

# Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET  
MONDAY EVEN'G, DEC. 14TH, 1868.

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## CENTRE WELLINGTON.

Hon. George Brown Nominated.

Special to the Guelph Mercury.

FERGUS, Dec. 14.

The Hon. George Brown received the unanimous nomination of the delegates in the Convention held here to-day.

### The Municipal Elections.

We scarcely recollect a year in the history of our good town in which there was so little talk or speculation about the forthcoming Municipal elections as the present. Time was when opposing candidates took the field weeks—day months—before the decisive day on which their success or defeat was to be recorded. Then we had meetings, and committees, and canvassings, and no end of palaver on both sides—often as much real work done, and as much feeling manifested on both sides as are witnessed at a parliamentary election. Happily for some time past the citizens have not been troubled with such scenes, and to judge from present appearances, the coming Municipal elections are likely to pass off as quietly and smoothly as some of the preceding ones have done. At all events, if contests we are to have, they must necessarily be short, though they may be all the more sharp and intensified.

And first, as regards the Mayoralty, it seems to be uncertain whether Mr. Higinbotham will be again a candidate. If his engagements are such as to afford the time, we should like to see him fill the Mayor's chair for another year. He has discharged the duties pertaining to the office with great credit to himself and advantage to the town. His interests present and prospective—have been watched over, and, if possible, advanced by him on every occasion, and his intercourse with the council, in and out of the chair, has been invariably characterized by courtesy and good feeling. In the event of Mr. Higinbotham positively declining to stand again, the public feeling and desire seem to point to Mr. Melvin as his successor as head of the Council. He is an old, well-tried and faithful servant of the ratepayers, and if long and faithful services entitle a man to whatever Municipal honors they have the power and privilege of conferring, then he deserves to be the recipient of such honors at their hands. As councillor, as chairman for a number of years of an important committee—the Market House—and latterly as Reeve, he has laboured earnestly, honestly and unwearyingly both in the Town and County Council to conserve our interests and advance our prosperity. We are satisfied that with the long and varied experience he has had in Municipal matters, aided by a sound judgment and much good sense, he would make an able, painstaking and in every respect efficient Mayor. That he stands well with the ratepayers, we are fully assured, from his popularity in former contests, and the large support he then received.

The name of Dr. Herod is also mentioned in connection with the Mayoralty by his friends, who assert that he is to be a candidate.

We have heard very little as yet as to who are likely to be candidates for Reeve and Deputy Reeves. The coming year will be a very important one in the history of this town, and in order fully to understand and grapple with the different questions which will come up—such as the commencement of the railway, the Union station, the further construction or completion of gravel roads—we should return men of large experience, of liberal views, of thorough business habits, who have the interests of the town at heart, and who will use that influence in its behalf. For this reason, we should like to see Mr. Massey again in the County Council. He has been of great service there already, and should he consent to be again returned, we are satisfied the ratepayers could not entrust their interests to better hands. Mr. Mitchell, we presume, will run again for the County Council, and we have heard several of the ratepayers speak favourably of Mr. McCarry for one of our Deputy Reeves. The suggestion is a good one, for as chairman of the Railway Committee Mr. McCarry has interested himself greatly in matters pertaining to that committee. Besides his professional knowledge, his activity and energy, added to his intimate acquaintance with the County would render him a very useful and influential member in the County Council. Failing any of these gentlemen coming forward, we have heard it proposed to ask Mr. Goldie or Mr. Hogg to stand. We should be glad to see either or both of them in public life. They have a large stake in the town, they know its wants thoroughly, they are first-class business men, and it is a duty they owe to themselves and the ratepayers to begin to take an interest in Municipal matters, especially at this important juncture.

The elections for the Town Council will, of course, to a certain extent, be contingent on the others. We are sorry to learn that the West Ward and the town are to lose the valuable services of Mr. Thomson, who as chairman of the Finance Committee has ably filled that important position, and mastered every detail respecting our finances. We believe an effort will be made to get Mr. George Hadden to fill Mr. Thomson's place for the West Ward. We hope he will consent to stand, for we are satisfied he would make a capital councillor. Mr. Mays we are informed will not run again for the North Ward. If Mr. Goldie cannot be available for the County Council, we hope the ratepayers in that Ward will induce him to run for the vacant seat in the Town Council. We hear that Mr. John A. Wood will run for the North Ward,

but our information is not of a direct or positive character. If a vacancy occurs in the East Ward, we should like to see Mr. Wm. Allan brought out. He made a bold fight last year, ran well, and if he had got fair play would have been elected. We would like to see more of our young men like Mr. Allan take an interest in Municipal affairs. We presume Mr. Holliday will run again for the South Ward, but if he does not there are aspirants enough in the Ward who are desirous of taking his place.

### The Estimates.

The estimates for the Province of Ontario for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1869, were presented to the Legislature in printed form on Friday night. The expenses of the Civil Government foot up altogether \$91,291. This includes the salaries of Ministers as well as all expenditures connected with the administration of the various departments. The Crown Lands expenditure is set down at \$50,230. For colonization roads the sum of \$50,000 is set apart, and it is presumed that Legislation will cost \$47,825. The Administration of Justice forms an item of \$188,484.87; Public Works, and Buildings, \$448,465; Agriculture, \$68,450; Immigration, \$10,000; Miscellaneous, \$33,500. Under the last head are included the salaries and expenses of Inspectors of Prisons and Registry Offices; a sum to cover gratuities to public officers whose services may be dispensed with, and \$5,000 to aid the colonists of the Red River Settlement, if the Government in its discretion see fit to recommend its being donated. For Hospitals and Charities \$40,000 are set down; Lunatic Asylums, \$141,230; Reformatory at Penetanguishene, \$23,627; Literary and Scientific Institutions, \$3,000; Education, \$327,500; unforseen and unprovided expenses, \$30,000; and to make good the amount to be paid to the widow of Mr. Wm. Lyon McKenzie, \$4,000.

### Reno and Anderson Hung by a Vigilance Committee.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—The Seymour (Ind.) Vigilance Committee visited the New Albany Jail this morning about three o'clock and hung the Reno brothers and Charles Anderson, inside the jail and left before any alarm was given. They arrived at New Albany at 11 o'clock last night, and at 3 o'clock this morning proceeded to Flood County gaol and demanded admission, which was refused by the gaoler, who was, however, soon overpowered and bound. The watchman was then compelled to open the cells of the notorious express robbers, John Frank and the senior Reno, and Charles Anderson, who were immediately seized upon, and all four of them hung. Frank Reno fought desperately for his life. The Committee then returned on the 7 o'clock train this morning. Two of the robbers—Frank and Charles Reno—had but recently arrived from Canada, where they had been tried under the extradition laws. The moment the Regulators appeared the robbers knew the object of their visit, and the scene that followed was perfectly awful. Seeing death staring them in the face, the wretches begged, implored, and prayed for mercy. On their knees they cried in the most piteous terms to be spared, promising anything and everything if the gang would only be merciful. But their prayers fell on ears that knew nothing of mercy. The unhappy wretches were told that they must die, and at once. To implore was useless; they had come there to hang them, and hang them they must. Finding that mercy would not be shown them, the robbers became desperate and made an awful struggle for life. They fought stoutly and wildly, but their efforts were all of no avail. They were overpowered by the mob and then drawn from the prison. Frank Reno is said to have fought like a tiger. He frothed at the mouth in his fury, and with the strength of a lion hurled three of the Regulators to the earth, when he was finally knocked senseless. His head was fearfully battered, and the blood and brains streamed down his face. Yet, in this condition, he and his companions were hanged by the mob. On the outside of the gaol there is a walk or platform, supported by posts at a considerable distance above the ground. To this the prisoners were taken. They were placed on chairs; a rope was adjusted round the neck of each, thrown over the railing above, and made fast. The chairs were then pushed away, and the men left hanging. Frank and Simeon Reno were left hanging back to back. The other brother, William, was hanged at a corner by himself, while Anderson was hanged at the back of the jail in the same manner. The Regulators were not satisfied with hanging them, but looked until fully certain that they were all dead. They then quietly locked up the prison and all its occupants, in order to prevent a speedy alarm. They then left, taking the keys with them, but on their way to the depot they called on one of the County Commissioners and took him with them to the depot. When all was ready, they got on board, handed the keys of the prison to the Commissioner, and then started back to Seymour. The alarm was at once given, but it was too late to accomplish anything. The telegraph wires had all been cut, so that the news of the outrage could not be sent over the country, and the marauders had been dispersed in Seymour, before the people heard of the crime. The Commissioner who received the keys went direct to the gaol, accompanied by several others, and found the robbers stone dead. The outrage was perpetrated without noise or confusion, showing that the Regulators had all their plans well laid. The most intense excitement prevails here, and it is getting higher every moment. The news is spreading like wildfire. The victims present the most ghastly and horrible spectacles ever witnessed in the State. The feeling against the Regulators is very strong. Seymour has long been ruled by these men, but is felt that they have gone too far this time, and committed an outrage that admits of no palliation. Bad as the robbers were, they did not deserve such a horrible death. Mrs. Frank Reno and Mrs. Anderson are both in the city at present.

NOT IN THE MINISTRY.—It would now appear that after all Mr. Bright is not a member of Mr. Gladstone's Ministry. The office which it was said he filled, that namely of President of the Board of Trade, is in the possession of Mr. Austin Henry Layard, an author, a traveller, and a politician. He was first chosen to Parliament in 1852, and was Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in the Russell Administration. Mr.

Bright, it appears, refused to enter the Cabinet, but recommended the appointment of some of his friends which was acted upon. His Liberalism is evidently in advance even of Mr. Gladstone's, and men like Mr. Bright do not generally take office when their views on important subjects are likely to be opposed by their own party. But the signs of the times are that a period is fast approaching when he can without violence to his conscience accept a seat in the Cabinet.

PIGEON MATCH.—We have been requested to state that Mr. Hugh Henry has challenged Mr. S. Duffield to shoot for \$50 a side, at pigeons, at Mr. George Black's hotel, York Road, on Wednesday the 23rd inst., ten birds aside to be shot for.

The thorough-bred stallion which took the first prize at the late Provincial Exhibition has been sold to an American, who intends taking him to Kentucky.

### SKATES.

Skates, skate straps, skate gimlets, skate screws, a large variety of skates suitable for ladies and gentlemen, quite cheap, at

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ENGLISH FILBERTS,

At John A. Wood's.

SERVANT MAID WANTED.

Wanted a good Kitchen Maid who two Servants can keep. Apply to Miss MCKEIL, Elm Road. Dec. 12. d3t

SPEED LODGE, No. 189.

An Emergency Meeting of this Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 10th, at half-past 7 o'clock.

JOHN CRIDFORD, Secretary.

Guelph, Dec. 11. d3d

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

The subscriber begs to intimate to the public that he will remain one month longer in Guelph, for the purpose of selling his farm and leasing his land. If the farm is not sold by the end of that time it will be let on shares.

JAMES O'NEIL  
Guelph, Dec. 11. daw 11

LAST NOTICE.

Having placed my books in the hands of A. A. BAKER, Esq., all accounts remaining unpaid

On the First Day of January Next,

will be entered in the Division Court for collection.

N. HIGINBOTHAM,  
Guelph, Dec. 7th 1868. 2dw4

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Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 1y

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Guelph, December 7. dw

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Removed to the New Stone Stable, in rear of Miller's Hotel,

WEST MACDONNELL STREET

Orders may be left at his office in the Stable, at his house, near the Alma Block, or Miller's Hotel, and will be promptly attended to.

THE CAB STAND

For the winter will be at the corner of Mr. Hogg's Dry Goods Store.

Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1868. d3m

SPECIAL NOTICE.

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Equal as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

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WILLIAM BURGESS.

Guelph, December 12. dw

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