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said Mr. Johnston, "it is absurd to try to drag in the Scott Act on this occasion. You all know, as well as I do, that the Scott Act was settled on the 30th of October, and so far as the ratepayers are concerned it is not, and cannot be, an against Mr. Embury off any of the puissue in this or future contests." These pils? By answering this you will oblige one who wants to see our principal get a October, and so far as the ratepayers are were brave words at that time, and a large number of people were gulled by them, but what has been the result

(1.) In the election in St. Andrew's ward there were four candidates nominated.—Mears. Cantelon, Bingham and Lee, old councillors, and Mr. Jan A. Reid, a new man. All of the four were Conservatives, but Cantelon and Reid were in favor of the Scott Act, and Binghands. He employed it by canvassing against the Scott Act candidates, and inviting his anti-Scott friends to "plump" for Bingham and Lee. The Scott Act was not a dead issue, so far as Mr. Johnston was concerned, in that

(2.) The January meeting of the county council was duly held, and Mr. Johnston was one of the members. The first duty of the new council was the electron of a warden. The warden of the county, under the McCarthy Act, is a license Kelly, of Blyth, and Mr. Strachan, of Grey. The former was an anti-Scott man, and the latter a supporter of the Scott Act. The parties were about evenly balanced, but through the machinations of Mr. Johnston Mr. Kelly was elected. The Scott Act was not a coad issue in that event so far as Mr. Johnaton was concerned.

(3.) Mr. Johnston is one of the asseasment committee of the town council. and when the question of reducing the rates on hotels came up, favored and worked for the reduction, although before the Scott Act the public houses had not been assessed higher than neighboring properties because of being possessed of bar-licenses. Mr. Johnston was working inimical to the Scott Act. when he acted on the assessment committee, despite the fact that at nomination he claimed it was a dead useue.

(4.) At the June meeting, Mr. Johnston took decided action against the appointment of a police magistrate for fear that such an appointment would cause the Scott Act to be better carried out. On that occasion Mr. Johnston didn't fore the magistrate. The magistrate seem to think the Scott Act was a dead could only try the case with the consent

Kelly not to forward the June memorial evidence was heard. From the prosecutors of the county council to the Legislature, cutor's account of the matter the public and by so doing showed that, so far as might well have believed that Holmes and by so doing showed that, so far as he was concerned, the Scott Act was the aggressor, but whom the whole story was teld as it was before the jury, still a live issue.

Johnston has been fighting very assid-

OUR NEW STORY. erest will be begun in THE SIGNAL in a

all who will read it. ABOUT THE MODEL EXAM.

o the Editor of The Signal.
Sir, —I understand Mr. H. W. Ball one of the school trustees for St. Andrew Ward, has ferretted out a huge conspir acy against our esteemed principal of the public school. It seems that the five TRIDAY, DEC. 18TH, 1885.

IS THE SCOTT ACT AN ISSUE?

ast year, at the municipal nomination, Mr. F. W. Johnston, after he had been nominated for reeve, told the people he had heard that some persons in the town were endeavoring to introduce the Scott Act as an issue into the numicipal contexts. "Why, gentlemen," and would not invent a lie or concoct a libel. But, seriously, Mr. Editor is it true that such a conspiracy has been in the town were endeavoring to introduce the Scott Act as an issue into the numicipal contexts. "Why, gentlemen," it we that such a conspiracy has been in the town were endeavoring to introduce the Scott Act as an issue into the numicipal contexts. "Why, gentlemen," it we that such a conspiracy has been in the town were endeavoring to introduce the Scott Act as an issue into the numicipal contexts. "Why, gentlemen," it we that such a conspiracy has been in the town were endeavoring to introduce the Scott Act as an issue into the numicipal contexts. "Why, gentlemen," is the public school. It seems that the five examiners of the country for model work, have put their head toors principal, so as to make a bad showing for his teaching, and as Mr. Pull says it is so, and speaks of it as "a gross outrage," it is enly right that the conspirators should be made to suffer. We know that our principal as to conspirate a suit of its as a suit of its cipal? Is it true the recent "plucking" was caused by envy and malice on the part of the examiners? Also, who was the examiner on school law, and has he

For the benefit of "Enquirer," and everybody else, we might say that the examining board tor the model school consists of Mesers. Gregory, of Exeter, Haratone, of Seaforth, S. P. Balls, of Goderich, and school inspectors Miller, of Goderich, and Malloch, of Clinton. Inspector Malloch is chairman of the board. The members of the board are thief hasn't the right to appeal, why Johnston had been elected by acclamation, and so had a little time on his we would sooner doubt Mr. Ball's veracity than question their integrity in this matter. The gentleman who spe-cially examined on "school law" was Mr. S. P. Halls, of Goderich high school, whose probity and uprightness need no comment. Mr. Halls is a Conservative in politics. Whether he had personal or political spite against Mr. Embury or any of the pupils, is beyond our ken, but we never heard of Mr. Halls having personal or other bitter-The warden of the county, Carthy Act, is a license by virtue of office. There is a failure under the tuition of the county of th trustee, and it is his duty to find out groggery in Kippen. He is cited before where the blame attaches. If the principal has been conspired against, an investigation should be called for, at the

> the principal is incompetent, that func-tionary should be dismissed and a better man appointed. The hard names and full and fair investigation by the board into Mr. Ball's allegations, it will be would say, "There's nothin' to it." Wingham, who was tried last week at the sessions here, on a charge of assault upon one Munro, a commercial traveler, by the course the proceedings took be-

instance of Mr. Ball. If the examiners.

have been libelled, and it turns out that

of the prosecutor, and this consent having been withheld only the prosecutor's (6.) At the December meeting of the it was apparent that Munro was not only should be appointed in Huron. county council Mr. Johnston did every not abused to the extent that he claimed,

THE POLICE MAGISTRACY.

few weeks. The authoress has already made her mark as a gifted and graphic writer, and the story is sure to delight Huron County Scott Act association, stupid Free Press would make a target of Seaforth, for the position, is endorsed by the editors of the Free Press or Spec tator. all friends of temperance throughout the county at large, and we hope the Governent will lose no time in acting upon it.

The appointment of a magistrate is an imperative necessity in Huron, and the sooner the appointment is made the better. It is a notorious fact that the law has been flagrantly violated, and that inspectors and commissioners have stood by with folded arms. Nay, more ; they have endeavored to strangle any efforts that were put forth by the temperance element to lessen the crime. As we pointed out last week, the com

missioners are pronouncedly against the Scott Act : the chairman has a brother in the business; one of his associates has a son who is one of the derelict in spectors; and the other two inspectors and commissioners are not "above suspicion.'

There are some whe argue that police magistrate with judicial powers, will have too arbitrary an authority because there will be no appeal from his decision. Well, why should there be an appeal? If all the evidence is heard before the police magistrate, and the circumstances warrant a conviction, why should the criminal not be convicted ? he has not the right to appeal? If a

Then they say, "John Beattie or any other temperance man should not be appointed, for he is in sympathy with the Act." Indeed! Then they might just as well object to having a thief tried be fore Judge Toms, for the reason that our senior judge is an honest man. It requires a man who is in sympathy with the law to maintain the law.

two justices of the peace for controvening the act. On the evidence of two witnesses, Morrison and King, he is convicted. He appeals the case, and after a lapse of time it comes up for trie before a jury in Goderich. Morrison swears that what he drank in Schaffer' "tasted like gin."-He had asked for fabrications hurled at the examiners by gin. Schaffer gets into the witness box Mr. Ball will not raise the standard of and swears that he had not a drop of any the school, or lessen the responsibility kind of liquor in the house at the time of the principal. A cessation from abuse that Morrison drank. King in the by the friends of Mr. Embury, and a meantime has left the country, and his testimony, swern to before a magistrate is necessary in the present case. We is not allowed in evidence. The jury reare of opinion, if an investigation be had tire, and, as it costs Morrison nothing to disbelieve his evidence, and it would be found that, as Hon. John Henry Pope a heavy loss to Schaffer's pocket if his veragity were doubted, they bring in a Some injustice appears to have been of the case is that Schaffer at the magisdone to Mr. W. Holmes, merchant, of trafes court, when King and Morrison both gave testimony, refused to give evidence in his own behalf, yet he had no hesitation in getting into the box last week in the absence of King, and awear ing that he had no liquor in the house on the day alleged. If at first the case had been tried before a duly appointed police magistrate King would not have been in Michigan, and Schaffer's unsupported testimony would have been of no avail against that of two reliable witnesses. The above we believe are good an

sufficent reasons why a police magistrate

(6.) At the December meeting of the county council Mr. Johnston did every thing in his power by voice and vote to thwart the appointment of a police that the deserved. It was shown by the evidence for the defence that Munro first attackmagistrate, but without avail. If the Scott Act has been a dead issue, Mr. Johnston has been fighting very assiduance, and that in fact the procedure of the calimed, but that he really got no more than he deserved. It was shown by the evidence for the defence that Munro first attackment of the consequence in the Reform party. We well recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. Mrs. Robt. Mrs. Robt. The consequence in the Reform party. We well recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. We will not always the consequence in the Reform party. We well recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. Mrs. Robt. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. Mrs. Robt. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. Mrs. Robt. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. The consequence in the Reform party. We will recollect when the late George Brown was the best abused Reform edition. The consequence in the Reform party. Johnston has been fighting very assidually against the corpse during the past years.

If Mr. Johnston, or any one else, says on momination day that the Scott Act is not invoiced to the charge. Magistrates, when charged with the duty of merely and moment of the special control of the special control of the special control of the frothy speeches made at the Conservative meeting at Smith's at the Conservative meeting at Smith's Hill, has yet appeared in the papears.

Why is it thus? Were the speeches which is not fail of bosh about the "Rielizes" of the speeches the speeche uously against the corpse during the past was entirely unfounded. This view the over with crocodile tears by the Tory

the talented editor of the London Ad-The question of the police magistracy but we know Mr. Mills intimately, and the case of Taylor v. McCulcouncil endorsing the memorial of the man, neither the clever Spectator nor the lagh, tried at the last H the court last week refused Huron County Scott Act association, stupid Free Press would make a target of the amount of the verdict. which nominated Mr. John Beattie; of him. Ne journal refers personally to

> NEWS ABOUT HOME. A chiel's amang ye, takin notes An faith he'll prent it."

TOWN TOPICS.

adverse opinion.

Churches and schools getting up Christmas trees are getting the usual large discounts at Saunders variety store. Several committees have made their selections, and have expressed themselves well pleased with the display and prices of holiday gifts. Attentive clerks and everybody served. The cheapest house under the sun.

Mrs. Wynn has returned to town. Wm. Ball has returned from Dakota. Rev. Mr. Salton preached at Holmes-

Charlie Mitchell, formerly engineer the harbor mill, is now living in Wind-

from a six weeks' visit to friends in Chi-Don't fail to read the opening chapters

of our new story, which will shortly ap-

Mr. Shipley, of Toronto, has been the guest of his father-in-law, H. McDermott, during the week. Services will be held in St. Peter's St. George's and the North street Metho

rches on Christmas morning. Dr. Nicholson, the West street dentist makes filling with gold and the preser vation of the natural teeth a specialty. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Morris and child

of Castleton, Dakots, will spend the Christmas holidays with friends in town. We have now plenty of snow, and the indications at present are that a "green Christmas" will not be on the card this

Up to the hour of going to press there appears to be a dead calm in the municipal arena. It's the caim that precedes the storm, mebbe. Wm. Andrews, formerly with Robt.

McLean, has opened out a butcher shop on his own account on West street, oppo-site the post office.

We regret to hear that Mr. Adamson, county clerk, has been confined to his bed all week by a serious attack of congestion of the lungs.

Rev. Mr. Birks, of Holmesville, filled

the pulpit at Victoria street church on Sunday morning, and a clergyman of Exeter in the evening.

John D. Swanson has returned home for his vacation. He likes university life, however. If Mr. Swanson's health continues good, high honors await him. Edward Carswell's lecture on "Laugh-

Edward Carswell's lecture on "Laughing," to be delivered in Victoria Hall on New Year's, in aid of Victoria street church, is said to be a good one. Make a note of the event.

A Christmas Song Service will be held in North street Methodist church on Sunday, evening, the 27th inst. The Methodist church song services generally

Mrs. G. W. Berry, of Lighthous treet, is visiting at familton. Miss Lalla Berry, who has been attending the Wesleyan Ladies' College in that city, will accompany her mother home. The choir of St. Peter's will offer som

fine singing to the congregation for Christmas, the "Kyrie," "Gloris," "Sanctus" and "Agnus Dei" from Mo-zart's famous 12th mass, and La Selle's

ORDER REFUSED, - In the appeal of lach, tried at the last Huron Assizes he court last week refused to

KNOT CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE -A grand Christmas tree and musical enter-tainment will be held in Knox church on the evening of Monday, Dec. 28th. Gifts will be distributed to about 300 children, and an evening of rare pleasure to young and old is expected.

Buying Hoes. -J. H. Edwards, grocer, is going extensively into the purchase of dressed hogs this season. He is bound to pay the highest price, and farmers should make a note of the fact. Goderich will be the best market for pork it. Huron this winter.

Mrs. W. Proctor, of Belle Isle, Mich., and her two children, Miss Ella and Master Willie, will spend the winter season the guests of Mrs. R. Donogh, West street, mother of Mrs. Proctor. Mr. Proctor accompanied his family hither, and returned to Belle Isle last

The Stratford bakers have become jealous of one another. One lowered the price from 6c. to 5c. for the small loaf; the remainder did likewise. Again the price was dropped to 4c., sold at the store. Not to be outdone, the other parties dropped the price to 3c., which is holding at this date.

More About Dancing.—Rev. Mr. Hobbs, of Mt. Pleasant, Ont., cannot dance; at least, he does not dance, and thinks mighty little of anybody that does. Referring to this indulgence, the other Sunday, he said the brains of those while only mate callest fort who dance would only make calves' foot jelly !--[Ayr Recorder.

EAST HURON LIBERAL CONSERVATIVES. The annual meeting of the Conserva-tive Association of East Huron for the election of officers was held, at Brussels, on 9th inst., when the following officers were elected:—President, Jos. Leech, Bluevale; Vice-Pres., Jos. Carter, Blyth; Sec.-Tress., C. A. Leech, Bluevale.

At the regular fortnightly meeting of the High School Literary Society last Friday evening the following programme was presented: Readings, Mr. Humber, Miss F. Williams, Miss Alkenhead, Miss Elwood, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. McLeod, Mr. Strang, solo, Miss Burritt; recita-tion, Miss Spence; solo, Miss Burritt. BIG FURNITURE SALE, -G. C. Robert

son, the East street furniture man, inhis branch wareroom on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 21 and 22, by public auction at 1 o'clock. The list comprises everything from a bureau to a baby's toy. John Knox, the knight of the hammer, will officiate.

HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS.—The bylaw passed by the county council last
week, in accordance with the amendment of last session in the Local Legislature regarding hawkers and peddlers,
fixes the license tariff for this county as
follows: Every man travelling on foot,
\$25 annually revery man with one horse
or other beast, \$10, and with two horses,
\$15.
KMICHTS TEMPLAR ELECTION.—At the
regular meeting of St. Elmo Preceptory. HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS

regular meeting of St. Elmo Preceptory, No. 22, held on Thursday night, Dec. 3, the following officers were elected for the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Sir Knight T. F. Lawrence, Em. P.; Sir Knight Dr. Tay-lor; Con.; Sir Knight C. A. Humber, Mar.; Sir Knight L. F. Toms, C.; Sir Knight M. Nicholson, T.; Sir Knight R. Radeleffe, Reg.; Sir Knight Jas. Young, Sub. M.

Young, Sub. M.

The Calgary Herald gives a rumor that a cache of liquor made near High River on his last trip north by Neil Campbell, who was drowned at Fort Saskatchewan in 1876, has been discovered by the Indians, who are rejoicing exceedingly theren. Campbell had previously been a partner in horses and mines with John Allen (who was killed by an Indian), brother of deputy-reeve Allen of Colborne.

fine singing to the congregation for Christmas, the "Kyrie," "Gloria," "Sanotus" and "Agnus Dei" from Mozart's famous 12th mass, and La Selle's "Credo."

The tug Porter, which came here last week to try and release the barge Maxwell, which went ashore near the International salt works, left for the river without making an attempt to haul off the wreck.

G. N. Mandonald, lighthouse keeper or the river of the river of the river of the river without making an attempt to haul off the wreck.

Mrs. Logie and Miss Dickson, daughter of Gaoler Dickson, leave shortly for Goderich, where they will reside. Miss Dickson has taught in the public school here for a number of years, and will be greatly missed there, as well as in the

Presbyterian cheir and Sabbath school.

[Exeter Times.

The Exeter Times says: Tuesday evening last, Rev. T. M. Campbell, of Goderich, delivered his justly celebrated lecture, "God Save the Queen," in the lecture room of the James-street Methodist church, under the auspices of the Exeter Young People's Christian Asso-ciation. The speaker was greeted with

a large audience and everybody was de-lighted with the address.

"The New Era is again talking about the benefit it would be to have Clinton made the county seat of Huron, but its appeals are in vain, and should it keep them up for years to come it is not likely them up for years to come it is not likely that the county buildings would be removed to Clinton, just because it is alightly more central. We would advise our contemporary to preserve its gushings on the subject until a more oppertune time at least."-{Exeter Times.

MAITLAND LODGE No. 33 A. F., A. M., MAITLAND LODGE No. 33 A. F., A. M., G. R. C.—At the regular meeting of Maitland Lodge, No. 33 A. F. and A. M. held in Masonic Hall, Goderich, Dec. Sth 1885, the following officers were duly elected for the current year, C. A. Humber, W. M.; Capt. Green, S. W.; M. Nicholson, J. W.; J. Clarke, Chap.; S. Sloane, Treas.; H. W. Ball, Secy.; S. D. Inksetter, S. D.; W. Mitchell, J. D.; J. D. Luttrell, J. G.; T. Videan, T.; R. Price, J. Craigie, Stewards.

A GODERICH TOWNSHIP LIBEL SUIT.—

A GODERICH TOWNSHIP LIBEL SUIT.—
The case of Perdu vs. Clark came up at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, on Saturday, on motion of plaintiff's counsel to transfer the action from the Chancery to the Queen's Bench Division and to strike out the defence. The motion was re-fused. The defendant Clark is charged with publishing a libel in a Clinton paper on the plaintiff, who was living with defendant's sister and his brotherinlaw.

The affair has arisen out of the death of

Mrs. Trick.

DECEMBER SESSIONS OF THE PEACE.

At the meeting of the Sessions held on
Dec. 11th, a new division court was
established in Blyth. This makes the established in Blyth. This makes the twelfth court for the county. The appointment by judge out of session of the following constables was confirmed: W. H. Clegg, Gorrie; C. R. Cooper, Brussels; A. Waddell, Goderich; Thos. Moon, Wingham; and John McLeod, Bayfield. The appointment of a caretaker for Bayfield lockup was adjourned until next meeting of sessions, which will be held on Jan, 5th, 1886, at which time the selection of inverse for

1886 will be made.

CRRISTMAS TREE.—We commend to the kind consideration of the held in the Gaelic church on the evening of Christmas Day, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The admission fee will be 10 o'clock. The admission fee will be 10 cents. An interesting programme of readings, recitations and music is being prepared, and a treat is in store for the children and spectators. Any donations for the children in the way of clothing, toys or other gifts will be thankfully received. We hope this deserving cause will be liberally assisted by our townsfelk. Make the children of the poor hanny.

happy. "THE DISPENSATIONS."-We have re-The Dispensations."—We have received a printed copy of the lecture on "The Dispensations," delivered by Rev.
T. M. Campbell, of Goderich, before the Theological Union of the Gualph Coaference. He divides the period of the world's history into six dispensations, corresponding with the six days of creation, and calls those periods the Adamic, Patriarchal, Mosaic, John the Baptist, Christian, Christian Supremacy. Mr. Campbell has a good grasp of the subject, and he shows a good literary style. ject, and he shows a good literary style.

The pamphlet should be in the hands of all who desire good reading. It is published by request, and there is no intention of making any gain out of it, but to cover expenses a charge of 10c. is made for the little book. For sale at the

booksteres.

Rev. Mr. McDonald, of Seaforth, preached an elequent and instructive sermon in Knox church on Sunday evening from Hebrews 4:15. After the the wreck.

G. N. Macdonald, lighthouse keeper at Goderich, left town on Tuesday moon for a two months' vacation. He will spend a portion of that time in New York city, Utica and other points. We wish him a pleasant time.

Donogh, will furnish the music. Admission 25c, 35c and 50c. The band are preparing for a biv turn out, and we don't think they will be disappointed. For particulars see bills.

TRE SINGING EVANGELIST.—Rev. H. T. Crossley has been continued to the control of Stinday eventures.

After the seemon the preacher apoke for a short time on the question of missions. He showed that today the Christian world numbered about 400,000,000, while those of other religions and pagans numbered over 1,000,000,000. He then disappears the control of the control of Stinday eventures. The Singing Evangelist.—Rev. H. T.

Orossley has been continuing his meetings during the past week, and will be here until Christmas. The services have been very successful, and much good is resulting from them. An almost verbatim report of his sermon on "Dancing," from phonographic notes, is given in another column. His sermon to "Business Men" on Wednesday evening last, was a very practical one. Mr.

Crossley has made many warm personal friends in Goderich.

We are pleased to learn that the Redemptorist Fathers Miller and Kautz, demptorist Fathers Miller and Kautz, and well well upon our Northwest missions, and he evidently spoke as one who knew whereof he testified. He said that the people would fully appreciate the subject called upon in the course of the next few years to pay the taxes. The late rebellion would cost the country several millions, as all the claims were not yet settled. He showed that the government having put the Indians on reserves, in many cases placed over them "farm instructors" who were morally unfit for the position, and that some of these men had so ill-treated the Indians that they became exasperated and rose up against