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THE EASTERN CRISIS.

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English Mobilization Scheme Abandoned.

Indian Troops Countermanded.

Emperor of Germany's Condition Improved.

EXPECTED MEETING OF THE THREE EMPERORS.

ALL THE LATEST TELEGRAMS.

FRIDAY, June 7.

At nine o'clock last night the condition of the Emperor Wilhelm still continued to improve. Nobeling remains unconscious, but he is closely watched, and any mutterings are noted. His younger brother has been arrested. His brothers in the army have arrived at Berlin, and are anxious to give all the information they can. The Liberals who voted against the anti-Socialist bill on its recent introduction into Parliament are now reported ready to vote the measure in view of the present circumstances. The Berlin criminal court has received a warning that if Nobeling is deaf harshly with all the Sovereigns in Existence will be assassinated. It is said the Prussian Cabinet have received with favour a suggestion that the representatives at the coming Congress should be invited to discuss the Socialist question. Bismarck's nervousness is reported to have increased since the shooting of the Emperor.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.—It is denied that any preliminary agreement regarding the terms of the Peaty of San Stefano has been come to between England and Russia, but it is said Count Schouvaloff is taking to St. Petersburg such information as will enable Russia to know what instructions to give her Plenipotentiaries. Both Powers will go into Congress free, but there is a kind of moral obligation between them not to insist upon a one-sided settlement of the points which each has confidentially mentioned as susceptible of a compromise. Prince Gortschakoff's presence at the Congress will be considered as Vienna transpicuous for a settlement. Some of the Principalities are to be represented, but Roumania, although her hopes of obtaining her object are lessening, will send Ministers Bratiano and Cogalniceno, with a memorandum protesting against the annexation of Bessarabia. It is pointed out that there was a time when such a Congress as the one about to be assembled would have been preceded by a private communion between Prince Bismarck and Count Andrassy; but as there is no probability of such a thing taking place now, there is no possibility of the ghost of the Triple Alliance troubling the deliberations. Austria, it is said, has notified Russia that the annexation of Antivari to Montenegro would be considered by her a *casus belli*, and it is rumoured that Russia has mandamused Montenegro. The Pope has sent an appeal to the Powers to protect Roman Catholic interests while regulating the affairs of Turkey.

SATURDAY, June 8.

LONDON, June 8.—In the House of Commons last night the Marquis of Hartington, in answer to a question, said the Indian troops would be used for general views of England on the Eastern question.

It is announced that France will send M. Wadding-ton to the Congress; Russia, Gortschakoff and Schouvaloff; Austria, Andrassy; Germany, Bismarck; and Turkey, Safvet Pasha.

A Constantinople despatch says serious apprehensions are felt of a revolutionary outbreak in the city.

Lord Beaconsfield starts for Berlin to-morrow to attend Congress. The Marquis of Salisbury starts on Monday for the same destination.

The Servians continue with energy their military preparations, while at the same time they are making efforts to obtain admission to Congress.

A Vienna correspondent says Roumania has just officially notified the Austrian Government that she will not cede Bessarabia even in obedience to the decision of the Powers.

A Paris correspondent asserts that Prince Hohenlohe, the German Ambassador to France, will be the second plenipotentiary of Germany to the Congress.

BERLIN, June 7.—The Emperor's strength is perceptibly increasing. The Ministry of State are considering measures for immediate adoption in the interest of order and public security.

The Emperor is progressing favourably. He slept well and suffers no pain.

Arrests of Socialist conspirators continue.

The simple fact about the numerous Bismarck agency is that both of the Emperor's arms are wounded and he is unable to write, hence the absolute necessity of entrusting his ordinary routine duties to some body.

GOTHA, June 7.—The meeting of the Socialist Congress here has been forbidden.

BERLIN, June 7.—Yesterday a motion was submitted to the Federal Council signed Bismarck, proposing a dissolution of the Reichstag. The motion points out that in view of the second attempt on the life of the Emperor the Government's responsibility for the maintenance of order does not permit them to rest content with having merely introduced the former abortive Anti-Socialist bill, but they cannot count upon another bill which they intend to introduce meeting with better success in the existing Reichstag.

Between twenty and thirty persons have been arrested in various towns for expressing regret at the failure of Nobeling to kill the Emperor.

The London *Telegraph* says we have authority to state that the rumours about Nobeling's connection with Socialist conspiracies in Germany and about the part taken by the English police in communicating alleged facts to the German authorities are entirely baseless. There is no evidence that Nobeling was an extreme Social Democrat, but both the German and English police possess evidence that he had made arrangements which negative the presumption of any premeditated plan to shoot the Emperor. The Scotland Yard detectives have a letter written by Nobeling two days before his attempt against the life of the Emperor, which shows no such purpose was then in his mind. The view taken then by the police of Berlin as well as the London police, is that Nobeling, though in perfect possession of his reasoning faculties, suffered himself to become the creature of passion and diabolical impulse. They discredit altogether the story of drawing lots. Another significant fact generally overlooked is that there were a dozen empty beer glasses on Nobeling's table when the crowd broke into his room, which a servant says he had never seen there before.

MONDAY, June 10.

The English Government has abandoned the intention of the mobilization of the First Army Corps at Aldershot, and also informed the Indian Government that the contingent of native troops is not required.

A Bucharest telegram says the Chamber of Deputies has decided that the Roumanian representatives at Congress should inflexibly protest against the retrocession of Bessarabia.

Lord Beaconsfield left this afternoon to attend Congress. Several hundred persons gathered at the station.

Constantinople advices represent that the Bulgarians throughout Roumania are perpetrating horrible atrocities on Mussulmans. Gen. Todleben has ordered rigorous measures against outlaws. Three Bulgarians, taken red handed, were summarily executed at Dedeagatch.

All travelling in Bosnia is stopped, the highways and suburbs of Herajevo being infested with bands of robbers, principally Turkish deserters.

A Pera special says it is stated a recent Council of Ministers decided not to surrender any of the fortresses pending the debates in Congress.

Caratheodori Effendi is now appointed first Ottoman delegate to the Berlin Congress, Mehemet Ali the second, and Sadoullah Bey the third. Caratheodori Effendi is also appointed Minister of Public Works, Samih Pasha, Prefect of Police, and Said Pasha, Governor of Angora. Mehemet Ali has been replaced in command of the troops by Fuad Pasha.

A St. Petersburg despatch says it is believed Russia will set more importance on the guarantees for the state of things to be established by Congress than on the question of frontiers.

The *Daily News* publishes sensational despatches from Constantinople stating that the Sultan has completely lost his head, that a change of Sovereign and possibly of dynasty is imminent, that the party which wants to make Midhat Pasha Dictator is the strongest, that the Turkish army shows a mutinous spirit, and that great excitement exists in Stamboul.

It is announced six divisions of the Austrian army will soon be placed on a war footing.

A Bucharest despatch reports that it is feared the Russians intend to interrupt the march of the Roumanian troops and occupy Bucharest.

TUESDAY, June 11.

LONDON, June 10.—A despatch from Constantinople says great uneasiness continues to prevail.

Prince Gortschakoff, accompanied by Baron Jomini and Predericks, and several secretaries, has started for Berlin.

Prince Hohenlohe arrives at Berlin from Paris on Wednesday. The German embassy there will be left in charge of Count Von Wesdehlen, Councillor of the Legation.

A Constantinople despatch says Osman Pasha has been appointed Marshal of Palace. He retains the command of the army for the defence of Constantinople. Said Effendi, chief of the military household of the Sultan, has been appointed Minister of the Interior.

A Berlin correspondent says the Grand Duke Nicholas is disgusted with the Pacific turn of affairs, and intends to retire to his estates.

A Vienna correspondent says a meeting of the three Emperors is expected after the recovery of the Emperor William.

CAPETOWN, May 21.—An early cessation of the Kaffir wars is expected. Sandilli, chief of the Gaikas, sent word to the British commander that he wants to negotiate peace. The British authorities replied that they would accept an unconditional surrender only. This will probably soon follow.

WEDNESDAY, June 12.

All the plenipotentiaries will have arrived at Berlin on Wednesday except the Turkish, who cannot reach there before Friday or Saturday. The plenipotentiaries will be received on Wednesday in state audience by the Crown Prince. They will be conveyed to the palace in state carriages. On Thursday afternoon Congress will meet for the first time, and after the transaction of the necessary formalities, plenipotentiaries and the appointment of officials, the proceedings will be opened by Prince Bismarck as President, by submitting his memorandum of proposals, copies of which will be treated directly by the Plenipotentiaries, each of whom will receive a copy of this document. The business of the first sitting will be confined to a settlement of the question whether or not Congress shall invite Greece to participate in its transactions. A State banquet at the castle will be given to the Plenipotentiaries and their suites on Thursday or Friday evening. It is highly improbable that Roumania or Servia will be accorded direct access to Congress, either with full or consultative powers. The original anticipation that Congress would complete its labours in a fortnight is thought likely to be realised. Commissioners will then be sent to Turkey to settle details. The result of the Congress, it is anticipated here will not be unfavourable to Russia. She will probably get a portion of Bessarabia and Armenia, the latter including Kars and Ardahan certainly and perhaps also Batoum, but not Bayazid. Wilhelm Strauss is in a great stir of anticipation. Newspaper correspondents from all parts of the world are already at Berlin.

Lord Beaconsfield arrived at Berlin last evening. He was received by Lord Odo Russell and Count Von Bulow.

A Vienna correspondent says it seems most of the Plenipotentiaries are to arrive in Berlin either on Tuesday or Wednesday so that they will have an opportunity for meeting privately before meeting officially. Considering the number of visits and return visits which will have to be made in twenty-four hours, there will be little time for each of them. Still even the short time that will be available must be of some importance, affording, as it will, a first opportunity for exchanging ideas in direct personal intercourse, instead of indirectly through a medium of embassies and despatches.

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A Pera despatch says it consequence of Count Andrassy's desiring time for the plenipotentiaries to Congress to exchange views privately, it is probable the second sitting will be postponed until Monday.

At the request of Prince Gortschakoff complete secrecy is to be observed. An oath to that effect has been imposed on the plenipotentiaries and no print private reports of the sittings.

The Porte does not intend to make a stand against a declaration of the independence of Montenegro, Servia, or Montenegro's. It would, if unavoidable, consent to Montenegro's receiving the extension of territory proposed by the Constantinople Conference, and probably would not seriously contest Servia's claim to an extension on the right bank of the Morava. It seems to Turkey's efforts are to be concentrated on having as much as possible of Northern Bulgaria. It will claim that that portion of country east of the Lom and Vidi, Rustiq, so prominent in suppressing the students' riots there some time ago, was assassinated in the street on Thursday.

Mr. Lecavalier, the member for Jacques Cartier, is the Opposition whip in the Quebec Legislative Assembly, and Mr. Charles Langelier, member for Montmorency is the Government whip.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Toronto left this week *en route* for England, to attend the Pan Anglican Synod at Lambeth. During his absence Provost Whitaker will act as his Commissary.

A report has been current in Montreal since Saturday that Mr. C. J. Brydges has been offered a high appointment in connection with the Grand Trunk railway, and that he has the matter under consideration.

During the past six weeks, a Belleville firm who are engaged in exporting cattle to Europe have sold out $168,705 for stock, and the same firm have other stock of the value of $40,000 preparing for shipment.

It is stated that the teacher in Petersville, who is to be dismissed for cruelly beating children with a leather cat-o-nine-tails, added to the torture by fastening the victims to the floor during such castigations.

The Examining Committee of Plymouth Church, in secret session, have resolved to drop Mr. Clifton's name from the roll. Mrs. Clifton sent in a letter reiterating, it is understood, her statements concerning Beecher.

Lord Clanmorris is to be married on the 27th of June to Miss Gertrude Ward, only child and heiress of Robert Edward Ward, Esq., of Bangor Castle, a cousin of Captain Robert Frederick Ward, A.D.C. to the Governor-General.

La Minerve says that in the middle of the night succeeding the death of Judge Dorion, his political friends offered the vacant position to a Conservative member of the Local Legislature on condition that he would vote for Taillon, but

On Saturday 2,000 people assembled at Boston to witness the departure of William and Walter Andrews for Havre in the Nautilus, the smallest vessel that ever attempted to cross the ocean. The craft is 19 feet 2 inches long and 6 feet 4 beam.

The sentence of death passed upon Duncan Macdonald, for the murder of Roderick Munro, at Fort Albert, has been commuted to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary. The execution of Macdonald was to have taken place on Monday.

The Duke of Connaught, a London correspondent hints, wanted to marry the daughter of an Irish Earl, but her Majesty insisted on the alliance with the daughter of Prince Frederick Charles, considering that one subject in the family is enough.

The Middlesex County Council have under favourable consideration the proposal to erect a county poor-house. The amount now expended for relief annually is $5,249. It is thought that a saving of 100 per cent. can be effected by the building.

Private letters from London state that the late Duchess of Argyll was struck down by paralysis while seated at a dinner party. She was so prostrated that she could not be removed from the house of her friends, and died there at 4 o'clock the next morning.

Mr. Jno. M. Morton, son of the late Senator Morton, has been rescued from the Island of St. Paul, Alaska, where, with his wife, he was imprisoned nine months by ice. Four attempts were made to reach him. In one instance the vessel foundered, and all perished.

The United States Secretary of War, in response to Governor Hartranft's request has ordered the shipment of a quantity of arms for distribution to the Pennsylvania militia. The authorities of other States are corresponding with the Government concerning the same subject.

The Congress Committee of Public Lands will report favourably the bill providing that all public lands granted to certain telegraph and railroad companies which have not been earned shall be forfeited. The bill will restore one hundred million of acres to the public domain.

Lord Dufferin intends setting apart a suite of rooms at his country seat, to be known as the Canadian apartments, and which will be occupied by Lord Clandeboye. These rooms will be decorated with addresses and other tributes of respect paid his Excellency during his stay in Canada.

Statistics of the whole Province of Manitoba show that three times as many acres as were recorded during the same period last year have been taken up between the 1st of January and the end of May. The first town site has been laid out on the Little Saskatchewan; it is called Rapid City.

A delegation of merchants has waited upon the Ways and Means Committee of Congress and urged the imposition of a tax of ten cents per pound on tea, on the ground that it is a luxury and that the Chinese take advantage of the U. S. free ports of entry to crowd this market with inferior teas.

On Saturday evening Mr. Joly, the Premier of Quebec, was attacked on his way home from the House of Assembly, and would have been roughly handled had it not been for some of his friends, who happened to be near. His assailants are supposed to belong to the band of men on strike.

A farewell address has been presented to his Excellency the Governor-General by the Corporation of Ottawa in the Council Chamber. After his Excellency had replied, he held a levee, which was attended by a large number of citizens, who availed themselves of the opportunity to say good-bye.

Five negroes arrested at Bayou, Sara, La., for attempting to murder Dr. Archer last Sunday were examined on Tuesday at Raccourcez, and confessed they belonged to an organization whose object was to kill the leading white men in the county. The prisoners were taken from custody by force and hanged.

The general elections in Belgium are over. The results already known show that the Liberals have a majority of ten in the Chamber of Representatives and three in the Senate. The downfall of the present Catholic Ministry is certain, and last night it was reported in Brussels that the Government had already resigned.

The Grand Lodge of Masons of New York has adopted a resolution refusing to recognize as Freemasons persons belonging to a body denying or ignoring the existence of a Supreme Being. This refers to the recent action of the Grand Orient of France, which abolished the requisition of belief in the Supreme Being.

The Montreal Orange Young Briton band played from the Orange Hall in that city on Tuesday along St. James street, and embarked at the foot of McGill street on board the steamer for Huntington. In locking at St. Gabriel locks, there assembled several hundred people who threatened to attack the boat. The police were called out, but were not required.

American and Canadian agricultural implements, French journals unrivalled in Europe. Oregon and California wheat attracts great attention, also the mineral exhibit from the Pacific coast. The number of Articles sent for exhibition from this continent is double that sent to Paris in 1867, or to Vienna in 1873.

Petitions for the repeal of the Dunkin Act were presented to the County Council of Ontario on Friday, and a repeal by-law was introduced. Mr. E. King Dodds was heard for the Licensed Victuallers, and Mr. John C. Larke, of the Oshawa *Vindicator*, on behalf of a temperance deputation. A long discussion followed in the Council, resulting in the defeat of the repeal by-law.

Murray, the Manitoulin Island lunatic, who some time ago attacked Hon. Mr. Blake, called at the Ottawa police station on Tuesday morning and demanded of Chief Constable Langrell, the sum of two millions of dollars, which he said his Excellency the Governor-General had left with the Chief in order to pay him his claim against the Government. When told that no money had been left for him, he left.

The Comptesse de Paris has given birth to a daughter. The baby was born at 1 a.m., to the delight of its superstitious, for in the House of Orleans children coming into the world after midnight and before noon are declared to be lucky. Old Louis Philippe was particularly superstitious on this score, and never failed on these solemn family occasions to watch the clock with anxiety till the fatal hour had struck.

At Paris, two weeks ago, the father of Raoul Rigault, the young Red who, as the head of its Police Department, took a conspicuous part in the Commune of 1871, was discovered in destitution. His son the banker, and finally had his brains blown out by the officer who captured him, committed suicide. M. Rigault was a moderate Republican, and he broken completely with his rash son when the latter entered the Commune.

On the evening of her Majesty's birthday, the Queen gave a State ball at Windsor, the first in a time, at Windsor Castle, to which were invited with the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Germany, the Lord Chancellor, Lord Beaconsfield, Lord Salisbury, the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, the Duke and Duchess of Norfolk, and the Earls and Countesses of Bradford, Sydney, Rosebery, Spencer, Mount Edgcumbe and Beauchamp.

The betrothal of the Duke of Connaught was celebrated at Balmoral Castle on the 14th instant. By command of her Majesty all the tenantry, keepers, and household were assembled in the drawing room to the health of the Prince and his intended bride. At the appointed hour a large company assembled, and a numerous meeting of the tenantry. Later, the toasts included the health of the Queen, the Duke of Connaught, and his intended bride. They were drunk with Highland honours. Dancing followed.

On Sunday afternoon Mr. M. G. Foley, sergeant, the Montreal police magistrate, committed Messrs. Jas. Stewart, of the *Herald*, and Edward H. Goff to stand their trial at the September term of the Court of Queen's Bench on the charge of conspiring and libel. Mr. Stewart, on being asked if he had anything to say to the charge against him, declared that he was not guilty, and that the article was conspiracy was false. Mr. Stewart gave his own personal bond in the sum of $400 for his reappearance to answer the charge. Mr. Goff gave his personal bond for $800, with Messrs. A. W. Chaffee and Geo. Burden as sureties, who bound themselves jointly and severally for $400 more.

Crimes and Casualties.

A melancholy accident at Hamilton has occurred on Burlington Bay. The particulars, as far as learned, are that three young men, Jos. Nichol, Geo. Magill, and Merrill Discher having made arrangements for a sail Friday afternoon, hired a boat at the wharf about 3 p.m. in a fast craft, called the Swan, belonging to Mr. Bastin. After a good run before a steady breeze they reached the Beach in about time. The party then went into Fairchild's hotel, where they engaged in a game of ten pins. While playing the wind blew a fresh breeze, the spinney was false. Mr. Stewart gave his own personal bond in the sum of $400 for his reappearance to answer the charge. Mr. Goff gave his personal bond for $800, with Messrs. A. W. Chaffee and Geo. Burden as sureties, who bound themselves jointly and severally for $400 more.

Free Trade advocates put in an appearance, though discussion was invited. The feeling here is strongly in favour of a national policy. The Hon. Messrs. Cauchon and H. Fraser remained over to-day to form a branch League. Messrs. Fraser and Wright devote all of next week to holding meetings in the County of Peel. They will be at Brampton on Tuesday night, and Streetsville on Wednesday.

SOUTH BRUCE.

WALKERTON, June 8.—A meeting of the Reform convention of South Bruce was held at Paisley to-day, at which it was decided to nominate Mr. Blake as the party candidate at the coming election. A large deputation was appointed to wait on him on Tuesday next, and urge on the hon. gentleman the acceptance of the nomination.

BOTHWELL.

SOMBRA, Ont., June 7.—Mr. Hawkins' meeting at Wilkesport last night was one of the largest held in the village. All the great issues before the country were fully placed before the electors present, who were unanimous in favour of the Reform candidate. On the question of Protection to the farming products of the country, there was not a murmur of a small quantity of wheat given in hypocritical argument of the Grits that Protection means increased price for the necessaries of life. Here, as elsewhere in Bothwell, Mackenzie Free Traders are decidedly scarce. Many general political questions now before the country were discussed by Mr. Hawkins in that fair and candid way which carries conviction to all. A very large majority in this section of Sombra will be polled in favour of Mr. Hawkins, who won golden opinions by his fair and honorable style of argument. The last of the meeting rousing cheers were given for the Queen, Sir John Macdonald and Mr. Hawkins.

RUSSELL.

OTTAWA, June 10.—The Russell Conservative Convention to-day, at Duncanville, was a great success. Ninety-eight delegates, representing every township, and all of them influential men, presented their credentials. On the third count, Hon. John O'Connor was declared the nominee of the Convention having received a majority of votes. The other candidates were Messrs. Cummings, Dickinson, and Tyller. A general meeting of the electors was then held, at which the nomination was enthusiastically ratified. Speeches were made by Messrs. O'Connor, Cummings, Dickinson, C. H. Mackintosh, and Tyller. All the delegates expressed their intention of supporting Mr. O'Connor, and the meeting broke up with three cheers for Sir John Macdonald and the Conservative standard-bearer.

NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 10.—At a meeting of Liberal-Conservatives of Richmond county held at St. Peters, C.B., Mr. Murdoch McRae retired from the field as a candidate for the Local House, and Mr. Alexander McCuish, of St. Peters, was chosen in his place.

The announcement that the general elections will not come off till late in the season has made a lull in the political excitement. It is probable the Nova Scotia local elections will be held at the same time as the Dominion.

The Minister of Militia left town this morning for the eastern shore sections of this county, and will hold a series of meetings this week.

HALDIMAND.

CALEDONIA, June 11.—Last evening Mr. N. F. Davin addressed the largest political meeting ever assembled in the Village of York on the Grand River. There were over six hundred electors present. Mr. Davin delivered a long and able speech, and was listened to with great attention and was occasionally cheered to the echo. Mr. David Thompson, M.P., and Dr. Baxter, M.P.P., were both present, and made an abortive attempt to assail the positions taken by Mr. Davin, but failed to refute one single statement or argument adduced by that gentleman, and the sympathies of the audience were undoubtedly with the Liberal-Conservative candidate, although the meeting was held within a short distance of the residence of the member for Haldimand. Mr. Davin's prospects could not be more flattering. He is received with the greatest enthusiasm by the people wherever he goes. To-night he speaks at Cayuga at the Grand Trunk railway.

CARDWELL.

MONO MILLS, June 11.—The Liberal-Conservative convention met to-day. There was a very large attendance. The President, Dr. Lawrence, occupied the chair. It was moved by Mr. John Allan, and seconded by Mr. J. A. Ellis, and carried unanimously:—

"That this Association approves of the trade policy of her Majesty's Loyal Opposition in the House of Commons, and fully believes that it said policy was carried out by a competent Ministry it would do much to relieve the unparalleled distress which now overshadows all our industries, and that this Association pledges itself to support no candidate who does not approve of the trade policy of the present Opposition."

Moved by Mr. John Wallace, and seconded by Mr. Robt. Wilson, Reeve of Mono, and carried unanimously:—

"That this Association approves of the course taken by Mr. Dalton McCarthy in the House of Commons since his election, and that we do renominate him as our candidate for member for the next general election."

Mr. McCarthy was then sent for, and delivered a speech of about one hour and a half, exposing the mistakes and corrupt practices of the present Government, and ended by refusing the nomination to run again for Cardwell, staking his political existence upon North Simcoe.

Moved by Mr. McCort, and seconded by Mr. Judge, and carried:—"That this convention do now adjourn *sine die*."

PICTOU.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 11.—A grand Opposition demonstration took place at Pictou to-day. It was the largest gathering of electors for many years. Hon. James Macdonald, and Mr. Robert Doull, the former members, were nominated for the Dominion Parliament, and Messrs. Holmes, McKay and Cameron for the Legislature. Mr. Macdonald delivered a three hours' speech, and was enthusiastically received. Mr. Doull also addressed the electors. The election of both the Local and Dominion ticket is almost sure. The Local ticket will not be opposed, and possibly the others will not either.

Dr. Tupper was received in Pictou at ten o'clock. In spite of pouring rain many hundreds turned out to welcome him. A great procession with two bands of music and fireworks was formed. After it had gone the rounds of the town, Dr. Tupper addressed the people in an hour's speech. Cheers were given for Sir John Macdonald and Dr. Tupper and Mr. James Macdonald. The town was full of people from the outlying districts, and no such scene was ever witnessed there before. The despatches say the enthusiasm was immense.

QUEEN'S.

QUEEN'S COUNTY, N.S., June 11.—The Liberal Conservatives of Queen's Co., have nominated Messrs. Charles Allison and L. Ford as their candidates for the Local House.

LENNOX.

NAPANEE, June 11.—One of the largest political gatherings ever held in the counties of Lennox and Addington took place in the Conservative interest in the Town Hall this evening, which was packed to suffocation. Even the windows on the outside were filled. The chair was occupied by Mr. Wm. Ross, M.P., and the following gentlemen occupied the platform: Mr. Wm. Ross, M.P., Mr. Wright, M.P., Mr. Ira Mikel, Mr. Wm. Bell, Colquhoun Grant, Esq., and Mr. Wm. Bell. Colquhoun Grant spoke for two hours and twenty minutes, and the best of good order was maintained throughout. Mr. Patterson, M. P., of Brantford, occupied one hour and a half in reply, after which Mr. McDougall spoke for half an hour. The meeting was very orderly throughout.

JULY THE TWELFTH.

Intentions of the Montreal Organgemen.

MONTREAL, June 11.—The County and District Masters of the Orange lodges, in defining the position in a letter, say, believing that the rate, we are open to any body of men conducting themselves peaceably and without offence, they mean to proceed to public worship in a body on that day, but they intend, first, to comply strictly with the law embodied in the Blake Act, and will be unarmed; second, while on the streets, they will play no party tunes that can give any annoyance to others, whether it be reasonable or unreasonable for annoyance to be experienced at such demonstrations. They will thus trust themselves without means of personal defence to the protection which it is the duty of the civil and other authorities to afford to all persons, without distinction, until it becomes the duty of these authorities to interfere with them, which in that case must be done in virtue of and in accordance with the law, and by the hands of legal officials. As they propose to do nothing which will make such interference necessary, they expect the protection which is due to all peaceable persons. This is about the gist of the letter, and the *Evening Post*, a new Catholic daily paper, edited by Captain Kirwan, Catholic city member, says:—"All good citizens should support the authorities in their efforts to enforce the Blake Act, and then if there is a disturbance on the 12th, it will not do very much harm if the question is fought out in true Irish fashion with the traditional shillelagh, and we may be all the best of friends for it too."

POLITICAL PREPARATIONS.

SHELBURNE, N. S.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 6.—At a meeting of the Grit party in Shelburne a split took place in the party ranks. Mr. Thomas Robertson, defeated for the Local this spring by over 200 majority, was nominated as the candidate for the Commons in the Grit interest. Hon. Thos. Coffin, Receiver-General, left the building with his friends in disgust. Mr. R. W. Freeman is the Opposition candidate, and his chances are excellent.

SOUTH BRANT.

BRANTFORD, Ont., June 6.—A Grit Convention for the South Riding of Brant was held here to-day. Mr. W. Patterson, M.P., received the vote of the Convention for the House of Commons and Mr. A. S. Hardy, M.P.P., the vote for the Local Legislature, after which several speeches were made.

NORTH BRUCE.

PORT ELGIN, June 7.—A very large and enthusiastic meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association was held in the Temperance Hall here this evening. Very stirring and interesting addresses were delivered by Messrs. Sproat and Biggar, the nominees of the Conservative party for the Dominion and Local House respectively. Able speeches were also delivered by Mr. Reeve, the President of the Liberal-Conservative Association of the North Riding of Bruce, Mr. John George, President of the Port Elgin Association, and Mr. Samuel Bright, the President of the Young Men's Liberal-Conservative Association of Port Elgin. Unanimous and hearty vote of thanks was tendered Messrs. Sproat and Biggar for the very able manner in which they had proved the falsity of Mr. Mackenzie's promises, *&c.* Every confidence was expressed in redeeming the constituency at the coming election. Reports received from all parts of the riding bring the most encouraging news. Men who have hitherto been life-long Reformers, and who have become utterly disgusted with the Mackenzie-Cartwright mal-administration are now throwing their whole strength into the Conservative ranks. Mr. Sproat's election is considered merely a formality. Active canvassing is now going on in different parts of the riding, with most encouraging results. There will be another meeting of the Reeves of the riding shortly, when Mr. Sproat will be present and define his policy more fully.

Col. D. L. Macpherson is expected here about the 20th of this month, when he will defend himself against the accusations which have been made against him by some members of the Grit party.

NORTH LEEDS AND GRENVILLE.

MERRICKVILLE, Ont., June 6.—A Conservative convention held here this afternoon decided on a candidate for the ensuing election, Mr. C. F. Ferguson was unanimously chosen.

EAST YORK.

MARKHAM, June 8.—A meeting held here last night under the auspices of the Dominion National League was addressed by Messrs. W. H. Fraser and A. W. Wright. Mr. James Speight was in the chair.

THE ST. MARY'S MYSTERY.

Arrest of Dr. Ford, the Ex-Mayor on the Charge of Poisoning Guest.

ST. MARY'S, Ont., June 8.—The inquest on the mysterious death of Mr. Robert Guest is now in progress before Coroner Harrison. It will be remembered that on Tuesday evening deceased came running home about midnight, and while telling his friends that he had been poisoned by Dr. Ford, ex-Mayor, was seized with convulsions, and died in a few minutes.

Dr. Ford was arrested at the Tecumseh House, London, on Wednesday. He said to the constable that he couldn't understand why they should suspect him, as he had always been on good terms with deceased. The inquest began on Wednesday. Mr. Hayes, County Attorney, appeared for the Crown, and Mr. O. W. Ermatinger for the prisoner. Dr. Ford is forty years old, six feet in height, and as straight as an arrow. He has dark hair, rather thin over the temples, and wears a full beard, with thin features and a prominent straight nose. He was dressed in a black frock coat and black vest and pants, and looked very pale. During the taking of the evidence he appeared to be perfectly cool, and chatted easily with his counsel, sometimes smiling at different points in the evidence.

Several witnesses testified that they saw deceased at or near Dr. Ford's office just before he started for home.

THOMAS GUEST, deceased's brother, said on Tuesday evening he parted from him about 7 o'clock; on the stroke of midnight, witness heard deceased running up the steps and up into the bedroom where witness's room and said "Tom, I've been drugged;" he complained of great pain in his stomach, and groaned horribly; the sister came into the room and asked him to go down stairs; he did so; he drank some salt water, and he vomited considerably; she afterwards gave him rum and water; deceased threw himself on the bed and groaned terribly; witness asked him where he had been and after some hesitation, deceased said he had been with Dr. Ford; witness said, "I guess you've been drinking;" he said that he had not drank a drop, but that he had been drugged. Witness ran for Dr. Wilson and in the doctor's presence deceased said he had been drugged him and he answered "That fellow Ford;" he died a few minutes afterward.

SARAH GUEST, deceased's sister, corroborated her brother's testimony. Deceased said to her "I've been drugged; they have been trying it on me several times." They were unable to converse with him for any length of time as he was seized with