

The Banner.

CHATHAM, DECEMBER 12, 1888.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

Our readers will glean from his letter in another column that Mayor Rathford has finally decided not to present himself for re-election. It is highly probable that had he chosen to do so he would have been honored with a second term, but at present he feels that his private affairs forbid it. We have not always agreed with his views on Municipal matters, but it is due him to say that he devoted much attention to the business of the town in the effort to advance its interests, and his rule of the Council has been uniformly courteous and thoughtful. We believe he retires with the consciousness of having done his duty to the best of his judgment.

A very largely signed requisition has been presented to Mr. Hugh Malcolmson, asking him to allow his name to be put in nomination for the Mayoralty, and as will be seen by his reply elsewhere he has consented. Mr. Malcolmson has had some experience as a councillor; he is a shrewd business man and has a large stake in the town, and the selection of the municipality—many of whom are his nearest neighbors—seems to be to him a most happy one. At present he is the only candidate in the field, as far as the public are aware; and should he be returned we believe he will give a good account of himself. The town needs, at the head of municipal affairs, a man of business capacity and ability and one whose interests are the town's. Such we believe he will prove.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS.

Sam Slem now proposes to go in for tea whiskey and tobacco and high toll on commerce. As an evangelist Sam is a curiosity.

The judgment of the Privy Council in the Queen vs. The St. Catharines Milling Co., is expected on the 19th inst. It will decide a question of considerable importance to Ontario.

Uncle Sam has been possessed of an idea, and he set about putting it in practice. It was a scheme that was to revolutionize gun making and close up Krupp and Armstrong. He made one gun. It was tested last week, and after the first regulation load a gang of men were sent abroad over several acres picking up the fragments. Uncle Sam has several wrinkles to learn yet.

Does he [the Canadian] need an Act of Parliament and a lot of customs officials in uniform to keep him from acting according to his own advantage?—Hamilton Times.

The N. F. asserts so, and isn't it the law? And isn't any man who doubts his wisdom and justice a fit subject to be handed over to the Democrats and Clarke and Croftons to be hanged, drawn and quartered for high treason?

The Spectator has been criticizing severely the Government's course in levying 144 per cent. duty on "blackstrap" used by one black-banking manufacturer. The Empire retorts by charging it with being an "advocate of foreign industries." If you will be so impertinent as to have opinions, Mr. Spec., always take the precaution to submit them to the boss, or you may have your allowance cut.

An extradition treaty embracing twenty-three offences is being arranged between Great Britain and Mexico. It is unfortunate that the United States Anglophobia prevents the completing of arrangements for reciprocity in criminals. Canada doesn't care to be made a Botany Bay for unrepentant U. S. fugitives. It is bad enough to have Yankee presidents of our railways and bosses of our Government and its mouthpieces.

"Observer," in Saturday's Globe, makes some pointed remarks on compulsory voting. There exists a horror of the word "compulsory" among politicians whose devotion to expediency gives them the right to pose as "practical politicians," but there are few who have taken any active interest in politics who have not discovered that were the voters required to come to the polls and deposit their ballots the path of the candidate would be made smoother and the temptation to illegal acts would be greatly lessened. Corrupt voters are commonly those who take so little interest that they trade upon the sacred right entrusted to them and hold themselves up for sale, or want some inducement to go to the polls. Others "take no stock in politics" and "don't want to hear about" public questions. Such men ought to be disfranchised. Any scheme that would make voting obligatory except for cases would work a revolution in purifying our politics.

Children Cry for

Mr. Stead, of the Pall Mall Gazette, asked Count Tschirski what he would do for Russia if the Emperor asked him to say what was required. He said: "(1) Nationalize the land; (2) Declare absolute liberty of conscience; (3) 'And establish the liberty of the press.' 'All the rest would come right.' A good many Canadian politicians need to take serious note of the Count's political creed.

It must puzzle all who believe in Canada for Canadians, and protectionists particularly, to know why the Minister of Militia imports his uniforms ready-made from England, and duty free. Even if he did not feel willing to employ Canadian labor to make the goods he might at least pay the duty, which the Tories all believe to be so advantageous to Canadians. Why is it that they preach tariff, yet in their own importations evade it? It is the same all round. Only recently some loyal Chatham protectionists would, Kossuth-like, have defied themselves the pleasure of paying duties on little examination purchases made in Detroit, and not a customs detective pressed them to its enjoyment.

The Mayoralty.

Mr. J. Collop, town, has entered for the regular business course.

Miss Agnes Tinney takes a course in shorthand and typewriting, and Miss M. Youngblood, of Northridge commenced a course in book-keeping, shorthand and typewriting.

Persons who contemplate taking a course of business training should write for our illustrated catalogue and shorthand circular, which are sent free on application.

Mr. H. Campbell does the College banking this week. Theo. Clancy and Theo. Robinson are in the agency, and H. F. Rice in the wholesale office.

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Our prospects for our opening on Jan. 1st are most excellent. Our present pupils are making remarkably good progress and everything indicates a prosperous year for the U. R. C.

Messrs. Stener, Focke, White and Hart are writing on their Intermediate Examination.

Mr. F. B. Baldwin has passed his exam. and commenced work in the Practical Department.

W. Halliday and G. Parlo have each taken 71 per cent. of their final law exam. Don't read these items next week.

Police Court.

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Market Notes.

Chicago reports say California's wheat stock on Dec. 1st, was 18,000,000 bu., while Ontario stocks were larger than ever before. Irwin, Green & Co's. circular says: "We sell nothing to maintain values except a persistent clinging to their present holdings by prominent bulls and making the shorts buy of each other till a demand springs up next summer."

The total exports from both Canada from July 1st, aggregate over 47,000,000 against 68,000,000 for same period last year. There are now 51,304,000 bushels of wheat east of the rock, a gain of 15,000,000, since July. Last year the gain was 28,000,000 in same period and the year before 31,000,000.

Winnipeg rejoiced in \$1.07 for No. 1 hard wheat on Friday last.

The Canadian cheese trade is this year the largest on record, amounting to about \$7,000,000. Our shipments of cheese have doubled since 1880, and the increase has followed the steady improvement of the quality. Our butter trade, on the other hand, falls off yearly. Instead of exporting 194,366 packages, as in 1880, the exports this year are only 46,528 packages. There is a big butter trade to be done if the quality is up to the market requirements.

Wheat is dull at \$1.00; sets 30c; corn, in ear, 35c to 36c; barley, lower, 90c to \$1.00; beans, \$1.05 to \$1.30.

Pork is quiet and declining, prices now being \$6.00 to \$6.85. Hides lower, at 4c. to 5c.

County Court and General Sessions.

The County Court and General Sessions of the Peace opened on Tuesday, at 12:30, before His Honor, Judge Bell. The following Grand Jurors answered to their names: A. Macle, foreman; S. S. Arnold, Sidney Agar, W. J. Badger, Angus Kerr, Colin Leitch, Donald Patterson, L. V. Peters, Charles Pringle, Mathew Rankin, Robert Riddell, James Rushton, Charles McNeill, James Howe, Nathaniel Murray, Philip Ridley. His Honor charged the jury. There are ten indictments, 6 for larceny, the felonious taking by one person the property of another. The offence was constituted by the desire to take property not one's own. There is also a charge for taking up rails from a railway in the northern part of the county, an offence for which there is a special statute. The jurors were given the usual instructions as to their duties.

Mr. Atkinson, for piff, asked that in Warren vs. Fairbanks et al, the jury be dispensed with and a day for trial set. The trial was set for Dec. 26th, at 10 o'clock, at Chambers. Douglas for deft. In Siverwright vs. Sinclair, Mr. O'Neill intimated an agreement had been arrived at that it should be dismissed without costs. Douglas for deft.

It was agreed to take up the case of Seane vs. Tye this morning, court adjourned, on motion of Mr. O. R. Atkinson, out of respect to the memory of the late Wm. McKeough, Esq.

Sutton.

The ladies are arranging for a grand Xmas tree in the holidays.

Mr. G. Coleridge has sent to Springfield, O., and got a grain chopper which he intends to have in running order in a few days.

Last Wednesday John Gray was riding a horse at full speed to head off some colts. The animal fell, throwing him some distance and injuring him severely.

Mr. Jas. Doe has taken a partner for life in the person of Miss Eliza Toyer. They have gone to live in Chatham.

Mr. Lloyd and John Morton have returned home from Detroit.

It is rumored here that Rev. R. Quarles met with an accident in Detroit. No particulars have been learned.

Fletcher.

Business is in full blast again. Scott Bros. have nearly completed their warehouse, and are buying pork and grain. Mr. Sterling is also buying pork. Many farmers are selling their produce here.

We hear that a grand shooting is to be held on the 21st, at the Valetta Presbyterian Church. Dr. McRobbie, of Ridgeway, is expected among other guests from a distance.

Miss Minnie Finn is quite ill with typhoid fever. Mrs. J. Taylor is ill with inflammation, and Miss C. Weaver is also on the sick list.

Mrs. S. Drew is giving her dwelling a thorough overhauling. She is also building a horse barn. Mr. Wm. Kelly is the contractor. He has also taken the contract to build a large barn for Mr. Jas. McKeon, and one for Mr. Wm. Flinn.

The Campbell Bros. say they will wager \$25 that John Parker can husk more corn in a day than any other man in T. E.

Mrs. James Fanning has gone to Dresden to visit friends.

Rev. Mr. Manson's sister has arrived, and the manse at Valetta is being fitted up for their reception.

Smith Bros. are putting in a full run of machinery, and will start a handle factory at once. They have had several gangs of men in the woods for some weeks past.

Mr. Jos. Green has returned from Wallaceburg. Col. Martin declares that he is not in the field for the Reeveship.

A Plains Farm.

People at a distance sometimes question the fertility of the reclaimed land out in Raleigh Plains, so much of which is now coming into cultivation. Here is the experience of one of the farmers inside the Pike drainage system.—Mr. George Threette has a lot, and farms about 80 acres, including an orchard. He raised the past season 700 bush. barley; 200 bush. wheat; 125 bush. peas; 500 bush. oats; 3000 bush. corn in the ear; 500 bush. millet seed, besides all the potatoes, hay and vegetables he will need for home use, he sold his barley for \$1.10 per cent., and wheat for \$1.14. All this, too, in the sixth year since the land was reclaimed. There are many others who could give as good a report as Mr. Threette. As an evidence of the progress made in the neighborhood, one may mention that the Grand Trunk is now putting in a siding at Mr. D. W. Crow's, and Mr. Henry will erect a warehouse and buy produce there next season.

The County Council.

The County Council met yesterday afternoon, but owing to the wish of many of the members to attend the funeral of the late Mr. McKeough, deferred the meeting till after the services. No business was taken up.

DINNER WARE.

We are opening up 2 Oases and 2 Crates of Dinner Sets at prices to suit all comers. We have

Green Floretta 85 Piece Sets at	\$9 50	Dove Oorn Flower 85 Pieces at	\$10 00
Brown Floretta " " " "	9 50	Bronze Green Daisy " " "	10 00
Brown Florentine " " " "	9 50	Brown Chantilly 101 " "	13 00
Brown Canada " " " "	9 50	K Brown Chelsea 115 " "	20 00
Grey Canada " " " "	9 50	Oorn Flower 100 " Standard	18 00
Brown Madras " " " "	9 50	Brown Canada 119 " at	13 00
Grey Madras " " " "	9 50	Green Canada " " at	13 00

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Canton Blue Renaissance, 119 Large Pieces, \$28.00

Brown Renaissance, 119 Large Pieces, \$28.00

French China Dinner Sets, 115 Pieces, Rustic, \$40.00

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Freshypia.

Freshypia is the common failure of sight which afflicts persons of ten and fifty-five. So common is this failure that few are alarmed at its coming, but go to some place where spectacles are sold and purchase the first pair which seems to improve their sight, regardless of the consequences. This practice is dangerous and wrong. In adjusting spectacles for the failure of sight, the utmost care should be taken to ascertain if other difficulties exist. It is necessary to test each eye separately, as the eyes are frequently found to be unlike, and if fitted with lenses of the same focus will irreparably injure.

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DIED.

McKee—On Friday, 7th December, at his residence, 1001 St. John Street, William McKee, in the 56th year of his age.

THE MAYORALTY.

Chatham, Dec. 6th, 1888.

HUGH MALCOLMSON, Esq.,
DEAR SIR—We, the undersigned ratepayers of the Town of Chatham, having received your notice at the Council Board with approval, request you to allow your name to be put in nomination for the office of Mayor.

Jas. A. Macle
John Hall
W. E. Morris
J. H. Rogers
J. W. Rogers
J. B. Stringer
A. Macle
John Morris
Jas. Dillen
G. A. Atkinson
T. J. S. Sime
Thos. Moffat
F. O. Eberts
F. Waddell
Jas. Snyper
G. D. Williamson
John H. Rogers
Jas. May
Robt. Gordon
S. E. Maistris
F. S. Jarvis
F. Marx
Peter Butterfield
A. Hayward
G. Dunlop
A. S. McGregor
J. D. Christie
Geo. S. Hayward
Wm. Hall
S. T. Martin
G. S. Thomas
G. Richardson
J. Slater
Thomas A. Williams
and others.

REPLY:

LAMES AND GENTLEMEN:
Replying to your unanimously signed and influential requisition, asking me to allow my name to be put in nomination for the office of Mayor, for the year 1889.

Allow me first to return you my thanks for the confidence you evidently repose in me. After having devoted two years to active municipal life, I feel it my duty, in consequence of private business, to refuse but year's nomination for any office. After mature consideration, have decided to comply with your request and offer myself as a candidate for the Mayoralty for the coming year. Should the citizens of Chatham elect me to that honorable position, I will do all in my power to faithfully perform all the duties devolving upon me to your satisfaction endeavoring at all times to further the best interests of the town.

I have the honor to be,
Ladies and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
HUGH MALCOLMSON.

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DAVID WILSON, No. 7, Tross.

County of Kent Temperance Association.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the above Association, together with a grand County Convention of all other temperance workers in the County of Kent, will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Chatham, on Wednesday, 19th Inst., at 10:30 a. m., to fully discuss the situation and to plan for action to prevent if possible, the repeal of the Scott Act. Notwithstanding the lack of the proper enforcement of the law, it has beyond doubt done very much good, as the following statistics taken from the Police Register for the Town of Chatham show:

UNDER LICENSE.
1885—Number drunks, 186
1884— " " 159
1883— " " 162

UNDER SCOTT ACT.
1886—Number drunks, 58
1887— " " 70
1888— (Jan. 1st to Feb. 28th), 4

And this is doubtless a fair showing for the working of the Act throughout the County. The Scott Act is by no means a failure, for just in proportion as it has been enforced drunkenness and crime have diminished. Nevertheless a petition for a repeal vote has been circulated, signed and forwarded to Ottawa, therefore we earnestly entreat all local organizations of temperance workers, R. T. of T., church temperance societies, unions, lodges, Councils, etc., to send representatives to this Convention. Please attend yourself and induce half-a-dozen other representative men to do likewise. We exhort all friends of the cause to rally to this Convention, and help to sustain and carry forward the work of God and home and country.

H. F. CUMMING, Pres't.
W. J. SMITH, Secretary.
Chatham, 5th Decr 1888. 5011

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NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Chatham will meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the 17th day of December, 1888, at the hour of ten o'clock, a. m., for the dispatch of general business.

W. G. HERRITT, Clerk.
Clerk's Office, Leavelleville, Dec. 6th, 1888. 4814

NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Raleigh will meet in the County Clerk's Office, Chatham, on Saturday, the 15th day of December, next, at 2 p. m., for dispatch of business.

J. G. STEWART, Clerk.

ED. JORDAN.
CHRISTMAS IS HERE AGAIN

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Five Hundred Presents

To be given away to every purchaser of one dollar and upwards. One present to each purchaser. The leading presents are

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GAME LAW

All persons are notified that on the 15th day of December next shooting ends.

The penalty for each bird killed is not more than \$25, nor less than \$5, in the discretion of the presiding magistrate.

Persons and others living in the country are requested to notify the Secretary of the Chatham Gun Club of any infringement of the Game Law, by persons from the town or elsewhere, and they will be punished to the fullest extent of the law, and without expense to the person informing.

The sportsmen of Chatham feel gratified to be the farmers of the County of Kent for the privilege they have enjoyed during the past shooting season and trust they