EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Stratford *Times* makes serious charges respecting the appointment of Mr. Blair to the Stratford postmastership.

Mr. W. Price, M.P.P for Chicoutimi, has resigned his seat, which moves us to enquire—what about M. Joly's majority?

The Dominion imports from January to August were $54,617,000; the exports, $38,294,000. In the same period last year the imports were $62,830,000 and the exports $39,017,000.

All this talk about Reform seats being lost through the over-confidence of the rank and file is pure balderdash. Want of confidence in their cause and their leaders was what ailed them.

Referring to Mr. Langevin, the Ottawa *Free Press* says:—"In our estimation there are few, if any, of the public men of Quebec more capable than he, or better suited to fill a seat in the Cabinet."

The Oxford *Tribune* thinks Mr. Mackenzie soliloquises in this strain:—"Had I but served my kintra as faithfully as I hae served mysel' an' freens, it would'na hae gone back on me in the hoor o' my need."

The voice of the Grit Prohibitionist is again heard in the land. It was silent from the 5th November, 1873, to the 9th October, 1878, although the rum fiend raged throughout that period with his usual violence.

Says the Mitchell *Recorder* warily:—"In view of the severe defeat which the Reform Party sustained in the late election, it is not good to cultivate a spirit of over-confidence as to the result of the Provincial elections."

The New York *Sun* says the clamours of the Reform Party for the immediate production of the National Policy in all its details, "exhibit an almost childish impatience, as if it were a thing as easy of accomplishment as eating their dinner."

Pictou, N. S., *Standard*:—"The task before the incoming Government will be a trying and difficult one. Everything, we believe, is in confusion. It will be no light labour to rectify and recover what has been muddled and alienated by folly or fraud."

Halifax *Herald*:—"The reason why so many Grit papers are anxious for Sir John to bring on his National Policy is that they want to begin the business of Opposition. They need not be in a hurry; they will have plenty of time before them; they had better take a little rest."

London *Free Press*:—"The man whose official career of five years has converted a majority of some 800 into a minority in that section of the country where he is best known, and which may be called his natal place, must possess but little real merit to recommend him."

Harper's Weekly, speaking of our elections, says:—"The 'Grits,' who were in power, were renegade Liberals, and, thoroughly reactionary as the real tendencies of the pseudo-Liberal party are, constituted the worst obstacle to a truly Liberal policy." That is their measure exactly.

The Chicago *Journal of Commerce* says:—"By standing as an unfailing defence against a fall of wages through excessive foreign competition in our markets, our protective system is very beneficial to our labouring population, and is, therefore, beneficial to more than the manufacturers alone."

The *Ontario Reformer*, the journal which predicted that Mr. Mackenzie would have a majority of at least 100 in the new House, says:—"There can be no disguising the fact that there are signs of a widespread and fast growing reaction already setting in against the new Government, even before it is formed."

Globe 12th November, 1873:—"Whatever may be the enthusiasm with which Sir John A. Macdonald has been elected leader of the Opposition, and whatever his own hopes of even now retrieving a desperate situation, it can hardly be doubted that his *role* as a Canadian politician is played out." The whirligig of time, &c.

Grand River *Sachem*:—"We have arrived at that period in the history of Canadian development, when mere party names have ceased to exercise any charm or influence over the most intelligent and influential classes of the people, and when Governments will be judged, not by what they profess, but by what they do or fail to do."

Champlain returned M. Montplaisir, a Conservative, by a majority of 400, in the teeth of the threats of M. Joly's Crown Land Department that the settlers would be squeezed for back dues. The persecution has begun, however. The *Journal des Trois Rivières* says within a week over a hundred suits have been brought by the Solicitor-General in the Circuit Court of the district.

Globe of the 16th:—"It is only necessary to say that no money was contributed by any member of the Ontario Government to the *Tribune*, and of course nothing was given to that object from public funds." Hon. S. C. Wood's letter to Father Stafford:—"I suppose you are aware that we in this Government gave from $200 to $250 apiece. That also a sum was raised by the Ottawa Government."

The Opposition journals are asking why the Conservative press does not continue to press the National Policy upon the electors. The answer is that the electors have accepted it, and a Government that will stand or fall on it is in power. The Ottawa *Free Press* says:—"Much as we would be gratified by a sight of the new tariff, we cannot, in fairness, join our contemporaries in demanding the production of their policy before the Government have been formed. We would give them time to meet and mature their fiscal policy, but so soon, thereafter, as possible their intentions should be announced."

A novel divorce case is before the Superior Court at Hartford, Conn. Mr. Edward W. Cook asks for a divorce on the ground of "incompatibility." The crisis of the "incompatibility" was reached on a cold winter's night in 1871. He and Mrs. C. had retired for the night, and she requested him to move along toward the front of the bed to give her more room. Like a faithful man he moved, but soon after was told to move again, which he did, and kept doing so until he was on the very edge of the bed. Then Mrs. Cook made a further demand for more room, and Mr. Cook meekly told her that he was hanging on already, and could not move without going overboard; whereupon she got her body into a firmly braced position, plunged her feet suddenly in the small of his back, and he found himself in the middle of the room. He couldn't stand this, and separated from her, and is now seeking permanent relief.

LORD DUFFERIN'S DEPARTURE

Farewell Ceremony and Embarkation at Quebec.

Presentation of the Citizens' Address.

QUEBEC, Oct. 19.—Parodying an old time vituperation it may be said of Lord Dufferin's stay in Canada that nothing in his life here became him so ill as the leaving it. The heavens wept and the winds howled and a gloom overhung the city from dawn to midnight. The water was so rough that the intended programme could not be carried out, and though his Excellency passed a few minutes on the Sirius before being transferred to the Polynesian there was nothing imposing about the spectacle. The only boat visible on the river between the Citadel and Point Levis was that in which Lord Dufferin was towed through the white caps to the man-of-war, and the crowds on Durham Terrace and the wharves were not a tithe of what would have been seen there under more favourable conditions of wind and weather. Lord Dufferin, as well as Capt. Hamilton and other members of the Governor's household was very sensibly affected by the final process of leave-taking. Sir John Macdonald, and Messr. Pope, Bowell, and Aikins, the new Dominion Ministers, were among those who waited for the Governor's arrival on the Queen's Wharf, Mr. Joly, the chief dignitaries of the Catholic Church, Senator Macpherson, the civic authorities and a number of staff officers being also noticeable, but nothing could relieve the proceedings, of a painful dulness. There were about half a dozen ladies in the neighbourhood of a canvas topped rotunda, which was speedily taken possession of by the crowd, rendering it exceedingly difficult for Lord Dufferin and his staff to find shelter on the arrival of the carriage which brought him down from the citadel to receive the citizens' farewell address. Lady Macdougall, Mrs. Tollemache, Mrs. Debell, Mrs. Beckett and Miss Macpherson, of Toronto, were representatives of those hundreds of maids and matrons of Canada who must feel they have lost a personal friend in the charming and amiable nobleman, who for the past six years has ministered so gallantly to the enjoyment of all the gaieties dear to the feminine mind. The salute fired by the Sirius as the Governor crossed from her to the Polynesian in midstream was the signal that Lord Dufferin's connection with Canada was at an end, and when his blue flag was run up on the fore-top-mast of the long, black-hulled steamer and she steamed slowly down the river in the wake of the Sirius and Argus, there was not a man or woman watching that dreary procession who did not feel a pang of sorrow to think they would see his face no more. Many a Governor has left the port of Quebec ere now, but it is safe to say not one has left behind him the same universal regard and esteem in the minds of men of all classes, creeds, and politics. It may be safe also perhaps to assume that in being wished God-speed by the First Minister who had welcomed him to our shores and made his first sojourning among us happy and comfortable, he saw no cause for regret, while there was an appropriateness about the coincidence which could scarcely have failed to strike his mind, "The King is dead! Long live the King!"

At four o'clock Chief Justice Meredith and three Puisne Judges of the Quebec Courts were present at the Legislative Council Chamber to swear in Sir Patrick Macdougall, a gallant officer whose connection with Canada dates from the time when he served her as a subaltern in line regiment. Mr. Masson arrived shortly before the ceremony, and he and Mr. Langevin were sworn in at a council held immediately after its close. Later in the evening Messrs. Bowell, Aikins, and Pope (of P.E.I.) were sworn in, and the whole party left Quebec by the night train for Montreal.

FATHER POINT, Oct. 20.—The steamship Polynesian, with his Excellency Lord Dufferin on board, arrived at Rimouski and embarked the English mails at 12.20 p.m. As she steamed past Father Point at 12.35 p.m. Mr. McWilliam, the signal officer, dipped the Dominion ensign three times and signalled B R D, (adieu) which his Excellency immediately acknowledged by causing R S J (thanks) to be hoisted.

FALL SHOWS.

WELLANDPORT, Oct. 16.—The County of Monck fair, held here, was largely attended to-day by inhabitants from this and the adjoining counties, and proved a great success, the weather being favourable. The display in most branches was ahead or fully up to the mark.

CALEDONIA, Oct. 16.—The Caledonia annual Agricultural and Arts show was opened to-day. The weather was delightful and all the arrangements for the exhibition very complete. The drill shed, which had been removed to the agricultural grounds, was used as the exhibition hall in which the roots, grain, seeds, ladies' work, dairy products and fruits were exhibited. The department of fine arts was far better than might have been anticipated. The same remark will also apply to ladies' work and domestic manufactures. These departments were better filled up than at any previous show in this county. There was a splendid display of carriages, buggies, heavy waggons, and of agricultural machines and implements generally. The live stock was not on the ground to-day, excepting carriage and buggy horses, which were practised over the course, but no prizes were awarded. There were some very fine specimens of carriage and buggy horses. To-morrow the live stock will be on the ground, and then the exhibition will be complete. To-day there were from 1,000 to 1,200 people on the grounds, and there are in all classes about 1,200 entries. The only deficiency observable in the show was in the root department. There were some very good specimens, but only a few of them. To-morrow the show will be fully opened, and judging from the number of persons present to-day it may be reasonably expected, the weather being propitious, that there will be from 6,000 to 7,000 persons present.

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. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may be gradually built up until strong enough to resist every tendency to disease. Hundreds of subtle maladies are floating around us ready to attack wherever there is a weak point. We may escape many a fatal shaft by keeping ourselves well fortified with pure blood and a properly nourished frame."—*Civil Service Gazette.*—Sold only in packets labelled—"JAMES EPPS & Co., Homœopathic Chemists, London, Eng." 343-33

Midnight Doctors are the most unwelcome visitors—even the Doctor himself curses the luck that compelled him to leave his comfortable bed. Suppose you try our method, and keep a bottle of Perry Davis' PAIN KILLER in the house, and let Doctor Squills stay in his bed and enjoy himself.

Savants and experts are continually employed discovering a remedy for the restoration of hair to its natural colour. They want an article that will preserve the scalp, pure and clean, and remove that destroyer—dandruff. It is now acknowledged that Luby's Parisian Hair Renewer answers the purpose marvellously. Sold by all druggists. Price 50 cents per bottle. Try this unfailing remedy. Lyman Brothers & Co., wholesale agents.

CANADIAN.

There is a large influx of settlers to the free grant lands in the northern townships of Hastings.

A statement of the Post Office Savings Bank account for the month of September shows the deposits during the month to be $117,654.

At the Montreal Court of Queen's Bench, on Saturday morning, F. W. A. Osborne, late manager of the Dominion Type Foundry, was sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary for three years for embezzlement.

The jewellery store of T. Fletcher, at Brussels, was entered by burglars on Friday evening, and over one hundred watches and a quantity of valuable jewellery stolen, in addition to $700 in money. No clue as yet to the depredators.

Mr. C. A. Dugas, advocate, of Montreal, has been appointed police magistrate of that city and Judge of Sessions, at a salary of $2,400 per annum. Mr. Charland takes the position of co-prothonotary of the Superior Court at St. John's.

Another old resident of Middlesex died on Saturday, Mr. Joseph Coulson, who came to London township in 1831, and remained there ever since. He took part in the troubles of 1837, and was the first importer of Leicester sheep to Canada.

Actions have been taken against the city of Montreal for $317.50 on account of the Prince of Wales Rifles, and $313.64 on account of the Victorias, for payment of these respective corps' services on the 12th of July last. The City Council having refused to pay the bills.

There is considerable dissatisfaction with the action of the Joly Government in removing Mr. Brehaut from the police magistracy in order to create a vacancy to reward a political friend. Mr. Brehaut has been appointed Clerk of the Peace, a sinecure worth $2,400 a year.

At Rideau Hall a stone foundation has been laid under the tennis court, and the structure bricked over. The interior has been thoroughly renovated. The Governor-General's apartments in the Eastern Block have been handsomely fitted up, the walls having been tinted, the ceiling frescoed, &c.

Bruce Review:—"Mr. Wells, while yet there is time, had better be warned by the result of the Dominion elections, and quietly subside into some petty county judgeship, for he may rest assured he has for the last time been returned as representative for this riding for the Local Parliament."

A poll on the question of the adoption of the new Temperance Act in the city of Fredericton, N.B., will be taken on the 31st inst., and the result of the polling declared by the returning officer on the second day of November next at noon. Excess of specie $46,585.41.

The funeral of the murdered Ottawa fireman, McCauley, took place on Saturday, and was attended by about two thousand citizens. It was under the direction of the Orange Order. The fire brigade also turned out, and there were two bands in the *cortege*. There are no new developments, and no arrests have consequently been made.

The Montreal promoters of the colonization movement, who had been stopped in their operations by the refusal of the Corporation to contribute, have communicated with the Provincial authorities with a view to inducing them to modify the conditions of the first arrangement, in order that they may commence upon a smaller scale, and make experiments, the results of which may be valuable for future legislation.

The Mayor of Quebec has received Lord Dufferin's reply to the address of the city presented to him as he was embarking from the wharf on Saturday. His Excellency says:—"I shall forget neither your kind acts nor your kind words. Your citizens will ever find in me a faithful friend, and wherever I go my thoughts will continually revert with the tenderest affection to the noble city of Quebec and its inhabitants."

The many friends of Mr. John Davies, one of the most accomplished gentlemen who ever resided in Canada, will deeply regret to learn of his death, which took place at Melbourne, Australia, in July last. The deceased was formerly secretary to the Hon. John Carling, of London, and was very popular with all whe knew him. He was a writer of great ability and one who will be remembered kindly by all with whom he came in contact.

John Walker, of Lardaly, has discovered a silver mine on his farm, about fifteen miles from Ottawa. Indications of silver were found on the surface of the ground by a mineralogist who was exploring the Eardly mountains, and he advised Walker to sink for it. He did so, and says he struck the vein about four feet below the surface. He had the ore tested, and it has turned out to be argentiferous galena, very rich in silver. He has sent samples to Boston.

The following is a summary of the Belleville assessors' return for 1879:—Number ratepayers, 2,140; number of acres, 1,495; population, 9,991; total value of real and personal property and taxable income, $3,760,556. The exemptions foot up to $428,940 made up as follows:—Churches, $184,800; schools, $61,000; Dominion Government, $13,000; Ontario Government, $1,200; County property, $75,000; city property, $74,000; fire department, $6,300; Mechanics Institute, $1,600; salaries or incomes, $12,040.

That Boy.

Dramatis personæ.—A young American, in roundabout and leggins, perched upon the fence devouring a huge piece of mince pie, and a maiden of five summers, in pantalettes, looking very wishfully at the gourmand on the fence. Young America—"I say, sis, does your mar make mince pies? If she does, I'll bet they ain't so good as my mar's." Little Miss (timidly)—"I like mince pie awful well." Young America—"Well, now, that's funny! Just look here (drawing a quarter of a pie out of his jacket pocket) and it's boss, too! Ain't my mar good?" (carefully stowing it away in his pocket). That boy "is father to the man" who must have his cigars and any other masculine luxury his contemptible selfishness craves, while his poor sickly wife must do the work of two women ("girls waste more than they earn," he says), and for the want of a little money to purchase a few bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favourite Prescription, the sovereign remedy for female diseases and weaknesses, she is literally dying by inches—and all because of that masculine selfishness that would not divide the childish luxury with his playmate, and now tacitly refuses his wife the luxury of health.

CANADIAN FIELD ROOTS FOR ENGLAND.—The report in *The Mail* of the large roots exhibited at Rennie's root show in this city last fall, attracted so much attention in England, that officials of leading English root shows have written to the parties who then exhibited asking them to send specimens for competition this fall. In compliance with these requests, Mr. Wm. Burgess, of Etobicoke, and Mr. S. Miller, of Scarboro', shipped yesterday, through Mr. Wm. Rennie, seedsman, an assortment of mangels to be exhibited at the Royal Metropolitan root show, to be held at Islington, London, on the 14th and 15th November. The shipment consists of about 40 monster specimens, including nine long red mangels, one of which, trimmed, weighs 63 pounds, and the other eight, trimmed, aggregate 427 pounds, which shows an excellent average, especially when it is remembered that they should have had at least two weeks more of growth, which would have materially added to their weight. About the middle of next month Mr. Burgess intends sending turnips and mangels to the Christmas show in London. These specimens of what Canadian soil, climate, and farming can do, should be the very best kind of emigration agents.

FREEMAN'S WORM POWDERS are highly esteemed by all mothers who have used them.

POLITICAL NOTES.

MONTREAL, Oct. 20.—Montreal is so situated that on a political crisis it becomes the great news exchange where information for Ottawa, Quebec and Toronto can best be filtered and set on the breakfast tables of the public at large.

It is not improbable that at an early day, when Mr. Campbell's health is restored, there will be some interchange of offices, ending in his return to the Post Office, while it is possible that one of the most important departments may be divided and a minor one abolished. It is known that in 1873 Sir John Macdonald was maturing a plan of appointing junior representatives of some of the chief departments with seats in the House, and it is presumed that he will not abandon his intention. For the present, however, things will be as I have sketched them.

Mr. Aikins' appointment to office will be recognized as a concession to those Reform voters, estimated at something like fifty thousand, who contributed to the overthrow of the Mackenzie Administration; and doubtless the fact that he is a highly respected and prominent member of the Methodist body did not lessen his claims to consideration. It is a surprise to some that M. Langevin, after his defeat, should have a portfolio, but a more hard working Departmental officer is not to be found, and it is understood to have been the almost unanimously expressed wish of the French Conservative members that he should be taken into the Cabinet. M. Masson's health has been a subject for some anxiety with his friends, but it is confidently hoped he will be able to bear the strain of Ministerial work. The office allotted to Mr. Baby was tendered first to Mr. Chapleau, it was understood, but was declined on the ground that at present that gentleman's services are pledged to the Opposition in the Local Legislature. Mr. Mackenzie Bowell's name has proved most acceptable to the French Catholic element, and though formerly a Grand Master of the Orange body his known liberality of sentiment as exemplified in his course in the O'Donoghue matter commends him to their esteem. Long known as a faithful and hard working member of the House, his able services on all the principal Committees have pointed to his early employment of a seat in a Conservative Cabinet. Mr. Pope of Compton is recognized as a most efficient occupant of the Bureau of Immigration, and his great experience will be of peculiar service now that the rich prairie lands of Manitoba and the West would seem to be attracting attention in the Old Country. His namesake from Prince Edward Island was Premier of the Local Conservative Government and is a wealthy shipowner, practically conversant with every detail of the business devolving upon his Department.

Circumstances may, as I have said, lead to some interchanges of office, but the country is in the meantime to be congratulated on the strength of the Administration, and the members of it will seek re-election confident of the approbation of the people and conscious that Sir John Macdonald in his selection of colleagues has been guided by the highest considerations of patriotism apart from all personal preferences or favouritism. If there are any young men disappointed, it must be their reflection, that their turn will come; and if any others feel themselves passed over, they will have the good sense to subordinate the desire of personal aggrandisement to the necessities of the situation. It cannot be but in some cases of ungratified ambition, a momentary displeasure will arise. No Government was ever formed without such cases, but a well-wisher of his country is generally a man with pride enough to bide his time and keep his woes to himself.

As I write the French members are congregating in the hotel to escort M. Masson out to Terrebonne, where he is to be the recipient of an enthusiastic welcome home. The French Conservatives of all stripes are joining in the movement, and no better denial could be furnished of the canards got up by the Rouge newspapers, alleging the existence of a split among the French. Among those now preparing to drive to Terrebonne are Messrs. Chapleau, Desjardines, Ouimet, Dansereau, Mousseau, Coursolles, Girouard, and other prominent members of the party; in fact it may unhesitatingly be averred that at no time has the French party ever shown a more united front. So much for the puny efforts of the disappointed to detract from the brilliancy and completeness of the greatest victory ever won in Canada. For the consolation of Messrs. Mills, Dymond and others whom Mr. Mackenzie allowed to lead him blindly on to destruction, I may state that I gather from trustworthy sources that at the meeting of Parliament many of the most pronounced French Rouges will be found not antagonistic to Sir John Macdonald's trade policy. Quebec Grits lay the blame of their disaster on Mr. Mackenzie's shoulders, as they declare that overwhelmed with work he allowed himself to be wrecked by false lights.

Among minor topics, it may be said that Mr. Mackenzie made an unfortunate choice of a berth for his henchman, Mr. Buckingham, when he availed himself of Mr. Meredith's resignation, which had been in his hands since June last, to instal him Deputy Minister of the Interior. Sir John Macdonald is not likely to see in the late Premier's confidential secretary a convenient deputy head for the Department which he has chosen to preside over.

EAST MIDDLESEX (LOCAL) ELECTION.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—The Liberal Conservatives of East Middlesex held a meeting on Saturday evening to take into consideration the nomination of a candidate for the Local Legislature. After some discussion it was resolved to hold a convention on the 9th November. Mr. Richard Tooley's chances for a re-nomination are very good.

OTTAWA, Oct. 21.—Sir John Macdonald and Hon. Messrs. Aikins, Pope, (P. E. I.,) Bowell and Langevin arrived to-day by the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental railway from Montreal.

MONTREAL, Oct. 21.—Hon. J. H. Pope left to-day for Compton.

The following combination is among the rumours on the street to-day:—That Mr. Macdougall, M.P. for Three Rivers, will resign in favour of Hon. H. L. Langevin, and will replace Judge Plamondon in Drummond and Arthabaska, Judge Plamondon either replacing Judge Routhier at Kamouraska, or Judge Bolette of Three Rivers. It is more than likely, however, that Hon. H. L. Langevin will contest Beauharnois.

ST. JOHN CITY.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Oct. 21.—The Burpee & Weldon managers are trying to buy off the threatened protests against them with an offer of a return by acclamation for Mr. Tilley. There is a strong feeling against any compromise, as Mr. Tilley is sure of 200 or 300 majority.

CHARLOTTE, N. B.

The Charlotte County Liberal-Conservative Committee have completed the requirements of Gilmor's violation of the Bribery Act, and will proceed for his disqualification.

CENTRE HURON.

GODERICH, Oct. 21.—A meeting in favour Mr. Cartwright was held here this evening, the Mayor in the chair. About a thousand persons were present. Mr. Cartwright spoke for an hour and a quarter, referring in a very disconnected manner to the National Policy, but utterly failing in his attempt to controvert the arguments which have been advanced from time to time at the various meetings and through the columns of the press. He repeated the stale slanders respecting Sir John Macdonald, and in a lame attempt to show that his financial policy had been one of retrenchment and economy, evoked repeated derisive exclamations, the Reformers being evidently ashamed of his poor defence and the way in which he tried to support his allegations against Sir John. He concluded with a few words in defence of the barter effected between himself and Mr. Horton, but only succeeded in showing how utterly indefensible the transaction was. His speech was a failure, and was received with disgust by even his own friends.

Mr. J. J. HAWKINS followed, and in a masterly manner showed how defective had been Mr. Cartwright's policy, and how the entire Administration of Mr. Mackenzie had been ruinous and subversive of the best interests of the country. He met all Mr. Cartwright's assertions in a way which carried conviction to all that they were misstatements of the facts, proving every assertion advanced by him by references to the public accounts and the speeches of Mr. Cartwright himself, as well as by the editorial comments of the *Globe*. Mr. Hawkins was well received, and evidently convinced many of the Grits present that the statements of Mr. Cartwright were fallacious and his arguments untenable.

Mr. W. PATTERSON, M.P., of Brantford, followed, and in a speech of about an hour sought to meet Mr. Hawkins' facts and arguments, but evidently with but partial success, the meeting at the close being largely in favour of Mr. Platt, the National Policy candidate. There can be no doubt that the meeting did no good whatever to the Grit cause, and it would only require a few more such meetings to complete the utter demoralization of the party, which is now very far advanced. Reports from independent sources from all parts of the riding are most encouraging to Mr. Platt's friends, and there can be little doubt that with a continuance of the energetic work now being carried on for the few remaining days of the canvass, the National Policy party must succeed in returning their candidate by a good majority.

THE NEW NOVA SCOTIA CABINET.

HALIFAX, N.S., Oct. 21.—A caucus party was held to-night, when the Government was formed as follows:—S. H. Holmes, Pictou, Premier and Provincial Secretary; J. S. D. Thompson, Antigonish, Attorney-General; Hon. Samuel Creelman, member of the Legislative Council, Commissioner of Works and Mines; Members of the Council without portfolio, Hons. C. J. Townshend, Cumberland; N. W. White, Shelburne; W. B. Troop, Annapolis; J. S. McDonald, Kings; C. J. McDonald, Halifax; H. F. McDougall, Cape Breton.

VICTORIA, B. C.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—A Victoria despatch says the election for the Commons resulted in the return of Sir John Macdonald by a vote of nearly two to one over the two other candidates.

THE NOVA SCOTIA CABINET.

HALIFAX, N.S., Oct. 22.—The members of the new Local Government were sworn in to-day before Lieutenant-Governor Archibald as follows:—

S. H. Holmes, Premier and Provincial Secretary.
J. S. D. Thomson, Attorney-General.
Hon. Samuel Creelman, Commissioner of Mines and Works.

Members of the Executive without office—
N. W. White, of Shelburne.
W. B. Troop, of Annapolis.
C. J. McDonald, of Halifax.
C. J. Townshend, of Cumberland.
J. S. McDonald, of Kings.
W. G. McDougall, of Cape Breton.

The nomination of candidates in Pictou and Antigonish takes place on the 4th of November.

NORTH ESSEX (LOCAL.)

SANDWICH, Oct. 22.—At the nomination held here to-day for the north Riding of Essex, Mr. Sqlmin, White, Conservative, and Mr. George Rankin, Independent, were nominated.

DISSATISFACTION WITH MR. BRIDGES.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Oct 22.—The *Sun* has a very strong article against the retention of Mr. Bridges, and declares that Mr. Tilley cannot afford to stay if the Government does not dismiss Bridges. His dismissial would cause a great many of Mr. Tilley's old enemies to vote for him out of pure gratitude.

CENTRE HURON.

GODERICH, Oct. 22.—The Hon. R. J. Cartwright held a meeting this afternoon at Smith's Hill, about seven miles from here. This was a grand success for the Conservative Party. Mr. Cartwright's address was full of misleading statements, and the reception accorded him at the hands of the electors was far from flattering, Mr. Joseph Gibson, of Ingersoll, replied to the late Finance Minister, and in a speech which was refreshing to hear, fairly carried the meeting away from the "mixer and muddler." Mr. Gibson will meet Mr. Cartwright again at Ben Miller this evening.

MUSKOKA.

A meeting of the Conservative electors of Muskoka and Parry Sound called together by Mr. O'Brien, was held at Ashdown, near Rosseau, on Thursday, the 17th inst. Notwithstanding the rain which fell more or less during the day, and the almost impassable state of the roads, over sixty of the leading men of the two districts, who fully represented the Conservative party, assembled in the Orange Hall. The steamer Wenonah, chartered for the occasion, brought up from Gravenhurst and Bracebridge about forty delegates from the southern townships, including several from Huntsville, and from as far east as Baysville, while from the north as far as Magnetewan, and from Parry Sound on the west. There was a large attendance of men whose presence under such circumstances was sufficient evidence of their zeal and sincerity. The meeting was presided over by Mr. O'Brien, and the first business brought before it was the organization of the district for political purposes. For this purpose an Association was formed under the name of the "Muskoka and Parry Sound Conservative Association," "for the maintenance of Conservative principles, chief among which are declared the unity of the empire, and the development of the resources of the Dominion." The officers elected were:—President, W. E. O'Brien; Vice-Presidents, for the Parry Sound District, Dr. Walton; and for the Muskoka District, Henry Reagin; Secretary, F. T. Groffe, of Bracebridge; Treasurer, Jas. Ashdown, of Ashdown; Assistant Secretary for the Parry Sound District, J. R. Vantassel. Resolutions were also passed, declaring the confidence of the Conservative electors in Mr. O'Brien, and their desire that he should be regarded as their representative in all political matters affecting the district. Several other matters relating to the interests and organization of the party were discussed with very satisfactory results, and the meeting broke up with cheers for the Queen, for Mr. O'Brien and Sir John Macdonald. A vote of thanks was also given to Mr. Groffe for his services during the late election.

THE JACQUES CARTIER FRAUDS.

MONTREAL, Oct. 22.—At the Court of Queen's Bench this morning, Adelard P. Forget, advocate, Adolphe Lamarch, Alphonse Christin, advocate, Isaie Pilon, Gedfroi Madore, physician, and Eustache Lemay, contractor, were called to the bar on the charge of feloniously putting into a ballot box papers other than those authorized by law. Mr. Kerr, Q.C., made application that the names of the witnesses should be called. On the name of Pierre Berrault being called, Mr. Kerr produced a certificate from Dr. Madore, one of the defendants, to the effect that Berrault was dangerously ill and could not attend in Court. Application was then made that the case should be continued till the next term. His Honour appointed Dr. Robillard to proceed to St. Anne's and ascertain the condition of the sick man, and the case in the meantime remains in suspense.

CHICOUTIMI.

MONTREAL, Oct. 22.—It is reported that Hon. Mr. Angers, ex-Attorney-General of Quebec, will be a candidate in Chicoutimi, the seat for which has been vacated by the resignation of Mr. Price.

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CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

HUNTSVILLE, Ont. Oct. 16.—On Saturday, the 13th inst., whilst a party of land seekers were driving in South Ferry, a gun was accidentally discharged, mortally wounding Mark Munholland, the driver, who died the same night. An inquest was held on Tuesday; verdict, accidentally shot—no blame attached to any one.

MEAFORD, Oct. 16.—Jas. Buckley, a tavern-keeper, four miles from here on the road to Thornbury, was found by his brother yesterday hanging from the bannister of the stairs in his own hotel, quite dead. He had been drinking heavily and ill-treating his wife and family, whom he had driven away from home. He was 41 years of age.

GUELPH, Oct. 21.—Between seven and eight o'clock on Friday evening two young men named Ryder, with their sister, were driving along the Elora road, near the Baptist church, when they came up with two men named Cantfield and Hornbostel, farmers of Puslinch, who were under the influence of liquor and were conversing in loud tones. One of the Ryders cried out to them, "What d'ye say?" when Hornbostel stepped into the middle of the road, drew a revolver, and exclaiming, "D—n you, I'll show you what I'm saying," pulled the trigger and fired, the ball taking effect in Miss Ryder's right cheek near the temple, and causing an ugly wound. The woman was at once conveyed to the nearest doctor's, and attended to. Hopes are entertained of her recovery.

OTTAWA, Oct. 22.—Yesterday evening a serious shooting affray occurred at Buckingham village on the occasion of the annual township fair. As the three Garvey brothers were passing down one of the streets they met a blacksmith named Mirand, an old country Frenchman recently out, whose progress they interfered with. It seems that the blacksmith had some stove covers which he had been mending in his hand and these were snatched from him. A row ensued in which the three Garvey's piled on to the Frenchman who in self-defence drew his revolver and fired a shot at his assailants. The bullet took effect in Edward Garvey's breast, striking the rib and glancing. The wound inflicted is a serious one and doubts are entertained of the injured man's recovery. The bullet had not been extracted up to noon to-day. Mirand surrendered himself to the authorities.

The inquest on the murdered fireman Robert McAuley will be resumed on Thursday. There are some ten or fifteen witnesses to examine yet and it is probable that something will be brought out to give further light to the mystery which surrounds the murder.

OTTAWA, Oct. 17.—The body of the missing fireman, McCauley, was found to-day by a man named Consineau in an eddy about fourteen miles down the Ottawa. No marks of violence were observed on the body, but a watch and revolver, known to have been in his possession, are missing. It is supposed that he committed suicide. He was keeping company with a young lady at the Chaudiere, and on the night of his disappearance paid her a visit. It is said that he proposed to her and was refused, which evidently led him to commit the rash act.

Considerable excitement has been caused by a most disgraceful outrage reported to have been committed near Gilmour's Mills. A young married man named Frederick Barnes is charged with committing an indecent assault on a little girl aged twelve years and five months. John Bradley, the girl's father, laid an information against Barnes, and this morning P. C's Givest and Doherty arrested him in Chelsea. The preliminary examination was held with closed doors. Jeannette Bradley, the victim of the assault, is a prepossessing-looking little girl, very intelligent. She gave her evidence in a modest, straightforward manner. She stated that she was acquainted with the defendant, and that he worked at Gilmour's Mills. Last Saturday afternoon, between four and five, she left her home carrying a large bundle, and wishing to get a ride from a neighbour who she expected would pass soon, entered Mr. Barnes' house. As soon as she got in she noticed the defendant, and asked if Mrs. Barnes was at home. He answered that she was up stairs, and wanted the witness to go up, but she refused. He then caught hold of her and questioned her in an indecent manner, and while she was struggling took improper liberties with her. Fearfully her screams began to alarm the ruffian, and he let her go. The defendant was committed for trial. He refused to say anything, reserving his defence for the higher court.

GUELPH, Oct. 18.—Erastus Fowke, a farmer, aged about 50, who worked a farm adjacent to the town, attempted to cross in front of the 9.45 express this morning, and was struck by the engine. He died a few minutes after being picked up. He leaves a wife and a large family in poor circumstances. Deceased was a brother of J. W. Fowke, merchant of Oshawa. An inquest will be held to-morrow at ten o'clock.

OWEN SOUND, Oct. 18.—Mr. Burnie Lang, of Lang Bros., druggists, of this place, was returning home from a funeral when the front spring of the buggy broke, and he was thrown out, his head catching in the wheel, and dragging him about a hundred yards. When recovered his head was fearfully mangled and life was almost extinct. He was conveyed home and every attendance speedily tendered, but the doctors express the opinion that recovery is improbable.

Some bank clerks in Guelph have been getting into trouble. A Mr. Mills of that place has been annoyed frequently by having ploughs, left at night in front of his store, removed and injured. A night or two ago he caught a crowd of "respectable" young men captained by one Wm. Hall, in the act of dragging a plough into the road. He told the young men to replace it. Hall refused, and Mr. Mills knocked him down, and proceeded to restore the plough to its position himself. While Mr. Mills was doing this Hall struck him on the head twice with a heavy stick, stunning him. Hall was summoned to appear before the Police Magistrate, and two of his fellow bank clerks had to answer to a charge of disorderly conduct.

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BIRTHS.

ALLEN—On the 20th inst., the wife of M Allen, 200 Adelaide street west, of a son.

LOSCOMBE—On the 18th inst., the wife of Frecic Loscombe of a daughter.

HELLIWELL—At St. Catharines, Ont., on the 18th inst., the wife of Mr. Howard M. Helliwell of a daughter.

BROWN—At No. 60 Chestnut street, on the 15th inst., the wife of Francis Brown, of a son.

PETERSON—On the 17th inst., at 458 King street west, the wife of Mr. A. Peterson of a son.

LEWIS—At the Bank of Montreal, Peterborough, on the 15th inst., the wife of F. J. Lewis of a son.

OGDEN—At Vespra, County Simcoe, on the 2nd instant, the wife of William Orok, of a son.

BATTIN—At Spadina road, Bloor street west, on the 21st inst., the wife of Mr. W. S. Battin, of a son.

HAZLITT—At 292 Queen street west, on the 21st inst., the wife of S. Hazlitt, of a daughter.

MCCANN—In London, on the 17th inst., the wife of P. J. McCann, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BELL—MICKLE—On Oct. 16th, at Knox church, Guelph, by the Rev. W. S. Ball, J. J. Bell, Esq., of Pictou, Ont., to Annie, eldest daughter of C. Mickle, Esq., of Langholme, Guelph.

CROMBIE—GWYNNE—On Wednesday, Oct. 16th, at St. James' cathedral, by the Very Rev. Dean Grassett, Ernest Crombie, Esq., barrister, to Elise, eldest daughter of the Hon. Mr. Justice Gwynne.

STEPHENS—CLELAND—At Presbyterian church, Collingwood, on Wednesday, October 16th, by the Rev. Robert Rodgers, Robert Stephens, jr., to Miss Marion Cleland, both of Collingwood.

STEWART—BRANDER—On the 15th inst., at the residence of the bride's uncle, W. P. Innes, Esq., Wyndham Lodge, Simcoe, by the Rev. M. W. Livingstone, Miss Amelia Brander to William Stewart, Esq., merchant, Summerside, P.E.I.

ALEXANDER—PERRY—At St. John's Church, Peterboro', by the Rev. J. W. R. Birch, Char