

PAKEMHAM COUNCIL.

Pakemham, Sept. 7th, 1872. The Council met at ten o'clock; present the Reeve and all the Councilors.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and sustained. Communication from the Education Department respecting the levying of a rate in the township for High School purposes, was read.

Mr. Lowe moved, seconded by Mr. Stoen, that the several communications and petitions read here this day, be now taken up in order, read and disposed of.

Mr. Woods moved, seconded by Mr. Stoen, that on the petition of Alex. Bayne and others respecting the side lot between lots 20 and 21, in the 9th concession, be read.

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The St. Louis Republican states that a prominent citizen Mr. George Oggood, died recently at New Salem, Mo., from lead poisoning, occasioned by the use of water drawn through a new lead pipe about two years ago.

The Manitoba states that the harvest all over Manitoba has been well got, and will prove something considerably over an average crop.

Mr. Jarvis's party of the Canadian Pacific Railway Survey, which left Winnipeg in the middle of June for Eagle Lake, have made fifty miles of exploratory survey, on which the work will be considerably lighter than on that surveyed last fall on the shore of the Lake of the Woods.

The Chicago box carpenters, although having no organization, have determined to resist the strike, and are confident of replacing the strikers with non-union men at an early day.

The New York Sun tells this story of a man who has come from Greene Co., Wisconsin, and is on his way to London. His name is Joseph Langham Brown; and he claims to be the rightful heir to the title of the Marquis of Langham.

Another Rideway Victim.—We learn from the "Woodstock Review" Mr. J. G. Powell, formerly a resident of Woodstock, died last week. At the time of the Fenian raid he belonged to the 13th Batt., Hamilton, and at that unfortunate Rideway skirmish received a ball in the hip, from the effects of which he never wholly recovered.

Coal Prospects in the East.—The public have very quickly been informed by telegraph of the fact that, owing to the great rise in the price of coal in England, markets have all at once been found for Nova Scotia coal in large quantities.

Embarrassments of the Vermont Central Railway.—This great railway corporation is in a position of great embarrassment. Its paper has been protested, and there are loud outcries against its vast indebtedness and management.

A Colony from England.—The Rev. George Rodgers, a leading Independent or Congregational minister of Dorsetshire, South of England, accompanied by a number of tenant-farmers, has recently made a tour of inspection through Minnesota for the purpose of selecting lands for a colony of 2,000 persons.

The Herald's special from London says that Lowe, in his speech at Glasgow, severely condemned Sir Alexander Cockburn, for refusing to sign the award for damages in the Alabama claims, and for publishing his argument, which opens up the question and renews all feeling.

To convert French currency, stated in francs, into U. S. currency, divide the number of francs by 5. To convert English currency, stated in pounds, multiply the number of pounds by 5.

A fatal accident occurred at Bertramville, on Thursday evening, in the death of Thomas Walsh, conductor on Grand Trunk Railway.

The Fishborne claimant has not only been stalling it through England, collecting money for his defense at the Birmingham trial, but he has addressed a letter to the people of Canada, asking them to send him contributions for the same purpose.

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The population of Winnipeg now reaches 3,000. The English hop crop is gathered and given an abundant yield.

Gambetta demands the dissolution of the French National Assembly. The immigration from Alsace and Lorraine into France is increasing.

The Spanish Consul has closed his offices and has begun work in earnest. The Governor General visited Hamilton and met with an enthusiastic reception.

The Hon. Robert Lowe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has received the freedom of the city of Glasgow. The Sultan has dispatched to the Viceroy of Egypt a firman sanctioning his title of Khedive and making it hereditary.

The Cuban vessel Placer, seized some time ago by the United States authorities, has been sold as a prize. The advance in coal has caused a diminution of work hours in the Lancashire cotton mills.

There was a great run on the Ontario Bank at Ottawa. The panic was uncalculated for the bank is said to be perfectly sound. Fearful destruction of vessels has been produced by the late severe storm in the West Indies.

The annual exhibition of the South Lanark Agricultural Society will be held in the Drill Shed, Perth, on Friday, 4th October next. Sir Alexander Cockburn, the British arbitrator at Geneva, has just published his opinion, dissenting from his colleague on an award.

The Chatham Planet remarks that Mr. Mackenzie is still drawing his salary as a member of the Ontario Ministry, although he has no seat in the Assembly. The Irish Catholic Bishops assembled in Council at Maynooth, have declared for Home Rule, Cardinal Cullen alone dissenting.

The English cricketers played in Boston. They won the match, but made a small score, and were forced to play two innings. The planting and sowing of the new crops is well advanced in the North Lanark Agricultural Society.

An extradition case is now pending in Halifax. The prisoner is one Augustus Kechnig charged with the murder of his wife in Boston. Jas. W. Meekie, one of the oldest merchants of Halifax, and for some years President of the Merchants' Bank there, died on Tuesday at the age of 72 years.

The Rev. Henry the Governor General received an enthusiastic reception at Toronto. 15,000 flowers lined his way to the Lieutenant Governor's residence. A vigilance committee in Kentucky orders the contractor on a railroad to stop work because the line was not located to please the people.

The return of the Hon. A. Dorion for Naperville, during his absence from the country, and without his consent, was fittingly celebrated by his constituents. A barn belonging to Mr. H. Sheridan, of the Township of Emily, County of Victoria, Ont., was struck by lightning on Tuesday night, and over 1,000 bushels of grain consumed.

The Directors of the Bank of Montreal propose to increase the capital stock of the bank to \$12,000,000. With the new stock at twenty-five per cent premium this increase would absorb \$5,000,000. The Fall Planting.—Next month is the time for fall planting and we would advise our townpeople to put out as many trees as possible, around their places and on the streets. There are no varieties better than the maple and elm.

The annual exhibition of the South Lanark Agricultural Society will be held in the village of Renfrew on Tuesday, 1st Oct. At 2 o'clock, p. m. a thoroughbred Yorkshire bull, the property of the society, will be offered for sale by auction. A French paper gives a detailed account of the manufacture of false eyes in Paris, from which the curious fact appears that the average sale per week for eyes intended for the human hand amounts to 400. The charge is about \$10 per eye.

The Southern planters are not finding out the advantages of free labor, and are already beginning to harvest their cotton crop on the western system, by employing a full supply of hands at the planting and picking seasons, and keeping the year round only a few field-hands to keep the growing cotton up in trim.

Over three thousand five hundred new books appeared in England last year. A Wisconsin editor speaks of a wind which "just set down on his hind legs and howled."

The oldest newspaper in the world is the Imperial Gazette, published in Peking and printed on silk. California boasts the largest orchard in the world. It contains 426 acres, and over 93,000 fruit trees.

A delighted local says: "After a long fall we have two very creditable run-aways to record this week." Admiral Winslow's share of the prize money for disabling the Alabama is said to amount to \$24,000.

When we are alone, we have our thoughts, to watch; in our families, our tempers; and in society our tongues. Two Cincinnati newspapers are quarreling because they look alike, and unnecessary layers often purchase one for the other.

A premium is offered at a California fair to the young woman who shall prepare the best dinner at the smallest cost. There are indications of millennium near Belle Plaine, Ia. A farmer refused \$125 for what he considered had no more value to another purchaser for \$1.

Raw beef chopped up fine with onions is a new "fascia" which Germans consider a cure or preventive of dysentery, as well as of lung diseases. Lieut. Handt von Hafsen, a battle-scarred veteran of the Prussian army has eloped to Utah with two daughters of a Berlin banker.

A man in Rochester has discovered that a kerosene bath taken early in the morning will keep off colds and mosquitoes and everything else. The first industrial exhibition ever held in Newfoundland has been held in St. John's. It is a very creditable affair.

A Democratic editor says: "We are living at this moment under absolute despotism." He married the wrong woman. The codification of the English law, a gigantic task, is being prosecuted in England by English jurists, the Attorney General among the number.

The Czarow Czar says that the voyage of the Grand Duke Alexis has thus far cost his father the handsome sum of half a million of dollars. What is the difference between a lady clerk in a post office department and a postage stamp? Why, one is a mail fee and the other a female, of course.

A thief at Pulaski, Mich., lately dropped a watch from his pocket while stealing watermelons, and the owner of the melons found it. "Kerosenality" is the New York World's latest characterization of the old women who are continually igniting themselves with kerosene oil.

A gentleman named Drew died in San Francisco recently from a cancer caused by a friend pinching him on the arm about eighteen months ago. The Swiss twins, Chang and Eng, have at last "died." One is for Greeley, the other Grant. Their wives are both for Greeley.

Some unscientific thief recently robbed a journalist of his valise in a Baltimore train. He secured about two dollars worth of writing paper. Punch is responsible for the following:—Q. What is the difference between fixed stars and shooting stars? A. The one are stars; the other darters.

There is a remarkable soda lake near Ragtown, in Churchill County, Nevada, that has an area of about seven acres, and has a capacity of supplying the world. A Potomac farmer had one bushel of new corn ground on the 29th ult., the corn was planted on the 29th of May 91 days from planting bread was made.

The price of butter has an upward tendency just now. A car load was shipped from Cowansville depot a few days ago, most of which was bought for 20 cents. The dwelling house, barn and out-buildings of Mr. Dennis Brown, at Masonville, have been destroyed by fire, the family barely escaping in their night clothes.

Among the patent contrivances designed to stop runaway horses, is a pair of blinders, by which the driver on pulling a cord instantly and effectually blinds the animal. A Japanese scholar in one of the New Haven schools, having been insulted by a schoolmate, sent a note to one of the masters, requesting permission to kill the offender.

A one-armed man in Salem, Mass., lately applied for a divorce on the ground that the hand he had given to his wife in marriage was lost, and that the contract was therefore void.

English papers appear to regard the coal trade of Nova Scotia as a favorable field for the employment of vessels now engaged in the same trade in Britain.

The farmers of Durham are growing some gigantic wheat. One stalk, belonging to Mr. Robert Brown, measures 12 feet nine inches without roots; the top ear is over eight feet from the ground.

The abuses of the storage passage across the Atlantic to New York are attracting public attention in England. The papers are filled with letters on the subject, loudly demanding some reform.

At the Northern Ohio Fair, just closed, Mr. John R. Craig, of Edmonton, Ontario, has taken three silver cups, two silver medals, and seven first prizes on his Berkshire swine and Coltswood sheep.

The grand jury of San Francisco, in view of the alarming prevalence of robbery, larceny and crime among the young of the city, devote a considerable portion of a recent report to impressing upon parents the duty of restraining their boys from frequenting the public saloons of the city, and they recommend that children be compelled to employ their time in industrial and educational pursuits.

TOBACCO AND NIPPURON RAILWAY.—A farmer near Kodak, Iowa, sows forty acres of ground with clover, garden flowers, etc., for the benefit of his bees, and sells 4,000 pounds of honey a year, at 25 cents a pound, and \$700 worth of clover.

One of the young men belonging to a choir in Danbury had his hair cut by a barber on Saturday. Sunday he sung for a solo "O'er my defunctious head" and blushed like a lobster while doing it.

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