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GODERICH, ONT., FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 1884.

McGILLICUDDY BROS. PUBLISHERS $1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

New Advertisements This Week.

Coal—W. Lee.
Spectacles Lost—Geo. Robson.
New Fall Dress Goods—J, C. Detlor & Co.
Dress Goods, Tweeds, &c.—Colborne Bros.
Steerage, $21.40—Allan Line—H. Armstrong.
Cook and Housemaid Wanted—Mrs. Garrow.

Dentistry.

M. NICHOLSON, L.D.S, SURGEON Dentist. Office and residence, West Street three doors below Bank of Montreal, Goderich 1752

The People's Column.

WANTED—A COOK, MUST BE A good laundress. Also a housemaid. Apply to MRS. J. T. GARROW.

LOST.—PAIR OF GOLD SPECTACLES, between Martin's Hotel and R. McIlwain's, Bayfield Road. The finder will be rewarded by leaving them at Martin's Hotel. GEO. ROBSON. Aug.14,84 1t

MISS PARSONS WILL RECEIVE pupils on the 11th Aug., 1884. Instruction given in English, rudiments of music, and free hand drawing. Terms 30c. per week. Piano Forte, 24 lessons, $6. Needle work and French conversation with Madame DePendry after 4 p. m. Young ladies will find this an excellent opportunity of improving their pronunciation and retaining their knowledge of French. Terms 30c. per week. 1955-1y

NOTICE—THE STATUTES OF ONTARIO, 47 Vic, 1884, are now ready for distribution at the office of the Clerk of the Peace, Goderich, to Justices of the Peace, and others entitled to same.
IRA LEWIS,
Clerk of the Peace.
Office of Clerk of the Peace, Goderich, Aug. 7th, 1884. 1955-2t

FOR SALE — A FEW A 1 LAND Rollers and Iron Harrows, will be sold cheap at the Goderich Foundry. The Beatty Reaper and all repairs for the same can also be procured from the Goderich Foundry, or on application by mail to H. SEEGMILLER, Goderich, Ont. 1940-tf

MUSIC FOR THE MILLION.
8 pieces, your own Selection, 25 cents. Lists sent post free on application to
W. C. PUGH, 478, QUEEN ST. WEST, TORONTO, ONT.
Pianos, Organs and Musical Instruments. Several second-hand Pianos in first-class order at reduced prices for cash. 1955-1m

EDWARD SHARMAN,
BRICKLAYER AND PLASTERER,
EAST STREET.
Is still ready to do any work in his line at moderate prices.
Lime, Bricks, Firebricks, and other Building Material kept on hand for Sale.
Goderich, March 26th, 1884. 1936-6m

For Sale or to Let.

BRICK COTTAGE—FOR SALE OR to rent. Situated on Cambridge street, Goderich, near the R. R. station. It contains eight rooms and summer kitchen. Good water on the premises. An acre of land for garden purposes, on which is a good stable. Would be willing to rent the house already furnished. Apply to E. D. CAREY, on the premises. 1954-tf

FARM FOR SALE OR TO RENT—That desirable farm, on lots 13 and 14, 6th con. of Colborne, comprising 165 acres, 140 cleared, the remainder being bush and good pasture land. Good frame house, two good barns, and two acres of orchard. The farm is well supplied with springs, is well fenced, and is also on the bank of the river. The land is in a high stage of cultivation, 15 acres being summer fallowed and ready for fall sowing. Also 40 acres on the opposite side of the river, in the township of Hullett, well adapted to pasture. The farm is about two miles from the thriving village of Manchester, and about eight miles from Goderich.
The farm stock, implements, etc., could be had at a bargain by purchaser of farm.
For further description of property, terms, etc., address E. D. CAREY, Goderich, or apply on the premises. 1954-tf

FOR SALE—FARM LOT NO. 102, Maitland concession, Goderich township, containing 98 acres, including 30 acres of good hardwood timber, beech and maple, one mile from Goderich. There is a 1½ storey brick house and brick kitchen, containing 9 rooms with pantry and cellar. There are two wells, stone cattle stable, with root cellar, hay loft over. Frame barn 50x33, horse stable for 5 horses, with shed. There is 1 acre of large baring apple trees. This farm is in first-class order and good repair. Also part lot 5, con. B, containing 20 acres, with a small house and orchard. Good pasture. Inquire on the premises to CHAS. BLAKE. 1953-tf

FINE HOUSE FOR SALE—THAT fine new frame house on Nelson-st, nearly opposite St. Patrick's ward school, is offered for sale on reasonable terms. It has eight large bed-rooms, besides parlors, dining room, library, kitchen, pantries, closets, cellars, &c. All thoroughly finished inside. The property is offered at a bargain. Apply to the owner F. SMEATH Goderich Ont. 1450-3m

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—THAT valuable property, know as the Milburn Exchange Hotel, at present occupied by Mr. Fred Horton, is offered for sale or to rent. The hotel is situated on the gravel roads between Goderich and Port Albert, and Goderich and Blyth, and does a snug business. Possession on 1st of Sept. or sooner if required. Terms reasonable. For particulars apply to A. ALLEN, Dunlop P. O. 1950-3m

FARMS FOR SALE—LOTS 8 AND 9, first concession, township of Goderich, two beautiful farms adjoining, containing in all 279 acres; about 2½ miles from Goderich, on Lake Huron; well watered. A. M. SMITH, London, Ont. 1948-tf

STORE TO RENT OR SELL—BEING on corner of good gravel road. House 1½ stories, in good repair. Store 20x24, with store room, wood shed, stable and ¼ acre land. P.O. and daily mail. Terms easy. Apply to R. T. HAYNES, Sheppardton. 1935-

SHEPPARDTON FARM TO RENT OR SELL. 60 acres. 50 acres cleared and free of stumps; all well fenced; two wells; good barn and shed and other buildings, including brick cottage 25x30, with cellar full size of house; a splendid orchard; large creek runs across the lot. Terms easy. Apply on premises, Lot 16, Lake Shore Road, township of Colborne. R. T. HAYNES, Sheppardton. March 20th, 1884. 1935-

50 ACRE LOT IN ASHFIELD FOR SALE—On 3rd Con., E.D. 30 acres cleared, balance good hardwood. A good orchard and log house. Fields slope to a creek running across the lot, and are easily drained. Terms easy. Apply to R. T. HAYNES, Sheppardton. March 20, 1884. 1935-

Thos. Town was awarded the contract of rebuilding the guard to the abutment at the north end of the bridge over the Maitland at Brussels. His tender for everything was $111.

NEWS ABOUT HOME.

"A chiel's amang ye, takin' notes
An' faith he'll prent it."

TOWN TOPICS.

Parties wishing photos of their friend copied or enlarged should call on G. B. Ross, who has every facility for doing this kind of work. Over C. A. Nairn's grocery.

Saunders & Son want 500 bushels apples, sour and juicy. Also plums, pears, &c., in season. Highest prices cash paid. The cheapest house under the sun." Next door to the post office.

A package of the American Fruit Preserving Powder and Liquid will preserve 256 lbs. of Fruit, either with or without sugar for years. No need to keep the fruit air tight. JAS. IMRIE, Agent.

FAMILY GROUPS.—Now when the family is reunited at the holidays, how nice to get a group photographed, together with the old homestead. Call on R. Sallows, the photographer, and get rates.

The warm weather has set in at last, and cooling drinks will now be the order of the day. The choicest and best brands of wines and liquors can be obtained at W. L. Hortons, corner of Albion block.

THE FALL SHOW.—One of the events of the year will be the splendid fall show of fashionable clothing, as exhibited on their owners during the season, made up by F. & A. Pridham, the stylish tailors. Leave your order early for fall clothing.

John A. Naftel is going to sell hardware of all descriptions at lower rates than ever, as he is bound to clear out his stock and sell out the business. All persons indebted to me are required to call at once and settle, either by cash or note, as a list will shortly be made out and given into Court for collection. Call therefore and make arrangements and save costs, as my business affairs must be settled up at once. JOHN A. NAFTEL.

Harry Clucas has returned from Toronto.

Hon. Senator Vidal was in town on Wednesday last.

Miss Cooke is the guest of friend Miss Marks, Brucefield.

Miss Aggie Humber is visiting relatives in Bowmanville.

Miss Maud Start has returned to town, after a visit to friends east.

We are glad to learn of a marked improvement in H. Spence's health.

Mr. Patrick Carrol, late of Seaforth, is, we regret to learn, seriously ill.

Wm. Swanson, of Chicago, has returned to town on a visit to his parents.

Will. Macara, lawyer, of Winnipeg, left for the Prairie City on Sunday last.

Mrs. Harry Bolton, of Guelph, spent a few days in town last week visiting relatives.

Will Jessop, who had an attack of inflammation of the lungs, is improving rapidly.

J. T. Garrow, and Masters Ed. and Charlie, are spending their holidays at the sea side.

Mrs. Hawley, wife of the late Hon. R. Hawley, is spending a few weeks in and about Goderich.

Miss Eva Farran, of Clinton, is spending a few days in town. She is staying at Hon. A. M. Ross's.

Miss Minnie Adams, of Toronto, is taking in the beauties of our town, the guest of Aleck saunders.

C. A. Humber is making a shipment of a horse-power and separator and 25 chilled plows to Muskoka.

On Tuesday last there was a picnic from Clinton to Goderich, under the auspices of the Episcopalian church.

The kazoo is still very popular in town—with those who toot it. Geo. Sheppard sold out his first instalment in three days.

A tramp named Charles Prescott was brought before the Mayor on Monday, but on promising to leave town he was discharged.

Monday last was Seaforth's civic holiday, and a large excursion from that town made Goderich its rendezous on that occasion.

Frank Adams and bride, of Toronto, are spending part of their honeymoon in our city by the sea. They are the guests of Aleck Saunders.

McLean Bros. of Goderich shipped 42 head of cattle from Clinton station on Friday. The previous week they shipped a much larger number.

Printed envelopes and letter heads have a business look about them. They cost but little and save valuable time. Leave your order at this office.

Elijah Martin, while pitching quoits a few days ago, strained one of the tendons of his left leg. He is quite lame, and will be crippled for a few weeks.

The members of court Goderich No 32 will meet this Friday evening to arrange about going to Clinton to attend the sermon to Foresters on Sunday next.

The mineral water spring struck at the Harbor mills salt works is steadily running, and is of excellent quality. It is a popular drink, and is as cheap as it is wholesome.

Runciman Bros. are now pushing out and shipping the machinery of the Hensall mills. These enterprising young men are making a reputation for thorough work.

There will be no service today, at St. Peter's (Feast of the Assumption of the B. V. M.) Father Lotz having to attend the funeral of the late Miss Winnfred Flynn, of Hullett.

Miss May Cooper, after a few weeks visit to her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Grant, left for her home, Brussels, on Saturday accompanied by Miss Marion and Master John Grant.

Conductor Higgins has been laid up for about three weeks by a painful attack of inflammatory rheumatism. During his illness he lost his little son by death. Much sympathy is expressed for him in his affliction. We hope to hear of the early recovery of Mr. Higgins, who is a popular conductor and a good citizen.

E. D. Carey and L. G. McPhillips, Manitoba legal gentlemen who had been spending vacation in Ontario visiting relatives and friends, left by the United Empire on Wednesday for Winnipeg.

The mayor has proclaimed Wednesday, 20th August, a public holiday for the town of Wingham. Arrangements have been made with the G. T. R. for a cheap excursion to Goderich on that day.

Among those taking passage per the Oconto last Sunday, were Miss Ross, town, Mrs. McKidd, Lucknow, Miss Meyer, Seaforth; Geo. Rice, town, and Messrs. Campbell and Meyer, of Seaforth.

A girl named Morrison was committed to gaol from Clinton, charged with deserting her child at the railway station. The affair caused considerable excitement in Clinton. The trial will come off shortly.

Wm. Munns, ex-secretary of the Prohibitory Alliance of Ontario, was in town on Wednesday last, and gave an interesting temperance address in the North St. Methodist church lecture room in the evening.

The directors of the Mechanic's Institute are calling in the books, and suspended the further issue until arrangements are made in conformity with instructions recently received from the department.

Geo. B. Johnston, of Canada Ranch, Texas, an old Goderich boy, who is now largely engaged in sheep raising in the Lone Star State, arrived in Goderich on Saturday last, and will remain during the summer.

Aaron McBrine, sentenced to seven years in the Provincial penetentiary for stealing, was taken to that place this week. He left on the noon train in charge of Deputy Sheriff Reynolds and constable Yule.

The Exeter *Reflector* says:—"S. G. Gibson, of the Galt Collegiate Institute, son of Capt. Gibson, of Goderich, formerly of Usborne, is spending a few of his holidays among his numerous acquaintances in this vicinity."

Judge Toms, F. F. Lawrence and Neil Campbell left on Monday to attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. at St. Thomas, the two former as representatives from Huron Lodge and the latter from Huron Encampment.

On Wednesday last, while Mrs. Searle, of Clinton, was visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. Davis, she slipped and put the joint of one knee out of place. Before medical aid arrived the other ladies present had reduced the dislocation.

A copartnership has been formed between Messrs. D. C. Strachan and J. D. Luttrell for the manufacture of cigars in Goderich. The new firm in now turning out an excellent brand of cigars, and is destinued to further extend its already large business.

Charles Noble, of Kingsbridge, who attempted suicide last week, was brought to gaol on Monday. He is about fifty years of age. He will shortly be officially examined as to his sanity. He has almost entirely recovered from the effects of his strangulation.

A BIG FISH.—Mrs. M. G. Cameron on Thursday of last week caught a large bass which weighed five and one-half pounds, while fishing on the river down at the "Black Hole." This is not an ordinary fish story; it's a solid fact. We saw the fish ourselves.

The following candidates wrote at Goderich, and passed the recent non-professional Examinations for Second-Class certificates—D. N. Kerr, A; Nellie Tighe, A; C. Cameron, A; A. Irwin, A; R. Seaburn, B. The intermediate list has not yet been published.

Dr. McLean and his three sons are the bicycle family of the province. All are good riders, Gregor, the youngest boy, a lad about twelve years, coming well up in speed and general staying powers. "Greg" has a neat regulation suit, and looks well in the procession.

Mr. Drumm, student of Knox church, who will assist Dr. Ure during the summer months, has entered upon his work. Mr. Drumm was at one time a compositor, and his experience on the case will be of considerable assistance to him in the sacred calling. He is well spoken of as a student.

CHEAP EXCURSION.—An excursion to Grimsby camp will be run on Friday next, August 22nd. The tickets have been placed at the low rate of $1.75, and are good for return on day of issue, Saturday or Monday. Dr. Talmage is to preach on Friday, and the general attractions of the camp grounds are many. For particulars see posters.

CELEBRATING A BIRTH.—The wife of the Methodist missionary at Victoria, N. W. T., Rev. J. A. McLachlan, (a daughter of our townsman, D. Gordon,) recently presented her husband with a daughter. A short time after the news spread, a party of half-breeds, some thirty in number, assembled, and fired a salute from their rifles over the house where the new comer had arrived. That's a way they have up there.

We have received from R. Sallows, the photographer, two copies of capital pictures of the Dufferin Rifles on the march during their recent trip to Goderich. The pictures were taken by the instantaneous process, and are well-executed. The first is the march of the battalion by companies in column around the square, No 1 Co of the 33rd bringing up the rear; and the second is the Dufferins marching down Montreal St. to the lacrosse grounds in the afternoon. Fifty copies of the photos were purchased from Mr. Sallows by members of the Brantford battalion.

David Wilson, of Detroit, an old-time resident of Goderich, is in town renewing acquaintance. He likes the old town yet.

SWIMMING EXHIBITION.—Capt. Andrews, the well known swimmer and life saver, who is now instructor in swimming of the Dolphin club, of Toronto, has expressed his willingness to come to Goderich with any number of his club from ten to forty, and give an exhibition. The boys will come, provided their expenses are paid, and being amateurs, desire no other remuneration. This is a chance to draw a big crowd.

PASSED A CREDITABLE EXAM.—We are pleased to learn that Dr. Alex. Hutchison, son of Mr. Matthew Hutchison, of the big mill, was successful at the June examination at Edinburgh, in passing a highly creditable examination for double qualification. Eight candidates presented themselves—four Canadians and four Old Countrymen. The natives were all plucked, while the Canadians passed with flying colors, Alick heading the form. His full title now is: A. Hutchison, M D.C.M., L R.C.P., L R.C.S., L.M.

THE MILANESE STUDENTS.—The concert given by these young musicians on Monday evening, under the auspices of the Mechanics Institute, was a success. The various numbers evinced careful training, and were well received. The "Mocking Bird" solo was rapturously received, and the entire concert was a satisfactory one. The Institute cleared about $9 by the affair. Giuseppe Gioscia and his gentlemanly company made many friends here by their courteous conduct. A dance was held after the concert, and was largely attended. The Students furnishing the music, which is said to have been the best heard at any like gathering in Goderich.

Tuesday morning last mayor Horton, of Goderich, received an invitation from mayor Horton, of St. Thomas, asking the presence of the corportion of Goderich at the Oddfellows' celebration to be held in the latter place on Wednesday. The members of the Goderich council were to be the guests of the city on the occasion. A special meeting of the town council was held on Tuesday afternoon, but owing to the brief notice, it was found that the larger portion of the council could not attend, and it was determined that the visit of our town fathers to St. Thomas should be deferred to another occasion. The mayor was requested to correspond with the mayor of St. Thomas to that effect.

CHEAP TRAVELLING.—Yesterday H. Armstrong, agent of the Allan line, received a telegram instructing him to make the steerage rate from Goderich to Londonderry, Liverpool and Glasgow $21.40. The first and second cabin rates have also been reduced. Now for a cheap trip to the old sod. The excellent time made by the six mail steamers of the Allan line this season is almost marvelous when compared with travel 20 years ago, and speaks well for Canadian industry and energy. Buy your railway, steamship and accident tickets from Harry Armstrong, ticket agent, Goderich, who will furnish you with all information as to best and cheapest routes to all points. Accident insurance a specialty.

SCOTT ACT AND BUSINESS.—A gentleman living in the city of Toronto, who was in town recently, received the following statement from a business man in the county of Halton, showing that the Scott Act has greatly benefited business:—Messrs. McLeod, Anderson & Co., state that their books will show from May 1883 to May 1884 an increase of $2,200 over any six years previous under license. Mr. A. W. Thompson states his book will show an increase from May 1883 to May 1884 of $3,784 over any previous year. The following have also come under our observation: Mr. Hollinrake, merchant in Milton, says "His business has increased every year, and the increase last year is more than $3,000." Mr. Henderson, baker and grocer in Milton, says his business has increased 14 per cent under the Act.

THE FERGUS HOTEL CASE.—Messrs. Spies and Couse, of Fergus, who were charged with refusing accommodation to parties attending the Scott Act convention held recently at Fergus, were cleared because neither they nor their direct agents refused accommodation. They had a narrow escape, however, and Fergus hotel keepers will be more careful in future how they refuse the public accommodation.

Capt. S. W. Andrews, for many years in command of the old G. W. R. transfer steamer Saginaw, died at Port Huron last Monday morning, of consumption, after a long and painful illness. He first went on the lakes as wheelsman at the age of 11 years, and followed sailing in various capacities up to captain until the Great Western Railway ferry Saginaw was built in 1872 when he took command of her, holding the position until July, 1883, when he was compelled to resign through failing health. Consumption was the disease from which he suffered.—[Sarnia Observer.

W. C. T. U.—A meeting to reorganize the Women's Christian Temperance Union was held on Tuesday evening in the Temperance Hall. H. Hale occupied the chair. T. McGillicuddy spoke upon woman's influence, showed how the liquor traffic affected her dearest interests, and made an appeal for her aid in the present conflict. Rev. O. Jones, M. D., curate of St. George's church, who for nine years practiced medicine, made a sound teetotal speech, and in a simple but clear and effective style, showed the evil effects of alcohol on the human system. James Mitchell followed in an impassioned speech, defending the Christian women of Canada against the vile attack made upon them in a anti-Scott Act paper. Rev. Dr. Ure in a very brief but unmistakeable temperance speech nailed his colors to the mast. Mrs. Campbell, wife of the pastor of North street Methodist church, in a modest yet vigorous address, put the claims of the Union before those present. Rev. T. M. Campbell followed in a few pointed remarks, after which several ladies intimated their intention of joining the association. Owing to the lateness of the hour the work of organization was postponed. There is a large field for woman's work in this connection.

Magistrates' Court News.

Tuesday Aug. 12

Before His Worship the Mayor.

Angus McKay, John McCue, Archd. Sinclair and John Shanklin were charged by S. Platt with trespassing upon his grounds on Sunday, Aug 10. Defendants pleaded guilty, and were each fined $1.00 and costs or ten days in gaol. Fines were paid.

John Shenkling was charged by Thos. Angus with assault at the Falls Reserve on Sunda Aug. 10. He pleaded guilty and was fined $1 and costs.

MARINE NEWS.

Items of Interest to the Boys who Plow the Deep.

The Quebec passed down.

The Oconto passed up yesterday.

The St. Magnus passed up on Saturday.

The United Empire and Sovereign passed up on Wednesday morning.

The Ariel arrived from Port Frank on Wednesday, with lumber for Williams & Murray.

The Jane McLeod, arrived on Wednesday, from Oswego, with hard coal for the big mill.

A school of perch came into the harbor on Tuesday, and for a day or two anglers were busy pulling out the finny prizes.

A SUNDAY ROW.

Hard Cases Visit the Maitland Falls and Come to Grief.

On Sunday afternoon four young men named John Shenklin, Angus McKay, John McCue and Arch. Sinclair, drove out to the Maitland Falls, taking a small keg of beer with them, determined to paint that peaceful spot a most decided red.

After copious draughts of beer, the three last named went for a bathe, leaving Shenklin on the bank with the horses and waggon. In driving down a hill the horses became unhitched, and the waggon was pitched to the bottom of the small hollow. This so exasperated Shenklin, that he began to kick over a few boards on which had been placed some crockery, owned by Thos. Angus, who, with his family, was camping out on Mr. Platt's beautiful "Reserve."

Angus kindly expostulated with the irate kicker, and received a blow in the face from Shenklin. There was a rapid strike out from the shoulder on the part of the other, and his assailant rolled down the hill to join his waggon. He got up, and again advanced upon Angus, but a sockdologer behind the chin and just under the ear again brought him to the earth.

By this time his friends had arrived, and after explanations by Mr. Angus and others present, the party hitched up their rig, and left for town.

In a short time Shenklin returned to camp, and sent for Mr. Angus to "beg pardon" for past trouble. The latter came out of the tent to shake hands with the offender, when Shenklin treacherously dealt him a blow on the forehead with a heavy knobbed stick. Again Angus struck out, and sent the cowardly fellow to grass, and his boon companions coming up in a menacing manner, a fight was imminent between them and some friends of Mr. Angus who were present.

Mr. Sam Platt, owner of the property, who had been apprised of the drunken revel, appeared on the scene with a club, and the quartette of roughs were turned summarily off the property.

Mr. Shenklin looked a badly used up man as he beat a retreat.

Mr. Angus, who is a local preacher, after he was assaulted turned the boys' picnic into a surprise party. He deserves the thanks of every good citizen for his pluck and promptness.

On Tuesday Shenklin was brought before the Mayor and fined $4.75 for assault and $1 for trespass. His three companions were each fined $1 for trespass.

This ought to be a warning to would-be "toughs" and tresspassers generally.

Mr. C. Seager, who is camping out at the falls, had his boat broken on Sunday, and blames the trespassers for it.

Sir Richard Cartwright, has placed the amount of twenty-five dollars at the disposal of the directors of the County Agricultural Society for special prizes at the Fall Fair in Seaforth.

W. F. Scott, Brussels, has received the gold medal won at the athletic games at Walkerton, on July 12th. It is a very handsome one and is well worth wearing. On the pin is Walkerton, July 12th, 1884, and on the face of the medal are four maple leaves and a man in running costume. The back of the medal has the following:—W. F. Scott, 1st 100 yard, 1st standing jump, 1st hop, step and jump, 1st running jump.

A DELIGHTED VISITOR.

A Tribute to the Attractions of Goderich by a St. Thomas Journalist.

Wally J. Wilkinson, of the St. Thomas *Times*, who spent a pleasant week here recently, thus discourses, in a readable letter, on some of the attractions of Goderich:—

The mornings were delightfully cool; the appetite was keen, as my kind and hospitable entertainers know to their cost; the mind responded to the activity of the body, and all the world seemed to be as it might actually be were it subjected to a coldwater plunge and a vigorous application of a rough towel. True, the town lacks the bustle and life which characterize St. Thomas, but the anti-dyspeptic atmosphere and a sound night's sleep ahead to a certainty is compensation for any misery which may be occasioned by a dearth of stir and animation. The place possesses a most agreeable climate, as I have said, for during the hottest days of July and August, cooling breezes from Lake Huron fan it to a most delicious temperature, that leaves the residenter nothing to wish for in that direction. The nights are always cool enough to enable one to sleep soundly beneath a fair quantity of bed-clothing. If I wished to revel in a season of *dolce far niente* I know of no other place that I would prefer to Huron's capital, for none seems to possess its manifold attractions. Here may be enjoyed all the pleasures of the gun and rod in a most unusual degree, for while partridge, snipe, etc., are to be had in countless numbers scarcely three miles from town, the harbor affords a great variety of fishing, and every stream abounds with trout and furnishes ample scope for the angler to test his skill.

Goderich occupies, undoubtedly, one of the most charming spots that could be selected for a city, for, so far as landscape is concerned, nothing is absent that could please the eye. The place was laid out by the Canada Company, and its broad streets, 99 feet in width, are in striking contrast to the narrow avenues which St. Thomas boasts. The court house, with a very neat "breathing spot" surrounding it stands in the centre of what is singularly enough known as "the square," while the business houses are grouped about it in a circle, like chickens about the mother hen. But it is not in the streets alone that Goderich contrasts so favorably with St. Thomas. Its attractions are varied. The "touch of the backwoods" which is to be seen in the Railway City in the unsightly and disgraceful features of our streets, has been got rid of in Huron's capital. Mud is unknown. It possesses a beautiful lake view park, which in time will be made one of the finest in the province, and the riches that have flown to the doors of the wealthier citizens have in part been employed to glorify and adorn their residences. The result is scores of beautiful houses, delightful gardens, elegant streets,—all supplemented by absolute cleanliness and superb order.

HOSPITABLE CITIZENS.

That its public men are hospitable was shown on the occasion of the excursion from this city on the 31st. Nothing was left undone to please the visitors. The council expended several score of dollars in providing a banquet in the town hall, expecting that the Board of Aldermen would be present in a body, and although some disappointment was occasioned by so few of the civic Solons putting in an appearance, their entertainers, headed by mayor Horton and reeve Johnston, did not allow this to mar the enjoyment of the party. I can, with all candor, inform those who failed to visit Goderich that a more whole-souled lot of men do not exist.

THE SALT WELLS

are the principal industry of the town. In 1866 in boring for oil a deposit of rock salt was struck at a depth of about 960 feet, and the brine was remarkably fine and of great purity. The manufacture of salt was commenced immediately, and developed rapidly, until new the production amounts to several millions of bushels annually, affording the principal source of supply for Canada, and also furnishing a large amount for export to the United States. The excessive duty imposed by the American Government, however, militates against any very extensive trade. Were this removed the manufacture would receive a tremendous boom in Canada, as on account of the strength and purity of the brines, salt is even now produced and sold at a price which after adding the duty enables the Goderich manufacturers to compete with those of the middle and Western States. Canada was formerly principally supplied from England and the State of New York. The number of gallons of brine required to the bushel of salt is 22 at Goderich, the brine being richer here than elsewhere in America, Saginaw, Mich., coming next with 25. In another letter I may give a description of the process of manufacture

Mr. J. C. Detlor, a former merchant of the Baby City, is in business in Goderich, and I had the pleasure of renewing an acquaintanceship with the McGillicuddys—Tom and Dan—with whom I worked at the case some fifteen years ago, "when we were boys together." They are now publishing THE SIGNAL, one of the brightest and newsiest papers in Huron.

Mr. T. Perry, formerly of St. Thomas, is officiating as express messenger between Goderich and Buffalo. "Tom" is now a benedict, and it was at his hospitable residence that I made my headquarters. He still loves a game of lacrosse, and has been captain of the local team for the past two seasons.