

PARTY PROCESSIONS.

The British Government has evidently a lively recollection of the mischiefs resulting from party processions in former years in Ireland, for we are informed that the Home Secretary, Mr. Bruce, informed the House a few nights ago that the law against such demonstrations would be rigidly enforced. It is a wise resolve. Party processions have never been known to do any good, and are the cause beyond question or debate of the production of a vast amount of evil. Besides they are so simple by which is meant foolish—in their nature and in the attendant circumstances that they seem more befitting children than men, or heathenism than civilization. It is easy enough understanding why Indians should dress up in grotesque costumes and make horrible noises with all sorts of absurd instruments, but the philosophic mind will have some trouble in endeavouring to account for the delight which educated, thinking and apparently sensible men can discover in participating in the annual processions, while above their heads flutters a flag, the particular colour of which is an index of the creed of those by whom it is borne. The device too, is far from as noble as that which was emblazoned on the banner carried by the youth who passed through the Alpine village while the shades of night were falling fast, for there is nothing of an "Excelsior" character about it. Bitter feelings, not nobler aims are engendered by party displays no matter who the party is that makes them. Before the Act against these processions came into force there was scarcely a seventh of March, or a twelfth of July that did not witness the commission of murder in Ireland.

On the former anniversary the Ribbon Men were the challengers, and on the latter the Orangemen, and indeed it was to prevent a recurrence of the slaughter which took place on the famous debatable ground called "Dolly's Brae," in 1849, when the homeward march of eighteen lodges of the Sons of William was interrupted by a body of Catholics fully as numerous, that the bill was framed. It was high time, for such battles were by no means honorable. Even many who took part in them seemed to think so, and those who lost a son or a husband, said as little about it as possible. How many were killed was probably never definitely ascertained, but there were more than enough to make party processions stink in the nostrils of all serious men. The feeling this year will, no doubt, be intense, on account of the Irish Church Bill, and it is prudent to let it be known beforehand that the peace must be kept. Our lines have fallen in more pleasant places, and all true friends of Ireland will hope for the coming of the time when the same liberal and charitable spirit shall pervade her people at home that takes possession of them after a residence in Canada. Most of them indeed "change their minds" on this point as well as "their skies, when they have come beyond the seas." Happy are we in this respect, that a man may be of what religion he likes and there will be nobody inclined to crack his skull on account of the views he entertains.

Base Ball Tournament.

When it had become known that Sayers had successfully resisted the muscles of knotted iron, and the ponderous flats which Heenan took over to England to thrash him withal, every Englishman felt wonderfully like licking somebody. So when private telegrams made known the fact on Friday night that the Guelph Maple Leaf B. B. Club had defeated the "Young Canadians" of Woodstock, who had worsted them on two former occasions, every person in town became more or less enthusiastic on the subject of base ball, and some were actually so full of ardour as to go out on the fair ground for the purpose, as they said, of "having a catch." Well, the fact is Guelph felt rather proud of the First Nine, and of their feat, which was performed without one of the most efficient members of the Club. To be sure there was a good man in his place, but Stevenson is reckoned an almost peerless first base. They were confident that with fair play they could beat the Champions, and the circumstances of the Tournament being different from those attending a match for the ball they have got fair play and beaten their old opponents right heartily—beaten them about twice as much as they were beaten in both the games in which Victory perched on the flag of Woodstock. The score stood 57 and 38—majority for Guelph 19. When champions are beaten the conquerors assume their place, it is presumed, so that the Guelph Maple Leaf B. B. Club are the champions de facto of Canada now, although they have not the silver ball in their possession. We do not see that their defeat by Ingersoll, even if that misfortune should happen (which we think most improbable) would lose them the honour. For you see there was a splendid racer defeated once on the last day of the races by fresh horses being continually pitted against him. The "Victorias" of Ingersoll are good; no doubt about that; they are bricks; but we are in expectation of the news that the Guelph men have shown them that they are bricklayers. The following is a report of the other games played: On Wednesday, the Frontiers of St. Catharines played the Tigers of London for the second prize. The Frontiers won by 51 runs. On Thursday, the Frontiers were pitted against the Atlantics of Woodstock. The latter won the second prize, \$50; score, Atlantics 41, Frontiers 22. The Erie (St. Thomas) Club played the Tigers of London for third prize: score, Erie 48, Tigers 7.

We have been unable to obtain and report of the match to day.

RUSSIA AND THE POPE.—The Russian Government has at length granted the request of the Pope, that the Catholic bishops in its Dominion might be permitted to attend the forthcoming Ecumenical Council. This is the occasion of some discussion in Russia. It is thought that in order to procure this favour the Pope must in his turn have granted something, and one suggestion is that he should not encourage the rebellious tendencies of the people, and warmly support the existing Government.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

GREAT BRITAIN

Another Outbreak in Spain. LONDON, July 2nd.—Carlist risings are reported in Spain. In Vittoria the streets were filled with a revolutionary mob, armed with scythes and revolvers and shouting for Carlos and Cabrera. They murdered the Alcald and wounded 30 citizens, many of them mortally. Similar risings are also reported in Carthagena and Valencia.

DUBLIN, July 2.—A severe riot occurred in Portadown to-day, arising out of an Orange demonstration. The police fired upon the rioters, killing one man and wounding another.

LONDON, July 2.—The Times this morning in reviewing the revenue returns sees no reason for disquietude on account of the relations between Great Britain and foreign countries. The most important matters to business men are the state of relations with America on the Alabama question, and the present condition of France. The Alabama difficulty is not more threatening now than it was a year or two since. Mr. Johnson's negotiations were not entirely futile; they have demonstrated England's willingness to make reasonable concessions. Henceforth it will be impossible to extract a grievance from her acts or demeanor. The Americans feel this, and at present have no desire to push the question in a hostile manner.

The House of Lords to-night condemned the consideration of the Irish Church Bill in Committee. Clauses 25 and 26 were agreed to. The Marquis of Salisbury moved to strike out clause 27, which requires that payment be made for the retention of ecclesiastical resources by churches.

The Duke of Cleveland moved an amendment authorizing grants to Catholics and Presbyterians. After a long debate the House divided, and the amendment was lost by a vote of 113 to 146.

It is rumored that the Ecumenical Council of Rome is to be postponed for a year.

FROM FRANCE.

BREST, July 2.—Communication with the steamship Great Eastern through the cable was restored at noon to-day. Despatches received from her explain the suspension of communication as follows. A fault was discovered in the cable on Wednesday, and the Great Eastern was obliged to stop, locate and remove it. A heavy gale prevailed, and in order to avoid the probability of a serious accident to the cable, it was decided to cut and buoy it, which was successfully done. The weather to-day having become fine, the cable was recovered, the fault removed and the work of paying out recommenced. All well on board at noon to-day. The Great Eastern was in lat. 47, deg. 55 sec. long, 30 deg.

American Despatches

Shock of an Earthquake. St. Louis, July 2nd.—Quite a sharp shock of an earthquake was felt here between one and two o'clock yesterday morning. The windows and crockery rattled, and in some instances furniture moved, but no damage is reported. The waves travelled north and south, and lasted from five to ten seconds. The shock was felt within a circuit of thirty miles of here, and at Cairo quite severely.

The Peabody Southern Fund.

New York, July 3rd.—At a meeting of the Trustees of the Peabody Southern Educational Fund, in Newport, on Thursday last, a letter was read from Mr. Peabody donating an additional million of dollars for educational purposes in the Southern States.

A special to the Times from Washington says: Concerning the right of this Government to the neutrality laws of which we had such a recent illustration it may be stated that the action meets with the hearty approval of Mr. Sumner, and that on this question he is in full accord with the President and Secretary of State. Cuban belligerency in the present situation of affairs on that island is a humbug, and the country must look to see the action of this Government towards Cuba controlled by the attitude of our relations towards England in the Alabama question.

Cuban Expedition.

Erie, Pa., July 2nd.—A Cuban expedition of 500 men arrived here this afternoon and evening from Philadelphia. They will cross over to Canada to-morrow morning, and will embark on a vessel clearing from a Canadian port.

New Advertisements.

PASTURE TO LET.—Apply to DENIS COFFEY.

SPECIAL ATTENTION.—The highest market price paid for Wood, Hides, Sheepskins, Calfeins and Wool Pickings, at No. 4 Day's Old Block, Gordon Street, July 3. D. MOULTON.

SEAMSTRESSES WANTED.—Wanted by the undersigned, a number of Seamstresses to sew Carpets, &c., at O'Neill's Hotel. Apply at once. July 2nd W.M. BOOKLESS.

STORE AT ELOEA TO LET.—To be let, with immediate possession, a small store, being part of the stone block opposite Biggar's Hotel, and adjoining the grain market. Apply to Mr R. MITCHELL, or at the Oursars in office, Eloea, June 19. J.M.—S&W

PIGS LOST.—Strayed from Mr Alex. Crichton's premises, Market Square, Guelph, about three weeks ago, ten pigs, all about a year old. Four of them are barrows, and six are sows. Any person giving information of them to the sub-cribers will be properly rewarded. A. CRICHTON, HUGH HOGG.

SEWING GIRL WANTED.—Wanted at Nelson's Store, Rockwood, a Tailress.—She must be able to work the Sewing Machine. Apply personally to JNO. NELSON, Storekeeper, Rockwood, July 2. dt

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TOWN OF GUELPH.

TO CONTRACTORS

Scaled Tenders will be received at this Office, up to 3 o'clock, p.m., on TUESDAY, 13th INST., for the Erection of

Stone Work required in the new Erasmus Bridge.

Plans and Specifications can be seen, and further information obtained at this office. The Council do not bind themselves to accept the lowest tender unless otherwise satisfactory. JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk. Town Clerk's Office, July 2, 1896. dt

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864.

In the matter of JAMES HODGERT, of the Town of Guelph, an Insolvent. The Creditors of the Insolvent are notified to meet at the office of the undersigned, in the Town of Guelph, on TUESDAY, the 13th JULY, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the public examination of the Insolvent, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally. E. NEWTON, Official Assignee. Guelph, July 2. dtw

ENGLISH

MAGAZINES FOR JULY! RECEIVED

At DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market.

Young Ladies' Journal Popular Educator Leisure Hour London Journal

Guelph, 3rd July. dtw

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THE RIGHT PLACE to FIND RAYMOND'S CELEBRATED SEWING MACHINES for sale, (prices same as at the factory), is at JOHN McNEIL'S Agency, Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Guelph, Ont. June 23. dtw

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

DIVIDEND No. 4.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Four per cent., upon the paid-up capital stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half year; and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after FRIDAY the second day of July next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th days of June next to both days inclusive.

POSTPONEMENT.

The amendment to the Charter of the Bank, recently sanctioned by Parliament, changes the day for holding the Annual General Meeting from the first Monday to the SECOND TUESDAY IN JULY.

Stockholders will therefore please note that the meeting this year will be held on TUESDAY, the THIRTIETH PROXIMO.

Chair to be taken at twelve o'clock noon precisely. By order of the Board. R. J. DALLAS, Cashier. Toronto, 29th June, 1896. dtl

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COMPRISING

Cooper's Novels Dickens' Novels Disraeli's Novels Ainsworth's Novels Grant's Novels Thackeray's Novels Dumas' Novels Reynold's Novels Miss Braddon's Novels Bulwer's Novels Scott's Novels Tales of the Borders &c. &c. &c.

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New Cheap Bookstore, Wyndham-st. Guelph, 30th June. dtw

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The undersigned is authorized to sell TICKETS to any point South or West by the popular and safe line.

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THE ANNUAL CLEARING SALE WILL COMMENCE

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AND CONTINUE FOR THIRTY DAYS.

The whole stock will be offered at COST PRICES, to effect a speedy clearance. All Goods booked will be charged regular prices. This is a rare chance for purchasing cheap Goods, as the stock is all new and of the best description.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT

The balance of our extensive stock of Millinery will be cleared out much under the prices of production. Also, JACKETS AND SHAWLS at panic prices. Call early and secure some of the many bargains that will be offered during the great clearing sale.

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OF DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, MANTLES, CLOTHING, &c.,

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AT GEORGE B. FRASER.

Will commence a great clearing sale of Dry Goods, Millinery and Clothing.

In order to convert his present large stock into cash before leaving for the British and European Markets to make extensive Fall purchases, where cash buyers have an enormous advantage. G. B. FRASER would draw special attention to a lot of MANTLES, which he will sell at one-third the original price, viz.—a Mantle worth \$30 will be sold for \$10. Printed Muslins sold elsewhere for 35c. reduced to 15c.

An Immense Stock of DRESS GOODS from 8 cents and upwards.

THE MILLINERY DEPARTMENT must be cleared out at any sacrifice without reserve. A large lot of LARGE SHAWLS, usually sold at \$2, reduced to 50 cents. In one word, you will get better value for 30c. at G. B. FRASER'S during this sale than you will get elsewhere for \$1. 65c. Goods booked will be charged ordinary prices.

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NOTE LOST—CAUTION.

Lost between the Outlets Post Office and Guelph, or in Guelph, on the 22nd June, a joint note drawn in favor of David Allan, and signed by Thomas and M. Whitehead, made payable at the Ontario Bank, Guelph. Any person finding it will please leave it at the Mercury Office for the owner, and he will be rewarded for his trouble. All parties are hereby cautioned against buying or negotiating said note, as payment has been stopped, unless presented to D. Allan, or at the Ontario Bank. Guelph, 29th June. dtw

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