

## With the Neighbors

Happenings in Various Parts of Ontario West.

**Unexpected Resignation of a Chatham Clergyman.**

A Methodist minister, a Southwold farmer narrowly escapes death from a poisonous Pontic—Agricultural Societies Reorganizing.

A farmer sold two cows recently to an Ingersoll butcher for \$5.

K. B. McLeay, of Warwick, age 60, one of the license commissioners for East Lambton, is dead.

Mr. Fred Beck, an employee in the Elora organ factory, had several fingers cut off while at work on Wednesday.

At Plattsburgh dry and green hardwood is selling at \$3 per cord. Straw is \$10 per ton, and hard to be got at that figure.

Mr. James Langstaff, of the township of Chatham, was married on Wednesday to Miss Saxton, of the same place.

The relieving officer of Brantford expresses thanks for the receipt of an order from the curling club for 250 loaves of bread to be distributed among the poor of the city.

Mrs. Gale, of Southwold, near Fingal, is suffering from blood poisoning, caused by running a needle in her thumb. The needle broke, and part of it remains in her thumb.

At Elora Mr. and Mrs. McLean were injured through the falling of a large piece of plaster off the ceiling on them while in bed the other night. Fortunately the results are not fatal, though severe.

Jim Steeves, of Brantford, age 12 years, has run away from home, taking with him little Tom Maloney, aged 9, son of Mr. P. Maloney, of that city. The pair have been traced as far as Stratford.

The Rev. Mr. Smith, of Plattsburgh, is a huster. He and Isaac Hewitt have within the last few days raised by subscription sufficient money to wipe out a debt of \$600 on the Methodist parsonage.

The North Perth Conservative Association met Thursday at Milverton and elected officers as follows: Honorary president, Col. D. D. Campbell; president, J. C. Monteth; Stratford; first vice-president, H. B. Morphy, Listowel.

The friends of Andrew Monteth, ex-M. P., and county treasurer of Perth, will regret to learn that he is seriously ill. He has not been quite himself since his illness with the grip a few years ago, which left his heart less strong than of yore.

Mr. Samuel Treacy, of the firm of Treacy Bros., contractors, St. Marys, while going down town the other evening, fell and fractured his right leg at the thigh socket, making it a very serious injury. This is the sixth accident to the kind Mr. Treacy has had.

At the annual meeting of the Blanshard and Limestone Cheese and Butter Company (Limited), the old board of directors were re-elected, namely: Denzil Facey, president; Wm. Elgie, salesman; A. Pickard and C. Robson, directors; F. McMaster, secretary-treasurer; F. Punt, auditor.

Mr. Robert Reekie, druggist, Chatham, was married to St. Thomas on Wednesday to Miss Elva Gillett. The popular pair received gifts from Chatham, Port Huron, New York, Simcoe, Bismarck and other places. Among the number was a Bible and \$50 in gold from the father of the groom.

At Kingsmill on Wednesday, at the residence of Mr. Abram Wagner, his only daughter, Edith, was married to Mr. Warrington Cartwright, of Aylmer. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James A. Gray, New Sarum. W. Wagner acted as best man; Miss Eva Adams, cousin of the bride, as bridesmaid.

No fewer than five former Perithes will occupy seats in the newly-elected Legislature of Manitoba: C. J. Mickle, elected by acclamation for Birtle; R. H. Myers, Minnedosa, also elected by acclamation; James Fisher, of Russell; A. M. Campbell, elected by acclamation for Souris; and Mr. Prendergast, elected for St. Boniface—Stratford Herald.

The three societies known as the East Elgin, Yarmouth and Horticultural Societies, have amalgamated and elected officers as follows: President, W. G. Saunders; vice-president, J. G. Chapman; second vice-president, Chas. Saywell; secretary, W. L. Wickett; directors, B. Marlett, P. Cameron, Frank Hunt, D. Watson, W. H. Small, Rock Bailey, John Collins, Thomas Medcraft, J. N. Fulcher and W. D. James.

West Kent Agricultural Society has elected officers as follows: President, M. J. Wilson, Harwich; first vice-president, W. P. Kilback; second vice-president, R. W. Holmes, Raleigh; directors—Windsor, Geo. Cowan, J. J. Guitard; Harwich, W. W. Everett; Raleigh, Henry Lindley; Dover, J. W. Fleming; Wm. Newkirk; Tilbury, J. C. Fletcher; Chatham township, James Chinnick, Ed. French; auditors, R. A. Harrington and A. H. White.

The annual meeting of the East Kent Agricultural Society was held at Thamesville Wednesday. The annual report showed the society to be in a

prosperous condition. The following officers were elected: President, Mr. Lemuel Sherman, Thamesville; first vice-president, Mr. Thomas Vickery, Zone; second vice-president, Mr. James H. Enarlin, Camden; secretary, Mr. C. A. Mayhew. The date of the next fair is Thursday and Friday, Oct. 1 and 2.

Mr. Joseph F. Freeman, of St. Thomas, passed away Friday morning at Melbourne from the effects of inflammation of the lungs, in the 77th year of his age. Deceased went to Melbourne three weeks ago to visit his sister, Mrs. Geo. Tanner, and his daughter, Mrs. Alf. Brown. He had lived in St. Thomas 57 years and was one of the first Orangers in that district.

Mr. Josiah Burton, farmer, Union road, Southwold, bruised his leg. His wife intended to put a flax meal poultice on it, and by mistake got a powder used for spraying fruit trees. Mr. Burton suspected it was not the article required, and tasted it. A few moments afterwards he became delirious, and Dr. Smith, of Fingal, was sent for, who soon restored Mr. Burton to consciousness. The doctor said if it had been used as a poultice it probably would have proved fatal.

The annual meeting of the Adelaide Agricultural Society was held in the town hall, Adelaide village, when the following directors were elected for 1896: President, Wm. Dowding (re-elected); vice, Wm. F. Smith; directors, C. Demaray, J. M. Henderson, Frank Parker; auditors, Richard Brock, J. Donaldson. The new board appointed Mr. James M. Henderson secretary-treasurer, and decided that the society should again unite with the West Middlesex District Society for 1896.

At the special business meeting of the William Street Baptist congregation of Chatham on Thursday evening, a genuine surprise was given the members, being nothing less than the resignation of the pastor, Rev. J. H. Sowerby, after a pastorate of five years. By a standing vote the resignation was refused, but Mr. Sowerby said this was useless, as it would be better for all concerned to accept it now than later on. It was then accepted by the congregation. The church is in a prosperous condition, and the membership has risen from 211 five years ago to 399 today.

At the annual meeting of the South Perth Agricultural Society, held in St. Marys, the following were elected officers for 1896: Wm. Porter, president (re-elected); Thomas H. Evans, vice-president; Thomas Steele, second vice-president; directors, J. D. Moore, Jas. Hedley, William Pearn, P. S. Armstrong, Robert McCullough, William Taylor, James Henderson, William T. O. Robson, D. McBeth; auditors, Hon. A. Robson, J. D. Moore, representatives to Western Fair, James Henderson, Thomas Evans. At a subsequent meeting of the board, W. K. McLeod was re-elected secretary, and William Box treasurer.

### BLLENHEIM.

Blenheim, Jan. 17.—The building committee of the town hall have decided that they will need about \$2,000 more than it was supposed they would to erect the proposed building. It is now rumored that the council will submit a bylaw to the ratepayers asking for the additional amount, and that it is very doubtful if the building will be proceeded with at once.

The assembly given in the Opera House last evening was a most enjoyable affair. Several were present from Chatham, Wallaceburg and Ridgeway, as well as other outside points.

Mr. James Teller is contemplating a business trip to England and other European countries, with his brother Henry, of Montreal.

Miss Lottie Morgan, of this place, has seen fit to change her name and place of abode to Mrs. Geo. Furey, of Pardoille. As a result the Baptists are looking for another organizer.

There are two vacant stores in town just now. This is something unprecedented in the history of Blenheim, and we trust it is only accidental.

The C. O. F. held a regular meeting last night in their hall. Word was received that they will in the near future be visited by Bro. Ernest Garton, supreme organizer of Brantford. A treat is expected from him.

### PETROLEA PICKINGS.

**Success of the Firemen's Ball—A Couple of Weddings—True Blues Choose Officers.**

("Advertiser" Agents, Lowery Bros. and B. W. Attwood.)

Petrolea, Jan. 18.—Married in Petrolea, on Thursday, 16, Mr. George Peabody, harness maker, to Miss Nellie Allenby.

The East End Beavers and the West End Zeniths hockey teams played a game here on Thursday night, resulting in a victory for the Beavers by a score of 3 goals to 0.

The East End firemen held a ball and supper in their hall on Thursday night. Only the firemen and their friends were invited, and they report having had a very pleasant time.

The "Master and Man" Company, who are touring in Canada, just now, gave a performance here on Thursday and did not create a favorable impression. Some of them did not know their parts, and the acting at times was ludicrous. The best feature in the show was little Ida Grace's singing and dancing.

Messrs. Rowles & Co., music and piano agents, have moved into Mr. J. W. Croble's house, just south of the postoffice, on Wingfield street.

Married in Petrolea, on Wednesday, Jan. 15, H. F. Snively, to Miss Vida Johnson, all of Petrolea.

The following is a list of officers for the present year of Friendship Lodge, No. 61, Loyal True Blues: W. M., Wm. Churchill; D. M., Mrs. S. Churchill; Sec., Jos. Churchill; Rec. Sec., Wm. Wilson; Treas., Mrs. J. Wilson; Chap., Mrs. Steele; D. of C., Mrs. Morrison; inside tyler, Mrs. Wm. Churchill.

Miss Etta McVicar, of Sarnia, is home on a visit to her mother and sister.

Mr. T. W. Van Tuyl, leaves this week for New York to attend the cycle show.

Mr. C. W. Graves, traveling passenger agent, G.T.R., London, and W. T. Deterhill, traveling agent, C.P.R., Toronto, called on City Passenger Agent Brantford Thursday on business.

R. F. Schooley, wife and family, intend going to Australia next month. Mrs. Wm. Miller leaves next Tuesday for Hamburg, Germany, to join her husband.

**BIBLE-BURNING IN PERU.**  
New York, Jan. 18.—A dispatch from Lima, Peru, says: The mayor of Lima yesterday seized and caused to be burned in the public square of the city all the Bibles and stock of the local agent of the American Bible Society.

## Can Have the Cash

Port Stanley Directors of 1894 Will Not Be Sued

For the Moneys They Voted Themselves on Retiring From Office.

The Lake Erie Company Makes an Offer for City Property at the Port—Accepted—L. and P. S. R. Board's Financial Statement for 1895—The President's Annual Report.

A meeting of the directors of the London and Port Stanley Railroad was held in Mayor Little's office yesterday afternoon, the mayor presiding and Ald. Wm. Heaman, E. Parnell and Stephen O'Meara, Messrs. Frank Leonard, Wm. Bowman and John Bland, and City Clerk Kingston being in attendance.

One question which has been hanging fire for a year past was finally settled—whether or not steps should be taken to recover the fees voted themselves by last year's directors.

It was decided to drop the matter. Here is what Messrs. Parke & Purdon, the board's solicitors, thought of it: "The legality or illegality of the payments made subsequent to the expiration of the Grand Trunk's lease is more a question of fact than of law, and depends entirely upon whether there has been either express or implied authority either prior or subsequent to the payment on behalf of the shareholders."

Mayor Little thought it would be advisable to drop the matter.

"I feel that we should collect the money," said Mr. Masurel. "Mr. Coe and some of the other members of last year's board are good for the amounts they received, and I would favor making them pay over—except we intend voting ourselves something today."

Ald. O'Meara thought it had better be given up for a bad job. "The only member of the board who was entitled to any remuneration was Mr. Essery," said Mr. Leonard, "for he worked very hard in the interest of the road, not only in his capacity as mayor, but otherwise."

Ald. Parnell—If it comes to that, the present president (Mayor Little) has worked as hard as any of them.

Mr. John Bland favored letting the matter drop, and moving to that effect. The motion also contained a clause expressing the board's disapproval of payment of fees.

Mr. Masurel and Ald. Heaman voted nay.

Mayor Little reported that he had telephoned the Michigan Central authorities in Detroit in regard to their arbitration with the Lake Erie Railway Company, re running powers to this city. The Central had received no report from arbitrator Sir Joseph Hickson, and had no idea whether the decision would be favorable to them or not.

"Do you think the Michigan Central will pay \$5,000 for the running powers rather than draw up stakes?" asked Mr. Bland.

"Oh, I think so," was the mayor's reply.

A big envelope on the mayor's table contained the deeds for nine acres of land at Port Stanley, granted by the Grand Trunk to the city in connection with the car shops deal. In lieu of receiving the property as part of the lease of the London and Port Stanley Railway, Mr. Woollett, superintendent of the Lake Erie, made a proposition to the board.

The property, which will be very useful to his railway, he agrees to furnish the Port Stanley board with money to pay the wages of the unpaid syndicate workmen, the amount not to exceed \$700, and should it be less the company to supply only what is necessary.

Mr. Woollett also agreed to purchase the right of way to extend the track to the picnic grounds, as set out in clause 18 of the lease, the city to grant them any options it may have on the property.

The proposition was considered satisfactory, and Mayor Little was instructed to conclude the negotiations.

Mayor Little's annual report as president of the company was presented. It gave a concise review of the board's doings during the year. The Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway had throughout the year continued to operate the road in accordance with the terms of the agreement, and the directors had pleasure in stating that the same had been done to their satisfaction, and in their belief, to the satisfaction of the public as well.

At the request of the lessees, who, in addition to the rental, pay 4 1/2 per cent interest upon the cost of such permanent improvements as they may require, tenders for several bridges and other works were let, the aggregate cost of which will not exceed \$55,000. The securing of terminal facilities in London for the Lake Erie Company had been deferred, pending the result of the arbitration now in progress between the lessees of the road and the Michigan Central, as to the terms on which a later company shall be allowed to enter the city over the L. and P. S. R.

The statement of the receipts and expenditures of the board for the year was submitted by City Treasurer Pope as follows:

RECEIPTS.	
Bank of Toronto balance.....	\$ 577 23
City of London.....	7,855 93
Total.....	\$8,433 16
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Expense.....	\$ 90 38
Printing, etc.....	185 30
Zavitz bridge.....	17 15
Right of way.....	335 00
Culvert at H. 1-2 mile post.....	550 05
Bridges.....	5,833 87
Inspectors.....	34 20
Advertising.....	31 83
Expense.....	12 63
Sundries.....	66 97
Weight scales.....	702 20
Total.....	\$8,186 58

Balance, \$246 56. Since Dec. 30, \$3,200 have been paid to Wm. Gibson; \$23 20 to Wm. Ingers, and \$150 to James Turville, a total of \$3,383 30.

The meeting then adjourned, and those present formed into a shareholders' meeting for the purpose of transacting the business which legally comes up at the annual meeting. The above report was presented, but the transaction of further business was postponed.

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## THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

State of Trade in Canada and the United States.

New York, Jan. 18.—Bradstreet's weekly review says:

Advices from Montreal are that trade is greatly restricted in the Province of Quebec, owing largely to the lack of snow. The Canadian lumber market, it is reported, is likely to be in an awkward position next spring should present conditions continue to govern. At Quebec general trade is quiet; even dull.

No improvement is looked for in demand for staple goods at Toronto prior to February; yet tributary country trade is better than a week ago.

Halifax merchants report more seasonable weather, improved roads and a better outlook for dealers of produce and lumber. Mild weather has hurt the Newfoundland frozen herring fishery trade.

Clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Halifax amount to \$21,053,000 this week, compared with \$27,050,000 last week, and as contrasted with \$21,158,000 in the like week last year. A similar comparison with 1894 shows an increase this week of about one-third, but as compared with the corresponding week in 1893, this week's clearings show a falling off of less than 5 per cent.

The total number of business failures in the Dominion of Canada reported this week is unusually large, aggregating 74 against 63 last week, 64 for the week one year ago, and 48 and 39 for similar periods two and three years ago.

IN THE UNITED STATES.

Dun & Co.'s review says: The situation could hardly be more perplexing for business men. Practical merchants, manufacturers, or bankers can have little sympathy for those who minimize their difficulties.

Speculation in products was not very active, and wheat was practically unchanged, although Atlantic exports for two weeks, flour included, have been 4,485,190 bushels, against 4,273,124 last year. Cotton receipts were also liberal, and exports about five times last year's.

No branch of manufacture has made progress, for all are unavoidably waiting, both for settlement of financial doubts and for a demand which does not yet appear. There is a little better inquiry for staples, with indications that dealers' stocks are running low. Fine and fancy wools show no change in prices, and revisions caused by recent openings of storerooms have been generally towards lower prices. Sales of wool in two weeks have been 4,904,300 pounds domestic and 6,323,300 foreign, against 6,280,615 domestic and 4,410,200 foreign last year. Pig iron is higher—Resamere about 50 cents and green force about 25 cents, although finished products are generally weaker, with less demand. Controllers of the coke and ore output are said to have agreed to maintain prices above those of 1895, which means dearer pig iron.

Failures for the past week number 395 in the United States, against 373 last year, and 31 in Canada, against 60 last year.

### ALONG THE LINES.

President Ledyard's Explanation of the Railroad Agreement.

The Ontario and Western has just concluded with the English Government to supply it with 1,000,000 tons of coal.

The Pennsylvania's coal tonnage for the year 1895 aggregated 22,405,288, as against 16,515,907 the previous year. Of this 424,175 tons were coal, and 5,980,453 tons coke.

A further audit of the accounts of Joseph Kavanagh, the missing Berlin ticket agent of the Grand Trunk, has revealed defalcations amounting to \$100,000. The total deficit is said to be about \$1,000.

President Ledyard, of the Michigan Central, has returned from the meeting of the board of managers of the presidents' agreement in New York.

"We took up the matter of the interjunction secured by the Interstate commission," said Mr. Ledyard. "We have the best of counsel, and they assure us that the compact will stand. The ends sought are identical with what the interstate commerce law is designed to secure, namely, stability and equality of rates, and prevention of discriminations, and the interests of shippers are conserved by the agreement. The weak roads are guaranteed a proportionate share of the business at uniform rates."

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## Sparks from the Wire.

A committee has been appointed to consider a project to revive the Bank du Peuple of Montreal.

Rufus Stevenson, son of Mr. James Stevenson, M.P., has been appointed collector of customs at Peterboro. The salary is \$1,200.

Sergt.-Major Ezekiel Ferman, who served his country all through the hardships of the Crimean campaign, and earned the Victoria Cross, died at his residence in Toronto Friday, after a long illness. Enlisting in the Ninth Regiment of Foot in 1853, he fought through all the great battles of the campaign.

The jury at the Toronto civil assize court on Friday afternoon returned a verdict for \$5,700 damages against the Public School Board in the action for \$20,000 brought by Elias Rogers against the board in connection with the death of his brother, who, while filling an order for the board, fell through an improperly guarded hole in the floor, breaking his leg, and sustaining other injuries that ultimately proved fatal.

CHEERED THE CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER.

Washington, Jan. 18.—There was a most unusual demonstration at the opening of the session of the House yesterday. The blind chaplain, Mr. Couden, of Michigan, whose ardent Americanism has frequently occasioned remark, prayed fervently for "struggling Cuba" and the "success of her battle for independence." When he concluded the sentiments he expressed were given a hearty round of applause.

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