

**Honor List.**

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- J. H. Tyrrell, town, Feb. 1st '86;
- Douglas Campbell, Blenheim, Oct. 11th '86; Wm. Gillanders; town, Jan. 1st '87; Walter McIntyre, Weldon's, Jan. 1st '87; S. M. Serson, Essex Centre, July 1st '86; Alex. McLennan, Cluchan, Jan. 1st '87; Charles McLaren, Highgate, Apl. 26th '87; John Hebdon, Highgate, Sept. 1st '86; Miss Annie Tweedale, town, Jan. 1st '86; A. Friend Morpeth, May 5th '86; Mrs. John Bonham, town, Dec. 18th '85; H. W. Westland, Fort McKavett, Texas, Jan. 1st '87; B. W. Willson, town, Jan. 1st '87; D. Cochran, town, March 27th '86; John Clark, Harwich, July 1st '86; James Gladstone, town, Jan. 1st '87; G. A. Gosnell, Highgate, Jan. 1st '87; Geo. Gosnell Highgate, Jan. 1st '87; Arch. Ferguson, Highgate, Jan. 1st '87; John H. Scott, Highgate, Jan. 1st '87; Wm. McKerracher, Highgate, Jan. 1st '87; Alex. Clark, Highgate, Jan. 1st '87; Wm. Reycraft, Highgate, Apl. 8rd '86; James Reycraft, Muirkirk, Jan. 1st '87; C. James, Muirkirk, Jan. 1st '87; Robt. Horneil, Muirkirk, Jan. 1st '87; Isaac Poole, Muirkirk, Jan. 1st '87; Atkinson Poole, Muirkirk, Jan. 1st '87; A. J. Gilhes, Muirkirk, Jan. 1st '87; John C. Campbell, Muirkirk, Apl. 1st '87; Daz. McMillan, Palmyra, Jan. 1st '87; Saml. McAllister, Palmyra, Jan. 1st '87; Janet Campbell, Dutton, March 1st '87; James Spence, Cluchan Jan. 1st '87; James Tinline, Turin, Jan. 1st '87; Michael Hall, Turin, Jan. 1st '87; Robt. Henderson, Turin, Jan. 1st '87; Geo. Smith, Ridgetown, Jan. 1st '87; L. J. Gosnell, Highgate, Feb. 20th '87; Broughton McDonald, town, July 1st '86.
- Francis Baehner, town, Jan. 1st '87; Mack Hoag, Lansing, Mich., Jan. 1st '87; Dr. Marr, town, March 26th '86; W. C. Layman, town, Nov. 18th '86; E. G. Kitchen, town, Oct. 1st '86; Alex. McTavish, Palmyra, Sept. 1st '86; Geo. Kennedy, Bolton, Jan. 19th '87; Wesley Gosnell, town, June 1st '86.

**THE KNOCH HORROR.**

ANOTHER SENSATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

Detroit, Jan. 8.—Another horror has been added to the terrible extinction of Frank Knoch's whole family three weeks ago at Springwells. To the quadruple murder has been added to the murder of the mother. A post-mortem examination yesterday revealed the fact that Mrs. Knoch, mother of the murdered Frank, who died Friday morning, was herself the victim of assassination, her skull having been fractured. The results of the inquest being made known to Sheriff Stellwagen, he at once proceeded to the Knoch homestead, and arrested Gustave and Hermann Knoch, Caroline and Theresa Knoch, the two unmarried sisters, Mathilde Schweitzer, the married sister, and her husband, Martin Schweitzer. It is not believed that all of these were concerned in the murders, but the officers made up their minds that it would be best to take them into custody.

Within the past seven years seven people in one family in Springwells have been found dead—one person for each of the years. Five of those persons were beyond question murdered, and the mystery surrounding the death of the remaining two of the seven, especially in the light of events the past month, makes it reasonably certain that they, too, were murdered. The tragic secrets of all the Councils of Ten manipulated by all the Dogs of Venice on record do not offer a better basis on which to build a bloody tragedy than does the fatal history since 1878 of the Knoch family. The old father was found in his stable with his skull crushed in and the verdict of the Coroner's jury was that he was killed by a kick from a horse; a son was found in the River Rouge, certainly drowned, but with other features suggesting murder; next was recorded the terrible murder of Frank Knoch, his wife and two children, all in one night, and now, as though to pile a mountain of woe upon the avalanche of crime, the old mother is murdered. The method of the murderer was that of the most accomplished assassin, noiseless and yet in its mystery it is no more puzzling to the officers of justice than have been all the preceding deaths in the Knoch family. Whether the officers will be able to produce convicting evidence against the two brothers who were arrested last night or not remains to be seen, but their arrest certainly was wise, in the light of all the tragic events which have happened in the family.—Detroit Free Press.

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The improvement in the iron market has resulted in the formation of a strong American company to work the iron mines north of Kingst-on, Ont., all of which will be operating to their fullest capacity within a month.

**Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario.**

The Annual Convention, of the Dairymen's Association of Western Ontario, will be held in the Town Hall in Woodstock, on the 18th, 14th, and 15th of January next. Arrangements have been made with the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways for the usual reduction of fares on presentation of the certificate of membership required, at the station from which they start, but no reduction will be allowed unless the member has an Official Railway Certificate, to be obtained only from the Secretary at Ingersoll, and on applying for the same, the party must state upon which road they wish to proceed.

By order,  
C. E. CHADWICK.

Secretary's Office, Secretary.  
Ingersoll, Dec. 5, 1885. 11 2-4

**Killed by a Falling Tree.**

Blenheim, Ont., Jan. 2.—David Gorow was killed on the farm of John McGregor, a mile from here, yesterday, by the fall of a tree he was chopping down. He leaves a wife.

**Howard Council.**

This body met Dec 26th '85. James Murray ordered paid six dollars as inspector of South March Drain. M. Cosgrove refunded \$1 dog tax. Two dollars ordered paid Dr. Aylesworth in settlement of claim for services in examining Matilda Forsyth an insane indigent. Mr. Mowbray ordered refunded \$8 overcharge on school tax for 1884. Wm. Stinson ordered paid \$14.66 sheep kill by dogs. Geo. Pearce ordered paid \$18.40 for service as commissioner No. 4 division east half, and Henry Stewart \$88 commissioner in west half No. 4. D. McLaren ordered paid \$14 for services in connection with various drains. John Hogg jr. paid \$19 doctor bill for injuries caused by bridge accident. John Hogg sr. ordered paid \$2.50 for pole of democrat broken in bridge accident. Peter Moore ordered paid \$8.10 one quarter of principal and interest for one year on the donation of \$10 made by members of council in November '84 towards paying his tax on McCoy Drain, and that the treasurer be instructed to charge the same to amount of such donation placed in his hands. James Cooper refunded \$1 error in dog tax. Wm. Simpson refunded \$2 amount of dog tax on dead animal. Thos. Scane to be notified to report to council on the McCoy Drain before the 9th day of Jan., failing which, he is to be dealt with according to the statute in that behalf. Time for return of the collector's roll extended to third Monday in January. Treasurer's salary \$120 ordered paid. Poundkeepers reports Wm. Walters \$6 and A. Sinclair \$2 received, said sums to be paid treasurer. Charles Grant ordered paid \$50 salary, and \$12.75 printing &c. in connection with Stever Drain.

Ridgetown town council to have use of hall for council meetings by paying caretaker and being responsible for damages.

Road commissioners ordered paid the following sums commission on expenditures: John McKerracher \$13.65; H. Buller \$16.35; J. Crawford \$29.52; J. Boothroyd \$4.45; S. H. Spencer \$7.50; ditto four trips to Chatham \$12; ditto five days attendance on township engineers \$10.

Resolution passed to demand of Harwich \$90, and of assessment on Harwich roads and lands for construction of McCoy Drain.

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