

Dissolution of the Local Legislature.

The writs for the election of the Ontario Assembly will be issued immediately, and the polling will probably take place on the 15th or 16th of January.

The Model Farm Investigation.

We print to-day the report of the Committee appointed to investigate the charges made by Mr. McCandless in reference to the Model Farm. The Committee state that they did not consider that it would serve the public interest in any way to pursue the inquiry further, and we believe every person who read the evidence day by day as it appeared, will agree with them. It was little else but a collection of gossip and scandal, industriously collected by McCandless, which he had for months been arranging in presentable form, for the purpose of damaging the public and private character of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and the standing and character of others who were, or are now, employed at the Farm. We need not go over these accusations, for they came up time and again during the enquiry. It is sufficient to say that he has failed entirely in his design, and has instead earned for himself a reputation for incompetence, ignorance, meanness and low cunning, which will last him for life. In his chagrin at the loss of his position, for which—on his own showing—he was totally unfit, he sought by every dishonourable means to drag down with him Mr. McKellar, and those of the employees who would not be his tools or spies. He has also signally failed in this, and injured no one but himself. He was vain enough to believe that he could upset the Government by his silly charges and his untruthful tongue. Yet the Government stands as strong as ever it did, and the only one upset is the redoubtable ex Professor! (save the mark) himself, who has been consigned by all sensible men to the limbo of unsuccessful, scheming upstarts.

We said at the commencement of this inquiry that the gross and indecent charges made by McCandless would be satisfactorily refuted, and that the characters of those against whom he brought his foul accusations would be triumphantly vindicated. This has been done. On his own confession he had to admit that, as far as his knowledge went, Mr. McKellar made no secret or clandestine visit to the then matron, who is now his wife; that he came in by no secret entrance, and made no attempt at concealment. Had there been any thing of the kind, McCandless, who was so quick at scenting out scandal, and such a careful spy in timing his visits, would have soon found it out. The malicious charges and insinuations he made against the present matron have proved to be equally untrue; and by his own admission all the ground for them was the story that she had some time or other said that one of the boys should be ducked in the horse-pond. A score of witnesses were ready to testify to her good character, and those who had visited the Institution are unanimous in their opinion that she was in every respect competent for her duties.

The attempt to injure Mr. James Sturton has also signally failed. In this attempt he has been greatly aided by the Guelph Herald, and other Opposition papers. The former, especially, has dwelt on the subject day after day with a virulence which looks more like venal personal hate than anything akin to political feeling. Mr. Sturton, however, come out of the ordeal unscathed, and the testimony given by the witnesses who have observed his conduct, and tested his fitness for the work he is performing, forms a complete refutation of the charges of incompetence preferred against him. Nay, more, had such competent witnesses as Mr. James Laidlaw, Mr. John Hobson, Mr. Wm. Whitelaw, Mr. John West and others an opportunity of giving their evidence, they would have testified that he was from his previous training, experience and knowledge well qualified to buy and take charge of stock, and that the system he is now pursuing in the management and feeding of such stock as are on the Farm, is an excellent one.

There is no one but will endorse the opinion of the Committee, when they state that the Government was fully justified in dispensing with McCandless's services. In fact the great mistake they made was in appointing him at all. He was the prime cause of all the trouble which took place at the College. He was in no respect fitted for the position, and since he left it he has shown himself in his true colours as a man whom no one could—after they knew him—respect, and scarcely any believe. The Opposition hoped to make a great case out of this inquiry, but it has ended in a fizzle, leaving only to Mr. Cameron the discredit of having read to the House his dirty letters, and to this discredited ex-Professor the consoling reflection that he has been hoisted with his own petard.

Simnel Briggs lectures in Orangeville, on the 23rd last.

Breakfast.—Epps's Cocoa.—GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING.—By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. —Civil Service Gazette. Made simply with boiling water or milk. Each packet is labelled "Epps's Cocoa." —James Epps & Co., Homoeopathic Chemists, London.

At the nomination for North Simcoe on Saturday Mr. H. E. Cook was nominated to represent the Reform interests, and Mr. Dalton McCarthy to represent the Conservative interests.

A rumour says that Mr. Macdougall is looking to the County of Russell, in the hope of getting a chance to re-enter public life.

Mr. Plumb was re-elected for Niagara on Saturday by a majority of 104.

Col. Striker, M. P. P., has been re-nominated the Reform candidate for Prince Edward.

Earl and Countess Dufferin have agreed to preside at the closing exercises of the Public Schools at Ottawa, on the evening of the 23rd, in the Bink Music Hall. Her Ladyship will distribute the prizes.

The path of life meanders through a beautiful world; a world where the fragrant flowers of friendship, nourished by the gentle dews of sympathy and the warm sunlight of affection, bloom in perennial beauty. But through this bright world there flows a stream whose turbid waters cross and recross the path of every pilgrim—it is the stream of human suffering.

Revolvers, guns, and gun furniture, selling at half price, at Mr. Horsman's. CHRISTMAS VOLUMES, 1874.—British Juvenile; Cottage and Artisan; Saturday Journal; British Workman; Band of Hope; Kind Words; Family Friend; Chatterbox; Little Folks; Day of Rest; The Child's Companion; British Workman; Children's Treasure; Adviser; Infant Magazine; Children's Friend. The largest and the finest stock of Annuals can be seen at Anderson's bookstore.

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Noah's Arks, Dolls, Block Games, Guns, Pistols, Building Blocks, Tops. You will find what you want cheap at Day's Bookstore.

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY. Train leave Guelph as follows: WEST—1:45 a.m.; 9:45 a.m.; 1:55 p.m.; 6:30 p.m.; 8:10 p.m. To London, Godolphin and Detroit. To Berlin and Galt. EAST—3:05 a.m.; 8:30 a.m.; 11 a.m.; 4:40 p.m. and 7:25 p.m.

GREAT WESTERN—GUELPH BRANCH. On and after Monday, 16th November. Going south—6:25 a.m.; 8:50 a.m.; 1:40 p.m., and mixed 3:15 p.m. Going north—12 noon; 2:40 p.m.; 5:35 p.m. The 5:35 a.m. will run through to Hamilton, reaching there about 11 a.m., and returning will leave Hamilton about 3:15 p.m., reaching Guelph 6:30 p.m.

NOTE.—Extra accommodation to public. Two trains from Southampton and Paisley, and back daily.

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Electro plated Cruet Stands, elegant patterns. Ivory handled Table, Dessert and Pocket Knives. Nickel Silver and Electro plated Forks to suit. Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons. Electro plated Butter Coolers. Tea and Coffee Pots. Table Napkin Rings. Bread Platters and Bread Knives. Toast Racks, Call Bells. Tea Trays and Waiters. Coal Scuttles. Vases and Pardonians. Fire Irons and Stands. Skates, Sleighs for Boys and Girls. Snow Shovels, Sleigh Bells. English Whips, Bird Cages.

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WM. TAWSE & SON'S TRADE MARK.

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Ladies', Misses' and Children's Furs, at REDUCED PRICES. Fancy Woollen Goods, at REDUCED PRICES. Ladies' Ties and Ruffings, at REDUCED PRICES. Linen Sets and New Styles in Collars, at REDUCED PRICES. 25 dozen Kids, usual price 75 cents, REDUCED to 50 cents. 25 dozen Kids, usual price \$1, REDUCED to 75 cents. Our entire Stock of Trimmed Millinery, at REDUCED PRICES.

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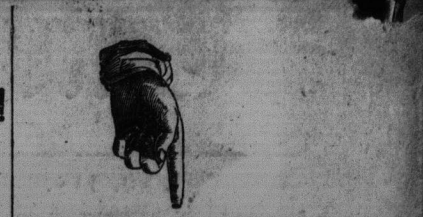
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Guelph, Dec. 9, 1874. dwiold3

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