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THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST.

A few weeks ago an item appeared in the editorial column pointing out that the contention of the Republican party in the ensuing Presidential campaign was, "Lessen the taxation on whiskey, and keep up the taxes on the necessities of life." Amongst the readers of THE SIGNAL is a gentleman who resides at St. Louis, and he, being a red-hot Republican, took umbrage at our remarks and sent us an epistle with our editorial note attached, as follows:

"The fight for U. S. presidency goes bravely on. Cleveland and Harrison lead the Democratic phalanx, while Harrison, grandson of 'Harrison of Tippecanoe' and Levi P. Morton marshal the Republican forces. From present appearance, it looks as if a further lease of power will be the portion of the Democrats, as they have inscribed upon their banner 'Revenue Reform,' and 'Abatement of Taxation,' while the rallying cry of the Republicans is 'Lessen the Taxation on Whiskey, and keep up the Taxes on the Necessaries of Life.' In such a contest there can be no doubt as to the result."

FREE TRADE OR PROTECTION—WHICH SHALL IT BE? PROTECTION.
St. Louis, July 2, 1888.

Mr. Editor.—In your issue of June 20th, you very unjustly misrepresent the merits of the contending political parties here. "Lessen the Taxation on Whiskey and keep up the Taxes on the Necessaries of Life" is no nonsensical that it is hard to conceive of rational minds considering such trash. A Tory paper might make a mistake of this kind, and be excused for it, but you, a Liberal at home, a Tory abroad, are a peculiar politician. If you will read the record of the Republican party you will find that it is very creditable, and that the Democrats unearthed nothing, as was expected, four years ago. The Democrats left affairs in a very bad shape for their successors in 1860. They have been making such records ever since. Goodies and frauds go with the Democrats here, while progress and honor is the past of their opponents. The Republican party has prosessed the heresies of the last thirty years, the other has given us the Copperheads and obstacles for reform. The ranks of the R's, have been studied with heroes of the war, have supplied the country with brains and political talent, while the other has given us a few baronets, soreheads and many traitors. A few months ago some of our Democratic papers endorsed the candidate for bad place on the Bandana ticket for his leniency in dealing judgment on ballot box frauds. His extreme old age was offered as some excuse for his dotage ability.

Harrison and Morton, represent integrity and all that could be wished for, while the others—oh, such demagogues! Yours truly,

W. M. ANDERSON.

P.S.—I am an old reader of THE SIGNAL and a Grit from Huron Co.

Although our correspondent deems the phrase "Lessen the taxation on whiskey, and keep up the taxes on the necessities of life," so nonsensical, we find in the sixth clause of the Republican platform, adopted at Chicago, the following:

"The Republican party would effect all needed reduction of the national revenue by repealing the taxes upon tobacco, which are a burden and annoyance to agriculture, and the tax upon spirits used in the arts and for medicinal purposes."
* * * * * If there shall still remain a larger revenue than is requisite for the wants of the Government, we favor the entire repeal of internal taxes," &c.

We also find that men more prominent in the Republican party than our correspondent have taken the same view of the question that we did, and the Republican party having failed in the attempt to "explain the free whiskey plank of the platform, they have deemed it their duty not only to raise emphatic protest, but actually to sever connection with the party. Among these were Rev. Drs. Storrs and Cuyler and Mr. Seth Linn of Brooklyn. The New York Tribune,

after the manner of our correspondent, tried to whip them back into the traces by calling them harsh names, and referred to them as "Sunday school politicians" troubled with "supersensitive consciences." Inside of two weeks THE Tribune found that bulldozing would not work, and apologized to the gentlemen it had attacked, and actually referred to them as "Christian workers who have sound, wholesome and efficient consciences." Mr. Blaine, then whom the Republican party can boast no more astute party organizer, also sounded a warning note against the "free whiskey plank" in the following words:

I would not advise the repeal of the whiskey tax. Other considerations than those of financial administration are to be taken into account with regard to whiskey. There is a moral side to it. To cheapen the price of whiskey is to increase its consumption enormously. There would be no sense in urging the reform wrought by high license in many States if the National Government neutralizes the good effect by making whiskey within the reach of everyone at twenty cents a gallon. Whiskey would be everywhere distilled if the surveillance of the Government were withdrawn by the remission of the tax, and illicit sales could not then be prevented, even by a policy as rigorous and searching as that with which Russia pursues the Nihilists. It would destroy high license at once in all the States.

Notwithstanding the above warning from its greatest political chief, the Republican party has adopted "free whiskey rather than free clothing or food," and the question is, as we placed it a few weeks ago, an attempt to "lessen the taxation on whiskey, and keep up the taxes on the necessities of life."

In further answer to our correspondent we might say that we have read the record of the Republican party since 1860, and we know that it deteriorated sadly after the death of Lincoln in 1865. We know that the Credit Mobilier, and the Gollier Pavement, and the Malligan Letters flourished under its regime; and we know that a duly elected President by the people, of the people, and for the people, was counted out. We know that the public service was debauched, and that a corruption fund was raised by assessment on civil servants for the prosecution of the later elections held under the auspices of that party.

As to the Republican party producing the heroes of the country, that is merely a bit of sentimental claptrap thrown in by our correspondent, which may please him personally, but which will have no effect with thinking people. It is on a par with the Canadian Tories claiming all the loyalty to the Mother Country, and then raising up tariff barriers against it. No man, except blinded by prejudice, will for a moment say that McClellan and Hancock were not just as true to their country and the uniform they wore, as were Grant and Sheridan; and in real statesmanship Cleveland and Bayard, have proved inferior to no Republicans in similar positions since the days of Lincoln and Seward.

We have taken the trouble to answer at some length the objections raised by Mr. Anderson in this case, and we have no reason to believe that the position we first took was untenable. THE SIGNAL is an exponent of reciprocity first, last and all the time, and whether the United States is presided over by a Democrat or a Republican is of little consequence to us so long as he is in favor of tearing down the commercial barriers that now separate the Dominion of Canada from the neighboring Republic.

And Mr. Anderson, being an old Huron County Grit, should endeavor to foster and promote a closer relationship between the land of his nativity and that of his adoption, instead of allying himself with the party that prepones and practices the doctrine of High Tariffs, Exclusiveness and the perpetuation of the Great American Hog.

The full returns of the Manitoba elections are now in, and the figures which we gave last week have not been changed. Premier Greenway has a following of 33, and 4 followers tail behind Mr. Norquay. The elections have driven home and clenched the old and familiar saying of Sir John Macdonald, "We cannot check Manitoba!"

The authorities are putting forth strenuous efforts to hinder cranks from not only going through the whirlpool rapids, but also from going over the falls at Niagara. One of the latest specimens of the genus crank is a young Englishman who, robed in a cork suit, and holding a parachute in hand, is anxious to go down the river above the falls, and when the cataraet is reached, he wants to open his parachute and lightly spring over the turbulent falling water. He has been threatened with arrest by the authorities if he persists in his mad scheme, but he should be hindered from indulging his fancy, if he be so minded. Niagara could be allowed to kill all the fools who would like to shorten the voyage of life by a trip down its turbulent bosom, and even then the supply of cranks on the mundane sphere would be far ahead of the demand. In any event, the authorities should throw no obstacle in the way of the parachute aspirant.

TINKERING THE TARIFF.

NOTWITHSTANDING the fact that Sir Charles Tupper, as Finance Minister of the Dominion, stated last session that the tariff was a perfect one, and would not be tampered with this year, changes are still being made. The latest of these changes has just been made by an Order-in-Council, and the following articles have been placed on the free list:

Wire of iron or steel, No. 13 and 14 wire gauge, flattened and corrugated, used in connection with a machine known as the wire grip machine, for the manufacture of boots and shoes and leather belting, when imported by the manufacturers of boots and shoes and leather belting, to be used for these purposes only in their iron factories.

Yarns made of wool or worsted, the same being genappened, dyed and finished when imported by manufacturers of braids, cords, tassels and fringes.

Blanketing and lapping and discs, or mills for engraving copper rollers when imported by cotton manufacturers, calico printers and wall paper manufacturers.

Two ply cotton twine yarns in cops only, made from single cotton yarns finer than number forty, used by the manufacturers of Italian cloths, cashmires and cotton cloths for the salvages of the said cloths, to be used for these purposes only, in their own factories.

The foregoing is to be in force until the end of the next session of Parliament, unless sooner repealed. We have no objection to these changes, but we decidedly object to the Tories claiming that the tariff was perfect when the articles were dutiable, and then desiring credit for placing them on the free list.

Maxwell, the young Englishman who murdered his fellow traveller, Preller, in St. Louis, has been respited for a month, but although his father, mother and sisters have pleaded with the executive, and although a mint of money has been spent in his defence, it looks as if the law will ultimately take its course. Hanging is not played out in St. Louis.

Mr. A. Blum, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, who has returned from placing the Ontario exhibit of minerals and mineral products in the continental exposition at Cincinnati, says that the display of Canadian salt is attractive, and commands considerable attention. It is nearly put up in glass jars, and otherwise displayed to advantage. There is a good chance of sending Ontario salt into the Central as well as the Western States if reciprocity prevails. In that case, those who have introduced their salt through the Exposition will be the losers.

Mr. TROTT, GILROY's political aspirations were knocked out of him by a large majority in the recent Manitoba election. He was one of the Winnipeg candidates, and he ran so far behind his successful opponent that he was unable to save his deposit. Gilroy, old boy, you have the sympathy of your Goderich friends who knew and esteemed you long before the Demon of Political Ambition began whispering in your ear. The tail end of a procession is not the most preferable place, but we suppose you believe with Tennyson that "Better to have run and lost, than never to have run at all," or words to that effect.

Town Council Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the town council was held on Wednesday evening. The Mayor stated that Mr. Gartsshore, contractor for the supplying of pipes for the waterworks had failed to send the pipes on the day required by contract, and as the pipe-layers were in town and unable to proceed with their work, he desired the council to instruct as to the course of action to be pursued. He read the correspondence and telegrams that had passed between him and Mr. Gartsshore on the subject, which showed plainly that the contractor should have had the pipes on the ground by Monday last at latest.

Moved by Nicholson, seconded by Radcliffe, that the waterworks committee be instructed to purchase forty tons of 4-inch pipe from Detroit, so as to enable the pipe-layers to proceed, and that Mr. Gartsshore be notified as to the course of action that had been taken. Carried.

A lawn social will be held at Victoria-st. Methodist Church—Parsonage, Keyes-street, on Tuesday evening next at 7 o'clock, to which all are cordially invited. Admission free.

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Miss Skimmings gave a prize for the best grammarian amongst the entrants from the Principals room, Goderich, at the recent examination. Miss Helen Strang was the successful competitor.

Mr. A. W. Moore, lately of the Brantford office, now occupies the position in the Bank of Montreal office of this town formerly held by Mr. G. H. Finley, who has been transferred to St. Mary's.

TOWN TOPICS.

"A child's among you, taking notes, as faith he'll prove it."

For real value in new sugar and other goods and less 5c. call on McMillan's, Crabb's block.

George Stewart the photographer is big on groups. He has an instrument that would take in a whole volunteer company.

To FARMERS.—Imperial Machine Oil, the best for Agricultural Machinery. Please call and get sample and price. G. N. Davis.

A Good Present.—The most useful gift you can make is to give a Wirt Pen to D. McMillan, agent Goderich.

FRISK TALKING.—R. MacCormac has the finest assortment of goods for spring and summer suits. Order from him and you will be pleased with fit and price.

Servant costs and vests, to fit the shortest and tallest, and longest and smallest, and broadest and narrowest everybody—can be got out at R. A. Friedman's, the fashionable emporium.

LI-QUOR TALK.—A number of excellent summer drinks are recommended by various journals, but if you ask the proper authorities in Goderich, they will tell you Li-Quor Tea from George Rhyndas can't be beaten.

That stock of preserving kettles that Saunders & Son got last week are going off lively. The low prices are selling them, 25 per cent lower than last year. All kinds of them, granite, iron, enameled, brass and tin, call and see them. A few odd pairs of window shades at cost to clear out the cheapest house under the Sun.

THE SAILING.—The British constitution wasn't a circumstance in its day and generation to some of the works that is now turned out by the Sailing Machine. It is a suit to the eye in the shape of corner pieces and mouldings, and fit them together after the most approved fashion. He can give you fine pictures in his studio and he can put frames to match.

Mr. Ben Sauls, of Bluevale, was in town last week.

Mr. Mann, of Detroit, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Platt.

Mr. Hayhurst, of Toronto, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Platt.

Miss Nellie Donah, of Detroit, is paying a visit to her parents.

There is a large number of summer visitors in Goderich this season.

Mrs. W. A. Rhyndas, is visiting Mrs. and Miss Newcombe, of Toronto.

Mr. Stan. Hays, barrister, Brussels, sniffed the lake breeze on Sunday.

The North St. Methodist S. S. picnic has been postponed until next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tanner, of Toronto, have been visiting friends in town during the week.

Mr. John Lynn, of Detroit, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn, of this town.

Dr. Taylor is, we are pleased to state, now convalescent, after his recent severe illness.

Miss Crane, of Goderich, is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. Clarke, mother of mayor Clarke, of Toronto, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Robertson, of this town.

Hon. A. M. Ross, Mayor Seager, and Mr. S. Macdonald, leave today (Friday) for a few weeks' sojourn in Muskoka.

Mrs. F. Dorsey and children, accompanied by Miss McKay, left last Monday for their home in Winnipeg.

North-St. Methodist church S. S. will hold their annual picnic in Bingham's grove on Tuesday afternoon, July 24th.

Mr. Harry Watson, has returned from a trip of some months to the Southern States, apparently much improved in health.

Mrs. L. T. McDonald and children, of Listowel, have been spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Hyslop, on Anglesea St.

Miss Polly Magford, of Benmiller, visited friends in town this week, and was the guest of Miss Edith Luxton, Lighthouse St.

The pipe-layers for the proposed waterworks, are in town, but the pipes from contractor Gartsshore, of Hamilton, have not yet arrived.

Mr. Scott of Toronto, will occupy Knox church pulpit next Sabbath morning, and also at the morning service of the following Sabbath.

Miss A. Vanstone, of Brussels, who has been visiting friends here during the past few weeks, left for home on Thursday morning.

Joseph Heale, aged 11 years, the youngest pupil in Principals' Embury's class, passed the recent entrance exam. in a highly creditable manner.

Messrs R. Radcliffe, Joseph Beck, Jas. Addison and Judge Toms are attending the annual session of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada, now being held at Toronto.

A match will take place on the ground of the Goderich lawn tennis club this (Friday) afternoon at 3 o'clock, between representatives of the Stratford and home clubs.

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NEW GOODS JUST OPENED!

New Dress Goods, in Newest Shades.
New White and Col'd Dress Muslins and Lawns.
New Cream and Col'd Seersuckers.
New Prints and Cotton Shirtings.
New White and Grey Cottons.
New Parasols, Hosiery and Gloves.

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Highest Price for Butter and Eggs.

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Goderich, 29th June, 1888.

The Motive, Aye, the Motive.
To the Editor of the Signal.

In your issue of July 13th you notice a letter of mine before the Council, claiming to be refunded \$25, fine and costs for contravention of bylaw. Permit me to explain my reason for this. Councillor Humber and his family got me to shoot a dog on his premises over a year ago to protect his property, now when I shot on my property, Humber summons me for a contravention of the bylaw. What ill-balanced ridiculous conduct! I also gave the council a trio of motives in petition for their consideration involving the honor of the council and the respect of the ratepayers. No 2 motive was well known to the Mayor last year, but it was suppressed then, and would have been now, but for councillor Humber's conduct to me. But the efflux of time works wonders.

Yours truly, JOHN RUSSELL.
Goderich, July 18th, 1888.

The New Parliament Buildings.

We have received from William Bryce, Toronto, the publisher, a handsome representation of the proposed new Parliament buildings in Toronto, which when framed will make a fine addition to the other works of art to be found in our sanctum. Copies can be had from the publisher for 25c.

He Got His Man Out of Quod.

Last week on information of inspector Cavan, Simon Middleholts, of Stephen, was convicted and sentenced to six months imprisonment for having a whiskey still on his premises without a license. He was received in Goderich jail July 10th. On the 11th E. N. Lewis, his counsel, took proceedings to release him, and on the 14th a writ of Habeas Corpus, issued by Sir Thomas Galt, was served on the jailer, commanding him to produce the prisoner and the authority for his detention. On Tuesday the 17th the court ordered his discharge, although the Minister of Justice and Inspector Cavan through their counsel strongly opposed the order. Mr. Cavan attending in person at Toronto. This makes the second Habeas Corpus issued for Huron, both handled by Mr. Lewis.

Miss A. E. L. Trevelyan's Quilt.

The handsome quilt worked by Miss A. E. L. Trevelyan, of Ashfield, which was on view at the Great Northwestern Fair last year, and which was afterwards presented to Queen Victoria, has been duly received by Her Majesty, and the following acknowledgment has been received by the donor:

DOWNING STREET,
27th Feb. 1888.
MY LORD.—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Lordship's despatch No. 21, of the 25th ultimo, transmitting two addresses to the Queen from the women of Huron county, accompanying a quilt, which they desired to present to Her Majesty, as an offering on the occasion of the completion of the 50th year of her reign.

I have laid these addresses before the Queen, who commands me to request that you will convey to the women of Huron county her thanks for the loyal sentiments expressed in their addresses, and the rich quilt, which Her Majesty has specially admired.

I have, &c.,
(Sd) KNUTSFORD.
To the Most Hon. the Marquis of Lansdowne, &c., &c., &c.

The "Spec" Editor is Evidently Summer Sick Here.

The Medical Record asserts that Dr. Nuisan has discovered that the most inveterate and persistent liar can be completely cured of the habit by means of hypnotism. The doctor's services are urgently required at Goderich.—Hamilton Spectator.

Mr. S. P. Hall, B.A., has been appointed examiner in the literary department of the Canadian Society of Musicians. The examination will be held in Toronto during the convention, Christmas week.

The Brussels Post entered upon the sixteenth year of its usefulness last week. The Post is one of the best local papers on our exchange list, and we wish it and its proprietor, Mr. W. H. Kerr, many happy returns of the day.

LICENSES.—The Commissioners for the West Riding held a meeting in Clinton, on Saturday, and granted three additional licenses, as follows: A six-months' license to J. J. Wright, Point Farm, and licenses to Mrs. Conover, Wingham, and F. McDonagh, Carlow. The latter's license had been withheld because he had not paid up his Scott Act fine, but on paying the same a license was issued to him.

The next eclipse of the moon will occur on the night of the 22nd inst., and will be more interesting than the one on Jan. 28th last. The diameter of the earth's shadow will be much larger than the last in proportion to the diameter of the moon, darkening its surface more totally. It will take place at midnight, when the moon will be high in the heavens, and will be visible in this section providing the night is not too cloudy.

NEWS OF THE

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Col. Sir Francis De la Poer, of the 60th Rifles, who was with the 1st Battalion, expressed to white papers reported that the latest about him that he will return to health than when he fitted by his sojourn in England, his camp as bad as ever, has been no improvement.

The Young Liberal putting a good deal of arrangements for the station at Oakville, O. Wilfred Laurier, late party of Canada, and which have definitely present, and will be the day, but other D times and several in the Government.

VICTORIA, B. C., great excitement of Skeena River. The Fry arrived yesterday at that when the Fryer it was reported in charge of the Hu at Hazelton, and on stables sent from he by the Indian thoroughly excited terminate all the w the country. H. B. vical police, will scene of the troual arrived policemen. special night, a voy the force and mouth of the Skeee impossible for, her owing to low water and it is estimated these weeks, as it to the scene of the who are causing worst on the coast.

A Berlin despatch says: "A dead Kaiser, who light, reveals that upmost in his settlement of the tion, and second daughter Victor has years, his w the Alace-Lorraine lived in the world is giving Alace-rule, with Prince burg as Governor might have seen dream. "Germu have been deli since 1870, even freed from the into my throat. Alace-Lorraine be an end of the (the Gaul) and a diarm, and pea reign on earth."

Various rum authority," are regarding Henry, a Mrs. Henry, a One spread by to the effect the chief in London way home. T testing the c Another report of a St. Mary's on the authority who alleges b Henry homes points to the f away was cor Henry's depar ment. When she did not n share of the wardrobe will considerable weight of the dicte that b than a brief c is, said, recar true, the city eye on their moral status purged of it.

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