

PROGRESS OF THE REVOLUTION IN SPAIN.

The progress of the revolution in Spain cannot fail to gratify every friend of civil and religious liberty throughout the world. The destruction of the imbecile yet bigotted and tyrannical Government of Isabella having been speedily and effectually accomplished, the men who inaugurated the revolution, and brought it to a successful issue, at once earnestly and honestly set about initiating many important and much needed reforms. Leaving the question to be settled by the people—who are the rightful, and ought to be the self-appointed judges—whether the Government be monarchical or republican, the Provisional Junta have already given the best proof they could of their fitness for occupying such a position in such a crisis by guaranteeing to the people many reforms, such as universal suffrage, religious liberty and toleration, freedom of the press, right of public assembly, radical changes in the present system of education, right of trial by jury, and equality of all men before the Crown, or in other words impartial distribution of justice. Under the old regime any one of these concessions would have been an immense boon to the people of Spain, but coming altogether they at once—in so far as the administration and exercise of the governing power can do—raise the people to a level with the most liberal Governments in Europe. Our fervent hope is that these men who are guiding the destinies of the country at this critical period, and who have shown such an earnest desire to liberalize its institutions, and to awake anew its ancient energies, will not be thwarted or driven back in their work either by adverse influences outside, or opposition or dissension among themselves. For the present, however, no such fears are anticipated, nor has there been any discord in the councils of the new leaders. We have already been furnished with a proof of their honesty in carrying out these reforms, in their authorizing the American Protestants at Seville to build a church within the walls of the city. Under the reign of Isabella the Protestants were not only permitted to build churches, but they were forbidden to assemble for private worship or to read Protestant books. When the revolution broke out several Protestants were in prison for transgressing these barbarous laws. This then is a fitting commencement to the great work in which the Junta is now engaged, and it will go far to secure the fullest sympathy and approbation of liberal men all over the world in this and the many other important changes which are being inaugurated.

But there are difficulties yet in the way, and it will require the utmost unanimity, courage and determination on the part of the Junta to overcome them. The Bourbon first appears on the throne in 1700, when Louis XIV. of France succeeded in elevating to power his grandson, Philip, Duke of Arragon, known then and in history as Philip V. Till 1808 Philip's descendants held the sceptre, but in that year Napoleon, who had a fancy for distributing crowns among his relatives, displaced King Charles IV. and bestowed the Spanish sovereignty on his brother, Joseph. At the allied powers had broken the Napoleonic powers and spell Joseph was dethroned by Ferdinand VII, eldest son of Charles who had been compelled in haste from that exalted seat, the terrible conqueror's relative sit down. Ferdinand, at length, went the way of all sovereigns as subjects, and having previously altered the Salic law which forbade a woman to sit on the throne, left his sceptre to his daughter, Isabella, who, like many of her dynasty, came to grief. A clean sweep, appears, has been made in every part of the Bourbon tribe, and we have no regrets over their extinction.

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The market continues pretty active. Spring wheat is brought in to the amount of about 2,000 bushels daily, but neither in nor in fall wheat has there been any change for the greater part of the past week. The same is the case with peas and oats, which have maintained an unaltered price for some weeks. Barley is in demand, and is supplied at about the rate of 1,000 bushels a day. All last week the price ran up steadily, and on Monday it touched what we believe will prove to be the highest figure, that is \$1.40. On Tuesday it declined slightly, but a rise in the Toronto market brought it up to the old figure on Wednesday. Potatoes are slowly coming in and bringing a good price. Butter is lower in consequence of a larger supply. Potatoes are scarce and dearer. Other articles remain pretty much as they were last week.

citizens in the mother country, and effected a bloodless revolution in that important dependency, and the authorities there are acting in perfect accord with the Provisional Junta. Thus everything favours the new movement, out of which we hope to see before long established a strong, liberal and progressive Government, which will in time raise Spain again to something like the proud position she held among other nations in former days.

History of the Bourbons.

Now that the last reigning Bourbon reigns no longer, a brief synopsis of the history of this remarkable house may not be uninteresting. Its rise, decline and fall is summarized as follows: The House of Bourbon is French in the commencement, deriving its name from the old lords of Bourbon, who, ages since, owned large estates in the province of Bourbonnais, in the centre of what is now Napoleon's sovereignty. In consequence of the marriage of a scion of the Capet family with a Bourbon heiress, the noble house became allied with royalty in the thirteenth century, and about the middle of the next century, appears the first of the race on a throne in the person of Antoine of Bourbon, King of Navarre. From this Antoine, sprang "the gallant and renowned" Henry of Navarre, who subsequently was hailed King of France, under the title of Henry IV., with whom commences the history of the Bourbon dynasty in France. This eventful history extends from 1589 to 1830, when the tenth Charles was ejected from the royal palace by the July revolution. Up to the date of the revolution, there had been no interval in the dynastic supremacy. Louis XIII., XIV., XV., and XVI. were members of the race. The family degenerated as its history advanced, and with lowness of character they united an undying love for arbitrary power. In the great revolution, Louis XVI., a hapless sort of mortal, perished by the guillotine, when so many better heads tumbled on the scaffold; but with his death the dynasty was not closed in that perturbed kingdom. After the Republic, the Consulate, and the Empire, we see again a Bourbon ascend the re-erected throne in the person of Louis XVIII., a son of Louis XVI., who would have taken his father's position as Louis XVII., had he been spared, having died while yet a boy in 1795. Following Louis XVIII. comes his brother, Charles X., who was discharged from kingly duties by the great upturn in 1830. Before his abdication, Louis Philippe, belonging to a young branch of the family, had been elected King of France, and even he, in about eighteen years had also to depart in haste, that a new experiment might try his hand, who, as Napoleon III., continues ruling to his own profit and satisfaction, whatever the people may think of his sway. So the Bourbon rose and disappeared in France, and it is not very likely that the Count de Chambord, now 48 years of age, held by the legitimists to be the heaven-born heir to the crown, will ever be permitted to show the people whether he is better or worse than his regal ancestors.

The Bourbons, it was already remarked, had given sovereigns also to Italy. The last of them, Francis II., of Naples, was driven from his throne by the revolution of 1860, and a precious specimen of the race was he. He still lives in exile, and is said to be always plotting to regain his crown, a business likely to be as fruitless as the attempt to discover perpetual motion.

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"VIOLET KEITH." From the Montreal Witness of Sept. 15th.—On Tuesday last at the annual picnic of the St. Stephens Sunday School, Point St. Charles branch, at St. Hilaire, a prize was awarded to Miss Ann White, of the book called "Violet Keith," published by Mr. Lovell. The authoress, Mrs. Ross, has truly depicted character, and we would advise the reading of it to all young persons, as a book to assist in the formation of the minds of the young a love for all that is just, noble and of good report.

J. CURTIS CLARK, Superintendent, St. Stephen's Sunday School, Point St. Charles.

IMPORTANT MURDER TRIAL.—A case of murder engaged the attention of the Court of Assize, now sitting in London, on both Saturday and Monday last. Two brothers, named Thos. and Henry Jones, lived on the worst of terms on adjoining farms in the township of Delaware. On the 11th of last June Mrs. Henry Jones sent her daughter Mary, aged about 12 years, to her uncle's, to get some flour that had been previously borrowed, and the girl never returned alive. After a long search her body was found in the woods covered by some leaves and sticks. Thomas Jones, his two sons, and a daughter a little older than the murdered girl, were all arrested as being principals in, or accessory to, the deed. Thomas Jones, was first tried. The evidence against him was all circumstantial, and singular to relate, his daughter having been put in the witness box confessed that she had gone out with her cousin, that they had quarrelled, that the other girl had first struck her with a stick, and that she returned the blow causing death. There were many contradictions in her testimony, and it seemed evident that she had been influenced, or intimidated to take the onus of the crime in order to clear her father. But his conduct, his words, and some other circumstances conspired to make a pretty clear case against him, notwithstanding his daughter's allegations, and he was found "guilty." It appears that the prisoner had a special dislike to the girl he murdered, as he had one time robbed the house of another brother for a bond or a deed, and she being present detected him in his disguise. She made known her suspicions and was doomed.

EVENING CLASSES.—We direct attention to the advertisement of Mr. J. Murison Dunn, Head Master of the Guelph Grammar School, in reference to the formation of evening classes.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENT.—Mr. Charles Mair, of Perth, the author of "Dreamland," and other poems, has been appointed paymaster on the road to be constructed eastward from Fort Garry.

WEALTH OF THE SPANISH CHURCH.—Spain at this moment possesses no less than 800 convents, with 15,000 nuns. There are 55 bishops, 2,500 canons and abbots, 1,800 regular priests, 24,000, &c. The budget for the Church is twice as high in Spain, which contains 16,000,000 of souls as in France, with 37,000,000 of Roman Catholics. The Church will probably engage the serious attention of the Government which to all appearance is to succeed Queen Isabella and her Ministers.

MR. ROBERT CAMPBELL.—It will be gratifying to many of our readers to learn that Mr. Robert Campbell, who met with such a painful accident last week by a threshing machine, may now be regarded as in a fair way of recovery.

PIGEON MATCH.—A pigeon match of fifty birds each for the championship and \$100 a side, between Mr. Birch of Toronto, champion of Canada, and Mr. John Tweedie of Whitby, took place near the Grand Trunk Station on Wednesday. When 50 birds had been shot at, a recess took place—Birch killing 21, Tweedie 19. When 100 birds had been shot at, Birch had killed 40, Tweedie 40—the Afterwards 10 birds each were shot at—Birch killing 6, Tweedie 6; then 5 birds each—Birch killing 2, Tweedie 4—resulting in Tweedie's winning the match by 2 birds. The weather was very favorable and a large number of spectators were on the ground.

The cable of 1866 which has been useless since the beginning of summer was repaired on Sunday last, and is now in working order.

BLONDIN THE SECOND.—It will be seen by advertisement that Prof. Jenkins will give two of his wonderful rope walking performances in Guelph, on the 20th inst. The feats which Blondin did at Niagara he will do here. There is to be a number of athletic games also, and as all the preliminaries are to be arranged by a very efficient committee there is no doubt that what is known as 'a big time' will occur. Our country friends who have a desire to witness such an exhibition will do well to take note of Tuesday next.

BIRTHS.

PIRIE—At Dundas, on the 10th inst., the wife of Geo. M. Pirie, Esq., of a son. KEIL—At Salem, on the 5th inst., the wife of Mr. John W. Keil, of the Union Hotel, of a son. HUMPHRIES—In Mount Forest, on Sunday, the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. Abel Humphries, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ROBB—CAMPBELL—On the 2nd inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Thomas McGuire, Mr. Alex. Robb, Maryborough, to Isabella A. Campbell, daughter of Mr. Wm. Campbell, Maryborough. JOHNSON—EDDINGTON—On the 6th inst., at the residence of the bride's mother—by the Rev. W. B. Evans, Incumbent of Trinity Church, Durham, Mr. John A. Johnson, of the Durham Chronicle, to Miss Mary Eddington. McLEOD—SPOON—At the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. James McAlister, on the 23rd ult., Mr. John McLeod, to Miss Diantha Huldah Spoon, both of Hattisburgh. MUIR—CULLEN—At St. John's Church, Elora, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. Geo. Nesbit, Incumbent of Maryborough, assisted by the Rev. C. E. Thomson, Incumbent of Elora, the Rev. A. E. Miller, Incumbent of Lostwell, to Jennina Martha, fourth daughter of the late L. P. Cullen, Esq. McLELLAN—KAYE—At the Manse, Harrison, on the 10th inst., by Rev. Geo. McLellan, brother of the bridegroom, Mr. John McLellan, to Miss Martha Kaye, daughter of H. C. Kaye, Esq., Clerk of Minto.

DIED.

HAMILTON—At Teviotdale, Ont., on Thursday, Sept. 17th, Johnson Harrison, infant son of J. R. Hamilton, Esq., aged 9 months and 2 days. BROWN—At Speedside, Ermosa, on the 6th inst., the wife of Mr. Geo. Brown.

PRIVATE CLASSES.

J. MURISON DUNN, B.A., LL.B. HEAD MASTER OF THE GUELPH GRAMMAR SCHOOL, will on or about the 20th inst., open an evening class in GUELPH, in the class in ENGLISH, if the number of names received before the time specified warrant. Each class to be held on Tuesday.

New Advertisements.

Couple of Girls Wanted.

WANTED immediately at CUTHBERTS BOOKSTORE a couple of Girls for light easy employment. Good wages. Apply at once. Guelph, Oct. 14. do 3

WELLINGTON HUNT.

THE WELLINGTON HUNT will meet at Mrs. Hamilton's Tavern, Brock Road, at half-past two o'clock, on Saturday, Oct. 17th. Guelph, Oct. 14. do 1

HAIR DRESSING.

MRS. E. RILEY, of Galt, begs to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding townships that she is ready to do all kinds of Hair Dressing on the shortest notice. Also hair washed. Residence, Upper Wyndham Street, four doors above Mr. James Murphy's grocery store. Guelph, Oct. 14. do 6

CARD TO THE PUBLIC.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that on and after this date his business will be conducted strictly on the CASH SYSTEM. No credit will be given to any one. The undersigned hopes by carrying out the above system to be enabled to give his numerous customers Goods at a lower price than they can be bought for elsewhere. He begs to acknowledge past favors, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit a still greater share of their patronage.

T. J. DAY, Bookseller,

Opposite the Market. Guelph, 13th October. do 1

Singing and Pianoforte.

MISS L. RHEMMIE begs to announce to the ladies of Guelph and vicinity that she will be ready to receive pupils for the above accomplishments at her residence, Waterloo Road, at her residence, Waterloo Road, at 7 o'clock. Evening class at 7. Guelph, Sept. 30th, 1868. do 1

DANCING CLASSES.

THE MISSES RHEMMIE beg to announce that in addition to the other branches of education, they are prepared to open classes for Dancing on THURSDAY, 1st October, at their establishment, Waterloo Road. Afternoon class at 3 o'clock. Evening class at 7. Guelph, Sept. 30th, 1868. do 1

2 Blacksmiths Wanted.

TWO Blacksmiths wanted to work on Cutters, Sleighs, Horseshoeing, or general Jobbing. Steady employment and good wages will be given. Apply at SWAN'S CARRIAGE WORKS, Mount Forest. October 9. do 1

TO CONTRACTORS

TENDERS will be received up to MONDAY the 19th inst., for the erection of a Stone Stable on Macdonnell Street. Also for certain alterations required and the fitting up of the upper story of the Castle Garden Saloon. Particulars at my office. FRED. J. CHADWICK. Guelph, Oct. 12. do 5

Apprentice Wanted.

WANTED at this office, a stout, active, intelligent lad, about 16 years of age, possessing a good English education; to learn the Printing Business. Apply at THE MERCURY OFFICE, Macdonnell Street, Guelph. Guelph, Oct. 12th. do 1

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FOR OCTOBER,

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Bookstore, Guelph.

Sunday Magazine, Good Words, British Friend, Sunday at Home, All the Year Round, Kind Words, Leisure Hour, Young Ladies' Journal, Chambers' Journal.

Guelph, Oct. 9. do 1

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FOR SALE.

THIS HOTEL is the only first-class building that lies on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway between Toronto and London. It is 130 feet long by 45 feet in width, 3 stories high and of cut stone; 12 and 11 feet between ceilings; cellar full size of building, 10 feet deep. Also stone kitchen 40 x 24, with a cistern that holds over 1000 barrels of water. It is situated in the best business part of the Town, and is directly opposite the proposed site of the new Union Passenger Station of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways. It is the only first-class building in town that is capable of doing a first-class business. The hall runs through the centre of the main building; the rooms are well ventilated and none in the house dark. The furniture is nearly new, having been purchased only four years ago, and will be sold at a valuation. The whole is a stone stable capable of affording accommodation for 100 horses; well arranged and runs through to the back streets.

A Capital Farm.

Likewise there is a farm of 60 acres of the best land in the county, and the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. Three barns and feeding stable and log house are on the farm. Also a running spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of board and new. The farm is on 10 acres of timber. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at valuation.

First-Class LIVERY STABLE.

Also, there is in connection with the hotel a Livery Stable, one of the best in Ontario, of fifteen horses, doing the only first-class business in town and indisputably surpassing all others. As the proprietor is retiring from business he offers to the public a property, the advantages of which are seldom enjoyed by one man in business. The whole will be sold without reserve within three months, either the business separately, or the whole property as may be agreed upon to suit the purchaser. Terms—For the hotel property, half cash down will be required, the remainder to be paid in six yearly instalments, or ten per cent. allowed off the second half, if paid at time of sale. JAMES O'NEILL, Proprietor. Guelph, Aug. 29. do 1

SPECIAL ATTENTION.

THE Highest Market Price paid for Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Calveskins and Wool Pickings. At No. 4, Day's old Block, Gordon Street. Guelph, July 23. do 1

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Bargains in JACKETS, new styles; bargains in SHAWLS. Beautiful and extensive variety of NEW TRIMMED HATS and NEW TRIMMED BONNETS to choose from. Full assortment of French Flowers, Ostrich Feathers and Plumes, Ribbons, Velvets, Satins, &c.

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