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GURON SIGNAL.

GODERICH, MARCH 3, 1870.

QUITUS ONLY ONE DOLLAR.

Not content with defaming the County Council and the people of Huron out of at least \$140,000 or thereabouts, the year's tender prices for the County Printing, the Goderich Signal, has the audacity to endeavor to dictate what shall or shall not charge for the Huron Signal. We do not know whether our

able friend of the Signal is a practical printer or not—(judging from the fact that his sheet is printed outside of the County, we should say not)—but we think we do know that an experience of eighteen years as what is right in any such case. We think we have never been behind in our work, and if we have ever failed, the Editor will please point out when and how.

The Editor descends to the Dan Morison of alluding to what he terms our "limited circulation." Now, on that point we are quite satisfied with the veracity of our advertisements, to whom and all other our bona fide lists are at all times open for inspection.

The Editor hints that our "conscientious scruples" would not allow us to charge more than \$1.00 for the Weekly Signal—not being worth more, in his opinion, than that sum. It will become the Editor's man, after having chafed the County out of a large sum of money, to talk about conscientious scruples! Scruples, forsooth! Let him be man enough to come out and answer the distinct charge of peculation we have fastened upon him, and from which he cannot escape, wriggle as he may.

The subject of the matter is that the Editor attacks us because we think fit to complete our weeklies merely for the reason that he cannot get out of a dirty trick, to remember that the public will allow this position to be quietly abandoned, but will expect it to be discussed at the earliest possible opportunity. The first point to be settled is whether or not the Council is in a position to take action and to what extent; to ascertain the views of proprietors and to what amount a bonus towards the undertaking could be secured.

The Council met on Friday, 25th Feb. Present: The Mayor in the chair, Messrs. Pasmore, Gibson, Watson, Seymour, Sinclair, Dorr, McKee, Gardner, Runciman, Howell and Clifford. Minutes of last regular and special meetings approved and signed. The account of G. N. Davis, for \$12.16 was ordered to be paid. A petition of Ratepayers for the present system of drainage—the main sewer to be built in almost the same position as the one recommended by the Council—was read. Moved by Mr. Runciman, seconded by Mr. Gibson, that it be received and read. The petition of David Reid for remission of \$2.00 dog-tax. Granted. Petition of seventy-nine ratepayers and residents, to refuse saloon licenses, and to secure the carrying out of the law with reference to taverns and grocery stores was read. Moved by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mr. Watson, that the petition be laid over until the reading of the By-law referring to licenses. Accounts of J. G. Gordon King, for \$100.00, referred to Finance Committee. Moved by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Howell, that the Auditor report the books and accounts of 1869 correct, and that a statement relative to the Northern Grant Road. The report was referred to the Finance Committee. D. Ferguson's account for \$5.00, referred to Mr. Sheppard and Strachan's account for \$27.05, ordered to be paid. Mrs. Reed's account for \$22.00 for Henry King's board and washing was ordered to be paid if \$20.00 could be accepted. Applications for tavern licenses were received from Mr. McMurtrie, John McPherson and E. Bingham. A By-law to regulate the granting of licenses to taverns, shops and saloons was read the first time. Moved by Mr. Runciman, seconded by Mr. Howell, that the petition be laid over until the reading of the petition previously received. Mr. Sinclair would have voted against the license, if he had been present. Mr. Seymour moved in favor of licensing saloons, or as they are and ought to be called, houses of entertainment. He moved that the petition be laid over until the reading of the petition previously received. Mr. Smith would vote for saloons, because they used formerly to be unlicensed saloons, which were a nuisance, and whiskey sold cards played on the table. The amendment was voted as follows: Nays, 9—Messrs. Hays, Pasmore, McKee, Watson, Seymour, Howell, Sinclair, Dorr, Gardner, and Clifford. Yays, 2—Messrs. Gardner and Runciman. The By-law appointing Street and Road Inspector, and describing his duties was agreed to, and the blanks were filled up as follows:—That Mr. Thomas Hood be appointed Inspector, at the salary of \$300. The Council then adjourned.

Mr. Dufreneau briefly stated his views of the military position, which, as regards the County, seemed to be as much in doubt as that of the County. Mr. Stouffer would like ministers by their future policy, not by their past. Parliament had forgotten much to the Minister of Justice, the Minister of Militia, and the member for Sherbrooke, who had to forego the privilege of being a member of the Upper Canada Liberal Club, and to be a member of all of them. He took of independence and loyalty was a word of Foundation and loyalty, if the people desired to change their institutions—the way to the United States was a word of Foundation and loyalty, if the people desired to change their institutions.

Mr. Young reviewed the address and policy of the Government at some length. Mr. Lavigne called attention to the rumors that French Canadian members of the Government had given encouragement to the Red River nomination, he gave them the most explicit contradiction. Mr. MacInnes called the report to that effect came to Mr. P. Lavigne through the hands of a certain individual, who was a member of the Stinking River (Mr. MacInnes) had said on the spot it was incredible and impossible. He thought it possible some one might have let the Stinking River say something which had been thus misinterpreted. Mr. Lavigne gave the same contradiction respecting his brothers.

Mr. McGill thought the address referred to the omission of allusion to the enlargement of the canal and some other things. He announced the Independence day, as essentially disloyal, and criticized the conduct of the Secretary for the Province in the North-West.

Mr. Bell, Mr. Milk, Mr. Oliver, and Mr. Jones, of Leeds, and Mr. Chamberlain followed, Mr. Huntington in reply to Mr. Chamberlain.

The remaining clauses of the address were then agreed to. OTTAWA, 23rd Feb. In the Senate. Hon. Mr. Letellier de St Just moved for copies of McDougall's commission as Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories. He said he had been formerly appointed to Confederation, but seeing it was a *fait accompli* he would do nothing to prevent it. He said that the question of the appointment of Mr. McDougall, who, he said, was not acceptable to the half-breeds and Indians from his address in the Manitoba affair.

Mr. Macpherson thought better communication should be made with the North-West Territories, than that contemplated last session. Mr. Campbell defended the Government. The debate on the address being over, the House of Commons has adjourned fairly to work.

A considerable amount of formal business was transacted through the afternoon, but very little of it has any special importance. The Government intimated their intention to fulfill the pledge given last session with reference to the rate of interest, the question being whether the present rate was a *fait accompli* or not, and whether it was a *fait accompli* or not, and whether it was a *fait accompli* or not.

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The Council met on Friday, 25th Feb. Present: The Mayor in the chair, Messrs. Pasmore, Gibson, Watson, Seymour, Sinclair, Dorr, McKee, Gardner, Runciman, Howell and Clifford. Minutes of last regular and special meetings approved and signed. The account of G. N. Davis, for \$12.16 was ordered to be paid. A petition of Ratepayers for the present system of drainage—the main sewer to be built in almost the same position as the one recommended by the Council—was read. Moved by Mr. Runciman, seconded by Mr. Gibson, that it be received and read. The petition of David Reid for remission of \$2.00 dog-tax. Granted. Petition of seventy-nine ratepayers and residents, to refuse saloon licenses, and to secure the carrying out of the law with reference to taverns and grocery stores was read. Moved by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mr. Watson, that the petition be laid over until the reading of the By-law referring to licenses. Accounts of J. G. Gordon King, for \$100.00, referred to Finance Committee. Moved by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Howell, that the Auditor report the books and accounts of 1869 correct, and that a statement relative to the Northern Grant Road. The report was referred to the Finance Committee. D. Ferguson's account for \$5.00, referred to Mr. Sheppard and Strachan's account for \$27.05, ordered to be paid. Mrs. Reed's account for \$22.00 for Henry King's board and washing was ordered to be paid if \$20.00 could be accepted. Applications for tavern licenses were received from Mr. McMurtrie, John McPherson and E. Bingham. A By-law to regulate the granting of licenses to taverns, shops and saloons was read the first time. Moved by Mr. Runciman, seconded by Mr. Howell, that the petition be laid over until the reading of the petition previously received. Mr. Sinclair would have voted against the license, if he had been present. Mr. Seymour moved in favor of licensing saloons, or as they are and ought to be called, houses of entertainment. He moved that the petition be laid over until the reading of the petition previously received. Mr. Smith would vote for saloons, because they used formerly to be unlicensed



