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FRIDAY, FEB. 27th, 1885.
TO OUR READERS
As it has been announced by a number
of our contemporaries that Mr. D. Mc
Gillicuddy, of this SIGNAL, is about to
sever his connection with journalism, we
wish to state that the rumour is incorrect.
It is quite true Mr. McGillicuddy has
signed a contract for a certain class of
work, for a stipulated time, with a leading
insurance company, but the engagement
does not affect his journalistic position
in the slightest. The proprietary interest
in, and the editorial connection with THE
HURON SIGNAL, heretofore held by Mr.
D. McGillicuddy, will not be changed
by his new engagement. It is only
another "private contract" which he has
undertaken independent of the firm.

In a recent article in the *Nineteenth
Century*, the Marquis of Lorne felicitous
ly termed Canada a "crowned democ
racy."
MR. CAUCHON, late Lieut.-Governor
of Manitoba, and at one time a promi
nent figure in Parliament, died on Wed
nesday, of paralysis.
LENOX has an unenviable reputation
as the most venal constituency in the
Dominion. A petition has been filed at
Osgoode hall against the return of M.
W. Pruyn, conservative member elect
of the house of commons for Lennox, on
the grounds of bribery and corruption.
This will be the third trial over the seat
in the Dominion house since the general
election.

THE Wingham *Vidette* is always into
some dirty work. The *Clinton News
Era* says:—"The *Vidette* is publishing an
advertisement that is a disgrace to any
newspaper." The *Vidette* is in the hands
of a fellow who will not stop at anything
however low to bring himself gain or
notoriety. By the way, when will he
make a clean breast of his connection
with the "Garland" counterfeiting
dodge?
THE dreaded Kamsin wind has already
blown in very fine in Egypt. The hot sand,
which is very fine, is blown into the eyes
and nostrils, and much suffering is en
dured by man and beast. The only way
the British troops can escape its worst
effects is by falling face downwards upon
the ground behind outworks or other
shelter while the Kamsin is blowing. The
horses will be the worst sufferers.

The *Blith Advocate* has the following
personal mention of the Warden:—
"P. Kelly left on Monday to attend
the anti-Scott convention held in Ottawa
on Tuesday. Pat makes a good repre
sentative, but his influence will have a
poor effect in this direction on the level
head of Sir John. We understand that
Mr. Kelly did not take his trunk with
him this trip, but a satchel, so that he
would be able to carry it to his private
apartment and not be compelled to leave
it in the hall of Sir John's residence."
OUR sleepy contemporary, the *Star*,
notes the fact that our editorial matter
now appears on the first page, and says
it is placed there "probably that it may
not be overlooked by their readers."
THE SIGNAL editorials are always well
read, independent of position. The
Star must be dull-witted not to perceive
that THE SIGNAL, like an enterprising
journal, studies the matter of "make up"
for itself. The best proof of its success
in this respect is that the *Star* has for
the past four years copied our style of
make up, position of matter etc., as
closely as possible, although the matter
of our dreary contemporary has general
ly been an avoid of snap as its editor is
of moral backbone. We will not be
surprised if the *Star* at some time in the
near future copies our "make up" still
further, and puts its editorial (?) matter
where THE SIGNAL has led.

The Hamilton Times "sizes up" its
contemporary as follows:—
"The *Spectator* contributes a learned
article to the Pacific Railway discussion,
the title of which is that Sir John Mac
donald decides to further subsidize the
Syndicate that will be the prager thing
to do, but Sir John decides not to grant
another subsidy the granting of a sub
sidy would be very wrong. It is wonder
ful how complacent the receipt of \$16,000
for alleged printing for the Immigration
department makes a Tory journal.
Evidently the *Spectator* has not been
notified how the cat is going to jump."

The Toronto Licensed Victuallers are
growing wiser. On Tuesday they held a
meeting, when it was resolved that hotel
keepers exercise their own judgment,
whether or not they apply for Dominion
licenses, but the generally expressed
opinion was that the taking out of such
licenses would be a useless expense, and
would save no good purpose. In Huron
we will have the Scott Act, and conse
quently no hotel licenses will be issued.
But those who foolishly took out Domi
nion licenses in this county last year are
sorry for it.

WIKEN D. L. Moody, the evangelist,
was in Toronto a few months since he
was not invited to Government House
by His Honor, nor was he congratulated
on his success in his chosen vocation
by Ontario's Lieut.-Governor. But we
observe by a Toronto daily paper that
Charles Mitchell was the guest of Govern
ment House on the morning after his
glorious fight with Scholes, and spent a
"pleasant hour in Lieut.-Governor Rob
inson's company." It is evidently in
Ontario now as it was in the courts of
crowded heads in the old time: The
man who can "knock out" his fellow
man is more esteemed than he who deals
heavy blows against sin and Satan.

"Men in private life, who have not been
in harmony with his views on public ques
tions have not escaped his contemptible lashings
and insinuations."—*The Star*.
A maner or more contemptible
faulshood was never penned, and we defy
the *Star* to cite an instance to prove its
position. We have always avoided any un
necessary reference to the private affairs
of any worthy man. The *Star* has been
for years a medium for anonymous scrib
blers to fling their venom at public men
in a vile and indecent fashion. We have
one election in our mind where filthy
charges were insinuated against the pri
vate life of one of the candidates. No
such villainy was ever perpetrated in the
columns of THE SIGNAL. We invite
candid comparison between the conduct
of the two journals during the past four
years, feeling fully assured that the
pharisaical *Star* will be convicted not
only of falsehood, but also of hypocrisy.

WHEN Miss M. E. Braden wrote
"Three Times Dead," it was thought
that such an idea could only be the out
come of a novelist's brain, but the de
tails of the three unsuccessful attempts
to hang Lee, the London (Eng) murder
er, recently, show that truth is stranger
than fiction. When Lee was first placed
on the trap, he was cool and self-posses
sed, and apparently prepared for his
merited doom; but when the bolt failed
to work, his sensation must have been of
peculiar nature. Again, and yet a third
time was the doomed man placed on the
scaffold, and three times did the trap re
fuse to perform its function. Three
times was the black cap drawn over the
victim and his eyes closed, in expectan
cy, to the world, and thrice was the
terrible suspense further intensified.
The case is the most horrible in the scaf
fold annals. The condemned man has
since had his sentence commuted to im
prisonment for life.

ARZOPUS of the many would-be "hard
drives" that have of late been made
against the editors of THE HURON SIG
NAL by the scaly press of this section,
editorially and by correspondents, we
beg to relate the following: In June,
1878, Sir John Macdonald was present
at a Tory demonstration at the village of
Gerrie in this county. After dealing
with the public question, he had occasion
to refer to some personal matters, and in
doing so, stated that it was his proud
privilege to be the most represented and
most abused man in Canada. But, gentle
men, said the old Chieflain, I don't feel
that I am a particularly bad man because
of the abuse of my detractors. And for
this reason—A man doesn't load a can
non to shoot a mosquito; if the game is
not worth shooting at people won't shoot.
And I might also ask, gentlemen, in this
respect, if, when the boys have been in the
orchard overnight, you have not always
found the most sticks and stones under
the tree that bore the best fruit.

The Mahdi must have a keen sense of
humor—a peculiarly grim kind. The
full facts of the betrayal of General Gor
don at Khartoum have now come out.
It seems that one of Gordon's pashas,
named Farag, betrayed Khartoum, on
condition that he should be given a large
sum of money and be elevated to a high
place by the Mahdi. After the capture
of Khartoum the Mahdi presented Farag
with 40,000 thalers, and then ordered that
worthy to be hanged—thus giving him a
large reward and a high place for his
treachery. The Mahdi has a great head.

It looks as if the day of the peach is
over in the Huron tract. During the
past four years the crop has been almost
an entire failure. And in Essex and
Kent a similar experience is reported.
The *Amherstburg Echo* says:—
"Fruit raisers think that the weather
for the past week has been fatal to peach
trees in Essex. One old fruit raiser says
it will be but a few years, at farthest,
when all the peach trees will be killed.
Twenty five years ago peaches sold for a
few cents a bushel in Essex. The num
bered tracts have been mostly cleared off
since, and the trees have no protection."

The member for West Huron is well
posted on North-west affairs, and keeps
the Government on the move in con
nection with the affairs of the Depart
ment concerned. On Tuesday he moved
for a return, setting forth the grievances
of a number of squatters in the North
west who had been harshly expelled from
their lands by the Government, and had
been allowed no consideration. He
showed that the tyranny of Government
officials had driven settlers out of the
country and was retarding its settle
ment.

JOHNNY SCHOLES, the Toronto saloon
keeper, who was at one time a well
known long-race runner, snowshoer and
general athlete, has been brought again
to public favor in the Queen city by a
four-round glove fight, Marquis of
Queensberry rules, with Charles Mitchell,
the pugilist that John L. Sullivan could
not knock out. Scholes secured 26
points against 35 by Mitchell, and show
ed that he was a foeman worthy of the
redoubtable Englishman's knuckles. It
will not be in order for Scholes to have
a public reception given him by the
people of Toronto, at which a city house
and lot should be presented, and con
gratulatory speeches made. Among
the distinguished spectators of the glove
fight was Lieut. Governor John Beverley
Robinson. John Beverley is quite a
pugilist himself, and once "knocked out"
John Ross Robertson, of the *Telegraph*, in
one round.

TWINKLE, LITTLE "STAR"
The *Star* doesn't think the editors of
THE SIGNAL "worthy of any attention."
Doesn't it, eh? Well, if it doesn't, how
is it that for the past four years it has
allowed column upon column of its space
to be devoted to personal abuse of the
editors of THE SIGNAL, publicly and
privately? Oh, no; the *Star* wants to
treat the editors of THE SIGNAL with si
lent contempt. Just when THE SIGNAL
has determined to bestow a little more
"attention" on the nominal editor of
the *Star*, the nominal editor discovers
that the editors of THE SIGNAL are not
"worthy of any attention." The nomi
nal editor of the *Star* evidently doesn't
like to have the "war" carried into
Africa." For the past four years THE
SIGNAL did not think the editor of the
Star worthy of attention, and it is only
now when patience has ceased to be a
virtue on our part, and he has assumed
the responsibility of the backgammon
column weekly appears in the correspond
ence columns of his paper, that we have
seen fit to let him have a dose or two of
his own medicine. If the medicine
works a cure we will discontinue the
treatment; if it has not that effect we
will increase or repeat the dose until the
patient is either killed or cured.

Will not be outside by the Mahdi.
DUBLIN, Feb. 23.—The Castle author
ities are alarmed owing to the probability
that since the fall of Khartoum and the
news of the Sudan disasters there has
been a jubilation in the Fenian ranks.
The Fenians are only awaiting the intelli
gence that the Mahdi has smashed the
Britishers to strike a blow for freedom.
The *New Era* has plucked up enough
courage to approach its venerable an
tagonist again. Hear it:—"Brussels is
the latest claimant for the county build
ings. Our friend Kydd, of Goderich,
has a summer's work before him, settling
the claims of Wingham, Exeter and
Brussels, leaving Clinton out of the ques
tion."

A GOOD MAN.
A Gracious Tribute from the Pastor to the
Memory of the Late Rev. Charles
Fletcher.

In the close of his sermon on Sabbath
morning last, Dr. Urs took notice of the
large number of deaths that had taken
place within the circle of his own pastoral
visitations during the year 1884, the
number in town and country having been
not fewer than forty; and he added that
six more had taken place since the pres
ent year began. One of these was that
of the dear and honored friend, Mr.
Fletcher, of whom it was fitting that
special notice should be taken, not only
on account of his Christian character and
long association with them, but from
other considerations as well. Like their
dear old friend, Mr. Fletcher, he was
one of the pioneers of our Canadian
branch of the Church, and did not a little
by his devoted and unsparring labors to
wards the laying of its foundations at a
time when the conditions of ministerial
work were much more arduous than they
now are. Another special reason why
they should cherish his memory is that
he was for a time pastor of one of the
congregations here, out of which Knox
church has sprung, and it was in that
place he was talking in the great Master's
service when his health broke down.

He had long been laid aside from reg
ular ministerial work before he, Dr.
Urs, became acquainted with him. His
well known physical energy has even
been impaired to some extent by his
vigil. He was still capable, however,
for a few years after his acquaintance
with him began, of conducting occasion
ally the public services of the sanctuary,
and when he did so he did it with such
ability and acceptance as to convince all
that in his best days he must have been
an exceptionally interesting and inspec
tive preacher. They all know what he
was a humble follower of the Lord
Jesus Christ; they all know something
of his moral and spiritual features of
character through which "the being
dead yet speaketh."
One conspicuous quality was his steady
zeal for the advancement of the Reformed
Kingdom. The cause of his gracious
Master was dear to his heart, and he
continued to the last to do what he could
for its advancement. He preached while
he could, and when strength failed him
for this, he continued for a considerable
number of years to work quietly and
industriously in conducting, or assisting to
conduct, cottage and congregational
prayer meetings, and in endeavoring by
other forms of Christian work to benefit
and bless his fellowmen. Down to the
last, we find the wreck of his mental
powers as well as bodily powers, he con
tinued to breathe the spirit of the words:
"Peace be within thy walls and prosper
ity within thy palaces. For my brethren
and companions' sakes, I will now say,
Peace be within thy walls, and prosper
ity of the Lord, I will seek thy good."
He was marked also by catholicity of
spirit. While sincerely and intelligently
attached to his own branch of the church,
he loved the people of God of every
name. Dr. Williams remarked the other
night in North street Methodist church,
that in his younger days as a minister,
he had worshipped the Methodist church
but that now his own ambition was to
exalt Christ and to save souls. Perhaps
Mr. Fletcher could have said something
similar of himself. Certain it is that the
older he became the broader and deeper
were his Christian sympathies, and as a
necessary result he came to look at the
family of the first-born more from their
points of union than from their points of
difference; more in the light of their
substantial oneness than in the light of
their distinctive tenets and church
politics. He lived to give growing
prominence to the great doctrine of the
"Confession of Faith," that the visible
church, the true Catholic church, consists
of all who profess the true religion to
gether with their children. And he
lived to give growing prominence to the
still greater doctrine that the church of
Jesus Christ in the truest sense consists
of those and of those only who have been
born from above. He could have said
with the late Rev. Dr. Duncan, of the
Free church college, Edinburgh, "I am
First Christian, Second Catholic, Third
Presbyterian." And this is the true
order, first one in harmony of will and
love with all who share with us in the
common spiritual life derived through
union with our Lord Jesus Christ;
Secondly, one in visible communion, so
far as that can be realized, with all who
make a credible profession of the Chris
tian faith, and lastly one in special co
operation and fellowship with the church
of our particular choice.

Another trait that might be noticed at
length, did time permit, was his benevo
lence. He was a good man in the sense
in which the word good is used in the
New Testament—a man full of kindness
and affection to all, and especially to
those who were of the household of
faith. He sympathized with all kinds of
trial and sorrow, and was ever ready up
to the measure of his means and oppor
tunities, and sometimes beyond it, to
minister relief. He delighted in what
ever promoted the happiness of others,
and especially in whatever gave pleasure
to his friends. His heart moved in the
line of the precept which bids us "Weep
with those who weep, and rejoice with
them that do rejoice."
The last trait mentioned was his sub
missiveness to the divine will under long
continued and severe trial. Here, the
preacher said, he referred, not so much
to the incident which bids us "Weep
with those who weep, and rejoice with
them that do rejoice," but to the in
cidents and fatal malady—soft
ening of the brain—under which Mr.

Fletcher at last sank, as to his having
been when yet young in the ministry,
compelled by hemorrhage of the lungs to
abandon the sacred calling to which he
had devoted himself, and for the success
ful prosecution of which he was in gifts,
graces and culture, so well adapted, and
to betake himself to other occupations
wholly foreign to his aptitudes and tastes
to earn a livelihood for himself and fam
ily. Of the forty-two years of his life in
Canada, only the first seven were occu
pied in ministerial work, four of these
having been spent in Chippawa, the
other three in Goderich, where his pub
lic work was suddenly brought to a close
by the cause mentioned. The last thirty
years of his life were to him for the
most part, years of silent endurance, and
how meekly and uncomplainingly he sub
mitted to this weighty affliction those
who knew him best can bear ample testi
mony. His rich childlike faith enabled
him to say, "Father, not as I will, but as
Thou wilt," for he knew that in the
morning light that now shines around
him, the "will" which avers so many of
God's dispensations towards his people
here, would be removed, and that all
present perplexities and distresses as seen
in the light of infinite love would be
converted into sweetest music and song.
During the delivery of the above
eulogy, many of the congregation were
in tears, and at times the speaker was so
affected that he had to pause for utter
ance.

FROM OTTAWA.
Things Down at the Dominion Capital.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—This afternoon, be
tween 40 and 50 members of Parliament
waited on Sir John Macdonald to ask
that the Government would at once take
charge of a bill amending the Scott Act
in a number of particulars. Mr. Foster
was spokesman for the deputation, and
pointed out that owing to the recent
decision of the Supreme Court of New
Brunswick it was found that the clause
of the McCarthy Act providing for the
enforcement of the Scott Act had prac
tically repealed the penalty clauses of
the Scott Act, and had complicated
matters in such a way as to place serious
impediments in the way of enforcing the
law. This bill proposed to remedy
and also to provide for flaws which the
working of the act disclosed. Sir John's
reply was every non-committal. He
promised to bring the subject before his
colleagues, and that the Government
would give the matter early considera
tion.

THE C. P. R. IN DEEP WATER.
Ottawa, Feb. 23.—There is strong evi
dence here today that the Canada Pacific
Railway Company is in financial diffi
culties. A deputation of contractors and
workmen from the section beyond Sud
bury waited on the Government this
morning to ask it to intervene to procure
their payment by the Syndicate. It
appears that the contractors have been
for several months unable to procure any
money, and in consequence the men had
not been paid and are very turbulent and
riotous. The deputation desires that the
Government will withhold sufficient from
the company to pay the claims, so that
the distress which the laborers are suffer
ing may be alleviated.

THE SYNDICATE'S SLOW WORK.
A few days ago when the Government
desired the information in Mr. Edgar's
motion for treble work on the C. P. R.
it was stated that the intelligence was
desired merely to damage the road. It
was evident that the Government's pur
pose is to ask it to intervene to procure
their payment in full for incomplete work.
This is contended by the circumstance
that on Saturday engine No. 6 with
fourteen cars of rails broke through the
treble work two miles below Spanish
Forks. Eight of the cars are complete
and were hauled out of the section
covered by Mr. Edgar's motion, and has
been paid for by the Government as
permanent road bed.
"My adieux to all."
London, Feb. 24.—One of Gordon's
letters says:—"Since the river rose we
have driven off the Arabs in four fights.
We fired their towns. We sent expedi
tions to Sumnar. We had a fight on
Sept. 4. We were defeated, with heavy
loss, our square being always broken.
It has been quiet since we fired three mil
lion rounds in these fights. Arab Krupp
guns often hulled our steamers. We
have lost three steamers and built two.
All the captives with the mahdi are well.
Seaton Bay is well treated, but is kept in
chains. The nuns among the captives
ostentatiously married the Greeks of the
party to save themselves from being com
pelled to marry Arabs. There is a mys
terious Frenchman from Dongola with
the mahdi. Don't let Egyptian soldiers
come. Take direct command of the
steamers at Motmahneh and turn out the
fallen.
In a letter to a friend at Cairo, dated
Dec. 14, Gordon wrote:—"It is all up with
us. I expect a catastrophe within ten
days. It would not have been so if our
people had kept me better informed of
their intentions. My adieux to all."
The world is growing wiser—or less
sentimental. A great many valentines
passed through the postoffice during the
past week, many of our previous
years, and among those sent, there was a
marked absence of the milk-and-water
style of love epistles. The one-cent car
tures predominated, the school chil
dren having wasted their substance in
buying them. Easter cards are said to
be supplanting valentines in popular
favor.—*Ex.*

BRUTAL BUNGLING.
Three Attempts Made to Hang a Murder
er—And Then Have to Postpone their
Execution—A Historic Spectacle.

London, Feb. 23.—Three futile at
tempts were made today to hang John
Lea, the murderer and ravisher of Emma
Keays, a wealthy lady for whom Lea
worked. The drop failed to work, and
the execution was postponed.
The details of the attempt to hang
Lea make the case the most horrible that
ever disgraced the gibbet in England.
Lea was perfectly firm, and went to the
scaffold undaunted. When

THE FIRST ATTEMPT
to hang him failed the prisoner's spirit
remained unbroken. He was led from
under the gallows, and walked back to
his cell with a firm step and erect bear
ing. When first placed upon the trap
he stood motionless during the prelimi
nary ceremonies, and when the noose
was placed and the spring about to be
touched he made an apparent effort to
adjust his body to the expected drop.
When the click of the spring sounded he

DREW HIS BREATH,
as if he felt he was taking his last, but
when the murderer realized that the gib
bet had not done its work he appeared
to start as if from a nightmare. He, ho
wever, quickly recovered. The machi
nery was carefully examined and the
woodwork found wet and swollen so that
the spring and trap would not move
quickly. The machinery was then oiled
and moved until the officials were con
vinced that it was in perfect condition.
Lea was

AGAIN BROUGHT OUT
and stood firmly upon the trap. The
machine again failed to work. The
victim shuddered. The executioner
pounded the framework and stamped
upon the trap, but the trap would not
move. Lea straightened himself up and
was the second time removed to his cell.
His spirit was very much broken.
THE THIRD TIME
the machinery was overhauled and pre
sented all right. The murderer was
led out, the noose adjusted, and the
black cap placed on his head. The
spring was again touched, and again it
refused to operate. The strain and sus
pense had now overtaken Lea.

HIS SPOONED,
and had to be carried away. The
sheriff's officers were dismayed and de
serted the gallows. The Sheriff has tele
graphed the Home Secretary for in
structions.
RESPECTED.
Lea, whose execution was bungled this
morning, has been respited by order of
the Home Office.
Lea's sentence has been commuted to
life imprisonment.
CAUGHT AT LAST.
The Perpetrator of the Amsterlied Butch
ery Captured in Canada.

BRACKENRIDGE, Ont., Feb. 23.—On the
10th of January, 1882, one of the foul
est murders ever perpetrated was com
mitted in the town of Austerlied, Colum
bia county, New York State. Oscar F.
Beckwith, alias Chas. White, murdered
his champion and partner, whom he cut
up into pieces, burning the head and
limbs in a box stove and salting down
the other portions of the trunk with the
object of concealing the inhuman crime.
These remains were found in the shanty
occupied by the deceased and the pris
on Detective J. P. Gilderleeve, of
Kinderhook, N. Y., followed the criminal
to the shores of the Pacific and thence
through Canada along the line of the
C. P. R. He put himself in commu
nication with Detective Rogers, of
Barrie, and D. R. McDonald, Govern
ment wood ranger of the county, and
with the able assistance of Chief Con
stable, W. E. Perkins, of Gravenhurst,
and Sheriff Hainor, of Columbia county,
New York, succeeded in arresting the
murderer, Beckwith, at South River, in
the district of Parry Sound, and passed
through here with the murderer en route
to Toronto this morning. Sheriff Hainor
and Detective Gilderleeve say that the
assistance and kindness received from
the above named gentlemen was beyond
praise or thanks.
THE SYNDICATE'S CONDITION.
The company is hopelessly stranded, yet
fortunes have been made out of it by some
of its shareholders. Parliament has
rights to demand information as to how
the public money has been spent in the
past and guarantees as to how it shall be
spent in the future before making any
further concessions.—*Montreal Star*.
Terrible Accident at Exeter.
EXETER, Ont., Feb. 23.—A sad and
fatal accident happened about half a mile
south of this place this afternoon. As
Mr. David Richards was working on an
arrack stack cutting a piece of it off, his
wife came near the stack, when the over
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NEWS ABOUT HOME.

"A child's message," taken from an "Annie's" letter.

TOWN TOPICS.

Fluorine sewing machine oil and needles at Larrie's book store. See the mammoth 3c., 5c. and 10c. exercise books at Larrie's book store.

Wanted, 200 Raccoon skins. Highest cash price paid for all kinds of furs and sheepskins. Furs tanned and dressed to order at Smith's tannery.

Any musical instrument, from a Jew's harp to a grand piano, can be procured at a reasonable price at half the cost of ordinary dealers.

John Wilkinson is paying the old home a visit. Miss Hattie Smith has gone to Alma College, St. Thomas.

Byron Wade, music dealer, Stratford, was in town this week. Fred Cattle, a young type, left for Kaganaw, on Monday last.

Mrs. E. E. Wade, of Brussels, is visiting friends in town this week. Mr. Capt. Gibson has returned from a month's visit at Wingham.

Mr. G. W. Struthers spent a few days in Exeter during the past week. Mrs. Hall, the Ithica evangelist, is now holding special services in Blyth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan arrived home on Wednesday, after a long wedding journey. Mrs. Estel was visiting her friends in Goderich, during the past week.

Miss Nellie Donagh is in town, and will spend several weeks with her friends. Rev. Mr. Carson read one of Talma's sermons last Sunday evening to his congregation.

James Sloan, of Lapeer, Michigan, is the guest of his nephew, Samuel Sloan, produce merchant.

Among the unsuccessful applicants for the mastership of Woodstock school was one from Goderich. Matthew McCulloch, Hamilton, husband of Maggie Barr, the well-known vocalist, died two weeks ago.

John Doyle, son of James Doyle, expressman, had an attack of diphtheria, but is now recovering rapidly.

Walter Brough, of Toronto, has been in town some time, the guest of his brother-in-law, D. McDonald. St. George's church choir will take part in the musical exercises at a tea-meeting at Dunganston this evening.

George Grant has been handling his gun during the week. On Friday he shot four ducks, and on Saturday two.

Rev. T. M. Campbell, of Goderich, will preach anniversary sermons in the Methodist church, on Sunday, March 8th.

Mrs. Black, of West street, was out last week, and received the congratulations of many friends on her recovery from her accident.

The moonlight evenings this week gave a large fund of enjoyment to our citizens, 110 of whom were coasting on the harbor hill on Monday evening.

HARRISON'S ROLLER RINK.—The band will hold a party in Harrison's roller rink on Friday evening, and will give a carnival for children on Saturday afternoon.

George Cox, foreman of our news room, is laid up by a severe attack of illness. He has been absent for the past two weeks, but at last accounts was on the mend.

RED EGGED PADS.—Pads, containing 100 sheets each, 6x9 in., very suitable for school and office purposes, can be obtained at THE SIGNAL office for 10c each, or three for 25c.

Much sympathy has been expressed with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Henderson on the death of their interesting little adopted daughter, who recently died from cerebral meningitis.

A considerable quantity of trout and herrings is now being caught through the ice-off Goderich harbor. The lake is frozen for a long distance east. Lake Michigan is said to be frozen over.

D. McMillan will leave for Eastern Ontario on Monday next, on a trip combining business with pleasure. As he has been seriously indisposed for the past week or two, it is to be hoped the change will have a beneficial effect.

Joshua Thomas, formerly of Goderich, has opened a watch and jewelry store in Dundas, Ill., and writes us that the business promises well. He adds: "Your paper is a very welcome visitor; I think I would feel lost without it."

The Hensall suit was recently sold under power of mortgage, being bought at \$1,500. This would indicate that some one has lost considerable money in the investment, as the sinking of the well and equipment cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Mrs. Jas. McNair, of Richmond Hill, has sent to the secretary of Maple Leaf Lodge, Goderich, No. 27, A. O. U. W., thanking that body for the speedy payment of her claim for \$5,000 on account of the death of her late husband.

A CARD TO THE PUBLIC.—Rod. M. Fraser begs to notify his friends and patrons that after tomorrow he will have no further connection with Larrie's book store, and that they will hear from him hereafter on business.

We understand that Rev. J. Robertson raised \$205 for North-west mission work while here in Exeter, and not \$215 as reported in our last issue.

SAMUEL SLOAN, the well-known seaman, is out with his spring announcement. He carries a big stock this season. See advertisement.

The Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen in Ontario paid out \$126,000 to the widows and orphans of deceased members in 1884, a no mean feat for the Order feels a whit the poorer of having contributed \$1.50 per month to accomplish this grand work.

We regret to learn that Miss Cassidy, principal of St. David's ward school, has been prostrated with inflammation of the lungs for the past week or two. Her place in the school has been taken in the interim by Miss Sophie Gordon. It is to be hoped Miss Cassidy will be able to assume her duties shortly.

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Dentistry. M. NICHOLSON, D.D.S., SURGEON. Dentist. Office and residence, West Street three doors below Bank of Montreal. Goderich 1752.

The Poor's Corner.

"The Penny Ye Meant to Give."
Many tales of a stingy man
Who was none to good, but might have been
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well to hold it every four years; but
there seems to be a difference
of opinion as to whether it should be
done away with altogether or not there.

What a Cent Grows To.

A cent seems of little value, but if it is
only doubled a few times it grows to a
marvellous sum. A young lady in Port-

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Canada having been admitted into the
Postal Union there is a rearrangement of
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Provincial Show.

Mr. Dryden on Monday introduced
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Mr. Meredith—For what purpose
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Physician's are often startled by re-
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The greatest medical wonder of the
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KYLE'S PILGRIMS.

Sir John Promises the Liquor Dealers Compensation.

An Association Formed for Opposing Sumptuary Legislation—Mr. Kyle Considers the Crowd Not to be too Trustful.

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—This was an anxious day in the capital. All morning the liquor men looked forward to the meeting of Sir John and other members of his government. It was thought last night that the gathering would be at 11 o'clock, but it was 2.25 before Sir John Macdonald, Sir Hector Langevin, Hon. John Carling, Hon. Mackenzie Bowell and Hon. John Costigan put in an appearance. The opera house was filled by about 300 delegates at this hour. Owing to the disappointment of yesterday, a couple of hundred of the pilgrims left the city last evening for Montreal, where there is supposed to be more attractions than in Ottawa. This is probably very correct.

At the hour named the ministers entered the opera house by the front door. Sir John was loudly applauded as he walked up the side aisle. The people whom he faced he afterwards complimented as being respectable and representative. They were in truth well dressed, well behaved and docorous. Without prelude or excuse John Schiller, of Toronto, came to the front and proposed that J. P. McMullen, county crown attorney of Dufferin, should be made chairman. The proposition was unanimously accepted and Mr. McMullen, although he said he had no interest in the liquor traffic, was made the presiding officer.

The business of the convention was started by Wm. Kyle, of Toronto, reading a memorial. The document was vigorous, and reprobated the doctrine of compensation for the abolition of vested rights—that is that parliament should if it passed a prohibitory law recoup the men who have invested their money in real estate representing the liquor traffic. Then there were memorials from the bankers, real estate and monetary institutions of Toronto, calling for a commission to investigate the whole matter.

Eugene O'Keefe presented this memorial. All of the signs bore a commission of inquiry. Representing the trades were the cooper's union and the brewer's employes. They looked at it from a broad and better point of view and naturally prayed that the government would not countenance any confiscation of their means of subsistence.

J. S. Fullerton, of Toronto, was called upon to voice the opinion of the convention. Mr. Fullerton made a very creditable argument in favor of a commission, and a protest against what he called the application of property recognized by law. Mr. Fullerton spoke for an hour, and was afterwards complimented by Sir John and the convention.

Of course the premier's answer was non-committal. He said the cabinet was not a unit on the liquor question. An inference of this remark is that Sir Leonard Tilley and Mr. Carling are yet opposing factions. Sir John assured the convention that he voted for the Scott Act as a measure of parliament, but said cheers he declared that if parliament passed a prohibitory law he would vote for compensation. The liquor dealers of the province of Ontario, who are as a rule conservative in politics, will receive this announcement from the premier with a great deal of favor.

In the grand old of the convention Mr. Kyle was received with enthusiasm, and he warned the delegates not to build castles in the air on the government's answer, but to wait for realization. He however thought the memorials of the different bodies were received with a great deal of courtesy.

When the members of the government left the hall the convention passed resolutions favoring an association for the repeal of sumptuary legislation against vested rights, and the foundation of an association with this object in view was laid. Mr. Kyle was made provisional president pending future developments at Toronto, which will be recognized as the headquarters.

Many of the pilgrims from Western Ontario, went to Montreal tonight, and others who had not time or wealth to spare took trains for home.—Toronto World.

SIR JOHN AND THE SCOTT ACT.

A large number of licensed victuallers and brewers are still here. They do not seem satisfied with the way in which the Government have treated them. Sir John Macdonald's announcement that he is a supporter of the Scott Act and that he voted for that measure has greatly discouraged them, indicating as it does the Premier has resolved to abandon his old friends, the Licensed Victuallers, and make an effort to get on the top of the temperance wave. For the information of the temperance advocates it may be stated that Sir John did not vote for the Scott Act when it was introduced. There was no division, and the few remarks Sir John made were hostile to the Bill. Messrs. Plumb, Cameron, of Victoria, and others opposed it strongly. Now,

however, the Premier, for certain good reasons best known to himself, wants to pose as a temperance man. Sir John's statement that his Ministry is divided in opinion on the temperance question has excited considerable interest. Messrs. Carling, Smith, Costigan, Sir H. Langevin, Mr. Caron, and Sir A. Campbell claim to be anti-Scott Act men.

Farm and Garden.

During severe cold weather the hog is more susceptible to cold than any other animal on the farm.

It is estimated that the average consumption of wheat by each inhabitant of the United States is nearly six bushels.

Early pellets will lay about this time, and it is well to observe which lay the earliest and keep it up, so as to be able to select these as hens for breeding purposes.

Will not harsh words, ill treatment, exposure, and whatever else is calculated to worry and irritate the mother and render her ill natured, have an effect on the disposition of the foal she is carrying within her. If this be so, and we have no doubt of it, it should be borne in mind that special attention must be given to the treatment of pregnant mares.

If to get the food that one does need to build his body or repair its waste, he eats a pound of nutritious food and along with it a pound of unnutritious food, the stomach and the other digestive organs (which together form a channel averaging 25 feet in length), have got to handle, carry and expand force upon useless matter; and there is really a great actual waste of energy and strength. To eat just what the system needs, is to save strength, to save health, to save expense, for the system, unused feed costs money.

A small sponge is the best thing with which to apply the water and to dry the tests at the same time. It is also the quickest way. I use it in summer and winter for all my cows. A sponge, piece of iron barrel hoop, and a good pair of cards are indispensable in a cow's stable. Clean and good flavored milk and butter begins at the milking; rich milk begins in the manger and the pasture. No one can draw clean milk from a reeking tank and dirty udder; neither will an ill-fed cow give good milk. One can strain a hayseed or a clover leaf out, but he cannot strain out a bad flavor. Pour the water on the sponge to keep the water and the sponge always clean.

The halter is the first thing that goes upon the colt to hamper his movements, and curtail the liberty to which he has been accustomed. He should have no impediment held out for attempting to break his halter, and should never have one put upon him that he could break if he tried. Wearing an old harness while in his stall, even to the extent of having the tugs hooked to a wheelbarrow, the latter being so suspended behind him that in stepping back the length of his halter he would come in contact with it, is a mode that has proved to be one of the best ways possible for familiarizing the colt with the trappings which, in after life, he is expected to wear, in whatever line of work he may be assigned to.

"Well to do farmers" in their eagerness to increase the sum of their possessions, too often overlook some of the prime objects in living. They plant more corn than they can sell, more hogs and so on. A great many, too, put their surplus gains into the village savings banks, when it should be expended for home comforts, fruit trees and shrubs, better carriages, better furniture, greater conveniences for the kitchen, running water at the sink and at the stable, ice in an ice house, more stoves in the chambers for the comfort of the children, guests and hired help, more books and magazines of a refining and elevating tendency, and a hundred other things that wives and children have so many times rightfully asked for, without getting.

For nettle rash, itching piles, ringworm eruptions and all skin diseases use Prof. Low's Sulphur Soap. In.

Gordon's Nervous Tonic Tells the Tale.

KORT, Feb. 17.—Gen Stewart's condition is growing worse from the effects of his wound. It is believed he will not recover. Lord Avonmore has died of enteric fever at Kibkean. General Wood has started for the front. A cavalry, who has given the most intelligent and apparently the most reliable account of the fall of Khartoum, is named Abdul Kerim. He was one of Gordon's servants, and escaped from Khartoum by means of bribery. Abdul Kerim says Farag, upon whom Gordon relied implicitly, was the person who delivered Khartoum to the Mahdi's troops. When they entered the city Farag prevented the garrison from firing upon them. The story that Farag had once been a slave, and that Gordon secured his liberation, and that when he subsequently entered Gordon's service the latter was deceived into mistaking Farag's zeal for evidence of gratitude is corroborated by the cavas. When Gordon made Farag military commander he used to receive letters from the Mahdi. When Gordon would ask him about the correspondence Farag would say the letters were unimportant, and Gordon evidently believed him. Gordon's clerk and the chief clerk of the arsenal were killed. The Mahdi did not enter Khartoum until the third day after the capitulation. He inspected the city and returned to Omdurman, where he remains. After Gordon fell, the Arabs killed his clerk and nine others with spears. Others who were at the time with Gordon escaped. The cavas declared that expecting the attack in which these murders were committed there was no fighting in Khartoum. During the attack all Europeans, and most of the notables, were killed. The male inhabitants join-

ed the insurgents. No women or children were killed, and all who submitted to the invaders and surrendered their valuables were permitted to depart, the Mahdi ordered Farag to be hanged, and that the prophet's soldiers plundered Khartoum, killing all the Greeks in the arsenal, and liberating all prisoners except the Greek consul, Nicolai, and a doctor. Abdul says the Mahdi has 40,000 good fighting men, who, however, he thinks have been somewhat scared at the result of the battles at Abu Klea, Gabat and Kabbabish.

A BARKER'S TESTIMONY.—For a Cough, Cold or any Bronchial Affection. "Pectoria," in my opinion, is just the thing. I have used it in my family for Coughs and Colds for the past four years with the most unvaried success, and to-day my opinion of it is that I continue to think still more of that which I began thinking well of.

Geo. Kemp, Manager Ontario Bank, Pickering.

A LIFE SAVING PRESENT. Mr. M. E. Allison, Hutchinson, Kan., saved his life by a single Trial Bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, for Consumption, which caused him to procure a large bottle, that completely cured him when Doctors, change of climate and everything else had failed. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Severe Coughs, and all Throat and Lung diseases, it is guaranteed to cure. Trial Bottle at J. Wilson's drug store. Large size \$1. (1).

Thousands may be. T. W. Aitkins, Girard, Kan., writes: "I never hesitate to recommend your Electric Bitters to my customers, they give entire satisfaction and are rapid sellers. Electric Bitters are the purest and best medicine known, and will positively cure Kidney and Liver complaints. Purify the blood and regulate the bowels. No family can afford to be without them. They will save hundreds of dollars in a doctor's bills every year. 3 1/2 doz. cts. a bottle of a Wilson. (3)

An Editor's Tribute. Theron F. Kennerly, of St. Wayne Ind., Gazette, writes: "For the past five years I have always used Dr. King's New Discovery for coughs of most severe character, as well as for those of a milder type. It never fails to effect a speedy cure. My friends to whom I have recommended it speak of it in some high terms. Having been cured by it of every cough I have had for five years, I consider it the only reliable and sure cure for coughs, colds, etc. Call at Wilson's Drug Store and get a Free Trial Bottle. Large size \$1.00. (2)

To the Medical Profession, and all whom it may concern. Phosphatine, or Nerve Food, a Phosphate Element based upon Scientific Facts, Formulated by Professor Austin, M. D. of Boston, Mass., cures Pulmonary Consumption, Sick Headache, Nervous Attacks, Vertigo and Neuralgia, and all wasting diseases of the human system. Phosphatine is not a Medicine, but a Nutrient, because it contains no Vegetable or Mineral Poisons, Opium, Narcotics, and no Stimulants, but simply the Phosphate and Glyceric Elements found in our daily food. A single bottle cures. My friends to whom I have recommended it speak of it in some high terms. Having been cured by it of every cough I have had for five years, I consider it the only reliable and sure cure for coughs, colds, etc. Call at Wilson's Drug Store and get a Free Trial Bottle. Large size \$1.00. (3)

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KING'S EVIL Was the name formerly given to Scrofula because of a superstition that it could be cured by a king's touch. The world is wiser now, and knows that SCROFULA can only be cured by a thorough purification of the blood. If this is neglected, the disease perpetuates its taint through generation after generation, getting its earlier symptomatic developments as Eczema, Cutaneous Eruptions, Tubercles, Boils, Carbuncles, Erysipelas, Paratubercles, Nervous and Physical Collapse, etc. If allowed to continue, it may terminate in Scrofulous Cancer, Kidney and Liver Diseases, Tubercular Consumption, and various other dangerous or fatal maladies, are produced by it.

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Bennet.

Miss Holmes, teacher of S. S. No. 7, Colborne, has resumed her duties, after an illness of several weeks. Her sister had filled her place during her illness.

Fort Albert.

Miss F. Hyslop, of Goderich, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. Martin, last week.

A. J. Turner, of Wingham, was visiting at "The Willows" this week.

Mr. Collins has returned from Norwich, and has taken charge of the grist mill, which is in running order again.

Belcast.

Mr. John and Miss Annie Lovett of Summerhill were visiting at G. M. Kilby's.

Miss Addie Loughhead is attending the Goderich high school.

Mr. Geo. Campbell of Ashfield, 11 miles west of here, has sold his farm consisting of 100 acres, to Wm. Struthers of Kilmara, for \$2000. He intends purchasing a smaller one.

Carlow.

Dr. J. W. Young, of Wingham, paid his friends in this neighborhood a visit last week.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The Presbyterian Sunday school students giving an entertainment on Friday, March 6th. The programme is a good one, and a full house is expected.

Stock Sale.—The sale of the stock of Chas. Young last Thursday was well attended. Bidding was rather slow, but some fair prices were reached. Mr. Young intends moving to Goderich.

Bayfield.

Jas. Thompson, miller, and to kill a valuable horse the other day because the animal broke his leg.

See that the correspondent of the Star is anxious for "Dax" to come down and meet him, and drink "Irish" tea. Hadn't he better ask Curly Jim, the same dude of the Star, instead of Jim, could give White-girt some of his Detroit experiences. He should also bring the St. Patrick's ward chapter with him, who will be sure to drink all that brand new plouge will permit him to take.

Ashfield.

Out.—Jas. McKnight, one of the old settlers of this township, died at his late residence on Saturday, Feb. 21st, having nearly reached his 70th year. Deceased was a native of the county Down, near Sandfield, Ireland, and emigrated to Canada in 1841. He came to Ashfield about 40 years ago, and to an active part in improving the section of the township in which he lived. For about 20 years he had been a cripple. His aged partner and one son—William—survive him, and have the sympathy of the people of the section. The funeral took place on Monday last to Highland cemetery, Goderich, and was largely attended.

Miss Grace Kay, of Galt, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Josie K. Fair.

Harry Cumby goes to Toronto next week to attend the spring session of the Ontario College of Pharmacy.

In the skating contest last Friday evening, Jas. Chambers won the first prize for skating backwards. Miss Jessie Scott took first prize for ladies fast skating. Jim. Turnbull first prize for skating forwards.

We are in some delightful weather here now and consequently sleighing parties are popular. A large party drove out to the residence of Wm. Wise last Thursday evening. They met with a mishap, though, on the Bayfield road about a mile from town one sled upset and threw both ladies and gentlemen out in one promiscuous heap in the snow. The ladies ran a mile and a half before they could be stopped. An enjoyable time was spent in the exercise of the Terrestrial art till morning dawned.

Nile.

Miss Mallegher was visiting friends near Lansdowne last week.

Miss R. Bailer has been visiting friends in Belfast for some time.

Jas. Girvin left for a trip to Kingston, Amherst Island and Peterborough.

J. R. Miller, I.P.S., visited our school last week, and seemed very well pleased with the state of affairs.

Mr. T. and Mrs. E. Pelly left this week for their home near Kingston, after spending some time visiting friends in this locality.

Rev. Mr. Sanderson, of Whitechurch, occupied the pulpit here last Sunday morning and preached a very effective sermon.

Mr. McQuinn, of Lucknow, has several teams engaged in drawing timber to Port Albert, on which place he intends shipping it to Scotland.

Mrs. J. McWhinney started for Kincardine last week, but had to remain several days in Lucknow waiting for the "iron horse," which got stuck on the road.

Wm. Harrington left last week for the township of Hutton to do some ploughing.

There has been a young people's prayer meeting started here, with Mr. O. Pentland as leader. A large number attended last Tuesday night, and we hope it may prove a grand success.

The warning voice of our weather prophet may be heard preaching more stormy weather in the near future.

Rev. Alex. Parks, of Holmesville, will preach in the Methodist church here next Sabbath morning.

Wm. Peat and son have for some time been visiting friends in Baltimore, is again in our midst. It does one good to see a pleasant countenance once in a while.

During the past few days the sawlogs have been piling up in the mill yard, and the mill will be in a quiet of our village.

Colborne.

The wife of Lewis Feltzer is very ill and cannot get on a visit to friends in the county of Poth.

The weather has not been so cold but what some things have thawed. Bethel Sabbath school has thawed out and was reorganized a few days ago.

Port.

Geo. McGregor is recovering from a late serious illness.

John Black, of Paisley, and Mr. Richmond, of Chesley, are the guests of Wm. Stirling.

Mr. Robert and the Misses Mary and Jessie Stearns, have gone on a visit to friends in the county of Poth.

Mrs. Stirling, of the 4th con., is on the sick list.

Miss Whitley, of Lucknow, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. H. Tuttle.

Thos. Harrison had the misfortune to lose a fine year old colt by distemper.

Mr. Marquis and P. McDougall, of the cut line, have gone east on a pleasure trip. We hope they will have a good time.

Jas. Duncan, of the 7th, will shortly remove to his new home in the county of Peat. Success attend him.

Fred. Smith treated his friends to a lobster supper at the residence of his brother the other evening, the occasion being the departure of Wm. Smith to his new home in Ontario.

Ashfield.

The frost of the past month has had the effect of freezing the lead race to Colby's grist and saw mill, and to the bottom. A long or more have been busy all week trying to clear it.

Geo. Day, who got the cap of his knee split by the upsetting of the Kintail stage last week, is doing as well as can be expected.

Wm. McDonald, brother of A. & I. McDonald of this village, has returned home from Mt. Morris. It is nearly 15 years since he was home before.

CONCERT AND CANDY SOCIAL.—On Friday evening next, an entertainment of the above nature will be held here under the auspices of the Methodist church choir. The celebrated Goderich choir, of North street church, will furnish the music, and readings, recitations and speeches will also be on the programme.

Stanley.

FARM SOLD.—Wm. Graham, of the Goshen line, has sold his farm of 100 acres, lot 12, to James Forrest, of the Parr line, for the handsome sum of \$5,600. He purposes removing to Clinton.

OBITUARY.—We have this week to record the death of another of the old residents of Stanley, one of the pioneer settlers. Mrs. John McEwen, relict of the late John McEwen, who died in Nov. 1883, died on February 10th, at the advanced age of 74 years. She was a native of Kilmory, Perthshire, Perthshire, Scotland. After seven or eight years of married life in Scotland, she emigrated with her husband and family in 1842. After living in Osgoode for a year and a half the family moved west to Stanley, and settled on the 3rd con., lot 30. During the last eight years she lived in Brucefield. She was the mother of eight children, seven of whom grew up and were married; four still survive her, these are Malcolm McEwen and Mrs. James Aikenhead, of Stanley; and Mrs. John McDougall and Mrs. Wm. Spear, of Kent county. She leaves these and twenty-nine grand children to remember her as a kind and loving mother, a wise counsellor, and a sincere and faithful friend. —[New Era.

Goderich Township.

Mr. Thos. and Miss Kate V. Sheppard, of the Bayfield line, have returned from the Nile.

Miss Watkins, of Hullett, who has been visiting friends in the township returned to her home last week.

John McDougall, of the cut line, one of our pioneers, died on Thursday, Feb. 26th, at the ripe age of 79 years.

James Torrance left last week for Berlin, where he intends having a cancer removed from his chin. It will be remembered that some time ago he had a similar operation successfully performed on his lip. His many friends hope he may meet with as much success in the present difficulty as he did formerly.

HOLMESVILLE, Feb. 16th, 1885. Council met today pursuant to adjournment. Members all present. Minutes of last meeting read and passed. Fence viewers were appointed, same parties as last year except Wm. Murphy retired, replaced by Henry Murphy. Pound keepers same as last year. Printing tenders were opened, Goderich Star lowest, gets the printing. Moved by James Lathwait, seconded by Edward Adison, that the by-law regarding bonus to wire fences be amended as to reduce the bonus from twenty-five to fifty cents. Carried. Dr. Reeve, Clinton, was appointed medical health officer for Township. Messrs. John Bascom, J. H. Elliott and James Lathwait, were appointed members of the board of health. The auditors' report was read over and passed. The clerk was ordered to get 100 copies printed. The following accounts were paid, viz:—Goderich Star, \$5.50; Mr. Lanin, indigent, per John McDonald, \$13.75; John Penn, indigent, per A. B. Reed, \$13.75; auditors, each \$6; treasurer, one year's postage and stationary, \$2. Council adjourned to meet again first Monday in April. JAMES PATTON, Clerk.

Leoburn.

Miss Ellen Horton is visiting friends at the Nile.

PERSONAL.—Our hamlet was visited last week by our Paramount brother who tells the doings of that flourishing village to the outside world in THE SIGNAL. Our old friend Harry Horton was his clerical, and showed him all the sights of the place, giving him also an

introduction to some of our fair ones.

The result was a visit to the Dunlop architect for plans and estimates, love in cottage, etc. Ahem! He had also an interesting interview with our friend, the poet, the post bags between Dunlop and the sepy village will be heavier in the future, and the letters going north will be addressed in a feminine hand. In the evening Harry entertained the reporters to an appetizing supper, and the Paramount scribbler and Joe had the company in robes over their journalistic experiences. WEBSTER BROWN.

Kintail.

Shall we, or shall we not have a cheese factory? That's the question; and it is a question which the farmers of this township are well to consider. We believe that a cheese factory would be just the thing, and would add one or two of our practical farmers to take the matter up. Call a meeting, and see what can be done in regard to it.

On behalf of the young people of Ashfield, interested in your work, we have assembled here tonight, to convey to you our heartfelt thanks, and give some tangible proof of our gratitude for your valuable services and unwearied efforts as the presiding musician at our pleasant and expensive, nevertheless, very profitable, especially during the long winter evenings. We are well aware that the melodious strains of music emanating from your master bow, must have been to you a source of considerable inconvenience and annoyance; nevertheless, you never flinched from the position you assumed, even when the enchanting strains of your violin caused the merry listeners to roam away amid the ziddy mazes of the dance. How often have we gazed upon you with admiration, and with a feeling of awe, especially during the long winter evenings, when the enchanting strains of your violin caused the merry listeners to roam away amid the ziddy mazes of the dance. How often have we gazed upon you with admiration, and with a feeling of awe, especially during the long winter evenings, when the enchanting strains of your violin caused the merry listeners to roam away amid the ziddy mazes of the dance.

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Sheppardton.

RELIGIOUS.—The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Methodist church at Sheppardton next Sabbath at 2:30 p.m.

TEAMING.—A teaming, under the auspices of the Methodist church at Sheppardton, will be held at the church on Wednesday next. The Methodist choir, Goderich, and several good speakers have kindly consented to aid in the merry part. A good time may be expected.

WHISKY IN THE WOODS.

The Secret of Charlie Wallace's Success—Where he kept the Sledge—How Constable Costley Captured It—Eighteen Months in the Central.

No man living on the north shore of Lake Superior has within the past year earned for himself so unenviable a name as Charlie Wallace, formerly chief of police at Michipicoten. Wallace has been a seller of whisky and a general breaker for a long time, and it was for this business and that of others in the same line that a detachment of Toronto police were sent up to Michipicoten last summer. Wallace managed to evade the Toronto bobbies, although they unquestionably did good work there, and after their departure he and some others instituted a perfect reign of terror in the neighborhood, at one time going so far as to take possession of the steamer Steinhoff and opening a fire with rifles on the people on the dock. He and his companions were eventually arrested by strategy at the American Sault, and lodged in jail on the Canadian side.