

Tories and Fenians.

A few days ago we were rather surprised by the intelligence that coalition had been formed between the Tories, and the foremost among the leaders of the Irish Fenians. Those who were chiefs in the combat for the redress of the wrongs of Ireland and those who stood in the rear and looked on, wishing the highest success to the arms of the imaginary republic, have forsaken those whom they were wont to call their friends, who endeavoured to prove themselves such, and joined hands with the party they were accustomed to brand as inveterate and irreconcilable enemies. It would be a happy circumstance if this were the dawning of a millennial day on the unfortunate Emerald Isle. But it is not, cannot be so, and the people are about voluntarily to rivet more closely those chains which have long galled them sorely. Bright, whom they almost idolized, is cast aside. Gladstone who fought for them like a Hector, and all who supported him find their services forgotten, the value of their labours underrated, or their motives misinterpreted—in short the only hands that have been extended to grant them assistance have been spurned.

Strange and sudden as the change may be there must be a cause for it. Is it the common Tory dodge of specious and profuse promises, reluctant concessions, and a retention of power? Has Disraeli in secret promised that he will do more for Ireland than ever Mr. Gladstone can or will do, or have the people been so long in a state of chronic disaffection that it has become second nature with them, and while they complain would feel that they wanted something if they had no cause of complaint? Have they been afforded so long that they cannot afford to take rest and be contented? Perhaps nine-tenths of those who are dissatisfied know nothing more of their real grievances, than the name. They have been told that the Church and the nature of the tenure of land question stand in the way of their becoming more comfortable, but if they really understood these subjects would they still follow the lead of the men who inaugurated a crusade against English oppression, and now quietly go over to the enemy? It is difficult to comprehend the fatuity of such a following, and it shows the difference between Irishmen at home and Irishmen abroad. Irish spokesmen in Canada cannot make terms with the Anglo-Saxon and retain the support of their old admirers, and indeed they may consider themselves fortunate if they escape the doom which is considered the due of such traitors. We find that the plenipotentiaries to this negotiation were, on the Fenian side, among others, two of the newspaper editors who lately suffered imprisonment for spouting treason. They are magnanimous fellows these, and appear to have forgotten in a brief space of time their own personal wrongs and the wrongs of their country. Or do they want to league with the Tories that Ireland may be left in her former condition, and that they may return with fresh zest to their occupation of inveighing against England, and demonstrating their own patriotism in showing up her tyranny. Are they clever enough to do all this, and are the people simple enough to allow an opportunity of ameliorating their condition by quiet constitutional means to pass by unimproved, at the dictum of a few designing villains?

There seems to be no doubt whatever of the coalition, and should it last one of the strangest anomalies, in that land of anomalies, will be witnessed at the election that was ever seen in Ireland—Orangemen and Roman Catholics will be going to the polls together, both voting that things in that country shall remain as they are. Those who know the people will entertain grave doubts if either the cunning of Disraeli or the influence of the Fenian leaders can carry such a policy through. But even if they can they are not likely to be the gainers, for the Liberals as a mere consequence of such an arrangement it will be the gainers to a greater extent in England than the Tories will in Ireland.

PROBABLE RESULT OF THE BRITISH ELECTION.—The Non Conformist, a paper which espouses the cause of Mr. Gladstone, and the Liberal party generally, predicts that that gentleman will have at his back in the next Imperial Parliament, a party of 400 gentlemen Commoners, or a minimum majority of 136.

"Artemus Ward's" executor, being unable to discover the future bequeathed by him to the donor for indigent and well-to-do, it is suggested that the executor bequest was A. Ward's, as usual, make the usual appendage, "this is a goak."

Hon. Charles Fisher is gazetted Judge of the Superior Court, New Brunswick.

More Shopbreaking in Guelph.

Some time between last Saturday night and this (Monday) morning the store of Mr. Phillip Bish, known as the Bradford House, and probably Mr. Fraser's store, also, were broken into. There is positive evidence that the former was entered.—The burglar had gained the roof by the verandah in front, cut out a pane in one of the large windows above, and then crawled through into the millinery show room. On this apartment there is no door, and he had nothing to do only walk down stairs and "take his choice." He seemed to have been some time in choosing, for he had disarranged a large quantity of goods before he finally selected and appropriated an undershirt, a fancy shirt, a pair of pants and a pea-jacket. He also took about \$4 that were in the till, and having thus provided himself with some warm clothing against the cold weather, and a little pocket money he took his leave. Whether Mr. Fraser's store was entered is not known to a certainty, but it is evident that it had been attempted. A rope used for taking up and letting down the large canvass screen used on very sunny days passes through the lower part of the sash, and is fastened to a block on the window sill. The thief cut the rope, believing that it was used to fasten the window, but when he had done so his progress in that direction was still impeded. But the other window of the same room was unfastened and the lock of the door opening on the stairs could be "picked" with but little trouble. Whether it was or not has not yet been ascertained, but there was a piece of silk, containing fifty or sixty yards, in the store on Saturday night which cannot be found to-day. It is time the stores on Wyndham-st. were better guarded against depredators, for at present the safety of their contents depends more on public honesty, than on the precautions of the proprietors.

The Town Hall Controversy.

To the Editor of the Mercury. Sir,—Having seen and read in your valuable paper the discourse at the meeting of the Council on the subject of letting of the Town Hall to the Primitive Methodists, I cannot but strongly censure the conduct of the Chairman of the Market-house Committee. Cannot a respectable body of people apply for the use of this Hall without being quizzed and closely questioned as to their intentions by this most inquisitive Chairman? Is he so particular when all manner of foolish performances require the use of the Hall? I say, Mr. Editor, it is an insult to a respectable body like the Primitive Methodists to be treated in such a manner, as if they were going to hire the Hall for some immoral or illegal use.—The Chairman has acted in an overbearing manner, and it is high time that he was made to know his place. Ought he, because he has a little objection to this or that, refuse the use of a public Hall which belongs to the people? Or what right had he to refuse the Hall to Baron de Camin when he knew perfectly well the majority of the people of Guelph desired that he should have it. Is he conscious of his sinking interest and wishes to gain the Catholic support? What right has the valiant Chairman to call Baron de Camin an impostor? Can he prove it? If so let him do it through the public press. This gallant Chairman dare not meet the Baron on the platform and assert the same thing, the eloquence and convincing proofs of the Baron would wither him up. Has the Chairman heard him lecture? Does he know anything about him? I wot not, and knows as little about him as he does of his duty as chairman of M. H. C. (Our thanks are due Mr. Melvin who endeavoured to teach him.) This Baron de Camin surely makes good offers, and if he be a retailer of lies, are there not Catholics in Guelph bold enough to confront him? It is all very well for a man to use his ass for drawing burdens, but if he expects him to speak he will be mistaken, for it will all end in a bray. AN OBSERVER. Guelph, Oct. 12, 1868.

RUMORS.—The London Free Press gives currency to a batch of rumors possessing significance. The story is told as follows by the journal in question: In certain somewhat exclusive circles in Quebec and Montreal, it is confidently predicted that the seat of government will not remain for ever in Ottawa. The circles even aver that a comprehensive plan for changing the whole state has been all but decided upon, and will only be deferred until all correlative matters shall have matured, and the transition become easy and without the violation of sectional predilections. Two, if not three, birds are to be killed with one stone, and the shry is to be made after the following fashion. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, as well as Prince Edward, are to be gratified by the attainment of their heart's desire, a legislative union. This, it is said, will bring both these recalcitrant Provinces into the Dominion, happy and contented members. But Lower Canada being dissentient, the legislative unity is to be made acceptable to her by the removal of the Capital of the Dominion to Quebec, and the erection of new buildings in the ancient city. Ontario, it is presumed, would look on the removal with indifference, if not with satisfaction; while the change from federal to legislative unity would be universally popular. Montreal is merely content to continue outside the political ring and to be the commercial proportion of the country. So goes the whippers.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.—At a meeting of the Presbytery of Montreal on Wednesday last, the Rev. D. H. McVicar was inducted Professor of Divinity in the Presbyterian College, Montreal. After the induction services Professor McVicar delivered an able inaugural address on the subject of miracles. At the close of the address he stated that the amount so far contributed towards the endowment fund of the College was \$20,000, that more than \$10,000 had been paid in and invested, and that the College Board were taking steps to secure the payment of the remainder of the sum. There were eleven bursaries of from \$50 to \$60 each at the disposal of the Board, and these were about to be competed for. He had received the names of twenty-three students who proposed to study for the ministry, the most of whom had already arrived in the city. It was with much gratitude he had to announce that the Board had appointed his esteemed friend, the Rev. Mr. Gibson, to assist him in the department of exegetical theology. He further stated that it was proposed to enlarge the library by the addition of from 400 to 500 new volumes.

MASONIC FESTIVAL.—The brethren of the "mystic tie" of Irvine Lodge, Elora, have completed their arrangements for a grand festival upon the evening of the installation of their officers, which event will take place on Monday the 26th inst. The following dignitaries of the order will be present: Rt. W. Bro. Jas. Seymour, D. D. G. M., of St. Catharines; Rt. W. Bro. T. B. Harris, G. S., of Hamilton; Rt. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, Preston; and Rt. W. Bro. Thomas Matheson, Mitchell; as well as many brethren from Guelph and elsewhere. The affair promises to be one of the best ever got up in Elora, and being under the auspices of such a noble order, it is sure of being a splendid success.

THE HOUNDS.—A large number of huntmen assembled at the race course on Saturday. Some good sport was enjoyed as the fox was got on clear ground, where he made a pretty long run. Mr. Alfred Sharpe won the brush. A meeting—it is requested that it will be a full one—will be held in Miller's lion tonight to arrange for the next meet.

CANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, COLE STREET.—The Montreal Daily News says: "We learn that the Rev. D. H. McVicar, formerly pastor of this church, received from his late flock the sum of \$400 on the occasion of his induction as Professor of Theology in the Presbyterian College, Montreal; and that some of the ladies of the congregation availed themselves of the absence of Mr. McVicar and family from the city during the summer vacation to place in his house rich and beautiful carpets. These and many other substantial tokens of kindness from his people during his pastorate of eight years must be highly gratifying to Mr. McVicar."

New Advertisements.

SPEED LODGE No. 180.—THE regular monthly meeting of Speed Lodge, No. 180, will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY EVENING, the 13th inst., at half-past seven o'clock, sharp. A full attendance is requested. JOHN CRIDFORD, Secretary. Guelph, 12th October.

Apprentice Wanted.—WANTED at this office, a stout, active, intelligent lad, about 16 years of age, possessing a full supply.

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market, Guelph. Guelph, 12th October.

Strayed Cow.—STRAYED from the premises of MR. JOSEPH DYER, near Judge Macdonald's, on Saturday, 3rd of October, a large, well-bred white cow, dry, and in good condition. He should have it, on the day of September last, and on the terms and conditions of said sale.

CHANCERY SALE OF LAND, In Chancery: IN RE THOMP. SUNLEY vs. McILRAE.

On Friday, 16th of OCTOBER, Inst., At twelve o'clock, noon, the following Lots in Guelph, being the unsold portions of property advertised to be sold in the above suit, on the 6th day of September last, and on the terms and conditions of said sale.

Wholesale & Retail. Geo. Wilkinson Guelph, October 5.

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AT JOHN A. WOOD'S, Guelph, October 5.

LUMBER & WOOD YARD. CHARLES HEATH HAS opened a Lumber and Wood Yard on Quebec-St. West of English Church, where Lumber of all kinds can be had in lots to suit purchasers.

CORDWOOD For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter cord, and delivered in any part of the Town. FLOUR & FEED Also for sale, Flour and Feed, delivered in any part of the Town according to order. All orders from Town or Country will be promptly attended to.

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SPECIAL ATTENTION. THE Highest Market Price paid for Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Calfskins, and Wood Pickings. At No. 4, Day's old Block, Gordon Street, Guelph, July 23.

Dr. F. Dellenbaugh, German Physician, of Buffalo, N. Y., will be in the following places in the month of October, 1868:—Guelph, Wellington Hotel, October 12th; Rockwood, Store's Hotel, October 13th; where he can be consulted on all forms of Lingular Diseases. Consultation Free.

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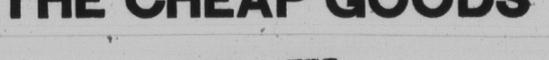
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