

Notice to Advertisers.

The Circulation of THE MERCURY is guaranteed to be three times larger than any paper in Guelph.

Mr. Costigan's Little Bill.

There is every probability that Mr Costigan's Bill, to prevent any member for a Local Legislature which has abolished dual representation being a candidate for the House of Commons without resigning his seat, will become law this session. It was introduced last year, but as there was no special object to serve as far as Ontario was concerned, it was defeated on a mixed vote. This session, however, the circumstances of the case are altered. Previous to last session New Brunswick had abolished dual representation, and Mr Costigan for local reasons, desired to prevent members of the Local Legislature in that Province from contesting with him the representation of his County in the House of Commons. Ontario likewise abolished dual representation, and consequently the bill if passed will apply to this Province. Here was afforded a chance for playing a smart trick on the Ontario Legislature, which it was fully believed would compel Mr Blake and Mr Mackenzie to resign their seats in the Government of this Province before they could run for the House of Commons. So every one thought, and the Ministerialists at Ottawa, and the Tories throughout the country were chuckling over this clever little manœuvre, which it was fondly hoped would seriously embarrass the Local Government, and necessitate a reconstruction of the Cabinet. John A. winked at the dirty trick, and though he affected to stand neutral in the matter by pairing off with Cartier, yet his followers to a man voted for this same bill, which a number of them voted against last session. But now comes in the little joke. The House on Monday night went into committee on the bill, when Mr. Blake, who was not alarmed by its passing, and who voted for it, explained and the laughter of the Opposition and the chuckling of the Tories, that the bill only applied to Provinces where membership of the House of Commons disqualified a man from sitting in the Local House, whereas a man must sit and vote in the House of Commons before he became disqualified from sitting in the Local Legislature. Mr. Costigan's bill therefore did not apply to members of the Ontario Legislature at all, who could run for any constituency for the Commons they chose, who could sit and vote during the next session of the Local Legislature, and who only had to resign before they took their seats in the House of Commons. This resolution fell like a thunderbolt in the Ministerial camp. The trap set for Messrs. Blake and Mackenzie was found to be no trap after all. The little trick was pronounced to be a miserable failure—as miserable as the little bill which was to accomplish such great things for the Tories in Ontario.

Mr. Costigan's Statue in New York. A fine statue of Shakespeare was unveiled in the Central Park on Thursday, which is designed to commemorate the three hundredth anniversary of the birth of the great poet. The Tribune takes advantage of this event to make the following special tribute to an author: "After all the essays and speculations, the elucidations and guesses, the archæological researches and the vain inquiries, his own best expounder, while the world has shown, outside of party cliques, an honest sense almost doped to what has been said either for or against him. By this we mean to say that his is a self-sustained fame, and sustained too against such remarkable odds. The great plays do not recede a step by virtue of Shakespeare's interpreters and expounders; nor is it because of the endless philological disquisitions to which he has been subjected, the terms written in honor or dishonor of him, that to-day he receives our special act of respect. He has his statue because he is in the hearts and the hearts of the people, and in their hearts because so many of his characters have become, as it were, immortal creatures, and contemporary of all ages; because his verses are full of the vitality of the world's present events; because every man of average intelligence, be his culture small or large, is charmed by his narrative, fascinated by his beauty, instructed by his truth, and astonished by his power. Altogether, his is the most familiar name now spoken by the English tongue—so familiar, indeed, that it can hardly with propriety be called literary. He is the one great writer whose personal life is proportionally to what we may without offence call his notoriety. There are other great names with which, merely considered as names, we are just as familiar; we call ships after Milton and villages after Homer; yet both remain in second-hand dust upon the shelves. Probably not two thousand persons in this country of people could read the *Divine Comedy* from Italy through during the ensuing year. Shakespeare, because his work is broken into fragments, each in itself complete, is constantly in the hands of the indolent and desultory readers. This is one of the reasons why he is so perpetually reprinted, both in cheap and costly volumes. There is an endless demand for him, just as there is, if we may say so without irreverence, for Bibles or Prayer-Books. Doubtless his fame has been in part perpetuated at the theater; but why is it that he, so much more firmly than Johnson or Beaumont and Fletcher, keeps the stage? There is nothing comes in this world by chance. Fame lasts; it is notoriety that fades and falls into dumb dust; and the books which have this grip upon the human heart are so few that a strong man might carry them on his shoulders. It is creditable to our kind that such an immortality is possible, and that it should have been achieved, if only by two or three. We need no Alexandrian library for our best scripture. It may easily be lodged upon the shortest shelf of a poor man's garret. We like it that our City, in its finest place of public resort, is to set up to-day a statue of William Shakespeare, because that we do believe that the honor which we thus pay to ourselves is a genuine outgrowth of our reverence and gratitude—for reverence for his insight, and of gratitude for its results. We name him prophet, because he has taught us that Earth and Heaven have no phases too remote or too lofty for the poet's eye; but since not unto all

are given the vision and the faculty divine, we thank him that he has brought to us the golden fruits of his speculation, and has so ordered the harvest that it is among the household possessions of our life."

VICTORIA COLLEGE.—On Monday evening Rev. Dr. Nelles, President of Victoria College, delivered his Baccalaureate Address to the graduating class. He dwelt at some length upon their course through life, and gave them words of parting counsel.

BIRTHS. GARDNER.—In Guelph, on the 25th inst., Mrs. F. Gardner, of a son.

MARRIED. GRUNDY-GRIFFIN.—At Guelph, on the 27th inst., by the Rev. Geo. Wood, Mr. Robert N. Grundy to Miss Ann Griffin, all of Guelph.

LOWES-JACKSON.—At Gannanogue, on the 25th inst., by the Rev. Wesley Carson, Mr. Robert Lowes, of Bosworth, Ont., to Susie, daughter of Samuel Jackson, Esq., of Gannanogue, Ont.

DIED. ENGLISH.—At London, Ont., on the 9th inst., Noble English, Esq., in his 77th year, father of the Rev. N. F. English, Elora.

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SILK GRENADINE DRESSES, BLACK MUSLINS, WHITE MUSLINS, BROWN CHECK MUSLINS, FINE MUSLINS, BLACK AND WHITE CHECK MUSLINS.

WM. GALLOWAY.

Guelph, May 28, 1872

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Guelph, May 27, 1872

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John A. Wood's.

New Factory Cheese, New Factory Cheese

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NEW FANCY STORE, The subscriber begs to inform the public of Guelph and surrounding country that she is opening a Fancy Store

On the West Market Square, In Paul Cullen's old stand, where she will keep a choice stock of

BERLIN WOOLS, General Fancy Goods, and Toys.

She hopes that by strict attention to business, and studying the wants of the public, to merit a share of public patronage.

MRS. MOYES, Guelph, May 22, 1872

40 ACRES OF GOOD PASTURE in TOWN TO RENT, RIVER upon one side of it. Apply at the Law Office of the undersigned.

May 8, 1872 dtf ROBT. MITCHELL.

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Bankrupt Stock of BOOTS and SHOES

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And satisfaction guaranteed. A trial solicited.

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Maple Molasses, West India, Portland Syrup, Honey, Golden, Amber, Oranges and Lemons, Table Apples very fine—to arrive; New Teas, of all grades; A very fine Black Tea, at 50 cents; Sugars, a new stock of different kinds.

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Our Stock is now fully assorted in the various departments with the newest and best Goods for the season, and ladies are invited to examine our new arrivals.

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Provincial, Lancashire and Phoenix.

Canada Landed Credit Comp'y Lower rates than any Loan Co. in Ontario.

JOHN McCREA, Agent, over Bank of Commerce Buildings, Guelph, Guelph, Nov 28th, 1871 dwim

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General Agents, S. C. BUCKAN-CLARK & Co.

Manager, WM CAMPBELL Agent at Guelph, Guelph, Nov 28th, 1871 dwim

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Brades, Satinettes, Chignons, General Fancy Goods, and Toys.

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MRS. WRIGHT, Next to the Wellington Hotel, Guelph, April 13, 1871. dw

EXAMINATION

PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS County of Wellington.

The Examination of Candidates for Second and Third Class Certificates as Public School Teachers will be held in the SOUTH WARD SCHOOL HOUSE, GUELPH, beginning

On Tuesday, 16th July, 1872 At 9 o'clock, A. M., and that for First Class in the same place.

ON TUESDAY, 23RD OF JULY, Commencing at the same hour.

To be eligible for a Second Class Provincial Certificate Candidates must furnish proof of having successfully taught three years or have a special recommendation from the County Inspector.

Candidates for a First Class Provincial Certificate must have successfully taught for five years, or attended at the Normal School, and passed the requisite examination for a Second Class Certificate.

All Candidates must be, if females 16, and if males, 18 years of age, be natural born, or naturalized, subjects of Her Majesty and have sent in to the Secretary of the Board of Examiners before the 25th of June notice of their intention to apply to be examined, his name in full and post office address, the description of certificate possessed, if any, and proof of temperate habits and good moral character.

ROBERT TORRANCE, Sec. Board of Examiners, Guelph.

May 23rd-w. Elora Observer-Forbes News-Record-Orangeville Sun and Mount Forest Examiner four insertions each.

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The difficulty of procuring which is well known.

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All Kinds of Fixtures made to order on the Shortest Notice.

Changing Pipes, &c. or Repairs Done on the shortest notice. dw

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