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I'm telling of bygone days.
I gave you many, alas days of yore,
On the task that vexed the brain—
The lesson done, and victory won,
And I feel I'm a child again,

And I seem to stand with the youthful band
In the old house on the green;
I have the fun on the school begun,
And I join in the gladsome scene.
I take my place with a sober face,
O'er the well-worn desk I bend,
And hourly pore o'er the antique lore
Of thy wonderful page, old friend.

Then our cares were few, and our friends were true,
And our griefs were rare and light;
The world was naught (so we fondly thought)
But a region of pure delight.
But time has sped, and our path has led
Through the dark, and tearful scenes;
And passed away are the good and gay,
Like the old house on the green.

But we'll sing no more of the days of yore,
For the tear drops dim the eye.
Sleep on, old book, in thy dusty nook,
As in years that have glided by.
No guile we trace in thy honest face,
Thou a mine of gold within
Buried the youth, as they sought for truth,
In the old school-house on the green.

Twilight Vesper.

Come to my arms, my baby!
My bonnie, beautiful girl!
For my life can have no joy, with kisses sweet
For your dimpled face and your dimpled feet.

My lily, my rose, my pearl!

Ah, I have you, I have you, my darling!
Sweet shall your slumber be,
The long bright night, while the star-beams hold
Their hands with mine in your locks of gold,
And shadows over the sea.

Soft and sweet while the night goes by—
And what is the night to us?
And what if the moon go under a cloud,
And what if the wind cry long and loud,
I have and hold you thus!

This is your world, my baby!
And what is the world to me,
But the pretty woo lamb that is mine,
my sweet,
From the curly crown to the cunning feet!
What else is the world to me?

Warming a Serpent;

OR,

GRYLE DASKAM'S TREACHERY.

BY LEON LEWIS.

She produced from her pocket a bottle of lemonade and some bread. Phebe had several oranges. Saul Heath thus provided for ate his breakfast, and was strengthened and refreshed. While he was thus occupied, Garnet told her story.

Young Heath's indignation and sympathy were both very great.

'You see,' said Garnet, 'all the seamen and the negroes, and every one on the island is against me. Escape is impossible. I can only look to death for escape from my enemies.'

Saul Heath stood up, he was weak and giddy still. He felt bruised in every part of his body. His escape from death seemed to be a miracle. He was obliged to sit down again immediately, his weakness being greater than he had thought.

'I am not quite myself yet,' he said, smiling faintly. 'I wonder that I am alive.'

'It was a providence your being wrecked upon this island,' said Garnet. 'You are the son of my guardian! How strange it seems.'

She blushed, remembering how often her father had spoken to her of Saul Heath and wished that Providence had given to him such a son.

'I see no signs of a wreck,' said old Phebe.

'I was not wrecked,' said our hero, quietly. 'The hurricane struck us soon after nightfall, and levelled our masts to the deck. It was in the heighth of the storm that I found myself in the midst of the sea. The ship flew on before the pale. I was alone in the darkness. For a moment my senses reeled. I think I was very near to fainting then—'

'I wonder you didn't drown,' said Garnet.

'I had on a life preserver' replied Saul, revealing a fact which Gryle Daskam had never once suspected. I had been below to mix some drink for the crew, who were chilled and nearly exhausted by the night's labor. While thus employed my eyes rested upon a life-preserver that lay upon the table. The captain and some of the crew had put on life-preservers as a safeguard in the possibility of sudden catastrophe that might send the ship to the bottom, and I hastily buckled this one about my waist and went on with my work. But when I found myself in the water, I thanked God for the impulse that had led me to put it on. Half alive and half dead, I was buffeted and tossed from billow to billow, until it seemed to me that I had thus been thrown about for eternity. Then I became insensible. I was aroused by a sensation of a violent blow, and opened my eyes to find myself scraping uneasily on a sandy shore. I crept up instinctively to a higher position on the beach, and fainted or fell asleep, I know not which. When I again awakened, I saw your face bending over me and knew that I was saved.'

He shuddered as he remembered the demoniac fury of Gryle Daskam on the previous night, the murderous hatred expressed in the hissing voice and wicked words of the cousin he had loved and trusted, and how the serpent he had warmed and fed had turned and stung him. Not to Garnet Palm's pure ears could he tell the tale of Daskam's treachery and attempted murder. Saul Heath was chivalric to the last degree and to his natural reverence for womanhood was added the kindling warmth of admiration for this lovely girl with her pure, sweet eyes and tender mouth.

'I fear,' said Miss Palm, 'that in escaping the sea you have entered into a trouble from which there is no escape. Mr. Gregory is your enemy as well as mine, for your father is my guardian, you know, and of late he seems to hate the very name of Heath. This island is his stronghold. If he finds you, he might shut you up—'

'He shall not find me!' declared Saul. 'I will remain two or three days in the wood, until I can get back my strength and then we will escape.' 'What kind of a vessel has he?'

'A yacht, in the lagoon. The passage to the sea is very narrow, but deep.'

'We'll take the yacht, if we can; if we can not, we will find a small boat, desperately,' said Garnet. 'Trust in me Miss Palm. Give me but three days to recover my strength and I will promise to effect your escape from this villain's hands.'

Garnet's heart thrilled with the hope this held out.

He remained with her new friend nearly all day, and left him late in the afternoon. When she returned to the house she found that Gregory had not troubled himself about her absence, knowing that she could not escape from the island.

A new kitchen was in process of erection. The wounded were cared for and doing well. No attempt had been made to remove the Eclipse trees from the ground. It would require a month's rest for the entire force on the island to restore to them the appearance of the previous day.

An excellent dinner had been prepared, and, as usual, Garnet was served in her own room. She preserved some of her choicest dishes for Saul Heath, to be taken to him on the following day.

The next day spent with him, the next, and the next. Saul was growing stronger but he was not yet well. His exposure had greatly weakened him, and he could not recover so speedily.

Gregory did not appear to notice in what direction she went. Maria was still occupied with her husband. The kitchen was completed, and huts were building.

On the fourth day Garnet went as usual to her rendezvous with Saul, at the southern end of the island. She was provided with stores for him. Her heart was very light, for she believed the hour of her escape to be near.

She had scarcely quitted the lagoon when Gregory, prompted by curiosity as to how she passed her time, sent one of his slaves after her to spy upon her.

Unconscious of pursuit, Garnet and her guard arrived at the sheltered spot where Saul Heath awaited them. He came forward with a beaming face and outstretched hands to greet Miss Palm and his eagerness and blushes seemed to indicate that they were lovers.

They sat down side by side under a palm tree, Phebe at a respectful distance, and Garnet delivered her supplies, and the young couple engaged in a low-voiced conversation.

The black stared open-mouthed for some minutes, fairly overwhelmed by the sight of a strange man on the island, and then he glided away through the bushes like a snake, to report to his master his astonishing discovery.

CHAPTER XI.

A HINT OF GREGORY'S BART.

During those days of seclusion at the southern end of the island, Saul Heath had nearly recovered his old-time strength and vigor. Had he not possessed a magnificent physique, a splendid physical organization, the expose he had received during his immersion in the sea, the shock of his cousin's intended crime, and the violence with which he had been hurled upon the island, must inevitably have been serious in their consequences.

As we have said, Garnet Palm and her old nurse had spent their days with him under the plumed palms, in the shadow of swaping vines, in view of the smiling, sun-lit waters, which had so lately been lashed to fury. Garnet and Saul had been strangers to each other at their meeting on the island. Had they first met in the drawing room of Heath House they would not have become so well acquainted with each other in three months as they now became in as many days. Her helplessness and desperate situation appealed to young Heath's chivalrous soul. Her beauty filled him with a resolve to effect her rescue, or die in her defence. The fact that he had known her father, and that his father was her guardian, made a bond between them at the outset. Their future—should they manage to escape from the island and reach Kingston—was likely to be more or less united, since they were to dwell together in the same house.

So now, as they sat side by side upon a little green knoll, with old Phebe near them, a cluster of crested palms towering far above them, and wading off the rays of the sun, their relations to each other were as friendly as if they had known each other for years.

'I begin to feel myself again,' said our hero. 'I cannot bear this inaction longer. And I think that we will make our attempt at escape this very night, Miss Palm.'

'We shall be ready, said Garnet. 'If you are sufficiently recovered, Mr. Heath, I think that the sooner we try the better. I do not know how soon Mr. Gregory may become curious or suspicious in regard to my movements, and set a spy upon me. I do not know how long I shall be allowed my present liberty.'

It was well for her peace of mind that she did not know that she had been followed in her ramble that morning, that her meeting with Saul Heath's had been witnessed by hostile eyes, and that Mr. Gregory's black spy was at that moment hurrying swiftly towards the lagoon and his master swelling with the amazing tidings he had to communicate.

All unconscious of the storm that was gathering over her head and that of Saul Heath, she considered with him the ways and means of the projected escape.

'I think that we can scarcely get away with the yacht,' said young Heath, thoughtfully. 'The nights are bright. The passage from lagoon to the sea is screened as you say at the mouth by a fallen tree, which would be beyond my power to raise. I could manage the yacht if I could get her out, but all things considered, it will be better for us to take the small boat.'

'It will be safer,' said Garnet. 'Phebe and I will manage to provision her. I think we can do that.'

'It is better to be out at sea in a small boat than to remain here,' said our hero. 'The attempt at escape must be made this very night. I feel a strange sense of uneasiness that grows upon me. As soon as the night falls, I will visit the lagoon and make my observations. I will discover the passage to the sea, and get the small boat into its shelter as opportunity offers.

'The entire force on the island is now at the lagoon,' said Garnet. 'The seamen and slaves are employed in building new huts in the neighborhood of the house. The sailing master, one of the seamen, and one of the slaves are still disabled. Mr. Gregory and his trusted aid Crimp, superintend the the labor of erecting the huts, and sleep soundly at night. No guard or watchman is kept on duty. There was a dog, a Cuban bloodhound but he was killed by a falling tree in the hurricane. I am sure that Phebe and I can make our way out of doors unnoticed between eleven and twelve o'clock to-night. Maria, the woman who was employed in watching, has new to wait upon her husband, and I am free from her espionage. There are two other black women, one is the cook, the other labors with the men, but both sleep in the kitchen, their huts being unfinished.

The young couple made their plans with great care and deliberation. Phebe was called upon frequently for advice. The island, having once been the resort of buccaneers, who had lived here many years with their families, was well fruited. Saul Heath had discovered trees bearing sweet oranges, fig, pomegranates, and luscious tropical fruits of melting sweetness and delicious flavor. He promised to convoy to the small boat a sufficient supply of fruits for many days' voyage, and Garnet for her part promised, with some ruinous way to procure the more solid stores required.

'I don't quite see how I am to accomplish it,' acknowledged the girl, 'but I shall accomplish it somehow. We shall need water, biscuits and a few other things. I can't get anything out of the kitchen, because just now the two negresses sleep there. The pantry is laden with stores of every sort, and we could manage to run the yacht off with them.'

'Then leave the stores to me. I will arrange everything,' said young Heath. 'Do not trouble yourself at all. Miss Palm, only arrange to be at the entrance of the outlet to the sea before midnight.'

It was a matter of keen regret to our hero that the project of taking the yacht was not feasible. But, considering the nature of the passage to the sea, and the fact that the nights were bright, and the men on the island bright, and almost within full view of the lagoon, he decided to adhere to the humble plan of escape in the small boat.

'I can scarcely believe that we are to get away,' said Garnet, with a sigh of apprehension. 'Mr. Gregory has taken little notice of me since the night of the hurricane, having so much to do to repair the damage, but I fancied this morning that he looked at me with a new and strange keenness, a sort of suspicion—'

A crashing was heard in the bushes at this juncture. The girl leaped to her feet with an involuntary cry.

Young Heath sprang up also, and in the same moment Mr. Gregory burst into the little glade, with half a dozen men at his back.

The countenance of the villain as he beheld our hero was a study for a painter.

Amazement, bewilderment, rage, fury, and a score of other emotions and passions were expressed upon his livid features. He stared at young Heath, then looked towards the sea as if in quest of some vessel, and seeing none stared again at Heath with wild and distorted features.

Behind him peering over his shoulder with an equal amazement, was the ruffian, Crimp. And half a dozen burly fellows, white and black, seamen and slaves, stood with countenances reflecting the astonishment of their master and his aid.

All these men were armed, their weapons being displayed in their hands.

Our hero stood his ground, calm and smiling, his tawny hair and mustache glittering in a stray beam of sunlight, his noble face devoid of fear or anxiety, although he comprehended every iota of his danger.

'Who—who are you, sir?' cried Mr. Gregory, at length finding his voice.

'I am Saul Heath, at your service,' answered our hero, bowing.

Gregory reeled, taking a backward step and leaning heavily against a tree. His visage grew livid, ghastly; his eyes stared.

For a brief space he could not speak. Crimp, under the impression that his employer was threatened with an attack of apoplexy, or something similar, produced a flask of liquor and poured a good portion of its contents down Gregory's throat, brandy being Crimp's favorite remedy for all human ailments.

The color came surging back into Gregory's face.

'Who—who did you say?' he gasped.

Saul had witnessed the scene in astonishment, which, however, was not permitted to show itself through his unmoved exterior. He comprehended that his name had startled Gregory. He had expected that it would startle him, his father being Miss Palm's guardian, but he had not expected, this exhibition of agitation.

'My name is Saul Heath,' he again declared, coolly. 'And you, I suppose, are Mr. Gregory, the gentleman who undertook to escort this young lady, Miss Palm, to Jamaica, and place her in her guardian's keeping.'

'You seem to know all about me,' said Gregory, making a strong effort to command himself. 'I am Mr. Gregory. Are you a son of Lorimer Heath, of Jamaica?'

'His only son, sir.'

Gregory turned his head aside, muttering:

'His son! His son! What accursed fatality is this? His son here! He has his father's face—that accursed, smiling face! How I hate his looks!'

His words were inaudible even to Crimp, who bent forward in the hope of hearing them.

Recovering himself, Gregory fixed his gaze again upon our hero,

'How came you here?' he asked. 'Where is your boat? How did you trace us to this island?'

'I did not trace you here. My coming was in my own design, but, as I now believe, a singular Providence,' declared young Heath. 'I have no boat. I was washed ashore on the night of the hurricane.'

'You have friends with you?' inquired Gregory, sending restless glances into the surrounding shadows.

'That is for you to discover,' replied Saul, coolly.

Gregory's hand flew to his revolver.

'If you have friends, let them come on,' he exclaimed. 'The island is mine, and we'll settle the claim to its ownership now.'

'I have no wish to interfere in your proprietorship of the island,' replied young Heath. 'I have no wish to stay here. This young lady is my father's ward, and, as his representative, I demand her freedom. You have committed a foul outrage against her liberty, and deserve the severest punishment known to the law for such offences, but I can promise you immunity if you suffer her now to go free—'

'With you?'

'With me!' said Heath, firmly. 'She and her maid?'

'Why, I'd kill her first with my own hands! You don't know what you are talking about! You don't know me, my young friend!' cried Gregory. 'I shall not release Miss Palm. I have sworn that she shall be my wife, or live and die upon this island. I shall keep my oath. As for you, sir, I've a mind to shoot you dead in your tracks.'

'Do so,' said Heath, mockingly. 'It would be like you, I fancy to shoot an unarmed man, coward!'

'You call me coward?'

'Is it not the part of a coward you have been playing? Have you not taken advantage of your power to restrain the liberty of Miss Palm, to bring her to this lonely island your prisoner? You are not only a coward but a hound!'

Garnet sprag forward, clasping the arm of her young companion, her eyes full of pleading, her features full of terror, as she saw the storm of passion that took possession of Gregory's features.

'Oh hush sweet love, for heaven's sake, hush! Do not provoke him! Be careful for my sake!'

Heath looked upon her entreating countenance, with a strange tenderness shining through the steadfast light of his eyes, and pointed her behind him, and intuitively the intelligence of locks, and they seemed to have transformed him into a very demon. He made a gesture of motion to his men. They spread away among the palms.

'Miss Palm,' said Gregory, 'Stand away from that man. Mr. Heath, your boldness imposes upon myself and the men, and you know you would serve a lady, if you knew that you have no friends to help you, or they would appear. You are alone. This is my island. Long ring here. I am absolute. These men obey my lightest word. You must see that I am not likely then, to brook your pony interference in my plans. I have determined to make Miss Palm my wife, or bury her on this island. If I cannot marry her in contentment I will marry her in misery. I will have her and myself also. That's the time of man I am!'

'I see it in—'

'I might have given you a chance to work and live among us,' continued Gregory, furiously, 'but I will not. I hate your fair face. I knew your father once, and I hated him. He hated me in return. And I laid up a grudge against him that I've nursed for years, and that I'm now about to pay off. I see my way now. I'll remove his son and heir from the scene. He shall go down to his grave mourning and strangers shall inherit his estate. I've waited twenty years, but the time of my revenge has come at last!'

'You know my father?' echoed Saul in a voice of surprise. 'And you hated him? Why, I hated him! I wish I could have killed him. I could have done so, had I had him on a lonely island as I've got you right! I remember I swore that I'd be avenged on Mr. some day, but I little dreamed that my revenge could be so terrible! Ah, young man, he'll wait long for your coming!'

And Mr. Gregory made a fierce, sweeping gesture with his right arm.

The men who had glided away among the bushes had crept up in the rear of Saul Heath and Garnet Palm. Mr. Gregory and Crimp made a spring forward, as if to attack our hero, and in the same moment the half dozen burly fellows in the rear hurled themselves upon him.

He struck out right and left, cool, determined, desperate, and for a moment he did good execution with his fists. But, as Gregory had well foreseen, the conflict was of brief duration—numbers conquered—and Saul was knocked down and speedily enveloped in a network of ropes, which confined his arms to his sides and left only his feet free.

Then he was dragged to his feet, and Gregory mocked at him in malignant triumph.

The pleasant suavity of Garnet's enemy, the smiling plausibility which had been characteristic of him, had given place to a brutal exultation, an exhibition of the worst passions of humanity. He was savage, cruel, violent—an incarnate demon!

'Take him to the lagoon, boys,' cried Gregory. 'We'll have some sport—something equal to a Cuban bull-fight, at the least! On with him! Gad! I wish his father could see him now and during the next hour! On with him, my lads!'

The men full of brutal delight at the prospect of sport, dragged Saul into the forest in the direction of the lagoon. Gregory seized Garnet and came hurrying after. Crimp and Phebe brought up the rear.

'After twenty years!' muttered Gregory, exultantly. 'Revenge at last! Lorimer Heath will be childless to-night. I wonder if any instinct will tell him of his son's fate.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Strange Procession.

New York would be nothing without a sensation. Recently, while walking up Fifth avenue, I saw four white horses turning into it from a side street. I wondered what member of the Coaching Club was indulging in a new team, when the vehicle to which they were attached came in sight and proved to be the leading one of a hearse parade. The first hearse was gorgeous in the extreme, fit for the mortuary honors to a Cardinal or a President. The glass panels were framed in ebony and gilt, while the the coffin, excuse me, casket rather, inside was of heavy bass and ornaments, also gilded. Six urns of black and gold held nodding plumes of black and white feathers. The four milk white steeds, after the Lord Lovel pattern, were caparisoned in a black harness, gold mounted. The driver, in finest black broadcloth, with a gilt band and cockade on his hat, had a robe of rich black Astrachan thrown across his knees, which was turned over to the proper place to reveal the plush lining of royal purple. Next came a hearse in black and gold, but a degree less gorgeous.—Only two horses drew this, and they black, but the mountings were similar, the harness was black and gold, but there were no plumes in the urns, and the driver had no cockade. The third hearse was black and silver, with white horses and silver mounted harness while the driver's lap robe was all black. It might answer for quite an ordinary person. Next came a white and gold child's hearse drawn by four black ponies with gold mounted harness; followed by a white and silver one with two horses, and a third one in plain white with black horses. What other city except New York would indulge in such a thing as a horse parade? It was probably some undertaker's way of advertising himself and his facilities for attending a half dozen funerals a day at any price you might mention. As they pursued their way in slow and stately gorgeousness, their line of march was crossed, as if fate had sent it in bitter mockery of so much ostentation, by the prison waggon, carrying some poor wretch to his last home in Potter's field. 'Dust ye are, and unto dust shall ye return,' whether conveyed by a four-horsed hearse or a common waggon, seemed to be the sermon preached by that little episode.

VERY SURPRISE.—Horse dealers who are supposed to know what effects their interest, purchase "Darley's Condition Powders and Arabian Heave Remedy" by the dozen, and feed it to their horses for the purpose of improving their condition, which it always does; others should profit by their example—Remember the name, and see that the signature of Hurd & Co., is on each package. Northrop & Lyman, Toronto, Ont., proprietors for Canada. Sold by all medicine dealers.

HAVE YOU TRIED IT?—If not don't delay another moment, but get a bottle of the "Canadian Pain Destroyer." It is far ahead of any other medicine, and was never known to fail. All aches and pains are immediately and permanently removed by it, and the price places it within the reach of all. Sold by all Medicine Dealers.

Honesty in the Last Folley.

One day about three weeks ago a strange customer came to a Gerrard avenue grocer. He wanted some goods, and he paid cash down. The next day he made another purchase and paid cash and as the days went by his face and his cash became familiar. One day he returned with the change given him and said:

'I believe I am an honest man. You paid me twenty cents too much.'

The grocer received it and was pleased. Two days after that the stranger returned from the curbstone to say:

'Another mistake on your part; you over paid me by forty cents.'

The grocer was glad to have found an honest man, and puzzled to know how he should have counted so far out of the way. Three days more, and the stranger picked up a dollar bill in the store and said:

'This is not my dollar. I found it on the floor and you must take charge of it.'

The grocer's heart melted, and he wondered if the world was not progressing backwards to old time honesty. A skip of one day, and then the honest man brought down a wheelbarrow, ordered eighteen dollars' worth of groceries, and would have paid cash had he not forgotten his wallet. He would hand it in at noon as he went past, he said and it was all right with the grocer.

That was the last seen of the honest man; morning fades to noon, and noon melts away in darkness, but he cometh not. There are no more mistakes in change,—no more dollar bills on the floor, and the grocer's eyes wear a way off expression as if yearning to see some one for about two minutes.—Detroit *Free Press.*

'Twas in the heat of the day and the boys were fanning and puffing in the Sobriety Eagle office when an old darkey came in scratching his wool and grinning from ear to ear. Said he, 'I've got a little riggle for yer paper.' 'Riddle be darned,' shouted the editor, seizing the water pitcher. 'It's—it's a mitey good un,' remarked the darkey. 'Well, out with it then,' said Slim, 'if it's short.' 'All right, yeah it comes.—Why is a punkin vine like an old umbrella?' 'Well, you grinning loon, why don't you tell us? You surely don't expect us to guess at it?' shrieked the editor. The old nig edged toward the door, and shot out as he yelled, 'Kase neither of 'em can turn a grindstone.'

CANNOT COMPARE.—A cure for cramps and pains, nothing can compare, with STANTON'S PAIN RELIEF.

SMOKING is looked upon by many as a great evil, which it undoubtedly is, when carried to excess, and it is well known that nearly all smokers, smoke to much. This is certain sooner or later to cause much suffering, and the best way to counteract the bad effects of tobacco, in the system, is to keep the blood pure and healthy by using SMITH'S GREEN MOUNTAIN RENOVATOR.

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CANADIAN NEWS.

The Dunkin Act is to be submitted in Ottawa Co., Que., and the Stormont Hull.

Kingston has $1,000,000 worth of property exempt from taxation.

A Arrow was Gerard Hall, Wagon, aged 21, hit way to Orillia, and Wednesday, and was fatally injured.

Guelph is adding to her industries the making of dental and surgeon's ing and ingrain.

The County Council of Kent last week threw out the petition to submit the Dunkin Bill for the decision of the people.

Engineer Shoolbred was killed last week in the G.W.R. yard at London, by being crushed under the wheels of his engine.

A Berlin firm has built a grist mill in the Mennonite settlement, Manitoba, and a Galt firm has supplied the machinery.

The petition presented to the Wellington County Council, last week, asking that the Dunkin Bill be submitted to the electors of the county, was 240 feet in length. The petition on the opposite side was the same length.

On Wednesday a woman named Nabegang was driving into Bayville, with a four months old baby in her arms, and on reaching the village the child was found to be dead.

A. Goselles, a well known farmer and mill-owner of Ellice, on Wednesday morning got up as usual, went to the barn and hanged himself. He was found shortly afterwards by his friends. No cause for the act is known, he deceased was in his usual spirits and said nothing to any one of his intention.

The enquiry in Stratford, last week, into the cause of the death of Matilda Willis, of Mitchell, who died under suspicious circumstances at one of the Hotels, proved that an abortion had been effected upon her by Dr. Lentz. A verdict of murder was rendered against Lucas, who has been committed for trial.

Last week Arthur B. Glass, aged 27, teller of the Molson's Bank at Montreal, was arrested for embezzling $15

Huron Signal.

GODERICH, DEC. 16, 1876.

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WE SAY, a short time ago, that only in one instance in Prince Edward county had an attempt been made to sell liquor under the "five gallon" clause of the Dunkin Act, and that attempt was punished. Our town contemporary appears to prove this statement false, by declaring that liquor is still sold in that County. We don't doubt that it is sold clandestinely, but that does not prove that the Dunkin Act with accompanying legislation is not prohibitory. We might have sold our community a solution to an error it consists in assuming that because only a few gallons of intoxicating liquors were sold on the Continental grounds and numbers of barrels were opened, yet a drunken man was not to be seen. The truth is that no intoxicating liquors were sold on the premises, consequently the attention is a mere fabrication.

LAST WEEK the judges trying the contested (Local) election in Lincoln unseated the respondent Robert, on the ground of extensive bribery by his agents. The counter charge of bribery preferred against Captain Nelson could not be sustained, and was therefore withdrawn. When this decision was given, the scrutiny of votes had given Captain Nelson a majority of thirteen votes. The scrutiny was continued, but the probabilities are that the latter will secure the seat. Mr. Rykert's reputation, as well as that of his friends in Lincoln, is being sadly mutilated through association with election contests.

THE petition to submit the Dunkin Act in Perth was thrown out by the County Council last week, by a vote of 7 to 12. Oxford Council, after once rejecting it, has agreed to submit it. Kent and Wellington also refused to submit the bill, and in Brant the Council without hold its decision until the result was heard from Huron, when the petition was thrown out on a vote by two of a majority.

County Council.

The Council met on the 5th inst.—Present, the Warden in the chair, Messrs. Webster, Lane, Connor, Oldboy, Young, Buchanan, Hodgson, Garvey, Wilson, Ford, Elliott, Strachan, Shannon, Brown, Geiger, Kane, Wilson, Monteith, Warwick, Hays, Malone, Proctor, Simpson, Castle, Hopkins, Beatty, Cresswell, Walker, Black, Hoar, Hunter, Miller, Taylor, Potter, Girvin, Grant, Davis and Gibson.

The Warden addressed the Council upon the Grand Bend bridge, the repairs to the gaol, the satisfactory sale of our debentures in England, the progress of his report of the death of Mr. Campaigne, Governor of the Gaol, who was an efficient public officer.

Letter from the County Treasurer in reference to the sale of the debentures, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Moved by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Taylor, that the thanks of this Council be tendered to A. M. Ross, Esq., Treasurer of this County, for the able manner in which he transacted the business of this Council while in England negotiating the sale of the debentures.

Circular from the Municipal Council of the city of Toronto, requesting the co-operation of this Council to obtain certain amendments to the assessment act, was read and referred to the special committee.

WEDNESDAY.

All members present except Mr. D. D. Wilson.

Mr. Garrow presented the petition of 4076 electors of the County, requesting the Council to pass a by-law and submit it to the electors in the terms of the Temperance Act of 1864.

Moved by Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Proctor, that said petition be submitted to the special committee, and that they be requested to report on it not later than Friday morning—Carried.

At his request, Mr. Garrow was granted leave to be present at the sittings of said special committee, which consisted of Messrs. Watson, Brown, Monteith, Kelly, Girvin, Davis, Gibson and Cresswell.

Circular from the County Council of Waterloo requesting the co-operation of this Council to obtain amendments to the Ontario Medical Act, referred to the special committee.

A number of accounts were sent to Finance.

Circular from D. D. Hay, M. P. P., asking the Council to express themselves regarding certain amendments to the Municipal Act; referred to the special committee.

Tenders for cordwood for the Jail and Court House, were referred to the Jail and Court House committee.

Moved by Mr. Garrow, seconded by Mr. Watson, "that this Council desires to express its deep regret at the great loss which this community has recently sustained in the death of Mr. Edward Campaigne, late Jailer of the County jail, and to convey to his widow and family such condolence as we can offer in their affliction. This Council further desires to express its belief that Mr. Campaigne was one of the most efficient of public officers, and feels assured that with his devotion to duty and kindness in the performance of it, will be long held in remembrance by all who knew him, and that the chairman of the Jail Committee be requested to convey the effect of this resolution to Mrs. Campaigne"—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Monteith, that the sum of $200 be granted to the widow and family of the late Mr. Campaigne, as a testimonial of appreciation of his services and personal worth—Carried.

THURSDAY.

The petition of 2040 electors, presented by Mr. Cresswell, praying that the Council do not pass a by-law under the provisions of the Temperance Act of 1864, was sent to the special committee.

Mr. Cresswell requested the Council to take a broad and liberal view of this matter. He said that many of the signers of the petition presented were temperate men, and that the Council should take it for granted that both parties were acting in good faith with pure motives; that the Dunkin Act was not pure prohibition, but on the contrary merchants and others could sell in quantities of not less than five gallons. (Mr. Cresswell must be ignorant of the License and Crook's Acts or he would not make such a statement as the latter.—Ed.)

Report of Mr. Bay, County Engineer, was read and referred to the Road and Bridge committee.

Letter from the County Treasurer referred to the Finance committee.

A number of accounts were referred to the Finance committee.

Reports of Mr. Small as to repairs on the Registry office, and of Mr. Langmuir upon the Jail were referred.

Moved by Mr. Strachan, seconded by Mr. Shannon, that the County Engineer be instructed to have a bridge erected on the boundary line between the townships of Grey and Elma on the first concession, near Molesworth, the public being put to great inconvenience from the want of such bridge, providing the County of Perth bears one-half of the expense—Referred to the Road and Bridge committee.

Moved by Mr. Strachan, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the sum of $27.50 be recouped to the township of Grey, having paid that amount to build the approaches to the Henryn bridge—Referred to Finance, along with the account of Thomas Fox.

FRIDAY.

Communication from Mr. Bay requesting the Council to purchase a pile driver, was granted.

A few accounts were sent to Finance.

The report of the Finance committee was adopted.

Report of the special committee upon the Temperance Act was read, when the Council went into committee of the whole, Mr. Walker in the chair. Mr. Garrow moved, seconded by Mr. Black in amendment to the report of the special committee upon the Dunkin Act, that, in view of the large number of ratepayers who have petitioned this Council that the said Act be submitted for the vote of the people and the great excitement and attention evidently given to the subject, which must occasion a loss of time from their ordinary avocations, and prevent their views upon the matter, this Council do submit the necessary by-law in the terms of the prayer of the petitioners.

Mr. Garrow said the special committee expected this amendment to be found back with the report of said committee, as they gave no reason for the conclusion arrived at. Their action was arbitrary, and proves that they merely exhibit their choice to the case of other Acts and that would not in issue the course in the case that will not be exercised this year, for all that they were called on for was a simple report without attempting to decide the matter but leave that to the vote of the Council—He thought it should be submitted now, as to submitting the matter to the people, that so large a petition had been presented for that purpose but many conditions were personally opposed to temperance in itself and used all sorts of silly arguments to shirk the matter. Some were openly in opposition and others would say that they were satisfied to leave it in the hands of God. But do these men expect God to do everything and leave nothing for us to do? And how can a man argue against a restrictive legislation when he must know that in hundreds of other matters we have much less density on our statute books? Gibson (Brant) stands alone in his belief on this point. The feeling in favor of temperance legislation is becoming universal, while at the same time moral education is being prosecuted, but the people feel that the evil is too great and that restrictive legislation is needed to suppress the evil and assist the efforts of moral education, by more directly affecting the class of hard drinkers who are likely beyond any good influence. He believes if the matter be submitted to the people it would carry. It was argued that the License law was no advance in the desired way, but the fact is that it has been the means of closing up one-half of the liquor bars, and the present movement would close them all. People who say down the Dunkin Act must therefore do so because they hate it, they hate temperance and those who advocate such principles. The Act is now submitted does away with all public drinking and leaves no opportunity for the drunkard to obtain liquor unless he chooses to purchase five gallons and take it to his own house, where no man who is possessed of the smallest spark of manhood would have the heart to take it; men are not so abandoned that they would bring liquor into their homes where the evil influences might be the means of ruin to their families. The opponents of the Act argue that it is interfered with vested rights; but what is the fact? The hotel keeper receives a license for one year only at the end of which this so called vested right ends! this right only stands for a year at a time and how can any sensible thinking man stand up for vested rights? Temperance men are not aiming at the destruction of hotels as has been laid to their charge, but merely endeavoring to take away the right to sell liquor. By thus cutting off this traffic the standard of hotel keepers will be raised, and we will find men in that business of as high a stamp as any of our merchants and other business men, and their houses will also be of a higher order and the conduct and accommodation better. This question is essentially one for the people and sooner or later it must go to the people, and if this Council refuses to do what a majority of the people ask, the people will naturally conclude that the councillors thus refusing are friends of the Licensed Victuallers' Association and not of the people. He would not like to see this matter brought into the municipal elections, as it would result in turning otherwise good men out of the Council, but as a large and most respectable number of the ratepayers had asked for the submission of the by-law he hoped the Council would see it to be their duty to grant this request; any other course would be a great outrage on the people. The opposition in the matter comes from the Licensed Victuallers' Association, who actually had some hardships to complain of and if he (Mr. Garrow) saw these hardships could be remedied he would be glad to apply the needed remedy. But that Association comprises a small class of the community and as the members of Council were there to represent the people he hoped they would see that in no way could they fairly perform that duty but by obeying the demand of the majority of the people before them in the petition. He appealed to the Council in the interests of christianity and morality, in the interests of the women and children of our county to submit the by-law; some contended that it would be an error to do this but he thought even granting such for the sake of argument that it was well to err on the side of morality and virtue. Other counties are submitting this by-law where the petitions are not half so large as the one before this Council. He could see no excuse for standing back and refusing to submit said by-law except that the opponents were afraid to go to the polls.

Mr. Cresswell said the question was before the Council to vote upon and he would have no objections to state his reasons for opposing the submission of the by-law. He thought the proper way to look at the matter was, first, as to whether or not the License law has had a fair trial; secondly, is the Dunkin Act an efficient measure and suitable to the times, and, third, whether prohibition is calculated to be for the general good. His main objection to the Dunkin Act was that the License Act had not been fairly tested; the Dunkin Act had been tried in townships and proved a failure; he believed, however, that in the county of Prince Edward it was a success to some extent but that was the only instance. [And that is the only county where the act has been in force long enough to test the matter.—ED.] He considered the Act a farce from the fact of not proving of much or any use in the townships where tried. He said that there was a great deal of drinking in unlicensed houses, and this would continue under the Dunkin Act. He did not believe that any man of good sense or feeling would demand so far as to take advantage of the five gallon clause and keep liquor in his own house where its evil influences would affect his family; he felt sure the day would never come that intoxicating liquor would not be used as a beverage; he admitted that it was not used as much in good society as in days gone by, that drinking was looked upon as a disgrace now, whereas it used to be a custom in best society to get drunk; the pulpit and press were doing a good work in the country by educating the people in purity of morals; the tone of society was being elevated steadily and surely, but he defied any one to prove it possible to do away entirely with intoxicating liquor. He desired all to have free expression of thought and not be dictated to as to what they are to drink or what not; he considered such a law as the Dunkin Act would be arbitrary. If temperance men wish to do good let them plead with the men who keep unlicensed houses to give up selling liquor, and let temperance men assist such men to do so by giving them their custom so that they can live without being forced to break the law. He looked upon the present movement as tyrannical towards the class who have their capital invested in liquor and hotel property. (The speaker quoted in support of this assertion Byron's "Sonnet on Chillon," and a more unfortunate comparison for the cause he supported he could not have found; indeed throughout he was playing a game of "ten pins" with himself by advancing arguments to support the liquor cause, and then by some unfortunate admission completely demolishing his own argument.

Mr. Black was under the impression when he came to the Council that the petition asking for the submission of the by-law would be only from some 1500 ratepayers, but he found that it was signed by a large majority of the best men in the county and he could not say no to the request of the people; he admitted that the Dunkin Act had been a failure where adopted in single townships where adopted in single townships but such was not the case where it was tried in two or three counties and generally near that other counties are taking action in the matter, and he considered this an additional reason why the Act would, if adopted by a union of counties, be a success; he felt it his duty to his constituents, to the petitioners who make the request, to the county at large and to drunkards who asked that they might be saved from the broken promise of the License Act by submitting such by-law to the people; he recommend a terrible evil in drink and attempt to abolish it and if he could not do so at once he would favor the law that would do something towards that end, and he believed the Dunkin Act was such a law; he pointed to the talented men of our County who have been brought down to drunkards graves through the evils of the vanted going out. The last speaker wanted conservative men to act more enlightened before in order that the intelligent of such houses could make a living without selling liquor against law, but he would like to ask that speaker if those honorable law abiding men offered to support the Scott Act or other Act by which they had destroyed with drink? He did not expect to find acts of parliament perfect, nor did he expect that any prohibitory law would entirely sweep the evil away; we have a law prohibiting stealing and murder but still men continue to steal and murder, but still anyone agree that hence the law is of no avail? He appealed to others to take advantage of the present movement and vote for a law that will tend to banish one of the greatest evils to humanity, one of the greatest evils that ever afflicted humanity. Mr. Gibson never experienced so much difficulty in any matter during his experience in Council, as the present; he feared the Dunkin Act would not do any good, indeed his opinion of it was that it was a delusion; his position in this matter might appear to be in antagonism to the temperance cause, but he had a warm heart for the cause and had for many years been a total abstainer himself; the Act he had voted against himself, and he could adopt no course but to vote for the submission of the by-law; he believed moral suasion was the only cure for drunkenness; so long as the appetite for drink exists no good can be accomplished by prohibitory legislation.

Mr. Davis contended that the passing of the Dunkin Act would be an injustice to those in the liquor business, and besides it would cost the County money to carry out the law; the result would be the means of forcing men to become liars, smuggler and thieves; it would interfere with the commerce of the country; people must have liquor and if they can't get it legally they will get it illegally; he was opposed to total abstinence and in favor of moderate drinking, he considered it a birthright door to him. [It was really refreshing to observe the evident satisfaction of this speaker when throwing the public over the good he felt of his white horse birthright.]

Mr. Strachan said this matter was one deserving the most careful consideration that councillors could bestow, as it was of the utmost importance to the county, and indeed, the country at large; he believed that upon the whole the Dunkin Act would be productive of some good; it was a burd for men to stand up and declare it a sham before they gave it a fair trial; temperance men were earnest and anxious to be paid that they are personal gain, for instead of that they are evidently spending both time and money in the good cause. The Dunkin Act is not without objection, nor can we find any Statute on the books without some objectionable point. Old men who have formed the habit of drinking cannot be reformed so easily, indeed in anything the old are hard to prevail upon to leave their accustomed rut; but the young are awake to the grand temperance reform, and their course and conduct in this matter should put their seniors to the blush.—We find all the rising generation in favor of temperance, all our ministers; also, and our wisest and best men our judges, who have every opportunity of knowing the evils arising out of the traffic, advise us to do away with it, they frequently refer to it as the parent of crime and the curse of our country.—The Dunkin Act will not make a clean sweep of liquor, it would be absurd to expect any law to do this any more than a law against murder to abolish the commission of that crime; but to a great extent we will find the evils removed; no respectable man would sneak, and lie and thieve as a former speaker feelingly remarked, because of the removal of liquor. In the face of such a large petition he hoped the Council would act like good and true men and grant the request of the petitioners.

On division the Council refused to submit the by-law to the people by the following vote:—

YEA—Messrs. Monteith, Kaine, Ford, Webster, Taylor, Warwick, Gibson, Girvin, Black, Hogarth, Garrow, Buchanan, Hennings, Lane, Strachan, Lane—16.

NAY—Messrs. Brown, Castle, Kelley, Wilson, Connor, Elliott, Davis, Potter, Hunter, Hodgson, Geiger, Young, Cresswell, Miller, Yearly, Simpson, Grant, Watson, Proctor, Hays, Malone, Childley, Shannon—23.

The chairman, Mr. Walker, did not vote, but it was understood that he would have voted among the nays.

The report was adopted then.

Moved by Mr. Cresswell, seconded by Mr. Young, that the sum of $700 be granted to A. M. Ross, M. P. P., treasurer of the County in payment of his expenses while in England negotiating the sale of County debentures, and as a slight acknowledgement of his services in the matter—Carried.

Report of the Road and Bridge committee read and adopted.

Supplementary report of the Finance committee read and adopted.

Mr. Hays moved in amendment to the report, seconded by Mr. Davis, that Mr. Fox be paid the sum of $26 for extra masonry—Lost on a division.

Report of the Jail and Court House committee was read.

Moved by Mr. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Hunter, in amendment to the report that the person now in jail committed as a vagrant from Wroxeter at the termination of her sentence, she be sent back to Hewick for the Council of that municipality to send her to some proper house of refuge—Carried and report amended.

SATURDAY.

Moved by Mr. Kelley, seconded by Mr. Connor, that the Clerk be instructed to procure one pair of handcuffs for each municipality in the County—Carried.

Supplementary report of the Finance committee was read and adopted.

Council then adjourned.

REPORTS.

The jail and Court House Committee reported that they had given the tender for wood to John Gilders, Edward Mc-Manus and Wm. Oke. Also recommended several repairs to the Jail, as well as calling attention again to the presence of a poor woman from Wroxeter in the jail, who should be admitted to the Hospital for Incurables.

The Special Committee reported that, although being fully sensible of the evils of intemperance they could not recommend that the Dunkin Act be submitted to the people. They recommended that the petition from Toronto with references to tax exemptions be supported except as regards Municipal and Government buildings.

The Road and Bridge committee recommended that the suggestions contained in the Engineer's report be carried out as follows: Repairing bridge at Hall's, on Bayfield and Goderich road, driving piles at south approach of Blyth bridge to prevent bank from washing away, and repairing bridge at 2d con, Stanley, It was recommended that the tender of L. J. Brace for Jamestown bridge, at $1750, be accepted.

The Engineer reported as to the condition of the bridges. He reported that new bridges had been erected at Henfryn, Benmiller, Egmondville, on the Colborne gravel road, one on the north-are gravel road between Ashfield and Wawanosh, two between Wawanosh and the Bruce boundary, one at Hinghurst, and one on Pedlar's creek, Kinloss. About 30 culverts were repaired.

The Finance Committee reported on a large number of accounts, also that the Treasurer had laid before them all the debentures of the old issue, amounting to $50,300 sterling, amounting six which are missing, but which have been cancelled. The rates of the sinking debentures are $50,000. The Treasurer has received from Bonnycastle & Co. shows that these debentures are genuine. All the other debentures were burned by committee. It was further recommended that the Treasurer get the sinking debentures if possible.

General Session

The December sittings of the General Sessions opened on Tuesday, before His Honor Judge Toms. J. Kerr-Ingham, Esq., Q. C., of Goderich, also occupied the Bench with His Honor. No cases of murder, rape or other of the graver offences were brought before the Court. There were 19 civil cases on the docket, and 7 criminal cases, four of which were carried from the last term of court. The following are the names of the grand jurors, and petit jurors, the latter being drawn from the list of jurors:

John Brown, Exeter; Jas. Douglas, Grey; John Parrish, Ashfield; Jas. Garry, Brussels; Thos. Gledhill, Colborne; John Higginbotham, W. Wawanosh; Wm. Kay, Goderich; John McOrmitt, Ashfield; John Reid, Goderich; Gustavus Eaton, Tuckersmith; Wm. Gibson, Howick; J. Cook, Colborne; John C. Gillbitt, Stephen; John Dunn, Hullett; Gabriel Elliott, Goderich; Robt. Greenlees, McKillop; John R. Miller, Morris; Alex. Ross, Tuckersmith; Jas. Armstrong, Colborne; Hugh Stevenson, Stanley; Chas. Broome, Clinton; Thos. B. Ambrose, Worcester; Thos. Webster, Ashfield.

Legal Notes.

NOT YET HEARD.—The case of Regina vs. Shaw, referred to the Queens Bench, was heard on Thursday last. Judgment was reserved.

JUDGE'S COURT.—On Saturday John Walker, who stole some clothing from John Keatings, of Wroxeter, was brought before Judge Toms and convicted. Prisoner conducted his own defence, and did so with considerable ingenuity. He will be sentenced on Saturday.

Jonathan Barber pleaded guilty to stealing some fish from Mr. D. Ferguson, and was on Tuesday sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment in the jail.

VAGRANCY.—Mayor Finlay, on Monday, committed Jos. Williamson—"big Joe"—as a vagrant, to three months imprisonment in the jail.

ASSAULT.—Last week a young girl, aged about 16 years, was committed to jail for 21 days, by Justice of Peace Harris, of Brussels, for assaulting her aunt.

Book Notices.

NEW DOMINION MONTHLY.—The December number of this excellent family magazine is to hand, and constitutes a very readable holiday number. A portrait of Tecumseh forms the frontispiece, and a sketch of his life is given. The young folks' department is interesting. John Dougall & Son, publishers, Montreal.

CANADIAN MONTHLY.—The December number of this worthy magazine is to hand. The contents are more than ordinarily interesting including a paper on "Our public indebtedness," an interesting one on "Christmas Carols," a personal sketch of the late Cardinal Antonelli, a racy holiday sketch entitled "How I sailed the Flying Scud," a paper on "Pagan Rites and Christian Festivals" together with well considered notes on current topics. The "annals of Canada" are brought to the year 1867. Adam, Stevenson & Co, Toronto.

CANADIAN METHODIST MAGAZINE.—The December number is to hand, completing the fourth volume. The prospectus of the Fifth Volume promises great things. Among the contents will be a steel portrait and sketch of the Rev. Gervase Smith, M. A.; a charming serial story, entitled "The Days of Wesley"; Sketches of the Heroes of Early Methodism, by the editor; Papers by Dr. Wm. Cooke, solving the mysterious problem of the Great Pyramid; Religious and Missionary Biography; valuable Essays and Sketches by the leading minds and skilled writers of the Methodist Church; Book Reviews; Papers on Popular Science; Articles on Practical Religion and the Higher Christian Life; a page of choice music with each number, and many other valuable articles. This is the only Magazine in Canada giving steel engravings. This is a remarkable bill of fare for the low price of $2.00. Methodist families, at least, should support this vigorous Connexional Monthly. The January number will be ready for Christmas. S. Rose, Toronto, publisher.

MAITLANDVILLE.

ENTERTAINMENT.—A grand entertainment will take place in the new temperance hall in Maitlandville, on Thursday evening next. Addresses and readings will be given by Revs. Dr. Ure, W. C. Henderson, M. A., J. Sieveright and F. H. Sanderson. Messrs. J. R. Miller, H. I. Strang and J. T. Garrow. Music will be furnished by a joint choir from the choirs of Knox and North Street Methodist churches. Chair to be taken at 7.30 p. m.; refreshments to be served at 9. Tickets 25 cents, children 15 cents. The proceeds will be devoted to paying off the debt on the hall. Let there be a large attendance.

GODERICH TOWNSHIP.

SOLD.—Mr. James Hendry has sold his store and business at Porter's Hill, to Mr. John Cox, for the sum of $1200.

HURRAH FOR GODERICH.—On Friday last two farmers took a load of pigs each to Clinton market. Not getting a price to suit them, they drove to Goderich, and realized ten cents per hundred more. Goderich must be the best market.

PERISHED.—During the severe storm of last week, an aged horse that was wandering on the Bayfield Road, died on the roadside through hunger and exposure.

COUNCIL MEETING.—Council met at Holmesville on the 6th inst, members all present. This being the last meeting in the year, the accounts against the corporation were gone into. Moved, seconded and carried, that the following accounts be paid, viz.: A. Kennedy, $21; Clerk, registering births, marriages and deaths, and one year's postage, $21; Wm. Stirling, $2, Arch. McDougall, $5; Thomas Elliott, gravel, $5; Francis Hillock, $8.75; John Porter, $9.75; Mr. Parks, $5.13; Thos. Slattery, $6.50; H. Young, $2; Wm. Blair, $12, Wm. McLeod, $20; Isaac Salkuld, $3.50; Wm. Doak, $2 56; John Robinson, scraper, $10; Hugh Dunlop, $1; Wm. Steep. $16.50, Walter Dodsworth, $3; Lawson Moore, B. L. M., $54; Mr. Meyers, $5; Alex. Osbaldistone, $8; Wm. Ford, $2; Jas. Fair, $5, Henry Cole, $20; John Rudd, $13.64; Wm. Barkwell, $1; Wm. Connolly, gravel, $4; Fred. Tibbett, $10; John Calbeck, gravel, $13.60; Thos. Cottle, $7.40; Henry Cole, $1; John Calbeck, gravel, $9.36; Robert Elliott, $41.20; James Elliott, gravel, $18.40; George Pentlon, $8; Samuel Ostram, $3; John McCartney, gravel, $6; S. G. Plummer, gravel, $18.12; Wm. Jarvis, $1; Agent Canada Company, for gravel, $50; Arch. Kennedy, $3; Ed. Acheson, gravel, $2; Jos. Rutledge, $1; John Elliott, $10. Clerk and Treasurer's salaries were paid. Wm. Collins was granted $25. Moved, seconded and carried that the Councillors' fees be the same as last year. This concluded the business of the year.

JAMES PATTON, Clerk.

—The East Ashfield Presbyterian church will be opened on Sabbath the 24th inst. The Rev Mr Solveright of Goderich will officiate at the afternoon service. A tea meeting will be held in the church on Christmas evening.

Local News.

ABOUT TOWN.

LAUNCHING GOODS.—The landing lights at the harbor were lit on Friday night for the last time this season.

HURON MILLS.—The shipments last week were as follows: 4410 bags of flour, 900 bags of bran and 440 bags of shorts.

LUMBER SHIPMENTS.—The shipments of lumber last week were as follows: Bennet, Cummins & Co., 5 cars; Williams & Murray, 3 cars.

FISH SHIPMENTS.—The shipments of cured fish last week were as follows: Wm. Lee, 11,500 lbs; Jas. Mitchell, 3,970 lbs; W. Stitt, 1,350 lbs.

PERSONAL.—Rev Mr. Carmichael, of Montreal, conducted service in the English church last Sabbath, and preached this morning to large congregations.

CROWDED OUT.—A lengthy and well written article from "Pro Bono Publico" is crowded out of this issue, owing to the press of local news. It will appear next week.

THE WEATHER.—Sunday and Monday last were considered exceedingly cold days, but the thermometer sunk on the first day only 2° above zero, and on the latter 3° above.

DUNLOP HOUSE.—Last week Mr. S. Andrews shipped averaged 91 hogs at an average weight of 319 lbs each. Mr. Robt. McLean also shipped 110 dressed hogs weighing in the aggregate 20,000 lbs.

GROCERIES.—Mr. R. Proudfoot, at his store on East street, is showing a fine assortment of groceries, including flour and feed. A fine lot of goods suitable to the holiday season may also be found here. Give him a call.

WOOD.—Mr. J. A. McKinnon is buying wood for the Grand Trunk Co., and is desirous of securing 3,000 cords. He will be found at the store in Stable's block, corner of Kingston St. and Market Square, by any whisper to sell their wood.

AUCTION SALE.—On Saturday, Dec. 16, at 1 and 7 p. m., there will be sold a large stock of goods, consisting of glassware, crockery, looking-glasses, bureaus, sideboards, cupboards and stands, also an assortment of dry goods and ready made clothing, &c., &c. JOHN SEWART.

GENERAL SHIPMENTS.—Among the shipments from the station last week, were the following: Kirkpatrick Bros. & Co., 7 rolls leather; W. G. Smith, 2 rolls French calf skin; Gottfried Maedel, 1633 lbs wool; S. Platt, 70 bbls salt; Foundry Co., 9,150 lbs castings, &c., including an engine and gearing for Coleman & Govenlock of Seaforth.

BALL AND SUPPER.—A ball and supper will be given in the Oddfellows' Hall, on Friday evening next, under the auspices of the Silver Cornet Band. Tickets, admitting lady and gentleman, $1.25. A pleasant affair may be anticipated as elaborate preparations are being made. Dancing will commence at 9 p. m. Mr. J. Vivian prepares the supper.

WHY IS IT?—No time tables of the L. H. & B. Railway are posted at the Grand Trunk station here, and no information of the running of trains on that road can be there obtained. At the stations along the line of that road, Grand Trunk time-tables are posted up, and the question is why don't the Grand Trunk Co. reciprocate.

ANOTHER SUPPER.—On Friday evening the anti-Dunkinites entertained the 23 councillors who befriended them in the council, at a grand oyster feed in the British Exchange Hotel. The company was large, and the supper was pronounced excellent, but further than this we know nothing, as we were of course, not invited to be present.

JEWELRY.—Now is the time when paper and water families, as well as the young man who dreams and thinks daily of "the best of girls," are bothering their brains in the effort to think of the most suitable Christmas gift for the ones they love. Any who may be in this state of uncertainty should visit W. T. Welsh's jewelry store, and they cannot fail to find something to relieve their anxiety. Mr. Welsh has a very fine collection of jewelry in stock.

MASONIC.—The election of officers of Goderich Lodge, No. 33, A. F. & A. M. took place on Wednesday evening last and resulted as follows: Bro. Jos. Beck, W. M; Bro. Wm. Hood, S. W.; Bro. H. Cooke, J. W; Bro. S. Sloan, Treasurer; Bro. Wm. Dickson, Secretary (9th year); Bro. M. McPhail, Tyler. The installation will take place on the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, Dec. 27, after which a social entertainment for the members and their families will take place.

LECTURE.—Mr. Edward Carswell, who is styled by some the Canadian Gough, will deliver two of his interesting lectures on temperance, in the Temperance Hall, on Monday and Tuesday evenings next. Music will be furnished by one of the church choirs. Single tickets, 25 cents; tickets admitting lady and gent, 40 cents; single tickets for the course, 40 cents. All who have heard this lecturer will desire to hear him again, and to those who have not yet heard him we can promise them satisfaction if they visit the hall on either of the above evenings.

OYSTER SUPPER.—On Friday evening a few of the temperance men in town invited those members of the County Council who voted in favor of submitting the Dunkin Act by-law, to an oyster supper in Mr. F. Hutty's. At 10 o'clock a party numbering thirty-two persons sat down to supper, and afterwards adjourned upstairs, where they indulged in a social chat and each member of the Council present contributed towards the evening's entertainment by short addresses, touching the present temperance movement.

OBITUARY.—On Wednesday last Mr. Humphrey Fiddler died at his residence on Quebec Street, at the advanced age 77 years. The funeral on Friday was largely attended. Deceased was highly respected, and had many warm friends, who knew him as a genial, warm-hearted Irishman. He was fond of a joke, very humorous, and an enthusiastic follower of Isaak Walton, being fond of fishing. Mr. Fiddler was an old resident of Goderich, and for seventeen years was a keeper of the lighthouse, resigning that office in the beginning of 1873, on account of blindness, when he was placed on the list of superannuated lighthouse-keepers.

A WORD IN SEASON.—Prof. Tice, of St. Louis, a famous scientist declares that this winter will be the severest winter in 100 years, another says it is to be mild and our Canadian prophet strikes a medium between the two. The evidence of the past few days is sufficient however, to advise us of our duty to clothe ourselves warmly. Crofts & Johnston have the facilities for furnishing warm, as well as fashionable clothing. A visit to their establishment will repay everyone, for their stock of ladies' and gents winter goods, furs, overcoats, cloths, &c., is excellent and worth seeing. Articles suitable for Christmas presents are plentifully displayed.

LIFE ASSURANCE.—Mr. W. Hendry, the manager of the Ontario Life Assurance Co. of Waterloo, delivered a lecture to the policy holders of the Co. here on the 5th inst. in the Temperance hall. From an examination of the papers of the Co. and the very lucid and fair manner in which Mr. Hendry laid before the meeting the claims of his Co., we conclude that the Ontario stands second to no Co. doing business. Among advantages to be gained by insuring in the Ontario we remark the following, lowest rates, a purely provincial company, dividends every year, an endowment at the life rate, an equitable division of all the surplus over actual expenses to the policy holders, and many other features well worthy of the attention of insurers. Their security being ample and their management the most economical of any company now doing business, we have no hesitation in recommending every one who has not a policy to take one in the Ontario, and those who have not yet done their duty to their families and themselves should lose no time in securing a policy with the Ontario Mutual.

SKATING RINK.—The new skating rink will be opened to the public for the first time, on the 20th inst. Admission, 25 cents. The Silver Cornet Band will be present.

CHURCH.—We understand that the North St. Methodist S. S. are preparing to give a concert on the evening of Thursday, 28th Dec. Those who have attended the concerts heretofore given by the School, speak very highly of them.

TO FARMERS AND GROWERS.—In an advertisement, Mr. John McIntyre, Blackwith, Maitlandville, takes out contract to construct tenenons and chopping. This gentleman has established an excellent reputation as a blacksmith, and repairs old saws, making them as good as new. Read his card.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—The Rev. W. W. Ross, permanent agent of the U. C. Bible Society, will hold a public meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Monday evening, Dec. 18. A collection will be made in behalf of the funds of the society. Mr. Ross is an able speaker and deserving of a full house. The revd. gentleman will preach in Knox church on Sabbath next.

BUSINESS CHANGE.—Mr. W. M. Hillis has taken a partner into his business, and the new firm will be known as Hillis & Co. The business will now be conducted on a much larger scale than heretofore, and the city trained in order to meet the growing demands thereof. The firm has in stock a supply of fresh Indian meal, flour, and is selling cheap at wholesale.

BAZAAR.—The ladies of the Methodist church purpose holding a Bazaar, on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. A fine collection of useful and fancy articles will be offered for sale at unusually low prices. The entertainment will contain many things suitable for holiday presents. Dinner will be served from 12 o'clock each day, and tea from 5.

MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATION.—The settlement for the time of the Dunkin Act question has given the people time to think of municipal matters, and rumor is busy with the names of probable candidates. For the coming year the town will be entitled to two Deputy Reeves, and Mr. Wm. Campbell is a candidate for the office of first Deputy, and Mr. Jas. Small for the second. Mr. J. T. Garrow is again a candidate for the Reeveship. These three gentlemen are favorable to the temperance movement. Mr. R. W. McKenzie is a candidate for Mr. Campbell's position in St. Patrick's Ward, and Mr. W. R. Robertson is most anxious as a candidate for Mr. Small's seat in St. David's. Mr. H. H. Smith is again in the field for St. George's. Mr. J. H. Finlay is again in the field for the Mayoralty. We have not yet heard of an opponent to him.

SEVERE GALE.—On Friday night and Saturday last a severe gale prevailed here, causing considerable damage. The schr. Jane McLeod and barges Muskoka and Waubashene, which were lying at the Grand Trunk dock, got loose and drifted about during the night, the Muskoka finally grounding on the island. The other two vessels were secured to the breakwater on Saturday, after being but slightly damaged. The schr. M. C. Cameron, which lay behind the breakwater, strained so much that she snapped an inch and a quarter chain and got loose. She drifted along the dock, and her bowsprit came in contact with the leg of Ogilvie & Hutchison's elevator and damaged it slightly, tearing off some of the brackets. The schr. lost some of her gearing, and was finally secured at the breakwater. During the continuance of the gale the large iron smoke-stacks of the mill were blown down, which accident will suspend operations at the mill this week.

SEAFORTH.

A skating rink has been established in town.

Mr. M. Y. McLean, of the *Expositor*, has consented to be a candidate for the Deputy-Reeveship.

ACCIDENT.—Wm. Blair, a young man employed with Malcolm Monroe, was thrown from his cutter, a few evenings ago, and had his shoulder dislocated.

SOME COPPERS.—Messrs. Duncan & Duncan of this town, a few days ago procured from the Receiver-General, at Toronto, one hundred dollars' worth of coppers. This batch weighed 137 pounds.

NILE.

RELIGIOUS.—The revival meetings held in connection with the Nile church for the last few weeks have been the means of adding many persons to membership. Up to the present, thirty-five have added their names to the church list. Rev. F. B. Sanderson preached a very impressive sermon on Monday evening last.

OFFICERS APPOINTED.—The officers of Nile Lodge No. 1052, L. O. A., for the next year are as follows: W. M., D. Johnston; D. M., T. Gardner; Treas., R. McIlwain; Secretary, R. E. Brown; Chaplain, J. Pentland.

CLINTON.

REVISION COURT.—The revision of the Hullet and Clinton voters' lists brought forth very few complaints. Judgment was reserved in most of the cases.

DEBENTURES SOLD.—We learn that the Mayor has disposed of $2,000 worth of the High School debentures, to the treasurer of Zorra at 96 cents. There still remains about $900 for sale.

BUTTER.—Mr. A. Megaw, of this place, has purchased and shipped, since May last, $34,000 worth of butter.—*New Era*.

COLBORNE.

NOMINATIONS.—The municipal nominations will take place on Friday, Dec. 22nd. See advertisement.

TEA MEETING.—A tea meeting will be held in the M. E. Church, Ben Muller, on Wednesday evening, 20th Dec., when Mr. E. Carswell, the well-known temperance orator, will deliver a lecture. Other speakers are expected, and good music will be provided. Tea served from 6 to 7 p. m.; lecture to commence at 7.30. Tickets, 30 cents. Proceeds to be devoted to paying off the debt on the shed.

DEBATE.—The following subject "Resolved, that the Dunkin Act will not be a benefit to the public at large," was debated by the Sons of Temperance, Div. 308, Benmiller, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 5th. The captains were: Affirmative, W. Robertson; Negative, Andrew Heddle. After a lengthy discussion the chairman, Mr. John Stewart, decided in favor of the negative.

EDUCATIONAL.—The following gives the result of the last monthly written review of the pupils of S. S. No. 2: Class IV, marks possible, 735—M. C. Potter, 638; Nettie Gledhill, 588; Geo. Stewart, 561; W. Maedel, 476. Class III, marks possible, 580—Melinda Fisher, 508; Leonard Stevens, 476; Minnie Maedel, 450; Mary Stevens, 383. Class II, marks possible, 415—Percy Walters, 380; Sarah Heddle, 362; Chas. Morrish, 347; Nettie Greer, 346. Class I, senr., marks possible, 300—Jacob Fisher, 279, Priscilla Fisher, 277; Chas. Fisher, 272; Jane Stewart, 268. Average No. present during review, 74.—COM.

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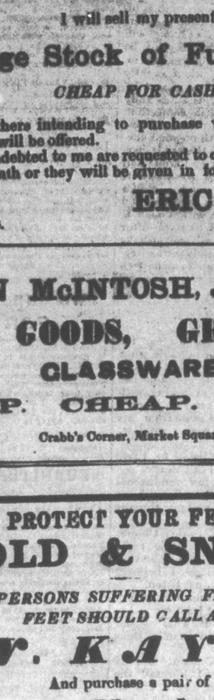

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WINGHAM

The new Baptist church, will be dedicated on Sabbath next, Rev. Dr. David of Toronto, Rev. Mr. Wade of Victoria, will preach.

All animals found running at large in the village are impounded by the church trustees.

Messrs. Hesselgrave & Hamilton, merchants, of Whitechurch, have purchased Hartley's stone block of stores, Wingham, for $7,000.

BRUSSELS.

A few days ago George, son of Wm. Armstrong, was wounded in the left hand by the explosion of a rifle while shooting at an improvised target just behind the hotel.

Last week Messrs. Miller & Marshall, Worcester, shipped from Brussels, the head of cattle purchased for $1473.

A "Christmas tree" is to be furnished for the Sabbath School children of the Methodist church, here, on Christmas day.

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

—S. S. No. 10 Howick is about to borrow $300 for school purposes.

—Jas. Barr, of Blyth, was recently badly hurt by the bursting of his gun.

—St. Andrew's day was celebrated by a supper, in Brussels, of which 70 persons partook.

—Upwards of 40 tons of pork were bought by the buyers in Lucknow on Tuesday of last week.

—All the blacksmiths in Blyth signed the Dunkin Bill petition, and the hotel-keepers in consequence stopped dealing with them.

—The men employed in ballasting the L. H. & B. R. have been discharged. Only two sidings have yet to be completed.

—Mrs. P. Carry, 12th con. Ashfield, had the misfortune, a few days ago, while getting over a fence, to fall and break her arm.

—Dr. Tennant and wife, of Lucknow, were thrown from a cutter whilst out driving a few days ago. Mrs. Tennant was slightly injured.

—Mr. Wm. Smith, 1st con. Turnberry, last week sold two 2 year old steers, one calved in May, and the other in June, which together weighed 2,535 lbs, for $162.

—Bayfield having established a separate school section, thus leaving one of the Stanley sections disproportionate to the others, the question of reconstruction is being discussed.

—A shooting match at Blyth, for $10, between Messrs Murphy and Campbell on one side and Messrs Hood and Horne on the other, last week was won by the former by 14 points.

—A Mr. Hewitt, of Wawanosh, recently sold the carcass of a bull to a butcher in Blyth, representing it as that of a steer. The matter was submitted to the County Attorney, and a case of "false pretences" will probably be made out.

BIRTHS.

In Goderich, on Dec. 2nd, the wife of Mr. W. R. Robertson, of a daughter.

In Goderich, on 29th Nov., the wife of Mr. W. R. Squier, of a son.

In Goderich, on 26th Nov., the wife of Mr. Wm. Proctor, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

In Dumbarton, Scotland, on 7th Nov., Mr. Wm. Stevens, ship carpenter, Goderich, to Elizabeth, youngest daughter, of Mr. John Somerville, Dumbarton, Scotland.

On the 6th inst., at the Parsonage, Carlow, by the Rev. T. Mason, Mr. Robert Kerr, of Colborne, to Miss Louisa McBrien, of Hullett.

DEATHS.

In Goderich, on Dec. 6th, Mary Ann Florence, daughter of Mr. Timothy Mahany, aged 17 years and 9 months.

In Seaforth, on Dec. 3d, Duncan Campbell, aged 88 years.

Deceased was a native of Argyleshire, Scotland, and one of the pioneers of the old Bathurst District, where he settled in the spring of 1821. He removed to Usborne, Huron Co., about 15 years ago, and within the last year removed to Seaforth to reside with his son, Dr. Campbell, of that place. His mortal remains were interred in Rodgerville cemetery. Peace to his ashes.

THE MARKETS

GODERICH, Dec 12 1876.

Gold 1.09½. Salt, per bbl 90 to $1.0 retail; wholesale 70 to 80.

Wheat, (Fall) ℔ bush (new)	$1 10	@	1 15
Wheat, (Spring) ℔ bush	1 08	@	1 13
Flour, (per bbl.)	4 50	@	5 50
Oats, ℔ bush	0 42	@	0 45
Peas, ℔ bush	65	@	0 65
Barley, ℔ bush	55	@	0 60
Potatoes, ℔ bush new	0 50	@	0 55
Hay per ton	7 00	@	9 00
Chickens	0 12½	@	0 15
Butter, ℔ lb	0 18	@	0 20
Eggs, ℔ doz (unpacked)	0 15	@	0 20
Beef	4 50	@	5 50
Pork	6 25	@	6 50
Hides	4 00	@	4 50
Wood	5 50	@	6 00

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Wheat, (Fall) per bush	$1 05	@	1 14
Wheat, (Spring) per bush	1 04	@	1 11
Flour, (per brl)	5 00	@	5 50
Oats, per bush	42	@	42
Peas, per bush	68	@	70
Barley, per bush	0 50	@	0 55
Potatoes, per bush	0 45	"	0 50
Butter	0 19	"	0 20
Eggs, per doz. (unpacked)	0 16	"	0 17
Hay	8 00	"	9 00
Sheep skins	0 50	"	1 10
Hides	4 50	"	4 00

New Advertisements.

ESTRAY HEIFER.

CAME into the premises of the subscriber about the latter part of November, a two year old heifer. The owner can have the same upon proving ownership and paying expenses.

N. W. NUTT,
4th Con., Lot 12 E., D.
Colborne.

1556 c

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A first class double cutter for sale.
Maitlandville, December 12th, 1876.
1556 3 mos.

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On West Street.

The subscribers have built a large covered skating rink on West St. which will be flooded and ready for use on

Wednesday Evg. next, Dec. 20th.

ADMISSION, 25 CENTS.

Season tickets can be purchased at the Rink.

The Goderich Silver Cornet Band

Will be present to supply music.

McIntyre, Harrison & Grierson,

Goderich, Dec. 13, 1876 1556c

THE NOMINATIONS

FOR THE

Township of Colborne,

Will take place in the Township Hall, on

Friday the 22d December, 1876,

at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon.

AND in case a poll be demanded, the election will be held on the first Monday in January, in the several Subdivisions as shown by by-law, No 30. Wm. Robertson, to be returning officer for Subdivision No. 1, polling place at Hentie's shop, Bronsilliar village; A. Sands, to be returning officer for Subdivision No. 2, polling place at the Temperance Hall, Maitlandville; J. A. McDonagh, to be returning officer for Subdivision No 3, polling place Township Hall, Smith's Hill; Jas. O. Stewart, to be returning officer for Sub-division No 4, polling place in the Lisburn Temperance Hall.

J. A. McDONAGH,
Colborne, Dec. 12, 1876. 1556 Tp Clerk.

CARD.

R. PROUDFOOT,

W. return thanks to his many friends and the public for their very liberal support since the last six years he has been in business, and would inform them that he has now added a large stock of

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AUCTION SALE

—OF—

FARM LANDS

IN ASHFIELD.

PURSUANT to the decree and two orders for sale made in a cause in chancery of Garrow vs Martin dated respectively the 23rd day of February A. D. 1876, the 20th day of June A. D. 1876 and the 15th day of November A. D. 1876, there will be sold with the approbation of Henry MacDermott Esquire, Master at Goderich by George Moon Trueman Auctioneer, at his Auction rooms in the Town of Goderich, on

Saturday, the 16th day of December

next at twelve of the clock noon

in one lot the following farm lands viz: the Northerly 136 acres of Lot Number 3 in the 4th Con. Western Division of the Township of Ashfield in the County of Huron, except eight acres thereout conveyed by Alexander Dreany Et ux to John Bryden by Deed dated 16th July 1870, and except also fifty acres off the North end of the said first mentioned parcel heretofore sold and conveyed to one Milroy, the said lands to be sold as aforesaid comprising seventy-eight acres more or less, the proper metes and bounds whereof will be produced and shown at the time of sale as the same are set forth in the pleadings in the said cause.

The land is situate on the Goderich and Kincardine Gravel Road, about one mile north of Port Albert.

The soil is a clay loam well adapted for wheat and other grain raising. About twenty acres are cleared and capable of cultivation. The balance is slashed and partly burnt over and can be easily cleared.

The improvements upon the land are not extensive or valuable, but the soil is fresh and good and the situation convenient.

The land will be put up at an upset price of $1400

The purchaser will be required to pay down at the sale a deposit of ten per cent of his purchase money and the balance into Court in one month without interest, when he will be entitled to be let into possession and to receive his conveyance. Unless the deposit of ten per cent is paid forthwith by the person declared the purchaser, the property will be put up again at a previous bidding and the sale continued. In other respects the conditions of sale shall be the standing conditions of sale of the Court of Chancery.

A clear title free from all incumbrances will be given.

For further particulars apply to Messrs Cameron, McFadden & Holt, B. L. Doyle Esq., G. Campaigne, Esq., Solicitors, Goderich, the auctioneer, and the Vendor's Solicitors. Dated at the Town of Goderich this 15th day of November, A. D. 1876.

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McLEAN & COLLINS.

Goderich, Nov. 7, 1876. 1551-tf

Goderich Public Schools.

TENDERS FOR WOOD.

TENDERS will be received by the Goderich Board of Public School Trustees, up to January 1st, for the delivery of

100 Cords of Green Maple & Beech WOOD,

free from limbs and back logs, four feet clear. Tenders will be received for not less than 20 cords. Two good and sufficient securities must be furnished for the fulfilment of contract; wood to be delivered at the schools as ordered by the Secretary.

1555 c WM. MITCHELL, Sec'y.

Cleanse your Beds.

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REMOVES all dust and animal matter from Feathers, destroys moths and everything calculated to destroy the feathers. Try it and be satisfied. We make no boast what it will do, but we know those who try it will be satisfied. No charge unless we give satisfaction and do as we say. Parties can have their beds renovated the same day. Orders can be left at our place of business on

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Opposite Martin & Bailey's Hotel.

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GODERICH, Dec. 5th, 1876.

We certify that we have tried the Feather Renovator now in Goderich, known as Kelly's Patent Feather Renovator, owned and worked by the Messrs. Whitlam, and are well satisfied with the work, and believe the men to be honest and trustworthy.—Mrs. Fletcher, D. Ferguson, G. N. Davis, G. H. Parsons, Mrs. J. G. Pinsent, W. A. Martin, Mrs. J. T. Garrow, Mrs. F. Adamson, Mrs. James Buchanan.

I am much pleased with the work done for me.—John S. McDougall, Clerk Division Court.

Sheriff's Notices.

Sheriff's Sale of Lands.

County of Huron, To Wit: } By virtue of two Writs of Fieri Facias issued out of Her Majesty's County Court of the County of Huron, and to me directed against the lands and tenements of William Hales, Defendant, at the suit of R. Thomson and A. R. Williams, Plaintiffs, I have seized and taken in execution, all the Estate, right, title and interest of the said defendant of, in and to the north part of lot twenty-five in the 14th concession of the Township of Hullett, in County of Huron, which lands and tenements I shall offer for sale, at my office in the Court House, in town of Goderich, on Saturday the Sixteenth day of December next, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon.

ROBERT GIBBONS, Sheriff of Huron.

Sheriff's Office, Goderich, Sept. 13, 1876. } 1544

Sheriff's Sale of Lands.

County of Huron, To Wit: } By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of Her Majesty's County Court of the County of Huron, and to me directed against the Lands and Tenements of David Bogie, Defendant, at the suit of William Blasbury, Plaintiff, I have seized and taken in Execution all the estate, right, title and interest of the said Defendant, of, in and to the north half of lot number nine, in the Eleventh Concession, Western Division of the Township of Colborne, in the County of Huron. Which Lands and Tenements I shall offer for sale at my office in the Court House, in the Town of Goderich, on Saturday, the Twenty-seventh day of January, A. D., 1877, at the hour of 12 of the clock noon.

ROBERT GIBBONS, Sheriff of Huron.

Sheriff's Office, Goderich, Oct. 15th, 1876. } 1549 3mos

Sheriff's Sale of Lands.

County of Huron, To Wit: } By virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of Her Majesty's County Court of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and to me directed against the Lands and Tenements of James Scott, Defendant, at the suit of James Fowler and Joseph William Bower, Plaintiff, I have seized and taken in Execution all the Estate right title and interest of the said defendant of in and to lot Number eight hundred and fifty one and part of Lot Eight hundred and fifty Mary street in the Town of Clinton in the County of Huron. Which Lands and Tenements I shall offer for sale, at my office in the Court House, in the Town of Goderich, on Saturday the tenth day of February A. D. 1877, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

ROBERT GIBBONS, Sheriff of Huron.

Sheriff's Office, Goderich, Nov. 7th, 1876. } 1552

Sheriff's Sale of Lands.

County of Huron, To Wit: } By virtue of a writ of Venditioni Exponas issued out of Her Majesty's County Court of the County of Huron and to me directed against the Lands and Tenements of William James, Defendant, at the suit of Richard Freyne, Plaintiff, I have seized and taken in Execution all the right title and interest of the said defendant of in and to lot No. 9 on the North side of Mary St., in the Village of Fordwich, (less the North part of and lot sold to Catherine McTavish) and lots Nos. fifteen and sixteen on the North side of Albert Street in the said Village of Fordwich in the County of Huron. Which Lands and Tenements I shall offer for sale, at my office in the Court House, in the Town of Goderich, on Saturday the Twenty-third day of December next, at the hour of Twelve of the clock, noon.

ROBERT GIBBONS, sheriff of Huron.

Sheriff's Office, Goderich, Dec. 9th 1876. } 1556-b

Sheriff's Sale of Lands.

County of Huron, To Wit: } By virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of Her Majesty's County Court of the County of Huron and to me directed against the Lands and Tenements of James Alexander Cameron at the suit of William George Wilson. I have seized and taken in Execution all the Estate right title and interest of the said Defendant of in and to all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Township of Stephen in the County of Huron and described as follows, commencing at the South West angle of Deviation Road through Lot one in aux Sable concession, Thence south easterly along southern limit of said road one hundred and thirty feet. Thence southerly twenty five feet. Thence westerly parallel with southerly limit of said road one hundred and thirty feet more or less arriving at easterly limit of Lake shore Road. Thence northerly along said road twenty five feet to place of beginning. Containing by admeasurement three thousand two hundred and fifty feet more or less. Which lands and Tenements I shall offer for sale, at my office in the Court House, in the Town of Goderich, on Saturday the Tenth day of March, A. D. 1877 at the hour of 12 of the clock, noon.

ROBERT GIBBONS, Sheriff of Huron.

Sheriff's Office, Goderich, Dec 5th, 1876. } 1546

Insolvent Act of 1875.

In the County Court of the County of Huron,

George H. Parsons, Plaintiff, vs. Edward Jones, Defendant. } NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of the Power vested in me as Assignee of the estate of the above named Defendant, and in pursuance of a resolution of the creditors of the said Defendant, and under an order of the Junior Judge of the County Court of the County of Huron, dated the ninth day of December, A. D. 1876, I will offer for sale by Public Auction at my office, in the Court House, in the Town of Goderich, on Tuesday the sixteenth day of January, A. D. 1877, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, all the estate, right title and interest of the above named Defendant, Edward Jones, and of my self, as his assignee, of, in, to and out of Lot number nine hundred and ninty-one, in the Town of Goderich, in the County of Huron and Province of Ontario

The said lot is encumbered to the amount of about $71.00.

Terms and conditions made known on day of sale.

For further particulars apply to

ROBERT GIBBONS, Assignee.

Dated this 11th day of December, A. D. 1876.

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For further particulars apply either by letter or in person to

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1552 1 mo.

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Monday, 3rd day of July, 1876.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 30th June, both days inclusive. By order of the Board.

JAS. MILNE, Manager.

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