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On Friday, a man in the employ of a butcher at London, was ordered to proceed to the country, and bring in some cattle which had been bargained for, and for the payment of which he was entrusted with money, but he slipped off to Detroit.

The famous Buckley, who committed the horrible assault upon Miss Biledeau, at Quebec, last September, was found guilty on Friday and sentenced to imprisonment for life in the Penitentiary. The brute should have been executed.

An unknown man committed suicide by the use of morphine, at the Canadian Hotel, Oakville, on Thursday night.—The landlord had taken the precaution to hide everything which might lead to the consummation.

A vote for a house of lords in London a few days ago was attended with curious results. One of the young men drew a knife, and drew it across the throat of a fellow, cutting a deep gash, which was sewn up quickly and the wounded man saved.

A large settlement of halfbreeds at St. Albert, Prince Albert, Territory, have petitioned the Dominion Government, setting forth that their crops were utterly destroyed by hail storms this summer, and asking relief to avoid utter destitution during the winter.

Detective G. Holland, of the Great Western Railway, arrested a coloured boy on Thursday evening named Frank Thompson, for placing a large quantity of stones on the track on the Allanburg branch near Stamford. He was tried before Mr. A. G. Hill, Police Magistrate, and committed for trial at Welland.

A meeting, strictly confined to the heirs and representatives of the estate of the late Admiral Purvis, who died in British India, will be held at the Daly House, Ingersoll, on Wednesday, 15th inst., and may last two days, for the purpose of consultation and providing funds to prosecute the investigation now pending to a successful issue. The estimated value of the "Purvis Estate" is $25,000,000.

The Maine Law.

The following communication appears in the St. Thomas *Home Journal* of the 3rd inst., from Rev. J. A. Williams:

I recently spent a couple of days in Maine and made some enquiry respecting the Maine Liquor Law. I learned that the law is as well observed as any other law of the State; that the public opinion of the State is at one with the legislative action; that no party could hope to succeed at the polls who proposed the repeal of the law; that it has proved an immense saving to the State in money and men; that there are thousands of men engaged in the lumbering operations for whom no liquor is provided; and that liquors are no more smuggled into the State than any other commodity. In the cities of Portland, Augusta and Bangor I observed the quietness that prevailed, the freedom from that squalid poverty which is traceable to the use of liquor, and the entire absence of the groups of men seen hanging around hotels and saloons in our Canadian towns. "In conversation with some prominent men I learned that, though differing in politics from the party in power, they were in complete harmony with them on the liquor question and the means taken to suppress it.

J. A. WILLIAMS.

St. Thomas, Nov. 1.

HOW BOB'S UNCLE GOT A CRIPPLE.—A correspondent furnishes us with the following:—One fine summer evening in the County Tipperary, as Bob and his uncle were returning homeward from their work, they met a neighbor's boy hauling a hand car in which reclined a stout, healthy looking cripple.—The latter begged for charity, declaring that he had been born without the use of his limbs, and that one neighbor hauled him to the door of the next. Bob's uncle getting down out of his cart and inspecting the beggar, said, "I think I could cure you." "I am sure you can't, sir," replied the cripple, "for all the doctors in Ireland have failed to help me." A repetition of the statement only drew a derisive laugh from the cripple and the remark, "I wish you could." "Well, I can try at any rate," said the uncle, and he applied a heavy black snake whip with great vigor to the cripple's shoulders, causing him to howl for mercy.—A few more blows put wonderful vigor into the crippled limbs, and leaping to his feet the "cripple" made quick time from the scene.

Among the most remarkable productions of this age and country is Hall's Hair Renewer. Its success is unparalleled. It is sought after by rich and poor, high and low, young and old. Inhabitants of foreign lands—the people of Australia, of Europe, and of South America find means to get it at whatever cost. It is because it works like magic. It restores the hair to its youthful color and beauty, and robs approaching age of one of its disagreeable accompaniments. If you are getting bald, try it. Try it if you are getting gray, or if you have any disease of the scalp. Try it if you wish a good hair dressing. It will not disappoint you.—*Muncie (Ind.) News.*

AYER'S AMERICAN ALMANAC is now ready for delivery by the druggists, and we are free to say that we have read this welcome visitor with satisfaction and profit. It contains an astonishing amount of information which is useful to everybody, and shows how to treat nearly all the diseases from which peoplesuffer. It invariably recommends the best remedies to be employed, irrespective of Ayer's Family Medicines, and furnishes, indeed, the best medical advice by which a great majority of ailments can be treated successfully. The anecdotes, witticism and jokes are the best compilation that comes under our notice, and the book is a refreshing contribution to our enjoyments every year. —*St. Clair Observer.*

An Irishman's friend having fallen into a slough, the Irishman called loudly to the another for assistance. The latter who was busily engaged in cutting a log, and wished to procrastinate, inquired, "How deep is the gentleman in?" "Up to his ankles." "Then there be plenty of time," said the other. "No, there is not," rejoined the first; "I forgot to tell you he's in head first."

Grand Trunk Railway.

GOODS WILL ARRIVE GODERICH AS FOLLOWS:

No. 1 Express, 7.00 a. m., for Toronto London and Buffalo.
No. 7 Mixed, 8.45 a. m., for Stratford.
No. 3 Mail Express, 12.00 p. m., for Toronto, Buffalo and Detroit.
No. 9 Mixed, 3.30 p. m.

GOODS WILL ARRIVE AS FOLLOWS:

No. 8 Mixed, 11.45 a. m., from Stratford.
No. 2 Mail Express, 3.30 p. m., from Toronto, Detroit and Buffalo.
No. 10 Mixed, 7.00 p. m., from Stratford.
No. 4 Express, 10.00 p. m., from Buffalo.

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, NOV. 8, 1876.

The Park By-law.

No doubt the by-law printed in another column, has been carefully perused by our readers, and its contents and import noted. The by-law for a similar purpose which was submitted last year, and subsequently quashed through certain informalities therein, obtained such an expression of approval from the ratepayers that we are inclined to think that the present one will receive the popular assent. A better bargain is now by way of an inducement, offered to the town, in the way of a larger area of land including more of the table land than was prescribed in the first by-law. It is hardly necessary to repeat what has been so often declared that this is a very desirable piece of land for a park, offering as it does a beautiful view of the lake and harbor, a pleasure ground and an ornament in the eyes of the hundreds of visitors who may yet occupy the hotel adjoining and the thousands who may casually visit us. During the past summer this same ground was in demand on the occasion of every excursion, and many a time have we heard the remark that it was a pity that visitors should be indebted to the Summer Hotel Co. and not to the town for the courtesies extended to them. A well kept park would be thoroughly appreciated by the citizens, and the cost of keeping it in order could be met by selling licenses to dispose of refreshments on the grounds. As to the value of the property, there is no doubt that, with the excellent harbor facilities we possess and the increasing business at the dock, in a few years this ground will be very valuable for business purposes.

There is one good reason, among others for making the purchase, and that is to indirectly assist the completion of the summer hotel. Our enterprising citizens have, notwithstanding the hard times, and the apathy of several prominent business men, subscribed liberally towards the erection of the hotel, but their means have fallen short of the consummation of their efforts, and the building at present stands as a monument of the town's poverty or lack of enterprise, as the visitor may judge. By taking this section of land from the company and putting it to the desirable purpose named, our citizens at once assist the interests of the town and purchase a pleasure for themselves at the cost of six-tenths of a mill in the dollar per annum. This is indeed a very small item, which all who feel an interest in the welfare of the town will be very willing to devote to the general good. When the present hotel becomes thoroughly established it will be the immediate predecessor of many other such institutions, as Goderich is becoming every year more celebrated as a summer resort. Without the assistance which the purchase of the ground will afford, the prospect for the completion of the Summer Hotel building will be indeed gloomy, and the more a great deal depends upon the result of the vote on the by-law, which we hope and believe will be in the affirmative.

The Dunkin Act.

Two weeks ago we published a transcript of the Dunkin Act, but as many enquiries have been made upon certain provisions thereof not so clearly defined as some wished, we present some further information, as follows:

Voting is to be done openly, the recently adopted act providing for voting by ballot on municipal by-laws not affecting this case. The vote shall be simply yea or nay, and those entitled to vote are they who appear upon the assessment roll to be properly qualified as municipal voters.

There shall be only one polling place in each municipality, and the Reeve, or Mayor where there is such an officer, shall preside, and the municipal clerk shall act as returning officer. If these officers are unable to attend, then the council shall appoint their deputies or other persons to fill the vacancies.

Poll opens at 10 a. m., and closes at 5 p.m. If one half hour elapses without a vote being polled, the poll-books may be closed.

The clerk shall at the close of the poll count the votes, and when all the municipalities have made their returns, the Warden of the county shall make a final count.

Much has been said with regard to the "five gallon clause" of the Act, and it is contended that as it stands the Act is not prohibitory, as anyone may sell in quantities of five gallons and upwards. When the Dunkin Act was passed no wholesale licenses were granted, but now no one may sell liquor without a license It is also contended that the subsequent legislation has been by the Provincial Legislature, and therefore does not affect the Dominion Act, but we have the assurance of Hon. Adam Crooks as follows:

"Dealers in liquors cannot sell in packages of five gallons and upwards, in any municipality in which the Dunkin Act is in force, without a license therefor."

An attempt was made in Prince Edward, where the Act is in force, to take advantage of this "five gallon clause," but the parties were brought before magistrates and fined, and this magisterial decision has been sustained by a higher court. In order that any doubts may be set at rest, Hon. O. Mowat promises that important legislation will take place anent this objectionable clause. It has also been promised that no license will be issued in localities where the Act is in force, thus securing absolute prohibition.

As the inspectors appointed undre the recent Provincial License Act will be retained in office, in case the Dunkin Act is adopted, (and we have little doubt that it will) it will not prove a dead letter from lack of efficient and active prosecutors and detectives.

AFFAIRS in the East are more settled this week, an armistice having been agreed to, and the only question to settle before the national conference is begun, is the decision as to the line of demarcation to be observed by the hostile armies during the cessation of active warfare. Turkey declares that the armies may remain in their present relative positions; but Russia wishes a withdrawal to the frontier, which would set Turkey at a considerable disadvantage in the case of renewal of hostilities. A conference to settle this question will be held in Constantinople, it is said, this week, and when this body shall have concluded its labors, the national conference will proceed to make such a disposition of the war question as the desire for peace and national jealousies will permit.

A Fenian raid upon Quebec is said to be threatened from Vermont.

DR. ORTON is again before the public with his pet hobby of protection for the farmer, and reiterates the statement that a great deal more grain is imported from the States than is exported to the States. This is true, but then it occurs to us that the farmer should remember that Mr. Orton would have us believe that we import more largely than we export, but, while our grain factors find it remunerative to sell in the States while at the same time we import from them, our exports are greatly in excess of our imports—in fact all that is imported and what is grown in the country in excess of the consumption, is exported, principally to Europe which is our market. Were American grain to be taxed a large trade with Europe which is now diverted from New England channels by Canadian enterprise would be lost to this country. Western wheat is imported very extensively, and in converting a great portion of the same into flour many such extensive mills as the one in Goderich are kept employed. If this kind of protection was to be introduced this trade would be lost, and our chances of better prices not one whit improved since our present supply is greater than the demand, and prices would still be influenced by the European markets. The large importations of Western wheat to Goderich does not affect the demand on our market for Canadian wheat, on the contrary the supply is not sufficient for the demand, and prices are good, considering the general state of the market. Mr. Orton, further, makes special reference to the importation of corn, and holds that our farmers would be protected by taxing this grain. It is used principally for feeding purposes, and being purchased in a section where it grows more abundantly than in any other, it is naturally very cheap. Since, considering the cost of carriage, corn cannot be grown cheaply enough here, we don't see what good object would be attained by taxing the importation thereof. The farmer might raise corn or some other cereal to answer the purpose, but since these cannot be produced so cheaply as the American corn can be procured, the cost of fattening stock or the other uses of that grain would be increased and his profits lessened. Such a policy would be equivalent to robbing Peter to pay Paul. Farmers have found a market sufficient for their products, and all that Dr. Orton may strive for or advocate could not possibly better their condition. While prices are depressed as they at present are, and have been for some time past, the Dr's. theories have to some minds a vague shadowing of better terms, but when we glance at the state of markets in Europe and elsewhere these fair prospects vanish like a thin mist.

A PECULIAR case was recently settled in Toronto. A lady was travelling on a Northern Railway train, and had with her a dog. The baggage-master noticed the dog, told the lady that the rules of the company did not permit dogs to be carried in the passenger cars, and rather than pay an extra fare she told the baggage-man to put the dog off. At the next station the animal was put off. A brother of the lady was on board, and he wrote to the manager of the road complaining of the baggageman's interference, also stating that the animal had been thrown from the train whilst in motion causing the dog's death, and placing the value of the animal at $20. The manager paid the $20, deducting the same from the baggageman's wages, and reduced the latter to the position of brakesman. The baggageman thereupon sued for damages from the autnor of the complaint, who had cost him the loss of a good situation and $20 for a dog which it was wrongfully stated he had killed, and the jury awarded him $200 damages.

THE *Mail* takes exception to the Reform Government for having appointed twelve Reform members of parliament to shrievalties, postmasterships, judgeships and other offices the gift of the Government. It is natural for that journal to do so, but not reasonable.—All the appointments have been judicious and acceptable to the people; and, no doubt, had Conservatives been appointed to the same offices, the action would have been immediately characterized as an attempt to "buy up" opponents. The public will not have forgotten the language of the Opposition press when the false rumor was circulated that Mr. Thos Greenway, of South Huron, had received an appointment in Manitoba, and the charges made of bribery. What the Conservative Government did is no rule for guiding the action of the present Government, but it is an unquestionable fact that a great number of one time staunch old Tories are now enjoying fat Government offices.

OUR town cotem. destinguishes between our religious and pious editor, forgetting that ordinary mortals, although striving to live a good life, at times and under some circumstances become subject to certain weaknesses. When we said that this office was to be closed on Thursday last, in order that our employes might have a better opportunity to enjoy their Thanksgiving dinners, a corpulent and tender goose, the gift of a friend, which lay upon our table and the memory of the hard fare common to "ye poor editor" gave us such joyous anticipations of the day that our language took the impress of our worldly-mindedness. But, nevertheless, we returned thanks.

THERE is a general improvement manifesting itself in trade at Montreal, and some of the well-informed commercial journals of that city predict a good winter's business. In order to hasten this much to be wished for consummation, the following advice is valuable:—

"Confidence is one of the great means to this most desirable end, and if the very many who have money to meet their obligations, but who cry 'hard times,' hoard up their funds and keep their creditors in an embarrassed condition would but cease their ill-omened cry and unbutton their pockets, the financial stringency would soon be mitigated."

IT IS announced that the Conservatives of Bothwell will take steps to oppose the re-election of Mr. D. Mills, the recently appointed Minister of the Interior, and Mr. J. Dawson, London, has been chosen as their candidate. The captious spirit which dictates this opposition is very discreditable. Mr. Mills is sure of re-election, for his acceptance of a portfolio, which act according to law requires the sanction of his constituents through a direct appeal, has not lost him any supporters. The Conservatives will earn nothing by their action, except the ill will engendered by putting the country to the trouble and expense of an unnecessary election.

ALFRED BOULTBEE, one of the "hangers on" in the Conservative party, is being roundly abused by the more independent of Sir John A.'s organs, which pronounce him a disgrace to the party and advise him to leave the country.

Saline Notes.

The salt supply is getting low. Prices remain about the same.

Shipments—Wm. Campbell, 5 bbls. dairy to Sault Ste Marie, 1375 bbls. to Owen Sound and 140 bbls. to Waubashene; Wm. Stitt, 140 bbls. to Waubashene; R. W. Standly, 500 bbls. to Windsor; Wm. Lee, 300 bbls. to Sarnia; Ontario and Dominion Salt Co.s, 600 tons by schr. Southwest for Chicago.

Seymour Young, second mate on the steamer Kincardine, burst a blood vessel on Saturday while on a trip from Toronto to Oswego and died.

Local News.

ABOUT TOWN.

SEVENTEEN hunting caps leaves for $10, at O. G. Martin's

READY MADE ADVERTISEMENTS AT ADVOCATE OFFICE.

FIRE A New York watch go to O. G. Martin's. First prize at Centennial.

FINE BARGAINS.—C. Hoyland last week shipped 5,300 lbs. cured fish to Seaforth.

COAL RECEIVED.—Last week the barge Dolphin brought to this port 245 tons coal for Wm. Stitt and the Ontario Salt Co.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—Thursday last was duly observed by a suspension of business in town and by regular services in Knox, North St and St. George's churches, the services being largely attended.

SHIPMENTS.—Among the shipments from the station last week were 1,150 lbs. castings from foundry, 2 lbs. potash by Wm. Bean & Co., 4 rolls leather by Kirkpatrick Bros. & Co., 9 bbls. whisky by Wm. Lee.

NEW DOMINION SPRING BED.—Mr. John A. Ball, furniture dealer, is sole agent in Goderich for the New Dominion Spring Bed. It is strong, easy and very elastic, and no doubt will become popular. See adv.

HARBOR MILLS.—The shipments for last week were 3860 bags flour and 327 bags bran. Shipping ceased on Thursday, the product of the remaining portion of the week being stored. Receipts of farmer's grain, about 1,000 bushels.

GRAIN BUSINESS.—During the past week the receipts of grain have been small. The shipments were as follows: Wm. Seymour & Co., 800 bushels wheat and 400 bushels peas; Samuel Sloan, 400 bushels spring wheat; Wm. Mitchell, 890 bush. peas.

HORSES SHIPPED.—Mr. C. K. Eddy, of East Saginaw, purchased in this vicinity, and shipped them by the Benton on Monday morning, thirteen heavy draught horses. They were splendid animals, bringing high figures, and are being taken to the Michigan lumber woods.

PROVINCIAL PLOUGHING MATCH.—At the Provincial ploughing match for this district held at Wyoming, Lambton Co., last week, Mr. Douglas Fraser, of Turnberry, took second prize of $40 in the first class. He used a Yeandle plough in the contest. Mr. J. L. Courtice, of Goderich Township, acted as one of the judges.

A FINE FISH.—Capt. Robertson, of the Ontario, on Monday last brought down from Sault Ste. Marie a beautiful speckled brook trout weighing about 4 lbs., which he presented to one of our citizens. The Capt. says that trout are caught at the Sault weighing a good deal heavier than this one. Of this latter fact, we would like to have similar demonstration.

HALLOWE'EN.—This old time festive occasion was celebrated by the rude youths of the town in the modern fashion, and many unpleasant pranks were played besides much mischief. Gates were removed, sign-boards hidden, fences broken, doors battered, &c. The smoke stack of Mr. John McKenzie's salt block was thrown down, and a waggon belonging to Mr. Louis White was run down the bank near the jail and smashed. The perpetrators of such tricks should be severely punished.

NEW STORE.—Messrs McLean & Collins are now thoroughly established in the premises lately occupied by Kerr & McKenzie, and their card in another column contains interesting information to the puplic. As already announced the stock has been purchased in the old country and the best markets of America, and is therefore worthy of inspection, and as business is to be conducted on cash principal, good bargains will be given.

GRIT'S CARTOON.—*Grip* this week furnishes a lengthy cartoon on "Grit Sport in Lincoln." The scene represents a gala day, with lacrosse, quoits, bowls and foot racing and other sports in progress. In the foreground is an "Aunt Sally" representing Rykert, with a pipe in its mouth labelled "Lincoln." Neelon is shying sticks at "Sally" which pass unpleasantly near; one striking the staff squarely and causing Sally's owners, Messrs. Macdougall and Cameron, to exchange looks of alarm. Hon. George Brown stands behind Neelon with a large bundle of sticks ready for use, and Messrs. Mackenzie and Mowat are at his side, encouraging him on, and anxiously watching the result of his efforts. The grouping is good, and the expression on the faces of the chief characters is excellent.

A WORTHY VENTURE.—Belford's Monthly Magazine is the title of a purely Canadian illustrated magazine to be published in Toronto by Belford Bros., the first number to appear in November 22d. The Canadian Monthly has established itself in a field of literature that many have assumed to occupy in Canada unsuccessfully, and its success is very gratifying to every Canadian; but there is a vacancy which Belford's Monthly proposes to fill, a field similar to that occupied by Harper's Monthly in the United States. Canadian talent will be fostered through the medium of this publication, when worthy, and contributions will be received from foreign authors. No lavish promises are made regarding the character of the periodical, but the publishers hope to merit the approbation and support of every literature loving Canadian. Subscription price, $3 per annum.

BOOK NOTICE.—The November number of the Canadian Methodist Magazine is to hand, and contains brief but well written sketches of the late Dr. McClintock, Bishop Richardson, and Tristram Bickle, Esq., of Hamilton, Ont. The Editor gives his impression of the Centennial Exhibition, giving an account especially of the remarkable educational exhibit of Japan, and of his interview with a Commissioner, who is a member of the Methodist Church of Canada in that far off country. The Editor's articles on "The Liquor Traffic" have been so popular as to call for their reissue in tract form. The Educational, Sunday School, and Missionary work of the Church are fully discussed editorially. The amusing story of "Brother Harkless (Hercules) from Sou' Caliny," illustrates, by example, the doctrine of "Higher Life," better than any didatic discourse. This Magazine is always racy and reliable, and is remarkably cheap.

BISHOP CARMAN.—This distinguished representative of the Methodist Episcopal church delivered two excellent sermons in Knox church at the morning and evening services, the attendance being very large. The morning discourse was upon the "Jewish and Christian atonement," and in the evening the text was the publican's prayer "God be merciful to me a sinner." At three o'clock in the afternoon the M.E. church was filled to its utmost capacity to hear a discourse, from the Bithop, appropriate to the anniversary of the Gunpowder Plot. A large representation of the Orange lodges of the Town, Goderich Township and Colborne was present, the members appearing in regalia. The Bishop took for his text from the third verse of the general epistle of Jude, and spoke of the need of adopting and advocating religious principles in our individual conduct. The day for the Orange party to stand simply on the defensive had passed, but, although Providence had, as the evidence of history testified, always defeated the efforts to crush out public liberty, "eternal vigilancesis the price of liberty" and it behooved each one to do his duty as a christian but not as an aggressor. The sermon was very moderate in tone, full of christian admonitions and will be productive of much benefit. At the close a vote of thanks was moved by County Master A. C. Simmons and seconded by Director of Ceremonies T. Sturdy, and tendered to Mr. Carman for his excellent sermon. The surplus over the ordinary collections in Knox church, which amounted to $20, was handed over to the M. E. Church.

CASH WANTED at Mr. Hilliard's flour and feed store on East Street.

CHEAP FURNITURE.—Mr Eric McKay, being about to retire from the furniture business, is selling out his excellent stock at reduced prices.—See ad.

REFUSING.—On Monday James McTaggart, Murray McKay and McLean Brown, with their boats and fishing tackle, from Canna Sea, Lake Superior, where they have been engaged in fishing since July last. This was a new venture, and we are glad to say has been very successful, the take amounting to 200,000 lbs of cured fish. The fish caught were salmon trout and whitefish, and all was cured on the spot. The weather was very favorable, and none of the gales which visited this section were experienced there. Mr. Wm. Lee received 400 pkgs. of the catch, by the Ontario on Monday.

LONDON CONFERENCE.—The announcements which have been made in this connection, in previous issues, our readers will do well to remember. Missionary sermons will be preached on Sunday next at 11 a. m. by Rev. J. A. Williams, Ex-President of Conference, and at 6:30 p. m. by Rev. G. R. Sanderson, President, in North Street Church; and in Brock St. Church, by Rev. G. R. Sanderson in the morning and by Rev. W. S. Griffin in the evening. At 2:30 p. m. a S. S. Missionary meeting will take place in the former Church, when Revs. W. S. Griffin and J. A. Williams will deliver addresses. On Tuesday evening the annual Missionary meeting will be held in North Street church, the President of the Conference presiding. Chair to be taken at 7 p. m. in addition to the ministers already named, Rev. J. B. Clarkson, M. A., Rev. E. B. Ryckman, M. A., and J. A. Donly, R. Hay, S. S. Junkin and G.G. German, Esqrs, will be present. Collections in aid of the Society funds will be taken up at the above meetings. On Wednesday evening a complimentary tea will be given by the ladies, tea to be served in lecture room, North St. church, at 6.30 p. m. Chair will be taken at 7 p. m. by Rev. C. Lavell, and addresses will be delivered by Revs. J. H. Robertson and W. R. Parker, London; Rev. A. Langford, Brantford, and Rev. S. D. Rice, Hamilton. Music will be furnished by the choir. Tickets 25cts. None should miss this opportunity of hearing and seeing the most prominent and intellectual representatives of the Methodist Church.

Local Flippancies.

HOW IS IT?

When a dog is the subject of a poetic effusion, may the poetry be styled doggerel? Our town cotem. please reply.

BIG SUN BONNETS.

A bachelor well known in town happened into one of our leading dry goods stores the other day, where he met a single lady for whom he has a warm affection. He was making himself agreeable to her, when his attention was drawn to an article which fashion at present prescribes as indispensable to a lady's wardrobe. With the innocence of bachelorship, our friend remarked of them, "what tremendous sun bonnets!" and was proceeding to dilate on the extravagance of fashion, when the lady blushed deeply and hastily departed with her handkerchief to her mouth. The clerk explained to the bewildered bachelor that the article was a bustle, and not a sun bonnet.

SOUNDED LIKE BUSINESS.

He wanted her but she would not give her consent until she had consulted her parents. So he went into the room where they were, and modestly stated the case:

'And you really think you love her enough to marry her,' said the father after he had finished.

'Oh, yes, sir,' said the youth in fervent eagerness. 'I love her with all my soul. I love her better than I do my life. She is my guiding star, the worshipped object of my every thought, every hope, every aspiration.' He stood there with clasped hands, his face radiant with the strength of his devotion. There was a moment of pause, and then the mother softly asked:

'What do you think of that old man?'

'That sounds like business, old woman,' replied the satisfied father.

And so it was arranged that the daughter should accept the suitor.

A SEASONABLE CONFAB.

"Glorious Idgid subber," exclaimed citizen No. 1 a few days ago as he wiped his nose.

"What ki'd of goose latid is that?" was the response.

"Cad't you udderstad plaid Igglish? Dod't you see a'd appreciate this glorious wedder?" answered No. 1 somewhat nettled.

"Blow your dose dow, mister, a'd tell us your little story over agaid," replied No. 2 with a sneer.

"Oh hi'd your business, a'd dod't id-sult hodest people—ah, tschen, tschen!" said No. 1 as he passed on

"Git out, you—ah, tschen, tschen!" said No. 2.

And all this, because No. 1 had a bad cold but wished to say something pleasant about Indian summer.

A HEARTLESS BOOR.

John Henry a short time ago accompanied a dear lady friend to the dock, to see her off on the boat, and as she stood on the vessel, in her radiant beauty, waving him farewell, he murmured to himself:

"What beauty, what grace, what a dear and lovable creature. No wonder I love her!"

Just then a rough looking fellow with a slouch cap and his pantaloons tucked inside his boots, remarked audibly to his companion, who stood next to John Henry, on the dock, "I say, Bill, durned if that gal ain't a shakin' of her nose-wipe at me."

John Henry relieved his indignation when he had beaten the fellow black and blue.

Legal Notes.

RETAINED.—Messrs. Garrow, Doyle and Squier have been retained as legal advisers by the promoters of the Dunkin Act in Goderich.

SECOND OFFENCE.—Andrew Muir, of Brussels, paid a 24 hours visit to the jail this week, for having for the second time violated the liquor law by selling without a license.

SESSIONS OF THE PEACE.—The adjourned general Sessions of the Peace will open on Tuesday next, in the Court House. The December Sessions will open on the 17th of that month.

ELECTED.—On Friday last, on appearing before Judge Toms, Martin Burns, Seaforth, and Wm. Cooper, Clinton, for larceny, elected to be tried the latter on Thursday and the former on Tuesday next.

SENTENCED.—John Walton, on Friday, was tried before Judge Toms on a charge of stealing some lumber from Mr. Geo. Evans, contractor for the main drain here, and was sentenced to two weeks imprisonment in common jail.

LEGAL CHANGE.—Messrs. Seager & Wade, Barristers, &c., have taken into partnership with them Mr. J. A. Morton, of Toronto, and a graduate of the well known legal firm of Blake, Kerr & Boyd of that city. Mr. Morton has taken up his residence in Wingham, where the new firm has established an office.

SERIOUS CHARGE.—Hugh Balkwell, of Seaforth, formerly a bar-tender at the British Exchange hotel here, was committed to jail on Monday night.—On Sunday night he was making some disturbance on the streets of Seaforth, when policeman Delmidge told him to desist, whereupon prisoner drew a revolver and snapped it three times at Delmidge the chambers fortunately being unloaded, although the others were charged. He then ran into Powell's hotel, whither Delmidge followed and captured him after some resistance.

ASSAULT.—Peter McDonald has been committed for trial at the December Sessions, on a charge of having assaulted Dominick Murray, on the 4th con., Hullett, on 21st Oct. From the evidence taken before the magistrates, it appears that Mr. Murray was returning home from Clinton and when near Mr. Beaumie's residence on the 5th con., he saw McDonald running towards him. The defendant began to use insulting language threatening to take revenge upon him for calling him (defendant) a nigger, on one occasion. Just then Mrs. Wm. Alexander drove up in a buggy between the two, and invited Mr. Murray to get in and ride with him.—Mr. Murray was getting into the buggy when McDonald struck him on the head with an axe helve, making an ugly wound, stunning him and causing him to fall under the buggy. Another blow aimed at him struck the hind wheel.—Mr. Alexander interfered and caused defendant to make a speedy departure. Mr. Murray was at once taken home, and had his scalp dressed, which proved more painful than serious.

DUNGANNON.

BALL AND SUPPER.—The ball in the new Orange hall on Monday night under the auspices of Orange Lodge No. 324, proved a great success, everything passing off quietly and pleasantly. Excellent music was furnished by Reed & McAuley's quadrilla band of Goderich. The working committee consisted of Messrs. Wm. Nerlies, Stathers and Kidson, and Messrs. J. Bailey, Goderich, and Lawrey acted as floor managers, each and all adding much by their efforts to the success of the affair. About 40 couples were present.

GODERICH TOWNSHIP.

POOR LO.—Some ignorant Indians living in the swamp near Holmesville, are in the habit of chopping wood on Sunday.

GOOD WORK.—A short time ago, on the farm of Mr. J. Hays, Huron Road, Messrs. Papps and Bear threshed 70 bushels spring wheat in 35 minutes.

GOOD SHOT.—A few days ago Mr. Scott, of the Huron Road, shot a deer as it was making for the river, the bullet passing through the animals heart. It weighed, when dressed 80 lbs.

MEAT STOLEN.—Whilst Mr. W. Murch, of Holmesville, was at church, the other night, some hungry individual entered his kitchen and appropriated about 20 lbs. of beef.

THEFT.—On the night of Tuesday last some parson entered Mr. Hendry's premises at Porter's Hill, and stole a pail containing some cider. A goose which was taken from one of the farmer's yards near by was placed in the blacksmith shop on the same night. Mr. Hendry would like to have his pail returned.

SCHOOL REPORT.—The following are the names of the pupils of S. S. No. 1, who took the greatest number of marks in their respective classes for November:—4th Form—Mary Driver, H. Montgomery. 3rd Form—George Porter, Esther Orr, Frances Hincks, Albert Hincks. 2nd Form—James Porter, Charles Gibson, James Johnston, John Buxton. 1st Form, senior—Alice Andrews, Ida Salkeld, Maitland Gibson and James Ourwen, equal. 1st Form, junior—Joseph Porter, Fred King, Geo. King, Joseph Edward.

SAD ACCIDENT.—We regret to learn that Mr. Wm. Hall, whose farm is situated a short distance north of Bayfield, was badly gored by a bull on Monday. On the afternoon of that day he was giving some salt to his bull, which suddenly attacked him, threw him to the ground, crushing in his breast and goring him fearfully in the left side. Dr. Stanbury, of Bayfield, was called in to attend the wounded man, but last accounts on Tuesday are that Mr. Hall cannot survive. His many friends will regret deeply to hear of the accident, and hope to hear of his recovery.

—A despatch from Bayfield gives further news, to the effect that Mr. Hall was forced against the fence by the bull, one horn piercing his chest and nearly touching the heart and the other lacerating the groin and breaking three or four ribs. Mr. Hall was very low, and was not expected to survive many hours.

COLBORNE.

SUPPER.—Some 77 persons partook of the supper given by the Orangemen, in commemoration of the Gunpowder Plot, at Lasham's Hotel, Maitlandville, on Monday night.

OPENING SOCIAL.—The social in Leeburn church on Monday evening last, on the occasion of the opening of the new hall, was a great success. The attendance was large notwithstanding the the unfavorable weather, and ample justice was done to the many good things provided. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Ure, on Religious Instruction of the Young, Rev. W. C. Henderson, on the Centennial and Rev. J. Seivewright on Decision. Excellent music was furnished by the Misses Duncan and the Misses McKay, Miss Frances Seivewright presiding at the organ.

CHURCH OPENING.—The B. C. Church at Fisher's Corners was opened on the 29th and 30th Oct., and the church was well filled at every service, the weather being fine. The tea meeting was a great success, and the public meeting quite interesting. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Messrs. Courtice, Andrews and Mason and by Messrs. Nott and Wade. The entire expense of church, land and shed was met, with a balance over, as follows: Amount raised, $782.15; expenses, $772.30—balance on hand, $9.85.

SCHOOL REPORT.—The result of the October monthly examination, S. S. No. 4, Colborne, was as follows: Class V marks possible, 974—Minnie V. Kernighan, 814. Class IV, marks possible, 635—Thomas Million, 439; William Fisher, 375. Class II, marks possible, 400—Elizabeth S. Halliday, 381; J. Norman Kernighan, 334; Emma Blake, 232. Class I, marks possible, 300—Mary Ann Flick, 283; Henry Pfeffer, 272; Frank Wood, 213. First Book, part II, marks possible, 190—Henrietta Halliday, 156; John Bollman, 138; Leah Flick, 118.

WINGHAM.

SHIPMENTS.—Jas. Davison, butcher, on Wednesday shipped about 100 head of cattle from here by G. W. R.

DOWN IN THE MUD.—A drunken man, one day last week, fell from his wagon and was dragged in the mud for some distance before his horses stopped.

HALLOWE'EN.—Considerable damage was done by the boys on Hallowe'en. One boy got on the house of Mr. A. Dawson, intending to put a board on the chimney top, but was discovered in time the ladder taken away, and the boy left on top of the house for about an hour.

SKELETON FOUND.—Some boys were digging out a cellar at the back of Mr. Trimble's house, Lower Wingham, on Tuesday of last week, and when not more than ten inches below the surface they discovered human remains, which proved to be portion of the skeleton of a white woman, which had evidently laid there 15 or 20 years. The remains had evidently been buried without a coffin.

BOY KILLED.—A boy eleven years of age, son of Mr. M. McLeod, tailor, Lower Wingham, was killed on Monday of last week. It seems he had gone to Fisher's saw-mill to pick up some pieces of bark. Adjoining the saw-mill is the woolen mill, which is run by the same power, and connected with a shaft. The boy had apparently leaned over this shaft to pick up some pieces of bark on the other side, when his clothes became fast, and he was turned on the shaft, his head every time coming in contact with the ragged edge of a hemlock plank above the shaft and a knotty stump below. The accident was first discovered by a man named Wm. McCandlish, who was passing through the yard and heard the thumping, and on going to see the cause found the boy going round. He immediately gave the alarm, the shaft was stopped as soon as possible, and the body taken off, but life was extinct. An inquest was held by Dr. Towler, Coroner, and the jury returned a verdict to the effect that the deceased Malcom McLeod came to his death by being accidentally caught in and twisted round a tumbling shaft at the carding mill.—*Advance.*

—By the aid of catapults, the Exeter boys are demolishing lots of window panes.

WAWANOSH.

FARM SOLD.—Mr. D. B. Menzies, of Clinton, has sold his farm of 50 acres in East Wawanosh, to Mr. R. Tremes, of Clinton, for $1,900, which is considered a good price.

INFORMALITY CASE.—On the 24th of Oct. last an interesting case was tried before a bench of magistrates in Wawanosh. John Marwood, of lot 30, con. 7, East Wawanosh, in 1875 failed to send his three children, aged respectively 12, 10 and 8 years, to school for four months of the year as the law prescribes. He further refused to pay the fine which the trustees are empowered to impose, and which was in this instance fixed at