

Oyster Supper.

On Saturday night Mr. Paul, in his usual liberality and in style for which his house is famous, treated the men engaged in the addition to his hotel to an oyster supper. The occasion of a supper was this: The Saturday preceeding, it will be remembered, was very rainy and the prospect of getting the building finished seemed consequently rather dim. Mr. McCann, however, promised that the roof should be on by the end of the next week, and Mr. Paul pledged himself in that event to give the workmen an oyster supper. The weather happily proved fine, and the roof was got on within the time.

Mr. Paul worthily filled the chair at one end of the table and J. J. Johnston at the other.

For the company had completed their attack upon the harmless but delicious bivalves, Mr. Johnston in complimentary terms proposed the health of Mr. and Mrs. Paul.

Mr. Paul replied, expressing the pleasure he felt in entertaining the company, in consequence of the safe completion of the first part of the contract, hinting, however, that he was indebted more to the clerk of the weather than the energy of the workmen.

Mr. Johnston proposed the health of Aris & Co., the bricklayers. None of the firm being present Mr. McCann replied in their behalf.

Mr. Paul explained how the supper came about as above mentioned.

Mr. Watt proposed the health of J. J. Johnston & Co., speaking highly of their energy as builders of the creditable monuments of their skill seen in Mr. Chisholm's handsome new block and other buildings in the village.

Mr. Johnston replied, thanking the company for the compliment paid his firm, and stating that he had been now eight years in the

Accident on the Narrow Gauge.

FOUR MEN KILLED.

We take the following from the Times:—

"It becomes our painful duty this week to record the first accident in connection with the railway to Owen Sound, resulting in the death of three men engaged in its construction, and serious injuries to several others. Shortly after six o'clock last evening (Thursday,) while the construction train was bringing the men engaged on the work home, the engine backing and pushing ahead of it a flat car on which a number of the men were seated, when coming through a small cutting about four miles from town, the flat car ran off the track, and striking the bank was turned on its side and smashed, the men riding on it being buried in the ruins. The tender ran off the track on the other side, and was partially turned over, none of those who were riding on it (fortunately the greater number of workmen,) being injured other than the shock occasioned by their leap in the dark as it went over. Those who were uninjured immediately set to work to extricate their companions from under the wreck of the car, and the scene is described by those present as of the most heartrending description, only illuminated here and there by the glimmer of lanterns, while the groans and cries of the sufferers arising out of the thick darkness added terror to the scene. Messengers were immediately despatched to town for medical assistance, in response to which Drs. J. and C. E. Barnhart with a number of citizens at once started for the scene of disaster; and fortunately Dr. McGregor of Chatsworth being found at Rockford Castle (about half a mile off,) was on hand to superintend the removal of the wounded. Mr.

Accident to the Silver Spray.

The Times thus describes the casualty which we had only space simply to notice last week:—

"An accident of a serious nature occurred to the steamer *Silver Spray* on Wednesday afternoon last, on her trip from Collingwood to this port. About 5 p. m., when off Thornbury, and the machinery apparently working smoothly, a sudden crash was heard, caused by the breaking of the beam at both ends, and the piston smashing the head of the cylinder into fragments. Some parts of the machinery went through the hurricane deck and fell on the promenade deck, smashing a portion of the former into splinters, and causing considerable damage to the latter. Fortunately there were not many passengers on board, and no one happened to be near the scene of the accident, or a more severe casualty might have occurred. Word was immediately sent to Collingwood, and the tug *George Watson* steamed up to come to her assistance; but searched all night without being able to find her. The *Spray* drifted about all night, and in the morning was taken in tow by the *Algoma* and brought to this port. The accident will take sometime to repair, and in the meantime we understand the *Frances Smith* will go on the route between here and Collingwood after her next trip up Lake Superior."

Correspondence.

We wish it to be clearly understood that we do not endorse, nor hold ourselves responsible for, the opinions or expressions of our correspondents.—Ed.

To the Editor of the MONITOR.

MAISTER EDITOR,—Could ye tell me wha has the lettin' o' the Drill Shed? I see it's bein' used the noo as a barn and bein' filled fu' o' hay. Noo if the parties hae nae rented the buildin' for the hale winter, I'd like tae get the use o' a while when they flit. I hae

Toronto.

The Advance English market Wheat was in much better demand. Prices may be lower, the best \$1.23 f. o. b. and wanted; have been paid and in very poor.

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