THE MAYORALTY.

We understand that Mr. John Harris has retired from the contest for Mayor, leaving the field clear to Mr. Robertson. In doing so Mr. Harris recognizes at their full value Mr. Robertson's claims to the office, Mr. Robertson's claims to the office, and in thus gracefully giving way, he has adopted a course which is all the more likely to gain for himself the support of the ratepayers, should he at any future time choose to become a candidate, and seek their suffrages. The contest is, therefore, ended, and Mr. Robertson is virtually elected. Mr. Robertson is virtually elected Mayor of Guelph for 1873. As we said before, there will be no contest said before, there will be no contest for the Reeveship, for both Mr. Gotdie and Mr. Hatch have refused to run against Mr. Massie. Mr. Kennedy has also retired from the Deputy-Reeveship, leaving the field clear to Messrs. Howard and Chadwick. The elections in Guelph this year will therefore be devoid of any excitement, except what may be manifested in connection with the efforts of the candidates for councillors in the different Wards.

Editorial Items.

La Minerve affirms, in opposition to the statement of the Ottawa Times, that Sir George Cartier will not spend the winter in France, but will be back to Canada to meet his opponents face to face in Parliament.

The Quebec Parliament has lately passed a law enacting that at the survey and settlement of new townships, in the event of there being only one religious denomination, fifty acres in each township shall be given to it as an endowment; if more than one, one hundred acres shall be divided among the different denominations, according to numbers.

The Hon. Mr. Cauchon was elect ed on Monday for the county of Montmorenci. He took his seat in the House the same evening. A petition was presented against his sitting by Mr. Jolly.

Thus far shalt thou and no fur-ther, seems to be the nguage now held by the British Government in regard to the Russian encroachments in Central Asia, and which reveals a flash of the old spirit. Afghanistan our formerly redoubtable enemy,but now under England's protection, is not to be approached by the Russian power nearer than Khiva, the countries between which and Afghanistan are not to be entered by Russian troops without provoking the intervention of England. So says the Russian World.

Telegrams from Victoria, B. C., anance the defeat and resignation of the Provincial Government. This is another triumph for Reform, and a strong indication of the declining power of the Ottawa Ministry. The Governments of all the Provinces in the Dominion are now controlled by opponents of the Macdonald Cartier rule, except those of Quebec and Manitoba, both of which are in a "shaky" condition, and liable to fail at any time.

The Quebec Legislature was prorogued on Tuesday, when the Lieut-Governor attended in state carriage, with military guard. Being conduct.

with military guard. Being conduct ed to the throne, he formally assented in Her Majesty's name to the bills passed during the session, and prorogued the House in a short speech, in which he thanked them for their liberal grants for the development of the resources of the Province.

We have received a copy of a very interesting Blue Book, printed by order of Parliament. It is a return showing the names, origin, creed, position and pay of all the employee of the Dominion Government. In scanning the ninety-two pages of the pamphlet, something like the following result is arrived at as to the place of the birth of the men. There are 586 Irishmen. 377 English, 224 French Canadians, 275 Scotch.

A duty of ten per cent has been imposed on all tea and coffee comin imported from the United States into Canada, in accordance with an anto Canada, in accordance with an Act of 1st session of Parliament, whereby the Governor General in Council was empowered to impose duties on tea and coffee coming from the United States, equivalent to those levied on tea and coffee imported by that country from Canada. A duty of ten per cent has been imposed by the United States since the 1st of October.

NEW YORK TRIBUNE .-- The Tribun announces on the 23rd that that por tion of its shareholders who were the rished friends and associates of the late Mr. Greeley, and whose sympathies and feelings were akin to his, have obtained control of the paper, and it shall henceforth be published under their supervision and direction. Those shareholders favorable to the Grant administration got control of the stock, but failing to find an editor they sold out to the present managers, who will continue to condct it as an independent journal, at the same time giving to the Republican party its support as long as that party strictly adheres to its principles. We have no doubt that under this new guidance the Tribune will continue to be a great power in the land. the late Mr. Greeley, and whose

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