

Ministerial Memorialists.

A little piece of very instructive sparring has taken place between two Ministerial newspapers, the Toronto Mail and the Ottawa Times. In giving an account of the presentation of the memorial to the Governor-General, the Times stated that some thirty Ministerialists were amongst the signers. Shocked by this unwarrantable candor on the part of its brother organ, the Mail made haste to contradict the damaging statement, and called it an untruth. This has hurt the feelings of the Ottawa paper, and we give its remonstrance, in which it re-asserts positively its former statement:—

The Toronto Mail denies a statement made in the Times in the form in which it was misquoted by the Ottawa correspondent of the Globe. The latter said that the Government organ had admitted that thirty Ministerialists had signed the memorial against the prorogation; and this the Mail says is "untrue." We believe it cannot prove its assertion. But what we did say was that "some thirty members"—the number may have been anything between twenty-five and thirty-five, we merely struck an average—had signed the memorial in favour of an immediate Parliamentary investigation into the Hamilton charges; and we said further, that the members referred to were Ministerialists still. The Mail may rest assured that our assertion was not made recklessly nor without every reasonable effort to ascertain the real state of feeling among the members, and we defy it to show that of the "thirty" signers to the memorial there were more than seventy or seventy-five are Oppositionists to-day. Our confrere reminds us somewhat of the old Scottish Divine who took his text from the Psalms—"For I said in my haste all men are liars." The preacher repaid himself with a pinch of snuff and said—"Unph! Ye said in your haste, did ye, David mon! Acel! Gin ye had been here, ye might ha' said it at your leisure!" But we have not been telling lies, as facts will certainly prove.

The article is in curious contrast with another on the same page, in which the Times strives to prove that Lord Dufferin by the prorogation was "obeying the voice of Parliament in the only way open to him." And it makes this assertion whilst its own editorial column shows, by the statement just referred to, that the recent majority of Parliament had become a minority, and that the Ministers no longer possessed the confidence of Parliament. The defection of over twenty Ministerialists on a point affecting the very existence of the Government tells its own tale. It simply places the Reformers in a majority in the Dominion Parliament, and shows that for the Ministry to meet Parliament would involve a humiliating and disastrous defeat. Could a more convincing sign of guilt be given than is afforded by the almost insane length to which Sir John has gone rather than allow a Parliamentary investigation of the charges against him? We may be sure that an experienced politician like Sir John would not by a mere blunder have sacrificed his majority, and that he must have had the most urgent reasons for fearing to face Parliament and Parliament's Committee. The "hunted fox" is now fairly brought to bay, and in his desperation he has closed up every avenue of escape. He may avert the blow for a short time longer, but the country can afford to wait patiently, knowing that if justice has been slow, in this case at least it is sure.

Judge Polette and Day arrived at Ottawa on Monday night, and Judge Gowan on Tuesday morning. They were closeted all the forenoon with Sir John A. Macdonald. The Commissioners have engaged a room in the Parliament building, where they will hold their sittings. They meet to day to make preliminary arrangements. Sir John's intention is understood to be, to so manage that the report of the Commissioners shall not be adverse to him, then to resist the appointment of a Parliamentary Committee, offering as the alternative the report of the Commissioners. That is the loop-hole through which he expects to creep. He gives his friends to understand that the House will lend itself to his assistance. He is reckoning without his host, however. Even his powers of persuasion cannot win back to his support the outraged and insulted representatives of the people.

Mr. Mackenzie's interviews with the Governor-General, after the prorogation of the House, have been made the subject of animadversion by Ministerial journals. As a matter of course, it would be improper for any one to publish the details of the conversations which took place; but it does seem proper, considering the misstatements which have been made by the Government organs, to say that the interviews were of a friendly character, and that His Excellency fully recognized the strength of the arguments used by the Opposition in favour of an examination of the Pacific Railway charges by the House of Commons.—Globe.

The Ottawa Citizen of Monday confirms the report that Sir Hugh Allan and the Pacific Railway Company have proved a failure, and have been abandoned. It says that Sir Hugh has practically failed to carry out the arrangements for raising the money to build the road. It advises the building of the road by the Government, and repeats the old and stupid story that the plan which has just failed was forced upon the Government by the Opposition.

Emil Lovingsone, alias Louis Donson, charged with having, on August 15th inst., murdered John D. Weston, of Brooklyn, N. Y., at Albany, N. Y., and robbed him of \$600, was arrested at St. Catharines on Tuesday. Lovingsone, suspecting the authorities were on his track, came to St. Catharines, where he became employed in Mr. Kittow's barber shop. In the meantime his wife was arrested on suspicion. After Lovingsone arrived here he wrote her a letter, which was intercepted by the police. The detectives procured the assistance of Chief Cummins here, and succeeded in arresting him. The murder reported to have been a horrible affair—the body of the victim showing twelve bullet wounds and his throat cut.

Intemperance on Railways.

Mr. W. J. Spicer, Local Superintendent of the Grand Trunk Railway, has taken practical steps to lessen one great source of danger to Railway travellers, by the issue of the following circular. No one would assert that intemperance is more common amongst railway employees than amongst other sections of the community; but intemperance in their case is attended with fearful peril to the travelling public, and many of them are through the thoughtlessness of passengers exposed to more than common temptations to imbibe too freely. Mr. Spicer's action will meet with general approval:—

TO AGENTS AND CONDUCTORS. The "dismissals" that are recorded every few days in our Office Circulars, in consequence of intemperance, show unmistakably that there are men in the Company's service who either cannot or will not control their propensity for drinking intoxicating liquors; and such men not only bring disgrace, suffering, and ruin upon themselves and their families, but so long as they remain in the service they reflect discredit upon and endanger the safety of their fellow employees, and cause damage to property and loss to the Company, by a loose and reckless performance of their duty—even when only slightly under the influence of drink.

We know that a man who only occasionally, at uncertain periods, drinks to excess, speedily becomes demoralized and unreliable, and so far as his connection with the working of a railway is concerned, in whatever capacity he may be employed, he is not to be trusted out of sight of his superior officer, and there must be a feeling of want of confidence, which proves extremely unsatisfactory in every respect. You will, I feel sure, agree with me that it is the imperative duty of every right-minded person to do everything in his power to eradicate this terrible evil from our large staff; and as "example is better than precept," I desire your co-operation in at once organizing a Grand Trunk Railway (Western Districts) Temperance League, to mean total abstinence from every description of intoxicating drink as a beverage.

The result of a faithful adherence to such a pledge must be inestimably beneficial to the staff at large, and a blessing to the families of the men who have hitherto wasted a large proportion of their wages in the purchase of liquor. I shall be glad if you will at once read this to every one of your staff, and head a list with my name and your own, and give the names of all the men who concur and agree to unite in this movement for their welfare. I trust that the response will be favorable, prompt, and unanimous, on the part of all now connected with the Traffic Department of the Central, Western, Buffalo & Goderich, and Detroit Districts; and I may here intimate that total abstinence will have the preference as regards promotion and employment in the service.

W. J. SPICER, Local Superintendent. Montreal, August 13th, 1873.

WHAT has become of the impounded papers since the prorogation of the House? is the anxious inquiry which now presents itself to every mind. Have they been restored to Sir Hugh Allan, that he might destroy them, and thus defeat the inquiry into the conduct of the Ministers? Who can tell? Will the organs, so thoroughly posted, give us some information on the question, which is of so much importance at the present moment?—Hamilton Times.

CANADA TRISTLES.—A strong and determined effort is being made at New Sarum, in Elgin County, for banishing the Canada thistle. The farmers of that neighborhood have associated themselves together for the purpose and have determined to use every legitimate influence they can to subdue the pest.

SCHOOL BOOKS, School Books, School Books. Schools open on Monday. A full supply of the Books Used in Town and Country Schools.

DAY'S BOOKSTORE. GUELPH M.P.C. Cigar Factory. REMOVAL. The subscriber begs to inform his customers and the public that he has removed his Cigar Factory from the old stand to the large premises in Day's Old Block.

Gordon-st., across the G.T.R. Track. Having enlarged his Factory, and employing a large number of hands, he is now able to supply all demands for the well-known popular M.P.C. Cigars.

All country orders will be filled at Messrs. Maasie, Paterson & Co's Wholesale store, the same as from the Factory. Guelph, July 9, 1873.

THE Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Company, Available Assets \$27,000,000. Losses paid in course of Thirty-five Years exceed Forty Millions of Dollars.

Claims by Chicago fire estimated at nearly \$3,000,000, are being liquidated as fast as adjusted without deduction. Security, Prompt Payment, and Liberality in adjustment of its losses are the prominent features of this wealthy Company.

Head Office, Canada Branch, Montreal. G. F. C. SMITH, Chief Agent for the Dominion. THOMAS W. SAUNDERS, Agent at Guelph. Guelph, Nov 25, 1871.

CHEAP SUGARS

John A. Wood's, Alma Block & Lower Wyndham streets, Guelph. 12 lbs. good sugar for \$1.00, 11 " bright " " 1.00, 10 " brightest crystallized 1.00, 8 " broken loaf " 1.00, 8 " ground " " 1.00. 20 " new raisins " 1.00, 20 " good currants " 1.00, 20 " good rice " 1.00, 8 bars of good washing soap 1.00.

No one sells better goods, and no one sells them cheaper than John A. Wood.

THE MEDICAL HALL

Just Received, a fresh supply of NEW TRANSPARENT COSMETIQUE. For fixing the Hair and Moustache without greasing. Also the NEW Anti-Phalæna Sachet, An everlasting Perfume for the Wardrobe, Cabinet, etc., and a sure preventative against the Moth and other Insects.

W. J. SPICER, Local Superintendent. Montreal, August 13th, 1873.

E. HARVEY & Co. Chemists and Druggists. Corner Wyndham and Macdonnell-streets, Guelph. Guelph, June 21, 1873.

NEW MUSIC. Claudeboy's Galop, Gazelle Galop, You and I Galop, Dufferin Galop, 30th Wellington Galop.

A large and cheap stock of music. ANDERSON'S Book and Music Store, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

GEORGE BEATTIE, SADDLER AND HARNESS MAKER. Trunks, Carpet Bags, Whips, Spurs, Brushes, Horse Clothing, Horse Combs, Belts, and all other articles usually kept by Saddlers.

Repairing done as usual. GEORGE BEATTIE, Market Square Guelph Feb. 7, 70.

WHERE Can you get the best value for your money in Books, Wall Paper, Croquet and Base Ball Goods, Fans, Fancy Goods, etc. etc.

At Pashley's. Why? Because he offers all his Goods at a very small advance on cost. Remember the place—PASHLEY'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE, Day's Block, Wyndham-street, Guelph.

CASH FOR WOOL, HIDES, SHEEP SKINS, CALF SKINS, and WOOL PICKINGS. The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's Old Block, Guelph. Plasterers Hair constantly on hand for sale. MOULTON & BISH Guelph Aug 19, 1872.

New Advertisements.

The First New Goods OF THE SEASON. OPENING TO-DAY AT THE LION!

29 CASES! DIRECT FROM BRITAIN, By the steamer PHOENECIAN, of the Allan Line, from Liverpool to Montreal. CHANCE & WILLIAMSON. Guelph, Aug. 18, 1873.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL NEW GOODS! Just received at the Guelph Cloth Hall, the following new styles in ENGLISH HATS Milan, Egerton, Alvarey, Russell, Peel, Tiverton, Dashwood, Graham.

ALSO—A CHOICE LOT OF SCARFS, TIES AND BOWS. SHAW & MURTON, Wyndham St., Guelph. Guelph, Aug. 19, 1873.

REMOVAL. W. D. Hepburn & Comp'y. Have removed their Boot and Shoe Store to the very extensive premises on the Corner of Wyndham-st. and St. George's Square.

Their old store being too small on account of the continual increase in the Wholesale Manufacturing, as well as in the Retail Departments, they have now fitted up the new and much larger place in first-class style, and would intimate to their very numerous customers and the public generally that, having increased the facilities for manufacturing they are now able to offer to the public first-rate goods in all branches, at lower prices than ever before.

Custom Work in all its Branches made TO ORDER. Repairing done neatly and cheap as heretofore. The public are cordially invited to visit the new store, and examine our Goods. W. D. HEPBURN & CO. Guelph, Aug. 14, 1873.

Opened on Saturday AT THE FASHIONABLE WEST END! Ladies' and Misses' Black and Colored Belts; Boys' Leather Belts, Black Belt Ribbons, Black Sash Ribbons, Book Muslin and Tarlatan puffings and trimmings, A large "Job Lot" of Real Lace Cottons to be sold at about half price, New shades in Josephine Kid Gloves, first quality; 30 pieces New Striped Prints, 25 pieces Black and Grey Mourning do., 50 pieces New Dress Goods suitable for the present and approaching season. DRESSMAKING done on the premises in the latest English and American styles.

WILL OPEN TO-DAY 1 case Tweeds, 1 case New Dress Goods, 1 case Ashton's Prints, new patterns; 1 case Winceys; 3 bales Lybster Cottons, 6 pieces Lybster Tickings, 6 pieces Lybster Denims. A. O. BUCHAM, Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment Guelph, Aug. 18, 1873.

GUELPH TEA DEPOT Down with the Prices of GROCERIES! E. O'DONNELL & Co. ARE SELLING

13 lbs. Good Sugar..... for \$1.00, 10 lbs. Very best bright Sugar..... for 1.00, 8 lbs. Broken Loaf Sugar..... for 1.00, 8 lbs. Ground Loaf Sugar..... for 1.00, 22 lbs. Raisins..... for 1.00, 21 lbs. Currants..... for 1.00, 22 lbs. Rice..... for 1.00, 12 bars splendid Soap..... for 1.00, 35 lbs. Good Fresh Prunes..... for 1.00, The best Dollar Green Tea..... for 80, The best 75 cent Tea..... for 50.

The above prices are strictly cash. Towns people leave your orders early, and we will send them home for you. E. O'DONNELL & CO. Guelph, June 7, 1873. Wyndham Street, Guelph.

JUST RECEIVED AT

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE. A supply of Morison's Quinine Ale, A very superior stimulating Tonic, Price per quart bottle 30 cents.

Sticky FLY PAPER. Manufactured by A. B. Petrie, The best, cleanest and safest Fly Paper in use.

TRUSSES, TRUSSES. Just imported, a large and complete assortment of the best manufacture. Can guarantee to fit any case. Also, a large supply of RADICAL CURE TRUSSES, the best in the market. Remember the place, Petrie's New Drug Store. Nearly opposite the old store.

SALE SALE SALE. Dry Goods Cheaper than Ever. Mr. Stewart now in the British Markets. Room must be made for the New Fall Goods. Remainder of Summer Goods must be Sold CHEAP. We would call special attention to the following lines:

Best Light Prints will be closed out at a York shilling a yard. Best French Lawns, satin stripes, 17c per yard, would be cheap at 30 cents. 20 pieces White Cotton, 38 inches wide, and very heavy, will be sold at 12c.

Yard-wide Lybster Mills Cotton, 10c. per yard. Lot of Summer Dress Goods (damaged) less than half price. Sun Hats closing out at 15c and 25c, worth more than double. All Summer Millinery at less than half price. Lace Curtains from \$1.00. Assortment still Good in all the Departments.

WM. STEWART. Guelph, July 28, 1873.

J. H. ROMAIN & Co., Successors to Nelles, Romain & Co., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchants, AND SHIPPERS, 26, City National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill.

References: Sir John Rose, banker, London, England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., banker, Montreal; The Marine Company of Chicago, bankers; Hon. J. Carling, London, Ont.; Messrs. Gault Bros., merchants, Montreal; Senator F. Smith (Frank Smith & Co.), Toronto; J. M. Miller, Esq., Perth, Ont. (late of York); M. Miller & Co., commission merchants, Chicago; W. Watson, Esq., banker, New York; D. Butcher, Esq., Montreal; J. Whitehead, Esq., M. P., Clinton, Ont.; C. Magill, Esq., M. P., Hamilton, Ont.; T. C. Chisholm, Esq., Toronto; S. B. Foots, Esq., Toronto.

SPLENDID CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT. Residence for Sale. That very desirable property situated on Paisley street, near the Western Station, consisting of White Brick two story dwelling house, with four bed-rooms, front and back parlors, dining room and kitchen, with large soft water cistern, also two large dry cellars. The land comprises two fifths of an acre, well stocked with fruit trees in full bearing. For terms, &c., apply to D. SAVAGE, Guelph, July 30, 1873.