# LISTOWEL STANDARD.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1879.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

COLIN SCATCHERD, ex-M. P. for Middlesex, died suddenly on the 20th inst., of apoplexy.

"REACTION" in East Hastings "don't take worth a cent." On Wednesday Mr. White, the Conservative candidate, was again returned; this time by nearly one hundred majority.

WOODSTOCK has a lively church rumpus. On Sunday the trustees of the C. M. Church locked out their minister, Rev. R. W. Parker. The difficulty has been brought to the notice of the President of the Conference.

THE Tecumseh Division, embracing Perth and Huron counties, was left without a representative in the Senate at the death of Hon. Donald Macdonald. Hon. H. B. Bull, of Hamilton, has been called to fill the vacancy.

REV. ANSON GREEN, D. D., one of the oldest ministers of the Canada Methodist Church, died in Toronto last week. He was for a number of years President of the Toronto Conference, and an indefatigable worker during his entire ministry.

DURING the past week short sittings have been in vogue at Ottawa. A Bill to amend the Insolvent Act and several other important measures have been introduced, but as they will be brought up for discussion at a future stage, no great demand has as yet been made upon the attention of the House. The Budget will most probably be submitted early in the coming week. Mr. Tilley intends that when the new tariff is brought down that it shall be as complete as possible. When it is considered that he is placed in the position of being obliged while so framing a tariff as to protect the national industries of the country to raise a revenue which will make up for the millions of a deficit left by the late "mixer and muddler" of Finance, the fancied delay in the matter evaporates, and the wonder is that Mr. Tilley will be ready with the tariff in so short a time.

## WEST WELLINGTON.

We understand that Mr. James Fahey, the talented Editor of the Stratford *Herald*, is the probable choice of the Conservatives of West Wellington, and certainly our opinion of commendation will be endorsed by all who are acquainted with Mr. Fahey's abilities. The acquisition of debating power should always be a thing to be desired by any legislative corporation; and in the present make-up of our Local Legislature it is just possible, the windy evaporations of our D. D. Hay to the contrary, that we have too little of this essential. No doubt the real live Grits will see in Mr. Fahey's candidature divers bad elements; and a medicament unsuited to the Grit stomach and morals he certainly will prove. The salary grabbers may depend upon anything but co-operation in Mr. Fahey, we feel sure, and he will prove a thunderbolt to that corruscation of political trickery—Mr. Christopher Fraser. Mr. Fraser has for a long time utilized his religion for enlisting political prestige, and if for no other reason, Mr. Fahey should be elected to checkmate the "big pop-wow" in his quasi-religious intrigue. It augurs well for the Province when men of the calibre of Mr. Fahey enter the Legislative halls, following the demise of such progeny of the Cave of Eolus as Mr. D. D. Hay.

## TOWN COUNCIL.

**A Midnight Session with demonstrative "Bear-garden" Variations.**

An adjourned meeting was held on Monday evening, 23rd inst., in the Council chamber. Present, T E Hay, Reeve, in the chair; and councillors John Binning, A. Austin, James Lee, J G Tremain, J Heppler, A D Freeman, A McDonald, J R Shields. The minutes of previous meeting were read. Mr. Austin rose to object to the minutes, stating as his reasons therefor that in his opinion the proceedings of last meeting were irregular and illegal, inasmuch as the vote taken in the election of a town officer was by ballot, and therefore not in accordance with the Statute; also that the proceedings in committee of the whole were not in accordance with the Rules of Order adopted by the Council. The Mayor entered the room, when the chair was vacated by the Reeve. The Clerk was instructed to take a note of Mr. Austin's objection. The minutes were then approved and signed by the Mayor. An account from Messrs. Robinson & Dunham, for the new town hall was read. It was moved by T E Hay, seconded by A. Austin, that Messrs. Robinson & Dunham be paid the contract price of the Town Hall, namely, $2,550, when certified as to completion according to plans and specifications by Mr. Gall, inspector, and that the bill for extras be also certified by the inspector, and that he call on any member of the Council for information in connection therewith, and that the same be referred to the Public Buildings Committee—carried.

THE BILLINGER PROPERTY.

The Mayor stated that he wished to make an explanation to the Council regarding the purchase of the lots on Mill street, formerly belonging to the Billinger estate. The four lots in question had been purchased by the town for the sum of $1,050. The first deed conveying the property to the corporation, was incorrect; he therefore had instructed the clerk to make out a new deed, and in doing so he thought he was only carrying out the wishes of the Committee of the Council. He admitted that the procedure was irregular, on account of not having submitted the matter before the Council; but he felt justified for the responsibility which he had assumed in that the action was no more irregular than many transactions of members of this and other Council Boards. It was entirely in the interest and for the benefit of the town that he had acted as he did, and should the council think proper not to hold the whole of the property he would find an immediate purchaser for the half south of the hall, at the price paid therefor, with interest on purchase money to present date.

Mr. Binning said that he wished to correct a statement which had appeared over the signature of the Mayor to the effect that it had been the unanimous decision of the Committee of the whole Council to make the purchase. As a member of the council, he was not aware of the purchase of either part or the whole of the property. He explained what had transpired to his knowledge. It had not been done in Council. He called upon a member of the Council and several other gentlemen present to corroborate his statements.

Mr. T E Hay was surprised to hear Mr. Binning say that he was not aware of the purchase of the first part of the property. He (Mr. Binning) was present when the tenders were received and the contract let for the hall. With regard to the purchase of the second lot, he wished to make an explanation. He was surprised to see the Mayor's letter, as he was not aware that the second half of the property had been purchased by the town. He had made statements at public meetings previous to the elections that the whole of the property had been bought by the town. He understood that the mayor would take a portion of the property. He thought the Mayor was hasty in his statements in the public press.

The Mayor explained that it was the decision of the Committee of the whole Council, though all the members may not have been present.

Mr. Heppler said that he was present at the meeting of the Committee; but that no decision had then been arrived at, and that he was not aware of the purchase until the land had been bought.

Dr. Nichol, (who had taken his seat at the Council Board) said that it was wasting the time of the Council; the matter to decide was whether the town wished to keep it. The Doctor subsequently stated that he was present when the Committee went to Mr. Sutherland and asked him if he could sell half of the property for $500, and that Mr. Sutherland had told them that he thought he could, though he did not give them any guarantee. He thought the town should hold the property, as the town was losing nothing, the rent of the building thereon paying interest on the investment. The matter was further discussed by councillors Austin, McDonald and Tremain; Messrs. D D Campbell, John Page, W G Hay, George Towner and George Draper, upon invitatation, also expressed their opinion of the matter. Mr. Towner stated that he was not present at the meeting of the Council when the matter was said to have been brought before the Board, and that he knew nothing of the purchase until after it had been made. After further explanations from the Mayor, it was moved by James Lee and seconded by A Austin, that the Council instruct the Mayor to re-convey the lots south of the town hall to any person who will pay purchase money and interest on the same from time of purchase to re-payment, the purchaser to pay expenses of re-conveyance. It was moved in amendment by A D Freeman, seconded by Dr. Nichol, that the Council approve of the purchase of the remaining lots by the Mayor. The yeas and nays were taken on the amendment with the following result: yeas—Nichol, Freeman and Tremain, 3; nays — McDonald, Heppler, Hay, Lee, Austin, Shields, Binning, Scott, 8. The amendment being lost, the motion was declared carried.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Application was read from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Listowel High School Board, for the the sum of $6,000, for the purpose of erecting a High School building. The Mayor, after briefly referring to the object for which the grant was required, invited Mr. Draper, Chairman of the High School Board, to address the meeting. Mr. Draper stated that the High School now occupied three rooms in the Public School, and it was probable that at least one of them would be required by the P. S. in September; hence the necessity of erecting a new High School building. The building which the Board proposed to erect would be about 45x65 feet, giving five class rooms. As a Ward school would be required in the east part of the town before long, two of these rooms could be appropriated for that purpose. He considered that less than $6,000 would be insufficient to meet their requirements, and as he did not wish to come back to the Council, it was thought best to ask for the full amount in the first place. Mr. D. D. Campbell, Sec.-Treas. of the H. S. Board, corroborated Mr. Draper's remarks, stating that it was the desire of the Board to act in the interest of the town in the erection of a school building. He did not think a suitable building, with furnishings, fencing, etc., could be erected for less than $7,000. He thought that the townships would make a small grant also. He did not think it advisable to press the sale of the old school property at the present time, as more could be realized for it by waiting until another season. Through Mr. Lillico's munificence the Board had acquired a very valuable property, and he considered it to be in the interest of the town to place a creditable building upon it. Mr. Austin took strong objection to granting the amount asked. He did not think it to be in the interest of the town that the school should be built. He considered that the "magnificent buildings" vacated by the school were sufficient for the small number of scholars. He had no confidence in the Board. There had been enough squandered in the Public School building to erect a new High School; the proceedings of the Board were illegal; he should fight it to the last. He suggested that the figure should be set down at $4,000, on condition of giving up the old school property. Mr. D. D. Campbell took Mr. Austin roundly to task for the aspersions which he had cast upon the members of the High School Board. Messrs. Draper and R. Martin also pronounced upon some of Mr. Austin's statements as being entirely unfounded, and accused him of personal feeling in the matter. Dr. Nichol thought that a suitable building would cost $6,000. He did not object to granting that amount. He also thought that the building should be erected this summer. He suggested that the plans should be laid before the Council. The Mayor also favored the suggestion that the plans be submitted to the Council. He should like to see a respectable building erected if it did take $6,000. He regretted the unpleasant turn the discussion had taken. Mr. D. D. Campbell stated that the Board would be happy to lay the plans before the Council as soon as they were completed, which they would be in a few days. It was moved by A. Austin, seconded by J. R. Shields, that the application of the High School Board be postponed until the first regular meeting of Council in April. It was moved in amendment by T. E. Hay, and seconded by J. A. Hacking, that the application from the High School Board for $6,000, be deferred until such time that the Board submit to this Council the plans and estimates of the building which are now being prepared. The amendment was carried.

TAVERN AND SHOP LICENSES.

By-laws to regulate the number of tavern and shop licenses to be granted, also the prices for such licenses, were introduced. It was moved by A. Austin, and seconded by J G Tremain, that the number of tavern licenses be limited to seven, and shop licenses, two. It was moved in amendment by Dr. Nichol, and seconded by A McDonald, that the number of tavern licenses for the present year be limited to eight. The yeas and nays being called for, the following gentlemen voted for the amendment, viz: Nichol, McDonald, Heppler, Hacking, Hay, Lee, Shields, Binning; against it, Freeman, Tremain and Austin—amendment carried. It was moved by A. Austin, and seconded by J G Tremain, that the fee for tavern license be $125, and for shop license, $200. It was moved in amendment by Dr. Nichol, seconded by A McDonald, that the fee for tavern license for the present year be $100, and for shop license, $200. For the amendment—Nichol, McDonald, Freeman, Heppler, Hacking Hay, Lee, Shields, Binning; against it—Tremain and Austin. The amendment being carried, By-laws Nos. 38 and 39 were read a first time with blanks filled up in accordance with above resolutions; the Rule of Order having been suspended, the By-laws were read a second time in committee, and were afterwards read a third time in Council and duly passed.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The Auditors' Report, containing an abstract statement of the finances of the town for the year 1878, was laid upon the table. It was moved by J A Hacking, seconded by T E Hay, that the Auditors' Report be received and adopted, and that it be published one insertion in both town papers—carried.

It was moved by J Binning, seconded by A McDonald, that the Clerk be instructed to provide a book for the chairman of each committee for the purpose of recording the business brought before them—carried.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

The Treasurer's statement for the month of January was submitted; it is as follows:

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| Amount on hand 1st January, | $1,628 62 |
| Cash received on taxes and otherwise | 1,413 96 |
| | $3,042 58 |
| Paid on public improvements, | $ 225 25 |
| " Interest on Debentures, | 1,575 00 |
| " For Billinger property, | 1,045 00 |
| " Expense account, | 64 09 |
| " Building account, | 320 97 |
| " Refunded taxes, | 27 20 |
| " Fire protection, | 1 75 |
| | 3,569 26 |
| | 3,042 58 |
| Deficit, | $ 526 68 |

TAXES.

It was moved by A D Feeman, seconded by J Heppler, that Mrs Zimmerman's taxes be remitted—carried. It was moved by T E Hay, seconded by J A Hacking, that the clerk be instructed to invite the assesser to attend the meeting of the Council on Monday evening next—carried. It was moved by J A Hacking, seconded by J G Tremain, that the collector be credited with $4.73, error in roll on part lot 83, W Dodd st., said lot being twice assessed—carried. Legal advice was read by the Mayor concerning the income tax, and the collector was instructed to proceed with collection of said tax. Dr. Philip, who was present, addressed the Council stating that he was prepared to stand a lawsuit with the corporation before he should submit to paying his income tax, unless his legal counsel should advise him otherwise.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee having met and examined the following accounts, and find them correct, recommend them to be paid, as follows: W C Kidd, for livery, $4.50; James Lowry, for blacksmithing, $2.65; J W Brisbin, for stationery, 85c.; R. Woods, for half year's salary, $50; J W Devlin, for half year's salary, up to Dec 31, 1878, $84.85; Mrs McKenzie, for rent for election purpose, $4; Alexander Morrow, Returning officer, $8; H Steele, for 13 weeks' salary for keeping up fire in engine room, $26; Geo Sutherland, for 1 year's salary, to Dec. 31, 1878, $80; total, $260.85. A. McDONALD, Chairman.

It was moved by J Heppler, seconded by J Binning, that the report of the Finance Committee be received and the accounts paid forthwith—carried. On motion the Council adjourned at 11.50 p. m.

## P. D. & L. H. RAILWAY.

From the various reports submitted at the annual meeting of the Company held at Woodstock last week, we glean the following particulars in reference to the present state of the Company's affairs, financially and otherwise. Following is the table of receipts and expenditure for the year 1878:

RECEIPTS.

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| Cash balance last audit, | $ 2,597 52 |
| Stock, | 2,630 29 |
| Revenue, | 78,414 26 |
| Bills payable, | 15,965 46 |
| Liabilities, | 3,629 30 |
| | $103,236 83 |

EXPENDITURE.

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| Open accounts, | $ 1,336 12 |
| Nov. and Dec. pay rolls, 1877, | 4,766 83 |
| Bond interest, | 232 26 |
| Right of way, | 2,047 95 |
| Township of North Norwich, | 711 20 |
| Rolling stock, | 4,650 22 |
| Construction, | 16,596 05 |
| Operating, | 72,262 48 |
| Cash on hand, | 653 72 |
| | $103,236 83 |

The General Manager's report states that "the track as a whole has been very much improved, a large amount of ballasting having been done. 2,193 ties were taken out and replaced by new ones; 10,000 more have been contracted for, to be delivered next spring, which amount will be ample for 1879. The bridges are in good condition, no extensive repairs having been required during the year, nor likely to be required for 1879. The iron, with the exception of a few tons near Simcoe, has proved to be of excellent quality, and will last for a great many years. The rolling stock has been fully maintained although at large expense, owing to lack of shop facilities for the greater part of the year. An effort has been made to place the shops in shape to do all the repairs necessary. The Eames Vacuum Brake which was placed on three of the locomotives and four passenger cars, has worked satisfactorily in every respect. From the first of April to the first of December we were compelled to greatly overwork the locomotives; were running three regular trains and a construction train, with four locomotives. You will have five locomotives for 1879, and, not requiring to run a construction train, this difficulty will not arise again. On locating and constructing the road north of Woodstock, great care was taken to avoid cuttings on account of snow during the month of December; however, a serious blockade occurred. The drifts in most cases were on the level, or on low embankments; all the places have been marked and measured, and I would recommend that three boards be removed from the fence on the west side of the track in these places and three lines of barbed wire be substituted, and that the boards released be used for snow fences to protect the cuttings. This in connection with the flanger, which works admirably, would, I think, effectually prevent any further trouble from this source. Between Woodstock and Listowel, from 1,800 to 2,000 rods of this kind of change will be required. From the report you will see that the cost of operating for the year has been almost $800 per mile; this includes all the expenses of running a heavy construction train several months, excepting pay of men charged to construction. Two passenger trains each way daily, with time to handle the time-freight, such as cheese, live stock, etc., and a freight train every other day seems to be indispensible. Four train gangs are employed and fully, I think. I judge that aside from the items of general office clerks and general superintendence, there is but little chance of effecting a reduction in current expenses, excepting such as can be brought about by a better and more independent system of repairs."

The Board of Directors report that the total earnings from all sources (gross) amount to $81,321.49—an increase of $28,056.58 over the gross earnings for the year 1877. The total cost of operating has been $72,242.48, leaving a balance of $9,078.91 from gross receipts over the expenses of operating. It has been found absolutely necessary to expend on construction and rolling stock the sum of $15,636.02. Arrangements have been made to have a steamboat operated in connection with the railway from Port Dover to Port Rowan for local trade and also for excursions. Negotiations are being carried on with a view of establishing steamboat connection between Port Dover and Erie City with a view of getting American coal capitalists and owners of coal mines to establish a depot at Port Dover for the purpose of doing a general coal trade with Western Ontario. The Directors confidently look forward to an improved state of business affairs in the country and an extension of the system of the railway farther north to develop a greater increase of traffic for the Company.

Last week we published the names of the Board of Directors for 1879. Mr. R. W. Sawtell was re-appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

## WHOLESALE MASSACRE BY THE KING OF BURMAH.

London, Feb. 20.—Startling intelligence has been received from Mandalay, the capital of Independent Burmah. The King of Burmah, his Majesty Mendoonmen, has for some time cherished a deep hostility against certain of his nobles, especially against Princes Thouz and Mekara. The King himself is an orthodox and devoted Buddhist, and largely under the influence of ecclesiastic advisers. He is of an extremely jealous and secretive disposition and for some months past appears to have cherished the belief that the princes in question were plotting against him. Finally summoning his Privy Council, which consists of four persons, known as "Atwenwoons," he laid before them his suspicions and demanded that they and their households should be executed. As the will of the monarch is supreme, the order was given and the massacre took place. The two Princes and eighty-six of their relations were slain immediately. The details of the massacre are described as horrible in the extreme.

## BISMARCK ON PROTECTION.

Berlin, Feb. 21.—During the debate in the Reichstag to-day on the treaty of commerce between Germany and Austria, Bismarck said he was not altogether opposed to treaties of commerce, but every such engagement must provide protection of home industries. He had no wish to deny that he had changed his views on this subject, but in former times he had been influenced by the importance of preserving friendship with France and preventing Austria from disrupting the Zollverein. Even now he should prefer to confine himself to few custom duties, but he cited the opposition to the tobacco project to show that this was impossible. He could afford to leave posterity to decide between himself and his financial critics.

## WALLACE.

REMOVAL.—Mr. Cyrus Long, having rented his farm to Mr. John Ringler, has moved to the township of Tecumseh, where he still intends to follow that noble calling, farming. As Mr. Long was highly respected his removal will be much regretted; he has the best wishes of his old neighbors for success.—COM.

## HOWICK.

COUNCIL.—Council met at Hainstock's hotel, Fordwich, on the 19th inst., all the members being present. By-law No. 2 was read and passed. The township printing was awarded to the Howick *Enterprise*. A By-law was passed limiting the number of tavern licenses to ten. Widow Walker's taxes were remitted. A barrel of flour was granted to Joseph Ketchum, an indigent. William Cleves made application to have his lot changed from Orange Hill S. S. to Lakelet S. S. Accounts passed—Wm Higgins, $90 for contract on base line; Garrow, Meyer & Co., $117.85, for expenses of suit on drainage by-law, and defending the same, etc. By-law No. 3 read and passed. Council adjourned to meet at Ross' hotel, Gorrie, on the third Wednesday in March, when pathmasters, pound-keepers and fence-viewers will be appointed.

W. DANE, T'p Clerk.

## NEWRY.

Times in and around Newry are beginning to get brighter and livelier. Every person is beginning to feel that the hard times will soon be a thing of the past; even those who looked upon the N P with distrust are beginning to feel that there is something in it after all. You cannot help, Mr. Editor, but to feel proud when you see some of the more sanguine Reformers who kept their pork until now, going home from the market with increased prices, praising Sir John in their hearts for deliving the country from almost utter ruin.

M. C. Williams of the Newry store has been disposing of his stock of fall and winter goods at reduced prices. He must sell to make room for his new stock which is arriving daily. He is carrying on a regular A T Stewart business.—Mr. Wynn of the Newry Hotel is busily engaged in attending to the wants of a very large number of the travelling public who favor him with their patronage.—Mr. John Morrison is kept very busy from daylight till dark supplying his numerous customers with all kinds of work, which he, as a blacksmith, is well qualified to do.—Mr James Humphreys has rented Mr. J. Allan's blacksmith shop at Elma Centre, where no doubt he will do a large amount of work.

Mr. Geo Peebles lost a fine mare this week. He was drawing logs out of the bush when the mare fell and inflicted such an injury on herself that it was necessary to kill her.—COM.

## THE FAR WEST PROVINCES.

Volunteer infantry companies are being organized at Morris and St. Boniface.

R. W. Prittie, of Toronto, intends to take about 10,000 people to the Western Provinces this spring.

A Presbyterian church has been dedicated at Emerson, Manitoba.

Deer, elk and all kinds of game are very plentiful at Calf Mountain, Man., but no person seems to have time to hunt.

The Episcopal Methodist church at Morris, has lately received an addition in the shape of a pipe organ costing $500.

The necessity for an elevator or large warehouse at Emerson, was seen last week, as about four hundred sacks of wheat were piled up out-doors at the depot for want of storage accommodation.

At a public meeting held at Morris, it was resolved that a petition for incorporating six townships in a municipality be drawn up and presented. The names of the townships are: Township 5, range 1 east, Louise; township 5, range 1 west, Lorne; township 5, range 2 east, Nyanza, township 4, range 2 east, Blackheath; township 4, range 1 east, Nassau; township 4, range 1 west, Juverna.

The St. Paul *Pioneer Press* says: "There is a report from Ottawa, Canada, that applications have been received from several thousand Germans in the Southern States asking what inducements the Canadian Government will offer them to settle in the Manitoba wheat country. The Germans in many places are dissatisfied with their surroundings.

## A NUISANCE.

EDITOR STANDARD.—The irrepressible exponent of Turveydrop deportment and impudence in the Town Council—Adam Austin—seemed rather the worse Monday evening of the scathing rebuke administered to him by the first Mayor of the town. The conceit, ignorance and impudence of a man puffed up in his own vanity cannot be better or more speedily cured than by subjecting him to ridicule. The more such a man squeals, the stronger evidence it is of the efficacy of the weapons used against him. All such men must be caught, cracked, and then thrust aside ultimately, and oftentimes when reasoning utterly fails to do the desired work, such a drubbing as the shoddy Elihu Burritt received the other evening from Mr. Campbell is found to be most beneficial. It is to be hoped that Mr. Austin will in the future cast no such Austin-like aspersions upon the honor and credulity of the Public School Board. Feeling, Mr. Editor, that I express the sentiments of nine-tenths of my fellow ratepayers. Yours,

ELECTOR.

NUMBER OF FREE MASONS.—The following statistics of the number of lodges of Free Masons which existed at the end of last year will be read with interest:—In Germany there were 242 lodges; Switzerland, 33; Hungary 44; Roumania, 11; Servia, 1; England and Wales, 1,187; Scotland, 334; Ireland, 289; Gibraltar, 5; Malta, 4; Holland and Luxemburg, 46; Belgium, 15; Denmark, 7; Sweden and Norway, 18; France, 287; Spain, about 300; Portugal, 22; Italy, 110; Greece, 11; Turkey 26; Egypt, 28; Tunis, 2; Algeria, 11; Morocco, 2; the West Coast of Africa, 11; African Islands, 25; the Cape, 61; Arabia, (Aden) 1; India, 118; India Islands, 16; China, 13; Japan, 5, Australian Islands, 4; Australia, 229; New Zealand, 84; United States, 9,894; Canada, 535; Cuba, 30; Hayti, 32; West India Islands 65; Mexico, 13; Brazil, 265; other States in South America, 179—a total of about 15,000 lodges. The number of Free Masons is about 5,000,000.

ORANGE GRAND LODGE.—Previous to closing the Grand Orange Lodge which was in session at Guelph last week, the following officers were elected for this year: R W G M, W J Parkhill, M P P, Rendwick, Simcoe; R W D G M, Major Bennett, Toronto; R W A D G M, Capt R A L White, St Marys; R W G Chap, Rev H Cooper, Listowel; R W G T, N C Wallace, M P, Woodbridge; R W G S, Thos Keys, St Catharines; R W D G S, Wm Magress, St Catherines; R W G L, Jno. Niblock, Parkhill; R W G D of C, Thomas Brownlee, St. Catharines. It was decided to hold the next Grand Lodge meeting at Walkerton.

AGENCY.—Mr. John Page has been appointed as agent for the Galt Nursery for Listowel and vicinity, and all orders sent in, and all moneys paid to him for trees, shrubs, &c., will be acknowledged by us. D. CALDWELL & SON, Galt. 29c

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Duke of Newcastle is dead.

Clifford had an Orange social which netted $30.

Salem washerwomen advertise on telegaph poles.

A Palmerston clergyman married eight people last week.

Ed. Gainor has been appointed assessor of Peel township.

James Bruce, of Peel, was nearly buried alive by a gravel slide, recently.

A minister was robbed on his way from Gorrie to Arthur last Saturday evening.

Palmerston has appointed a constable at a salary of $300. Caswell is his name.

Russian reports from the infected districts state that the plague is rapidly dying out.

It is reported that the Greek Archbishop of Adrainople has been beaten to death by a Bulgarian mob.

The first stone of the Australian International Exhibition building, to open in 1880, was laid in Melborne on Wednesday, 19th inst.

M. Grevy, as president of the French Republic, will get $100,000 a year as salary, and $50,000, for household expenses.

The British steamer "Zanzibar," which sailed from New York on January 11th for Glasgow, has not since been heard from. She is now regarded as lost.

The publication of the Embro *Express* has been resumed after two months' suspension, the editor having been visited with small pox, and condemned to live in quarantine until the disease had abated.

Mr. Trow, M. P. for South Perth, will leave about the middle of May next on a trip across the continent, travelling overland from Winnipeg to the Pacific coast. The trip will occupy about five months.

A Mrs Graham left Hamilton on Friday by the Great Western railway apparently in good health. When she arrived at London she was a raving maniac, and was removed to the City Hospital for safe keeping.

William Thompson, of Palmerston, has been spending the last few days round about Wiarton and Lion's Head, and as a result of his visit the township council of Eastnor is about to submit a bonus by-law for $1,600, to induce him to build a saw mill there.

Farmers, remember the place to get your Auction Sale bills printed is at this office. Those living at a distance should call and leave their order as soon as they arrive in town, as by so doing they can get their bills home with them. A notice of the sale will be inserted in the STANDARD free of charge.

SMALL POX.—This dread disease has broken out in Brantford, and is reported to be spreading with considerable violence. Every exertion is being made by the authorities, however, to confine its ravages, and vaccination is being performed by the medical men of the city free.

THE MEANEST KIND OF A THIEF.—During the funeral of the late George Ellis, of Clifton, a man named Ralley who had been in his employ for some time, cast of his old clothes after the funeral cortege had passed out of sight, and put on a complete suit belonging to his deceased benefactor. He then pocketed a gold watch and chain, a silver watch, some jewelry and $20 in money. He then left for the American side of the river.

A reunion of Guelph's 1866 soldiers met at the City Hotel, in that town, on Friday night for the purpose of taking steps for celebrating the anniversary of the day when the company left Guelph for the frontier, 9th March, 1866. It was decided to celebrate the anniversary on Monday 10th March, by a dinner at the American Hotel. The officers of the company in 1866 were Capt. Higinbotham, Lieut. Armstrong and Ensign Bruce. The Guelph rifle company is the oldest in existence in Canada.

Furs selling at cost, at Bean & Gee's.

GLASS, GLASS.—I have just received spring stock of window glass, all sizes, which will be offered at very low prices. Call and see. J. A. HACKING.—21

For boots and shoes, ready-made clothing, and suits made to order, go to D. D. Campbell, next door to Scott's bank, wallace street.

Parties owing me small accounts will take this as a notice to call and pay up, and save costs. J. A. HACKING.

Don't forget to call on D. D. Campbell in his new shop next door to Scott's bank, wallace street.

Coal oil, 20 cts.; 5 gallons 90 cts.; medium sized crimp top chimnies, 5 cents; good burners, 10 cts., at Hacking's drug store.

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

Thorley's food increases the flow of milk in cows. Try it; at Hacking's.

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PRINTS! PRINTS!—Over 300 pieces to select from at Climie, Hay & Co's.

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A full line of Skates, at rock bottom prices, at S. Bricker & Co's new hardware.

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A LARGE variety of mottoes, also motto frames, very cheap, at Dr. Michener's book and drug store.

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Come along with your money and get stoves at your own prices for the next thirty days. Smith Bros.—Schneider's old stand.

LISTOWEL MARKETS.

February 27, 1879.

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| Wheat, fall, per bush., | $0 87 to 0 95 |
| Spring Wheat, " | 0 75 0 80 |
| Barley, " | 0 35 0 40 |
| Peas, " | 0 55 0 60 |
| Oats, " | 0 28 0 30 |
| Flour, per cwt., | 0 00 2 30 |
| Oatmeal, " | 2 25 2 50 |
| Cornmeal, " | 1 75 2 00 |
| Butter, per lb., | 0 09 0 13 |
| Eggs, per dozen, | 0 00 0 15 |
| Pork, per cwt., | 4 50 5 00 |
| Beef, per cwt., | 4 00 5 00 |
| Geese, | 0 25 0 35 |
| Ducks, per pair, | 0 25 0 40 |
| Chickens, per pair, | 0 20 0 30 |
| Turkeys, each, | 0 40 1 00 |
| Potatoes, per bag, | 0 45 0 55 |
| Apples, per bag, | 0 70 0 80 |
| Hay, per ton, | 7 00 8 00 |
| Wood, per cord, long, | 1 50 1 75 |
| Wood, " short, | 0 75 1 00 |
| Hides, per cwt., | 5 50 0 00 |
| Sheepskins, each, | 0 40 0 80 |
| Wool, per lb, | 0 00 0 00 |

STRATFORD MARKETS.

February 27, 1829.

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| Wheat, fall, per bush., | 0 90 to 0 92 |
| Wheat, spring, " | 0 80 0 84 |
| Barley, " | 0 40 0 50 |
| Peas, " | 0 57 0 62 |
| Oats, " | 0 28 0 28 |
| Flour, per brl | 4,00 4 50 |
| Potatoes, per bag, | 0 75 0 80 |
| Butter, per lb., | 0 14 0 16 |
| Eggs, per dozen, | 0 15 0 16 |
| Hides, per cwt., | 0 06 0 07 |
| Hogs, " | 4 75 5 25 |
| Hay, per ton, | 6 00 7 50 |
| Wool, | 0 00 0 00 |

TORONTO MARKETS.

PRICES AT FARMERS' WAGONS.

February 27, 1879.

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| Wheat, fall, per bush., | $0 85 to 0 97 |
| Wheat, spring, " | 0 75 0 92 |
| Barley, " | 0 40 0 84 |
| Oats, " | 0 30 0 33 |
| Peas, " | 0 50 0 61 |
| Rye, " | 0 50 0 50 |
| Dressed hogs, per 100 lbs., | 5 25 6 00 |
| Beef, hind qrs, " | 5 50 6 50 |
| Mutton, by carcase " | 5 00 5 50 |
| Butter, lb. rolls, | 0 16 0 20 |
| Butter, large rolls, | 0 00 0 00 |
| Butter, tub, dairy, | 0 13 0 15 |
| Eggs, fresh, per dozen, | 0 20 0 20 |
| Potatoes, per bag, | 1 00 0 05 |
| Hay, per ton, | 7 00 11 00 |


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R. SMITH. F. W. GEARING. J. GRAYSON SMITH. 1-6y

J. H. MICHENER, M. D., Physician Surgeon and Accoucheur. Office at his Drug Store, Osborne's block, Main Street, Listowel. Residence—that lately occupied by Mr. D. M. Gordon, Main St. east. 23

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