

A Blow from Behind.

If there ever was a composition conceived in a spirit of unmingled malice, and breathing not only in every line, but in every word, falsehood and the vilest and most reprehensible calumny it is a communication which appeared in the Leader of Thursday last, and in which the writer makes a base attempt to exalt one Fallis, a government detective, to the position which is the right of brave and courageous men alone—this at the expense of the Chief Constable of Guelph who is transformed into a butt at whom the poisoned shafts of envy are shot without remorse. We are quite sure we do not put it too strong when we assert, that there never was a greater number of falsehoods crowded into the same space than appear over the nom de plume, "Spectator," who with more than ordinary facilities for locomotion is, or pretends to be, in Guelph when he indites this defecation of Fallis, and annihilation of our Chief Constable. He whose mind relieved itself of the throes of jealousy by a production ridiculously childish in its style, but infamously malignant in its spirit, might be considered a pliant dupe if his very motto did not stamp him as at least an equivocator, if he may not be known by that harsher designation which implies a more positive disregard for truth. The author of that communication a "spectator" of the arrest of Mahon, and an inhabitant of Guelph! That may do very well for the people of Toronto, but to us who know exactly the persons who were present, the attempt at fraud is altogether too transparent to deceive. It is a clumsy, awkward and ineffectual effort to prove that courage existed in a person who showed symptoms of being an uncommon coward. Whoever "Spectator" may be—whether he be Fallis himself, or merely a friend—he has done the detective no very valuable service by his wanton attack on Chief Constable Kelly. The most ingenious apologist would fail to show any reason acceptable to an impartial public why a public official, who said no more about the part he took in arresting Mahon than he would about putting a little boy in the look-up for throwing a stone through a window, should be assailed with the most malignant vituperations and his physical courage be called in question now, when what he possesses of it has sufficed him for years in the apprehension of criminals of every class, even to the blood-stained. Fallis, or his kind friend, has rendered it imperative that there should no longer be any doubt as to which horse the saddle belongs, and we shall do ourselves the pleasure of fastening the girths before we conclude. The motives which prompted the wicked tirade that appeared in the Leader are easily comprehended. If Government will keep detectives it is as little as detectives can to endeavour to prove to their patrons that they are giving some sort of value for the money they are receiving. We have no fault to find with the prudence which keeps on foot an organized band of men whose sole business is to hunt up a dangerous class of criminals; we have no objection to the detectives exhibiting zeal in their avocation, but we enter a most emphatic protest against any one attempting to prove his own usefulness at the expense of a better man than himself, or in fact of any man.

But we shall pass on, and state as briefly as possible, and with the strictest adherence to truth the particulars of the arrest of Mahon, the frequent mention of whose name we fear will make the possessor famous. We have our information on authority that Fallis or his confederates dare not dispute. The facts are these:—Mr. McMiiken arrived here by the 9.45 a. m. train on Tuesday, May 6th, and addressed Chief Constable Kelly who was at the station at the time, and who had probably been pointed out to the Stipendiary Magistrate. The latter said he wanted to see him and a magistrate also. The Chief told him he would see him at the Police Court, where he expected Mr. Elliott would be to act in the place of the Police Magistrate, who was necessarily absent. When they met there Mr. Elliott had not come, and the Chief Constable leaving Mr. McMiiken in the office went to look for Mr. Elliott. He returned in company with him in a short time, and the Stipendiary Magistrate showed Mr. Elliott a warrant which he had made out in the meantime and requested him to sign it, which he did. Mr. McMiiken then handed the warrant (which was for the arrest of Mahon) to the Chief Constable, and told him to execute it. The latter said he had only one man—Constable Marriott—who he could take with him, when the former gave him a note to Fallis ordering him to go to the hotel, delivered the note,

ordered a carriage and the three got in and started off. There is a lane of considerable length leading from the main road to Mahon's house, and up this the three men walked, the driver having orders to go on to Aberfoyle. It was arranged that Fallis should go first, because Mahon would know either of the others, and would be likely to get out of the way if he saw them at a distance. But when Fallis entered the house they were not more than forty yards behind him, and when he came to the front door and gave the preconcerted signal, having found Mahon at home, they went in, Constable Marriott taking up a position at the back door, and the Chief Constable quietly informing Mahon that he wanted him to go to Guelph. The latter enquired for what cause. The Chief said he did not make a practice of reading warrants to those who knew him, but he rehearsed the substance of that which he held, and it was while doing this that Fallis in a hurry came from the front door and endeavoured to put the handcuffs on Mahon, while he was eating his dinner, and just as he had come in from the field, without a coat. Mahon remarked to Fallis that he was "rather fast," and the Chief Constable told him to wait a little, that there was no hurry. Mahon was watched while he dressed himself, then he was handcuffed and left in charge of Constable Marriott, while the house and outbuildings were searched. It was while the Chief Constable was looking through the latter that young Murphy entered the house into which Mr. Kelly did not return. At all events he did not know him, did not say he did, had no warrant to apprehend him, and the detectives afterwards arrested him when he was sought out for them by Mr. Todd. The assertion which the Chief Constable is said to have made repeatedly on the way that, "Mahon was a desperate fellow, and that it would be dangerous to have anything to do with him," is a falsehood pure and gratuitous. Perhaps it will edify Mr. Fallis to hear Constable Marriott's opinion of him, expressed immediately after his return to Guelph—it was concisely comprehended in these words: "That fellow (Fallis) is an arrant coward." He had nothing to gain by telling an untruth, and everyone believed what he said.

Impeachment Still Doubtful. The United States Senate had, on Monday the 11th inst., another secret session, and the correspondent of the New York Times writing on that date says:—The chances of conviction are reduced by the day's deliberations to a question of barely one or two votes, and Mr. Wade himself can hardly save it. One by one the doubtful Senators have developed against conviction until the case of impeachment has become almost hopeless. The impeachment Senators professed great confidence up to recess, when only Grimes had made a speech against conviction on all the articles, but immediately after recess Henderson developed his position and spoke against all the articles up to the eighth, when his time expired. Then Trumbull and Fessenden spoke against the articles, until the friends of conviction saw acquittal almost certain. During dinner hour the indignation of Republicans at the defections rose higher and higher, and the excitement grew wilder and wilder. At 7:30 the Senate reassembled, and the impeachment men seemed to have gathered fresh hope. The list had been figured down to 36 or 37 votes for conviction sure on the second article, which is conceded to be the strongest, and there it hung.

At 11.30 the following list was made by a prominent Senator who heard all the debate, and who regards the chances for conviction about even with those for acquittal. It gives the opposition all the doubtful men who have expressed themselves, and two who have not. For Conviction—Anthony, Cameron, Cattell, Chandler, Cole, Conkling, Connors, Corbett, Cragin, Drake, Edmunds, Ferry, Frelinghuysen, Harlan, Howard, Howe, Morgan, Morrill of Maine, Morrill of Vermont, Norton, Nye, Patterson of New Hampshire, Pomeroy, Ransley, Ross, Sherman, Sprague, Stewart, Sumner, Thayer, Tipton, Wade, Wiley, Williams, Wilson, Yates.—36. For acquittal—Bayard, Buckalew, Davis, Dixon Doolittle, Fessenden, Fowler, Grimes, Henderson, Hendricks, Johnson, McCreery, Norton, Patterson, of Tennessee, Sausbury, Turnbull, Van Winkle and Vickers.—18. I do not think this vote will be quite realized. It hangs by a single thread, and depends upon Anthony, Frelinghuysen and Wiley, who want to vote for conviction, but may not after all.

FROM OTTAWA. The Government made an effort in the Senate on Thursday to defeat Mr. Dufresne's Bill fixing the Governor's salary. At one time the success of the bill was considered doubtful. Mr. Sanborn, however, made a very able speech in support of it, and the second reading was carried by 37 to 17. The Grand Trunk Company has held a stormy meeting in London. A resolution of non-confidence in the management was only defeated by two votes. Information has been received from Sandford Fleming that he was with a party exploring the Robinson route, in the neighbourhood of the Miramichi River. The north shore party seem to be in the best spirits here, as though they were going to have everything their own way. The Committee on English honours has held a meeting and it is stated that the Hon. J. H. Cameron is preparing a report for the Committee and that it will recommend that the Imperial Government must be addressed in relation to the treatment accorded to Mr. Fallis.

It is thought that Government may be compelled to abandon the Insurance Bill, although no doubt they will make a hard fight for it, but the Local Government have their eyes on the Insurance Companies as a source of revenue, and there is promise of a conflict. Duggan and Wade arrived from Montreal on Thursday. The examination of Duggan is to take place before Mr. O'Reilly on Saturday. The Clan Fraser assembled in the Court House on Thursday. The number present did not exceed over a dozen persons.

BANKRUPT STOCK.—Mr John Hogg, as will be seen by advertisement, has secured a large bankrupt stock of dry goods, which he is selling off at astonishingly low prices. Cottons, tweeds, and everything in that line, are being sold at very low prices. Now is the time to secure bargains.

BIRTHS. MACKENZIE.—At Guelph, on the 14th inst., Mrs. Alex. Mackenzie, of a daughter. DENROCHE.—At Guelph, on the 6th inst., the wife of Mr. W. S. Denroche, of a son.

DIED. ROBERTSON.—At Guelph, on the morning of Friday, the 15th inst., M. A. Robertson. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock, from Lindsay's Hotel, opposite the Town Hall. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend.

New Advertisements. TOWN HALL, GUELPH. BY the general desire of the ladies and gentlemen of Guelph, and in consequence of the very unfavorable weather on the last evening.

MR. WALLACK was to have appeared, he will give One More of his elegant Drawing Room Monologue. On Saturday Ev'g, 16th May. On which occasion a most Brilliant and Attractive change of the Inimitable Programme will be given, and Mr. Wallack solicits the attendance on that evening of his numerous admirers and the public in general.

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.

OLIVER DITSON & CO. 277 Washington-st., Boston. PUBLISH upwards of 500 Music Books, comprising Theoretical and Practical Works in every branch of Musical Science. Among these are:—Bianchi's New Method for the Piano, \$1.75; Modern School for the Organ, by Zimdel, \$4; Bassini's Art of Singing (complete) \$4; Abt's, \$2; Berlioz's Opus, \$3; The Home Circle Series of Piano-forte Music, 9 vols., each, plain, \$2.50; Cloth, \$3; Gilt, \$4; Hauman's Sacred Quartets, Cloth, \$2.75; Boards, \$2.50; The Harp of David and the Jubilate, by L. O. Emerson, each \$1.25; Golden Veil and Merry Chimes, by Emerson, each \$1.00. Also, of the Standard Operas, Masses, Oratorios and Cantatas, and a complete series of Librettos. Complete Catalogues of Books and Sheet Music will be furnished on application. Boston, May 7, 1868.

MAY MAGAZINES! SUNDAY MAGAZINE, GOOD WORDS, LEISURE HOUR, SUNDAY AT HOME, AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

FRENCH TROTTER STALLION, ROUVILLE ST. LAWRENCE. WILL stand for Mares at his own stable, at the Anglo-American Hotel, Guelph, this season. Terms since last year, \$5, \$5 and \$3. This is the best made horse and fastest trotter in the County of Wellington. He is of the stock of the fastest trotting horse on record. His sire was sold for \$5000 his time on Long Island Course being 2:24; his dam trotted on the New York Fashion Course in 2:50; his dam's full sister has made her time in 2:28, and is now owned by the celebrated horseman, Robert Bonner, of the New York Ledger. In consequence of the bad judgment of the Judges appointed at the last Horse Show at Guelph I will not dispute my horse by travelling against such a horse as got the first prize in his class shown. Favoritism and want of judgment is the general rule now adopted, so that no good horses need be expected to show here another season. JAMES O'NEIL, Proprietor. Guelph, May 13. 71w 7wd

Wool, Hide and Leather DEPOT. No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street. Guelph, Feb. 21, 1868. (By D. MOUTON)

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE BUILDING LOTS IN GUELPH. M. R. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer, pursuant to instructions from the VEN. ARCHDEACON PALMER, will offer for sale by Public Auction.

ON THE GROUNDS, On Saturday, 23rd May, 1868, At 2 o'clock, p. m., precisely, All the unsold Building Lots on the Tyrcathlen Survey, As shown on the Registered Plan, viz: Between Arthur Street and the River Speed, Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11. Southerly Side of Queen Street Lots 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24 and 25. Easterly Side of Palmer Street Lots 28 and 30. Northerly Side of Arthur Street, Lots 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 38. These Lots are situated in the most attractive and highly cultivated quarter of the Town, and possess the additional advantage of being in the immediate vicinity of the business centre. Each Lot will be put up at the very low upset price of \$150, and sold without any reserve to the highest bidder. The purchaser of any one lot to have the privilege of taking an additional number of the adjacent lots at the same price. TERMS OF SALE. One-fourth cash, or by approved note at three months, with bank interest, the balance in three annual instalments, with interest yearly at 7 per cent. on the unpaid principal. TITLE INDISPUTABLE. The undersigned will show a copy of the registered plan, and give every information to intending purchasers. PALMER & LILLIE, Auctioneers, Guelph, May 12, 1868. dw

MEDICAL HALL! QUININE WINE. THE most delightful and invigorating Tonic known to science, used by medical practitioners in every part of the civilized world. Prepared by WATERS & WILLIAMS, Cannon Street, London. N. HIGINBOTHAM, Medical Hall, Guelph.

JACKSON'S AMYLO-GLYCERINE, OR, GLYCERINE. Toilet Powder. THE only preparation containing Glycerine in a dry condition. The finest Powder in use. N. HIGINBOTHAM, Medical Hall, Guelph.

FRAGRANT. LUBIN'S Extract of Violet, Jockey Club Sweet Briar, Sweet Pea, Honey Sack, Hillore, Patchouly, New Mow Hay, Bouquet, Montreal, Guards' Club, Grand Trunk, West End, &c. N. HIGINBOTHAM, Medical Hall, Guelph.

FURNITURE POLISH! SUPERIOR to all other preparations for Clearing and Polishing Furniture. In bottles at 25c and 50c. N. HIGINBOTHAM, Medical Hall, Guelph. Guelph, 9th May, 1868. dw

CLEAR OUT DAUBERS. SHOW ME THE JOB. DOUGLAS GOUCK, House, Sign and Decorative Painter, And Paper Hanger, At the Old Established Stand, No. 1, Douglas-St., Sign of the man on the Roof. Guelph, 12th May. wlm d3m

SPAFFORD'S NEW UNDERFEED "BARCLAY" SHUTTLE Sewing Machine. PRICE. No. 1 Machine, \$25.00 No. 2 Machine, with splendid iron stand, \$35.00 Containing the very latest Improvements and Invention—Strong, Durable, Beautiful, Well Made and Highly Finished. Makes the Genuine Lock Stitch Which is alike on both sides of the material sewed, and will not rip or ravel; using two threads and adapted to light and heavy goods, coarse and fine threads; very large shuttle and bobbin, and so simple that a child can be taught to work it efficiently in a very short time. Suited to all kinds of Family and General Sewing. Tailoring, Mantle Making, and the use of Dress-makers, Manufacturers of Shirts, Collars, Shirts, Cloaks, Clothing, Hats, Caps, Corsets, Linen Goods, &c. They work equally well upon Silk, Linen, Woolen and Cotton Goods, with silk, cotton or linen thread. They will sew, quilt, gather, fell, cord, braid, bind, hem, tuck, and perform any species of fine or coarse sewing, making a beautiful and perfect stitch, alike on both sides of the fabric sewed. Office and Store-room: 56 King-St. West, Toronto. Toronto, May 8, 1868. dw

New Advertisements. CHEAPEST HOUSE! The Cheapest House in Guelph IS THE

BRADFORD HOUSE. All Wool Damasks, Union Damasks, White Linen Damasks, Brown Linen Damasks, White Cottons, Grey Cottons, Shirtings, Towellings. All the above Goods being at Early Spring Prices. Housekeepers ought to call early and get some of the Bargains going at the Bradford House.

PHILIP BISH, Bradford House, Wyndham Street, Guelph, May 13, 1868. daw 11

For Cricket Bats! BATS, &c., Cuthbert's IS THE PLACE.

FOR CROQUET SETS! Go to R. CUTIBERT'S. Guelph, 13th May, 1868. dw

1868. KINGSTON PENITENTIARY 1868. BOOT AND SHOE STORE. NEW GOODS Suitable for Spring and Summer Wear, among which will be found all the Latest Styles. INSPECTION INVITED! THESE GOODS have been selected from the best makers in the Dominion, and can be confidently recommended as equal, if not superior to any in the market, and at Prices Lower than any House in the Trade. For cash only. All work warranted. Guelph, 1st May, 1868. dw JOHN CRIDIFORD.

Brass Window Cornices. We have received direct from Germany the LARGEST, CHEAPEST and BEST assortment of Brass Window Cornices ever brought to Guelph. We have Over Thirty Choice Patterns, At various Prices. Please call and see.

JOHN M. BOND & CO. Hardware Importers, Guelph. Guelph, 11th May, 1868. d4w

POTATOES, POTATOES! POTATOES! THE Undersigned offers for sale a superior lot of Potatoes of all kinds, to suit the trade, at his Warehouse, No. 4, Gordon Street, Days' Old Block. D. MOULTON. P. S.—Purchasers leaving orders can have their produce delivered at their residence. Guelph, May 11th, 1868. d4f

Second-Hand Clothes. SECOND-HAND CLOTHING, light and sold. Clothes made to order for Men and Boys. Families' work made up cheap and strong. Cloth hung Cleaned and Registed. MARTIN GILL, 11 Upper Wyndham Street, nearly opposite the Wellington Hotel. Guelph, 14th May, 1868. dw-3m