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Whipping the Schoolmaster.

I think the worse set of boys I ever heard of were the Hickory Point boys. Teacher after teacher had endeavored to teach the district school there, only to be either whipped or badgered so that each was ready to give up before six months had passed. The boys fought or intimidated the male teachers, and annoyed the female teachers, until, un-nerved and utterly broken down, they took their departure, shaking the dust of the Point from their feet. The day arrived when no teacher made application for the vacant school, and the Hickory Point parents were anxious and disturbed at the state of things.

"I don't know what we are going to do with them boys of ours," Deacon Jones said to Deacon Savage. "They ain't had boys for work, nor for playing, but the moment they get on their school benches with books in their hands, their very evil one seems to get inter'ed. All the Point boys pattern after them, and a very bad pattern it is, as you know, brother Savage. They seem to be determined not to be in any school, and I'm worn out punishing Zach. It don't seem to do him any good."

"That is so, Brother Jones. I'm sorry for it, but it's so. Didn't I punish my Abe for whipping young Winter, and did that make him any better? No. Just think what he did to that last schoolman—that old maid, Miss Brown."

Deacon Jones if he was a deacon, had a keen sense of the ludicrous, and he laughed aloud. "I declare, I can't help it," he said. "I laugh every time I think of how that poor woman came into my house with her false front all singed as you could see bald spots underneath, and the hair behind crisped and smelling like burnt feathers."

"Just look at me, Mr. Jones," she cried. "Just see the work of that mis'able Abe Savage and your son! They came pretty nigh burning me up, sir. My back hair was all in a blaze before I knew that it was on fire. And they just laughed, instead of putting it out. I demand satisfaction, sir, for the outrage!"

"Well, we did have to pay well for that frolic," Mr. Savage answered, dolefully. "But she was too high tempered and excitable to be a school teacher. Folks that are always flying into pieces can't manage boys, any way."

"We've had all kinds of teachers, Brother Savage. It isn't the teachers, but the wickedness of the boys themselves. Why, you know we've had good and bad tempered teachers, young and old, mild and cross, and how long did any of them stay? I'm discouraged, and shall not try to get another teacher. Zach may go without an education, and I'll give him one behind a plough. If he don't work, I'll whip him, and that's all I can do."

Most of the parents at the Point adopted this plan. The boys were set to work in the fields, the barns, and the stables, and kept steadily at it. They were allowed no holidays and no recreations, and before six weeks had passed, they began to look back with regret to their detested school days, and to wish them back again. Even their ringleaders did not hesitate to confess this.

"I don't have a moment for any kind of fun, Abe Savage grumbled. "Pa's always at his heels; and when he isn't there, ma's just like a watch dog. It's 'Abe, do this,' or 'Abe, you do that,' until I fairly despise my own name. Why, even Sunday, if I walk 'down the road,' I'm called back."

"They're treating us in this way just to pay us for making it uncomfortable for the teachers," Zach said, gloomily. "I know it's that, though they don't say so. But I don't care. I'm not going back to school."

"I'd rather have the teachers," Abe said, "for if they keep this up, I'm going to run away."

Zachariah Jones was the leader in the revolt of the boys against school authority. He was a stoutly built, powerful lad, nearly eighteen years old, who ruled the scholars with a rod of iron. Hardly a boy dared to oppose him, for he was as ready with his fists as he was with his words.

Yet he had some rather generous impulses. He was a staunch friend, and if he whipped the weaker boys himself, he would allow no one else to touch them. In strength and boldness Abe Savage nearly matched him, so there was an offensive and defensive alliance between the two. Zach was unprepared for Abe's defection, and was indignant at it.

"I never thought you'd be the one to give in," he said.

"Did I say I'd give in? Abe answered sharply. "I said I'd run away, and I reckon it will come to that at last."

"I'd as soon go to sea as anything else," returned Zach. "I don't believe a sailor has to work harder than I do. Let's go, Abe."

"We haven't a cent of money now," he said, "and we'd better put off running away for a while. The folks'll get tired of being so strict after a while, I guess. Besides, a school teacher may come, and hadn't we better let him stay a spell?"

"If he can whip me, yes," Zach said. "If he can't—no! I ain't fond of study, anyhow, and if work gets too hard, I'll run away."

A few weeks after that there was a meeting of the school directors at Hickory Point. A young man with high recommendation, a college graduate, applied for the vacant position. The farmers of that neighborhood were wealthy enough to pay an excellent salary, so the school was only nominally a public one, each head of a family contributing to the fund.

Mr. Allan Winters, the young man who wished to become teacher at Hickory Point, was a thin, wiry-looking young fellow, with very small hands, bright black eyes, and a mouth entirely concealed by a heavy black moustache. If you could have looked beneath it, you would have seen that the lips were thin, and compressed and closed as with an iron clamp.

His address was very pleasant, both quiet and courteous. He was at once engaged, though he noticed the directors looked at him in a pitying manner.

"We are willing and glad to give you the place, Mr. Winters," said Deacon Jones, "but the question is, how long will you be willing to keep it? I'll be frank, and tell you we've got a bad lot of boys at the Point. It will take a plucky man to conquer them, and you don't look very strong. I'm afraid it will be 'How do you do?' and 'Good bye!' with you before two weeks have passed."

Mr. Winters' smile was an odd one, but he said, in a quiet voice, "Perhaps my looks deceive you. But I supposed brains were needed in a school more than muscle."

"You have not taught at the Point, young man," Mr. Savage said, shaking his head. "My boy is one of the worst; but it's our duty to tell you that you have a hard row to hoe."

Mr. Winters laughed, and his bright eyes danced merrily. "I'm glad you've warned me, though you mustn't think I'm a lamb led to the sacrifice. The truth is I heard of the character of your boys before I applied for the situation. I know all about them, and am prepared for peace or war, as they may choose."

"No weapons, young man," said Deacon Jones nervously. "We can't have any doing of that sort in our school. If you conquer the boys—and you don't look as if you could—you must do it with the switch, or such agencies as nature has given you. You can make them obedient in that way, if you cannot in any other, and we will uphold you—but no weapons, sir."

"I understand," laughing. "You need not be afraid I shall use any other agencies than those nature has given me. I feel quite sure I am the very man for this school. At any rate I seem to be your forlorn hope, and if you cannot keep me, you will not be likely to have any one else."

"I like your pluck, young man," said Deacon Jones, approvingly. "Yet, with a sigh, 'one or two of the teachers had pluck as well as yourself. I wish you were luck, my young friend—better luck.'"

With his peculiar smile, Mr. Winters made the final arrangements, and with the same smile, presented himself to his assembled scholars the following day.

"He's got no more strength than a cat," Zach whispered to Abe, contemptuously. "Just look at those woman's hands, will you! There won't be any fun lickin' him, or driving him away. I guess I'll let him have his own way for a day or two."

"Beys," said Mr. Winters, tapping his desk, "before we begin work, I wish to say a word or two. I have heard from good authority that you are the most lawless, unmanageable set of boys in the State. I am sorry you have such a reputation, and still more sorry to be obliged to believe that you deserve it. Now let me say here, at the start, that I am going to exact obedience from you in everything, even in trifles, and the first act of insubordination I shall punish. I would much rather deal kindly with you if you will allow me to do so, but if you prefer a different course, depend upon it I shall maintain discipline, no matter who suffers."

"Whew! I hear the bantam crow!" muttered astonished Zach, his eyes blazing with anger. "Talking to us as if we were niggers! I did mean to leave him a day or two in peace, but I reckon I shall have to bring him down from his high horse this very morning."

"Zach, this is better than working in the field," whispered Abe, anxiously. "Let him stay till the fodder is pulled; that's such her, hateful work!"

"Then he's got to whip me, that's all," was the uncompromising reply, and looking at the teacher's spare limbs, Abe felt that he could not do it easily. A spelling class composed of the entire school was called up. Mr. Winters said quietly—

"Of course you have learned little or nothing, with the school in the condition it has been in. I'll begin with simple words—spell Elephant."

WIND AGAINST STEAM.

A Trial of Speed Between an Ice-Yacht and a Fast Express.

E. Vinton Blake contributes a capital story on ice-yachting on the Hudson to the January St. Nicholas from which we print the following account of a trial of speed between an ice-yacht and the fast express.

There is a roar and a rush behind them. What next? "The down train. The boys look over their shoulders as the big black monster shoots past. The whistle blows sharply; there are handkerchiefs waving from the windows. The ice-yacht is just now holding near across the river."

"A race! a race, boys!" cries the skipper, as he gives a quick turn of his hand, and with a sheer and a spring they are off after the train.

"Now the race—the race, boys! Steam against wind! How they fly! Everything is blurred together and indistinct. The ice is all a bluish white haze, with that diamond sparkle from the runners blazing up."

"The windows of the train are filled with heads; they seem to shout at the party on the ice-yacht; who hear only the rush and roar of the wind and the runners. The wind increases; the boat rears higher; the windward runner cuts fiercely through the air, and the crushed ice flies in a shower. Almost up with the train, now; and creeping on!"

"Will the wind hold? But never fear; there is no flaw, but a steady gale. It seems as if the black train were slowing up; yet no—it is the yacht which is flying faster, literally on the wing of the wind. And now—a crack in the ice ahead!"

"The skipper raises himself and scans the ice with eager eyes. An old hand at the ice-yachtings he is. 'We can do it, I think,' he says. 'Now, brave Rindina! And the train sees the crack, too; the cars seem alive all their long length with heads and gestures and warning shouts. Do they think everybody is asleep on that light, flying feather wanderer?"

"The upper edge of the crack is higher by full six inches than the lower; and between swirls the black, treacherous water. They are upon it."

"Whiz!—Splash!—as the edge-ice says and the runner catches the cold tide. There is a wild, tremulous swing and away, a toss of the windward runner, and the crack is far astern. Hor the train cheers! And look, now, the black, snorting engine falls behind! Wind against steam! Give them three cheers, boys, and swing your caps, and hold fast while you are about it. The track is clear ahead; the locomotive whistles and snorts and shouts in wild salute at the yacht's victory. Faster—faster—till there is only the ring of the runners, the rear and rush of the wind, the tremble and leap-and-away of the wayward craft."

Ingratitude to Parents. The New York News relates the following: There is a proverb: 'A father can more easily maintain six children than six children can one father.' Luther relates the story:

There was once a father who gave up everything to his children—his house, his fields, his goods—and expected by this the children would support him; but after he had been some time with the first-son, the latter grew tired of him, and said to him: 'Father, I have a son born to me this night, and there, where your arm chair stands, the cradle must come; will you not perhaps, go to my brother: who has a large room?' After he had been some time with the second son, he also grew tired of him and said: 'Father, you like a warm room, and that hurts my head. Won't you go to brother, the baker?'

The father went, and after he had been some time with the third son, he also found him troublesome, and said: 'Father, the people run in and out here all day, as if it were a pigeon house, and you cannot have your noon day sleep; you would be better off at my sister Kate's, near the town wall?' The old man remarked to himself, 'Yes, I will do my duty to my children, and she was always so fearful when he went to church or anywhere else, and was obliged to descend the steep stairs; and at her sister Elizabeth's there were no stairs to descend, as she lived on the ground floor. For the sake of peace the old man assented, and went to the other daughter; but after some time, she, too, became tired of him; and told him, by a third person, that her house near the water was too damp for a man suffering with the gout, and her sister, the grave digger's wife at St. John's, had much drier lodgings. The old man thought she was right, and went outside the gate to his youngest daughter, Helen, but after he had been three days with her, her little son said to his grandfather, 'Mother said yesterday to cousin Elizabeth that there was no better chamber for you than such a one as father digs.' These words broke the old man's heart, so that he unknelt back in his chair and died.

A Housekeeping Reform Needed.

Aunt Bessie asks: 'Shall I treat my friends with apparent coldness, or urge them to visit me when I know that I can not have my house in order, or the desired amount of pie and cake in my cupboard? If they are friends they will probably enjoy their visit, even though the cook-stove is unblackened, the zinc unwashed, and the baby's playthings are scattered over the floor. They will relish their simple meal, if it is well cooked, with never a sigh for mince-pie or fruit-cake; just preferring the meal gotten up with the least possible break in the conversation, to the one that would keep their hostess all the time rushing around to cook something extra for the occasion. If instead of friends they are merely acquaintances, who come more to 'spy out the land,' and see how you keep your house and how much of a meal you are capable of preparing on short notice, they will probably go away saying 'Just as I told you! school-teachers don't make very good housekeepers.' Or, as a neighbor of mine said to me once: 'No woman who reads any ever makes a good housekeeper.' This is her honest opinion, and it is that of many women whose aim in life is to be called 'housekeepers.' This name covers more sins than charity in their estimation, and indeed they use little charity in their judgment of others, and condemn all who are found wanting in house or larder. But because of my neighbor's freely expressed opinion, it does not follow that I should give up my books and papers that I may have time to clean up and paint just so often, or keep pie and cake in my cupboard. So long as I supply my family with plain, wholesome food, and keep things clean enough to make them comfortable, I decline to enter the list of model housekeepers. It takes all sorts of people to make up the world; so I may as well be of the class that suits me best. I think housekeeping is something in which there is much room for reform. Women wear out their bodies, and starve and dwarf their minds in the endless struggle with dirt and the desire to set as good a table as their neighbors, and what is gained? Are their husbands more comfortable, or their children as healthy as if they set down to a dinner of well cooked meat and vegetables, good bread and butter, a very simple pudding or, better still, fruit fresh or canned? I think all would enjoy such meals, especially as they would be more likely to have the wife and mother in good spirits and good temper. The woman does far better who keeps herself fresh and strong, who takes the time for the full enjoyment of home and family, even though her sheets are never ironed, or her paint not washed oftener than once in three months; better than she who cultivates an 'eye for dirt' and spends her life fighting it."

We have had reform movements of many kinds; cannot some in the ranks of intelligent women start a table reform? Let us have such a reform that we may venture to invite a friend or two to tea, or to spend the day, without feeling it necessary to spend all the time we can get for two days beforehand in cooking. As things now are, we are usually so tired and worn out by the time our visitors arrive, as to wish her safely at home while we retire to a lounge or easy chair to read and knit instead of trying to be polite and entertaining. But the editor will consign me to oblivion and the waste basket if I talk longer, so I will close with the hope of hearing the opinion of others on this subject. May.

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Wanted, 2000 Racoon skins. Highest cash price paid for all kinds of furs and sheepskins. Fur tanned and dressed to order at Smith's.

School books, picture books, daily and weekly papers, and general book store, can be got at Mrs. Cooke's bookstore at the lowest rates. Fancy goods and stationery of all kinds.

Tomorrow is St. Valentine's day, and Saunders & Son are prepared to supply every one with a complimentary valentine. Call and see their stock, something to suit everybody at the cheapest house under the sun.

Many persons have been bothered with bad breath, owing to the public world, and can be made to continue to run regularly. If you can't visit your friends don't fail to send them your copy of the "Daily Signal."

If El Medhi ever comes within range of the "Daily Signal," he will be sure to have a good and authentic picture of the false and untrue news that is being published, and which is doing much mischief.

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Assemblies and carnivals make merry the stormy nights. Union revival services tonight in Knox church. All are invited.

Miss Lily Pretty has returned home after an absence of some months. Miss Phoebe Cassidy, for some time left on a visit to Toronto, is visiting friends in town.

The Salvation Army had a knee drill in front of the British Exchange hotel on Sunday morning last.

The well known Wilkinson homestead, Goderich township, is being offered for sale. See advertisement.

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VICTORIA STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—On account of the visit to Goderich of Rev. Dr. Williams, the evening services in Victoria street Methodist church will be withdrawn. In the morning, however, the pulpit will be occupied by Rev. T. M. Campbell, in the unavoidable absence of Rev. J. H. Carson.

THE BAND CARNEYAT.—The Goderich brass band will hold a carnival at the Princess roller rink on Thursday evening next, the 19th inst. Prizes will be awarded for the best ladies, gentlemen's and comic costumes, and will be decided by coupon votes instead of by judges. Don't fail to attend and enjoy the fun.

POULTRY SHOW.—The cold weather did not prevent a large number of poultry fanciers from attending the show at Seaford on Wednesday. Harry Richards of Goderich, captured three prizes for his Houdans. Among the lovers of the feathered ones present were Messrs. Waton and John Downing, of Goderich.

Remember the anniversary services in North street Methodist church next Sunday. Rev. Dr. Williams will preach both morning and evening. Monday evening there will be a program consisting of choice music, an address from Dr. Ure, a lecture by Dr. Williams on "The Religious Signs of the Times," and a collection.

A COLD SNOW.—On Friday morning the thermometer registered 15° below zero,—the lowest of the season. There was no wind, however, and many did not know that the mercury was so much below zero.—The foregoing was written on Tuesday eve, but on Wednesday morning the mercury dipped into 20° and the day continued very cold.

The St. Louis Western Trade Journal speaks highly of G. G. Gibson, of that city, son of Capt. Gibson, of Goderich. It says among other things:—"Mr. Gibson is one of the foremost business men in St. Louis, against whose character there is not a blemish, and he has a host of warm and appreciative friends among the best business men of the city."

Yates & Acheson have now opened out a first-class stock of general hardware in the store formerly occupied by Abraham Smith, next to Robt. McLean's butcher shop, and are now prepared to deal with the public in that line. The business will be under the management of Mr. James Yates, a well-known hardware merchant, and a general favorite with the people of the section.

QUARTERLY OFFICIAL BOARD.—The North street Methodist church official board met last Monday evening. The report for the quarter was very satisfactory. The church is in a good spiritual state, and the general attendance is increasing. The board unanimously passed a resolution inviting Rev. Mr. Campbell to remain a third year. The board also passed a resolution inviting the Guelph conference to hold its sessions of 1886 in Goderich.

CRICKING.—Our crickers went to Wingham on Wednesday, and played the curriers of that town for the sheriff's medal. Goderich won by 17 points. At the same place on the same day Goderich beat Lockport by 17 for the Caledonian medal. The St. Mary's curriers arrived on Wednesday night to play Goderich yesterday, but the absence of the Goderich team (snowed up at Blyth) prevented any arrangement being made up to the time of writing. A full report of the matches will appear next week.

AMPUTATION.—On the 4th inst., at the International hotel, Kingston street, a very successful operation was performed on William Stauffer by Dr. Whitley, assisted by Dr. Mackie, of Seaford. Mr. Stauffer had his left hand badly mutilated at the International hotel block about a year ago, and finding that his hand would be useless forever, and the cause of great suffering, he finally consented to the amputation, which by necessity had to be taken off a little below the elbow.

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What to him is friend or foe man.

As man may be fo'get his fight,
P'aved his truth by his endeavor;

Fashion's Fancies.

It still holds a place in the trum-
ping world; the preference being given to

A daily tea apron is made of pale blue
silk, embroidered in Mercantile, with

The richest, plush and ottoman are em-
ployed for indoor costumes for children,

Bear fur is much worn and looks well
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A hand-woolen mantle is made of an
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Turnips, when fed to milk cows a
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DOUGHNUTS. "I should like to try some doughnuts without eggs." The Amateur Cook said it enquiringly, and I answered, "Well, try."

School Inspectors' Salaries.

At the recent meeting of the Huron County Council, the question of the remuneration received by our Public School Inspectors, came up for consideration.

Banking Intelligence.

He wanted a position in an Austin bank. The president was satisfied with his credentials, but before engaging him put him through a little civil service cross examination.

"Suppose now, a man was to come in here to deposit twenty dollars in one dollar bills, how would you count them?"

"I'd wet my finger and lift up each bill until I got to the last one."

"Why would you not lift up the last one?"

"Because there might possibly be one or more bills under it, and if the depositor was to see it he would want it back, but if the twentieth bill should not be lifted up and there should be another bill in the pile the bank makes it, don't you see?"

"You will do," said the bank president "You have been in the business before, but I didn't suppose you knew that trick."—Texas Sittings.

A Silly Joke.

Sarnia, Feb. 4.—The town was wild with excitement on Thursday, on account of the finding of what was supposed to be an infinal machine in the doorway of Baby's bank.

Call and examine samples before purchasing elsewhere.

How to Tell a Horse's Age.

The foal is born with twelve incisors. When four front teeth have made their appearance, the colt is twelve days old; and when the next four assert themselves its age will be about twenty-eight days.

At five years of age a horse has forty teeth, of which twenty-four are 'grinders' far back in his jaw, with which we have little to do.

At seven years, the mark, as described, is very nearly worn out of the four centre nippers, and fast wearing away in the corner teeth—especially in mares; but the black mark still remains in the centre of the tooth, and is not completely filled up until the animal is eight years old.

When more than seven, the knowing ones are accustomed to go by appearance of the upper fronts, from which some conclusion may certainly be drawn, as the marks remain in them long after they have been lost from the bottom ones.

There are indications which enable very shrewd observers to guess at a horse's age after eight years even, but none so enable accurate determination. In the ninth year the mark has entirely disappeared from the upper middle teeth and the hook on the corner only has increased in proportion as the bridle teeth lose their points.

A Court Crit.

A lawyer living on Walnut Hills has a son about seven years old, and a daughter about three times that age. The boy has been around the court room a good deal, and the girl has a solid head.

"Johnny," said she to the 'kid, 'won't you please call Mr. Mann."

"John Henry Mann, John Henry Mann, John Henry Mann, come into court."

An Editor's Tribute.

Theron P. Keator, editor of Ft. Wayne Ind., 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.

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If you are poor, there is one consolation—your heirs will not go into court to prove that you were a nubile during your childhood, an idiot at the time of your marriage, and a gibbering lunatic for years before you died.

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"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected Cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast table with a deliciously flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills.

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has had in his case. I think his blood must have contained the humor for at least ten years; but it did not show, except in the form of a scrofulous sore on the wrist, until about five years ago.

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GORDON DEAD.

Terrible Massacre at Khartoum.

Horrible scenes of blood and debauchery. The Mahdi's army... All his followers ruthlessly slain.

THE MAHDI'S PLANS.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Sheikh General-Ed-Din, the well-known Mohammedan agent now in Paris, thinks that Gordon is still alive, but if dead, he will fight the Mahdi...

HOW THE MAHDI MAKES HIS FIGHT.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—A Gakal dispatch says wounded prisoners brought here says the Mahdi told his men the British were few in number, that their weapons were harmless...

THE PROPHECY OF THE MAHDI.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—The Arabic journal Mada'ni says the Mahdi's council consists of the amirs of Khartoum, El Angar, El Obeid and El Fardel...

HOW GORDON'S TRUST WAS REWARDED.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Admiral received tonight from the British camp near Khartoum, dated Feb. 2, a despatch reported that previous to the fall of Khartoum the Mahdi sent Gen. Gordon a uniform and informed him that Khartoum was in the Mahdi's power...

Khartoum, Feb. 9.—Lord Rosebery has returned to Gabor, bringing Gen. Wilson and party.

The rebels on the river banks kept up a constant fire. Shortly after the party had embarked a bullet pierced the boiler of the steamer, and the muffled parts of the victims bodies were thrust into their mouths while they were still living.

GENERAL EARLE KILLED.

Gen. Earle was killed on Tuesday, during the storming of the enemy's position at Birt. The Standard's correspondent with Gen. Earle's column sends the following despatch, dated Duka, Feb. 11, Tuesday.

THE SUNKING CAMPAIGN.

Gen. Navegate will command the Suakin expedition and Gen. Greaves will be his chief of staff. The Suakin campaign will open about the 15th of March.

GORDON STABBED TO DEATH.

Another dispatch from Khartoum says that Gen. Wilson and Worsley, who were with the expedition to Suakin, arrived today. They were both severely wounded.

THE MAHDI'S LETTER TO WILSON.

Gubat has been strongly fortified since the last siege. A letter was recently sent by the Mahdi to the English officers on Wilson's steamer containing a postscript saying that if the Mahdi's first and last letter to the British and unless they submitted he would kill all the Kafir dogs.

the desert from Suakin to Berber. The military council at Gaba oppose the dispatch of the expedition from Suakin before April. The day to march to Berber will take a month and will be a severe test of the men's endurance...

stock was of the very best quality the Province can produce, and the animals were in good, healthy condition. The following is a list of some of the animals sold: Lord Blake, an imported stallion, foaled in 1882...

Colborne.

Colborne Ag. Society.—A meeting of the Colborne Branch Agricultural Society was held at Smith's Hill on Friday, the 6th inst.

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Colborne.—The officers of I. O. G. T. No. 213 for the quarter commencing Feb. 6th, 1885, are as follows:—Bro. Peter Stewart, W. G. T.; Bro. Fred Linfield, W. S.; Bro. Edith Horton, W. A. S.; Bro. A. H. Clutton, W. F. S.; Bro. R. E. Brown, W. T.; Bro. G. H. Clutton, W. M.; Bro. W. D. M.; Bro. A. H. and G. H. Clutton, W. H. Stewart and James McManus...

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