

some 1,723 dollars, paying him therefor with his note. Mr. Nelson represented that he could not get this note discounted, and upon the strength of this profession obtained from Mr. Gray a warehouse receipt to be used as collateral security. Instead of using the warehouse receipt in connection with Mr. Gray's note, Mr. Nelson attached to it one of his own, which he had discounted *as well as Mr. Gray's note to him*. By this means he obtained discounts to the amount of over 3,000 dollars. Mr. Gray charged that the warehouse receipt was fraudulently obtained from him, and the police magistrate has sustained the charge by deciding that there is *prima facie* evidence of guilt, and by sending the case to a higher court. Mr. Nelson did not appear yesterday, his lawyer pleading illness on his behalf. Time has been extended to the 19th inst. before estreating his bail, should he not appear; and those who are acquainted with Mr. Nelson's movements say that it is not at all likely he will ever return to Toronto.

"Thus has Mr. Brydges' latest accuser been brought to grief. In his person we have another and striking instance of the character of the men by whom the Managing Director of the Grand Trunk is steadily maligned. How does the *Globe* like its latest *protégé*? How is it pleased with the character which the law has given of its new-found witness against Mr. Brydges? Although there is truth in the adage that 'birds of a feather flock together,' we shall charitably entertain the hope that the *Globe* people are not themselves as bad as their disappointed and ridiculous ally."

Compare the foregoing article and Mr. Brydges' speech—written and delivered whilst a criminal charge was pending against me—with the proceedings before Vice-Chancellor James, on the 2nd Oct. last, on an application to commit the publisher of the *Times* for having commented truly upon the state of the European Assurance pending judicial proceedings.

Every other Grand Trunk organ throughout the Dominion followed in an equally violent strain. On receipt of the news I telegraphed to my solicitors in Toronto that I would come over at once to meet the charge, and forthwith proceeded to do so, although I had received several anonymous letters, some threatening and others warning me not to return; and as an illustration of the dangers which beset me, one of my dearest friends met me in Buffalo and entreated me not to return to Canada, for, said he, "*the conspiracy is so powerful it will result in either your conviction or assassination.*" I returned notwithstanding. The case came on for trial at the assizes in Toronto, on the 15th of January (see report of the trial in Appendix). The prosecution was conducted by some of the ablest counsel in the Dominion, but the prosecutor had to admit on his oath that he had purposely committed perjury in seven distinct cases to defeat my Bill in Chancery, that he had embezzled my money