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Guelph Evening Mercury

THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 17.

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

Tristram Shandy's father contended that there was a great deal in a name, for he had never known men of common names to do anything but the most common things, and therefore he was going to have his son endowed with the euphonious cognomen, Trismegistus, but as he was not present at the baptism a mistake was made, and his heir was called Tristram. What did it matter? The child grew up a youth, the youth a man, and he had as strange a history, and as odd an uncle Toby as he could possibly have had, even if there had been no blunder perpetrated, and he had borne the name that his father had designed for him. But while it may be a matter in debate whether a name carries with it prestige and influence, it is universally admitted, that a title is a great thing, and means a great deal. A title makes a great man, according to our notions, and as an inevitable consequence the longer the title the greater the personage. The latter assertion is under discussion at present. We have members of Parliament now of different grades, and there is a slight difficulty about the titles that should be applied to them. Indeed, so important did the subject become in the estimation of some of our grave, confusion-hating cotemporaries that they began, a considerable time ago, the endeavour to invent a peculiar tail to be affixed to the name of all, and sundry of the members of the House of Commons in order to distinguish them from the gentlemen who have to be satisfied with a more lowly position in the Local Legislature. Now there were at least four titles that might have been chosen, two for the members of each House. For instance, members of the Commons might have been distinguished by the letters M. H. C.; and those of the Local Legislature by M. L. C. But there was another choice, and as the adoption of M. P. as the title of the former, and M. P. P. of the latter, is somewhat less of an innovation these are likely to be honoured by being brought into general use. We observe that some of our cotemporaries have resolved to use them in future, unless a different style of nomenclature should be adopted, and as the application of M. P. (member of Parliament) to a Member of the House of Commons; and M. P. P. (Member of the Provincial Parliament) to the gentlemen who have seats in the Local Legislature makes a clear enough distinction we do not see why these affixes may not answer as well as any others.

Reform Pic Nic in South Wentworth

The Reformers of South Wentworth and adjacent constituencies held a picnic, on Tuesday last, in the woods about a mile South of the Village of Ancaster. Over 2,500 persons were present, among whom were a large number of ladies. The chair was occupied by Mr. Hall. Several of the newly elected members, and many notables were in the assembly. Addresses were delivered by the Hon. H. Smith, Mr. Sexton, Hon. D. Christie, Mr. John Smith, of Hamilton; Mr. J. Rymal, and two or three other gentlemen. The proceedings terminated about four o'clock in the afternoon; the whole having been a grand success.

Democratic Assurance.

The Democrats of the United States generally seem to look upon the recent elections as a guarantee of their speedy return to power. They feel strong enough now to put *anybody* on their tickets with a certainty of electing him. Naturally enough under such a state of things, the most bitter Copperheads are rushing to the front and taking the conduct and control of the party into their own hands. Fernando Wood is making nominations, laying down platforms and fixing things generally for the party in this city. He proclaims, in the most self-complacent and confident manner, his determination to be the next Mayor, and is putting his most faithful henchmen in nomination for every office that is open. And thus far he seems to be having everything in his own way. The prospect now is, that the Democratic party here will very speedily swing back to its *status ante bellum*,—with Wood for its leader, and Copperheads of the most pronounced stripe for subordinate officers. The party will make some fatal blunder in its overweening self-confidence if it is not careful; but the worse it behaves the better for the Republicans.

The Irish Church is still the sub-

SHOCKING CALAMITY IN KENTUCKY.

The Bowling Green (Ky.) *Democrat* of the 5th relates the following:—On the 16th ult., Mrs. Blankenship, (who had been but a few days before bereaved of her husband, leaving her with three interesting little children, two boys and a girl just old enough to walk alone and beguile the lonely hours of the mother with her innocent prattle,) for the purpose of washing clothes, repaired to the spring branch near the house, taking her three children with her, the house dog following behind. She had been engaged in washing but a short time, when the dog was heard barking incessantly on the hill near by. Thinking that the dog had possibly treed a raccoon or had a rabbit at bay, the two little boys proceeded going at once to secure the game.—With the mother's consent the little fellows started off in high glee. Alas! better had they never been born. On reaching the spot where the dog was barking they saw a short distance from the dog a large object coiled at the foot of a stump, in a hostile attitude, keeping the dog at bay. They looked but a moment. Eager only to capture the supposed game, and not thinking of danger, nor knowing the nature of the prey, they approached the hideous monster that in fatality of attack "outvenoms all the worms of the Nile." The oldest of the two boys approached first, and with his little hands outstretched and his face all aglow at the prospect of his prize, he said, "I'll get him, brother." One step more he rushed to a death more terrible and speedy than were the tortures of fabled Laocoon. With one dart of his forked tongue, with one death rattle of his tail, the huge rattlesnake—for it was nothing less—drew back his scaly folds and with one dart forward planted its envenomed fangs in the flesh of the boy, and left the deadly poison coursing hot through his young veins.—Again and again was the boy bitten by the fatal reptile till he fell exhausted in the coils of the monster. The other little fellow rushed forward to the relief of his brother, and he also received the deadly fangs of the serpent in several places.—The screams of the boy alarmed the mother, who was still washing at the branch, and leaving her baby girl she rushed frantically to the spot. What a sight there met her gaze! Putrid with poison, swollen, black, and bitten in several places, one of her boys was already dead, and the other dying from the same cause. The snake had crawled away, and the living boy lived just long enough to tell the circumstances of their death.—Overwhelmed with an intensity of agony which mothers alone can feel, she remained at the spot a short time, when she bethought her of her little girl at the branch, and hurried back. On reaching the spot, horrible as it may seem, she found that her little girl had walked to the wash-tub, into which she had fallen, head foremost, and was drowned, "and it too was gone." The mother's cup of misery was full; not another drop could be added. Bereft of children, and almost of reason, she sank under the accumulated horrors of the hour. A station was prepared for the heart-crushed woman, and the remains of her darlings were taken charge of and cared for. A short time after, a large rattlesnake with thirteen rattles was killed near the spot where the boys were bitten.

Present Condition of Rome.

A correspondent of the London *Times* writes:—"Rome is in a state of squalor and melancholy difficult to describe. The streets are deserted those of Pompeii, while the few people who remain are pallid, and move about almost as if deprived of strength. It appears as if one were entering a vault where respiration is a labor. The air is full of miasma and of exhalations, heavy and fetid, which the first rains have raised from the Tiber, and which hangs like a cloud over the city. Close and hot during the night, the atmosphere seems to be poisoned. On the day of the Madonna, the 8th of September, the cases of cholera increased from forty to sixty and upwards, and now at the present time there are about forty daily, the great proportion of whom die. It is most distressing to hear continually the bell of the *viaticum* in the streets. Last Saturday the Cholera took the course of the Via delle Tre Canelle and Piazzi dei Santi Apostoli with such violence that in three hours there were sixteen cases in this one street. It is impossible to describe the melancholy which is produced by the continual sound of that bell—the cholera bell. "On the 8th of September there was scarcely any one present in the church of San Maria del Popolo, where the special services of the day were performed. The Cardinals who surrounded the Pope were few in number; while his holiness himself wore a sickly aspect; he was much thinner, and looked very pale."

A Singular Suicide.

J. B. Whilbite, a young man about 22 years of age, committed suicide at the Bates House, Indianapolis, on Sunday, by taking morphine. He was from Owensboro, Ky., and left a letter to a brother residing in Indianaopolis, in which, after giving some messages to his friends, together with directions for his funeral, he said:—

"I believe, with due respect for the memory of our mother, that I have inherited this desire for death from her; for you know that she attempted suicide on one occasion at least. I believe in the old maxim, 'that the sins of the parents are visited on the children.'" I would give a great deal to see you, Carrie and Maince, but I know you would want to know why I was here, and I don't know what I could tell you that you would believe. I believe, brother, that if I had never read a novel I should now be on the high road to fame and fortune; but, alas! I was allowed to read the vilest kind of novels when I was eight or nine years old. I always loved to read, and before I ever saw a novel I had read what few books there was at home. If good books had been furnished me and no bad ones, I should have read the good books with as great a zest as I did the bad ones. Brother, persuade all persons over whom you have any influence not to read novels.

Executions are as common now in Spain as cigarettes.

Nine hundred and ninety millions of men use tobacco.

In Russia, on the Volga river, a terrible accident recently occurred. It is reported that about one hundred persons were returning from a village fair and entered a ferry boat to cross the river. The vessel was unusually crowded, and when nearing the opposite shore, the ferryman demanded payment of the fares. The crowd of passengers was in consequence thrown into a state of motion, and the boat capsized. Not fewer than sixty-three people were drowned. The aspect of the dead bodies the following day, as they were taken from the

Progress of Medical Science.

This was the subject of an introductory to the course of lectures about to commence before the Medical Department of the New-York University, delivered by Prof. Loomis, a few nights since, before a large audience of ladies and gentlemen, at the temporary hall of the University, in rear of the City Hospital. The science of Medicine, whose history dates back 22 centuries, was now, said the speaker, undergoing great changes, and the medical student of the present day entered upon his studies in what might be called an era of reconstruction. Old landmarks were passing away, and the changes going on in medical science were synonomous with progress, which could not be said of all changes. There was no more ignorant fallacy than the prevailing idea that the science of medicine remained stationary. An eminent clergyman was complaining of this to the speaker not long since, and actually had the hardihood to say that the only progress medical science had made was owing to Homœopathy. So far from its being true that the science of medicine had remained stationary, it was in fact almost the only art or profession in which there had been any progress. The chief progress made in this age was in the physical sciences, and it was with these sciences that medicine was so closely related, and from which it drew its largest contributions of wealth and advancement. In literature there had been but little progress; modern writers did not surpass the classics; modern orators could not equal Demosthenes and Cicero, modern poets were excelled by Homer and Virgil. Sculpture had failed to produce a modern Phidias or Praxiteles; astronomy had improved very little upon La Place; law had learned little since Blackstone and Lord Mansfield; writers on moral science drew their chief inspiration from old authors. But the science of medicine had progressed with most rapid strides during the last half century. It had lengthened human life, diminished human suffering, and improved the sanitary condition and general health of mankind to an extent that was perfectly surprising. The statistics of Paris proved that medical science had increased longevity 71 per cent since 1805. In London the deaths in 1780 were one in twenty of the population per annum; now they were one in forty. There was a greater difference in the average longevity between the Eighteenth and Nineteenth century in London than there was between a year of general health in that city and a year of cholera. The speaker then dwelt at length upon the specific discoveries in medicine that had been instrumental in advancing medical science—referring particularly to the discoveries of Saianeya, in oscultation; of Bright, in the structural changes of the kidneys, &c.; of Marshall Hall, in the connection with the nervous system, &c. The aids to true diagnosis, which was the cornerstone of successful medical practice, had been incalculably increased during the first half century, and still further progress in this direction was constantly being made. Prof. Loomis closed his lecture by impressing upon the students the importance of industry and careful observation during their student life, reminding them that nearly all the eminent Professors of Medical Science had begun their discoveries while studying their profession. The lecture was listened to with deep attention by all. Among the audience were Chancellor Ferris, and Profs. Paine, G. W. Draper, Darling, Post, Budd, Lewis and others of the Medical Faculty of the University. The course of lectures will commence by a lecture from Prof. Loomis on the "Practice of Medicine."

MARRIAGES.

MULRONEY.—At Puslinch on the 14th inst., James Mulroney aged 62 years. Deceased was one of the oldest settlers in Puslinch.

SCHATZ.—In Guelph, on the 16th inst., Elizabeth, relict of the late Mr. Geo. Schatz, Aberfoyle, aged 44 years.

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Puslinch, 17th Oct., 1867. dw3in

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On Friday Evening, Oct. 18.
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Doors open at 7:30. Concert to commence at 8. Single Tickets, 50c. Family tickets, admitting five, $1.50.
A Quadrille Band will be in attendance after the Concert.
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Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867 daw td

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MALCOLM GILCHRIST, } Trustees
DONALD FERGUSON,
Puslinch, 16th October, 1867. w2.n

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DONALD McMILLAN.
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STOLEN out of a field adjoining Mr. Henry Robens' Tavern, York Road near Guelph, on Sunday night, the 6th inst., a bay mare, mostly white, and a black horse. The mare has a ring bone on the right hind foot; she is about 12 years old. The horse is about 16 years old, and had a round spot bare of hair on the right fore leg at the knee; his off hind foot was white. Any information which will lead to the arrest of the thief or the recovery of the horses will be handsomely rewarded by the owner at Mr. Robens' Tavern, Y. Road.
ALEX. McLENNAN.
Guelph, October 14, 1867. d68 w730 4t