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J. M. DUNSMORE, M. D., C. M., Physician and Surgeon, Mitchell, Ont. Surgery—Main street, opposite the Post office. ly

DR. MITH, Surgery over Mr. N. A. Bosworth's book and drug store, Ontario st. Stratford.

J. NICHOL, M. D., Physician, Surgeon, and Accoucher. Licentiate of Philadelphia and Canada. Has had many years experience in his profession.—Main street, Listowel. 565

DR. A. McTAVISH, Surgeon, &c. Graduate of the University of Victoria college, Ont. Office and residence at J. McCurdy's, Staffa. 661

J. McINTOSH, M.A., B.C.L., L.L.B., Barrister and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery. Office in Redford's Building, Market Square, Stratford. 699

DR. P. DAVISON, Physician, Surgeon, and Accoucher. Surgery—opposite Commercial Hotel, Main street. Residence, St. David's street, nearly opposite Flagg & Burritt's saw mill.

EDWARD HORNIBROOK, M. D., Physician, Surgeon and Accoucher. Office—Main street, Mitchell. Private residence—south of market square. Coroner for the county of Perth. 554

DR. BOWIE has removed to his new premises on the corner of St. Andrews and Toronto streets, opposite Flagg & Burritt's saw mill, and near the bridge leading to the railroad station.

DR. CAMPBELL has removed to the house lately owned by Mr. Frank Meyer, one door south of Ross' Hotel, and exactly opposite McCallum's Hotel. East side of Main Street, near the Station. 676

DR. CARL REAM, Physician, Surgeon and Accoucheur, a regular graduate of Medical College, Tuebinger, Wuerttemburg, Germany. Special attention given to Surgery and Female Complaints. Consultation in German, English, French and Spanish; Office—Over Keisig's new store, Mitchell.

DENTISTRY.

J. G. YEMEN, L.D.S., has obtained a patent for Artificial Plates in the mouth. New Instrument for filling teeth, also uses the gas in extracting. Office, Shields' Block, Market Sq., Stratford. Attends in Mitchell every Monday professionally.

J. G. BULL, Licentiate Dental Surgeon, having placed his son-in-law in his office, Seaforth, will hereafter be found in Mitchell, in Dr. Davidson's office, where he hopes to meet all requiring his professional services. All surgical operations performed with care and promptitude. Fees as low as can be obtained elsewhere. Office hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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D. S. CAMPBELL P. L. Surveyor and County Engineer Mitchell. Orders left at Stephen's Drug Store attended to.

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RAILWAY HOTEL, Mitchell, Ont. Duncan Stewart, Proprietor. The above house is thoroughly renovated and now affords good accommodation for travelers and others.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL, Bornholm. Wm Morrison, Proprietor. Good liquors and cigars always in the bar. Large stabling and shods in connection. 690

COMMERCIAL HOTEL, Carronbrook. R. Forbes, Prop'r. Good liquors and cigars always in the bar. Good stabling and attentive hostlers. Give him a call. 580

HIBBERT HOTEL, Staffa, Ont. Thomas Page, Proprietor. Good liquors and cigars in the bar. Large stabling and attentive hostlers in attendance. Give me a call. 673-1y

WAVERLY HOUSE, Stratford. This new and first-class House, situated on Ontario street, is now open for the convenience of travellers and others. It is fitted up with every convenience and comfort, and is second to none in Ontario. E. S. Reynolds, Proprietor.

ROYAL HOTEL, New Hamburg, Ont. John Ernst, jun., Proprietor. First-class accommodation for commercial and other travellers. Livery in connection with the house. Good stabling and attentive hostler. A free bus to and from all trains. 675-6m*

ROYAL HOTEL, opposite the G. T. Workshops, Stratford. Hugh McPhee, Proprietor. This house has recently been refitted throughout, is centrally located and commodious. The best brands of liquors and cigars at the bar. Good stabling and attentive hostlers. 691

FARMERS' HOTEL, Clinton, Ont.—The subscriber has just got possession of the above hotel again and thoroughly renovated it throughout, so that his old friends would confer a favor by giving him a call. First-class liquors only in the bar. Commodious stabling in connection. Jas. Ross, Prop. 679-1y

ROYAL HOTEL, Seaforth, Ontario. Simon Powell, Proprietor. The subscriber has thoroughly renovated and newly furnished the above house, so that it now affords good accommodation for the travelling public. Choice liquors and cigars in the bar. The table is supplied with the delicacies in season. Large stabling and an attentive hostler in connection

BENNETT'S WEST MONCKTON HOTEL. The subscriber begs to inform the travelling public that he has again taken possession of his property, formerly occupied by Mr. Jno. Collison, and hopes by strict attention to business, to merit a fair share of their patronage. The bar is supplied with the choicest liquor and cigars procurable. Ample stable accommodation and an attentive hostler.—Joseph Bennett. 643-1y

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CITY HOTEL, London, Ont. P. MARTIN, PROPRIETOR. Board $ per day. 651-6m

BANK RESTAURANT, Stratford, Ontario, opposite Clarke & Gordon's. Good liquors and cigars in the bar. Refreshments at all hours. W. Crostwaite, Prop. 694-1y

DAVID McKEOWN'S (late of American Hotel), Saugeen. Choice Wines and Liquors of the best quality, No. 135, Yonge Street Toronto. Please give him a call. 691-1y

HALFWAY HOUSE, Seaforth, North Gravel Road. Chas. Davis, Proprietor. Good Liquors and Cigars always in the bar. Large and comfortable stabling and an attentive hostler always in attendance. 690-3m

NORTH AMERICAN HOTEL, Wroxeter, Ontario. Liquors of the choicest viands always in the bar. Good stabling and attentive hostlers. John McLaughlin, Proprietor.

DOMINION HOTEL, Fullarton, Ont., A. B. Rigg, Proprietor. First-class accomodation, choice cigars, wines and liquors constantly on hand. Good stabling in connection 590

QUEEN'S ARMS HOTEL, Kastnerville, Ontario. The bar is always supplied with good liquors and cigars. First-rate stabling in connection. Charges moderate. Give him a call. 685

MITCHELL HOTEL, Mitchell. James Barge, having purchased the lease of the above hotel, begs to inform his customers that his usual good feeds and superior ales and liquors are always on hand. Ontario-st., opposite Sedgwick's picture rooms.

DOMINION HOTEL, Staffa, Ont.—George Sutherby, Proprietor. This hotel affords first-class accommodation for travelers. Good liquors and cigars in the bar. Comfortable stabling and an attentive ostler in attendance.

KENT HOUSE, Teeswater, Ont. J. E. Kennedy, Manager. First-class accommodation. Choicest Cigars, Wines and Liquors kept constantly on hand. Ice on hand for the accommodation of fishermen. Good stabling in connection with the house. 574

BRITISH EXCHANGE HOTEL, Market-st., Goderich. Capt. W. Cox, (late of the Huron Hotel) Proprietor. This house has been thoroughly renovated, and a continuance of the commercial and traveling public that was accorded before the fire, respectfully solicited.

VICTORIA HOTEL, Walton, Ont. John Winters, Proprietor. The above hotel is situated 11 miles north of Seaforth, and affords good accomodation for travellers. Good liquors always in the bar.

GEORGE M'ILWAINE, Canadian House 74, Bridge Street, Derry, Ireland, opposite Terminus of I.N.W. Railway. Wines, liquors, &c., of the purest and best qualities. Board and lodging on moderate terms. Passengers' storage free. 709

GRAND TRUNK REFRESHMENT ROOMS Stratford. A. Smith, Proprietor. No better rooms in the Dominion. Everything in first-class style. Twenty minutes allowed for refreshments on the arrival of all trains. Choice Liquors and cigars in the bar. 461

PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL, Albert street Clinton, Ont. W. J. McCutcheon, Proprietor. The best brands of wines, liquors and cigars, and a well stocked Larder. Good stabling and attentive hostlers. 684

ALBION HOTEL, East Market Square Toronto. J. Mossop, Proprietor, (late of the City Hotel, London.) Centrally located,—new furnished,—ample accommodation and reasonable rates. Every facility for Commercial Travellers. 645-1y

VICTORIA HALL, Seaforth, Ont. James Weir, having leased the above restaurant, wishes a call from his old friends. Good liquors and cigars always in the bar. Meals at all hours. Stand—First door north of the station. 699-1y

BRITISH HOTEL, (late Priest's) West Monckton. The subscriber having rented the above hotel and thoroughly renovated it throughout, travellers and others will find good accommodation. Give him a call. Pierce Collison, Proprietor.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL.

Cromarty, Ont., A. Tuffin, Proprietor. The above hotel has been thoroughly renovated and now affords good accomodation for travellers. Good liquors and cigars always in the bar. Comfortable stabling and stalls.

ALBION HOTEL, Stratford, Ont. Having been furnished anew throughout, is now reopened and ready for the traveling public, and will be found first-class in every respect. Centrally located. Head Quarters for Commercial travelers. Free omnibus to and from all trains. Good livery attached to the house.—David L. Caven, Prop. 686-1y

FOSTER'S HOTEL, Seaforth. Thomas Foster begs to inform his old friends and the traveling public that he has opened his new hotel, adjoining the Post Office, Seaforth, where he has the very best accomodation for man and beast. The best of liquors and cigars at the bar. THOMAS FOSTER.

HICKS' HOTEL, (late Larkworthy's), having been furnished anew throughout, is now re-opened and ready for the reception of the general public. Ask for the Hicks' hotel omnibus. Orders left at Collison's Hotel for 'bus calls will be punctually attended to. E. J. Hicks, Proprietor.
Mitchell, October 17, 1872.

GARNET HOUSE, St. Mary's. Jacob Oddy, Proprietor. The subscriber having bought the above house and thoroughly renovated it throughout, the traveling public may depend on getting good accommodation. Commercial rooms in connection. Large stabling and an attentive hostler always in attendance.

ANGLO-AMERICAN HOTEL, east end of the village, Listowel, Ontario. The subscriber has leased the above centrally situated and commodious hotel, and renovated it throughout in a first-class manner. Parties calling may depend upon getting good treatment, and the best eatables and drinks that the country can provide. Excellent stabling and attentive hostlers. D. Stauffer, Proprietor. 632

NORTH AMERICAN HOTEL, Brussels.—John Parker, Proprietor. This first-class hotel having been leased by Mr. John Parker, formerly of Wroxeter, from Mr. William Armstrong, he hopes by attention to business to merit the continuance of the patronage previously extended to his predecessor. The commercial rooms and all other conveniences cannot be surpassed. 693

J. TEUSCHER'S UNION HOTEL, opposite the high church spire, Stratford. This hotel has been thoroughly refitted by the subscriber, at great expense, and he hopes to gain the favor of the public by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best brands of liquors and eatables. Lagar Beer, Ale, German and French Wines, Liquors of all kinds, Swiss and Lumburger Cheese, Sch bzieger cheese, genuine salt water herrings, Brn Sausage, and other delicacies of the season constantly on hand. Stabling sufficient for 60 horses.—Jacob Teuscher.
Stratford, June 19th, 1873. 687-1m*

LIVERY and Sale Stables, Commercial Hotel, Mitchell, Ontario. First-class horses, and very superior carriages—both single and double—always on hand for hire. Commercial travellers supplied with comfortable rigs. Orders left at the bar will be attended to. Parties requiring good gentle driving horses, can be accommodated by the proprietor, who always keeps in his stable a few such animals for sale.
534. JOHN T. HICKS.

GUARD THINE ACTION.

When you meet with one suspected
Of some secret deed of shame,
And for this, by all rejected
As a thing of evil fame,
Guard thine every look and action,
Speak no heartless word of blame,
For the slanderer's vile detraction
Yet may spoil thy goodly name.

When you meet a brow that's awing
With its wrinkled lines of gloom,
And a haughty step that's drawing
To a solitary tomb,
Guard thine action, some great sorrow
Made that man a spectre grim,
And the sunset of to-morrow
May have left thee like him.

When you meet with one pursuing
Paths the lost have entered in,
Working out his own undoing
With his recklessness and sin,
Think, if placed in his condition,
Would a kind word be in vain?
Or a look of cold suspicion
Win thee back to truth again?

There are spots that bear no flowers,—
Not because the soil is bad,
But that summer's gentle showers
Never made their bosoms glad.
Better have an act that's kindly,
Treated sometimes with disdain,
Than, by judging others blindly,
Doom the innocent to pain.

IRELAND.

There will be no election in Tralee, the O'Donoghue, member of Parliament for that city, not having received the expected appointment to ministerial office.

Archbishop Manning has writen a remarkable letter to the Primate of Ireland on the condition of that country. In it he believes that Ireland is the most christian country in the world; and he "sees no future for Imperial Germany or for Revolutionary Italy, or for Spain if it abandons the Catholic traditions, or for France if it continues to deify Voltaire."

On the occasion of the dedication of the Armagh Cathedral, on the 23rd August, Mr. P. M. Haverty, the New York publisher, was a collector. In some newspapers published subsequent to the ceremony it was said that a gentleman hailing from America had decamped with £160 of the collection. Holding that it could only refer to himself, Mr. Haverty has taken action at law against the Belfast "Newsletter" and other papers to recover damages for libel.

ENGLAND.

It is stated that the Duke of Edinburgh will go to St. Petersburg in December, and his marriage with the daughter of the Czar will take place in the following month.

Large quantities of mushrooms are sent from Angelsey, in Wales, to various parts of England. There are many special trains laden with mushrooms from Bangor Station. Sometimes there are as many as twenty-five trucks thus laden attached to one train for different places.

Mr. John Hawkshaw, the eminent civil engineer, has been knighted by Queen Victoria. He constructed the Manchester and Bolton, and the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway. The Charing-cross and Cannon street line, with the two massive bridges over the Thames, is also his work. He has published several pamphlets on subjects connected with engineering. His chief book is reminiscences of South America.

One of the most melancholy of gun accidents has occurred at Huddersfield. While four sisters were playing a game of croquet, their brother returned home from shooting with his gun loaded; and in the course of a little practical fun, which commenced in his kicking one of the balls on the grass, the piece he was carrying went off, and killed one of the young ladies. The brother, who was suffering from heart disease, has, since the sad event, been seriously ill.

In order to prevent the possibility of such a case as that of the Tichborne Claimant ever again recurring, it is said that early next session a bill will be introduced into Parliament to the effect that if any presumed heir to property should leave the country, and through any eccentricity or other cause purposely abstain from making his existance known, he shall be looked upon after the lapse of a certain number of years as dead in the eyes of the law, the property to go to the next of kin.

EXECUTION OF CAPTAIN JACK AND OTHERS.

Jacksonville, Oregon Oct. 3.—Captain Jack and others, condemned Modocs were hanged to-day. Captain Jack and Black John died easily, but Schonchin and Boston Charlie were terribly convulsed.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

COMPLETION OF THE ALTERATION OF GUAGE.

The alteration of the gauge of the Grand Trunk Railroad to the standard American gauge was completed at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon, the time occupied in the alteration being the short period of about twenty-nine hours. A freight train left Montreal for the west at one o'clock on Saturday, and the whole system from Stratford to Montreal is now in thorough working order and available for general traffic. One of the most difficult portions of the work was the reduction of the various tracks in the station yards. This is occasioned by the multiplicity of diamond crossings, curves, and switches, which are the necessary accompaniments of tracks so involved. One overseer; Mr. Savage, of Brantford, whose head quarters were at Oshawa, narrowed his section of fifteen miles in two hours and a half. Mr. J. C. James, who had the most difficult section to reduce by reason of the frequent occurrence of curves, in consequence of which the rails had to be cut and otherwise altered, executed his work in three hours and a half. The overseer from whom the first telegram announced the completion of a section was Mr. Martin Connolly. The passenger traffic was opened this morning by trains leaving Stratford and Montreal at half-past seven and seven o'clock respectively. Through communication has been opened by this much needed change with the principle cities of the United States, and shippers of freight will reap the benefit by receiving their goods in a better condition than was the case when so much transhipment was necessary.—"Globe" of Monday.

A BOY SHOT.

On Saturday, near Chelesburgh, Ky., in Fayette County, Montgomery Parker, a farmer, quarrelled with John Wells, a boy whom he had in his employ, when Wells left on foot, whereupon Parker followed on horseback, and shot Wells dead in the highway, begging for mercy. Six or seven citizens witnessed the murder. Parker escaped.

STRATFORD.

[Left over from last week.]

Sunday School Anniversary.—The anniversary services in connection with the Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School were held in the church on Sabbath last. Very appropriate, impressive and eloquent sermons were delivered, morning and evening, by the Rev. Mr. Howard, of Guelph. On Monday evening a tea-meeting, for the purpose of raising funds for the school, was held in the school room. After tea the children, numbering nearly 300, and parents, teachers, and the visitors adjourned to the church where most interesting and instructive addresses were delivered by the Reverends Thomson, of Harmony, Pinch, of West Monckton, and Howard, of Guelph. The performance of the Sunday school choir was, considering the age of the performers, really wonderful, and formed one of the most pleasing features of the evening's entertainment. Under the able instructions and indefatigable attention of Mr. Brent, the proficiency to which the scholars of this school have attained in the art of singing, can only be fully appreciated by those who have had the pleasure of listening to their performances. Under the able management of Mr. Jones, (jeweller) who is superintendent, this Sabbath school ranks, I believe, among the most prosperous and best managed in the Province. The Sabbath school is, undoubtedly, the nursery of the church—and every possible encouragement should be given to those who devote their time to the instruction (in sacred things) of those young creatures whose cheerful, trusting, innocent looks, and tuneful voices recall the words, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

The work on the addition to the W. M. church is progressing—slowly. Had time been considered the essence of the contract, the addition would have been now ready for use, which would have been of much comfort to the worshippers. I cannot pretend to say when it will be ready, as it requires close observation to ascertain, from week to week, that the work is progressing at all. When completed this will be one of the handsomest churches in the county, and the most comfortable.

Judging from the immense number of empty cases which may now be observed opposite each business establishment in town, the merchants of Stratford are anticipating a lively season. Your late townsman, Mr. Huston, has opened out a large, and well selected stock of dry-goods and groceries, in the building lately occupied by Mr. E. S. Sharman, on market street, opposite the "old Herald office." Mr. Huston acted wisely in securing a business place on this street—it is, unquestionably, becoming the business part of the town,—the removal of the post office to an out-of-the place way to the contrary, notwithstanding. For some in the new block being erected by Mrs. Carroll, there are already some fifteen applicants. There is no doubt Mr. Huston will secure a full share of public patronage. I would advise those of your readers who may visit the county town this week, in connection with the agricultural exhibition, to call and inspect his goods and ascertain his prices: as a rule, beginners sell cheap—and Mr. Huston professes to be able to sell goods at prices that will not fail to attract.

The Bazzar in connection with St. Joseph's (catholic) church, is now open. The number of beautiful, ornamental and useful articles on exhibition is sufficient to satisfy almost every taste—and to well repay the trouble of visiting the Hall. A very attractive and amusing feature in connection with the Bazzar, is the voting to ascertain who is the most popular bachelor in town: The voting has been restricted to two—sheriff Hossie and Dr. Hanavan. I don't know why, or by what means it was determined that the names of these two gentlemen, only, should be voted upon: Certainly there are other unmarried gentlemen whose names might have been substituted. It is hardly fair to the fair sex to confine their choice to two,—and it is not more fair to the other bachelors. Had your correspondent been consulted he would have suggested that the ladies should have been left free to name whom they would—by this means it would have been ascertained who, among the Stratford bachelors, really was the most popular. It was too bad not to have placed on the list the names of Capt. Wm. Smith and Lieut. Wm. Clark! Friend Bang, too, being a military man, might have been remembered. Then, just think of the number of other handsome and marriageable young men who, although they are not clothed in her Majesty's livery—and have not risked life and limb in the defence of their country's liberties, are, nevertheless, not to be either dispised or passed by when the question is or might, possibly, be one involving matrimonial considerations, or impossibilities.

CANADIAN.

A professional boot black has made his appearance on the streets of Winnipeg.

Two men, father and son, convicted of murder at the Simcoe Assizes recently, are sentenced to be hanged at Barrie on the 16th December.

Contracts for erecting a new Knox College at Toronto have been let and amount in total to $72,000. It will be finished in a year from the end of November.

Prince Edward Island papers report that the wheat crop throughout the Province is better than it has been for several years. Oats and potatoes are also good.

A woman, living in Winslow, has, within the last ten months been tapped eleven times for dropsy, and it is calculated that she has had as much as four hundred quarts of water taken from her.

Mr. D. McLeod, near lake Megantic, who is 84 years of age, walked, a few Sundays ago, a distance of 14 miles to church, he walked the same distance back the following day, feeling none the worse.

A Manilla item in the Port Perry "Standard" records a rather peculiar accident which happened to a son of Mr. McGreer's, who lives about a mile west of Manilla. It seems the little fellow was sitting on a fence with a man who had an opened jack-knife in his hand, and who on losing his balance, and finding himself about to fall, threw up his arms to save himself, and in so doing, struck the knife into the breast of the little boy, the blade entering between the ribs, injuring the lungs.

HUNGARIAN PIGS.

The London "Field," in noticing some Hungarian pigs shown at the Vienna Exhibition, says they attracted great attention on account of their extraordinary size:—"One measures 3 feet six inches high, and 6 feet six inches long; of this probably 1 ft. 5 in. is nose. They look very coarse, and have such a horrible odour about them that one cannot think of them the rest of the day without disgust. It must be rather difficult to adapt a "scale of points" to such a structure.

BALLOONING.

The most remarkable balloon ascension on record with regard to altitude was made by Mr. James Glasher and Mr. Henry Coxwell, the former being connected with the Royal Observatory at Greenwich, and the latter an aeronaut of great celebrity. Between 1862 and 1866 they made sixteen ascensions together, chiefly with a view to scientific observations. Of these voyages, eight were carried to a great altitude. On July 17, 1862, they ascended from Wolverhampton, and attained a height of 26,000 feet. On August 18, of the same year, they ascended to an elevation of 23,000 feet, and on the 5th September they again ascended and attained a height of between 36,000 and 37,000 feet, about seven miles, being the greatest altitude ever reached by man.

Sixty miles an hour is considered a fast rate even for a baloon, although it has been largely exceeded in several instances. The fastest time ever made by a baloon was accomplished during the siege of Paris by the "Ville d'Orleans," which was the twenty-eighth that left that beleagured city. It left Paris on the 24th of Nov., 1870, and in thirteen hours was in the interior of Norway, 1,796 miles from Paris, having accomplish- nearly 130 miles an hour.

An English aeronaut and seven officers in October, 1867, journeyed from Winchester to Harrow, a distance of seventy miles in sixty three minutes. Not long since a balloon which left Philadelphia attained a distance of 52 miles from its starting place in fifty minutes. The siege of Paris furnishes, perhaps, the most remarkable example of the application of balloons to a useful purpose. Without them communication with the outside world would have been impossible, and the horrors of the siege still further increased. In all, 64 balloons left Paris, of which 48 landed in France, 7 in Belgium, 4 in Holland, one in Prussia, one in Bavaria, and one in Norway. Only 5 fell into the hands of the Prussians. Probably the most celebrated aeronaut who ever lived was the late Mr. Green, an Englishman, who made over 1,400 ascensions, and singularly enough never crossed the sea but three times, one of which was his famous journey from London to Nassau in 1836.

A BOY KILLED BY A TRAIN.

Harrisburg, Oct. 4.—A very sad accident occurred this morning at the railway station. A boy named Peter Lyall, fifteen years old, while standing on one of the side tracks in the yard, was knocked down by an engine which passed over him, completely cutting him in two.

FRATRICIDE.

A fatricide has just been added to the list of inmates of the New York Tombs. The man is a sailor, and shot his brother, the keeper of a low grog shop in New York, on the evening of the 29th ultimo. The murderer was drunk at the time, which appears to have been his normal condition when on shore.

A YOUNG GIRL BRUTALLY ATTACKED AND ABUSED.

Whitby, October 4.—On Tuesday evening last about 10 p. m., several young men from Port Perry attacked one Miss Lavina Sheehey, aged seventeen years, of the Township of Mariposa, as she was on her way from Port Perry to Borelia. The young girl says she was dragged into a fence corner, drugged and abused by a number of young men. She cannot tell how many, but indentifies three of the eleven parties who are now arrested. She was dreadfully abused and mangled, and has had hysteric fits ever since. Mr. Ly. Foreman, and Mr. Thos. Paxton, M. P. P., magistrates, have been sitting on the case for the past two days, and have procured evidence enough to send at least five or six of the prisoners to be tried at the assizes for rape and drugging. There is great excitement in the vicinity, crowds of people attending the trial for the last two days and two nights, and fears were entertained that lynch law would be resorted to.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAILROAD.

It must be a source of gratification to the public to observe the steady improvement that has taken place on the Grand Trunk since the road passed under the able management of C. J. Brydges, Esq. The track is now in excellent order, and the rolling stock can scarcely be excelled. The editor of a Chicago paper passed over the Western portion of the road lately, and this is what he has got to say about it:—

"Time was when the Grand Trunk Railroad "enjoyed a very bad name," and if all accounts be true, it was not wholly undeserved. In those days its bad cars went jolting and jerking over a worse track, and direct connections were results seldom accomplished. But those days are passed,—so also have their unpleasant experiences. American enterprise and pluck have reformed Canadian railway management, and likewise the Grand Trunk Railroad. From the bottom round of the railroad ladder it has climbed up to the top. There are now few, if any, better. Its track is smooth and well ballasted, its cars are new and of the latest and best patterns, its connections are sure, its officers are efficient and obliging and the management is such as to insure the greatest possible comfort, dispatch and safety. Much of the country through which it passes is very beautiful, and gives abundant evidence of prosperity and substantial wealth. Now as the guage has been narrowed, through cars will run the whole distance from Chicago to Boston, and on the completion of the Buffalo bridge, they will also be run by this line from Chicago to New York. The Buffalo bridge, now being built, will cost over one million dollars. The superstructure is of iron (Pratt truss), will be composed of nine spans, and the bridge will be one of the largest and finest in the country."

THE RESCUE OF THE POLARIS CREW.

New York, October 1.—The Captain of the Ravenscraig which rescued the Polaris party says when they were first discovered, they were thirteen or fourteen miles distant, making their way over a pack of ice to his ship. Eighteen picked men were sent to their assistance, and it took the entire party seven hours to make the way back to his vessel: this arose from the soft and slushy state of the deep snow covering the ice, while myriads of huge hummocks were piled and heaped everywhere over the surface which was also much split and full of treacherous holes into which many a flounder took place. The party were delighted to hear from us of the safety of their comrades. They never expected to hear from them more, and were much surprised at their miraculous escape from what appeared a lingering if not speedy death.

—A farmer named Baker, living on the 12th line, East Zora, appeared before a Woodstock Justice of the Peace last week, charged with rape upon a young girl named Elizabeth Miller, a resident of the same neighborhood. Baker was sent up for trial. He is a married man and has a large family.

AMERICA.

Miss Wadsworth, a graduate of Philadelphia Medical College, has been appointed physician to the Sultan of Turkey.

A strange and fatal disease, producing great consternation, is very prevalent in Kelson, Utah. Persons die in a few hours after they are attacked. The disease resembles fever.

Two maiden ladies in the vicinity of Rock Falls, Ill., have done something this season in the way of farming. They ploughed, sowed, reaped and thashed a crop of their own raising, amounting to one hundred bushels of wheat, seventy-five bushels of oats and five acres of peas.

During the past twelve months 514 deaths have occurred in San Francisco from consumption. The health officer, in his annual report, says: "It is an undoubted fact, that more deaths with this disease occur among the Irish population than the people of any other nationality.

Gen. McClellan is general manager of a company just started in New York, which is called the United Rolling Stock Company, and might be denominated a railway livery establishment. It builds and buys, and keeps ready to loan such rolling stock as railway companies may need, such as locomotives, passenger cars, baggage cars, freight cars, coal cars, &c.

A Pennsylvania paper makes mention of a new swindle practiced by men who travel through the country in waggons, stopping at farm houses and villages, and offering generously to exchange new feathers for old. They represent that they want old feathers to work up into steamboat and railway cushions. They take away the old feathers, promising soon to return with the new ones; but the poor featherless people wait in vain for their feathers return.

The circumstances of the death of a young man named Muir, in Indianapolis, Ind., on Tuesday morning last, were somewhat singular. He was assisting in raising a derrick in front of one of the central walls of the Palmer House, when through some mismanagement the derrick toppled over. Under the impression that the derrick was about to fall to the ground, Muir leaped into the cellar beneath, upon a pile of loose sand, a distance of about 12 feet, alighting upon his feet. After standing upright a moment he fell forward, striking upon a heavy stone with his forehead. Raising himself up he reached up and felt the bruise made by the fall, and then pitched forward, dead. His companions came to his assistance and removed him to the Surgical Institute, where an examination showed that his neck was broken.

SCOTLAND.

A slight shock of earthquake was felt in Badenoch, Inverness-shire, on the morning of the 27th ult.

The personal estate of the late Mr. Hope Scott, of Abbotsford, is lately returned at £131,000.

No marriage has been solemnized in the parish of Kinlockspelvie, Argyleishire, during the past year.

Mr. Disraelli has fixed upon Nov. 19 as the day for his installation as Lord Rector of the University of Glasgow. He will deliver an address.

Mr. Lamont, a Liverpool merchant, has recovered £4,500 damages for injuries sustained in the collision at Kirtlebridge, on the Caledonian Line, in October last.

The extraordinary progress of Glasgow may be estimated from the fact that the revenue of the Clyde rose in one century (to 1870) from £148 0s. 19d, to upwards of £164,000.

A melancholy accident, by which five lives have been lost, is reported from the Lake district. On the 16th ult., a young lady, daughter of Mr. Baildon, chemist, Princess Street, Edinburgh, with her cousins Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, a boatsman and a page, were sailing on Lake Windermere watching a regatta. A sudden squall upset the skiff, which sank, carrying with it all on board of it.

—Nearly all the proprietors of refreshment booths on the fair grounds at London during the Exhibition week, were brought before the police magistrate on Saturday, charged with unlawfully selling liquor. In each case a fine of $50 and costs were imposed. This will slightly diminish the profits.

—On Tuesday evening of last week, Miss Smith, daughter of Mr. Archibald Smith, of Downie, died under distressing circumstances. It appears that she had been ill for some time with typhoid fever, and ulceration taking place, a large blood vessel was ruptured, and the unfortunate young lady bled to death.

—The town of St. Mary's, which has for some time been seperate from the County of Perth for municipal purposes, has made application to the County to be again united to it.

—During the Central Fair at Guelph quite a number of robberies were committed. $300 worth of gold rings were stolen from a jeweller's shop—a watch and chain worth $250 from a guest at one of the hotels; and a cash box of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club, containing the sum of $500, from the residence of Mr. Coulson the Treasurer of the club.

—The Kingston "News" says:—"We recently saw a valuable old Bible presented to Mackenzie Bowell, Esq., of Belleville, by Captain W. Madden, of Monoghan, Ireland. The Bible was published in the reign of King William III., and was one of a few of a special edition printed by order of His Majesty. It is in a splendid state of preservation, and is one of the largest volumes we have ever seen of the kind. It is a valuable present.

—Messrs. Love and Brown, of Hay, were offered at the Provincial Exhibition, by an American stock breeder, $2,400 for one of their imported stallions. The stallion for which this offer was made took the second prize in the two-year-old class at the Exhibition.

—The international bridge, at Fort Erie will be ready for the trains on the 17th instant.

—The number of immigrants who arrived in Toronto last month was 1,025. Of these 680 were English, 190 Irish, and 153 Scotch.

Over 17,000,000 cubit feet of timber will have to be held over in Quebec until next year.

—The Dominion Government has forwarded a gold watch and $500 to the Rev. Mr. Ancient as an acknowledgement of his heroic conduct in saving life from the wreck of the steamer Atlantic.

—A man named Ferguson, a blacksmith, of Glencoe, was killed by the cars, near London.

—It is reported that the crops in Hungary have failed, and that famine prevails in some sections of that country.

—The political friends of M. Bowell, Esq., M. P. for North Hastings, honored him at a public dinner, at Madoc, on Tuesday of last week. It is said to have been one of the most successful demonstrations ever held in the riding.

—The Local Legislature of Quebec is summoned to meet on the 7th November.

—The township of McGillivray, which has just refused to vote $10,000 towards the London, Huron & Bruce Railway, has thereby gained an unenviable pre-eminence. It contains some 64,000 acres of land, and not less than 5,000 farms. All that was asked of them would not have amounted to more than $2 a farm of 100 acres, but even this pittance was denied.

—On Wednesday night, as Mr. Oliver, drover, of Guelph, was getting off the cars at Suspension Bridge, four roughs rushed against him, and shoved their hands into his pockets. A $5 gold piece was stolen from his pants pocket. He had a large sum of money in his breast coat pocket, which he covered with his hands and retained. The thieves rushed away, and made good their escape.

—Mr T. Stuard, of Galt, miller, has failed. Liabilities over $70,000.

—A curious case of lockjaw has just occurred at Cornwall, on the Hudson. The victim was a little daughter of Mr. William Orr, who received a cut on the ankle from the sharp edge of an earthen bowl, the bottom of which fell out while the child was standing in it as her mother was washing her.

—A Roman Catholic priest has been sentenced in Prussia to a fortnight's imprisonment for publicly preaching that marriage among Protestant people is a mere concubinage.

—Barnum is full of this balloon project and started for Europe on Wednesday to arrange things.

—The Orillia *Expositor* asserts that it is "the only paper in Simcoe that boldly advocates temperance" and in the very next column has the following:—"We have tried Ellis & Co's. old Rye, Brandies, Gin and Rum, and can highly recommend them for purity, flavor and strength. We would strongly recommend them to the public for medicinal purposes." Medicinal purposes! Oh, pshaw!

—It may be a very sad fact, but fact it is, that another witness before the Commission has said that McMullen is a liar. This time it is Mr. White, of the Montreal *Gazette*. Mr. Huntington's witnesses agree entirely in the statement that, so far as McMullan goes, the truth is not in him. Yet Parliament has been summoned as the effect of his falsehoods.

—During a family quarrel about some property in Dartsmouth, N. S., on Monday night, one brother named Patrick Rehan attacked another brother named T. Rehan with an axe and attempted to murder him. The first blow aimed at Thomas cut off one of his ears and the second inflicted a wound in the forehead. As Patrick was delivering the third blow he was seized and prevented doing further injury. The wounded man may recover.

—A Parliamentary return informs us that 1,145 persons were killed on the railways of the whole of the United Kingdom last year, and about 3,100 were injured. This is including the railway servants that were killed.

—McMullenite journals are talking loudly about the constituencies being "bought by wholesale" with Sir Hugh Allan's money. According to the evidence upon which that declaration is based, the amount contributed to the Ontario election was $45,000. Will some candid McMullenite tell us how many constituencies that would buy, wholesale or retail? We know of a single county which at the last local election cost the McMullenites $15,000, and then they were defeated.

—Snow fell at Clinton on the morning of the 20th ult. Rather cool comfort so early in the season.

—The Insurgents of Spain are becoming disheartened and they are surrendering to the National forces in large numbers. No doubt this is the effect of the energy with which President Castelar is prosecuting the war.

Samuel Thoms, at the Whitby Assizes, recovered $2,500 damages against Whitby township, for damages sustained by his wife in 1870, from being thrown from an improperly guarded embankment in one of the public roads near Brooklyn.

—A Hamilton doctor was recently fined $20 and costs by a Wentworth County Justice, on complaint of a township Registrar, for having neglected to registr