#### Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EV'G, AUG. 28, 1874.

The Last of Little Mrs. Among the many ridiculous charges brought by Rykert and Lauder against Mr. McKellar, and which have peen industriously circulated and persistently kept up by the Tory papers, was the one of purchasing and keeping in his private room a chromo of "Little Mrs. ——." Who this now famous lady was, or where she came from, has never transpired. But it was attempted to ascribe to her some sort of mysterious questionable character, and it was also attempted to excite a suspicion in men's minds that it was very questionable propriety on the part of Mr.

McKellar to display her charms on Rukert and asked leave to submit evidence of asked leave to submit evidence of men's minds that it was very ques. Lauder claim the purchase of the picture among one of Mr. McKellar's extravagancies, and its display in the category of the lesser immoralities. The Tory papers seized on the story with hungry avidity, and exhausted their shallow wit in twisting and turning it into all sorts of shapes—invariably ending with a mock display of ould then be inquired into, and he could then be punished for the acts committed in that election.

On Thursday Mr. Wm. Wooden, of Eurford, fell from a building on which he perfectly sickening, and most of them—with the exception of two or three of the more shameless sheets—were ashamed to allude to it any more. The other day in an unguarded moment Rykert confessed it was all a joke, and told how the story originated but the soon repented of his candour, and sought aday or two after to deny his own confession.

Mr. McKellar has at last deemed it worth while to notice the story, for the purpose of knocking the bottom out of it, which he has effectually done. In answer to a note sent by him to Messrs. Ewing & Co., photographers, Toronto, that firm states that the picture of "Little Mrs.—" was selected by Mr. J. S. Macdonald and Mr. Scott in the fall of 1871, at their shop, and sent, with a number of other pictures which had been ordered, to the Parliament Buildings.

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Buildings.

This gives the quietus to the story of "Little Mrs.—." The way it has been kept up, however, shows to what desperate straits the Tories are put to, to find some charge againstMr. McKellar, and that in their failure to find any real ground of accusation, they have trumped up and kept circulating for more than two years a miserable, petty, insignificant story, which all the time those who kept it going knew to be a lie. Verily a cause which requires the fabrication of such canards is desperate indeed.

#### The Clifford Pic-nic.

The Conservatives in and about Clifford held their long-talked of pic. nic on Wednesday, and as Messrs. Lauder, Rykert and Boultbee were announced to speak, curiosity to see and hear this trio of worthies drew together quite a large assemblage. The defeated of North Wellington— Mr. Drew-presided. The disappoin ted young man of the Guelph Herald was there, and of course pitched into both Governments, finishing up, no doubt, with an account of the way he was euchred out of the nomination for the Local House in the North Riding, after being promised it by Mr. Drew. Lauder, Rykert, Boultbee, and others followed, and of course they one and all pitched into the twoGovernments-for which into the twoGovernments—for which purpose they had expressly gone to Clifford. They had it all their own way, and we hope feel quite satisfied with their performance. We are amused at the Mail putting Mr. P. Gow among the speakers. Men like Rykert, Lauder and Boultbee like to get among decent company, but we must inform our contemporary that the member for South Wellington was not there, and would not have been seen among such a lot of unprincipled adventurers.

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THE Elora Standard has again suspended, the bailiff having seized the office for back rent. Better throw up the sponge at once, and let the poor thing die easy.

The Manitoban of the 15th instant,

states that it has information to the effect that one hundred men were then at work on the Pacific Railway

REPORTS of the extreme dullness of the lake shipping trade are coming from all the principal ports. Not only are sailing vessels laid up, but propellers and tugs are following suit. Grain from the west is the principal article of freight, and the great competition among first.c. has vessels has produced the inevita ble result—a great reduction in freights.

NORTH WENTWORTH .- The Reform Convention for this Riding met at Dundas, cm Thursday, to nominate a candidate for the Local Legislature at the nex. t election. There was a good attendance, eighty-two delegates being present. Mr. R. Christie, at 10:45. the present member, was nominated and received from the Convention a pledge of its unanimous support.
Mr. Christie was first elected in 1867.
He has been a faithful and efficient representative, and at the coming election will receive the hearty support of every Reformer in North Wentworth.

Mr. J. P. MacMillan is doing good service to Glengarry, his native place, in trying to stir up the settlers in that section to borrow some of the spirit and energy of their fellow countrymen in the western part of the Province, especially Wellington.

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Not long ago in the Cornwall Gazette he showed them the importance of making good roads such as we have in this County, and now in a letter which appeared in the last issue of that paper, he points out the advantages of instituting monthly fairs. He presents so many arguments in favour of these markets, and presents the matter in such a clear light that we should think the farmers there would set about this matter at once. At all events Mr. MacMillan deserves their thanks in seeking to advance their interests, and the prosperity of his native County.

IMPORTANT DECISION.—A decision of great importance, in view of the Not long ago in the Cornwall Gazette

great importance, in view of the many contested election cases now awaiting trial, was given at Windsor by Chief Justice Hagarty who tried the Essex contested election. In

corrupt acts on the part of petitio-er, Hon. J. O'Connor, the Chief Justice ruled that recriminatory evi-Justice ruled that recriminatory evi-dence was not admissable where the seat was not claimed for the defeated candidate, but in the event of a new election arising out of the result of this trial, and the defeated candidate should again offer as a candidate, his corrupt practices at the last election could then be inquired into, and he could then be punished for the acts committed in that election.

SMART—In Guelph, on the 15th inst., the wife of Mr. J. W. Smart, of a daughter.

#### DEATHS.

HALEY- Died at Guelph, on the 27th inst., Ellon, the beloved wife of John Haley, aged 61 years.
Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend the funeral from her husband's resi-dence, Queen street, over Allan's Bridge, on Sunday at 3 p. m.

#### Fall Exhibitions.

CENTRAL-Guelph, Sept. 15 and three fol OENTRAL—Gueipi, Sept. 17 and 18.
NORTH HURON—Blyth, Sept. 17 and 18.
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WESTERN—London, Sept. 22 and three clowing days.
ERANGSA—Rockwood, Tuesday, Sept. 29.
NORMANIY—Ayton, Wednesday, Sept. 39.
SOUTH WATERLOO — Galt, 20th and 30th september.

September.

WEST FIAMBORO—Dundas, Oct. 1 and 2.

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NORTH BRUCE—Port Elgin, Friday. Oct. 2.
CENTRAL—Hamilton, Tuesday, Oct. 6, and
three following days
Sorgen Runne Hunox—Exeter, Oct. 6 and 7.
EMIN—Erin Village, Wed. Oct. 7.
WOOLWICH—Elmira, Wed. Oct. 7.
NASSAGAWEYA—Haltonyille, Wed. Oct. 7.
LUTHER—Little Toronto, Wed., Oct. 7.
BOUTH GREY—Durham, Wed., Oct. 7.
ECHARAD WALLACE—Listowel, Oct. 7and 8.
WEST GRAFFRAXA—Douglas, Thursday,
Oct. 8.

WEST GARAFIANA—Douglas, Thursday lot. 8.
CALEDON—Charleston, Oct. 8 and 9.
NORTH WELLINGTON — Drayton, Friday lot. 9.
EGREMONT—Holstein, Friday, Oct. 9.
PUSLINGH—Aberfoyle, Friday, Oct. 9.
NORTH WATERLOO—BOFILD, Oct. 13 and 14

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