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NEWS ABOUT HOME.

TOWN TOPICS.
The proposed masquerade ball has collapsed.
Funeral cards neatly printed at THE STONAL OFFICE.
Widows, the ex-Monk, lectures in Victoria Hall to-night.
Mr. Gifford Elliott, formerly of Goderich, addressed the Sunday School children of Brussels at their annual festival last week.

PERSONAL. Mr. Roland Savage, of Nequamee, Michigan, is revisiting old friends in Goderich. He looks hale and hearty, and is the guest of Mr. James Doyle.

CHURCH SERVICES. The G'banys of the Singers will revisit Goderich on Wednesday evening next, when they will appear in the North Street Methodist church.

RETURNED. Miss Trainer, of the Central School staff, returned home on Saturday last, after a sojourn of a month's duration in Toronto. She resumed her duties on Monday last.

PERSONAL. Mr. Calder, an old Huronite, now of Pennsylvania, has been visiting in Goderich during the week. He was the guest of his brother-in-law, Mr. A. Dickson, postmaster.

AT THE BALL.—In its report of the Beecher's Ball held in Stratford last Friday evening, the Herald of that town says: "The Goderich ladies were unexceptionally well dressed, as usual."

THE PULPIT.—Owing to the absence of Rev. Dr. Ure at Manchester, his place in Knox church will be filled by the Rev. M. Fritchard on Sunday evening.

ON A VISIT.—Hon. John Hibbard, American Commercial Agent at this port, with Mrs. Hibbard, left for a week's visit to one of his sons, in Chicago. He was also accompanied by his little grandchild and nurse.

IN MICHIGAN.—Our old friend T. W. Smithson, well known to Huron printers, is now running a most little weekly called the Michigan in Okemba, Michigan. We hope he will yet run a self-editor in connection with his journal.

WE ARE PLEASED TO LEARN that our townsman, Mr. F. Graham, formerly manager at Bow Park, has been engaged by Mr. Thos. Bickert, of Base Lake, Michigan, to take charge of his valuable herd of short-horns for the next few months.

ABOUT THE STAMPS.—A hitch has occurred in the proceedings pertaining to the friendly game of curling, which was to have come off here on Friday, between the St. Marys and Goderich clubs. The St. Marys men could not come.

THE WEDDING.—Our esteemed townsman, Mr. Jas. Huston, and Mrs. Huston, were among the guests at the wedding of Mr. James, of Stratford. We feel bound to state that a jollier looking couple did not grace the joyful occasion with their presence.

MISSIONARY MEETING.—The annual missionary meeting in connection with St. George's Church, will be held (D.V.) on Wednesday next, in the Court House. Several clergymen from a distance will address the meeting. The chair will be taken at 7.30.

ACCIDENT.—While leaving the Montreal Bank on Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Chas. Soater, barrister, sprained his ankle, by slipping off the door step. He has been kept from his office for a few days, but will likely be in his place regularly after the week is past.

A. J. P. DISMISSED.—Considerable excitement was caused on Monday by the report that Mr. C. Crabb had been dismissed from the magistracy. The report turned out to be true. Mr. Crabb has, perhaps, tried more cases than any other J. P. in Goderich, and he is of opinion that he will yet be reinstated.

Archibald Forbes says that he once faced an audience of one, and that after looking at one another for some time he proposed that the audience should choose between hearing him lecture and going to the hotel and having a drink. The audience being a Scotchman like himself, chose the latter. Mr. Forbes is a man of propounding appearance, powerfully built and well fitted for the duties of a war correspondent. He lectures in Goderich on Thursday next. We expect a crowded house.

SKATING MATCH.—A 40 minute race between fast skaters came off in the rink on Friday evening. The contestants were D. Morris, W. Gooding, J. W. Wilkinson, A. Gooding, J. W. Small, and Ted Andrews. Morris won by three laps, W. Gooding second, and Wilkinson third. The number of laps covered was 172, or 7 miles and 18 laps. The judges were H. Clucas, J. Story, J. W. Ward and J. W. Weatherall. Prof. Fetzer's band was in attendance. The band will play in the rink on Saturday evening.

CALL ACCEPTED.—We understand that Mr. P. R. Ross, who for the past few weeks has been preaching in Knox church here, has received a unanimous call from the congregation of Cote de Neige, Montreal. Accompanying the call is an offer of \$800 a year, and a free manse. Mr. Ross has accepted the call, and his ordination and induction will take place about the 24th inst. He will preach his final sermon in Knox church, Goderich, on Sunday morning. He made many friends during his stay in Goderich and vicinity.

TEACHER'S SCHOOL REPORTS.—We are now prepared to furnish "Pupil's Monthly Reports" to teachers, at a very reasonable price. Teachers will please order early. Call and see samples. STONAL PRINTING HOUSE.

"PIKE COUNTY BALLADS."—We have received from the Toronto Publishing Co., Toronto, a copy of "Pike County Ballads," by Col. John Hay. It is unnecessary to enlarge upon their style, for who has not heard of "Little Breckin," "Randy Tim," "Jim Hideo," &c. Get a copy from the publishers.

The Christian Reporter is the name of a monthly journal devoted to religious intelligence. It is edited by Hon. Vice-Chancellor Blake, and its list of regular contributors contains some of the best crown names in Canada. Its low price, 75c per annum should also commend it to those who would like to hear of the progress of the Gospel at home and abroad.

A DANGEROUS LUNATIC.—There is incarcerated in the goal at present a dangerous lunatic named Thos. Joint, from Wawanosh. On Tuesday last he got into tantrums, and set about demolishing the walls of his cell, which he succeeded in doing to some extent, until restrained by the officials in charge. He rent his blankets and bedding, and broke everything breakable in the cell. Joint is said to have become insane from business troubles and religious excitement. He should be removed to an asylum at once. The goal is no place for unfortunate creatures of this description.

QUEBEC MATCH.—On Monday afternoon a rink of local players had a set, to the losers to give a bag of flour to the victor of the town. The game resulted as follows:

Stephen Andrews, James Thomson, H. H. Smith, A. McD. Allan, M. Hutchinson, Arch. Dickson, C. R. Dunford, T. M. Dancy, skip 12, skip 19.

On Tuesday another game was played for a second bag of flour, between the following rinks:

O. E. Dunford, Peter Adamson, Thos. Hood, Capt. McGregor, W. Hutchinson, T. N. Shandy, H. H. Smith, Henry Horton, skip 13, skip 20.

"HALL AND HALL."—At the Toronto Electoral Division Agricultural Society's annual meeting an animated discussion took place on a matter of interest to exhibitors and judges. Mr. James King, in the course of his remarks, said that the names of the exhibitors should not be written on their tickets before the opening of the judges had been given. Amid much laughter he instanced a case where an exhibitor had taken seven prizes on a single turnip. Mr. McD. Allan, of Goderich, said: "That reminds me of something. A farmer raised a vegetable last summer, and could not tell whether it was a squash or a pumpkin (laughter). He thought it would bring it to the Exhibition, and find out. (Renewed laughter.) Well, sir, what do you think? As a squash he took first prize on it, and as a pumpkin he got a second prize on it." (Loud laughter.)

FORBES.—Mr. Forbes' forte is description. When he takes up a scene he lets no feature of it escape him. One after another he fixes each fact and groups them together in a perfect photograph of that which he desires to depict. The effect upon his audience is extraordinary. They follow him through every word, and so are identified with him that they become participants in the scenes of which he speaks. He was frequently interrupted with hearty applause. His lecture was brim-full of information—such information as books and papers can hardly afford. The who have not heard his graphic lectures, suffered a severe loss. (Hall's.)

HON. MR. FORBES LECTURES.—Victoria Hall, on Thursday next, will be the scene of the Mechanics' Institute. His subject will be "The Inner Life of a War Correspondent." We would like to see the Hall packed, and we don't think we will be disappointed.

THE LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION.—At the annual meeting of the Huron Live Stock Association, held at Clinton on Monday of last week, there was a fair attendance of the leading stock men of the county. The chair was taken by the President, Jas. Higgins, Esq. The financial report of the Treasurer showed that after defraying all expenses of the year, there will be a small balance left in the treasury. It was unanimously agreed to continue to the annual sales, and the following officers and Directors were elected:—Jas. Higgins, Esq., President; M. Y. McLean, Secretary and Treasurer; Directors: Clinton—M. McTaggart and E. Holmes; Goderich—Wm. Wise; J. L. Courtice and John Middleton; Goderich town—A. McD. Allan and F. Graham; Colborne—Wm. Dixon and W. L. Ferguson; West Wawanosh—John Washington and Robert Medd; East Wawanosh—Thos. H. Taylor; Morris—Jas. Logan, W. G. Hingston and George Moffatt; Hollett—H. Small, John Mason, John Cunningham, Thos. Moon and Thos. J. Bell; Stanley—John Ketchen, Alex. Innes, Wm. Higgins, Wm. Dennison and Hugh Love, Sr.; Hay—Jas. Loadman and Samuel Rennie; Exeter—James Oke and John Willis; Osborne—Leonard Hunter and Thos. Russell; Tuckersmith—John Sproat, Robert Dickson, A. Elcott, Jno. McLean, Jr., and Robert Charters; McKillop—Wm. J. Griev and Robt. Gordonlock; Seaford—Alex. Davidson and John G. Wilson.

PORTRAIT.—We have received a copy of the steel engraving portrait of Hon. George Brown sent to the subscribers of the Globe. The likeness is an apt one of the departed journalist as he appeared when in his prime. It excelled our expectations, both in the execution of the work, and the faithfulness of the resemblance.

THE VOTE ON THE HYMNAL.—The vote taken recently in Knox Church, Goderich, upon the adoption of the new hymnal in the church services was counted last week, and found to be as follows:—For the hymnal, 144 members and 21 adherents; total 165. Against the hymnal, 14 members and 2 adherents; total 16. Majority for the hymnal 149. The new hymns will be introduced into the services in March. The intention is not that they should supersede the psalms, but that they should be used in conjunction with them.

THE GOLDEN YEA.—The mercury in the thermometer touched the lowest point yet reached this winter in Goderich on Wednesday morning. It registered about 18 degrees below zero. The shop boy running the shutters off in lightning style, refrained from the usual chaff with the boy of the next store. Nobody buttoned a neighbor on the street corner to talk over politics with him; and the youngsters going to school kept on such a trot that made the snugly encased reporter imagine that they could not bear to be longer away from study in school than their parents would allow. The thermometer did not touch as low here since 1871.

THE LADIES OF CANADA.—When I was here before I only carried with me the lady idea. That all Canadian ladies were beautiful. That belief, or rather tradition, has lasted me twenty years, and I return now, having seen the ladies of the habitable globe, and having acquired a considerable amount of cynicism in consequence of finding a large amount of female beauty turn out like the apples of Sodom, only to be confirmed, in a general sense, in the belief of my early days. The ladies of Canada have a brightness and spiritiveness which the rare air of the country seems to engender upon; old stock at home. The ladies form a larger portion of the female of this country than at home, which is extremely gratifying to any lecturer whose tastes are at all aesthetic. [Archibald Forbes.]

SUDDEN DEATH.—Mrs. Phillips, mother of Messrs. John and Wm. Phillips, died suddenly on Sunday morning. She was evidently in the act of drinking a cup of tea, when she fell to the floor dead. No person was in the room at the time; but one of the sons, hearing the fall, went to see what was the matter, and found his mother on the floor, apparently dead. Hastily calling in Mr. Dunlop, who lives near by, the body was examined, when it was found that life was extinct. Mrs. Phillips had been a resident of Goderich for many years. She leaves behind her three sons and two daughters. Messrs. Wm. and John Phillips live in town, and Mr. Joshua Phillips, who attended the funeral, lives in Erie. It is supposed that the cause of the death was carried off by heart disease.

THE CANADIAN METHODIST MAGAZINE.—The February number of this Magazine maintains its usual high standard. An interesting article, with numerous high-class engravings, describes Mrs. Brassy's visit to Spain, Africa, Sicily and Italy. This is not her "Voyage round the World," as some have thought, but quite another book. Mr. Suther's land gives a graphic account of his visit to Alexandria and Cairo, in Egypt. A portrait and life-sketch of Dr. Harper Johnson. Nathaniel Midgton describes John Wesley's loyalty during the President's invasion of England. Prof. Shaw, of the Montreal Theological College, gives a fine study, of special value to every student, of the work on the Youth of Jesus—a prominent topic of the International Lesson Notes for February. The Legends from the Apocryphal Gospels about the Boyhood of Jesus are very curious. The editor tells the remarkable story of St. Francis, the Monk of Assisi. The story of "Valeria, the Martyr of the Old Combs," gives striking pictures of old Roman life. A review of Tennison's new volume gives copious quotations from his "Northern Cobbler," an odd Yorkshire sketch, and from his grand "Defense of Lucknow."

INDENT ASSAULT.—On Sunday, 31st of October, a young lady, sister of Mrs. Thos. J. Marks, of Bayfield, was followed on the street of that village by a number of young men. She ran into her sister's house, where she remained. Mrs. Marks had occasion to go to a distant part of the village after one of her children, and left the house about half-past six o'clock. She was pursued upon by some of the young men, who had been waiting outside, and who were under the impression that it was the girl. After some struggling, they discovered that it was Mrs. Marks, and ran off. The unfortunate woman was badly frightened, and has been confined to the house since. Last week Mr. Marks laid an information against two of the ringleaders, Frederick Ahorn and James Walwin, for aggravated assault upon his wife, before Mr. C. Crabb, J.P. The complainant had previously gone to a number of magistrates, but all refused to take the case, offering various excuses. Upon Mr. Crabb being notified of his dismissal from the magistracy, he dropped the case, and as no other Justice of the Peace in town would take it up, it will probably be carried before the Grand Jury by the County Attorney.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE.
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HIGH SCHOOL BOARD.

Report of Proceedings of the Annual Meeting.
Goderich, Feb. 1st, 1881.

The annual meeting of the Board of High School Trustees was held to-day pursuant to Statute. There were present Archdeacon Elwood and Messrs. Kay and Adamson.

Moved by Mr. Elwood, seconded by Mr. Adamson, that Mr. Kay be re-appointed chairman for the current year—Carried.

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The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

A copy of resolution from the Town Council of Clinton in reference to the Government grant to High Schools was read and approved by the Board.

A communication from the chairman of the High School Trustees, Stratford, in reference to the reports made upon their visits by the High School Inspectors, was read and received.

A communication from the chairman of the Board of High School Trustees, Bowmanville, complaining of females being compelled to study mathematics and of the unfair mathematical papers prepared for the Intermediate Examinations, was read and received.

Moved by Mr. Adamson, seconded by Mr. Elwood, that the chairman and Head Master be appointed a committee to draft a memorial to the Minister of Education, supporting the views of Messrs. Buchan and Manning in their reports on High Schools, in reference to the undue prominence given to mathematics, the diminution of the Government grant to High Schools and the corresponding increase of the burden on the local municipality where the High School is situated.—Carried.

The application of Mr. Chadala, caretaker of the High School, asking for an increase of salary, was read.

Moved by Mr. Adamson, seconded by Mr. Elwood, that an increase of salary to the amount of \$10 be granted, making his salary \$100 per annum.—Carried.

The following is a synopsis of the statistics of the High School, presented by the Head Master, Mr. H. I. Strang:—

Number on register for January, 1881; average attendance, 137; number of pupils from town, 91; number of pupils from other municipalities, 61; number of the latter that board or partially in town, 51; number that have held certificates as public school teachers, 20; number preparing directly for examination Toronto University last year, 1; number preparing for Toronto University matriculation, 2; number preparing for Toronto University matriculation in 1882, 4; number preparing for Victoria last year (in part), 1; number preparing for Victoria matriculation, 1; primary examination of Law Society, 3; primary examination Medical Council, 2; intermediate and second class examination, 56; number of boys studying Latin, 51.

Record for 1880:—Passed junior matriculation, Toronto University, 3 (taking one 1st class and five 2d class honors); passed senior matriculation Toronto University, 1 (taking the mathematical and general proficiency scholarship); passed matriculation examination of Victoria University, 1; taking two 2d class honors; passed examination for entrance to 2d year Knox College, 1; passed primary examination for P. L. surveys, 1; passed second class examination, 5; passed intermediate examination, 5; passed third class examination, 9.

On motion the Board adjourned.

THE COURTS.

County Judge's Criminal Court.
Before His Honor Judge Squier.

February 2.
LARCENY.—David White, of Helmsall, charged with the larceny of \$97 from one Tremier, appeared for trial. Several witnesses for the Crown were examined, and the case was adjourned until Friday morning, for the production of further evidence.

February 3.
John Terrell, who last week pleaded guilty to two charges of larceny, appeared for sentence, and was sent up for two months on each charge, the sentences to be concurrent.

TO BE RE-EXAMINED.—O'Rourke committed as insane, will, under the direction of the Inspector, remain in goal a couple of weeks to enable the Judge and medical men to make another examination at the end of that period, as the reports of previous examinations differed.

CARROLL ACQUITTED.

The Jury in the Biddulph Case Being in a Verdict of "Not Guilty."

The trial of James Carroll, for the murder of Judith Donnelly closed on Wednesday. After being looked up for about four hours, the jury brought in a verdict of "Not Guilty." There is still a possibility of charges being brought against the prisoner and his colleagues for the murder of the other members of the ill-fated Donnelly family. The prisoners were released on bail, and left for home amid the cheers of hundreds of their friends.

By all means advertise. Change often, and when your business admits of it make different features of it prominent in their turn—to-day one thing, to-morrow or next week another—and then something else. Let your advertisements have something of the dash in them, without great exaggeration. Hundreds of fortunes have been made by advertising, and yet as an art it is but imperfectly understood.—[Ed.]

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Meteorological Report.

Report of the weather for the week ending January 29th.

Jan. 23rd.—Wind at 10 p.m. North-east, light, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 250. Snow flurries during the day.

Jan. 24th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South-west, fresh, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 676. 1 inch of snow fell during the day.

Jan. 25th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South-west, brisk gale, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 744. Snow flurries during the day.

Jan. 26th.—Wind at 10 p.m. North-west, moderate gale, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 856. 3 inches of snow fell during the day.

Jan. 27th.—Wind at 10 p.m. North-west, fresh, clear. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 657.

Jan. 28th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South, light, clear. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 354.

Jan. 29th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South-east, light, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 287. 1 1/2 inches of snow fell during the day.

G. N. MACDONALD, Observer.

Goderich, Jan. 31st, 1881.

N. B.—Snow fell on 23 days during the month. Amount of snow fall 48 1/2 inches.

Colborne.

OBITUARY.—We regret to learn that Mr. James McIntyre, formerly of Colborne township, who left home on the 1st December last, to visit an uncle at Pittsburg, Penn., contracted magnetic typhoid fever, from the effects of which he succumbed on the 25th of January. The deceased was well known and highly esteemed in this section.