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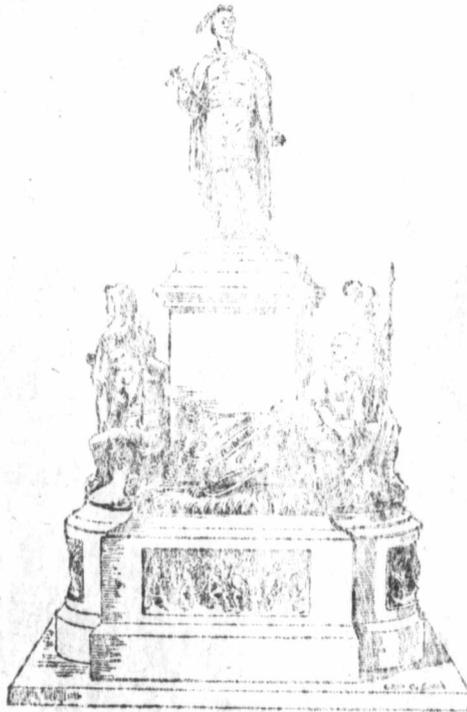
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BRANTFORD, JUNE, 1895.

The weather continues very dry and the crops are suffering in consequence, those on the clay land are holding out the best; still if rain does not soon come the loss will be very great.

We hear that the S. N. A. S. have invited the Governor-General to be present at the exhibition of that society in the fall.

In the Northwest the crops are reported as looking favorable for a good harvest.

We are glad to hear that the last accounts of the Rev. I. Tenent are that he is somewhat better.

Some amendments to the Indian act are on their way through Parliament.

Road mending is actively proceeded with; in some parts there will not be so much done on account of the amount of statute labor already performed in clearing the roads of the unusually heavy snow drifts of the past winter.

The Missionaries' Association will meet at the Kanyengeh parsonage on Wednesday, June 26th.

The convention of the Tuscarora S. S. Association was held at Ohsweken on Wednesday, June 11. The proceedings were of a very interesting character. Chief I. Johnson, who has ably filled the post of president for the past three years, retires; the position being filled by Mr. I. Monture. The number of scholars on the roll shows an increase during the past year, the number reaching now to 700. In the course of his report Chief Johnson made a statement regarding the relative strength of

the pagan and christian population on the Reserve, comparing the returns of 1890 and 1894, which was of a very discouraging nature to those engaged in missionary work on the Reserve. But on carefully examining the returns we find that there is really not that ground for discouragement, which Chief Johnson seemed to find. He based his remarks on the fact that the returns showed in 1890 the number of pagans as 630, and in 1894, 817, showing an increase of 187. But if we compare the years 1893 and 1894 we find the returns as follows: 1893, total pop. 3531, christian pop. 2,634, pagan pop. 897; for 1894, total pop. 3557, christian pop. 2,740, pagan 817. During that year then, the last we have returns for, the total population increased 26, christian population increased 106, and the pagan population decreased 80. Now with regard to this matter, it is be shown that there has been great deal of fluctuation and change, and up to the returns 1892 and 1893 there has been increase in the number of those returned under the head of paga. The cause of this is to be found in the greater accuracy of the returns under the present system. For instance, let us go back one-half a decade. In the year 1889 we find the religious returns as follows:— Total population 3,384, Protestants 2,137, Roman Catholic 25, Pagan 684, religion unknown 534, Universalists 4. In 1894 we have only Protestants and Pagans returned; what has become of the R. C's. and the Great Unknown? They have been absorbed into the Protestants and Pagans. Now, we think that a great many of those unknown have found their way into the number of those returned as Pagans, and have caused the rise of Pagans from 684 in 1889 to 897 in 1893. Since then as we have observed before, there has been a rapid decline. But now let us compare the returns of the last five years: 1889, total pop. 3,384, Protestant

pop. 2,137, pagan 684.

1894, total pop. 3,557, Protestant pop. 2,740, Pagan 817.

This shows that the total population has increased 173; Christian population increased 603, Pagan population increased 133. Thus while the Pagan population has fallen greatly behind the general increase, the christian population has considerably more than trebled it. There is surely no cause in these statements for discouragement. In writing the above we would say that we can easily see how Chief Johnson was led to suppose the unsatisfactory condition of affairs; his statement of the figures were correct as far as they went, and certainly called for an investigation into the matter, and we are sure no one will rejoice more than he will to see the real facts as stated above. Also, we are sure that good will result both from his remarks and those of others which his statement called forth. We would also desire to say that in placing the above figures before you, we do not do so in any spirit of exultation over our friends on the Reserve who have not embraced Christianity. Our earnest and sincere religious belief of any person, even though it differs from our own, is not to be set in a spirit of vindictiveness but in a spirit of love and forbearance. As Mr. Friend, of Brantford, remarked: he had no doubt that one great cause why many had not embraced christianity was that they saw in the professing christians surrounding them so little to commend the religion of Jesus Christ. We think with Chief Johnson, that the word pagan is not a proper term for describing the non-christian population of the Reserve. There are many among them who are christians in all but name, and the only desire in regard to them, on the part of christians is, that they may know more fully the Great Spirit as revealed in His Son Jesus Christ. There are many symptoms which show that many among them are abandoning the evil spirit of antagonism to the christian religion; it only needs, we believe, for them to understand fully the true character of the religion of Jesus Christ.

The reasons which have kept,

and are keeping many from embracing the christian faith, calls for and would well repay a searching investigation by all the christian workers on the Reservation. But we believe and hope that the time is not far distant when all the people on the Reserve will be united in the one fold under the Great Shepherd.

The 24th was celebrated in the usual manner. There was a large assemblage of Indians at Ohsweken, luncheon of bread and cheese was given in the council house.— After which speeches were delivered. A very pleasant afternoon was spent in the fair grounds where a large company of people assembled to see the sports. The proposal to charge an entrance fee was very properly abandoned, so that there was no hinderance to the harmony of the proceedings. Games of football and athletic sports engaged the attention of the large crowd assembled. Among our visitors were Wm. Patterson Esq., M. P., and Mr. L. Heyd, from Brantford, and our former assistant Dr. Frank. The weather was all that could be desired and a very enjoyable day was spent. There was just one feature of the day's proceedings which we could have very well dispensed with. The day was very warm doubtless, but we noticed a few lads and young men overcome with something that was evidently not the heat alone. We are informed that the enemy on this occasion was cider, which was pretty freely sold as a kind of temperance drink. Now old hard cider is a very different thing from sweet cider, as some young fellows discovered. As these festivities are held under the auspices of the council, this is a matter which should claim their attention.

The members of our volunteer companies are preparing for camp, to which they will go for 12 days drill on the 18th. This reminds us of the address delivered at last

month's council, by Mr. Chadwick of Toronto, in which he so strongly advised the organization of a battalion of infantry on this reserve we have not the slightest doubt that a battalion three or four hundred strong could be organized in this Reserve without much difficulty & especially if our popular Superintendent Capt. E. D. Cameron, of the Dufferin Rifles, who we understand will shortly be eligible for such a command, were gazetted as Colonel. We are also sure that the battalion composed of our natives would prove to be a credit both to the Six Nations and also to the service. We have been given to understand that the aim of the Militia Department is not to increase the number of the volunteers already existing, so much as to increase their respective strength and efficiency, and therefore there is not much prospect that the proposition to organize a distinct battalion on the Six Nation Reserve would be favorably entertained by the military authorities. We do not for one moment presume to criticise the wisdom of those in authority in this department, but still we would urge the matter on the government for the benefit it would be to the young men on the Reserve. There can be no doubt that the physical and mental benefit experienced, especially upon young men by their being subjected to military discipline and drill, even if only for a short period, is very great, and therefore, if only for that reason alone, we hope that the Six Nation battalion may yet become an accomplished fact.

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS.

In the published report of those who passed the recent examination in Toronto University, we were pleased to observe the names of Mr.—new Dr. Ashton, S. Langrill and Miss Addie J. Langrill, second son and second daughter of the medical superintendent, Dr. J. A. Langrill. In taking his degree the Dr. took a

very high standing, he took first-class honors in five of the most important subjects, and second-class in three others. He also passed the Medical Council Examinations, and has the degree M. B. Toronto University, and M. C. P. and S. Ont.

Miss Addie passed the second year arts examination in modern languages, but the class list showing relative standing are not yet printed. Last year she took honors in several departments and we hope she will be equally successful this year.

RESERVATION ITEMS.

Sour Springs.

Barn raising bees are the order of the day in this locality. The frame of a splendid barn was successfully raised on the premises of chief William Smith. It will soon be in a condition to receive the produce of the farm. Another fine barn was raised on the farm belonging to Chief G. Hill, on Tuesday last, and we hear of another shortly going up at Strong's School house.

Victoria Mills.

The people in this section have good reason to fear that the crops here will be very poor.

We have the proud satisfaction of knowing that we have in our midst a first-class farmer, in the person of Chief Wm. Smith, he owns about 200 acres of land, a large herd of farm stock, fine brick residence, drive house and stables. He is putting up a banked barn 30 by 40 ft. and had a raising bee Wednesday and Thursday, the 5th and 6th inst., each day he had 100 men to help. Mrs. Smith had a quilting bee at the same time, she had 20 ladies the first day and 8 the next, and if space would permit, we would like to mention a few persons who turned out to assist:—**Mr. John Duncan, Mr. & Mrs. W. Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ferris, Mr. and Mrs. C. Blakely, Mr. A. Westbrook, Mr. J. F. Martin, Mrs. Jas. Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. John Russell, Mrs. Jos. Russell, Mrs. W. Martin,**

Mr. and Mrs. A. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. P. Eadie, Mr. and Mrs. Styers, Mr. and Mrs. E. Powless, Mr. and Mrs. J. Weatherell, Miss S. Russell, Miss F. Davis, and many others. We might say, when the barn is completed it will be the largest and finest barn on the reserve, and the chiefs may rest assuredly that in adopting a loan scheme much improvements will be made on the Reserve in a few years. Mr. S. C. Hill has the contract for the carpenter work, and Mr. A. Barche of Brantford did the stone work, both good mechanics.

Grand River.

Every body is complaining of the dry weather now; we hope for rain soon. It certainly is very serious for the farmers. The river is very low for this time of the year.

Miss Marshall, of Forest, is visiting her sister Mrs. Walker at the parsonage.

Rev. W. Walker has returned from the Hamilton Conference where he spent a week. He is stationed here for another year.

Miss Clara Jamieson has resigned her position as organist, and Miss Davis has taken her place. Chief B. Carpenter leads the singing.

The Farmers on the River road have completed their road work and we will say for them that they have done better work this year than for several years past.

Daniel Marricle is working Mark Martin's place and living in part of the latter's house.

Ohsweken Notes.

The village of Ohsweken is quiet just now, and the spring crops look hard for want of rain.

Last Sunday there was the annual Sunday School convention held in the Baptist church here. The attendance was pretty fair by whites and Indians. The Missionaries on the Reserve were well represented. Some of the speakers mentioned Rev. Mr. Tennent's absence through illness, who had always taken much pains to make these

annual conventions a success. All the speeches were to the point and well delivered, and cannot fail to do good to some one who had the opportunity of listening. The worthy Chief J. S. Johnson who has been President for the last two or three years has retired. He has worked very faithfully while he was in harness at this noble work. Brother Joseph Montruc was elected President for the current Sunday School year and I have good reason to believe that he will be as faithful in the work as his predecessor.

The stone work in the basement of the Baptist chapel is nearly completed, several of the members worked hard to have things—completed so that the people coming to the S. S. convention may not be disappointed, they worked to the last minute. The basement will be very handy and useful when completed. It is gratifying to report that two old brothers, David and John Hill, who were seriously ill are now better and walking around in the village once more. Mr. James Styres who has done much to build up Ohsweken, who also the first post master on the Reserve is still very ill and at point of death. The Six Nations Agricultural Society have selected 2nd, 3rd and 5th of October, for their show days. When it is expected that the Gov. General Canada, and the Supt. General of Indians affairs will be present, the road plank has been delivered into the yard of the Inspector of works ready to be distributed to the several beats on the reserve on the orders of the path masters.

RARIWITYENTAH.

Oneida.

Our wheat fields look as if harvest was at our doors seeing how yellow they look. It is however the result of the two frosts we had last month. Some five years ago we had a similar experience only not quite so destructive then the wheat was not injured although the fruit was destroyed. Farmers are anxiously watching the efforts of the wheat to recover itself; the general opinion seems to

be that the wheat that got knocked down is gone while what is standing although injured to a more or less extent will recover. One farmer philosophically remarked that if we don't get over half crop it is all right because we shall get double the price that we would have got if our crops were full.

Get a number of farmers together and start a conversation on the price of wheat to sell, and you will easily see who has wheat to sell and who has not. The price now in our market at Caledonia and Hagersville is one dollar a bushel, and there are people who think and believe that it will reach one fifty perhaps Sir. W. Vanhorne's prediction was not such a wild one after all.

The oat crop is another bad sufferer from the frost; and the drought coming on afterwards has made many bare spots in the fields. From present appearances the hay crop will be short this year.

The peas seem to be the only crop to exist with promise; however the harvest may after all be much better than the pessimist farmers think.

The Queen's birthday has been and gone and if the weather be any gauge Her Majesty is a great favorite. We sent our contingent to the Council House to celebrate that day right royally; one of these we regret to say succeeded in making a fool of himself by taking in a load of strong water from some where. Boys, don't you know that when you don't behave yourselves you bring discredit not only upon yourselves but also upon us who live in the same community and are trying to behave ourselves properly.

A display and noise of fireworks was seen and heard at the Parsonage on the evening of the 24th and on enquiry we found that the Sunday School Children and their parents had been invited to spend the evening there after their return from the Council House.

Quite a large number accepted the invitation and were entertained by the missionary, and the organist and teacher of the Sunday school, Mrs. Trimmings. The children were plentifully supplied with the small boys delight, firecrackers, who amused themselves with them. Sky rockets, Roman candles, &c., illuminated the proceedings, and songs recitations and speeches by the missionary, our postmaster, Mr. Elam Bearfoot, and two visitors from Burford. Misses Trimmings and Hathaway, assisted to make things agreeable and instructive. Refreshments for all wound up the affair at about 11 o'clock.

The welcome rain has come at last which no doubt will do much good. The weather has been so dry and so warm that the wheat is out in head: even those not more than six inches high are out. It would seem then from present indications that straw is not going to be so plentiful as last year.

The death of our highly esteemed friend G. R. Loft caused two vacancies in the little Church here, that of Clergman warden, and Lay Representative to the Synod. The former has been filled by the appointment of Joseph Smith, and the latter by the election thereto of Wm D. Loft son of the deceased.

John Anderson has we understand been appointed to succeed Mr. Loft as Lay Reader and will conduct services here on Sundays that the missionary goes to Delaware.

The weather is now so hot that the children's singing practice in the church will during the summer be held at seven in the evening of Thursdays instead of at four.

Stature labor, road work is all the go just now; and it is pleasing to see how cheerfully the work is done too! Our white neighbors might with advantage take a point or two from us in that matter.

The Pagans—so called in this section have caught the fever of improvement. They are busily engaged in putting in a good and substantial foundation to their Long Hose. They are not going to be behind their Christian brethren in keeping up their place of worship in a proper manner.

The ball season on Sundays has commenced and is in full tide now.

The players meet and play every Sunday afternoon opposite Peter Atkins store and within sound of the Christian Church bell. The crowds is always very large: many who are not Pagans come to see the sport and so help it on—some whites too. There is no Dominion statute against Indians, Christians, or Pagans doing what they like on Sundays, play or work; and we are not aware that the Ontario Statutes apply to them in this matter. The feeling regarding the Sabbath day in this community seems to be advancing in the direction of keeping it in a respectful manner at least, and there is no doubt that in time if the matter is handled aright everybody Pagans and all will observe it. Considering what the white people do on Sundays on the sly there would not be such observance of it among them as there is if there was no proper observance of the Lord's day act in existence. The white people then had better not throw up their hands in holy horror too soon when they hear of what is going in the Reserve on Sundays.

Smoothtown Items.

Great was our astonishment when we found that we were not remembered in the last issue. We knew of no other way to obtain the desired information than to appoint a investigation committee composed of our leading and prominent citizens, and to give our esteemed knight of quill a gentle but yet compulsory command to make his appearance before the elected committee; to be armed with explanation; Why this shirk of duty. He came poor fellow; and a sad night for him. He looked as though he could not stand on his legs when he was to present his case and at the suggestion of one of the committee a chair was offered him but he kindly refused it; saying that it would be more becoming, more genteel more manly on his part to remain standing with his hat off during examination. Yet wite all this bravado he trembled exceedingly

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and looked as if his inclinations was to completely jump out of his shoes and clothes. leaving the articles there to apologize and plead his cause. While he should seek refuge in some secluded corner. However it was useless. He endeavored to give his explanation but he was not successful, he was utterly helpless. Oh how those imploring grey eyes glanced here and there for help a smile of comfort but in vain. After several brave attempts, he gave it up in despair, he resumed his seat. Then the Chairman of committee addresses him thus "Four services are entirely dispensed with." The sentence is rather severe, for the poor benighted fellow's intentions to reform were visible enough.

The vacancy thus caused needed replacing consequently the the replaceable, I may add, unenviable situation was politely offered to me. I accepted it most reluctantly fearing at least a worse mischief may befall me. I learned that our Ex-Officio was due from want of promptness so from the very minute after initiation I began to perform the duties that had so unexpectedly fallen to my lot. I must confess that I am inferior, and less experienced than my predecessor.

Teams were quite busy for a while drawing stones for an addition to our "main business stand by," even one horse waggon were seen busily employed. Teams even came as far as the place known as "Stone Ridge" with stones.

Mr Bradley is certainly entitled to our warmest congratulations for the great interest he has taken to do all in his power to further the interests of the city. The stone addition he has just completed will be a credit to our ambitions as the good people of Smoothtown.

His worship, the Mayor, has just completed his front fence on Peter's

St. The workmanship can frankly be pronounced, excellent, delightful, magnificent, exquisite etc.

By order of the Board of Health Johnson St. underwent a thorough sweeping up and the rubbish cremated. It is the intention of the Board to remove any, and everything that may tend to bring on a disease of any description. So far they have been very successful as our citizens are all enjoying health to the best of our knowledge.

By the way we think the public may just as well know that a new "lock up" has been erected courteously awaiting to receive all offenders. So when you pay us a visit don't forget that there is a lock-up and to make matters worse city Solicitor O. Scott, is retained by the crown: we fear your case is hopeless with Mr. Scott for the prosecution.

Mr. Jones, we are at first given to understand that he has sold his house for a handsome figure, later reports reaches us that he could not make his agreements as first anticipated. Result no sale.

Mr. Levi White and family has moved to our city. We quite welcome him as we are confident he will prove an able and worthy citizen.

It will be gratifying to learn that Mr. John Wilson is rapidly recovering at the Hamilton Hospital. Our doctor has been in to see him and he gives the above report.

We now have of the Smoothtown team 1st and 2nd time ready for engagements.

HERE AND THERE.

Have a smile for all, a pleasant word for everybody. To succeed work hard and earnestly.

It is now well to fall into Stoic exaggeration, and say that mere virtue is sufficient to generate

happiness; but we may say that the virtuous man will never be wholly miserable.

Order and method are the two great Conjurors by whose aid a man of very average abilities may if he chooses secure to himself the blessing of never being hurtled.

If a child is frequently told that he is stupid he will very soon become so; if he is often told that he is slovenly insubordinate or disagreeable he will speedily develop those unfortunate traits in his character; if he is frequently watched and suspected of deception it will not be long before he yields to the temptations and becomes deceitful. The opposite is true. If he finds that his intelligence is taken for granted—that he is supposed as a matter of course to be orderly law-abiding, and good natured—that his honor is trusted and his word accepted—his honor is trusted, and his word accepted—his self respect will be aroused and a strong incentive will be given him to realize the expectations that are formed of him. It should be borne in mind that children are never reformed by calling them hard and bitter names and done so in a passion.

A Joyful Spirit and a cheerful countenance shed happiness all around, while sadness and gloom create a dismal melancholy wherever they are.

A very wise man said, "I should never drink—I cannot afford it. It costs me three days—the first in sinning the second in sobering and the third in repenting.

Good intentions merge gradually into noble realisations: wise plans into beautiful fruitions, and natural virtues develop into noble character.

It is a fair-handed and noble adjustment of things that while there is infection in disease and sorrow, there is nothing in the

world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humor.

If we are unsympathetic and selfish we exclude ourselves from many of the greatest and purest joys of life.

A new chance, a new leaf, a new life—this is the golden, the unspeakable gift which each new day offers to us.

No teaching of any kind is effectual without example, no authority is enduring except it be softened by example. Begin with acting, and let your words come after that. Actions speak and persuade, while mere words without kindly deeds are but vain.

DOUBLE SUICIDE.

Two Worthless Characters Die Together on the Roadside.

Toronto, June 18.—Memories of the Middle-road tragedy have been aroused in the little village of Port Credit by the mysterious death on the roadside three miles west of that place of Robert Hamilton and Nellie Why, two characters well-known to the city police. The two were found on the roadside just west of Lorne Park Sunday evening by Dr. Stuart, who was driving eastward from Oakville, where he had been spending the day.

Dr. Stuart, who was accompanied by a friend, saw the pair, whom he thought to be men, lying as in great distress. Walking over to them he found they were both unconscious. He was successful in reviving Hamilton for a short period, but not long enough to give any coherent story of the cause of their sufferings. In his dying ramblings he spoke of having drunk something and having cramps in the stomach, went to a farm house to obtain something to relieve him. He was given a quantity of electric oil, a portion of which the bottle lying beside him still contained.

While endeavoring to tell his story, the old man gradually sank and died. His companion, who proved to be a woman in male attire, died ten minutes later.

Every circumstance pointed to death by poisoning. Both suffered intense agony before death, the man's tightly-clenched hands showing that his sufferings were especially severe. Beside the bodies were found, in addition to the bottle containing electric oil, a bottle, the previous contents of which could not be ascertained at the time, and a number of old umbrellas and umbrella fixings.

Dr. Heggie empanelled a jury at the Town Hall yesterday afternoon to hold an inquest. After taking the evidence of Constables Sharp and Shaver an adjournment was made until Thursday evening.

Drs. Heggie, jr., of Brampton and Oldright of Toronto held a post mortem examination of the bodies last night.

A DOUBLE EXECUTION

The Law Allowed to Take Its Course in the Hendershott Murder Case.

HENDERSHOTT AND WELTER

Hanged in St. Thomas Jailyard—Owing to the Light Weight of the Condemned Men the Old-Fashioned Drop is Used—Only a Small Crowd Admitted by the Sheriff.

St. Thomas, June 18.—Near the hour of eight o'clock this morning William D. Welter and John H. Hendershott were taken from their cells and hanged in the jail yard for the murder of William Hendershott in Wardell's woods on the 14th December last. Owing to the precautions taken by Sheriff Brown only a small crowd, composed chiefly of newspaper men, witnessed the double execution. Outside the jail a large number of morbid curiosity seekers hovered around and saw what they could see—which wasn't much.

Public Executioner Radcliffe, of Toronto, did his work well. Owing to the light weight of the condemned men the old-fashioned drop was used.

Ottawa, June 17.—It was not until after ten o'clock to-night that word was received from Quebec that His Excellency had signed the minutes of council recommending that the law be allowed to take its course in the case of Hendershott and Welter. The formal notification was immediately telegraphed to the Sheriff of Elgin County. The delay in receiving Lord Aberdeen's concurrence in the advice of his Ministers was due to the statement of Welter that another party had committed the deed. County Crown Attorney Donohue wired to the Minister of Justice that such a statement had been received by him, and like Mr. Donohue, the Minister attached no importance to it. It is currently reported, however, that parties in St. Thomas telegraphed directly to Quebec about the matter which caused His Excellency to ask for further information from his advisers. Telegrams were passing to and fro between Ottawa and Quebec all day, until finally the Governor-General was satisfied that everything was all right, and the order was signed. It is reported that the name of the individual whom Welter says committed the deed is Wardell.

FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

William Jones, Who Fell Over the Niagara Embankment, Dead.

St. Catharines, June 17.—William Jones, the young colored man who was found below the bank near the Cantilever Bridge, Niagara Falls, a week ago in an unconscious condition, died on Saturday night. At the inquest to-day evidence was taken that during the time Jones lay suffering from his injuries, he frequently remarked: "Oh, those knuckles did hurt!" "Don't push me over." From these arises a suspicion of foul play, and the enquiry was adjourned for a week for fuller investigation.

Those Six and a Half Cent Steers From Maine.

In a recent issue of The Mirror and Farmer, attention was called to a pair of oxen sold in the Massachusetts markets that were fed by C. W. Randall of Maine. Regarding such sales as beacon lights for the guidance of those who are begging for markets for the poor off stuff that force on unwilling markets, Mr. Randall was asked to give further information in regard to their breed, method of feeding and any other information that he might have to impart in relation to them. He says:

"Yours at hand. Will say that the oxen that I sold were five years old; breed, Herefords. These oxen were kept in the barn summer and winter, and have done the work of the farm. They had all the good hay they would eat and four quarters of meal and bran apiece daily. Just as good cattle can be duplicated with good care and sense in feeding if they are fine grades. My method of raising steers from calves is to let them have the milk until they are six months old. I give them provender as soon as they will eat it. They have good care all the time. I let them run in the pasture summers, but do not give them provender when out to grass. In the winter they have all they will eat, with some provender. I generally sell mine when they are three years old. I raise Hereford steers altogether, as I think they are more easily raised than Durhams: I have never written for publication, but if you find items that you desire to use, you are free to use the publish them.—C. W. Randall."

Readers will understand that the letter is in answer to specific questions. We invite attention to the reply to the question whether the management of the oxen was under special advantages and involved a degree of skill not easily within reach of those who would apply themselves to the task of raising extra fine steers. His reply is as we expected and to the point which in effect is bred from good animals and apply good sense in the feeding. Now there was nothing in the feeding that was extravagant, the one point being that they were kept growing. We infer that they were given the milk of the cow western style until six months old. This is unnecessary, as abundant evidence shows. Skim-milk has been found an adequate substitute for new milk in calf growing.

Steers have sold for as low as \$40 that weighed 1,500 pounds, and within a year. What a chasm between this sum and \$97.50. It is the farmer that sells the former steers that is played out and not the farm. Farming abandons such farmers and not they the business; they are run out by events.—Mirror and Farmer.

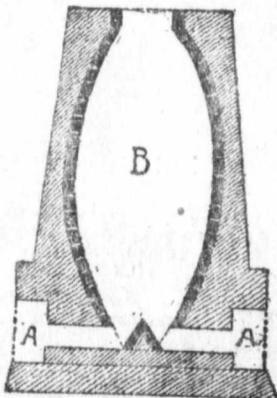
CONTINUOUS LIME KILN.

It Does Not Cost Very Much to Build One on the Farm.

Limestone is a carbonate of lime, and lime is the oxide of the metal calcium, which has such an intense avidity for oxygen that it takes fire and burns with intense heat and light when exposed to air that is at all moist. Thus it is a rare metal, and used only for chemical purposes. The great abundance of limestone, which is more or less diffused everywhere in the soil, and in places is very abundant,

being found in vast beds of marble and other forms of it, might lead to the supposition that plants might procure all they need without any help. But it is quick lime they need, and not the inert carbonate of it; and thus it is that the stone is burned to drive out of it the carbonic acid, and make it into lime, which is an acrid, caustic substance that exerts a most energetic action on all organic matter; and considerable action on mineral compounds in the soil, dissolving silica and thus setting free such plant foods as potash, magnesia, soda and phosphoric acid from insoluble compounds. Limestone is insoluble in water, but lime is soluble in 700 parts of water. Thus it is that while the roots of plants may possibly decompose to some extent the common carbonate, and get a little lime in this way, it is found very useful, some think indispensable, to apply the actual lime to the soil.

It is not much of a job to make lime. The limestone may be put in a heap with wood or coal, and a wall built up around the heap to confine the heat. The fuel being fired, the stone is made into lime in three or four days. But this is a costly way, and thus where there is a demand for the lime, kilns are used, some temporary ones, but little improved on the heaps, or clamps, as they are called, and some strong structures called permanent kilns of which the cut is an example. This is made of any kind of hard stone, and lined with fire brick. It is egg-shaped, because as the limestone is burned, and the coal or wood used as fuel is consumed, the bulk decreases, and thus what will fill the belly of the kiln, only fills throat at the bottom. This kiln may be three or four throats or openings for firing out the lime, but each is made the way shown. The lime when it reaches the bottom being fully burned, is blown out into the hearth a, through the opening into the kiln, b. In burning the lime is broken into convenient size for adding, and a way is made to the top of the kiln, which is most often built in a



KILN FOR LIME BURNING.

bank. A small sloping track is sometimes made to the top of the kiln, and a platform around it, so that the small cars of lime and fuel may be drawn up and dumped into the kiln. The fire is started in the bottom by filling in dry wood, from the throat, then more fuel, wood or coal (the cheap slack being used), is dumped in at the top, then some lime, and then alternately fuel and limestone

until the kiln is full, when it is fired, and goes on day after day as long as lime is required. About the third day, the lime is ready for raking out, which is done with long bars of iron with a right angled hook at the end. It is only necessary to start it, when it fills the hearth, where it is left to cool. When it is taken out, more lime comes down, or if it lodges, the hook is used to loosen it. After the kiln is first charged, the stone sinks down steadily, and as this is always to be kept heaped at the mouth, as soon as it has sunk down to a level, a fresh supply is heaped up. As the fumes from the kiln consist of carbonic acid, which is a deadly gas when breathed, it is necessary for the man in charge of feeding the kiln to keep on the windward side, so that the gas is blown away from him.—Rural New Yorker.

Do Repairing at Home.

On all well-conducted farms where much machinery is used, farmers spend a great deal of time running to and fro from the blacksmith shop. There are so many different tools used that something gives out almost every day. Now a great deal of this expense may be saved by having a small shop on the farm. A portable forge can be had for \$15. This will answer every purpose, although it is not advisable to get one too small. Secure a hand anvil weighing about 100 lbs., a good punch and a good blacksmith's vise, and you are ready for almost any job but horseshoeing. Of course a beginner cannot expect to do skilled work at first, but with a little practice, time and money can be saved. A farmer should not be without an assortment of good carpenter tools. Many a dollar can be saved by their use. If the farmer does not care to do his own repairing, perhaps the boys (if there be any) will take hold and to them it will soon become more of a pleasure than a task.

Reclaiming Swampy Lands.

No dwelling house ought ever to be built near a swamp. If such a one exists either the house should be removed or the swamp should be drained. There are many places where the deepening of ditches already made is all that is needed to make dry land fit for cultivation of what has been an eyesore to the neighborhood. This making of an outlet is much the most expensive part of the reclamation. It will improve the neighboring upland also, for that equally needs under draining, but cannot get it until a safe reliable outlet has been provided. All swampy lands have been for ages the deposits for vegetable matter from uplands. So soon as the latter is underdrained the water falling on the upland sinks down to the tile and enriches the soil, instead of washing away its fertility.—Rural World.

Kenilworth Village Wiped Out.

Mount Forest, Ont., June 17.—Sunday morning about 10 o'clock, Kenilworth, a village seven miles south of here, was swept out by fire. The fire originated in the hotel stables of David Kenny, spreading to the hotel and store, sweeping everything in its course. The store and dwelling were owned by T. O'Donnell, was insured for \$1,300, the contents of the store for \$800. No insurance on hotel stables. Loss estimated at \$12,000.

TOPICS OF A WEEK.

The Important Events in a Few Words For Busy Readers.

The revenue for May shows an increase of \$433,000.

The Turkish Ministry has resigned and a new Cabinet is being formed.

Signor Maccio has been appointed Italian Minister to Chili.

Extensive reductions are proposed in the salaries of Winnipeg city officials.

The Austrian estimates contain an item of 20,000,000 florins for repeating rifles.

The contract for the Halifax drill shed, to cost about \$360,000, will be let in a few days.

Mr. Gladstone has suffered a slight relapse, due to his going out carriage riding prematurely.

It is thought probable that the troubles at Jeddah will culminate in a general Bedouin revolt.

The Dax and Pau Districts of France are flooded by heavy rainstorms and overflowing streams.

The Congregational Union is discussing a proposal to amalgamate the various bodies of the church.

A big beaver dam has been discovered in the line of the projected Hudson Bay road, north of Gladstone.

Three female tramps have been working the philanthropic people at Galt. Each carried a baby in her arms.

Hon. J. F. Wood, Col. Tyrwhitt and Col. Denison were upset in the canal while boating at Ottawa on Saturday.

Miss Maggie Carlyle, sister of ex-Ald. Carlyle, Toronto, has been appointed female inspector of factories.

Hamilton has received a tender from the Electric Light Company to light the city at \$91.25 per lamp per year.

The County Council of Ontario has passed a by-law to put in force the Torrens land titles act in that county.

Emperor William inspected the Baltic North Sea Canal on Saturday, and passed through the waterway in a yacht.

Hon. J. O. Ward of New Zealand has arrived at Ottawa to interview the Government on the Pacific cable scheme.

The International Miners' Convention, meeting at Paris, has adopted a resolution declaring in favor of an eight-hour day.

The Bay of Quinte Conference has expressed itself against the proposed excursions to Picton on Conference Sunday.

An avalanche in the Alps on Saturday threw fifteen French soldiers upon Italian territory. Six of the soldiers were seriously injured.

Tribesmen have made an attack upon Fort Sandeman in the Waziri territory, India, killing Lieut. How and eleven of his attendants.

M. Andree of Stockholm will shortly go to Paris to oversee the making of the balloon in which he will attempt to reach the north pole.

The steamer Tilgate ran into a small boat at Isle Grosbois, upsetting the craft and drowning a seven-year-old girl named Emma Rinderman.

China's concessions to Russia, enabling her to extend the Siberian Railway into Manchuria, are the consideration for the guarantee of the loan.

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The Advance in Africa,

Far off the burning kral was marked
in flame against the sky.

"Ah!"

The chief of the panic-stricken Sen-
gambians turned and gazed back appre-
hensively—

"I always said!"—

He shuddered as he spoke. "The com-
ing woman boded us no good." And,
as he fled, the bloodthirsty yells of the
fierce Amazons of Dahomey in pursuit
gave confirmation to his words.

Tantalization,

Now, my lady, I propose—
I propose—why, what's the matter?
To—give you this rose:

How your heart goes pitter-patter!

And I hope with all my faults

You'll consent to be my—listen—

Be my partner in this waltz;

How your dark eyes dance and glisten!

And I'll ask you for your hand—

When I help you to your carriage,

O—er—can you understand

What a bachelor thinks of marriage?

NOTICE TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications, to insure insertion, **MUST** be sent in by the 10th of each month.

THE VARSITY EXAMINATIONS.

The Results at Last Made Known to the Students.

Toronto, June 10.—The results of the Varsity examinations for 1895 are at last known to the students, although incompletely as yet in the third and fourth years of the Department of Political Science. The Senate will meet to-night and pass the complete results in time for Convocation to-morrow afternoon. The successful men so far are:

Masters of Arts.—W. G. Armstrong, J. H. Brown, A. Budge, A. Carruthers, E. Coombs, J. N. Dales, E. B. Horne, C. J. James, H. T. Kerr, W. J. Knox, W. S. Milner, H. R. A. O'Malley, G. B. Wilson.

The following candidates have passed their examination for the degree of Bachelor of Laws: W. M. Boutbee, J. H. Brown, W. P. Bull, F. D. Davis, J. A. Giffin, W. A. Gilmour, V. G. Hughes, W. M. Lash, G. E. McCraney, P. E. McKenzie, S. J. McLean, C. A. Moss, D. Ross, H. E. Sampson, J. A. Scollen, W. A. Smith, G. B. Wilson, P. E. Wilson, S. B. Woods.

Scholarships, medals and prizes. First year.—The Moss scholarship in classics. Miss Kirkwood. The Fulton scholarship in mathematics and physics, H. J. Dawson. The Fulton scholarship in natural sciences, J. W. Wells. The Fulton scholarship in chemistry and mineralogy, V. itto.

Second year.—The Alexander Mackenzie scholarships in political science, G. C. ellery I, A. W. Hendrick 2. The William Mulock scholarship in mathematics, F. Colling and C. E. McNab, equal. The Blake scholarship in natural sciences, I. M. E. Evans. The Blake scholarship in chemistry and mineralogy, W. Smeaton. The geology prize to F. C. MacDonald.

Third year: Scholarship in physics—Miss Laird I, A. M. Scott 2. Daniel Wilson scholarship in natural science, B. A. Beasley and J. A. Ferguson, equal. The Daniel Wilson scholarship in chemistry and mineralogy, J. E. Hodgson. The geology prize to J. A. Ferguson.

Fourth year: The McMurrich medal in natural sciences to W. H. Piersol. The Cawthorne medal in natural sciences to C. J. Lynde.

Degree of Civil Engineer—A. M. Bowman, A. E. McAllister.

Degree of Bachelor of Applied Science—A. T. Beauregard, W. A. Bucke, J. A. Ewart, W. J. Herald, H. E. Job, S. M. Johnson, A. C. Johnston, J. E. McAllister, A. L. McTaggart, W. Minty, J. D. Shields.

Degree of Bachelor of Science of Agriculture—The following have passed: A. H. Christian, M. W. Doherty, W. A. Kennedy, G. A. Robertson, G. F. Rowe, E. T. White, A. T. Wiancko, J. W. Widdifield. The following are starred: D. F. Kidd, A. A. King.

Degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy—J. Waugh.

Pharmacy—The following candidates have passed the examination for the degree of Bachelor of Pharmacy: T. Allen,

C. H. Amys, J. A. Anderson, W. E. Bauer, W. J. Bauld, J. R. Y. Broughton, A. T. Brown, N. H. Brown, E. J. Bryson, G. F. Campbell, J. M. Cavanagh, D. A. Dickson, W. Faulds, J. M. Fisher, J. S. Fraleigh, A. F. Gledhill, J. C. Grosh, T. Hatton, A. E. Hotson, G. A. Ineson, W. J. Kirkland, C. T. Laird, S. C. Lamb, J. W. Little, A. I. McCull, F. T. McMaster, A. E. Marett, W. Mitchell, W. H. Pearson, H. A. Raney, A. W. Roberts, A. C. Rora-beck, H. Rowland, B. P. St. John, N. Smith, H. Taylor, G. E. Thatcher, W. W. Turner, J. N. Woodward. The following candidates in pharmacy have been starred: A. Cundie, H. G. Radcliffe, T. L. J. Wynn.

PARNELL'S POLITICAL PAPERS.

A Proposal to Destroy Them Calls Forth Strong Protests From His Friends.

London, June 10.—The executors of the will of the late Charles Stewart Parnell have decided to destroy his political correspondence. The decision called forth vehement protests from friends of the deceased statesman against wiping out valuable historical records. The letters cover the time from the rising of Fenianism to the Home Rule agitation, and include reports of interviews with and communications from Mr. Gladstone, Lord Randolph Churchill, the Earl of Carnarvon and Archbishops Walsh and Croke. The friends maintain that the letters would be certain to reveal many state secrets which would justify the executors in sealing them up for fifty years, but they hold that they have no right to destroy them. Mr. Parnell's estate promises to pay 10s. in the pound.

MASSACRED BY THE CHINESE.

English, French and American Missions Slain at Cheng-Tu.

London, June 10.—The Telegraph publishes a Shanghai despatch saying it is almost certain that all persons connected with the English, French and American missions at Cheng-Tu have been massacred. The Chinese admit that telegrams have been stopped by Government orders. A French gunboat has gone to Wu-Chang on the Yang-Tse-Kiang to inquire into the matter. Virtually the whole Province of Canton is in a state of anarchy, the rival factions raiding each other.

The Jack Tied Up.

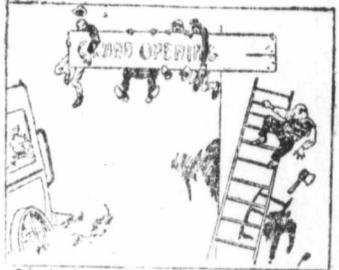
Port Huron, June 10.—The Canadian steamer Jack, which was wanted on a libel for \$164,000 for the sinking of the steamer Norman of Alpena, and which got away from that port before the papers could be served, slipped past the folks at Port Huron on Saturday morning, still keeping in Canadian waters, but Deputy Marshal Petit chased after her in the fast tug Thompson. When she was finally compelled to get into American waters he was right at her heels, and clapped the libel on her. The Jack was brought to this port and tied up. Her owner, Calvin, of Kingston, is a wealthy man, and will undoubtedly have her released on bond.

An inquest was held on the body of an infant found dead at Hamilton. The verdict was death from neglect and starvation, but the jury could not decide whether the child was alive or not when left on the mountain side.

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The Worst That Could Befall.

The following is a story of an incident that actually took place at the marine barracks at the Charlestown Navy-Yard:

A soldier was one morning brought before the commanding officer, charged with the offense of telling a lie to one of the other officers. After the Major had heard the evidence he said to the culprit: "Do you know what will become of you if you tell lies to your officers?"

The soldier quickly replied: "Yes, sir; I shall go to hell."

"Worse than that, sir; worse than that," said the commanding officer. "You will be tried by a paval court martial."—Boston Globe.

AN ARMED CRANK.

Arrested Near Balmoral With a Loaded Revolver and a Bag of Cartridges.

Aberdeen, June 7.—An unknown man was arraigned in court here to-day charged with having fired a revolver on the Balmoral road, near Balmoral. The hearing was adjourned pending inquiry for additional evidence. The man is suspected of being a crank, and of loitering about Balmoral watching his chance to make an attack upon some member of the royal family.

The man proved to be Thoman Don, son of a farmer living at Crief. When he was arrested he said he was on his way to Balmoral to obtain an interview with the Queen. He had in his pocket a paper headed, "To the Queen," and a letter addressed to Mr. Gladstone, in which the writer said he was about to become King of Britain. He also had a letter addressed to Mr. Vanderbilt, offering to marry the millionaire's daughter. Six chambers of his revolver were loaded, and he had besides fifty cartridges in a bag. His arrest was due to information lodged by two men who met him on the road to Balmoral, and observed him practising with his revolver. He resisted arrest and fought desperately before he was overpowered.

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St. John's, Nfld., June 10.—One of the Whiteway Government's retrenchment proposals is the abolition of the Allan Line ocean mails between Philadelphia, Halifax, St. John's and Liverpool, and the substitution therefor of a special service between St. John's, Halifax and Boston by local steamers. This, it is estimated, will effect a saving of \$25,000 and will largely increase the trade between Newfoundland and New England. This new scheme is strongly approved of by business people, because opportunities are offered for the development of mutual trade which will probably result eventually in a reciprocity agreement.

Object to the Taking of Fry.

Windsor, June 10.—The Essex County Council passed a resolution unanimously on Saturday petitioning the Hon. Minister of Marine and Fisheries to take necessary action to prevent the fish hatcheries sending enormous quantities of white-fish from the Detroit River to Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and other places, to be placed in lakes owned by private persons, as no proof can be produced that a single white fish fry the product of a hatchery ever arrived at maturity.

Hurt by a Falling Telephone Pole.

Ridgetown, June 10.—A heavy telephone pole was being felled by a Bell telephone gang on Saturday, when it got beyond control and fell in a slanting direction across the sidewalk, crashing through the large plate glass front of R. Davidson's establishment, striking and severely injuring Amy McLean and Grace Ridley, two little girls, in its descent.

COUNCIL NOTES.**Ohsweken Council House.**

June 4th, 1895.

General Council opened in due form by Chief Wm. Echo, one of the fire keepers.

Present.—E. D. Cameron, Esq., visiting superintendent; William Reep, Esq., interpreter; A. G. Smith, clerk to the Indian office; Josiah Hill, chairman and secretary; David Hill Seneca, speaker; David Thomas, deputy speaker; and 47 others.

Communications from the department of Indian affairs were read by the visiting superintendent, re minutes of last council.—Confirmed.

Chief Levi Jonathan will be the speaker of the fire keepers to-day.

The council decided to appoint John R. Anderson administrator with the will annexed to the estate of the late Chief Peter Key, jr.

The following chiefs were appointed a committee on disputes, &c.:—Wm. Staats, Michael Smoke,

John Jamieson, Joseph Porter, David General and Richard Hill.

The council appointed Chiefs J. W. M. Elliott, Philip Hill, J. S. Johnson, David Hill Seneca, Moses Hill, and Abram Charles a committee on loans.

The council granted \$25 towards the repairs of the long house; the cheque to be issued in favor of Chief Abram Charles.

Report of the committee on the Queen's birthday celebration and the accounts of the expenses thereof, confirmed by council.

The quit claim of Mrs. George Gibson to David Sandy confirmed.

Mr. Bowlby Barrister of Brantford was refused to speak to the council of chiefs upon the question of Mrs. Mary Barnes' application to be adapted into the band of the Six Nations upon the grounds that it is against the rules and regulation to allow Lawyers to interfere their business.

The application of Henry Groat for a loan of \$150 00 was confirmed on certain conditions.

The Council decided to add to the rules and regulations on loans as follows, that all parties who have loaned and going to get loans, shall not be entitled to get any relief orders from the council or from the Doctors until said loan or loans are paid up with interest.

Upon the recommendation from the committee on loans, from the funds of the Six Nations.

Nelles Montrue \$150, Peter Hill Farmer \$500, David Fish \$100, George Lickers \$200, John A. Beaver \$400, Elijah Powless \$100, James S. Hill \$300.

The applications of Augustus Jones was refused.

The quit claim of May Isiac to Mrs. Wm. Styres postponed until next council.

The quit claim of Dennis Nash to Feotus Johnson postponed.

The council decided to extend an invitation to the Governor-General of Canada and the Superintendent General of Indian affairs, to visit the Six Nations on the 3rd of October next. The visiting superintendent is requested to convey their decision to the distinguished and honorable gentlemen.

The council will pay Margaret Lickers \$2 and Mrs. Augustus

Walker \$3.30, for their loss by fire when Joseph Farmer's house was burned down.

The council decided to appoint Jesse Jonathen and G. A. Martin a locating line committee. Their services shall be paid for from the funds of the Six Nations when their services are required by the secretary of the council, but when hired by any two neighbors who are in dispute about their division line, they shall be paid by them.

The council voted relief orders at \$2 each to the following parties who are sick and in want:—John McKenzie Green, Mary Jamieson's daughter, Ansilie Johnson and Betsy Green.

The Council decided to ask Dr. Langrill to issue relief orders to any store the applicant may desire.

The council decided that the minutes of the secretary on the 8th of May last is incorrect, and they should read as follows: "That Mr. T. C. Robenette, barrister &c., having private correspondence with Chief Isaac Davis in reference to matters alleged to affect this Reserve, and asks permission to appear at this council." It is decided that Mr. Robenette can have a hearing, if he chooses to attend at any regular council, then the council will decide what action will be taken in the matter if any.

The council then asked the visiting superintendent to report to the council the result of his investigation between the Six Nations and the Mississags of new credit, which was done.

The committee on disputes that they had decided to adopt and confirm the division line between River lots 69 and 70, Tuscarora, as staked out by the locating line committee. A.H. Lotridge and A. E. Hill, and that Peter Powless shall build his fence on the said line, and the council confirmed the above report.

The council again reconfirmed their decision respecting Mark Jack's location, on the north $\frac{1}{4}$ of the south $\frac{1}{2}$ of lot 17, con. 5, Tuscarora.

The council postponed the further report of the committee on disputes until next council.

The council adjourned for two weeks, when a special council will be opened at 10 o'clock a. m.

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