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A CELL FOR DUNLOP.

THE CANADIAN WHO PUBLISHED THE INDECENT CHICAGO DISPATCH

Canadian publishers who attended the recent meeting of the Canadian Press Association...



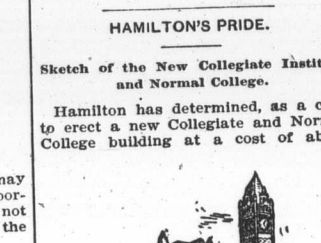
JOSEPH R. DUNLOP.

fine of \$2,000 and to undergo two years' imprisonment in the Joliet penitentiary.

It is not that the case excited wide-spread interest everywhere, especially in newspaper circles...

in passing sentence, Judge Grosseau said: "The jury, in my mind, rightly found that these papers were indecent and obscene..."

Hamilton's Pride. Sketch of the New Collegiate Institute and Normal College.



HAMILTON NORMAL COLLEGE.

\$100,000. It will be one of the finest structures in the city, and surrounded as it will be by spacious and well-kept grounds...

To Fix Them Both. First Old Lady—Guard, open this window; I shall smother to death!

Freeding and Thawing. Miss Duxbury—I understand that dentists use cocaine to freeze the gums. Is it so?

For Business Purposes. Angelina—I'm not a very ugly looking umbrella!

WARNING THE EDITOR.

How Ho of the Kill River Herald Received the Deputation.

I happened to be in the office of the Kill River Herald when a deputation of citizens waited on the editor and proprietor in regard to a certain matter.

"Welcome, gentlemen—welcome. I have nothing here to drink, but we will go down later on. Gentlemen, I am pleased to see you."

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Home Truth. "The lady told me to call again, and should hunt me up a pair. That's why I'm here today."

Expected. "Carrying ashes out of the cellar." "Very sorry, mum, but I couldn't do that job. I used to be in de ashes business, but I've dun quit it."

Clubber—Did you hear about Jones? Clubber—Went to the masquerade ball as the devil. Told his wife he was going to the masquerade ball.

Mrs. Henne-Pecque. "The Best Woman in the World in the Year of Our Lord, 2,001."

What! Breakfast not ready yet? Really, Mrs. Henne-Pecque, I think you are a little slow in the kitchen.

English Tourist (to Highland Farmer)—And you will get only £7 for that fine cow? Why, man, if you took it to London you would get £20!

JOKES AT THE PLAYS.

THE FUNNY THINGS COMEDIANS SAID IN OFFHAND STYLE.

Some of Them are Particularly Good and All are Worth Reading—The Sparking Show and the Wit That Fleets in Front of the Footlights.

"I want a word with you," says But- ton in "Gentleman Joe," to Powers. "It's a pity to split it," replies the comedian; "keep it to yourself."

"Yes, I've been married four times," remarks Weber. "Not at all," replies Weber. "I'm going to celebrate the Fourth next July."

"If you don't leave at once," says Reynolds, "I'll call Jack." "That's your brother?" "The same thing."

"Yes, Cohen is a very frank man," remarks George Thatcher. "I asked him how business was, and he said things for another month. No hurry, though. Any time after supper!"

"So you've been flirting with a common cabman," says Mrs. Carr to Emma. "Beg pardon," replies Emma, "he's a hansom cabman, and an uncommon hansom cabman, too."

Let's see, how much money you want to see the outside of it? I know nothing about the inside. Then the house is empty.

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BRITAIN AND CHINA.

THESE POWERS GREATEST IN WASHINGTON DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES.

The First-From an Intellectual Point of View; the Second, Because This Another Power is the Most Modern in Its Western Appointments.

At a White House reception at Washington, D. C., the glittering array presented by old-world representatives, for some of the costumes of the gentlemen glittered in court dress as gaudy as the attire of the ladies.

The British embassy is a large red brick building on the most fashionable street in the city. It faces the east and is a fine specimen of the Queen's palace architecture.

The Chinese legation, strange to say, is the most modern of the homes of the Foreign Ministers to the United States. It stands on the crest of a hill overlooking the city, and the flag with the black dragon on its yellow surmount, is always floating from its turret.

On entering one finds nothing saving of the Orient in the parlor, which is of light wood and furnished in comfortable American style, with light carpet, stuffed chairs and heavy portieres.

The servants are Chinese and there are about a dozen of them who do not know a word of English, and about a dozen of them who do not know a word of Chinese.

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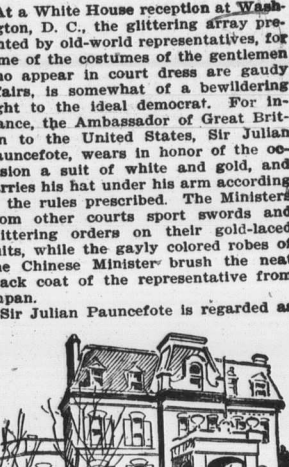
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KARLEY THE HARDWARE MAN

Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Brushes, Window Glass, Coal Oil, Machine Oil, Rope of all sizes, Builders' Hardware, Nails, Forks, Shovels, Drain Tile, Spades, Scoops, Iron Piping (all sizes), Tinware, Agate Ware, Lamps and Chimneys, Pressed Ware, &c. Groceries, Teas, Sugars and Canned Goods—in fact we have something for everybody that calls.



THE AMERICAN PATENT

Parties keeping stock for Milk or Butter should use this Feed, as it increases the flow of milk, makes better butter, and does away with all butter coloring.

It acts on grain like yeast on flour and increases the milk a quart more per day on each cow. It also produces larger quantities of butter.

Wholesale Agent for Leeds Co. R. E. FOSTER, GREENSBUSH

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Agent for the Dominion Express Co.—the cheapest way to send money to all parts of the world. Give me a call.

Miss E. M. Richards Dress and Mantle Making. Satisfactory work guaranteed. Apprentices wanted. Rooms over Phil Witte's Store.

Ladies' Hair Work Done with patience by Mrs. Tupper, hair mill east of Village, near toll-gate, Athens.

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LYN AGRICULTURAL WORKS. Every Farmer Needs a... Land Roller —And the PARAGON Is the Best and Cheapest in the Market.

A large stock now in course of manufacture at the Lyn Agricultural Works. Castings supplied to parties wishing to build their own. Be sure and get our prices before placing an order.

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C. B. TALLMAN LYNDHURST, March 4th 1896. New Dress and Mantle Making Rooms.

MORTGAGE SALE. Farm Property. Default having been made in the payment of the money secured by a certain mortgage...

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J. W. ROBINSON Athens, Jan. 20, 1896. A SCIENTIFIC TEST Should always precede the purchase of glasses.

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THE INTERLACE YACHT PROJECT. The Challenge Yacht Vencador and Commodore Bertman, Her Owner.

Yachting circles all along the lakes are considerably stirred up over the interlaced international cup race proposed on these waters when the first sailing signal for 1896 is hoisted.

There are two young ladies in Barrie who were born on Feb. 27. A colored woman named "Becky" Ambrose at Montgomery, W. Va., is 112 years old.

A Witty Girl's Rater. As a card party in the northwest was going as the man who knew it all, giving his position as an expert subject in a loud voice, and otherwise making himself a general nuisance.

The Able Editor. The village wag thought he would have some fun with the mild-mannered young man who had recently taken charge of the country paper.

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THE ABLE EDITOR. The village wag thought he would have some fun with the mild-mannered young man who had recently taken charge of the country paper.

POLICE JUSTICE—WHAT'S YOUR NAME? PRISONER—M NAME IS SZCZAY. POLICE JUSTICE—HOW DO YOU SPELL IT? PRISONER—S-C-Z-Y-Z.

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THE REPORTER

COUNTY NEWS.

INTERESTING LETTERS FROM OUR STAFF OF CORRESPONDENTS.

ABSTRACT of News and Genl. Personal Intelligence.—A Little of Everything Well Mixed Up.

LYN.

MONDAY, March 2.—Yesterday afternoon one of our much respected citizens, Mrs. R. P. Boyd, passed over to the silent majority. Her death, although not unexpected, came quite sudden. She had been failing for two or three years, and the end was not thought to be so near. Much sympathy is felt for the family. Funeral to-morrow p.m.

UNION VALLEY.

FRIDAY, Feb. 28.—Miss Maggie Allingham is convalescent. Be sure and leave space in your paper for me to tell you of the gas well we have found in this village. Mrs. Nelson Partridge, of Lynn, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. Clow, of Union Valley. Mr. House's crew of Lynn is in town on Saturday last.

The roads are in a very bad condition. Our road-fixer has improved the roads somewhat on the north side. Miss Agnes McQuinn is still very low. Mr. George Hall is on the sick list. Mr. Ad. Young passed through this town on Saturday last for Athens.

PORTLAND.

MONDAY, March 2.—The horse races will take place here on the 5th and 6th inst. The rain here on Sunday did away with a good deal of snow, but we still have a surplus. A Rape of Toledo was the guest of Mrs. T. Rogers last week. The farmers are still hauling timber to the lake. Miss Jennie Rogers is ill of a gripple. Mr. P. Moran is convalescent. Our school is progressing under the management of W. E. Steacy.

NEWBORO.

MONDAY, Mar. 2.—A very happy event occurred in the Methodist church here, on Feb. 25th, when Mr. R. O. Leggett of this place and Miss Ida Pinkerton of Portland were united in marriage by the Rev. G. F. Reynolds of Elgin. The happy couple are spending their honeymoon in eastern cities. Congratulations, Robt. Foster, proprietor of Harbor View Hotel, is the man who has bought the stock formerly owned by Mrs. M. W. Brees, will open a millinery room in connection with their branch store in this village. Mr. Alsworth, our principal teacher in the public school, is seriously ill. We hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

Operations in the canal at this station are in full progress at present. Mrs. Geo. Ackland, who has been suffering from an attack of pneumonia for the past week, is still very low. A bear has been seen prowling about this neighborhood, and although hunters have been on his track he has not been captured yet.

TEMPERANCE LAKE.

MONDAY, Mar. 2.—Roads are in a bad condition. Our school is prospering finely under the efficient management of Mr. James Blanchard. Mr. L. Church paid this place a flying visit a few days ago. Miss Lucy Tackaberry of Boutenous Plains has been the guest of her many friends in this vicinity. John Coley, sr., was in Addison on business recently. Messrs. M. Mansell and E. Earls have been hauling logs to McIntosh Mills.

Mr. A. Bonesteel had a bee hauling wood. One of our neighbors says there is no use of having so many stables on a farm, when one does as well. He has a stable containing a variety of animals, namely, 9 cows, 4 heifers, 2 calves, 4 pigs, 25 hens, 2 sheep, 4 geese, 3 turkeys, 4 ducks, 1 dog, 2 cats and a pet fox. These animals really ought to be warm, as there is no partition in the stable only, of course, the cows are bailed.

Mr. T. Earl says this is the hardest winter he has had in 75 years. There is some talk of a concert to take place here in the near future. The people of this neighborhood have their yards well stocked with wood.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Towriss from Woodline made some flying visits in this town recently. We notice that Mr. Towriss' prize team is gaining. Some of our good people have been trying the Brockville markets. They report it pays to run the hens down. Mr. George Burnham has been hunting foxes for the last few days.

No. 11, Front of Yonge and Escott. 5th Class.—Annie Anglin. 4th Class.—Martha Leeder, Effie McClary. Sr. 3rd Class.—David Leeder, Ambra Jackson, Frank Leeder, David Graham, Manie Anglin. Jr. 3rd Class.—Willie Anglin, Mary Leeder, Earl Armstrong, Tommy Leeder. 2nd Class.—Aggie Leeder, John Leeder. Part 2nd Class.—Fred Anglin. Those thus marked * did not miss a day during the month.

ALBERT STURGEON, Teacher. Several new and second-hand entries of latest styles for sale at a bargain, and will exchange for hard maple cord or stove wood. Apply to WILLARD ASBLETINE.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

ATHENS AND NEIGHBORING LOCALITIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Events as Seen by Our Staff of Correspondents.

Boiled Night Down.—Last week several persons in Brockville had narrow escapes from fatal accidents caused by leakage of gas.

Miss L. Loney, of Warburton, a former pupil of the A. H. S., is in Athens this week, the guest of Mrs. E. Fair.

Cures, absolute, permanent cures have given Hood's Sarsaparilla, the largest sales in the world and the first place among medicines.

—Mr. A. W. Johnston of Ocharleston is busily engaged these days hauling material for the erection of a large new barn intended to be built this spring.

The cry of the auctioneer is heard throughout the land. On every side large quantities of farming implements, stock, &c. are knocked down every day.

The many friends of Mrs. Thos. Vanarnam will be pleased to learn that she has so far recovered from her late serious illness as to be able to enjoy an occasional sleigh ride in fine weather.

—Mr. P. J. Flynn of Morrisburg, one of the old time residents of Fairville did go—without Mr. Sharran, however, without the sleigh, without the whiffletree, and, in fact, without anything but the harness. After the horses had galloped at full speed almost to Addison they were caught and cured in the stable. Very fortunately none of the occupants of the sleigh suffered more than a severe fright. The horses also escaped suffering any injury whatever. These trifling accidents attended the Institute last Friday.

Some three or four weeks ago we received a letter from a gentleman (to us a stranger) dated at East Tawas, Mich., asking us to send him a sample copy of the Reporter. We did as requested, enclosing a copy of our special editions of 1893-94. A few days ago we received a letter enclosing \$1.00 as subscription to the paper, accompanied by the following note:

MY DEAR SIR,—I have been looking over a special addition of the Reporter, which came by today's mail. Allow me to congratulate you on the excellence of this number and thank you for it. It is full of interesting things to me and is worth more than your charge for a year's subscription to your neat paper. My best regards to all the improvements in my old home village; in fact they are such an extent that they are not for some of the old land marks I would not recognize the Farmersville of 15 years ago. During this fifteen years I have made plenty well over these United States and must confess I have not found a place so much like home as Farmersville, and I hope some time in the not too distant future to visit your town. Thanking you again, W. A. G. FLYNN.

Note.—Mr. Flynn was clerk for a time in the store of A. Parish & Son and no doubt will be remembered by many of our old citizens.

Ontario for Ontarians.—We have just received an attractive little pamphlet from Hon. John Dwyer, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, entitled "The Pioneer Farm and the Waigobon Country, Rainy River District." The attention of the Department having recently been directed to this hitherto unsettled region, Mr. Dwyer determined to establish there what he termed a "pioneer farm" to demonstrate in a practical manner the country's agricultural capabilities. The experiment so far has been very successful. This pamphlet giving general information regarding the section, which is now open for settlement, is the result. It is illustrated and contains a map of the district.

This information will be very opportune in view of the increasing demand at the present time for young men of small capital, the sons of farmers, who desire to secure farms and homes of their own. Such should by all means investigate the Waigobon country, and the unsettled portions of Ontario before turning their attention elsewhere. Ontario still has vast resources at her command,—a heritage intended for her own people,—and presents advantages unsurpassed by any province or any foreign state. Those desirous of securing a copy of the pamphlet should address a card to the Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

Branding Pays. Athens Feb. 24, '96. DEAR SIR.—During the present agitation concerning the sale and branding of cheese it may not be out of place to tell your readers what came under my notice respecting the stamping of butter in Guernsey. It is a well known fact that the Channel Island butter made from the Guernsey and Jersey cows, is acknowledged in England to be the best butter in the world, and Guernsey butter has some times brought in the London market \$1 per lb. Over there, Guernsey butter is considered much better than the Jersey butter. In September last I saw butter selling on the Guernsey market at 48 cents per lb. On the following day I saw it selling on the Jersey market at 32c per lb. Now, these islands are only 35 miles apart; they both put up their butter in 1 lb. prints, both the same size and shape, with formerly nothing to distinguish one from the other. Often times Jersey butter was imported and sold as Guernsey butter, and some shippers sent Jersey butter to Guernsey, then had it re-shipped to London and palmed off for Guernsey butter. To stop such imitations and protect the Guernsey farmer, the Government of Guernsey passed a law in 1871, whereby butter should be put up in 1 lb. prints with the name and residence of the maker stamped in half-inch letters around the outer edge of each print, which caused the demand to be greater than the supply, while Jersey has a surplus at 15c difference.

Now, Mr. Editor, what remedied their butter no doubt will remedy our cheese. As it is Canadian cheese the English people want, it is our duty and interest to place it before them in such a shape that they will know they are getting it. EDWARD C. BULFORD.

On account of funds accumulating quickly, will lend money on real estate at the very low rate—\$12,000 on hand now. Mortgage also purchased.

—JOHN CAWLEY, Athens, Ont.

Teachers' Institute.

The East Leeds Teachers' Institute, met in annual convention at the Brockville Collegiate Institute on Thursday last. A large number of teachers in attendance was a matter of gratification to the officers of the institute and to all interested in the cause of education.

The two-day programme of subjects brought before the convention is too long to mention, but we must be content to report the fact that every subject was intelligently and thoroughly discussed by the various teachers in attendance.

From Athens and the surrounding country, we noticed at the convention, Messrs. Mills, Blackwell and Bishop of the Athens High School, Miss Hall of Elbe Mills, and Messrs. James Blanchard, Fred Ritter, Geo. Taylor, Miss Mary Fowler, Miss Adella Scott, Athens.

Dehorning Calves.—This is such a simple operation when the animal is young, and is difficult to explain why it is postponed until the horns are full grown. Caustic potash in sticks is the material to be used. It can be secured cheaply at any drug store. When the calf is three days old, take a clean, well-lit place. Press his head firmly to the ground with the knee and locate the pimple which indicates the budding horn. Wet the spot well, then take the stick of potash and rub it around the embryonic horn until it is well coated with potash. Roll the calf over and repeat the operation on the other side. If after a week or ten days any signs of growth appear about the neck, rub with kerosene oil, and accordingly the animal will grow up as thoroughly polled as if he had been born in that condition.

Report of Glen Rural Public School for January.

Fifth Class.—Stella Orton 237. Senior Fourth.—Carrie Davis 436, Charlie Towriss 378, Roy Westlake 293, Ernest Sturgeon 255, Freddie Percival 244, Leonard Orton 125, Delbert Westlake 82.

Junior Fourth Class.—Ella Davis 105, Hamilton Lynn 100, Blanche Howe 75. Herbie Sturgeon, 70, Edith Moorhouse 55, Ada LaPoint 55, Clifford Mott. Third Class.—Odell LaPoint 439, Arthur Hayes 400, Russell Sturgeon 233, Frank LaPoint 195, Jos. Anderson 30, Levi Howe 90, Delbert Dack 115.

Second Class.—Freddie Westlake 176, Stanley Hayes 92, Clement Sturgeon 75, Ethel Andrea 70, Stella Anderson 30, Chloa Sturgeon 29, Marie Dancy 15, Amelia Perkins 15, Gordon Mott 15, Leonard Anderson, Roy Earl, Lewis Westlake.

Senior Part Second.—Florence Percival 105, Harold Moorhouse 85, Bryan Westlake 35, Clinton Stewart 10.

Junior Part Second.—Jonah West 140, Wilfred Sturgeon 175, Peter Davis 105, May Sturgeon. First Class.—Wesley Dack 50, Clifford Stewart. Average attendance for January, 38. ANNA SCOTT, Teacher.

The Armstrong House.—Last week the Armstrong House was thoroughly and completely refurnished from cellar to garret with the latest and best style of furniture, and the building is now more than usually attractive look, while the dining room in conjunction with the sitting room looks so inviting that it is hard for guests to leave it.

A good furnace in the east gives to the man who has it a feeling of steady, warm, and comfortable to feel in the cold weather of winter, and for very cold days good substantial box stoves are placed in other parts of the house where they will do the most good. Every bedroom in the large hotel has been subjected to renovating process, and is now furnished each with a new modern set of bedroom furniture, creditable to any first class hotel. With new carpets, new bedsteads, new linen, and everything convenient and comfortable for the comfort of his guests, the proprietor feels that he is in a position now to say to all who desire the very best hotel accommodations, "come and see me." The parlour with the very best style of furniture, and no expense has been spared in making every part of this well and favorably known hotel even better than it ever was before. The sample rooms are at the present time undergoing the process of being improved and in a day or two will be ready for the knights of the grip sack and iron ribbed trunks. When all improvements are completed no better or more convenient sample rooms will be found between Toronto and Montreal. The hotel has been stocked with the most complete and best assortment of wines, liquors and cigars ever brought into Athens. All persons visiting Athens should remember his new proprietor of the Armstrong House, Mr. W. D. McVey, who means to keep the house in the front rank with any in the province.

Village Council. The regular monthly session of the Athens village council was held on Monday evening, 2nd inst. All the members present.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes of the last regular and special meetings, the clerk read the following bills and communications. Bill for Judge Reynolds for making three copies of the corrections in the voters' list for the village of Athens, amounting to \$70. Fryer's trap to Royce for the village of Athens, by-law, 1894, \$1. From Jos. Thompson, for provisions furnished to tramp family in 1895, per order of Reeves, \$1. From R. N. Dowley, for making sleighs for fire engine, \$11. From R. N. Dowley, for sleigh trap to Brockville, 50c. On motion, the bills of R. N. Dowley, Jos. Thompson and Fraser & Reynolds were ordered to be paid, and the others left over for further consideration.

A petition from the president and directors of the Athens Mechanic's Institute, asking the council to assume the same under the provisions of the "Free Libraries Act" was presented by Rev. Wm. Wright, supported by G. W. Beach and Jos. Thompson. On motion, the petition was received and laid over for consideration at next meeting of the council.

On motion, the sum of \$800 was placed to the credit of the road and sidewalks commissioners and the clerk instructed to notify the treasurer of the same.

The appointment of Geo. Nash as road and sidewalks overseer for 1896 was concurred in by the council.

The council met on Monday evening, 2nd inst., at 8:30 p.m. Members all present, except M. Moulton, who through sickness was not able to attend. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

REAR YONGE & ESCOTT COUNCIL.

The council met at the township hall, Athens, on Monday, 2nd inst., at 1:30 p.m. Members all present, except M. Moulton, who through sickness was not able to attend. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The auditors were paid \$500 each for their services. The Reeve was appointed to purchase cedar for covering bridges.

The following officers were appointed by by-law, said officers to hold office from the 10th inst. until their successors have been appointed: ROAD OVERSEER.—Div. No. 1, Robt. Boyd Towriss; No. 2, Oliver Hayes; No. 3, Bennett Kavanagh; No. 4, Edward Shea; No. 5, John Morris; No. 6, Malvin Wilkie; No. 7, Wm. J. Kavanagh; No. 8, Geo. M. Bates; No. 9, Byron Brown; No. 10, Wm. G. Johnston; No. 11, Drummond Parish; No. 12, John Justice; No. 13, Edward C. Bulford; No. 14, Joel Parish; No. 15, Franklin Yates; No. 16, John Chamberlain; No. 17, Ruggles Hawkins; No. 18, Geo. P. Wight; No. 19, James Foley; No. 20, N. G. Cowan; No. 21, Justus Smith; No. 22, John Cowan. POUND KEEPERS.—Drummond Parish, Franklin Yates, Joseph M. Clow, Frank Blanchard, A. W. Johnston, Henry Price, Edward C. Bulford, H. D. Wing, Wm. James, Chas. B. Bannagan.

BEARERS.—Wm. H. Moulton, E. J. Rowson, R. M. Brown, Fred Soivil, G. F. Osborne, Benj. Beale, Alphonso Botaford, Milton Mansell. ROAD SURVEYORS.—A. W. Kelly, Robt. Towriss, and Hudson A. Kelly. Surveyors, Nelson Hawk, Bennett Towriss, Silas Hadden, Munsell Brown. Council adjourned until May 25th at 10 o'clock, then to meet as court of revision. R. E. CORNELL, Clerk.

THE STORM WAS TERRIFIC.

One Hundred Lives.—Were lost by floods in Queensland.

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 28.—The captain of vessels arriving here from Australia reported that a terrible storm which had devastated the coast of Queensland. There were furious hurricanes and a fearful deluge of rain, which flooded the entire district.

More than 100 lives were lost, it is reported. Whole villages were swept away. The damage to property was incalculable. The value of the vessels wrecked cannot be estimated.

Townville, a small city on the north-east coast of Queensland, seemed to be the centre of the storm, and not far from the town or a vessel in the harbor escaped. Ross Island, a short distance from the town, was flooded, and many lives were lost in attempts to reach the mainland in small boats. The town itself was almost completely submerged. In Townville harbor alone is assessed at \$2,000,000. The damage to the damage to the water front property.

The storm began Jan. 25 and did not abate until the following Tuesday. In Townville the hurricane had blown down trees and tossed about in the air like sheets of paper, while two men were blown into the sea. The rain-fall was tremendous, and the water level was raised many feet above the normal level. The furious wind upst a rescue boat, and the men and the building, Mrs. Chas. M. Hunt and her infant, Mrs. Chas. M. Gertrude Rowe, the elder Miss Williams, and a household in Judge Chubb's employ, while wading through the water, were blown away by the current and drowned. Sandy Bay was completely submerged. The damage to the Victoria Bridge, which was six feet under water. Many steamers were wrecked, and the coast along this part of the coast was a scene of desolation. The iron steamer, the Adelaide, a small wooden steamer, 200 tons, and the schooner, the Steamer Levonia went down, and her 24 hands were drowned; the iron steamer, the Adelaide, 600 tons, was sunk; the Adelaide, a small wooden steamer, 200 tons, and the schooner, the Steamer Levonia went down, and her 24 hands were drowned; the iron steamer, the Adelaide, 600 tons, was sunk; the Adelaide, a small wooden steamer, 200 tons, and the schooner, the Steamer Levonia went down, and her 24 hands were drowned.

AN EXPRESS COMPANY'S LIABILITY. An interesting case before the Supreme Court over a missing money package. Ottawa, Feb. 28.—The argument in Jeffrey v. Wilkie before the Supreme Court was concluded today and judgment reserved.

The case of the Northern Pacific Express Company v. Martin was not taken up, being an appeal from a decision of the Court of Queen's Bench in Manitoba, in an action for the loss of a package containing \$200 sent by Messrs. Martin & Mitchell, grain dealers at Winnipeg, to their buyer at Vancouver. The package appears to have arrived safely at Vancouver on a Saturday evening, and the evidence is in effect that the package was signed by the carrier, and the express company's agent laid the package on a table near him. The package does not appear to have been opened, and the package was taken away with him, and he returned to the station the following Monday morning, when the agent of the express company claimed to have made the delivery at the time the receipt was signed. Upon a careful search the package could not be found, and it was concluded that the package had been stolen by a couple of tramps who had been seen lurking about the station on the Saturday evening. The Court of Appeal in Manitoba affirmed the judgment given by Mr. Justice Ives, and the express company, and that company now seeks to have both judgments reversed.

Mr. D. B. O'Connor, Q.C., appears for the appellants and Mr. J. E. Bennett, Q.C., for the respondents. The argument was not concluded when the court rose for the day.

Trotter was visiting in London and having been there some time, he was about on taking a cab at one time, and fixing the price for the driver, he noticed that the driver seemed to be a new recruit and uncertain how to reach his destination, driving in and out of various streets.

"Do you think I'd lose myself in London, sir?" he replied "with only an eighteen pence fare?"—Harpur's Monthly.

THEY SAY.—They say the girl who bursts into tears has been put together. They say the young man who was taken by surprise has returned. They say the lady who went off in a huff has been reconciled to her best man. They say the young man who painted the signs of the times is now out of a job.

They say the man who jumped upon the spur of the moment was soon glad to sit down again. They say the gentleman who went too far in an argument was brought home on a stretcher.

They say the man who could not trust his feelings is supposed to do business on a cash principle. They say the man who wrestled with adversity wore out the knees of his trousers and got worried.

They say it is dangerous to distance just enlightenment to the view and now the view returns to him. They say the man who was moved to tears by the complaint of the damper of the premises, and who was moved back again.—Terra Haute Mail.

BIG BLAZE AT HALIFAX.

Nearly a Quarter of a Million of Dollars Worth of Property Destroyed.

Halifax, March 1.—Fire broke out shortly after midnight in Gordon & Keith's wholesale and retail house-furnishing establishment, one of the largest in Canada, and in less than 15 minutes the entire place was threatened with destruction, involving great loss, and a number of wooden buildings, on both sides were in danger of burning. Gordon & Keith's fronts on two streets, Harrington and Granville, and the main building is a handsome brick structure of five stories. A wooden building adjoining is also occupied by the firm.

At 12:45 the furniture buildings were a terrific blaze, and the blaze was communicating to the other houses. At that hour the whole square bounded by Harrington, Granville, Grandville and Blowers-streets was threatened and it looked as though few of the stores or dwellings would escape unless the flames were got under control very rapidly.

By 1 o'clock all the firemen in Halifax were working on the conflagration, and apparently they were well preventing the flames from doing serious damage to buildings not within immediate reach of the fiery holocaust on all sides from the Gordon & Keith structures. Those next door, the latter on either side, on both Granville and Harrington-streets, caught. The fire department were able to keep the flames from making rapid headway, directing all their attention to saving the houses adjoining that on which the work of destruction began.

At 1:15 o'clock the conflagration, which had apparently been subsiding somewhat, burst forth with renewed energy, and with appalling rapidity began to eat its way through the houses to the south. The roar of the burning buildings could be heard a mile away. At 1:45 all the electric lights in the city went out on account of the wires being cut. Gordon & Keith's walls were crumbling by that time on all sides, and the flames were devouring all their contents more and more effectively.

On Harrington-street there are several houses, and the fire was under control, and the flames which were then only visible in Gordon & Keith's vicinity, were being rapidly extinguished. Several houses were being gutted, but none serious. During the day, when a further survey of the ruins could be made, it was estimated that the aggregate loss would be between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000. Gordon & Keith suffered far more than the other houses. Their stock was insured for \$77,000 and the building for \$200,000. They played a good hand, at about \$5,000 over the total insurance, which was all in English and American companies, except \$200 in the Quebec. There was \$20,000 in the Northern Trust, \$20,000 in the North American Company of Philadelphia. Mr. O'Connor, the insurance agent, says that he is not much more than her loss. Donald Keith, who is the partner in the firm of Gordon & Keith, received the news of the fire while on the train from Halifax for Montreal, having left here yesterday afternoon. The statement of Keith's losses and insurance is not yet obtainable.

NOT BLAZE AT BURK'S FALLS. Several stores and dwellings were consumed until the following Tuesday.

Burk's Falls, March 1.—At about 4:30 this afternoon a disastrous fire broke out in Mackinac's old saw-mill completely consuming it and Mrs. D.W.'s millinery and fancy goods store and dwelling. Capt. H. Watson's harness shop and dwelling, William Wilson's undertaking establishment, E. J. Mansel's barber shop, and the building next nearly all his household goods. The estimated loss about \$200,000. The fire is supposed to have started from the furnace, it was extinguished by William Wilson's men, who were working in the mill at the time. The cause of the fire is not yet ascertained.

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The case of the Northern Pacific Express Company v. Martin was not taken up, being an appeal from a decision of the Court of Queen's Bench in Manitoba, in an action for the loss of a package containing \$200 sent by Messrs. Martin & Mitchell, grain dealers at Winnipeg, to their buyer at Vancouver. The package appears to have arrived safely at Vancouver on a Saturday evening, and the evidence is in effect that the package was signed by the carrier, and the express company's agent laid the package on a table near him. The package does not appear to have been opened, and the package was taken away with him, and he returned to the station the following Monday morning, when the agent of the express company claimed to have made the delivery at the time the receipt was signed. Upon a careful search the package could not be found, and it was concluded that the package had been stolen by a couple of tramps who had been seen lurking about the station on the Saturday evening. The Court of Appeal in Manitoba affirmed the judgment given by Mr. Justice Ives, and the express company, and that company now seeks to have both judgments reversed.

Mr. D. B. O'Connor, Q.C., appears for the appellants and Mr. J. E. Bennett, Q.C., for the respondents. The argument was not concluded when the court rose for the day.

Trotter was visiting in London and having been there some time, he was about on taking a cab at one time, and fixing the price for the driver, he noticed that the driver seemed to be a new recruit and uncertain how to reach his destination, driving in and out of various streets.

"Do you think I'd lose myself in London, sir?" he replied "with only an eighteen pence fare?"—Harpur's Monthly.

THEY SAY.—They say the girl who bursts into tears has been put together. They say the young man who was taken by surprise has returned. They say the lady who went off in a huff has been reconciled to her best man. They say the young man who painted the signs of the times is now out of a job.

They say the man who jumped upon the spur of the moment was soon glad to sit down again. They say the gentleman who went too far in an argument was brought home on a stretcher.

They say the man who could not trust his feelings is supposed to do business on a cash principle. They say the man who wrestled with adversity wore out the knees of his trousers and got worried.

TO RENT.

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Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Honorable Inspector of Brocks and Lewis for a transfer of the license now held by Mrs. E. Armstrong for the Brocks Hotel in the Village of Athens to N. D. McVeigh, the owner of said hotel for the current year.

N. D. McVEIGH.

The Legislature Grants Aid to the Road into the Lake Superior Territory.

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