COMMUNICATIONS.

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grass,) in which some erroneous shotments were made. In one of these, the
writer displays his real spirit in allowing
his own imaginary reasons for the motive of an action, while he cannot possibly have the remotest conception of
the intentions of the person about whom
toot each on the bars wood table. the intentions of the person about whom he speaks. And he again exhibits his After that there was a dead silence for he speaks. And he again exhibits his pious nature by the use of certain choice full five minutes, when the young genappellations which it pleases him to call theman toasted slowly arose, and said "Snodgrass." A very ingenious, though utterly untrue reason, was assigned as my motive for giving publicity to the Trustee Election affair. My desire was not, as he stated, to increase the animosity existing between the factions, but on the other hand it was the district of the chair) "Yes, Mr. chairman, and the other hand, it was to diminish it. No gentlemen, when I consider the standing, blame was attached to the pastors of the their, and the intelligence, of the the churches, in my letter, for I verily believe they knew nothing concerning it until after the first election. It was in the standing own fondness and kindness of heart that caused each of you to mentioned in one of the articles in questions, that no member of good standing in either church began the quarrel.

Now I said nothing unbatched and processes of neart that caused each of you to drink so heartily to my health and prospective, in the struggle that is awaiting us; for, I hesitate not to state among Now I said nothing whatever about the ourselves, that, if my friends through origin of it; I spoke entirely of what I knew; I did not form an opinion on uncertain knowledge. But it cannot be my duty to yield to their wishes and will denied that good members worked diligently for their candidate; they canvassed for him and helped to fight the battle to the bitter end. For example, one of the divisions of the county at the first election, (hear, hear,) for as I said to the farmens at their supper the other

However, it is with extreme felicity I relate that the person whose vote was thus solicited went and voted for the individual who in his unbiassed judgment, was best qualified for the position. thod of securing votes was by acting on the principle that there are other ways of killing a dig besides shooting him.

In cases where it was supposed that the plea of religion would not have the desired.

"Yes, gentlemen," continued the speaker, "as the Comet has told you, it is true that I withdrew in favor of Mr. Kelly in 1879, but, I must admit that I did not speak nor work very warrally for the continued the speaker. folk: very ingenious was it not? Another writer talks about "Snodgrass" would not have said so. His own sublime and considerate language suits
here admirably, namely, "he deserves
pity for he knows no better. This writer
she id remember the proverb which the Pope and the Devil. say, "when you have nothing to say, say it," But I presume he wished to sailare himself, into the favor of ceram parties, hence his harangue. Some the remainder that this there parties have poured out their yiels. other parties have poured out their vials | was not a Lodge meeting ! iy, critical actions by backbiting.

"AFTER 25 YEARS."

SNODGRASS.

An Old Signal Correspondent again to the

with whom I was so well acquainted when he kept the crockery shop at

rying to meet a few friends at a points papers that our esteemed friend intended cal. kawcuss in my sanctum; so come along and joinus. We will have some Old Rye, and then you will have such speech self a wife, and he was also much pleasing a payment of the control of the cont

think must have seen some hard service, even a quarter of century ago. My friend then introduced me all round, and though last, not least, to our Wordin; and then voted himself into the chair.

A jug of whiskey was on the basswood table, and a number of drinking glasses for the accommodation of the

him-off" mallet, the chairman gave three clear raps on the table, and called the meeting to order, as he had the toast of opinions of our Correspondents. Contributers to this department must confine themselves to public questions, and be brief.

To the Editor of the Huros Signal.

Signal Institute against the notorious Snodgrass.) in which some expressions the signal weeks only lacking the flowery embellishments with which the gifted speaker of the sound in the columns of the Cometevery weeks only lacking the flowery embellishments with which the gifted speaker of the control of the columns of the cometevery weeks only lacking the flowery embellishments with which the gifted speaker of the control of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order, as he had the toast of the evening to order.

ratepayer, night, there must surely be something the friend and the control of the school yard, and told him it was two certain denominations. In the control of ations against the other one, and thus man four of a majority from every fifty gently intimated whom he should vote or even sixty of the vot r; in the riding will give us a whole majority in the end. "Yes," muttered a man with his hat

on, "if you can get them."
"And who Joubts it?" exclaimed the

plea of religion would not have the district effect, the difficulty was surmounted by asserting that the villagers were opposed to the court. given me the nomination" (Hear, hear. And after having taken another swig as quoting Scripture. Now this speaks the hot stuff, the speaker declared that badly forthis writer's knowledge of Scripture, but "where ignorance is bliss 'twere success, that he would repeat what he folly to be wise." I suppose be really once said at a meeting of friends in thought I was quoting Scripture, or he Slabtown five years ago, and just after

dred mouths, a hundred tongues and throats of brass inspired with iron lungs, endeavoring to conceal their large, endeavoring to conceal their large, entired actions and the so-called robnear the gaol; and at any rate my friend John Joseph will come up from Brantford, and he can make it all right in that a few remarks about the Streams' Bill, quarter. But gentlemen, I cannot sit among friends, which he could not well down until I thank my worthy friend in the chair for his generous and contingentlemen, said he, that I once fought a The first what He saw on his Arrivat—A lucid epitome, which he has published of my whole life from the cradle up to my with only one if they tried to row me of them, they are in the cradle up to my with the acceptance of them. To the Editor of The Signal.

Dear Sir,—Although personally unknown to you, I think when I say that many years ago I was well acquainted with Old Tom McQueen, the founder of the Signal, and with George Cox, his then right, and with George Cox, his then right, hand with George Cox, his then right a comment, with only one if they tried to rob me of my right to a slift they tried to rob me of my right to a fair share of any running water in Canada; just think for a moment, gentlemen, what would have been the condition of this town, when Benjamin Miller bought trumpet; and now I am prepared to blow his farm and built his mill on the saw mill creak in Calbarne, if Mandand and the comment of the present moment, with only one if they tried to rob me of my right to a fair share of any running water in Canada; just think for a moment, with only one if they tried to rob me of my right to a fair share of any running water in Canada; just think for a moment, with only one if they tried to rob me of my right to a fair share of any running water in Canada; just think for a moment, with only one if they tried to rob me of my right to a fair share of any running water in Canada; just think for a moment, what would have been the condition of the present moment, with only one if they tried to rob me of my right to a fair share of any running water in Canada; just think for a moment, what would have been the condition of the present moment, with only one in the present moment. with Old Tom McQueen, the founder of the Signal, and with George Cox, his then, right-hand man; I think you will give me space in your widely circulated and valuable columns—as every scriobler who has an itching to see his name in print, would say, but whether sincerely believed in by them may be somewhat doubted, when we see the same expressions daily addressed to the most miseration and the important plural We. And as I have just returned from a long visit to Faderland, I would like to let my old friend know that I have come back again, and to tell them a little of what I think of Goderich now, and of some of the doings I have witnessed in it since my return.

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On Tuesday last I took a wander all round the town, where it was nothing of the doings I have witnessed in the world have been brought with the should secure the history of my eventful life. It would fill a column of the User, and would no doubt increase the list of subscribers; and secondly, that he should secures the continued services of his new and fallented Toronto correspondence stood, who should a like a lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the doing of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Ministry and a few of the lating of the Grit Mini

ed when he kept the crockery shop at the other corner, yes, just a quarter of a century ago, but when I asked him and begged of the chairman to allow him to give a few words of caution—as long first place he would suggest an addition. a century ago, but when I asked him how the teapots and cream jugs were selling?

"Oh," said he, "I gave that up long, long ago, and now I give all my time and talent to journalism and literature, and publish the smartest paper for wit and learning to be found in the county. I will send you a copy of this day's I will send you a copy of this day's something good in it; but I am just h urrying to meet a few friends at a political kawcuss in my sanctum; so come along and joinus. We will have some Old in the case of the chairman to allow him to give a few words of caution—as long as hethought of it—to ourfriend who had just sat down; that in future he should be very careful in his remarks, when cocasion required him to allude to the Pope or the other gentleman that he had just named as either of them would be a langerous subject to speak about during the coming contest. He was, however, something good in it; but I am just h urrying to meet a few friends at a political kawcuss in my sanctum; so come importation of ladies, to take unto himes as are not to be heard anywhere else ed to see from Grip's picture gallery, the erratic Comet, he would not trust in town." So I went along with him, somewhere selection, for they seemed all to have are as a Conservative for a mess of pottage,

behind Crabb's block. where there were some eight or ten gents sitting round a so that our friend can have no difficulty fered. He (Joe) would propose the large and strong basswood table, which I advice will be invaluable to him, in his future upward carreer. Well, sir, the toast was responded to and some cheers given—but we did not stand on the given—but we did not stand on the table again, the chairs had become too rickety.

The Chairman then arose and expressed his thanks from the very bottom of his stomach for the honor we had done him. He would like, however, to give a NITCHIE. with something hot, and the devil, (the printer's apprentice) having been sent into Currie's for the loan of his "chop-like the chairman cave three restly, but he said he was born in Godrectly, but he said he was born in God-erich. It was true he never brought a dollar into the town, but he was born here, and the town owed him a living. He had in a fit of mental aberration left the Conservative ranks, and had even abused some of the gentlemen now be-fore him, when his mighty penguided the utterances of a Reform journal; but, like Othello, his occupation went from him one fine day, and as his valuable services were not required by the Liberals any longer, and he must make a living somehow in his native town—for he couldn't anywhere else—he had returned to the Tory Party, which was his first love. Tory Party, which was his first love. His style of writing was not appreciated by Reformers, but the Conservatives were not so particular, and he was now prepared to empty a slush bucket every week on the prominent Liberals of the town. It was true he had abused Mr. John-Stone, who was present to-night but he had beslobbered that gentleman with taffy lately, and had been forgiven by the Wordin, who had got him some Government "pap" for turning his "independent" Comet into an out-and-out Tory organ. It was true he had called Sir John and Langevin "imbeciles" and "scoundrels" in 1878 and 1879, and that he was against the N. P., but the generous action of the Conservative Government in giving him advertisements for the C. P. R. had opened his eyes, and now they were not knaves and fools, but wise men, and wisdom would die with They could rely upon him to do their dirty work as long as he was paid for it; and that was the reason he had hired his "talented" Toronto correspondent to blackguard Mowat, Ross, Gibson, Bishop

> The gentleman with his hat on, who had previously thrown a doubt on the Warden's chance of getting a majority in any division of the county, now arose and said that although he was a staunch Conservative he didn't believe in the blackguardism which weekly appeared in the Comet from its bogus Toronto correspondent. Ross although a Grit, was a gentlemen, and was our member by a large majority; Bishop and Gibson are also members for the second time by large majorities in their several constituen-cies; Bishop was once Warden, and Gibson was many years member of the County Council; all of them are known to be men of sterling principle and ability, although unfortunately out and out Grits, and yet we Conservatives are called upon to indorse and support a journal that can even insinuate that these men could not only listen to, but repeat the charge implied against the honest yeo-manry of Huron that they are a pack of "Bogtrotters, bushwhackers and ignor-smuses." No such language could posamuses." No such language could pos-sibly be uttered by any but a coarse vulgar and uncultivated intellect. Not one man in the County of Huron will believe one word of it, the whole thing is too absurd, indeed it is montrous. Pshaw !-- and the gentleman sat down in

and the others whom he formerly admired.

The next speaker was a rather rosylooking little man, but I understood him

our worthy and talented chairman.

But just as we were all trying to stand upright to do honor to the toast, Mr.

Bill held up his right hand impressively, came around, and their influence would be against him. As to the man who ran

But in his excitement Joe tilted the jug crash on the floor, emptying the contents where they did the least good.

The audience gazed on the pitcher's fragments and the liquor fast coming through the cracks in the floor, sighed

Mrs. Mulrooney's Assimbly.

To the Edithur av The Signal. SUBB.—As yez wasn't at our shindy the udther noight, I moight as well giv yer readhers a bit av a skitch av that same, which tuk place at Finnigan's corner. All the rale quality was there— I was there mesilf. I am a bank-clark-that is, I dig ditches wid banks of year round—an' av coorse, was respon sible for the soshal status of all prisint Bedad, but the git-up av the whole thing was ex-cillent, and afther we had ate and dhrunk our fill, there was lashin's and lavin's, an' lots for the chickens to ate, in the shape av crumbs an' sich loike
The b'ys was urissed in their best, an
some had borryed coats on, an' the
gurls had ivery rag in the box on
them. Sich a loi av bran new unpaid store goods I nivver before sot eyes on. Oh, meila murdher, but the yards, an yards, an' yards av dhry goods that thrailed on the well-waxed flure. I will give yez a bit av an' iday av the splin

Mrs. Gilhoony—a lively Dolly Varden print, cut on the bias, and scolleps galore; 'black diamond' jewellery from Lee's anthracite depot. Nate an chape. Miss McRoony, tinted ticking, illegantly sthriped and radiatin' like a sun-beam, butifully ornaminted wid "owld egg." Parfickly dazzlin'.

thor av the Vanuses on the occashun.

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Mrs. O'Jones, wathered alpacka,
buttoned up the back; diamond jewelry, in-yer-moind. All paid for.
Miss Sally MacSnooks, Madras calico

overskirt, slashed; pearl ornamints overde-left. A charmin pictur.

Miss O'Camel, a purty suit av quilting,
wid superstrucshure av rag carpet, an'
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coat to the heels, an' ear drops av impty egg-shells, fastened wid grapplin' hooks.
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