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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS. Advertisers having contracts with this office are notified that unless their contracts for the EVENING MERCURY are handed in before 12 o'clock, their advertisements cannot be altered until the following day.

Advertisements for the WEEKLY MERCURY should be handed in as early as possible on Wednesday morning in order to secure insertion.

Evening Mercury. OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET. TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 12, 1868.

A BATTALION BAND.—A Band is to be organized in connection with the Volunteers of the County of Elgin. The sum of \$200 has been subscribed for instruments, which will cost \$300 in England, where it is the intention to purchase them.

INCENDIARISM IN WINDSOR.—This crime is alarmingly on the increase at Windsor. Last fall there was a very destructive conflagration caused by the incendiary's torch, shortly afterwards a store was burnt, then a stable, and lastly an attempt was made to burn a man's house over his head on Wednesday night last.

A FOOT RACE.—A foot race was run at Belleville, on the Race Course, on Saturday afternoon. The distance was three miles, or three rounds of the course. Each of the runners deposited \$30, the whole to go to the winner. The lucky fellow made his three miles in 17 min. 43 1/2 sec, the second was fifty yards behind, but the third gave out long before the end, in consequence of his having taken a "stitch" in his side.

FOUND DEAD.—A man named McCabe, employed in the yard of the Great Western Railway at Windsor, was discovered dead in an outhouse on Friday morning, where he is supposed to have died from heart disease. As he had been in the employ of the road but a short time, but little is known of him beyond the fact that he lives in the interior of the Province.

CHANGING ITS BASE.—We learn that our contemporary, the Free Press is to be in future worked as a joint stock concern, and that a list for shareholders in the same has been put in circulation. Our information goes further and says that a prominent clerical dignitary has set his name down for a considerable amount.—London Advertiser.

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Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway. The delegates from Toronto held a meeting at Whittington, township of Amaranth, last week, to obtain an expression of opinion in regard to the projected narrow gauge railway. Mr Thomas West acted as chairman and Mr David Spence Secretary. The following resolutions were carried:

Moved by Mr David Spence, seconded by Mr James Goodwin, "That this meeting of the ratepayers of Amaranth are so fully impressed with the soundness of the scheme proposed by the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company, that they will freely grant the proportion of bonus that falls to the share of this township, in accordance with the equitable method proposed by the T. G. and B. Company; and this meeting also desires to press respectfully on the Railway Company the importance of pressing forward the good work."

Moved by Mr John Large, sec. by Mr Phillips, "That this meeting is fully determined to support an independent line direct to Toronto, believing that a branch from, or an amalgamation with another railroad, whether the Northern Railway or the Grand Trunk Railway, would be adverse to the interests of the township of Amaranth."

Moved by Mr Gillespie, Reeve, sec. by Mr James Goodwin, "That this meeting desires to express the cordial thanks of the people of Amaranth, due and hereby tendered to the Hon. M. C. Cameron, for the firm stand he took in favor of the rights of the people, by so faithfully and nobly fighting to get a charter for the T. G. and B. Railway, which, when built, will be a great boon to the people of Amaranth, and that Alderman Manning be and is hereby respectfully requested to present this to the Hon. M. C. Cameron."

Board of School Trustees. The Board met on Monday evening—Present, Mr Innes, chairman pro tem.; Rev. Mr Ball, Dr McGuire, Messrs Pirie, Harvey, McNeill, and Mitchell. Mr Newton acted as Secretary pro tem.

A memorial was presented from Mr. Graftley, setting forth the loss that he sustained on part of his salary in having to take the American quarter dollars paid by the children monthly for twenty-five cents, while he has in several instances to pay away the same at a discount, and asking the Board to devise some means by which he will be saved this loss. Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr Ball referred to the abominable state of the Senior Girls' School when it was opened by Miss Walker, and to the unsatisfactory way in which the schools generally were cleaned. He gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that a person be appointed to clean the school rooms under the charge of the Board.

Moved by Mr McNeill, seconded by Mr Harvey, that the School Property Committee be instructed to ascertain the cost of providing suitable accommodation for those who are learning music in connection with the Senior Girls' School, and report at next meeting. Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

G. T. Railway—Change of Time. The spring arrangements of the running time of trains on the Grand Trunk went into effect yesterday (Monday). For the present trains will leave Guelph as follows:

GOING EAST. GOING WEST. Mail, 9.45 a.m. Day Express, 9.45 a.m. Day Express, 2.55 p.m. Eve. Ex. 2.05 p.m. Night Ex. 2.45 a.m. Mail Train, 6.40 p.m. Evening Ex. 6.57 p.m. Night Ex. 6.50 p.m.

ANOTHER ABSCONDER.—A person of the name of Miller, a commission merchant in Toronto, and the junior partner in the firm of John Miller & Son, has left for the land of the free, having previously swindled to a large extent those who were unfortunate enough to have dealings with him. His father allowed him to do all the business, and the result is that his wild speculations have produced the utter ruin of his aged parent. The Bank of British North America has suffered to the amount of \$1,105. It received a warehouse receipt for 2000 lbs. of wool, which, when it came to be looked after, could not be found. A produce dealer was rogued out of \$2,000 on pretence that Miller wanted the loan of it for only an hour. A wharfinger was swindled to the amount of the price of 2000 bushels of grain, for which he gave a receipt when Miller had no grain. Numerous others were victimized to a greater or less extent, and the rogue effected his escape unscathed over the borders.

A FIRE.—One day last week a house belonging to a poor man in Centreville was destroyed by fire, together with its entire contents. The parents had gone to Thorold leaving a little boy alone, and he in amusing himself lighting some matches set fire to some inflammable material, and the result was the total destruction of the house.

LUSUS NATURAL.—A Scotch terrier pup belonging to a black man named Isaac Starkweather, Windsor, has five perfect legs. The fifth is located between the two hind ones near the tail, and is somewhat larger than the four. This leg is provided with two perfect feet each having the usual number of claws.

A STRANGE PRANK.—Lightning plays some curious and fantastic freaks. During a thunder storm on Monday night, the electric fluid struck the dwelling house of Mr. Wm. Hall, of Mono, entering by the chimney and passing along the stove pipe into the stove, from whence it made its exit by breaking a small round hole through the bottom; it then followed a crack in the floor for some distance, and forced its way through the key hole of the cellar door, smashing the latch into fragments, but doing no further injury. None of the occupants sustained the least injury.

Parliament of Canada. HOUSE OF COMMONS. OTTAWA, May 11th.

Mr. Chamberlain moved the reception of the petition of T. K. Ramsey, preferring sundry charges against Judge Drummond, and praying his impeachment.

Mr. Colby said the right of petition should not be abused, and he considered the petitioner went beyond his right when he proceeded to assail the Court of Queen's Bench of which Judge Drummond was a single member. After having detailed his personal grievances, he stated that he appealed by writ of error against a fine of £10 imposed on him by Judge Drummond, and that through the influence and machinations of Judge Drummond the Court of Queen's Bench quashed said writ of error and refused petitioner his right to appeal to the Privy Council. He then charged the Court of Queen's Bench with having rendered an unjust judgment, not by inadvertence, but through the influence and machinations of one of their associates, imputing to them either ignorance of a gross kind, or what was worse—that from improper motives they rendered a false judgment.

The petitioner also assailed a son of Judge Drummond, stating that he made a false affidavit in a certain case of execution, and that by means of the said false affidavit Judge Drummond, by false representations, obtained from Judge Smith an order to stop all proceedings on said execution. The petitioner thus accused Judge Smith of having been improperly influenced by Judge Drummond to render a judgment which he ought not to have done. These charges against Judge Smith and the Court of Queen's Bench were not followed up by a request to have them acted upon. After some discussion the matter dropped.

A number of bills, were read a third time, and others advanced a stage.

The House went into Committee on Mr. Dufresne's Bill to fix the salary of the Governor General at \$30,000 per annum. After making some amendments the Committee rose and reported the Bill as amended.

Sir John A. Macdonald moved, that for the remainder of the session there shall be two distinct sittings each day except Saturday—the first to begin at 11 o'clock a. m. and end at 2 p. m. The second to begin at 4 o'clock p. m. and continue until adjournment; and that on Saturday there shall be one sitting from noon until 6 o'clock p. m. Carried.

Hon. Mr. Tilly moved the third reading of the Bill to constitute the Department of Customs.

Hon. Mr. Holton moved, in amendment, to recommit the Bill with instructions to amend it so as to provide that the Department of Inland Revenue and Customs be united under one Minister.

The amendment was lost on a division and the bill was read a third time and passed.

Hon. Mr. Howland moved the house into committee to consider certain resolutions respecting the importation of tobacco. In doing so he said that making every allowance, the discrepancies between the quantities imported and home grown, and those which the returns showed as having gone into consumption were so great as to afford evidence that much more tobacco was used, and went into consumption than the Government got duty on. The business of manufacturing tobacco could be conducted with so small an amount of capital, and in such a small space that great facilities for defrauding the revenue were afforded. With \$50 expenditure for cutting machines, and a room 8 feet square, several cigar makers might be kept at work, and a considerable business be carried on. There was thus great difficulties in the way of preventing frauds on the revenue. In endeavoring to supply a remedy Government had decided to take control of the tobacco. He would propose that the importation of tobacco be limited to certain ports with power to the Governor General to extend that limitation whenever it was shown to be in the public interest; then he would propose that tobacco so imported should be entered in bond, and that the only conditions on which it should be released, were the exportation of the tobacco, and evidence that it had been entered on the books of a licensed manufacturer. By this means he hoped to be able to know precisely what amount of tobacco was imported and manufactured, and when it was, and considerable saving of duty would be apprehended he effected. He moved that the House go into committee on the Bill.

The Committee rose and reported the resolutions unamended.

Wallack to-night. Wallack the great polyphonist gives his first entertainment to-night in the Town Hall. We have already referred to his great success in other cities and towns of Canada, and to the high character of his entertainments. He gave a performance at Hespeler on Saturday night and our correspondent writing from there says "that it was never equalled in that place. His changes from one character to another are marvellously quick, and his impersonations wonderfully correct and life-like." We feel sure that Mr. Wallack will be greeted with a full house to-night.

IMPEACHMENT OF A TREASURER.—The Orangeville Star says:—In consequence of irregularities in keeping the public accounts of Orangeville, the treasurer, Dr. Armstrong, summoned before the Council on Monday evening, when an inquiry into the merits of the case showed that either through negligence or ignorance of his duty, the treasurer, had omitted to open an account with the special rate, levied, raised and collected under by-law for the payment of interest on Tram-railway Debenture No. 1. It would seem that, contrary to statute, the treasurer included both the general and special rate in one account, instead of opening a separate account of each and that when the coupon was presented for payment, he dishonored the order on the grounds that "he knew nothing of a debenture having been issued," that no provision had been made for the payment of the interest. The timely detection of the treasurer's fault, and the prompt action of the Reeve and Council, who paid the coupon when the matter was brought to their notice, saved the credit and reputation of the Corporation.

BY TELEGRAPH. Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE. Paris, May 11.—The Emperor and Empress were at Orleans on Saturday. In response to the Mayor's address of welcome the Emperor made a pacific speech.

London, May 11.—Considerable excitement was occasioned to-day on receipt of telegrams from Ashton-under-Lyne, announcing the breaking out of a serious anti-Popery riot in that city. The mob paraded the streets, sacking houses and outraging the people. Several persons were shot. At the last accounts the riot had been suppressed and the city quiet.

American Despatches. Omaha, May 11th.—The Union Pacific Railroad is now open to Fort Saunders, 80 miles west of Omaha. One thousand men are at work, and it is expected that not less than three hundred miles of the track will be laid this year.

Havana, May 11.—Advices from Hayti state that Gens. Niage and Saget have taken Fort Diamond and the town of St. Marc, and proclaimed Geffard President of the Republic. The northern part of Hayti is in possession of the Cacos. The town of Gonave is surrounded and will soon fall. It is reported that the American Minister furnished money to instigate the rebellion, and it is stated positively that Americans are in command of the Cacos troops, who are well provided with funds. It is said that Hayti would be proclaimed a portion of the territory of the United States. Advices from St. Domingo are that there was a strong party in favor of annexation to the U.S.

Syracuse, May 11th.—A state Fenian Convention is now in session here. 157 delegates are in attendance. The following address has been delivered to Irish nationality of New York: "Brothers, we the representatives of the Fenian Brotherhood of the State of New York, in council assembled, having carefully examined the strength and resources of the organization and the plan of operations submitted by Gen. John O'Neil, declare that the Fenian organization is stronger at the present than at any time hitherto, and that said plan of operations is entirely practicable. We have pledged ourselves to meet the enemy soon upon the battlefield, and we earnestly call upon you to exercise your utmost energies to furnish the necessary means to equip and arm the many thousands of willing hands and brave hearts impatiently awaiting the order to march. Signed on behalf of the Convention, Patrick Daly, New York; Thos. H. O'Brien, Troy."

New York, May 12th.—The schooner yacht Sultana, belonging to the Royal Cowes Yacht Club, arrived in the harbor yesterday morning from England via Madeira and West Indies.

The World's special gives a resume of proceedings in secret session, and declares that the President will be acquitted.

Terrific Earthquakes at the Sandwich Islands. SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—The bark Comet, from the Sandwich Islands, brings accounts of a terrible volcanic eruption by Mauna Loa, which began its demonstrations on March 27th. On the 28th, one hundred earthquakes were felt, and during the two weeks following to April 13, 2,000 earthquake shocks occurred. At Waichina the earth opened in many places, and a tidal wave sixty feet high rose over the tops of the cocoa trees a quarter of a mile inland, sweeping human beings, houses, and everything movable before it. A terrible shock prostrated churches and houses, and killed many persons. In all one hundred lives were lost, besides a thousand horses and cattle. The craters vomited fire, rock and lava, and a river of red-hot lava five or six miles long, flowed to the sea at the rate of ten miles per hour, destroying everything before it, and forming an island in the sea. A new crater two miles wide opened, and threw rocks and streams of fire a thousand feet into the air, and from it streams of lava rolled to the sea. At one time, the illumination was visible at night fifty miles distant. The lava has pushed out from the shore one mile. At Waichina, three miles from the shore a conical island rose suddenly, emitting a column of steam and smoke, while the Kono packet was passing, spattering mud on the vessel. The greatest shock occurred April 2, a great shower of ashes and pumice. During the great shock the swinging motion of the earth was dreadful, so violent that no person could stand. In the midst of this tremendous shock an eruption of red earth poured down the mountain, rushing across the plain three miles in three minutes, and then ceased. Then came the great tidal wave, and then the streams of lava. The villages on the shore were all destroyed by this wave. The earth opened under the sea and reddened the water. The earth eruption swallowed thirty persons, and the sea many more. Dreadful suffering and terror prevailed in the district, and the whole region was affected. The sloop Live Yankee has been dispatched with provisions, &c., to rescue and relieve.

The Honolulu correspondence of The Bulletin gives the details of the volcanic disturbances, showing that the earthquake shocks extended to all the islands of the Hawaiian group; but no damage is known to have occurred except around Mauna Loa. Numerous extensive landslides accompanied the other phenomena, destroying life and property. The summit and side of a hill 1,500 feet in height were thrown 1,000 feet over the tops of trees and landed in the valley below. The gases that issued afterward destroyed both vegetable and animal life. Bottomless fissures opened in the mountain's side. A lava stream flows under the ground, breaking out in four jets, six miles from the sea, and throwing lava and stones, 1,000 and 1,500 feet into the air. The new island thrown up is 400 feet high, and is now joined to the main land by a stream of lava a mile wide. A large stream of water has burst from the mountain where the earth eruption occurred. The base of the volcano is about thirty miles in circumference and is desolated. At least a half a million dollars worth of property is destroyed. The King of the Sandwich Islands has issued a proclamation for the relief of the sufferers. Many visitors have gone from Honolulu, and will go from San Francisco, to witness the appalling spectacle at Mauna Loa crater.