

St. Helens.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The pupils of St. Helens school gave a very successful entertainment in the school-house, on Friday evening, Dec. 23rd.

HYMNAL.—Considerable excitement prevailed in our usually quiet village on Wednesday last, when a large company assembled to witness the marriage of Mr. Peter McDonald to Miss Martha Asquith, of St. Helens.

Belfast.

PRESENTATION.—At the close of the examination of the Belfast school which took place on Wednesday, the 21st Dec., the pupils presented Miss Maggie Radcliffe, the assistant teacher, with a handsome writing desk accompanied by the following address:

DEAR TEACHER.—As your term of service in this section has come to a close, we, on behalf of the pupils, for whom you have labored so earnestly to educate during the past year, cannot let this opportunity pass without expressing our appreciation of your services as a teacher.

MISS RADCLIFFE made a short but suitable reply, thanking the scholars for this mark of their appreciation of her work among them, and expressing the hope that they would attend to their studies, and respect and obey their next teacher, and that all should meet at last where parting is unknown.

Accident.

ACCIDENT.—A son of Mr. Jas. Lobb, of the 2d con. E. Wawanosh, met with a painful accident one day last week. He was engaged in cutting straw with a straw cutter and got his hand into the machine, cutting one of his fingers off and severely injuring another.

An entertainment consisting of music, readings and dialogues, was given in the Temperance hall, here, on Thursday, the 22nd Dec., by the pupils of Union S. S. No. 3, Colborne, which was largely attended. Addresses were also given by the Rev. Mr. Fritchard and Mr. John Young, of Kingston University.

The tea-meeting in the C. M. church on Friday the 23rd Dec., was a decided success, notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the roads. Tea was served in the Temperance hall, after which the company adjourned to the church, where addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Cook, of Bayfield, Mr. Pritchard and Mr. Hillyard, of Auburn.

The Bright Side.

Look on the bright side. It is the right side. The times may be hard, but it will make them no easier to wear a gloomy and sad countenance. It is the sunshine and not the cloud that makes the flower. There is always that before and around us which should cheer and fill the heart with warmth.

S. E. BURWELL, of Fingall, Ont., writes:—Last autumn, I was suffering from a severe cold which settled on my lungs and produced a distressing cough, for which I gave trial to a number of Cough Medicines, but without any benefit.

There is no doubt that our Canadian climate is conducive to Lung affections, and for this reason Dr. Carson's Pulmonary Cough Drops should be in every house. For Colds, and all other Lung and Throat affections they have no equal.

A Fitting Rebuke.

It remained for the cattle breeders of Michigan to illustrate the last degree of hoghishness to which the thirst for tariff protection can be carried. Heretofore the tariff has not stood in the way of the importation of blooded cattle; and, as a consequence, the scrub stock of Michigan has been greatly improved by the free intercourse they have enjoyed with the fine-bred English cattle of Canada.

The farmers of Michigan have in many instances gradually substituted for the mongrel cows and oxen of thirty years ago, beautiful beasts whose meat and milk have improved the table of every family in the state.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this association that the free importation of the thorough-bred stock from Canada is not further needed for the improvement of stock in the United States, and that the statute should be amended so that stock imported from Canada for breeding purposes should be stricken from the free list.

There were about fifty persons present, and the opening of the resolution is simply that these fifty and the few others who represent, desire Congress to force the whole remainder of the population of Michigan to purchase exclusively from these fifty persons or go without. It was all right for these shorthorn monopolists to go to Canada and get blooded stock for themselves, but once they were supplied further intercourse with Canada became a crime.

The teacher arose immediately after he called the school to order. There was a look of pain on his face, and he seemed to be feeling for an apple in his coat tail pockets, but he was not.

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Report of the weather for the week ending Dec. 27th, 1881.

Dec. 21st.—Wind at 10 p. m. N. E., light. Raining, began to rain at 4 p. m. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 335.

22d.—Wind at 10 p. m. N. E., brisk gale, cloudy, frost. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 359. Air's of rainfall 4.5 cubic inches. Foggy all day.

23d.—Wind at 10 p. m. N. E., light, clear. White frost. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 591.

24th.—Wind at 10 p. m. S. fresh, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 406.

25th.—Wind at 10 p. m. S., moderate gale, cloudy. Corona lunar. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 588.

26th.—Wind at 10 p. m. N. E., light, cloudy. White frost. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 450.

27th.—Wind at 10 p. m. E., light air, cloudy. Corona lunar. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 167.

G. N. MACDONALD, Observer. Goderich, Dec. 28th, 1881.

Antiquity of Nursery Rhymes.

Many of these productions have a very curious history, if it could only be traced. Some of them probably owe their origin to names distinguished in our literature, as Oliver Goldsmith for instance, is believed in his earlier days to have written such compositions. Dr. E. F. Rimbault gives us the following particulars as to some well-known favorites:—"Sing a Song of Sixpence" is as old as the sixteenth century.

Bismarck is said to have initiated a movement by which Germany, Russia, Austria, and Italy shall unite to oppose any increase of Anglo-French influence in Egypt.

City vs. Local Weeklies.

From the Owen Sound Times. Some of the city papers having reduced the price of their weekly editions, in common with other publishers of local journals, we are frequently asked by those who are not conversant with the circumstances why we do not also reduce our subscription price.

The "World" on J. J. Hawkins.

J. J. Hawkins is to be the next political agent for Ontario at the Tory general election. We presume our Tory friends have been sufficiently prudent to have some one ready to take his place should John J. happen to turn Grit before the election comes off.

Loss of Appetite in Children.

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S. SEEGMILLER, Proprietor.

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JOHN K. MCGREGOR, Kintail, P. O.

Canadian Win

The man who exports so long as to who made or a somewhat similar have gone further at the character of the and I will tell you why they will be," for the nection between them nent, so full of its aboditions, which, unhapp almost things of the pfield for the generamnt of its youth. ada has always held oad to no other coun local application is cor

The fine, bracing largely accounts for th fore, not a matter of average Canadian you interested in his nation course the connection tutions fosters to a c spirit of manly indepe are certain forms of p mate. Of these lacro and tobogganing stand advantages they poss physical. Either or are decidedly pictur they be borrowed fro not is quite a secondar

In regard to lacrosse, widely known in New Y ready cities in the Uni rant the impression mately become quite p cinity of New York a ready established som while the National La of the United States membership some twen tions, which include lciated with Harvard colleges. In the Un ever, lacrosse can scru a winter sport; but in means rare to hear of l the ice, in which the on skates with the mo ty. Prudence, coolin per are absolute' necs lacrosse player, attil be advantageously ex life. To witness a goo the winter on a smoo the prettiest sights i though it may appear spectator, or novice, it risky to give a zest to it.

With reference to s fords any amount of sexes, and in Canada i infra dig for young la shoeing clubs. The c and picturesque, and c or huge flannel cap, s brewers use in the M tonic made out of a k knee breeches, thick r ins, and the costume i is the military, the N adian, the Labrador an shoe, each of which di form. The shape, how matter of taste, the id bine strength and ligt agine no prettier sigt snowshoeing party on night ascending the Royal at Montreal, garb, the club songs, ringing laughter, mim musical flow of wor the air, and make the most as some fancy pa terious region: Long Saturdays from Mo and return, a distance miles, are quite comm of the club leads v advance guard, while stirs up the stragglers unless used to the ex get "done up" on into ravines, falling c as it were quite c harmless enough in considerably to the party. Upon the ar their destination a p meal is quickly dispos are sung, stories are narrow escapes, and passed until the hour There is a tradition o older Club that upo party got ahead of a quent investigation train was "snowed u not a very remarkab American visitors ar come by these club amusing to witness his way on snowsho

Tobogganing is al amusement in Cana cating enough it is so and fatal accidents n cur. The same uni snowshoes, is wor described as a lon strongly secured b curved at the end. eight feet long, a inches wide. It will three to six peopl sit "bunched up" as with the arms of the