

Steamboat Burned.
Serious Loss of Life.
Heroic Conduct of the Pilot.

New York, June 28.—The steamboat *Savannah*, which sailed from Peekskill up Long Island Sound to Glen Cove, L. I., took fire at 4.30 this afternoon while off Randall's Island, East River. The fire was caused by an explosion in the engine room, and the middle of the steamboat was soon in flames. Pilot Charles Smith remained at his post until nearly burned to death, and succeeded in beaching the vessel on a sunken meadow adjoining the island. Many persons sprang overboard and were drowned. Many others in the stern of the vessel could not get off, and were burned to death. Of the five hundred persons supposed to have been on board, fifty are believed to have perished. The bodies of about thirty have been recovered. The vessel was burned to the water's edge, and will be a total loss.

One of the passengers said there were 350 passengers on board. All went well until the vessel had passed Hell Gate, when the fire alarm rang out, and the flames were discovered bursting through the pilot house. The officers and crew assured the passengers that there was no danger, and the boat was headed for Randall's Island. She grounded on a bar two hundred feet from shore. The steamer *Granite State*, of the Hartford Line, which was passing, went to the assistance of the *Savannah* and picked up thirteen living passengers and one dead body, which she took to Whitestone. The steamer *Osseo* picked up a majority of the passengers, and proceeded to College Point. Those of the passengers unprovided with life-preservers were saved by clinging to the guards, railings, and other portions of the steamer. Four bodies are thus far known to have been discovered—two men and two women. Among the former is that of Abe Skidmore, member of the old Long Island family. This information expresses the belief that the loss of life is about thirty.

The theory of many is that a lamp left in the fire-room caused the fire by exploding.

Board of Education.
The Board of Education met on Monday evening, present—Messrs. Merton, (Chairman), Burgess, Innes, Inglis, Knowles, Newton, Wilkie, McKenzie, Hart, Skinner and Dr. Keating.

PUBLIC SCHOOL GRANT.
Mr. Torrance, Public School Inspector, stated that he had received a list of Public School apportionments from the Education Department. The apportionment for the Guelph schools was \$1,184, being \$60 more than last year.

From Mr. Tytler, stating that David Worsfold, a pupil, was guilty of playing truant for the fourth time.

From Mr. Howard, stating that he had paid to the City Treasurer \$985, being the amount he overpaid on the Central School contract.

This was in accordance with a report of the Special Committee in the Howard matter, passed at a previous meeting.

With reference to the first communication.

Mr. Innes moved, seconded by Mr. Burgess, that the boy Worsfold be given a last chance to do better, but that if he is guilty of the same offence again he be expelled.

Mr. Wilkie moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Inglis, that the suspension of the boy Worsfold by the Principal be confirmed, and that he remain in the school until he is re-admitted by the Inspector and Chairman of the Board.

The resolution was carried.

SITES AND BUILDINGS.
Mr. Inglis, chairman of the Sites and Buildings Committee reported, recommending as follows: That the portion of the sidewalk at the Central School be repaved and graded, and also that a wooden box be carried across the ground and connected with main drain so as to carry off the water and prevent wash on the slope, at a cost of about \$60. Adopted.

FINANCE.
Mr. Newton, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported as follows: That the Committee met this evening and agreed to report recommending the payment of the following accounts, which they find correct: W. S. G. Knowles, \$26.95; Herald office, \$7.40; George Merton, \$6.00; John McPherson, \$5.25; L. H. Rainer, \$15.00; R. F. Maddock, \$18; Jas. Shepard, \$60. Adopted.

The Board adjourned at 8.15 p.m.

HORRIBLE AFFAIR AT PORT LAMTON.—A horrible affray took place at Port Lamton a few days ago, the victim being a negro named Anderson. The man was in the habit of wandering about from place to place in that neighborhood and owned a piece of land in Chatham Township. On Tuesday of last week he was in Lamton and became intoxicated. At night he wandered to the house of one Miller, in suburbs of the village, and there created a disturbance. He was finally driven off by a mob of beating, but he returned again, when Miller and a number of companions in the house became enraged, and taking Anderson again in hand, they pummeled him most unmercifully, driving him from the village towards Baky Point, and beating him as they went. Having vented their brutal rage they left him on the bank of the river, where he was found next morning by a young man passing that way and who helped him to the office of the village doctor, Dr. Jackson. The doctor after examining the wounds said the unfortunate man would not recover and he dragged himself to a secluded spot where he died. The injuries were three ribs broken, the breast bone shattered terribly, a gash upon the face extending from the lip to the forehead, a large indentation on another part of the forehead, the back of the head badly cut, and other small marks of kicks and blows.

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On Saturday morning the bailiffs took into execution the goods and chattels of the Rev. Mr. Handford for the sum of \$27 due for city taxes, and after giving of payment within a certain time the unwelcome and persistent visitors left the house.

Daily Mercury.
TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 29, 1880

Cutting Down Corporation Trees.

A case was before the Police Court today, which though not in itself of very great importance as far as the value of the property is concerned, yet involves a principle which if ignored or disregarded, might lead to more serious consequences. A petition was presented at the last meeting of the Council, asking that some able trees be cut down on West Market Square on account of the nuisance they created yearly in the shedding of their bloom. A resolution was brought up recommending that they be cut down, but was withdrawn when the Chairman of the Market House Committee stated that he had dealt with the case in his report. In that report the recommendation was made that the trees in question be trimmed so as to obviate any annoyance in future. The report was adopted, and the matter was considered as settled.

But on Friday night one of the men doing work for the Corporation cut the objectionable trees down, and when summoned to the Court to show cause why he did so, he stated that he acted on the instructions of the Chairman of the Road and Bridge Committee. The man who did the work was not, of course to blame, but we certainly think that the Road and Bridge Chairman exceeded his duty by a long way, for he had nothing to do with the matter at all, and in giving his orders he acted contrary to the report of the Market House Committee, which he well knew was adopted by the Council at the previous meeting.

Such being the evidence we are astonished at the decision of the Magistrate. The property belonged to the city. It was under the special charge of the Market House Committee, and the recommendation of that Committee presented to the Council through its Chairman, and adopted by the Council, should have been respected. If every member of the Council, or every officer of the Corporation is warranted, as the decision of the Police Magistrate would imply, to do what he likes with Corporation property, or to order it to be destroyed, what security have we for its preservation?

Since the above was written we have received a letter from Mr. Chadwick, denying that he gave authority to cut down the trees, which puts an entirely new face on the matter. We refer our readers to his letter in another column.

The Decision in the Insurance Cases.

Last week we gave the judgment of the Supreme Court in the Insurance cases, in which the validity of the Provincial Act was called in question. The foreign companies took the ground that the Provincial Legislature had no jurisdiction over them. The decision was that foreign companies must, if they desire to carry on business in this Province, be subject to the laws passed by the local Parliament. It was also held that the Statute applied wherever there was a contract of insurance, whether effected by a policy or an interim receipt; and that the Ontario Insurance Act was valid, not being an interference with trade and commerce, but dealing with property and civil rights, which come expressly within the jurisdiction of the local authorities.

The Monetary Times commenting on the decision says:—

The Insurance Companies will either have to bow to this decision or bring the question before the Privy Council. It is understood that some of the companies interested are desirous of pursuing the latter course. The point involved is of sufficient importance to warrant the expense of having a decision from the highest tribunal. Still, the current of Canadian judicial decision has been so strongly in favor of holding the Act valid, that there is no great prospect of a reversal by the Privy Council. Perhaps, therefore, it would be better for the foreign companies to accept the situation and adopt the conditions, which, it cannot be denied, have been carefully framed with the object of protecting the interests of insurers and insured alike. Certainly it would be a great advantage to all concerned to have uniformity in the conditions in use among fire insurance companies—which it will be impossible to secure unless the power to make laws applicable to all companies is vested in some one authority.

Two of the cases referred to are based on the claims of one Parsons, of Orangeville, which have been pending before the Courts for several years, much to the detriment of the creditors of the insured. Their interest in the result is augmented by the fact that since the abolition of the Insolvent Act, Parsons has permitted a friend to obtain judgment and sell out his stock-in-trade, leaving his other creditors to rely upon outstanding assets the most valuable of which is understood to be these insurances.

On Saturday Anne McGowan, who, it is alleged, was seduced by Bennett, Hon. George Brown's murderer, arrived in Toronto and visited the jail to see the prisoner, but did not succeed, as she had not a Sheriff's order. The girl appears to be more concerned about Bennett's fate than the wife, who is her sister, and is trying to start a petition for a reprieve. Bennett continues to act in an unconcerned manner, and freely laughs and jokes with his guards, who watch him day and night.

Notes from the London Camp.
(From our own Correspondent.)

BRIGADE CAMP, LONDON, June 26th.

The rain continued till after dark last evening, accompanied by heavy thunder and lightning, and many of the men shook with fear while the "lightning flashed and the thunder crashed." This morning, however, the sun shone brightly, and we expect fine weather.

Everything is now in order and the men are "at home" in their new quarters. To the initiated there are some charms in camp life. All the Battalions are friendly with each other. Let their colors be black or red, all join in making the brigade camp at London one to be remembered for its pleasantness.

The camp grounds are simply beautiful, dotted here and there with tall pines making a cool and pleasant camping ground. We are about a mile and a half from the city, and inside the corporation lines.

We have a barber for our Battalion in the person of T. C. Young, of Elora, who drives a rushing business in shaving the boys.

of Guelph receive every morning copies of the *Mercury* and *Herald*, and they know well how to appreciate the generosity on the part of the proprietors of these newspapers.

There is a post office to each Battalion, and the mails are received twice a day. Sergeant Ritchie, of Elora, has charge of the 30th, and is kind and obliging.

"Blanketing" is still continued to a great extent among the "Red coats." This is not allowed in the 30th Battalion. The men are all satisfied with the rationing—in fact the oldest members of the Battalion cannot remember a time when they were better satisfied with the way their wants are attended to. Every man has all he can eat of good wholesome food. This department is under the charge of Quartermaster Swinford, but under the direct supervision of Quartermaster Sergeant Mann, assisted by private McKee, of the Guelph company. The Sergeant is always ready and willing to do a good turn to any of the men. The whole Battalion is served with rationing for the day before seven in the morning.

The Guelph company went on guard on Thursday morning and were relieved on Friday morning at nine o'clock. They had a bad time of it, as it rained a great deal. They were highly complimented by Col. Taylor for their strict attention to duty.

The company paraded for medical inspection this afternoon, and all were passed by the medical officer, Dr. Orton.

The Rev. Mr. Ball, Battalion Chaplain, is in camp here, and held service this morning. He read the 8th chapter of the Epistle to the Hebrews, after which the 100th Psalm was sung, he then led in an effective prayer. Nearly all the battalion (except those on duty) attended the service.

This morning Col. Clarke's horse got its hind foot entangled in the ropes of his tent, and kicked at a furious rate for a short time. Major Armstrong cut the rope and the frightened animal became quiet. The only damage done was a rip in the tent.

By permission of Col. Taylor, D. A. G., Col. Moffat, Brigade Major, and the officers of the several Battalions, the Bands encamped will give a concert Monday evening. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged which will go towards the Bands.

The men continue in good health and have a great liking for camp life.

In the paragraph copied from the *Free Press* in the *Mercury* of Friday there is a slight error. The Guelph company is No. 2 in the Gazette but in Battalion No. 1, being the senior company. Douglas is No. 3.

LONDON, June 28.

Owing to the rain yesterday there was no church parade on the ground, although the Brigade formed twice. The London Battalion, the Cavalry and the cadets from the Harrow College turned out. The 7th Battalion B.D. accompanied them. The Catholics, however, marched to the city and attended service at St. Peter's Church.

The rain continued with very little intermission all afternoon, and we are having more this morning. The morning drill had to be cut short on this account, and there was no forenoon drill. At noon the sun came out and a stiff breeze from the south soon dried up the grounds. A shower in the afternoon caused the dismissal of the Brigade.

Yesterday there was some excitement here owing to the disorderly conduct of some of the men.

A man belonging to the Waterloo Battalion, was fighting with one of his comrades, and was arrested and placed in the guard house. When there he grabbed a rifle and faced the whole guard, who charged bayonets on him, and he had to be tied down. His feet in a bag. He was perfectly wild and could not be controlled by the guard. A policeman from the city was sent for, and he was taken to the London jail, where he will be tried by the civil power.

Two civilians used insulting language towards one of the 30th sentries and were placed in the guard house. After about two hours confinement they were let go with a reprimand.

Quite a number of civilians visited the camp yesterday afternoon and evening. Dick Smith is here with the Berlin Band and keeps the boys alive with his musical oddities.

There are a number of fiddlers on the ground, and in the evening the old time "dance on the green," is indulged in by the boys, who never fail to give it in all its quaintness.

The Guelph Company signed the pay roll to-day, Paymaster Harvey having arrived Saturday evening, accompanied by Mr. Outten.

There are only two in the 30th hospital from the northern companies, and their complaints are not serious.

The Guelph Company attended the city churches yesterday evening.

GRAVEL ROAD CONTRACT.—Alexander Morrison has secured the contract for graveling the Elora and Saugeen road between Tevoitdale and Harrison, at 394 cents per cubic yard. On the section between Harrison and Clifford John Arthur has secured the contract at 284 cents per cubic foot. John Frank has been awarded the contract for graveling the Guelph and Fergus road, between Stewart, Green and Henderson. Commissioners for the Reading and Orangeville county road, awarded the graveling contracts as follows: 1st division, to John Frank, at 35 cents per yard; 2nd to Joseph Carney, at 34 cents per yard; and 3rd, to Matthew Fergus, at 40 cents per yard. The tenders of John Frank at 35 cents for section one and William Hanna at 24 cents for section two being together the lowest were accepted for graveling the Fergus and Douglas road. The Fergus and Arthur road was divided into three sections, viz: Fergus, Comstock and Arthur. John Sheridan's tender at 40 cents being the lowest was accepted. He made a start but afterwards threw up the contract. The Commissioners have now let the graveling of the three sections to John Frank, of Fergus, at 59 cents.

WITHDRAWING FROM THE COUNTY.—The town of Palmerston has under consideration the propriety of withdrawing from the county of Wellington and being annexed to the county of Perth. The council of the latter county have offered Palmerston liberal inducements to come to them. At a meeting of the Palmerston town council last week the report of the deputation appointed to confer with the Perth County Council with reference to attaching the town to Perth, was received, and it was decided that action thereon be taken with the purpose of withdrawing from Wellington and entering the County of Perth. Palmerston's indebtedness to Perth is \$1,450. It is proposed that Perth relieve her of this indebtedness, and assume the proportion of the town's indebtedness due to the County of Wellington. The county rate of Palmerston last year was \$815; according to the rate of assessment of the county of Perth it would not be over \$900.

Local Business Notices.

Lager beer from the Palmerston brewery put up in cases of 12 dozen bottles each, at sixty-five cents per dozen, at Jackson's, Hallett's.

STRAWBERRIES.—If you want strawberries of the best quality for preserving, at prices that are reasonable, call at Murray's at once.

Immense range of genuine silk parasols at 25c each, at the Lion's, anything like the price. J. D. Williamson & Co. **dlt**

FLOWERING PLANTS.—Asters, zinnias, stocks, balsams, marigolds, pansies, daisies, etc., now ready for planting, at J. Hallett & Co.'s, Market Square, Guelph. **dltm**

Cabbages, cauliflower, red and white celery and tomato plants, grown out of doors, at J. Hallett & Co.'s, Seedstore, Guelph. **dltm**

Macaulay's England, 5 vols., strong cloth. A well printed, splendid edition for half price, only \$3.00 for the five vols., at Day's bookstore.

Scribner's and Harper's Magazines for July; Blackwood's for June, each 30 cts. Family Herald, June No. 12 cts., at Day's bookstore. Day sells cheap.

Croquet, fly traps, lawn sprinklers, hedge shears, fishing tackle, and all seasonable hardware in large variety and cheap, at John M. Bond & Co., Guelph.

THE HEATED TERM.—Immense lot of pique and severe, stripes and checks—beautiful for summer dresses—at 5 cents per yard. Also handsome grenadines, black and fancy, at 5 cents. Five cents—mark the price, only at the Lion. J. D. Williamson & Co. **dlt**

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CHOICE CHEWING TOBACCO.—The favorite Brands, viz.: Prince of Wales, No. 1; Black Bird, Napoleon, Nelson Navy's, Little Favorite, Fine Cut, and also the finest stock of smoking tobaccos, plug and cut, cheapest and best quality in Guelph, at the Noted Tea Store, 2 Day's Block. J. E. McElderry.

A CARD.—To all who are suffering from errors and indiscretion of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, etc., I will send a receipt that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to Dr. Rev. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station 12, New York City. **dewdewly**

Railway Time Table.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY
GOING SOUTH.
Trains will leave Guelph as follows:—6.35 a.m. 6.45 a.m., 2.25 p.m., and 4.35 p.m.
GOING NORTH.
11.30 a.m., and 6.05 p.m., for Southampton and Enderburg 8.00 p.m., for Fergus.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.
GOING WEST.
Trains will leave Guelph as follows:—1.30 a.m. 2.47 a.m., 2.10 p.m., except on Monday; 5.52 p.m. 7.13 p.m.
GOING EAST.
Night Express 3.40 a.m.; 9.10 a.m.; 11.00 a.m. 4.05 a.m. 8.57 p.m.

Time of Closing Mails.
GREAT WESTERN.
Going North—10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 7.00 p.m. 9.00 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 4.00 p.m., 5.30 p.m.
GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.
Going West—9.30 a.m., 5.25 p.m. 10.30 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 3.30 p.m.
The English mail closes at the Guelph Post office Friday at 10.35 a.m.

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Ladies' Silk Gloves, 10 cents.

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Linen for Ladies Costumes, 5 cents a yard.

Parasols in great variety, at half price

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A large lot of FINE ENGLISH TWEEDS, comprising some of the best patterns made, at half price.

Also, in addition to our large stock of trimmed and untrimmed MILLINERY, we have succeeded in getting 30 dozen Ladies' and Misses Hats and bonnets, at less than half price.

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Guelph, June 21th, 1880

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