SIR JOHN AND THE SENATE

A Report that the Premier will Support the Scott Act Amendments.

The following appeared in the London *Advertiser* yesterday as a special telegram to that paper and was given exceptional prominence :

OTTAWA, June 11. – The confidence expressed by the liquor lobbyists that they will succeed in carrying the senate amendments to the Scott Act through the house of commons is, it seems, founded on assurances received from Sir John Macdonald that he will aid them with his support. Yesterday Mr. Jamieson, who has charge of the bill, saw Sir John who told him in the presence of a number of members of the house that he would give his vote to enable wine and beer to be sold in Scott Act counties. He also expressed the belief that the amendments would carry, and said they should commend themselves to the good judgment of members. Being in an argumentative mood, he asserted that there was less drunkenness in wine-drinking countries than elsewhere. He also contended that stimulants of some kind were a necessity, and that all leading statesmen, wariors and poets were addicted to the use of some stimulant or narcotic.

Guelph Conference of the Methodist Church.

This is the season of conferences, synods and general assemblies. In these ecclesiastical gatherings the Methodists have a full share. No less than nine annual conferences of Methodists in Canada met during the last week of May and the first half of June, and these nine conferences are made up of about 1500 ministers and the same number of laymen. The Guelph conference is composed of the Guelph, Stratford, Goderich, Wingham, Listowell, Mount Forest, Walkerton, and Owen Sound Districts. The membership of the church in this conference is about 23,000 and the number of ministers and probationers for the ministry 185.

This conference met this year in Owen Sound and closed its session last Wednesday evening. The pastoral review for the year notes an increase of 2,800 in the membership, with a corresponding increase in the Sunday schools and missionary fund. Three were ordained and made members of the conference, and five were received on probation for the ministry. Of these five, two are known to many of our readers, Alexander L. Birks, son of the Rev. W. Birks, of Holmesville, and Arch. McKibbon, for some time a student in our High School.

Mr. Birks' intention is to return to Cobourg University for another session when he will graduate in arts, after which he will spend two years more in theological studies and circuit work to complete his curriculum for the ministry. Mr. McKibbin will matriculate this month, then spend two years in theological studies, and circuit work, and afterward complete his curriculum at the college. It is a real pleasure to us to mark the progress of these young men, and the promise they give of usefulness in the world, and we sincerely trust they will fulfill the highest hopes of their friends.

We are told that a gracious spiritual presence marked all the sessions of the conference, and that many of the ministers remarked it as one of the best conference gatherings they had ever seen. The attendance of laymen was much larger than last year, and they were much more to the front in the discussion of leading questions. The much vexed question of the children's fund received its *quietus* at this conference.

The assessment was reduced to one cent per member which of course means abolition. This will create some difficulties at first, but things will soon become adjusted to meet them all.

There were but few changes in the stations this year on this district. They are as follows :

Clinton, Revs. E. S. Rupert, M. A. and Wm. Sparling.

Victoria St. Goderich, Rev. G. F. Salton.

Holmesville, Rev. L. J. Legear.

Dungannon, Rev. G. H. Cobbledick.

Rev. J. H. Carson is appointed to Guelph.

We congratulate Rev. Mr. Campbell on his election as chairman of the district.

Goderich Bazar.

From the London Catholic Record.

The bazar inaugurated by the Rev. Father Watters, of Goderich, in aid of his church fund, will take place next month. The Reverend gentleman's many friends throughout the country have taken interest in the good work, and it is confidently expected that the will be a great financial success. Parties to whom books of tickets have been sent are earnestly requested to make returns at an early date, that all who have purchased chance may get the benefit of the drawing. We take the liberty of making a last appeal to those in possession of tickets to make within the next few days a determined effort to dispose of them. The church and parish of Goderich are much in need of outside assistance. From one cause or another the Catholic population of that beautiful town and the adjoining country has suffered within the past few years, a very material decrease. Father Watters has devoted himself, with the zeal for which he is noted, to keep his congregation together, and has, despite the exodus that has weakened his, like many other parishes in Ontario, so managed the financial affairs of the parish as to ward off any undue burden from its shoulders. We appeal to our friends everywhere to come to the assistance of this good priest, that he may be, through through the bazar he has inaugurated, enabled to meet all existing obligations, so that when the good day comes, when Goderich will once more be the home of a large Catholic population, the needs of that time may be freely met.

A Markable Commodity.

The Indians cannot sell the property on which they vote, they cannot even sell what they raise off it like other people, but Sir John thought they should be able to sell something, so he gave them votes. –[Brockville Recorder.

DOMINION DAY in GODERICH

The Great Circus and Menagerie.—John B. Doris' New Monster Colossal Shows Consolidated with the Great Inter-Ocean.—A Brief Outline of this Mammoth Aggregation.

John B. Doris' Monster Shows, Three-Ring Circus, Elevated Theatre Stage, Deep Sea Aquarium, and Fifty-Cage Menagerie, is the largest and most complete aggregation traveling. Mr. Doris is one of the energetic and enterprising showmen, and by his years of successful management, the name of John B. Doris' New Monster Shows, consolidated with the Great Inter-Ocean, has become synomymous with all that is great, gorgeous, and costly, in the broad fields of traveling tented exhibitions, and it is with great pleasure that we discover, with each recurring appearance of Doris' Mammoth Combined Shows, that it increases in size, novelty, grandeur, and splendor. This monster organization has always differed from all others in many essential points, viz.: Mr. Doris has truly adhered to the truth in all his advertisements (unlike many managers who look at present results), and has scrupulously refrained from promising impossibilities to his patrons ; it has always been Mr. Doris' endeavor, in dealing with the public, to agreeably surprise them, not by exhibiting half of what he advertises, but exhibits far more than advertised. This season enormous additions have been made to the New Monster Consolidated Shows in every department. The Mammoth Fifty-Cage Menagerie, comprising the largest and most varied collection of rare wild beasts, etc., received from all quarters of the globe, making it one of the grandest zoological institutes traveling.

It is not the rule of the New Monster Shows to advise people to patronize any person or performance except through its advertising columns, which relieves it of responsibility, but in this instance so great is the reputation of this mammoth aggregation and its proprietor, John B. Doris, faithfully fulfully fulfilling all promises, and even showing more than it advertises, that a departure from this rule is taken and people are assured that they will receive many times their money's worth of entertainment and instruction by attending the Great Mastodon Shows. The Grand Gigantean Three-Ring Circus in comprised of all the leading excellence, equestrians, equestriennes, ten celebrated clowns, gymnasts, leapers, fourteen real brawny turks, troupe of French bicycle riders, leapers, tumblers, acrobats, Siberian roller skaters, Japanese equilibtrists, etc., besides a multitude of marvelous and surprising specialties. The only show in American that has nearly all the illustrious artists of the world. Mr. Doris takes great pride in having more and better horses and ponies, more extensive and costly wardrobes, more sensations and surprises, superior appointments in every respect respect, and at the doors of the New Monster Shows its patrons receive affable and courteous treatment. The above is but a brief outline of the Greatest Show on Earth, which can be verified by witnessing the grand free street parade made every exhibition day, at 10 a.m. The only monster show coming this season.

A PRISONER'S FEROCITY.

In a Desperate Attempt to Escape Almost Kills the Keeper.

COBOURG, June 15 —Yesterday morning a prisoner named McGuire, confined in the gaol here awaiting trial for his recent attempt to murder John Tucker, made a ferocious attack on Deputy-Gaoler Higgins, intending to capture the keys and effect his escape. It seems that ever since his incarceration McGuire has been concocting schemes for making his exit from prison. Last week the gaol authorities discovered concealed in his cell a rope which he had woven out of his woollen drawers and the wire taken from a broomstick. All the nails had been carefully drawn from a wooden bench. With these instruments he intended to scale the prison wall and flit, and was prevented only through the vigilance of Gaoler Culvert and his aids. On Saturday he succeeded in secreting about his person a large stone, which he had extracted from the wall. Yesterday morning shortly after six o'clock Mr. Higgins went to remove McGuire from his dormitory, and was stooping to adjust the shackles on his feet, rendered necessary by his demoniacal conduct of late, when in this attitude he was dealt a tremendous blow on his forehead which laid bare his skull for some distance and felled him to the floor. Before Higgins could recover himself McGuire pummelled him badly, and inflicted a large number of ugly wounds about his head. The prison alarm was sounded, and after severe punishment the prisoner was finally overmastered. The stone used was picked up broken in innumerable pieces.

El Mahdi.

DONGOLA, June 16.—The Mahdi has written a letter declining to release the Christian prisoners, who have embraced the Islam faith. He says they are unwilling to leave him. The Mahdi exhorts Englishmen to turn Mohammedans or otherwise he will destroy them. A letter has reached Dongola signed by ninety-six of the Mahdi's prisoners, including Greeks, Copts and Syrians, stating that they are unwilling to leave the Mahdi and are not Christians. Lupton Bey and Slatin Bey are among the signers.

A Manitoba Yarn.

A correspondent at Shellmouth, Russell county, (32 22-29) Ma., sends the following statement, which he says is authentic: "Our town may now be described as an Eldorado in the Northwest. Gold has been discovered in very considerable quantities on the bank of the river. It has also been found in the cellars of the houses, in the wells; everywhere is gold. Indeed, it is a veritable Tom Fiddler's ground. In its present crude state an ounce or more may be easily washed out from gravel in frying pans or other vessels. Our real estate agent has written to the Government for instructions as to claims, and we are awaiting the event of seekers after the precious metal."

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY.

A Man Severs his Wife's Throat with a Razor, and Shoots Himself through the Heart with a Revolver.

BUFFALO, June 16.—A Toledo special says :—"Arthur B. Wakelee and wife Lucy have lived for some time in a pretty little home on Huron street. He is a painter by trade, and an industrious young man. Lucy, the wife, is a good-looking woman, a little over thirty, the neat keeper of a nicely furnished home. Directly opposite the Wakelee's lived William Brown and wife. The latter is a sister of Lucy Wakelee.

Mrs. Brown noticed an unwonted quiet about the Wakelee residence, and went over to learn what was the matter. The front door was locked. She broke it in, and finding no one about pursued her search to the bedroom.

She was horrified to find her sister lying on the floor with her throat cut and weltering in blood.

A few feet away lay Wakelee also, blood oozing from a bullet hole through his heart.

By his side lay a revolver with two chambers empty, and on the blood stained bed a razor lay open and bloody.

The alarm was quickly sounded, and a few minutes the street was jammed with curious, awe-struck humanity. When the officers arrived and began an examination the scene was horrifying. Little pools of blood had formed and partially dried on the floor. There was no evidence of a struggle ; appearances indicated that Wakelee had cut his wife's throat while she was asleep last night and she had jumped to the floor and expired. He had then presumably arisen and killed himself with the revolver. A search for some cause for the tragedy resulted in finding the following letter addressed to the Hon. Guido Marx, ex-mayor of Toledo, and a neighbor :

DEAR MOTHER,—Inclosed please find $90. My days with Lucy are ended. Please bury us side by side. I love her better dead than alive. Mother, I was true to Lucy, and these are my last words. I blame Alice and Billy for my trouble. Dear old mother, do not grieve ; it is better this way. I cannot live without Lucy, but I can die with her. We have enough to bury us. You can do as you see fit ; I leave everything with you, and sign over everything we have to you. Good bye. May God bless you. ARTHUR B. WAKELEE.

On the bottom of the sheet is inscribed the following :

"Mr. Marx, please forgive me if I have caused you any trouble. I esteem you and your family very highly. — A. B. Wakelee.

"Oh, Lucy, why did you do it ?"

The affair has created a most profound impression. There was no outward estrangement, but Wakelee was moody and been drinking. He was very respectably connected.

Ontario Sustained.

The decision of Chancellor Boyd on Wednesday in the case of the province against a milling company which professed to have a title to certain timber limits from the dominion and therefore ignored the claims of Ontario, will put a stop to another of the series of disputes between the two governments. There is little likelihood of the learned judge's decision being reversed. Ontario's title has been held good, and surely all Ontario people ought to rejoice thereat. If we own the timber we are just that much richer, the day of direct taxation is postponed, and we better able to withstand the milking process which Ontario has to undergo for the benefit of Quebec. Speaking of Quebec, it is a strange thing that we don't hear of Sir John Macdonald's government giving away or selling lands that that province lays claim to ?—[Toronto World.

Progress of the Baptists.

The statistics of the Toronto Association of Baptist churches for the past year show a most gratifying increase in nearly all departments of denominational work. They report 269 baptisms, 236 received by letter from other churches, 68 upon experience, 2 by reputation and a net increase of 360, or upward of 12½ per cent., during the year now closed. There are now 29 churches in association with a total membership of 3,145. The association has nearly doubled its membership in the ten years since the first meeting. The letters from the churches were exceedingly encouraging in some instances, particularly those from Jarvis street and Bloor street, Toronto, and Orillia. The total amount raised for all purposes by all churches during the year is $36,597.59.

The Indians "Guiding Hand."

Mr. Paterson, of Brant, does not like the idea of the Tory Indian agent presenting to the Tory Revising Barrister a list of Indian voters. There are no assessment rolls in the reserves to serve as a basis for the lists. He moved that Indians who wanted to vote should be required to make personal application to have their names put on the lists. The proposal was voted down. Therefore Sir John's agents and barristers will be able to make out long lists of Hiawathas, Oronhyatekhas, Kahkwaquonabys, Magaguadavics, Malagawatches, Tsounonthouans and Kouchibouguacs, and no white man can dispute their authenticity. Sir John has a long head.—[Hamilton Times.

Dakota, Iowa and Newbraska Devastated by a Tornado.

OMAHA, Neb., June 15.—The second severe rain and rain storm within half a week visited this section yesterday, doing immense damage to houses, sheds and barns. Several railway stations were wrecked, and telegraph poles prostrated. A brakeman was killed by lightning.

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, June 15.—A severe wind storm struck this city at 10:15 last night. The city suffered severely, dozens of buildings being wholly or partly demolished, the damage being estimated at over $30,000. In all the country within a radius of 25 miles of Sioux City much damage was done to trees, fences, windmills and buildings. A number of farmhouses were demolished. Two children were killed and a large number of persons were seriously injured. The force of the storm was also severely felt in Dakota.

A Stager.

Over the ivory keys her fingers
Lightly sway as the lilies bend,
When the wind stoops down to kiss the river,
And the lily-cups with the ripples bend.

And the pulsing music's rhythmic cadence
Drops in a liquid, hushed refrain
From the dainty tips of her flying fingers
Sweet and clear as a fall of rain.

Over the ivory keys her fingers
Flit and cross as they dance along.
Till, like a cry for a dead past wasted,
Rings a passionate voice in song. —[Ex.

Interesting to Canadian Fishermen.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—Judge McCue, solicitor of the treasury, has given an opinion to Secretary Manning that shadings or hearings caught in Canadian waters by American fishermen in boats of less than five tons burden can be admitted to the United States free of duty.

Tally Another for Mowat.

The decision is of considerable importance, and is a defeat for Sir John Macdonald. He undertook to grant certain rights in the disputed territory before the line between Manitoba and Ontario was established, and he continued to issue titles after Mowat had disputed his right. He justified his action on the ground that the Indian title passed to the Dominion as representing the crown. The decision just given upsets this contention. If the decision stands it will be bad for many land-grabbers and Tory jobbers to whom the ministry assigned large lots of their lands on very easy terms.—[St. John Globe.

The Brawling Brood.

It is quite refreshing to hear the Tory organ howl about "Grit corruption"—the organ of a party which has enrolled among its honorary members such choice corruptionists as Bunting, Big Push Wilkinson, Gum Swamp Anderson, Roddy Pringle, Frozen Whiskey Shields, et al., not to speak of the President of the local Conservative Association, who admitted under oath of having furnished electors on election day whiskey three parts water, red herring and crackers ; and the fine-haired secretary who makes no bones about saying that he is prepared to use fair or foul means to win an election. What a choice collection of political hypocrites !—[Napanee Express.

Mr. Drury Still to the Front.

The Tories finding themselves badly injured by the withdrawal of Mr. David Wilson, their candidate in East Kent, thought it would be a fine thing to spread a report concerning a similar withdrawal on the part of the Liberals. So a small Tory journal was directed to manufacture a report that Mr. Drury had retired from the contest in East Simcoe, it having been discovered that he was not qualified. The report about Mr Drury is wholly false. He is not disqualified, and will not retire. He is conducting an active canvass, and all appearances go to indicate a substantial increase on his former majority.—[Globe.

A Monster Man of War.

LONDON, June 16.—The British navy today received an important addition in the shape of the twin screw armor-belted ram, Ben-Bow. The ceremony of christening was performed by Mrs Gladstone. She is by far the most powerful ironclad afloat. Over 10,000 tons of metal have been used in her construction. She is built entirely of steel. Her engines, 9,500 horse-power, will, it is estimated, give her a speed of 17½ knots per hour, making her not only the most powerful, but the fastest armor-clad afloat. Her armaments consist of two 110 ton steel guns, which will fire a projectile weighing 2,000 pounds, 16½ inches in diameter and propelled by the enormous charge of 900 pounds of powder ; she will also have ten 6-inch rifle breach-loading guns, twelve 6-pounder quick firing guns, ten 4-barrel 1-inch machine guns and four 5 barrel 45 inch machine guns ; she is also fitted for torpedoes, having five apertures for their discharge.

The Indian Vote.

Old Tomorrow aims at becoming a great chief among the Indians in order to make war upon the whites. Indians have been enfranchised, and whites disfranchised. In Ontario it may be that out of 16,000 or 18,000 Indians 2,000 may receive the elective franchise. But in order to make this enfranchisement of the red men advantageous to the Chieftain, 130,000 whites are to be disfranchised. In accomplishing this work Tories, as well as Reformers, will suffer ; but Sir John intends that they shall suffer for his advantage. The votes of these Tories will be lost, but the Indian vote will count just where votes are most needed. We shall be very much mistaken, however, if Sir John is not disappointed in his calculations. We believe that if the Franchise Bill passes, the loss resulting from driving fair-minded Conservatives out of the party will be far greater than the gain from the accession of votes.—[London Advertiser.

The Franchise Bill.

The Ottawa *Citizen* grows very much excited over the apprehension that the Opposition are going to continue the discussion of the Franchise Bill. The Opposition are not likely to be deterred by the bluster of the *Citizen*. They have many amendments to move to the third reading of the bill, and they claim that those Tories who have, we will not say the courage of their convictions, but the courage to eat dirt at Sir John Macdonald's command, shall have the opportunity of swallowing their share. The public are by no means tired of the resistance of the Opposition, but they are tired of the scoundrels who are seeking to take the control of the voters' lists out of the hands of the people and to put it into the hands of the First Minister. The Opposition in this matter have been engaged in defending the liberties of the people, and it is against those by whom these liberties were assailed and continue to be assailed as long as this measure is discussed that the public indignation will be directed, and not against those, who, at great personal sacrifice, devote themselves to a defence of the public interest and to upholding the liberties of the country.

THE WORLD OVER.

As Mirrored in the Columns of our Outside Contemporaries.

Petoskey, Mich., June 13.—The Indian chief, Petoskey is dead, aged 106 years.

Montreal is badly afflicted. Glanders among horses and small pox among men continue to spread.

Michael Davitt, whose ticket-of-leave has expired, is expected to run in the Home Rule interest for county Mayo.

The Dominion Government has again remitted one-half the dues on grains on the St. Lawrence and Welland canals.

The General Assembly has resolved to elect its Moderator in future without nomination by the Committee of ex-Moderators.

The cholera is spreading westward along the Mediterranean. There are several cases now in Teral Alicanti and Cartigana.

It is reported that ex-Empress Carlotta is showing signs of recovery from the insanity which has afflicted her for nineteen years.

The cake has been ordered for Princess Beatrice's wedding. It will weigh 250 pounds and will repose on a pedestal of gold.

The Ameer, who, according to reports from Russian sources, is very dead, is stated by the Persian papers to be about to make a tour of Afghanistan.

Mr. W. Crich, of Seaforth, a former resident of Clinton, died Saturday last ; he was aged about 75 years, and had been ailing a year past ; his remains were interred at Turner's cemetery.

Nebraska was on Monday visited by another disastrous storm of wind and rain which did great damage along the lines of railroad, wrecking depots and prostrating barns and dwellings. Several persons were killed.

Prince Frederick Charles of Germany, a famous general who had a stroke of apoplexy on Sunday died yesterday morning at Potsdam at the age of 57. He was a nephew of the present emperor. He was an author, and leader in the Franco-Russian war.

May Johnson, aged 8, daughter of B. Johnson, of the G.T.R., London East, was watering the flowers in the garden on June 12th, when suddenly she was missed. Mr. Johnson searched for her and finally found her body floating in a cistern. Efforts at resuscitation were futile.

Two men were arrested in Ottawa on Thusday suspected of passing counterfeit quarter dollars. On being searched a number of the spurious coins were found with them. The imitation is pretty good and bears date 1883. The lettering is sharp, and a flaw is discernible in the Queen's face on close inspection.

The panel in the Jesuit Church, recording the fact that Lord-Lieut. Spencer had presented a memorial window to the church in token of his high appreciation of the character and worth of Under-Secretary Burke, who with Lord Cavendish was murdered in Phœnix Park, has been stolen. There is no clue to the thief.

Wm. A. Tuttle, to man who killed Alfred Tenbroeck in a quarrel over a bottle of whisky in March last, near St. Catharines, was brought up for trial at the present assizes. The jury after about an hours deliberation brought in a verdict of manslaughter. The prisoner was sentenced to two years in the Kingston penitentiary.

On Sunday afternoon a number of the Walkerton high school students were swimming in the Saugeen, when one of their number named John Erwin, suddenly cried out and sank to rise no more. He was 21 years old, and an expert swimmer. His parents live near Wiarton. The body was recovered.

A Munceytown Indian has been tried for having whiskey in his possession. A white man in a license county is not liable to trial for the same offence, unless he steals or illegally distills it. The Munceytown Indian who is in the eyes of the law not competent to be trusted as a white man is with a bottle of whiskey, is in the eyes of Sir John Macdonald competent to be trusted with a ballot ! --[Ex.

The death of Mrs. Chalk, on Friday last, at the residence of a friend in Stanley, removes one who occupied a somewhat prominent position in the early history of this county. She was the relict of the late Dr. Chalk, of Harpurhey, who died some sixteen years ago. The docter was one of the early influential men of the county, a very successful and highly-esteemed practitioner, and belonged to what was then known as "The Mr. Dunlop school of free thinkers," a body that flourished more in those early days than it has ever done since, but which left an influence that is still encountered. Mrs. Chalk was 91 years old at the time of her death, and leaves one daughter, the wife of Dr. Coleman, Mayor of Seaforth. The remains were interred at Harpurhey, on Sunday, Rev. W. Craig officiating, she having been for a long time a faithful member of the Episcopal Church.

A Series of Insults.

Sir John Macdonald—The Indians are as independent as the workingmen of Canada.

Mr. John White, M.P.—The tribal Indians, living on reserves, are just as intelligent and just as much entitled to become voters as farmers' sons and mechanics' sons throughout the country.

Mr. Donald Macmaster, M.P.—The Highlanders of Scotland were savages 150 years ago, and consequently as little entitled to votes as the Indians of the present.

A Fishery Question.

In the House on Monday, Mr. Mitchell asked if the statement was true that the Cabinet at Ottawa was negotiating with the Cabinet at Washington for the purpose of allowing United States fishermen to fish in Canadian waters after the 1st of July until September next, when Congress would meet and when a final arrangement would be arrived at

Sir John said it was not exactly correct but he had just applied to the Colonial Office to be allowed to lay the correspondence on the question before the House. More he could not say.

GLADSTONE'S DEFEAT.

The Latest News about the Cabinet Change

DUBLIN, June 15.—O'Donnell, member of parliament for Dungarvan, in a communication to the Freeman's Journal says Lord Salisbury can secure a majority of 450 in parliament for his coercion measures for Ireland. A coalition is forming and it behooves Irish opinion to make itself heard.

IN THE HOUSE.

LONDON, June 15.—Gladstone was in his usual place in the house of commons this afternoon, and was greeted with cheers when he rose to make an announcement. This was that the Marquis of Salisbury had consented to form a government. Mr. Labouchere, radical, asked Mr. Gladstone if there was any truth in the report that Lord Salisbury had only consented to form a conservative ministry when assured of assistance by the present liberal government. Mr. Gladstone assured Mr. Labouchere that he was ignorant of the existence of any arrangement whereby the present government was bound by any promise to assist the conservative government. The house then completed the remaining stages of the bills granting an annuity to Princess Beatrice on the occasion of her marriage and accepted the amendments made by the lords to the redistribution of seats bill.

On motion of Mr. Gladstone the house adjourned until Friday.

The house of lords this afternoon adjourned until Friday, when Lord Salisbury will announce his programme and probably his ministry.

The *Standard* says the general elections will probably be postponed until January unless the Coercion Bill, and find upon the expiration of the present Act in October that they are unable to govern the country without the renewal of the Act, when they will be compelled dissolve Parliament

The Queen has offered Gladstone an earldom in recognition to his services Gladstone asked that he be allowed to forego the honor. The *News* rejoices at Gladstone's decision, and says no title could add to his fame or enhance the enthused devotion of his coutless admirers.

It is semi-officially announced that Sir Stafford Northcote will be created a peer, be given a mirror place in the cabinet that Lord Salisbury will be premier and secretary of state for foreign affairs, and that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach will be chancellor of the exchequer and leader in the house of commons.

GOOD BYE TO SPENCER.

DUBLIN, June 16.—The Parnellites are organizing for the purpose of holding a monster demonstration to show their pleasure at the departure of Lord Lieut. Spencer from Ireland Saturday next.

THE TROUBLE IN THE TORY CAMP.

LONDON, June 15.—The *Times* says until the Marquis of Salisbury has settled the rivalries in his own party it will be useless to try to obtain pledges from the Liberals that they will not obstruct. It is doubtful whether such pledges will be given. The result of the crisis may still be the return of the Liberals to office.

Marseilles, June 14.—The Duke and Duchess of Connaught and suite arrived here yesterday and left for Paris. On landing the duke heard the first news of Gladstone's downfall. The entire royal party seemed delighted and gave a loud hurrah. The duke exclaimed, "There will be much champagne drank over this in India."

New Advertisements This Week.

Circus—John B. Doris.
Farm for Sale—John Knox.
Sale of Valuable Farm—S. G. Wood.

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W. L. WOOLVERTON, L. D. S. Office—Odd Fellows Hall, North St., Goderich. Charges moderate. All work warranted. 1999-

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The People's Column.

HOUSE TO RENT—ONE AND A half story, frame, on Picton St., near High School, in first-class repair. Apply to JOHN REID, or J. A. REID, of REID & SNEYD. 1999-tf

STRAYED OR STOLEN—ABOUT the end of May, a bay pony, about nine years old, one white hind foot, and weighs 800 or 900 lbs. A reward will be paid for any information leading to its recovery. Apply to JOHN KNOX, Goderich. 1998-4t.

W. E. LEONARD.
ATTORNEY AT LAW, ETC.
Divorces legally obtained without consulting a body who has more legs than brains. Collections carelessly made, but carefully paid over. All questions answered.
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BEES.
Fifty colonies of bees for sale, in first-class single and double boarded hives, at $8 for single boarded and $10 for double. Parties who have lost bees and wish new swarms for their hives, by bringing their hives to my apiary can get them filled at $6 a swarm.
GEORGE HARRIS,
1997-4t Dunkannon P. O.

PIANO TUNING.
E. I. BROWN respectfully announces to the public that he is prepared to Tune and Repair Pianos. Orders left at Mrs. Cooke's or Mr. Imrie's Book Store will be promptly attended to. All work warranted first-class. 1995-4m

EDWARD SHARMAN, BRICKLAYER and plasterer, thanks the public for their continued patronage. He is still ready to do all work in his line in a superior manner. Prices to suit the times. Estimates given for buildings when required. 1977-1y

For Sale or to Let.

CHOICE FARM FOR SALE.—"Janefield," containing 130½ acres, 5 & 6th Con. Township of Goderich. If desired a mortgage will be taken over the property for a portion of the purchase-money, at a moderate rate of interest, and for a considerable length of time. Apply to JOHN KNOX, auctioneer, Goderich, Ont. 2030-tf

FARM FOR SALE.—THE WASHINGTON HOMESTEAD, situated on lot No. 25, 3rd con., Township of West Wawanosh, containing 200 acres. There is frame dwelling house, new, large and roomy, extensive outbuildings, and an orchard. The farm is well situated for raising stock. Terms easy. For particulars, apply to the proprietor, JOHN WASHINGTON, Auburn Post Office. 1997-tf

FARM TO LET—FOR A TERM OF years, Lot (5) five, in the Maitland concession, of the Township of Goderich, apply by letter to J. S. LIZARS, Stratford. 1960-tf