

gleaned, W. D. Powell, jr., of Queenston. Just that day our secretary, Mr. Altred Ball, brought in a letter belonging to his wife, a granddaughter of Robert Nelles of Grimsby, and which proved to be a letter from W. D. Powell himself, and gives a glimpse of a romantic runaway match. The letter is addressed to Robert Nelles, 40 Mile Creek.

*QUEENSTON, 28th JULY, 1802.*

DEAR SIR :— I should be unpardonable if I lost any time returning the hearty thanks which are so justly due from me to you for your kind and friendly assistance in rendering me one of the most happy of men. After leaving your house on Friday night we had an uncommonly fatiguing ride to Runchey's and arrived at Niagara on the following morning, where, by Mr. Addison's assistance, we were soon out of the fear of pursuit. Mrs. Powell joins with me in her professions of gratitude to yourself and Mrs. Nelles, and requests that you will take the trouble of apprising her sister, Ellen, of her love and obligations to her for the part she took in forwarding our escape.

Believe me dear sir, your obliged and obedient servant,

W. D. POWELL, JR.

Another interesting document is the subscription list of the children of St. Mark's to procure a chair for the old clerk, to whom we find an inscription in the graveyard, John Wray, who had been clerk of the church for fifty years and died in 1846. This is the quaint heading to the list : "Whereas the old clerk has returned to town and expects to occupy his place in the church, so long as he lives and is able to attend Divine service, it has been observed that his seat on a stool is not easy nor suitable for him, and an easy chair has been thought of. This has been made to order and will be an appropriate present to honorable age from the young as a mark of respect for his grey hairs and long services." The list of youthful contributors will be carefully preserved among the records of St. Mark's Church. Niagara, Sept. 20th 1844, The cost is £1 15s currency. The surplus for Sunday School books." Of the thirty-seven names signed here there are now, after fifty-five years, only eight living. The sums signed are from 7½d to 2s 6d, the whole sum contributed being £3 5s. The