

FROUDE ON EDUCATION.

The English historian Froude, installed on the 19th ult. as Lord Rector of St. Andrew's University, Scotland, delivered a very interesting and eloquent address on that occasion. He had much to say both about ordinary and University education, and the English clergy—and he said it, too, in no round-about way, but in very plain unmistakable Anglo-Saxon. Leaving aside Mr. Froude's attacks upon the conduct of the English clergy, which are perhaps not justified in some instances, we turn to what the speaker had to say about education, more particularly the higher college grade. He is especially severe on the cramming process too often adopted, and from the evils of which poor Mr. Toots in "Dombey and Son" is scarcely an overdrawn illustration. After alluding to the modern model schools, where the common rudiments are taught, Mr. Froude finds that, while the universities confine their honors to the old Latin, Greek, &c., a mixed multitude of matters is forced into the heads of lads—history, natural history, philosophy, chronology, geology, political economy, and he knew not what besides—"stuff arranged admirably for the one purpose, and one purpose alone—to make a show in examinations. To cram a lad's mind with indefinite names of things which he never handled, places he never saw, or will see, statements of facts which he cannot possibly understand, and which must remain merely words to him—this, in my opinion, is like loading his stomach with marbles—for bread giving him a stone."

Mr. Froude condemns this wholesale mental education, to the neglect of industrial, and greatly doubts if the general honesty of the country has been improved by the substitution. He is also particularly severe on the present University training, with which he is most familiar. There is more truth than poetry in these remarks:—"University education in England was devoted to spiritual culture, and assumed its present character in consequence; but, as I told you before, it taught originally the accompanying necessary lesson of poverty. And if a university persists in teaching nothing but what it calls the humanities, it is bound to insist also on rough clothing, hard beds and common food. For myself, I admire that ancient rule of the Jews that every man, no matter of what grade or calling, shall learn some handicraft—that the man of intellect, while, like St. Paul, he is teaching the world, yet, like St. Paul, may be burdensome to no one. A man was not considered entitled to live if he could not keep himself from starving. Surely those university men who have taken honors breaking stones on an Australian road were sorry spectacles; and still more sorry and disgraceful is the outcry coming by every mail from our colonies—"Send us no more of what you call educated men—send us smiths, masons, carpenters, day laborers."

On the whole, while Mr. Froude's speech contains some pretty remarks, in particular those relating to the clergy, he is to be commended for the manner in which he lays bare the deficiencies of the training at the principal universities in England, particularly Oxford, which is fast degenerating into a school of instruction for Ritualist formulas and beliefs, to the neglect of that practical training which fits a man for the contest of life in this matter of fact age.

Refining Petroleum—A Great Discovery.

From Monetary Times and Insurance Chronicle. For years past the petroleum trade of Canada has been in a stagnant condition. The demand has been strictly limited to the requirements for home consumption, so that a little over-production always resulted in glutted markets, a fall in prices, and losses to the well owners and refiners. The offensive odor that Canadian refined oil exudes has condemned it in European markets, and branded it as unfit for use. All the numerous attempts to remove this odor have hitherto proved fruitless, but we now have the true satisfaction of informing the public that this seemingly insuperable obstacle has been entirely overcome.

So thoroughly has this been accomplished that a number of the most experienced refiners in this Province have organized a company in order to unite their capital, energy, and business capacity in the establishment of an export trade in this most valuable product. All ready works are in operation in the city of Hamilton where the process of deodorization is being carried on. The refinery of Messrs. J. M. Williams & Co. is being used temporarily for the purpose. When the manufacturing establishment which the company are erecting at Hamilton shall be completed, it will have a refining capacity equal to one-half of the united capacity of all the refineries in the Province, or from 2,000 to 3,000 barrels per week. The latest and most useful machinery will be used reducing the cost of manufacturing to the minimum.

It is proposed to distill the oil at Petrolia, and convey it to Hamilton in tank cars, where it will be "treated" and shipped by the narrow-gauge on the Great Western Railway to the seaboard at Boston or New York. A still is being erected at Petrolia of 2,800 barrels capacity—probably the largest still ever built, the largest in Pennsylvania being about 1,200 bbls. A great portion of the oil for exportation will be put in tin cans of five gallons each, which will be shipped in wooden cases two in each case. This is the most approved package for shipment to the European countries, the oil being in a suitable shape for retailing without change of package. It will, besides be shipped in barrels in the usual way.

"The Ontario Carbon Oil Company of Hamilton" have already purchased about 40,000 barrels of crude oil, which is a proof of their full confidence in the success of what they have undertaken. The matter is not, however, a mere experiment, the company having already turned out some 2,000 barrels of the finest oil ever offered in the market, not excepting the best Pennsylvania. Such, at least, is the opinion of the most competent judges. A lot of 500 barrels is being shipped this week from London to the Boston market, where it has been sold to arrive, at a price equal to that obtained for the very

highest grade of American oil. Another lot of 500 barrels, made by this process, was shipped to Halifax, where it is selling readily, and is spoken of in the highest terms in contrast with American.

Time's Changes.—In the year 1843, the Newcastle Journal, an English paper, had this announcement: "It is stated that Bright, the anti-corn law agitator, is expected to visit the wool fair, which will be held at Alnwick shortly, in order to scatter the seeds of disaffection in that quarter. Should he make his appearance which is not improbable, it is to be hoped there may be found some stalwart yeomen ready to treat the disaffected vagabond as he deserves." In 1869 this "disaffected vagabond" is one of the most honored and influential statesmen in Great Britain and one of Her Majesty's Ministers.

New Advertisements.

GUELPH LACROSSE CLUB. A meeting of the Guelph Lacrosse Club will be held at Nichol's Court House Hotel, to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, at 7 1/2 o'clock. As business of importance is to be transacted, a full attendance is requested. A. HEWAT, Sec. & Treas. Guelph, 12th.

SPEED LACROSSE CLUB. The second annual meeting of the Speed Lacrosse Club of Guelph will be held in the Great Western Hotel, on WEDNESDAY next, 14th of April, at 7 1/2 o'clock, sharp. All friends of the game are respectfully invited to attend. JOHN ANDERSON, Secretary. Guelph, 12th April.

CARETAKER WANTED. Wanted a steady man to take charge of and clean and light the fires in Day's large building. Tenders for the same will be received by the undersigned till MONDAY next, at 7 o'clock p. m. For further information apply to JOHN McNEIL, Chairman School Committee. Guelph, 9th April.

Speed Lodge, No. 180. The Regular Meeting of Speed Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY EVENING, the 13th instant, at 7 1/2 o'clock. R. CUTHBERT, Secretary. Guelph, 8th April.

HOUSE WANTED. Wanted to rent, between now and the 1st of May, a house containing four or five apartments. Any one having such a house to let will please leave their name and address at MERRICK OFFICE. Guelph, 2nd April.

ALL THE MAGAZINES

FOR APRIL AT CUTHBERT'S MAGAZINES. Guelph, 9th April.

FOR APRIL AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Opposite the Market.

Bow Bells London Society Young Ladies' Journal Cornhill London Journal British Friend Sunday Teacher's Treasury Chambers' Journal

At DAY'S BOOKSTORE, OPPOSITE THE MARKET. Guelph, 9th April.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864-5. The creditors of the undersigned are notified to meet at the office of William Mortimer Clark, Esq., in the City of Toronto, on

ON MONDAY, 19th OF APRIL, 1869. At 4 o'clock, p. m., to receive statements of his affairs, and to name an assignee. JOHN HENDERSON. Dated at Elora, 2nd of April, 1869.

GUELPH BOARD OF TRADE. A general meeting of the Guelph Board of Trade will be held in the Town Hall, ON TUESDAY EVG, 13th APRIL, at 7 1/2 o'clock, for the election of Officers for the ensuing year. Members are respectfully invited to attend. JOHN McCREA, President. GEO. ROBINS, Sec. & Treas. Guelph, 7th April.

WHITEWASHING AND WALL COLOURING. Done by WILLIAM DAVIS, Waterloo Street, in rear of Messrs. Robins and Tolton's grocery, near the Grand Trunk Station. Guelph, March 31.

BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES. CHURCH-ST. - - - GUELPH. MISS WRIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open on the 5th of April. Guelph, 27th March, 1869.

GREAT CLEARING SALE!

CROCKERY & GLASSWARE

The whole Stock must be sold within 20 days!

Being obliged to give up this branch of business in order to meet the wants of my rapidly increasing

GROCERY AND FRUIT TRADE!

GREAT BARGAINS WILL BE GIVEN!

HUGH WALKER, Guelph, April 10.

NEW BOOKS! DR. BRIGGS' THROAT AND LUNG HEALER.

12 CASES OF NEW BOOKS OPENED THIS WEEK. All of which will be sold at our usual low prices. At DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Opposite the Market, Guelph.

THE NEW BOOKS

BLIND PITS. PUTNAM, N. Y. The best Scottish Story published for years. ARME. By BYORNSEN. A Norwegian Story. FRANKENSTEIN. By MRS. SHELLY. Twelve Nights in a Hunter's Camp. Life of Queen Victoria. Greely's Recollections of a Busy Life.

THORNTON'S NEW CHEAP BOOKSTORE. Guelph, April 9.

LUMBER, LUMBER. GOWDY & STEWART, Woolwich Street, Guelph.

Where they keep constantly on hand all kinds of LUMBER, from 1 1/2 Batten to Joisting 30 feet long, and cut to order all kinds of Bill Stuff on short notice.

DRESSED LUMBER! Of all kinds on hand, or dressed to order. Their Saw Mills being near Georgetown Station, they can ship lumber to any point on the Grand Trunk, East or West. They invite from intending purchasers an inspection of their stock.

GOWDY & STEWART. Guelph, 2nd April, 1869.

WRIGHT'S BAKERY. To the Inhabitants of Guelph and many others. The subscriber here tenders his sincere thanks for the extensive patronage he has received during the time he has been in business, commencing in July, 1832, and ending in March, 1869. He has now sold my place, and my interest therein, to Mr. JOHN SOLE, whom I recommend as my successor, hoping he will receive the same liberal patronage which has been my privilege to experience. Mr. Sole intends to occupy the old stand, and carry on the Baking and Grocery business, and hopes with due attention to meet with the kind support of the public.

SAMUEL WRIGHT. Guelph, 6th April, 1869.

PUBLIC NOTICE. With reference to the above, the subscriber begs to state that having succeeded to the above business, so long carried on by Mr. Wright, he hopes by strict attention to it, and by consulting the wants of the public, to continue to receive the patronage of all Mr. Wright's old customers, and of the community generally. JOHN SOLE. Guelph, 6th April.

PUBLIC NOTICE. All ACCOUNTS unpaid by the 30th of APRIL will be put in suit for collection. JAMES MASSIE & CO. Guelph, 9th April, 1869.

1869. SPRING. 1869.

BRITANNIA RULES the WAVE AN EPOCH IN THE HISTORY OF GUELPH. THE MOST EXTENSIVE IMPORTERS OF DRY GOODS IN ONTARIO. The Old Maxim still in the ascendant: SMALL PROFITS & QUICK RETURNS. The largest, most comprehensive, and by far the CHEAPEST and best assorted Stock of Spring and Summer Dry Goods ever brought into Canada, is now being offered for sale at the

BRITANNIA HOUSE. THIS IS NO BLOWING, BUT REAL AND INDISPUTABLE. It would be useless for us to attempt laying before the public a complete catalogue of the Many thousand different classes of Goods. Now in stock, suffice it to say, that the store is literally crammed. Come and see for yourselves. A cordial invitation is extended to all. One visit is sufficient to convince the most incredulous that

HEFFERNAN BROTHERS. Are the right men in the right place. Buying for two of the largest Dry Goods establishments in Canada, we are enabled to sell our goods at the same prices which smaller dealers have to pay for them. LOOK OUT FOR THE GRAND OPENING OF OUR MAGNIFICENT Mantle and Millinery Show Rooms. TIMELY NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN. Clothing made to order in our usual satisfactory manner. French, English and American Fashion Plates just arrived. Remember the place.

HEFFERNAN BROTHERS. Guelph, 6th April. SPRING & SUMMER GOODS JUST ARRIVED AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE. A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF PLAIN AND FANCY DRESS GOODS! SECOND TO NONE FOR STYLE AND QUALITY. ALSO, A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF HOOP-SKIRTS! In all the leading Styles, very Cheap. PHILIP BISH, BRADFORD HOUSE. Wyndham Street, Guelph, April 6.

COAL OIL. PRICES DOWN AT HORSMAN'S. Coal Oil 35c. per gallon. Single Gallon, - - 40 cents. Guelph, 7th April.

MRS. HUNTER. Dress Making. In connection with my business, having secured the services of a thoroughly competent dress-maker, highly recommended by the first families of Toronto and Boston, ladies can depend on having dresses satisfactorily made in the latest and most fashionable styles. STRAW MILLINERY. Hats made of clean, turned, and latest fashion. GENTLE CLOTHING. Ladies to order. A large assortment suitable for the season on hand. Sewing and embroidery, new patterns. The Hamilton "City Dye Works," and Sewing Machines. MRS. HUNTER, Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods Store, &c. Guelph, 7th April.

CHAS. H. WATT & CUTTEN. Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, &c. GUELPH, Ontario. D. CURRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN. Guelph, April 1, 1869.