

THE VERDICT.
Other witnesses who, however, show no light on the subject, were examined this week and after an able charge by Coroner Hamilton the jury failed to agree, five wishing to find Mr. Osborne, and Harry and Elias Osborne, guilty of willful murder and two finding of opinion that deceased came to his death by blows on the head, but expressing no opinion as to how they were inflicted.
The prisoners, having before been committed for trial, were sent back to Dorchester jail.

Election Cards. TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—I offer my services as one of your representatives in the General Assembly, and respectfully solicit your support. If you do not elect me, I will be glad to have my name put forward by any independent party.

Your obedient servant,
ALLAN A. DAVIDSON.
Newcastle, 15th May, 1878.

CARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—I beg to inform you that I will be a candidate for your representation in the General Assembly for the Local Assembly. In the small compass of an Election Card it is impossible to do more than touch upon the political questions which have been before the Assembly for the past four years, or which will be before it in the near future. Therefore, I will only say that as your Representative for the past term, I have pursued an independent course, and one which was calculated to benefit this County.

At the public meetings which will be held in the different Parishes of the County before Polling day, I will take the opportunity of giving my views at length on these questions.
Meantime I have the honor to be your
L. J. TWEEDIE.

CARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—At the request of a large majority of the Electors residing on the South West River I have consented to offer as a Candidate at the coming Election for the Local Assembly of this Province.
If elected I will deal fairly with all measures affecting the County, and will use every effort to secure the best measures which place us at the mercy of the Southern portion of this Province.
Your Obedient Servant,
ROBERT SWIM.

CARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—Write having been issued for a General Election, I am now a Candidate for your suffrages to represent your interest during the next four years in the Local Assembly of this Province.

From a long residence amongst you, and a close intimacy with the requirements of the County, I shall be able to give you the best assistance towards furthering your interests.
I shall advocate a better system of collecting, and a reduction of the Stampage, the building of the Miramichi Valley Railway, and the formation of a pure, prudent and economical Government to administer the affairs of this Province.

Soliciting your support,
I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your Obedient servant,
THOS. F. GILLESPIE.
Chatham, May 21, 1878.

ELECTION CARD!

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—I shall be a Candidate at the approaching Election for the General Assembly of this Province. Should you honor me with your support I shall feel bound to give you the best assistance towards furthering your interests in the Province, and of this County in particular.

I am, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
E. HUTCHISON.

OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—The term of the Local Legislature expired on the 1st inst. and I have the honor to be your Representative.

I again offer as a Candidate and should I be elected I will be able to give you the best assistance towards furthering your interests in the Province, and of this County in particular.

I am, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
MICHAEL ADAMS.
Newcastle, 15th May, 1878.

CARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND.

GENTLEMEN:—You are to be called upon with a view to elect four representatives in the New Brunswick Assembly, and in response to the request of a large number of your body, I have determined to offer for the seat which I now hold.

It is commendable that leading and experienced citizens should appear in the Provincial Assembly, and I think you will agree with me that it is not only a duty, but a privilege to be called upon to represent the County of Northumberland.

Having been one of your representatives during the past four years, my record is before you, and while making no irrelevant comparisons I feel that I can claim to have acted consistently and in such a manner that while conserving the interests of the Province, I have also assisted in securing for my County her full share of consideration in the distribution of public patronage.

It has so happened that I have, in the past, supported the Government of the day, and I did so because I considered that course the best in the interests of the Province, as well as of my constituents, and also because I had no desire to stir up feelings of animosity, simply for the sake of change, and without the prospect of any real benefit to the County.

Before the elections come off I hope to visit every part of the County, and while I am desirous of meeting and consulting with my friends, I am equally anxious to meet those who may be opposed to me, and to answer personally any independent action on my political course.

WM. SWIM.

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CHATHAM, THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 1878.

The Election.

Our candidates have had their say to the electors, and on Saturday next the latter will have their turn. Those who attended at the Court House on Tuesday were, doubtless, disappointed with the proceedings with the colored character of the speeches of the gentlemen who secured nomination. It is fair to assume, therefore, that the voting on Saturday next will be largely governed by individual preferences and issues not exclusively connected with local politics.

The cause of the apparently indifferent and certainly placid state of the electoral mind is made plain by the fact, as I am saying, that after a storm comes calm. The last election was the storm and the present one its antithesis. The School Question engendered strong feelings on both sides, and in the prejudices of the hour, individual merit, apart from the one requisite—a direct declaration for or against "the ticket"—was entirely ignored. Like the Israelites and Philistines before the duel between David and Goliath, the respective forces stood on mountain, one against the other, and there was a valley between them. Their blood was up and the fight was short and decisive. Whether the School Law and the future interests of education in New Brunswick were at stake or not, a large majority of the electors were made to believe that they were, and every man did what he considered his duty. Since that time the electors have been indulging in sober second thought, and there are not a few of them asking whether those who were elected four years ago have done their whole duty, even in the matter on which the elections entirely turned. The respective forces have left the mountains and now seem to mingle in the valley which separated them four years ago. They are satisfied that the Educational Question is a settled one, so far as, at least, the present generation is concerned, and they turn their attention to matters which have had a secondary place in their political thoughts and are, we believe, earnestly bent upon making a discriminating choice of their representatives for the next four years, without regard to old animosities.

The fact that the Dominion election is but a few months off and that it is expected to be a rather exciting one in Northumberland, also tends to maintain an apparent indifference in reference to the Local contest, for in the former there is a young, strong, and vigorous party pitted against an old and experienced one, whose strength though on the wane, is sufficient to wound in defence. Neither of these parties, such appears to be disposed to enter into the present contest, each, doubtless, reserving its real strength for that coming on later in the season. If the leading men of either of these parties were to make any extraordinary effort in favor of any particular candidate or set of candidates, it might have the effect of being looked upon as a challenge by those of the other side, and the local elections might, in that way, be made to turn on questions entirely different from the real ones at issue.

Happily, however, the people are left to exercise their discretion in depositing their ballots free from extraneous influences or party questions that perhaps, ever before. So far as we have heard, no candidate who has any chance of election in this County is pledged to do any more, in dealing with the Government, than allow his judgment to guide him in his course in the Legislature. It is sheer nonsense for any man to pledge himself to oppose the Government, when that body is in a chrysalis state. So far as the re-organization has gone it is, we believe, acceptable to the large majority of the people of this Province. When it is completed the whole body may or may not be acceptable to our representatives, and the latter will exercise the discretion which the constituency will place in their hands on Saturday next. At all events we sincerely hope that the men chosen will be of caliber that will enable them to rise above personal prejudices and prejudices when the interests of the County demand it. The representatives of Northumberland should, as soon as they are elected, endeavor to harmonize any personal or other differences which may exist between them, in order that they may act unitedly in their representative capacity—for the interests of the County which are affected by Provincial legislation are of that character and importance that there should be concert of action on the part of her four members. Any other course must weaken the prestige of the County and, as a natural consequence, lessen the effect with which her just claims might otherwise be enforced.

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Good Advice from the Premier.

Hon. Mr. Mackenzie stated to an Orange deputation in Toronto on Thursday that he had no power to order out the military to protect the Orange procession in Montreal on the 12th July. The military could only be called out on the request of the civil authorities, and he advised a representation being made to Mayor Beaudry. To this the deputation replied that this course would be useless; they pointed out that under the Black Act if they went down, immediately on the train entering the County of Hochelaga, they would be searched and any weapons they might have taken from them. Mr. Mackenzie said that was the law, and as a friend advised that the Orangemen in Montreal should be hit to themselves, when they might be allowed to walk in peace, but if large bodies of Orangemen from Ontario went down it would be looked upon as a challenge, and there would, probably, be bloodshed.

BRILLIANT.—The Halifax *Herald* has given to the world another evidence of its acuity by discovering a typographical error in the *MIRAMICHI ADVANCE*.

THE JOLY GOVERNMENT in Quebec was sustained in the election of their Speaker. The true test of their strength, however, will come on the Address.

THE AUDITOR GENERAL.—A despatch from Ottawa states that Mr. J. Lora McDougall, M. P., of South Renfrew, is to succeed Mr. Langton as Auditor General.

MADAWASKA.—Mr. Theriault, the late member for Madawaska was returned by acclamation in that County on Wednesday last. Mr. Theriault has been a strong supporter of the Government during the past eight years.

YORK is promised a contest over the matter of representation in the Dominion Commons, Mr. Fisher of the *Reporter* undertaking to beat John Pickard, Esq. Mr. Fisher was not joking, but there is much risk and can indulge in political luxuries.

SUNBURY.—Charles Burpee, Esq., is sure of his return to the Commons in Sunbury. In the local contest the "ticket" is Mr. Perley a member of the Government, and Mr. Covert, Leader of the Opposition—rather a peculiar combination.

WESTMORELAND has two "tickets" for the Local Assembly. One is composed of Messrs. Landry, Killam, Hamilton and Black, the other of Messrs. McQueen, Humphrey, Wood and McKennie. The first named is considered the strongest.

SALMON HATCHING.—Some of the papers are publishing paragraphs concerning the distribution of young salmon in the rivers of the Maritime Provinces. It is to be regretted that the frauds heretofore perpetrated in connection with Salmon culture in this vicinity have rendered many persons very sceptical concerning the truth of the announcements thus made.

THE DOMINION ELECTIONS.—Some of our contemporaries still stick to it that the Dominion Elections are to come off within a few weeks. It is a little insignificant that whatever Sir John's big organ, the *Toronto Mail*, says, the second and third stage organs repeat. As stated in last week's *ADVANCE*, however, the Dominion Elections are not to come off until the autumn.

THE P. E. ISLAND FISHWOMEN.—Quite a large number of herring were caught in Launching Bay during last week. One boat reports having succeeded in taking about two hundred barrels. It is pretty certain that the herring fishery at the Magdalen is a positive failure this year, and in consequence of this the demand for herring, which is commonly used for bait in mackerel fishing, must be very great.

PECULIAR DOCTRINE.—A good many of the persons present at the County Court House on Tuesday went away impressed with the idea that some of the Candidates believed it to be a sin that the Province should have any Government which did not exactly meet their views. Should these gentlemen be elected they will find that with all their brilliant and original ideas of such matters, they will be obliged to hide their light under a bushel, or have their theories laughed at.

MASS MEETING, TORONTO.—A despatch dated Toronto May 31st says that notwithstanding all precautions to exclude disorderly people, a large obnoxious element gained admittance to the Workingmen's mass meeting, last night, and kept up an almost continuous cheering and groaning. Reformers are very indignant at the Tory tactics. Mr. Mackenzie spoke three hours. In acknowledging a vote of thanks, he incidentally spoke of the elections a few months hence.

PROMOTING "THE REACTION".—There was much talk to the effect that a "four hundred dollar" book-case presented to Sir John A. Macdonald by the working-men of Brantford. It is difficult to see why working men should be so very anxious to make Sir John presents, but it is easy to see that political capital can be cheaply made in this manner. The *Expositor*, a Liberal paper, published at Brantford, says that the book-overs which one hundred talk has been made cost just one hundred and ten dollars, and that not one-fifth of this sum was contributed by working men.—St. John Globe.

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