

CORRESPONDENCE.

Mount Pleasant.

OCT. 16.—Last Thursday evening, a large number of Orangemen probably about 30, assembled in the hall, over Mr. Wm. Drake's new store, for the purpose of organizing a L. O. L. Representatives were present from seven lodges, and John Farley D. M.; president, Major Hartley, P. M.; Edmund Saunders W. M. of Wiggins Lodge; A. A. Belyea, W. M., of Hartland; Henry Doucet, W. M.; British Lion; G. S. Wiggins, W. M., of Victoria; and W. C. Rideout, of Hinwell Lodge, were present and assisted in the organization. The new lodge will be known as Farley L. O. L. No. 59 and starts with a membership of 22. By a dispensation from the Grand Lodge, the four degrees were conferred upon a number of the brethren. The following officers were elected:—Richard Clark, W. M.; Harrison Rideout, D. M.; Frank N. Lasky, R. S.; C. W. Crandall, chap.; David Phillips, treas.; Mansfield Clark, D. of C.; Henry Quick, lecturer; Wm. Drake, F. S.; Lorenzo Clark, S. O. Foster, Murray Foster, Fred Crandall, Wm. Caldwell, committee. The installment was conducted by Major A. D. Hartley, F. W. M., after which speeches were made by several brethren. The third Wednesday of each month was selected for the night of meeting, but a special meeting will be held next Wednesday evening. A bounteous supper was prepared, the tables being spread in the lower hall, to which the visiting friends did ample justice. A most hearty and unanimous vote of thanks was returned for the unbounded hospitality and courtesy shown to the visiting brethren.

Lakeville.

OCT. 15.—The first quarterly session of Carleton District No. 1 L. O. L. was held with Hackett lodge last Tuesday, and notwithstanding the heavy rain was very well attended, there being present representatives from Hackett, Wiggins, Carleton, Hipwell, and Victoria lodges. District Master Farley occupied the chair. A number of grand and county lodge officers were also in attendance. The session was most interesting, and during the afternoon and evening appropriate addresses were made by the D. M. Grand Chaplain, Flewelling, J. R. Fowler, G. S. Wiggins, D. C. John A. Waters, P. C. M. Dis. Chap., Rev. P. Brooks, and others. The next session will be held with Carleton lodge, Centreville on the second Tuesday in January. Votes of thanks were tendered to the friends of Hackett lodge for their hospitality, and to the visiting brethren.

On Friday evening, 19th inst. a basket social will be held at the residence of Mrs. S. S. Wiggins, the proceeds to be donated to Rev. J. E. Flewelling.

Upper Woodstock.

OCT. 17.—At a meeting of trustees lately, David Hipwell was elected in place of Solomon Perley, who has retired. The resignation of Chas. McLean, teacher of the advanced department, was received, and accepted with much regret. The secretary was instructed to tender by letter to Mr. McLean the appreciation by the people of his excellent services. A motion also passed that the primary department be done away with, and that a first-class male teacher be engaged to teach the mixed school. An assessment of \$550 was ordered for current expenses. David Jackson was elected auditor for the year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hipwell, of St. John, who have been spending a few days with their son Mr. D. Hipwell returned to their home on Wednesday. Upper Woodstock contributed the following to the C. P. R.'s popular excursion to Boston on Monday, Mrs. Hubert Brown and son, Mrs. Stephen Jones, Mrs. Henry Green, Miss Mabel Adams, Miss Georgie Good, Miss Alma Hartley, Miss Alexa Shaw, Miss Lizzie Robinson.

The new firm of Chestnut & Hipwell commenced business today. They have purchased the furniture factory formerly owned by Mr. A. Henderson, and will continue to carry on that business and in connection they will carry on the manufacture of sleighs, puns, carriages etc. As the young men are well known in the community it is hoped they may receive a fair share of the patronage of the county.

Considerable sickness prevails at the corner at present. Mrs. Hipwell who has been very ill for some time, is now recovering.

Grand Falls.

OCT. 15.—Mrs. A. R. Hallett, left last Friday for Haverhill, Mass where she will visit her sisters for a short time, she will also spend a few days in Boston before returning.

Sheriff Tibbets and wife of Andover, were in town on Friday.

Miss Mary Rainsford returned last Thursday from Fitch where she has been visiting the last few weeks.

Mr. F. Goodreau's fine store is about completed and he will open this week with a large assortment of new goods.

The water in the main river is rising very fast owing to the heavy rains of the last ten days.

Jacksonville.

OCT. 16.—John Harper, jr., was elected to fill the vacancy in the school trusteeship. \$425 was voted as the assessment.

Lower Wakefield.

OCT. 16.—At the annual meeting of the school district held here last Thursday, Albert Shaw was elected trustee in place of Robert Kearney, whose term had expired. \$125 was voted for current expenses.

The China Japanese War.

Conflicting reports come from the seat of war in Corea.

A special to the New York Herald from Shanghai says: "China is suing for peace through the British minister at Tokio. She offers to recognize the independence of Corea and pay a large money indemnity. This proposal emanated from Prince Kung and Li Hang Chang. The British minister, Mr. O'Connor, is waiting for Japan's reply at Peking."

LONDON, Oct. 15.—A despatch to the Central News from Tokio says Corea is being cleared of Chinese. The opportunity has arrived for Japan to undertake a through internal reform of the government of that country. To carry out this reform the presence of an experienced minister is necessary. For this purpose Count Ito, Japanese minister of interior, will be sent to Corea. The Emperor has the fullest confidence in Count Ito, who will proceed at once in warship Yoshino to Cheoulpo. In Corea he will act as special advisory ambassador.

PARIS, Oct. 15.—The Journal day publishes a statement to the effect that agents of the powers will shortly hold a conference in Peking with the view to securing the appointment of a board of mediation to arbitrate the Chinese-Japanese trouble.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Sir Halliday Macartney, secretary of the Chinese legation in London, declares there is not an atom of truth in the report that China has begun negotiations with Japan for a peaceful settlement of the war. He says any such proposals are not within sight and are in fact a long way off. The Japanese Legation here has received no information tending to confirm the report, and little credence is placed in the matter in London.

Brutal Assassination.

An assassination, one of the most cruel, of the many that we read of, was committed at Parkdale, Toronto, last week. An account of the affair taken from Toronto papers is given below. Not the slightest clue has been found to the perpetrator of the deed, and the crown attorney is said to have expressed the opinion that it will be added to the list of undiscovered crimes.

Frank B. Westwood was shot down by an unknown man on the steps of his father's residence on Jameson avenue. Shortly before 11 o'clock the young man went to answer the door bell. On opening the door a revolver was presented at him without warning and discharged. Westwood fell backwards into the doorway. A 44-calibre bullet had entered his body some distance below the nipple of his right breast. The assailant made good his escape. The whole affair is shrouded in mystery. Neither the wounded boy nor his relatives could think of any motive for the crime. At a late hour that night Westwood lay at the point of death.

Westwood's home, which is at the corner of Jameson avenue, is one of the finest in Parkdale. It stands a hundred yards back from the street, and is fronted by a stretch of beautiful greensward and shade trees, and approached by a well kept semi-circular carriage drive, with latticed footwalk.

The frightful occurrence has proved a heavy blow to the afflicted family. The parents are both distracted at the unlooked-for tragedy. Rarely has Parkdale been so excited as since Sunday morning. The mystery is trying on nervous people, and many who are not positive that the shooting was not the work of a madman do not feel comfortable at the thought that he might seek at any moment to add other victims to his list. Every suspicious stranger is now watched and commented upon. It is known that on Sunday a peculiar individual, disguised with a wig and false moustache, was walking about on Close and Cowan avenues. Who he was is not known, but certain it is that such a man was there, and now those who saw him are wondering if he had anything to do with the shooting.

The room in which Mrs. Westwood and her son sat after his return on Saturday night, and before they went upstairs, has a window facing the lake looking out upon the lawn. The blind was up about nine inches, and the bright light inside, of course, made it an easy matter for anyone outside to watch the movements of the inmates. In all probability the murderer was outside as the two sat talking inside. Where was he when young Westwood was walking about with his companions? Was he lying in wait in Mr. Westwood's grounds? If so, why did he not fire upon him before he entered the house at all? It seems probable that when he saw the mother and son extinguish the light down stairs he concluded that now was the time to perpetrate the murder. What a cold-blooded and cruel act it was to deliberately ring the bell and summon the boy to be murdered!

From the location of the Westwood home, it is easily seen that the assassin could without much difficulty make good his escape. After the shooting, it is supposed, he ran across the lawn to the lake shore. This would give him an opportunity to throw his revolver over the bank into the deep water below. After that it is hard to say what his movements might have been. Perhaps he made along the lake shore, either east or west; perhaps he boarded the train that pulled out of the Parkdale station.

Frank Westwood died at 6 o'clock on Tuesday morning. Around his bedside were gathered his father, mother and two brothers. All night long an anxious watch was kept in the silent chamber, for the physicians had intimated that in their opinion the unfortunate lad would not live through the night. His youth and vitality held out for hours against approaching death. In his antemortem deposition the unfortunate young man shed no light upon the mystery.

Somnambulism, or Insanity.

SHERBROOK, Que., October 13.—The citizens of Sherbrook were stricken with grief and amazement on hearing this morning of the terrible fatality by which Mr. William J. Millward, a leading merchant, met his death last night. It appears that between 10 and 11 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Millward took a pleasant recreative stroll through Wellington street, after which they came to their residence, which is over their store, forming the corner of Wellington and Commercial streets. The building is contiguous to the Magog bridge and the foundations of it run down some fifty or sixty feet below the bridge. About eleven Mr. Millward had retired and apparently gone to sleep as usual. Mrs. Millward followed shortly after and had got to sleep, but a short time after, about midnight, she was aroused by the crash of glass in the front room. She rushed in time to prevent her husband jumping through the broken window into the street. He then rushed away from her and ran to the back window, and catching up a saw in his flight he endeavoured by drawing it across his throat to take his life. In this he failed, and again made an attempt to get through the back window, from which he would have jumped into the river, but his wife once more saved him. At the same moment she put her head through the window and screamed for help. In the meantime her husband escaped from her and ran down stairs through the store door. He got on to a box near the railing of the bridge and was preparing to spring into the river, when Mr. Edward Rioux, who had been attracted to the spot by Mrs. Millward's shrieks, caught him and got him down from the box. Then ensued a fierce struggle between the two. Poor Millward, who was heavy and wiry, succeeded in

throwing himself over the railing, Mr. Rioux still clung to the sleeve of his night gown. But the hold was too precarious and Millward's struggles were too violent. Several other people had run to the spot, but were too late to help and save him. Millward broke loose in an instant and fell fully fifty feet on the rocks below, with his feet just touching the water's brink. When he was, with much difficulty, reached by W. Read, he was still conscious, and said, "For God's sake, do get me out of this." He expired about an hour after he was removed to his residence, retaining consciousness all the time and composedly explaining to Drs. Worthington and Smith the nature of the terrible internal pain he felt.

The doctors have not yet made the autopsy but believe that death was caused by internal hemorrhage induced by the inward projection of three broken ribs.

Mr. Millward's friends are unable to account for this extraordinary occurrence, some attributing it to somnambulism and others to temporary attack of insanity. The frantic grief of Mrs. Millward is terrible to behold. It is seriously feared she will go out of her mind. Mr. Millward had been doing a large business in fancy goods in the same store in the square for the last twelve years and was certainly the most popular merchant doing business here.

Board of Trade Conference.

A conference of the different Boards of Trade throughout the province was held in St. John last week and among the many matters up for discussion was the freight rates of the C. P. R. The delegates from Woodstock were loud in their condemnation of the excessive rates charged by this railway on all freight brought into or taken from their town. It is generally understood that all local freight which is moved by this railway is subject to a higher rate than if moved by the I. C. R. The attempt to hand over the I. C. Railway to the tender mercies of the C. P. R. corporation was a miserable failure and the probabilities are that it will be a long time before any public man or influential journalist will again advocate the transfer. When the matter of transfer was up for discussion some time ago, we opposed it, and nothing has since transpired to cause us to change, but time has rather strengthened the belief that it would be very undesirable that the Intercolonial Railway should be handed over to a private corporation. It is rather difficult to understand how the Press of Woodstock can be the apologist for the C. P. R. in the face of the united protest of the delegates from that rising town. If the contention of the Woodstock delegation to the Board of Trade conference be true that they are discriminated against in consequence of being without any other railway facilities except that furnished by the C. P. R. than the people of this province have very strong cause for rejoicing that the railways operated by the government were not handed over as proposed by some indiscreet individuals.—Sussex Record.

No Concession to Protection.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Mr. Gladstone has written to the Statist with reference to the prize of \$5,000 offered by that paper for the best scheme for an Imperial customs federation. In his letter the ex-premier says he does not feel qualified to take part in the proceedings now contemplated until he can see a better prospect of obtaining a practical result and until he is satisfied that a mode can be found of forming such union without involving any concession to the principle of protection.

Suicide.

W. R. Elmenhorst, president of the St. Lawrence Sugar Refining Co., Montreal, committed suicide by shooting himself with a revolver on Friday.

A Good Place to Buy Goods.

R. W. Richardson, of Hartland, has just received a supply of Dry Goods, Groceries, etc., which he is prepared to sell at low prices. He has a special line of Kerosene Oil, which he will retail at twenty cents a gallon. Here is a good place to get bargains.



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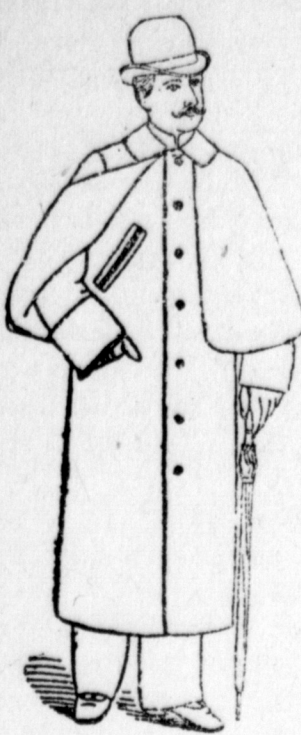
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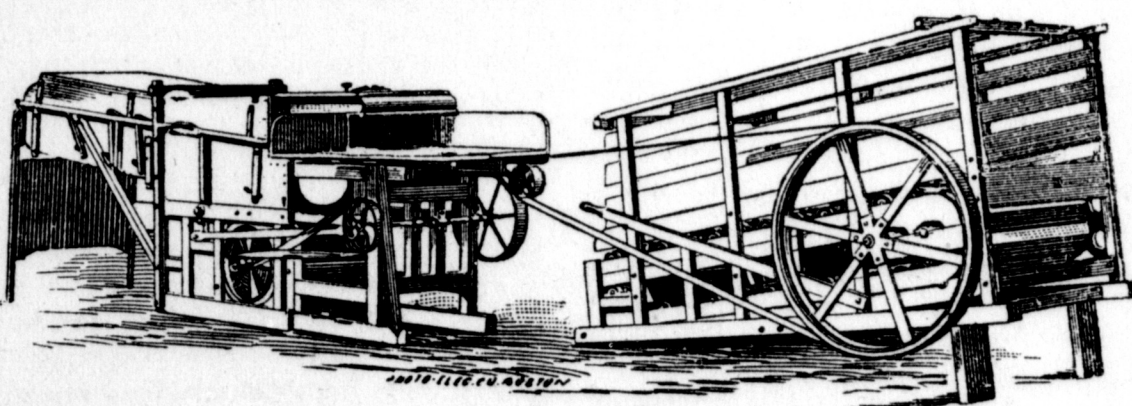
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