LISTOWEL STANDARD.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1882.

MR. MOWAT is about to lose his best man, Hon. S. C. Wood, Provincial Treasurer, who has intimated his intention of retiring from political life—no doubt to the security of a fat office ere the crash comes.

THE Ontario Legislature opened on Wednesday. The meagre bill of fare provided in the speech from the throne indicates that the session—the last of the present Parliament—will be an unimportant one. Mr. Mowat evidently intends to keep up the spirit of hostility to the Dominion Government which has characterized each succeeding session of the Ontario Legislature, with a view to effect his return to power. But neither his scheming nor open hostility is likely to save the sinking ship.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

Owing to the "snow blockade," which prevented the delegates from the south part of the Riding from reaching here, it was thought advisable to adjourn the North Perth Conservative Convention until to-day. Consequently, weather permitting, the Convention will meet in the Osborne Hall at one o'clock, when we have no doubt a standard-bearer to lead the party to victory in the coming contest for the representation of the Riding in the Ontario Legislature will be selected by the unanimous voice of the Convention.

DEATH OF SIR HUGH ALLAN.

Sir Hugh Allan died suddenly in Edinburgh on Saturday morning last. His death has removed the Chief figure-head of Canadian shipping and commerce. He was one of the first to engage in steam navigation with Canada, had always great faith in the progress and future of this country, and organised the Allan line of steam vessels at Montreal. At first the venture went a little lamely, but as the country began to increase in population and wealth it became so successful that it was greatly added to, so that now it is one of the most considerable and best appointed afloat. His father being a sea captain, Mr. Allan was early in life accustomed to take an interest in maritime affairs. But he commenced his commercial life as a clerk in the house of Allan, Kerr & Co., at Greenock. It was here that he gained the knowledge of the methods of conducting shipping in a profitable manner, which became of such use to him in after years. This was in 1825, when the future merchant prince was but fourteen years of age. It was in 1831 that he came to Canada as a permanent resident, and entered the house of James Millar & Co., Montreal, who were then engaged in building ships, and sailing them when built. Several notable ships were turned out from their yards, but they eventually declined ship-building, and relied upon selling their vessels. Steam navigation was then about to make itself felt in the commerce of the world, and in 1851 the line of steamers was projected, which has since grown to such large proportions. The "Canadian" and "Indian," vessels drafted into the service, were the first put upon the waters, having been previously engaged in the Black Sea trade. To these were soon after added the well known ships "American" and "Anglo-Saxon," which began their regular trips to the St. Lawrence in the year 1856. At first the service was only monthly, but by the wise provision of government in connection with the postal service it was soon after increased to that of once a week. This line from Liverpool was supplemented by one from Glasgow, chiefly engaged in the transportation of freight, so that the man who began as a simple clerk in a mercantile house lived to see himself at the head of one of the most extensive steamship companies in the world.

At one time Sir Hugh was at the head of a company whose object it was to construct a railway through Canada to the Pacific. This was in 1872-73, but the unpatriotic efforts of those whom he at one time befriended were the means of defeating his good intentions, and of delaying the realization of the enterprise, now in other hands, for nearly ten years. This was a great discouragement to the man who had the prescience to discover that which some others are now beginning to see—that the future of Canada is bound up with the development of the North-West. He was, on account of his connection with this company made the object of the most vile attacks on the part of those whose policy it has been to endeavor to wreck and ruin every Canadian project which they could not control. He survived all that and lived to witness the change in public opinion which has been the means of insisting on that being done at the hands of the present railway syndicate which he was so anxious to do long years ago. In addition to these Sir Hugh Allan was at the head of other important enterprises. He was President of the Montreal Telegraph Line, which owed its great usefulness very much to his exertions and support.

Though many opportunities were presented to him he never entered into political life, but chose the less ambitious but not less useful course of a great merchant's career. Sir Hugh was essentially a self-made man. His fortunes were of his own building. He worked for what he amassed by obtaining the confidence of others, and by taking those useful modes of action which society is compelled in its own interests to support and encourage. The services he rendered to this country and to commerce with England, generally, were appreciated by the Crown, and he was knighted, an honor highly merited on his part at the hands of a nation so essentially commercial as is England. So far as political opinions were concerned, Sir Hugh was found attached to what is known as the Conservative party. When twenty-five years or so ago the Allan Line was in deep water, and likely to be taken off the route for want of better support, it was the Conservative Government of that day which granted it a postal subsidy, by means of which it was enabled to weather the storm, and become one of the most useful agents in Canadian progress and commerce. It is needless to say that in that, as in the matter of the railway, he found opposition from quarters from which he had reason to expect an honest measure of support. We have but glanced at some of the larger enterprises with which this active, far seeing man was connected. But his capital and his efforts were wrapped up in many other useful enterprises. His death comes upon us unexpectedly, for though he was in the 73rd year of his age—he was born 29th of September, 1810—he was hale and hearty but a short time since. No premonitions had reached the Canadian public that he was about to pass away, or that his health was in a declining condition. Take him all in all he was the most useful man as a promoter of excellent things who has attached himself to the good fortunes of this country. But he did not come to us when those fortunes had been secured by the beneficial action of a wise public policy. He came in the days of small things and humble beginnings, when Canada was not much known and little thought of by the majority of people in Great Britain. His life was one of continued activity. His idle moments were few, and though he recreated himself during the summer months to some extent, he was even during those periods of relaxation planning some useful work, some addition to the good he had been the author or the promoter of. He rests from his labors among us with a record that will go down in Canadian history as among the most worthy.

MONCTON.

Mr. Charles Merrifield has got the contract of carrying the mails between Mitchell and Moncton, the price being $400. The stage route between Mitchell and Listowel is to be discontinued.

LOGAN.

Mr. John Longeway has sold his part of lot 15 in the 12th concession, containing 40 acres, to Micheal Ernest for $2,000, and Mr. W. Campbell has sold his 50 acre lot, No. 5, in the 11th concession, to Mr. Graham of Hibbert, for the sum of $1,750.

MILLBANK.

The enterprising people of this section have determined to hold monthly cattle fairs. A society for that purpose has been formed with Mr. W. Harron, treas., and Mr. Thos. Farrell, sec'y.

Mr. J. Boyd Rutherford, formerly of Millbank, now of Stonewall, Manitoba, is a candidate for the Provincial Legislature of Manitoba, for the Rockwood Division.

ATTWOOD.

The American Express Co. offer a reward of $500 for the capture of John Duncan, late express and station agent at this place.

Owing to the severe weather there was not such a large attendance at our "Mutal Improvement Society." However, enough were present to discuss the subject of debate, viz.: "Resolved that Prairie Land is better adapted for farming than Bush Land." Some good points were brought up on both sides. Decision in favor of Prairie Land. Mr. Scott occupied the chair. He also sang a couple of songs, which took splendidly.

ST. MARY'S.

The time for paying th[illegible]es, without an additional two cents [illegible] dollar, has been extended [illegible]

The Collegiate In[illegible] have appointed the following teachers for 1883: J. E. Wetherell, salary, $1,200; J. M. Clark, $900; J. E. Tom, $900; J. M. Levan, $750; H. McQuarrie, $500.

THE St. Marys Argus say: "There has never been so much building going on at this season of the year in this town as there is at present; and yet there is scarcely a dwelling house to rent. A healthy sign!" And yet the Argus says the N. P. has not benefited the country.

ELLICE.

Through the skillful efforts of Dr. Parke, Mrs. Baumbach is now convalescent. She was for some time in a very critical condition.

The boys engaged on the Whorl creek drain during the fall have now gone into winter quarters, in order to recuperate their energies for the spring campaign.

Mr. C. Ratz last week secured a fine deer in the Ellice marsh. This is the only place in the county where deer are found in any considerable numbers, and even here where the range is so large, hunters experience considerable difficulty in securing them.

The storm of Thursday and Friday last was almost blinding in its force and density. The roads are blocked in all directions, and everybody is confined within the quadrangle of his own "fect."—COM.

DORKING.

Diptheria of a virulent kind has taken off one of Mr. J. Hoey's little girls; also two of Mr. Henry Thorp's little girls were buried in one grave. It has thinned our school attendance here, a great many staying at home on account of one or two having got this fell disease.

Our present teacher, Mr. J. Switzer, has accepted the principalship of a school in Blanshard—one of the best in the county—at a large increase of salary, for 1883. He leaves here with the best wishes of the people for his welfare, and with the hope that he may be spared to acquit himself as manfully where he is going as he has done here.

Municipal matters seem very quiet in our city. Some talk of giving the landlord of the Queen's the Mayoralty—a gentleman fully qualified in every way for the office. Messrs. J. J. Conolley, D. Moser, I. Lincham, W. Hoey, W. Weltz for aldermen—all shrewd business men.

NAAMAN.

WALLACE.

On Friday last a tea meeting and concert took place in the Orange Hall at the junction of con. 8, Wallace, with the town line. Notwithstanding the roughness of the weather there was a good turnout. A number of ladies and gentlemen from Palmerston assisted in the concert. Miss Maggie Cusack and Mr. C. Hynds played a violin duet, Miss Hannah Cusack accompanying them on the organ. The Misses Gusack also sang a duet, and assisted in other pieces. Mr. Henry Fawcett sang "The Gay Cavalier" in good style. The choir of St. Pauls Church, Palmerston, contributed greatly to the enjoyment of the evening; Mr. W. J. Jennings, and Mr. Greer delivered short addresses. The chair was occupied by the Rev. J. H. Fletcher. During the evening a cake was voted on, the fair contestants being Miss Douglass and Miss Cusack, the former lady gaining five more votes than her opponent. The object of the social was to raise money for seating the hall, in which divine service is conducted on alternate Sundays by the Incumbent of Palmerston. On Monday evening a second social was held in the same hall, for the same purpose. In addition to the ladies and gentlemen who assisted at the first concert, and who kindly rendered good service a second time, the Rev. G. B. Taylor, of Listowel, delivered an interesting address on his recent trip to the Old Country. About $45 were realized by the entertainments.—*Telegraph.*

DONEGAL.

The Tam O'Shanter is all the rage among our young men now.

Owing to the impassable state of the roads, which prevented the Rev. Mr. Campbell from attending, the annual missionary meeting was not held in Trinity Church on Sunday last.

A soiree in aid of Trinity Church organ fund is talked of.

The chimney of Mr. Robert Ford's house caught fire on Monday night, and gave the occupants of the house quite a scare before it was put out. Happily the building escaped damage.

Our local astronomer, after spending the forenoon of Wednesday on the top of a milk-stand in the hope of catching an observation of Venus, came down rather blue looking when he found that the clouds would not break, and with the remark that the "thing may go to thunder," hastily departed to get his dinner. We would humbly suggest that he write an almanac, and not be discouraged by the first failure. Look at Vennor, and never say "fail."

People can't visit each other now, for snow; but then "there's a good time coming," so keep up your spirits.

That "smiling" candidate would like to know why we are going to "keep our eye on him." We might say that as we never saw him smile before, we would like to see him do it once more and then we are ready to ——lie.

We see by the *Times* that D. D. is doing a rushing business in the baby-kissing line. We believe he hasn't kissed a baby in Donegal in twelve months. Come down, Mr. Hay, and have a look at the cherubs, anyhow.

Mr. John Cuthbertson is the happy possessor of a lark. He got it from Mr. S. McCourt.—COM.

STRATFORD.

Messrs. Scrimgeour, Roberts and Gordon are the candidates for the Mayoralty.

Mr. T. M. Daly, sr., will deliver a lecture on Manitoba and the Northwest in the town hall on Tuesday evening, 18th inst.

Considering the stormy weather a well-filled house greeted the Model Student's entertainment last Friday evening. The audience seemed to be well pleased with the performance. The various choruses, charades, readings, lectures, etc., were given in a manner highly creditable to the young teachers.

STRATFORD MODEL SCHOOL.—The following are the names and number of marks of those who passed the recent examination of the Model School students. Number of marks necessary to pass, 288: Thomas D Allingham 354, Cyrus N Callender 408, Nathan Doupe 346 Hugh Davidson 360, Walter L. Ferguson, 344, George Fowler 301, Peter Gowan 331, Moses Haynes 331, Henry Patterson 359, R W Riddell 363, Samuel T Rutherford 333, John D Watson 339, John T Wren 348, C W Waldon 338, J H McBain 360, Hattie Anderson 361, Maggie Benis 328, Lily Cameron 340, Matilda Currelley 329, Lizzie Campbell 373, Jessie Climie 328, Maggie Easson 430, Minnie Foster 367, Christina Gourlay 344, Jessie Hepburn 349, Maggie Headwick 356, Maude Hay 327, Leonora Hill 370, Susan Jones 348, Melissa Jefferson 336, Alice M Lane 333, Maggie Lumsden 349, Jennie Martin 362, Esther G Mitchell 315, Maggie McKenzie 331, Lizzie McKagne 337, Libbie McKee 338, Sarah McCloy 363, Lizzie McLellan 365, Kate McKenzie 375, Annie Pook 354, Jennie Sterritt 396, Alice Wilson 356, Lizzie Wells 397, Lizzie Watt 347.

MORNINGTON.

COUNCIL.—The Council met at Buchanan's hall on Monday, December 4th, according to adjournment; members all present. The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. The Reeve was authorized to issue the following orders:—Fennell & Gearing $2, advice *in re* Martin's bridge contract; G. Stemler $17.80, work on Wellesley townline; T. Knox, Reeve of Elma $10, Mornington's share of work on townline; T. Kollman $36, for six scrapers; A. Creamer $3.07, plank to pathmasters; A. Hergott 25c., repairing scraper; G. Langford $5, Mornington share work on Ellice townline; G. Stemler $3.70, repairing bridge on Wellesley townline; P. Ducklow $3.70, repairing scrapers; J. Alexander $16, building culvert and 50 cts. for plank; J. Farroll $10, building culvert; J. Dowd $1, making roadway at McCormick's bridge; B. Johnston $3, repairing bridge and culvert; R. J. Brownlee $11.50, work on Wellesley townline; J. Riley, $1.85, repairing culvert; A. Henderson 50 cts., do.; C. Keffer $2.50, do.; O. Mayberry $1.25, ditching; Schneider & Gross $22.09, plank to pathmasters; J. Johnston $4.45, repairing two culverts; A. Holmes $10, off take ditch Ellice townline; W. Laidlaw $6, repairing Poole bridge; H. Kelley $4.50, repairing bridge; A. McLeod $3.78, error in tax; J. Freeman $52.06, gravel to pathmasters and contractor; Gibson & Strachan $6, repairing scrapers; W. Rutherford $52.21, gravel to pathmasters and contractor; T. Simpson $18, ditching; W. White $38, approaches to McGorman's bridge; R. Struthers $6.49, error in assessment roll; J. Kines $3, statute labor money returned; H. Kerr $1, lumber to pathmaster; N. Ure & Co. $5.42, blank forms; Ferguson & Elliott $2, advertising Court of Revision; W. J. Passmore $19.65, lumber to pathmasters; J. Baird $10, clearing out creek; J. Gatschene $1.90, repairing scrapers; J. Moore $100, part payment for bridge at McCormicks; W. White $1, lumber to pathmaster. D. McCloy Sec.-Tr. S. S. No. 15 $100, awarded by commission of county council; D. McQuatters $10, ditch on blind sideline; F. Tillie $10, approach to Millbank bridge; J. Knoblock $2, statute labor money returned. An account from R. Dowd was laid before the Council when it was moved by Mr. Freeborn, seconded by Mr. Johnston, that the claim of Mr. Robert Dowd be laid over till next meeting, and that the clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Dowd to attend—carried. R. Smith laid a petition before the Council in regard to the approaches to McCormick's bridge, which was referred to Messrs. Gibson & Johnston. Thomas Hall made application to the Council for leave to keep the roadway to his cheese factory which is partly on the road allowance, when it was moved by Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Magwood, that leave be granted to Thomas Hall to keep his approach to his cheese factory on the 7th line of Mornington, where it is, for the space of two years, provided he does not obstruct the water course at that point—carried. A by-law was introduced and passed, appointing a place for to hold the nomination and election, as follows: Nomination to be held at Henderson's hall, Newton, and election in Div. No. 1, at Thos. Attridge's house, Jas. Hunter, R. O. Div. No. 2, Temperance hall, Poole, John Riley, R. O. Div. No. 3, Henderson's hall, Alex. Munroe, R.O. Div. No. 4, Orange hall, Carthage, John Watson, R. O. Div. No. 5, Mack's shoe shop, Bethlehem, James Baird. R. O. Div. No. 6, Hawthorn's hall, Millbank, James Reid, R. O. Some of the accounts before the Council were laid over till next meeting, as they saw they could not get through with all the business. Moved by Mr. Gieson, seconded by Mr. Freeborn, that this Council do now adjourn to meet again on January 8th, 1883, to wind up the business, at the usual time and place—carried.

JOHN WATSON, Clerk.

PERTH COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Council met, as summoned, last week, on Tuesday, the 5th inst., to wind up the business of the year, Warden Sanderson in the chair, and councillors Frame, Macnamara, Leversage, Currelley, Burns, McLaren, Jones, Stewart, Kennedy, Follis, Knox, Lochhead, Kercher, Spearin, Hess, Hacking, Hyde, McMillan, Schaefer, McDonald, Dougherty, Butler, Monteith, Brown, Vanstone, Bennoch, Vogt.

The Warden gave his usual address, commenting on the business before the council, remarking there was not much requiring their attention and a very short session would suffice to bring the year's business to a close.

Mr. McFadden asked for the enlargement of his safe for the proper keeping of documents.—Referred to the Committee on Co. property. On the introduction of the County Inspector's report some discussion took place, when the report was referred, and reported as below. A question arose as to the payment to Mr. Shipman of a board bill for the man who was shot at the railway station some time since. The advise of the Attorney General was asked as to whether or not the County was liable in the premises, and that astute functionary referred them to the County Crown Attorney for "full information" in the matter, Mr. Vanstone and others taking the view that the "Good Samaritan" act of Mr. Shipman, should not be at his own cost altogether. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee, who reported in favor of settling the claim.

Mr. McMillan moved, seconded by Mr. Hyde that an iron bridge be built across the river Nith—Referred to Road and Bridge Committee. On motion of Mr. McLaren it was resolved that the School Inspector be requested to intimate what action is intended with regard to competitive examinations. The application of the 28th Battallion for a grant to the Band was championed by Mr. Moscrip, of St. Mary's, who succeeded in inducing the council, to make a grant of $100 towards paying for the instruments. A short session on Thursday sufficed for reviewing and adopting reports, when after a vote of thanks to the Warden, moved by Mr. McMillan seconded by Mr. Jones, and carried *nem con.*, the council adjourned.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

In regard to the building of a bridge between North Easthope and Wilmot the committee recommended that the same be built at once, and that the same be of iron structure; provided the county of Waterloo will agree to pay one half the cost. In the matter of the Northern Gravel Road, Mr. Corrie was requested to make no mention in future of this road in his reports, as the committee considered the county had no jurisdiction over the road and recommended that no action be taken in regard to it. The report advised that contract for the supply of cordword for gaol and Court House be let at once. No further steps to be taken towards the erection of bridges on town lines until the following January session of Council—R. Jones, Chairman.

The following are the expenditures on roads and public buildings:

North Easthope	$275 70
South Easthope	275 70
Downie	292 00
Ellice	379 60
Fullarton	249 30
Logan	310 93
Hibbert	150 25
County builings, (fuel and repairs)	573 58
Boundary and town line bridges	1585 60

MR. CORRIE'S REPORT.

The County Inspector of roads, reported the Huron road to Dublin in good repair, since the improvements made this season. An iron bridge had been built between Hibbert and Tuckersmith, at a cost of $615.90. Other bridges had been repaired and some were recommended for renewal in spring. After referring to some necessary repairs to the county buildings, Mr. Corrie referred to that sore spot, the Northern Gravel Road, on which he had made some repairs to prevent, as he said, "teams breaking through." He also expressed a wish that the council would definitely settle the ownership of the road, and as will be seen by the report of the Committee on Roads and Bridges, was politely requested to let the Northern Gravel Road severely alone.

COUNTY PROPERTY.

In reference to complaint of Jas. McFadden Esq., Clerk of the Court of want of room for safe keeping of important papers and documents, the committee reported that having examined the premises, they considered it advisable to enlarge the vault as much as the limits of the premises will admit of.

FINANCE.

The finance committee reported in favor of paying Mr. Sherer's account, less $3, for treasurer's abstract; also Mr. Moran's, less $7; also Davis Bros., less $2.50; Campbell & Abraham, $29; J. H. Michener, $3.44; P. Whellihan $32.40, less $4; T. H. Race, $2 to be paid. Account of Mr. Shipman for Goebel's board, $54, recomended to be paid, although the county "is not legally responsible." Petition County of Peel—no action. Accounts, Wm. Ferry, $17.50; Dunsmore & son, $35.25; John McLellen, $18; Ferguson & Elliott, $12.20, less 50c; A. St. G. Hawkins, $8.40; do, $12.80, less $1.50; A. B McCallum, $25.75, A Matheson, $22.50, less $1; H. T. Butler, $21.10, to be paid. The committee called attention to the necessity of the several municipalities being prompt in the payment of the County rates, thereby enabling the county treasurer to pay all claims when due without having to resort to the banks for accommodation. The committee expressed pleasure at the economical spirit displayed by the council during the past year in not having made any more grants than were actually necessary for pressing needs and would express the hope that his spirit may continue to characterize the council in the future. The report was adopted.

NOTES FROM MANITOBA.

Reports from different parts of the province indicate that the Norquay Government will be largely sustained. W. R. Black, William Crawford, and Isaiah Mawhenney have been nominated for Portage la Prairie, High Bluff, and Burnside respectively in the Conservative interest.

The municipal election in Winnipeg created but a little ripple of excitement. Mr. McMicken was elected Mayor, in reality without opposition although over one hundred of Mayor Logan's friends cast their votes for him against his express wishes. A very small vote was polled. It is now said that owing to one ward not being represented the election of mayor is illegal, and that the position will be filled by one of the aldermen till a poll in the unrepresented ward is held.

Postmaster General Carling has forty applications for new post offices in Manitoba. The present number in the Province is 210. A weekly mail between Winnipeg and Edmonton has been established.

Winnipeg is rolling up a very respectable municipal debt. On the 24 inst. the rate-payers are to vote upon a by-law authorizing the Council to borrow a million dollars by debentures for the permanent improvement of the city.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—An attempt was made at three o'clock this afternoon by eleven convicts in the Provincial penitentiary to break prison. A conspiracy had been formed for some days under the leadership of Garvin, who lately shot the man McDonald in a hotel in this city. The guard in charge was struck with a stick of wood, and felled to the floor insensible. His revolver and keys were then taken and he was gagged and tied, when the eleven convicts marched under the lead of Garvin into the main corridor. Here Warden Bedson met the men, when Garvin at once opened fire with a revolver, firing four shots, but none took effect. The Warden at once grappled with the assailants, and the shots alarmed the guards, who turned out armed with revolvers and carbines, when they over-powered the convicts, shackled them, and took them back to the cells. The good discipline of the institution prevented the escape of the conspirators.

"ALL FOR FUN."

Lured to Ruin Through Answering "Personal" Advertisements.

"WANTED — TO CORRESPOND with a limited number of young ladies; object fun and mutual improvement. Address——"

Such advertisements are often to be seen in American newspapers, and of late in the advertising columns of certain Toronto journals, and the amount of harm which results therefrom is sometimes very distressing. A young girl sees the advertisement, and bent on "fun," answers it. She can form no idea of who her correspondent is, except by his letters, and these may be couched in the most gentlemanly language imaginable. It is very easy for a young and inexperienced girl to be thus led on by some scamp, who, after due deliberation, proposes a meeting. Urged by curiosity the girl consents. The young man may be very well connected, and, in rare instances, have no evil intentions, but this is the exception, not the rule. What his character is she has no means of knowing. Up to this time the correspondence has been carried on under assumed names, and the probability is the young man sticks to it. The girl's affections are secured by plausible stories, and she tells all about herself and relations. The meetings commenced grow more and more frequent, till at last the *denouement* comes.

THE GIRL IS RUINED

under a promise of marriage, and the fellow, unknown to any of her friends, escapes his just punishment.

Of course this is not always the case, but it occurs with such frequency as to show the extreme danger of this kind to diversion.

A distressing proof of the truth of this occurred in a most respectable family in the city about a week ago. Early in the summer, the eldest daughter, a girl of about eighteen, answered one of these advertisements. All went smoothly enough for a time. The parents paid no heed to the numerous letters which were constantly arriving, until the girl's late hours attracted the father's attention. He remonstrated with her, but as that had no effect more severe measures were adopted. Shortly before the boats stopped running last summer the daughter went off on an excursion and did not return home that night. She telegraphed that she had missed the boat and would be home next day. On her return she

MADE A PLAUSIBLE EXCUSE

for her absence, but still continued to remain out late at night. His father at last prohibited her leaving the house during the evenings, and this precipitated what was sure to occur.

One afternoon she left home ostensibly to see a lady friend. Night came on and she did not return. The next day passed without her putting in an appearance. The parents, now thoroughly alarmed, went to her room, to find all her best clothes gone. Shortly afterwards they received a telegram from Buffalo, followed by a letter, explaining that she had run away to get married, and appealing for forgiveness. A week later the poor deluded girl returned home. She had been deserted by the heartless wretch who lured her to ruin, and of whose real name or antecedents she really knew nothing.

Comment is unnecessary. The facts as given above are in every particular correct, and point their own moral. Parents, look well after your daughter's acquaintances; and daughters, never answer advertisements similar to the one which heads this article, or you may repent it in sackcloth and ashes.—*Mail.*

Foreign Flashes.

The Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland has commuted the sentence of death passed on the five men who pleaded guilty of participation in the murder of the Joyce family.

ARABI'S DEGRADATION FROM RANK.

A Cairo despatch says it is expected a decree will be issued in a few days degrading Arabi and the other condemned Pashas, and ordering the confiscation of their property.

WARLIKE PREPARATION IN AUSTRIA.

A Vienna despatch says:—The extreme activity of the military authorities seems to point conclusively to the probability of war. It is known that all the Carpathian passes and the roads along the north-eastern frontier of Hungary are being speedily repaired, and all the wooden bridges replaced by others capable of bearing heavy transport carriage and siege guns. Private advices represent that along the Galician frontier Austria is constantly, but without show, gathering her best cavalry forces, and that the best officers have been sent to the frontier, all indicating preparations for war.

Feathers, ribbons, velvet can all be colored to match that new hat by using the Diamond Dyes, 10 cents for any color.

Delays are dangerous, particularly in Kidney Diseases, so take at once **Dr. Van Buren's Kidney Cure** and obtain relief from all your sufferings. Your druggist keeps it.

Thousands are being cured of Catarrah every year with Hall's Catarrh Cure, that the doctors had given up and said could not be cured, 75 cents a bottle. Sold by J. A. Hacking.

Hon. Lewis Wallbridge, of Belleville, has been appointed Chief Justice of Manitoba.

DOMINION COUGH BALSAM—The great lung remedy, will cure or speedily relieve that distressing cough or that tickling cough, which annoys you at night and prevents you from sleeping; try it for sore lungs or hoarseness; it heals and strengthens the lungs, and quiets the nervous system. Only 25cts. J. A. Hacking, agt. for Listowel.

Have you ever tried TAPSCOTT'S LIVER PILLS for that desperate feeling of oppression that comes over you, making life a weariness to you; if not, go to Hacking's drug store and get a box, they tone up the functions of the system, giving healthy action to the liver, heart and kidneys, purify the blood, making the skin clear and healthy, and imparting vigor and buoyancy to the mind.—25 cents. J. A. Hacking, agt. for Listowel.

The long drawn trial of Dr. Pynchon, of Buffalo, for causing the death by abortion of Miss Buddie McCrae of Chatham, Ont., has been brought to a close, the jury, by the judge's direction, returning a verdict of "not guilty."

Proclaim it far and wide that Dr. Van Buren's Kidney Cure not only immediately relieves all kidney diseases, but what is more important to the unfortunate sufferer, will ultimately cure him effectually.

A Good Investment. Twenty-five cents expended to your druggist for a bottle of Hagyard's Yellow Oil will allay more pain and cure more diseases than many dollars spent for ordinary medicines would do. Yellow Oil cures Rheumatism, Burns, Scalds, Frost Bites, Sore Throat, Croup, Stiff Joints, Contracted Cords and all Lameness and Inflammation.

Kingston, Jamaica, has been the scene of a disastrous fire by which one-quarter of the business portion was destroyed, involving a loss of six million pounds. Wharves, warehouses, banks, and stores are gone, hundreds of people are homeless, and food is extremely scarce.

A Well "Cured" Editor.

At. No. 80 King Street, East, Toronto, Ont., are the editorial rooms of the *Sunday School Manual*, edited by Mr. Withrow, of 340 Jarvis street, in the same city. Conversing recently with several gentlemen,—one of them the representative of the largest advertisers in the world,—Mr. Withrow remarked: "As to the advertising, I consider St. Jacobs Oil the best advertised article by far. It is a splendid remedy too. Besides the many cases of rheumatism it has cured right amongst us, it has rendered me most efficient service in curing a severe soreness of the chest and an obstinate headache. It does its work satisfactorily.

A FREE GIFT.—The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway, have in press an Almanac and Hand Book of Useful Information, containing a vast amount of matter which it is handy to have available, and which all classes of people want sometime during the year. The book contains descriptions of the Western States and Territories, a list of U. S. Land Offices, where lands are available at low rates, how obtained, etc., etc., as well as interest tables, business law, rates of postage and political facts and figures. In fact it is *multum in parvo*, and all the much is of every day use. The same road also publishes a Christmas Book for Children, which contains several fine illustrations, and is original matter, and a very fine piece of sheet music, arranged for piano and a quartet of voices. Either, or both of these books and the music will be sent post free, if requested, by postal or letter. The earlier your name is sent to E. St. John, General Ticket and Passenger Agent, Chicago, the quicker you will get the books.

The Guelph City Council have received a communication from Manager Hickson of the Grand Trunk, in which he states the company accepts the sight offered them by the City Council, on which to erect a union station. It is situated on the market square, east of the City Hall, and it is expected trains on the Great Western railway division will run to the depot, and make close connection with all trains on the main line.

The Superintendent in Love.

Supt. E. J. O'Neill, of the Dominion Police Force, Ottawa, Canada, thus spoke to a representative of one of Ottawa's leading Journals: "I am actually in love with that wonderful medicine St. Jacobs Oil. I keep it at home and likewise here in my office; and though my duty should call me hence in an hour to journey a thousand miles, St. Jacobs Oil would surely be my companion. It is the most wonderful medicine in the world, without any exception, I believe. My entire family have been cured by it. We have used it for twenty different ailments and found it worth half a score of Doctors. My men here on the Dominion Police Force, use it right along and very justly think that there is nothing like it. I believe it is the long sought *Elix Vitae* and possesses the power of making the old, young again. I know it often enlivens me, and although I am past fifty years of age, I am, thanks to that wonderful agent, a lively man yet.

EGYPTIAN OIL.—The great pain conqueror, is a charming remedy for Neuralgia, used internally and externally; it gives immediate relief. 25 cents. J. A. Hacking, agt. for Listowel.

Dr. D. W. Fairchild, of New York, says: Personally I believe in PHOSPHATINE: I use it myself, and in my family and practice. I prescribe Phosphatine with a confidence that I can attach to no other remedy. It is safe, it is effective." For sale by all druggists.

The Middlesex grand jury suggests that juvenile offenders, instead of being sent to jail to mix with old and hardened criminals, should be treated to a little corporal punishment. There is wisdom in the suggestion given. The sense of feeling was not humanity for nothing.

City Grocery, for Majolica jugs, all the different sizes; Majolica Plates; Majolica 5 o'clock tea sets; full stock of vases, China cups and saucers, for the X-mas Season. J. S. Gee,

Dr. Michener has an immense variety of Vases and China Cups and Saucers—special for the Holiday trade—very cheap.

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PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.—For the largest stock, best material and lowest prices, go to HACKING'S Drug Store.—21.

Should any person doubt that Hess Bros. are selling their furniture 20 per cent cheaper than ever, for cash, let them call at the warerooms, ascertain the price of the goods, and be convinced.

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BIRTHS.

GUMPF—In Wallace, on the 13th inst., the wife of Nicholas Gumpf of a son.

ASH—In Wallace, on the 11th inst., the wife of C. Ash of a son.

DEATHS.

GRAVA—In Listowel, on the 10th inst., Rosina Grava, aged 35 years, 10 months and 21 days.

LISTOWEL MARKETS.

December 14, 1882.

Wheat, fall, Treadwell per bush	89 to	0 92
Wheat, " Clawson	87	0 90
Wheat, " Scott	89	0 92
Spring Wheat	40	0 50
Barley	67	0 68
Peas	53	0 55
Oats	5 00	5 50
Flour, per brrl	3 00	3 00
Oatmeal, " cwt	2 50	2 50
Cornmeal, "	18	0 18
Butter, per lb	23	0 24
Eggs, " doz	35	0 40
Potatoes, per bush	75	1 00
Apples, " "	2 50	3 00
Wood, long	1 25	1 50
Wood, short	7 00	7 50
Sheepskins	75	1 00
Wool, per lb	18	0 20
Turkeys, per lb	07	0 07
Geese, "	05	0 06
Chickens, per pair	25	0 50
Ducks, " "	75	1 25
Pork, cwt	7 00	7 50
Hay, per ton	9 00	10 00

STRATFORD MARKETS.

December 14, 1882.

Fall wheat per bush	$0 88 @	0 92
Spring " Fife	92	0 93
" " red chaff	88	0 90
Barley per bush	40	55
Peas " "	70	72
Oats " "	35	36
Flour per brrl	4 75	5 00
Potatoes per bag	55	60
Apples " "	76	1 25
Butter per lb	20	22
Eggs per doz	25	26
Hay per ton	7 00	8 00
Wood per cord	2 50	4 00

MITCHELL.

December 14, 1882.

Fall Wheat per bush	85 to	0 90
Spring "	85	90
Barley	60	65
Peas	66	70
Oats	32	36
Butter	18	20
Eggs	22	25

TORONTO.

PRICES AT FARMERS WAGONS.

December 14, 1882.

Wheat, fall, per bush	90 to	0 92
Wheat, spring, "	0 92	1 00
Barley, "	47	0 71
Peas, "	67	0 72
Oats, "	41	42
Rye, "	59	0 60
Dressed hogs, per cwt	7 75	7 75
Beef, hind quarters, "	7 00	7 50
Mutton, by carcass, "	0 00	0 06
Butter, per lb	23	0 26
Butter, large rolls, "	00	0 00
Butter, tub dairy, "	17	0 20
Eggs, fresh, per doz	28	0 28
Potatoes, per bag	70	0 80
Hay, per ton	11 00	15 00
Wool, per lb	0 18	0 20

DRAYTON.

December 14, 1882.

Fall wheat, per bush	85 to	0 90
Spring wheat, "	85	0 92
Barley, "	47	53
Peas, "	65	68
Oats, "	32	0 33
Butter, "	16	19
Eggs, "	21	0 21
Pork, "	6 50	7 00
Wool, "	19	0 20

GUELPH.

December 14, 1882.

White wheat, per bush	0 90 to	0 91
Red " " "	0 90	0 95
Spring " " "	90	0 93
Barley, "	45	0 58
Oats, "	35	36
Rye, "	55	58
Peas, "	65	75
Eggs fresh, per doz	22	23
Butter dairy packed, "	16	19
Butter, rolls, "	20	22
Potatoes, per bag, "	55	60
Wool, "	20	23
Dressed hogs, "	7 50	8 25

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