tar and feather, if not to lynch, any person guilty of such gross outrage on common sense as the utterance in public of a sentiment so *Beecher Stowe* like, as that of casting the stain of *moral prostration* on the character of R. Burns. I do think that Mr Fletcher was highly entitled to an enthusiastic vote of thanks from every Scot and Scotchman's friend there present; and I would state in conclusion that any man desirous of maintaining an ascendancy among the moral reformers of society, would do well to ponder over this—"*It would be hard to discover in the annals of her greatest sons, any one individual, of whom Scotland has more reason to be proud, as the representative of her sublime moral dignity, than* Robert Burns."—AMBERLY.

Legislature of Ontario.

Toronto, Feb. 6.

A petition was presented from Hon. E. Leonard, paying that the Bill to close Church street, in the City of London, may not pass. On the motion for the third reading of the Bill, it was sent back to the Private Bills Committee for further information. Mr. Cameron moved that the Bill to incorporate the Toronto Street Railway Company be referred back to the Railway Committee to report thereon. The motion was opposed by Messrs. Rykert, Cumberland, Trow, Lyon, McMurrich and others. The motion was defeated by a vote of 41 to 20. Copies of correspondence respecting the Woodstock and Erie Railway was laid on the table. A Bill was introduced by Hon Mr. Richards respecting the sale of unpatented lands for taxes. On the Attorney-General's motion to concur in the sixteenth report of the Railway Committee. Mr. Blake presented an amendment that the part of the report referring to the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway be sent back to the committee with instructions to consider the grounds proven. Mr. Blake said that the report had been carried in the committee, when some of the members were absent by a majority of one, and he argued against the grouping of townships, by which injustice would be done. Mr Sinclair supported the amendment, but thought it did not even go far enough in preventing townships being taxed for railway projects from which they derived no benefit. After a brief discussion the House divided, and Mr Blake's amendment was carried by a vote of 37 to 28. A number of Bills were read a third time and passed. The Bill to incorporate the Queen City Fire Insurance Company was read a third time and passed, the House not accepting an amendment proposed by Mr. Boyd to refer the Bill back to Committee of the Whole for the insertion of a clause requiring that ten per cent of the paid up capital be placed in the hands of the Provincial Treasurer. The amendment received the support of the Attorney-General and Mr. Blake, who thought the security was much required. Hon Mr Carling presented a report respecting the health of the inmates of the London Lunatic Asylum, and promised further particulars respecting that institution. There was a debate of some length on the question of remuneration to reporters employed in the Upper Canada College Committee last session, and the Attorney-General promised that a reasonable amount would be given the reporters. Several private Bills were passed through Committee, and other Bills advanced a stage, and at 10 55 the House adjourned.

Toronto, Feb. 7.

The Speaker took the chair 3.15.

After routine business, the Hon. J. S. Macdonald, moved that the House should consider the railway resolutions announced in the message from his Excellency in reference to the same. He then proceeded to say that he stood in the most peculiar position of having to deal with a surplus; this surplus resulted, not so much from any taxes imposed by the Provincial government, but was mainly derivable from the contributions of the Dominion government as subsidy, and from our public lands. The government had felt that it would be very hazardous to deal with the surplus before they were fully aware of its extent. They had now come to the conclusion that, having ascertained its extent, that such was its amount that they were in a position to deal with it. Referring to the aid afforded to the Grand Trunk twenty years ago, and many difficulties, he claimed that there were now many additional reasons for granting aid. How much more favorable were they now when most contracting a debt. They had a surplus at their disposal. The idea proposed in the resolutions was not novel, in proof of which he referred to the Act passed in 1849, referring to the Halifax & Quebec Railway; the words of which, he said, were analogous to those in the resolution. The power with which the present government sought to dispose of the proposed Railway Fund was similar to that accorded to the government then in power—a Reform government. The object the government had at heart was to promote emigration and the settlement of the country. The Attorney-General traced the course of the Legislature consequent on the guarantee and aid offered by the government, claiming that they had guided him in framing the "provisions" required by the resolution. He thought that any measure which was calculated to promote emigration should be received cordially by the House. It was in use to ask settlers to go into their back country if they were not prepared to aid in opening up communication for such settlers. The Government would be wanting in its duty to the country if it did not ask, at the first opportunity, the House to agree to some scheme calculated to secure the same privileges to settlers in the back districts, which were enjoyed by those who had settled in older districts. It might be said that aid could best be afforded by land grants; but experience showed the advisability of granting lands on easy terms to companies. It was well known that lands held by companies were kept back from settlement. He held that it was more advisable to pay money out of the public exchequer. There was no doubt the language contained in the resolutions might be misconstrued; but so might the Sacred Scriptures. He then explained that the sum proposed to be set apart as a fund was $1,200,000 and the amount to be granted ranged from $2,000 to $4,000 per mile.

Afterwards Mr. Blake moved the following amendment:—That all the words after 'that' be omitted, and the following words substituted, therefor—'This House feels bound to express its conviction that the country will have just grounds for dissatisfaction, unless some plan is adopted whereby, while making all just and necessary provisions in aid of railways and other public improvements of Provincial interest in the thinly settled and the unprovided districts, a large part of the available surplus should be apportioned according to population, and expended in such way as each of the counties, cities and separated towns shall, as to its own allotment, designate in aid of railways or other permanent public improvements affecting the localities, or to aid the consumption of the municipal obligations already contracted for such purposes, due precaution being taken for the proper application of the money, and provision being made that the allotment to any municipality indebted to the Municipal Loan Fund should be applied on equitable terms towards the satisfaction of what may be found due by the municipality, or an adjustment of the Municipal Loan Fund indebtedness.'

After a lengthy debate a division was taken, when the amendment was lost by 25 to 51:—

YEAS—Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cook, Crosby Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, McKellar, McDougall, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton Perry, Sexton, Smith (Middlesex,) Springer, Trow, Williams (Hamilton,)—25.

NAYS—Anderson, Beatty, Boulton, Calvin, Campbell, Carling, Carling, Carnegie, Cockburn, Code, Colquhoun, Cosby, Coyne, Craig, (Glengarry,) Craig (Russell) Cumberland, Currie, (Rice,) Ferguson, Ferrie, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings,) Graham (York,) Hooper, Lander, Lount, Lyon, Macdonald, McColl (Elgin), McGill Matchett, Monteith, Murray, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey,) Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Smith, (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, Wood—51.

The House then went into committee, Mr Lyon in the chair, and passed the resolutions.

The House adjourned at 12.45

Toronto, Feb. 8.

The Speaker took the chair at 3.15.

After routine business, Mr McCall (Norfolk) introduced a Bill to abolish dual representation, and respecting the property qualification of honmembers of the House.

In reply to Mr Springer.

Hon J S Macdonald said that it was not the intention of the government to furnish municipal councils and their officers with the Ontario Statutes free of charge.

Mr Blake moved an address for a return resp