

The Huron Signal

DEVOTED TO COUNTY NEWS AND GENERAL INTELLIGENCE

GODERICH, ONT., FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 1886.

THIRTY-NINTH YEAR.
WHOLE NUMBER 200.

THE HURON SIGNAL
Is published every Friday Morning, by Mc
GILLIVRAY BROS., at their Office, North St.
GODERICH, ONTARIO.

And is despatched to all parts of the surround
ing country by the earliest mails and trains.
Terms.—\$1.50 in advance, postage free, paid
by publishers; \$1.75, if paid for six months
\$2.00 if not so paid. This rate will be strictly
enforced.

FRIDAY, MARCH 19th, 1886.

Another graphic letter from our New
Orleans correspondent, A. L. McGraw,
will appear in our next. The grand
carnival is described in a series of wood
pictures that bring the scenes vividly
before the eyes of the reader.

GODERICH is to be represented at the
Ontario Exhibition by a number of
photographic views of the town, fitted
for the stereoscope. R. Bellows has
already furnished a number, and also
some views of our summer hotel, the
Point Farm. These views will be a good
advertisement for Goderich.

This Court of Revision for the West
Riding of Huron will be held in Goderich
on Tuesday, the 6th of April. A
week's notice is required to be given to
the revising officer of all applications
to amend the list, and in case where a name
is asked to be struck off the person ob
jected to must also be notified at the same
time and in proper form.

Junos Toms, of Huron, who, although
a Conservative, is regarded as a reliable
authority on all matters regarding voters
lists, says that from a careful view of the
Dominion and Ontario Franchise Acts
he has come to the conclusion that there
will be about an equal number of voters
on the list. Judge Toms, who is revising
barrister for South Huron, ought to
know more about the matter than the
hard-brained Tory journalists who take
an opposite view.

Sir John Macdonald has admitted that
Hon. John O'Donohoe was offered a
Cabinet position, but that it was found
that he would be a weakness to the
Government and he was afterward
thrown overboard, and Hon. Frank
Smith was substituted in his stead. The
premier has become so alarmed by the
"pickles" that it is said the Hon. John
has been appointed to a judgeship, in
room of the late Justice Morrison. What
will the "treaty loil" brethren say now?

At the convention held in Brussels to
nominate a candidate to contest East
Huron in the Reform interest, Dr. Mc
Donald, of Wingham, was selected for
standard-bearer. A better man for the
position could not have been chosen.
Possessed as he is of an unblemished
reputation, first class oratorical abilities,
a clear and comprehensive mind, and an
intelligent knowledge of public events
and the past history of this country, we
look confidently for his election at the
next political contest in East Huron.
He will prove an agreeable and pleasant
change to the present incompetent re
presentative.

MONDAY last Farrow's (East Huron)
motion in favor of paying indemnity
to members sick at home was next in
order, when Sir Hector Langvins moved
in amendment that the discussion of
Landry's motion on the death of Riel
take precedence. An animated discus
sion was the result and a division was
called for, when the edifying spectacle
of the member for East Huron voting
against his own motion was presented.
There is no absurdity or inconsistency
Farrow will not be guilty of to obey the
behests of his lords and masters—the
members of the Government. It is time
his marionette was removed.

Up to the time of our going to press
no denial of the McCormick N. P. con
fessionary falsehood has appeared in the
Star. This is not right. The Star
editorially attributed to Mr. McCormick,
of London, an N. P. speech that was
never delivered; Mr. McCormick denied
that he ever made the little N. P.
speech; but the Star which published
the falsehood, has not had the honesty
to publish the denial. It did that some
thing with regard to its publication of
the falsehood against M. C. Cameron
M. P. The truly good editor of the Star
must be away on vacation, and the
wicked hired man is evidently running
the "maheen."

THE KANSAS BUGABOO.

In the session of 1880 great claims
were made by the Government that the
C. P. R. would cause the Northwest to
blossom like the rose, and would so in
crease the population of Manitoba and
the other western provinces that a popu
lation of at least 550,000 would be the
result in something like a decade. The
Conservatives who were advocating the
interests of the Canada Pacific Railway
pointed to Kansas, and in glowing lan
guage showed what marvellous strides
that State had made since the introduc
tion of a through line of railway. Mr.
Blake took exception to the spread-eagle
oratory of Sir Charles Tupper and the
other stretchers on the occasion, and
gave good and sufficient reasons for the
faith that was in him. He contended
that even if the conditions of climate
and surroundings were similar, the
growth promised was abnormal, and
far superior to even the phenomenal ad
vancement of the most progressive of
the Western States. Besides, Mr. Blake
contended, the provisions of the
Canadian Government's Northwest regu
lations were sufficient, if all other things
were equal, to retard the prosperity and
increase of population of the country.
The following called paragraphs are often
trotted out by the Hamilton Spectator
and other Tory organs as evidence of Mr.
Blake's want of patriotism, but when
carefully examined, they will only prove
the forthright and intelligent discernment
of the Liberal leader.

"We were correctly told that Kansas had
increased from 200,000 in 1870, to 550,000 in
1879, thus showing an increase in nine years
of 275,000. There is no doubt, I believe,
that this State has shown the most
remarkable development in the history of
the world. With all these advantages, with
all these prospects of an unimpeded progress,
with that large domestic and foreign recruit
ing ground, to which I have before alluded,
we find her increase of population in nine years
was but 275,000, and we are told that the (Can
adian) Northwest, without the advantages
that were possessed by Kansas, is to have an
increase through immigration of 550,000 in
eleven years."

We are willing to allow the disjointed
extracts above to go without their con
texts, so that the Spectator will not be able
to say that we have misquoted its situa
tion; and we now ask the Hamilton
Tory organ, if Mr. Blake was not right
in his contention, and if time has not
proved him to have been a true prophet.
Mr. Blake, it will be observed, pointed
out a few facts which showed that no
true analogy could be drawn between
the state of Kansas and the province of
Manitoba, which facts were not in any
way detrimental to the latter place.

1. He accepted the claim of the Tories
that Kansas had made the large increase
of 400,000 to the population in the nine
years from 1870 to 1879. But it had
300,000 to start with.

2. He believed that to be the most
remarkable development in the history
of the world. Can any one point to a
more rapid increase? No other State of
the Union had equalled it.

3. He showed that even four years
before this rapid settlement began
Kansas was the twenty-fourth in rank as
a corn producer, and so had the start of
Manitoba or any other new country,
however prolific or blessed by nature.

4. Kansas had such peculiar advan
tages over the other states that in a
dozen years it sprang into the front rank
of grain producing states. This reflects,
if it reflects at all, on the other states,
not upon Canada.

5. Kansas had a recruiting ground of
forty millions to our four or five mil
lions—a wonderful aid to rapid settle
ment.

7. Mr. Blake then sensibly said if
Kansas with all these advantages of pre
vious settlement and high position at the
start as a corn producing country, and a
recruiting ground of ten times the extent
of ours, had increased but 400,000 in
nine years, we could hardly expect Man
itoba to make an increase of 550,000 in
eleven years.

Where is the glorification of Kansas as
contrasted with Manitoba? Where is
the unparliamentary utterance, even in this
mutilated extract?

The conditions were as Mr. Blake had
represented. The Northwest land re
gulations, (which have since been modi
fied) proved a bar to the settlement; the
railway monopoly also deterred emi
grants from going to Manitoba, and the
result has been that although over half
the number of years specified has passed,
the increase in population gives no evi
dence of running over the half million
at the end of the term. If Mr. Blake
had, like Mr. Tupper, been guilty of

the "maheen."

BACK TOWNSHIP JOURNALISM.

Somebody prints a little sheet out in
Howick township. We haven't the honor
of his acquaintance, but he's a terrible
fellow in his own estimation. When he
wants to squelch a newspaper, he just sits
on it, and it is crushed. The following
is a sample of his ornate and flowery
style.

"Comrades of the Goderich Signal, have
you ever tried of abusing the *Mail*, and last
week came down on the *Vidette* for debar
ring the price of printing the *Howick* *News*.
If he got a list to print and did so bet
ter work on it than he does on his large black
sheet of long standing and indomitable
would not get twelve cents for a whole list
much less twelve cents per name."

That allusion to the "make-up" of THE
SIGNAL will be news to the newspaper
men of Canada, and the readers of THE
SIGNAL, but notwithstanding the opin
ion of the Howick township "journalist"
we will on no condition adopt the cheap
and handsome get up of his sheet. By
the way if any of our readers would like
to see a copy of this backwoods literary
curiosity they can do so by calling at
this office.

From the appearance of the *Vidette* we
are unable to determine whether the per
son who prints it knows anything about
the business or not, but the following
from a gentleman who knows the Howick
township sheet, and the individual
who pulls the handpress on it, was pub
lished in last week's *Star*, and our read
ers can judge for themselves.

"An article copied from the *Vidette* headed
"Effects of the N. P." appeared in the *Star* last
week. Your correspondent is familiar with
the whole transaction, and that's it in the
language of justice and common decency that
should be referred to. The printing referred
to was principally labels, out and gunned,
such workmanship as was set, we believe,
attempted in Canada until recently, and they
are, as well as the few billboards that are
scattered about, the only thing of the kind
added, about one-fifth the price paid the
Vidette man for labels printed on common
paper not out or gunned. We believe
in encouraging home industry wherever it
is worthy of the name, but the *Vidette* should
not have coured comparison between the
Yankee work and the miserable attempt he
had made at printing labels."

The last editor in Gorrie was named
Green. The present incumbent is
evidently green with a little "c."

REV. J. P. MOLFEY'S lecture on Wed
nesday, which is very fully reported this
week, is one that will give much more
satisfaction to those of his own faith
than to Protestants; and this is very nat
ural. However, we join hands with
this earnest priest in the stand he takes
for "Home Rule for Ireland. It is one
that Canadians of every creed and ex
traction can endorse.

M. C. CAMERON, M. P.

His Great Speech on the Landry
Motion.

Regarded as a Masterpiece of Legal Argu
ment and Parliamentary Eloquence.

The four hours' speech made on the
Riel question by M. C. Cameron, our
representative in the House of Commons,
is said to have been one of the ablest
contributed to the debate. We regret
that the synopsis given in this week's
issue is so very imperfect, (by contrast
ing it with the official report in the *Har
vard* it is too meagre to give even a faint
outline of the argument), but some of
the points made will be given in our
columns in detail from time to time. We
will give more especially those portions
of it that the Tories take the most ex
ception to. The full speech is one that
deserves careful perusal; the newspaper
reports of it, being necessarily abridged,
cannot do it justice.

The following comments of the press
will show what is thought of this great
speech in the country.

—*London Advertiser*.
Mr. Wallace was followed by Mr.
Cameron, of Huron, who made upon this
subject perhaps the ablest speech that he
has yet made in Parliament.

There was a manly ring about his
speech that cannot fail to touch a sym
pathetic chord in the country.

—*Toronto World*.
West Huron Cameron brought in some
new and hard matter that will have to
be well answered to dispose of his charges
against the Government of catering to
Orange taste in executing the rebel
chief.

Laurier is expected to make the great
effort of the debate, but he will have
to hustle to beat Cameron, whose speech
is considered here to have been the best
he ever made.

The magnificent oration by Mr.
Cameron of Huron, which occupied nearly
four hours in delivery, so impressed
some of the spectators that many were
heard to exclaim, that if it had been de
livered before the jury at Regina, Riel's
life would have been spared. The open
debarment of Mr. Cameron, that speak
ing for himself, he intended to support
Mr. Landry's motion, was a bombshell
thrown into the ministerial camp. The
ministerialists had never expected it—
they had been counting on an almost
solid opposition vote with the govern
ment and so effect the *Bleu* defection—
but here was the first speaker on the
Liberal side—and an influential man in
the party—boldly declaring his intention
of supporting Mr. Landry's motion and
actually supporting it by an able and ex
haustive speech. The effect of the latter
will be to widen the breach between the
independent *Bleus* and the administration;
and to draw the former closer to the
Liberal party. The latter, of course,
leaves every individual member to vote
according to individual convictions in
this matter and free from party restraint;
but the moral effect of a prominent Lib
eral like Mr. Cameron delivering a
speech such as that which intensely in
terested the house last night, must be
satisfactory to the independent *Bleus*.
Mr. Cameron presented a case, against
the execution of Riel which left the
government no legal or moral foothold.
As Mr. Cameron distinctly stated that
he spoke for himself, the attitude of other
Liberal leaders will be anxiously awaited.

The Orange and of the Riel debate, as
put by Mr. Wallace, of West York, was
not dyed in the deepest scarlet. Mr.
Wallace's description of the Orangemen
would lead one to think that they were
the most liberal and tolerant of men, an
xious only to live in friendship with
Catholics. When M. C. Cameron took
the floor, the other side of the picture
appeared. As a legal argument Mr.
Cameron's speech has seldom been ex
celled, especially the portion in which he
proved that, according to legal decisions
in the standards, Riel had not had a fair
trial. Mr. Cameron spoke until 11
"o'clock, and the galleries remained very
full. Mr. Cameron's argument was pre
cise as a matter of law, and it was pre
pared and delivered with care. He
handled his case with the gravity of a
judge, and only at intervals did he in
judge his propensity to make the Tories
howl! It is curious how well he has
done on the opposite benches in hand
Mr. Cameron is not a vindictive man,
but he has the knack of blurring out the
names of his opponents in a way that makes every
Tory in range of his voice feel personally
affronted, and the man who raises the
commotion thoroughly enjoys it. It is
fun to him, too, to see how the Tory
perny whistles rush to the rescue of
their paymasters. The *Graefe* citizen
a seaman, the *Spectator* a *Manitoba*
and the *Mail* has a unique assortment of
nicknames reserved for his special bene
fit. But when the next occasion arises,
Mr. Cameron will be on hand to make
these tremble and traitors wince, as he
has done aforesaid.

A Colborne resident was observed fish
ing on Sunday recently. He caught 40.
He must be very anxious to keep *Leak*.

WHAT'S UP?

Things That Are Happening
Around Us.

Another Blunder by Big Boom—It Tarry
etc.—A Good Discourse—"Peanuts."

I've been informed that the dressing
down given to the chairman of the fire
committee by my old and esteemed
friend councillor Bob Thompson was of
the calm, clear, unimpassioned, but
convincing order. He showed that But
ler had been guilty of trying to run the
whole show himself, and had on that
account put the town to an expense for
the purchasing of bob-sleighs for the fire
engines that would not have occurred, if
the chairman of the fire committee had
consulted his colleagues. In good
healthy Anglo-Saxon, Robert went on to
show that Butler had "done the things
he ought not to have done," and left
done the things he ought to have done";
and unless he changed his style a writ
of ejectment should be issued upon him
as chairman of the fire committee. But
ler was forced to acknowledge that he
had been guilty of wrong-doing in the
premises, and promised to repent in sack
cloth and ashes, or words to that effect.
But the council had to pay for the bob
sleighs all the same. I expect to see
somebody Robert Thompson's amiable
features smiling on the public from John
Butler's show window, radiant with yel
low ochre, ultramarine, vermilion and
ganaboge, as Gloucester has not been en
gaged this season upon any paying job,
and the "Limekiln club" is helping him
to eke out a miserable existence.

The swallows twittering on the
Square, seem to be hastening of spring;
the lengthening of the days and the con
sequent longer subjection to the glorious
rays of the sun is fast reminding us of
the fact that winter's frosted head will
soon disappear, and that again will
the health boards throughout the coun
try are rapidly wheeling into line so that
proper steps may be taken to attend to
the sanitary requirements of the public
during the coming season; the home
rule question is rapidly assuming shape
through the labors of the Grand Old
Man, Gladstone; German has been made
the official language of Austria; the Mor
rison tariff is likely to become a fixed fact
in the laws of Uncle Sam's domain,
but despite these, and a thousand other
things that are passing and are coming
to pass, Big Boom's great scheme of an
electric light system is still embryonic in
the mind of the great originator. When
after the spring plowing will come the
sowing, and after the sowing the reaping,
and after the reaping the grain will be
gathered to the barn, and after that the
fall plowing, and after that the rain, slush
and the winter snow, and after that the
sawlog and cordwood season and the glad
New Year, and the municipal elections,
then, and then in great shape, will be
trotted out Big Boom's stalking horse,
the Electric Light Scheme, to do service
once again to pitchfork the great mun
icipal humbug into office. As Bro. Harte
used to say, "Fox tricks of deceit and
ways that are vain, the heathen Chinese
is peculiar."

I was glad to see THE SIGNAL gave a
verbatim report of the excellent sermon
delivered by Bishop Baldwin last week.
That's the kind of talk that is needed in
every church, and if the pastors of our
town would just take up the thread of
the discourse where Bishop Baldwin left
off, and place their influence against
giddiness, and humbug, and shams, and
foolishness, and apathy in religious
work, I believe the results of their labors
would be observable before many days.
Of course there is a good deal in having
a bishop deliver a discourse, and this
was the case when Alexander Pope
wrote,
"Tis from high life high characters are
drawn."
A saint in craps is twice a saint in laws,"
but Bishop Baldwin was not always a
bishop, yet I'll venture to say he was
always the earnest, whole-hearted Chris
tian preacher since his entrance to the
ministry. If there were more straight
talk in the pulpit there would be more
straight life in the pew.

Brother Yates, the license inspector
for East Huron, still keeps shuffling
after the groggeries in good style, and
the dives are fast becoming dead indus
tries. The lawbreakers don't pull out
their bottle now, and warble, "What's
the price of Peanuts?" to blow over the
offence.

Presbytery of Huron

The Presbytery met in the First Pres
byterian church, Seaforth, on Tuesday.
The attendance was fair. The records of
sessions within the bounds were called
for and examined. The Convener of the
Committee on the State of Religion read
a carefully prepared report, condensed
from answers furnished by the various
sessions of the presbytery. Revs.
Messrs. Danby, McDonald, Thomson,
Pritchard and Stewart were appointed
commissioners to the General Assembly.
The annual report of the Women's For
eign Missionary Society (Presbytery)
was read, setting forth very considerable
success in this part of church work,
\$439.75 having been raised for foreign
missions. The presbytery agreed to re
ceive the report, and heartily recom
mend the society to the co-operation of all the
congregations within the bounds. Revs.
McDonald and Fletcher were appointed
to meet the W. F. M. S. and convey to
them the sentiments of the Presbytery.
The elders appointed as commissioners
to the assembly were Messrs. Kerr,
Broadfoot, Riddle, Murray and Scott.
Since the reports on temperance from
sessions had not come into the hands of
the convener, it was agreed to give him
power to formulate a report from ses
sion reports to be sent to him, and for
ward the same to the Convener of the
Synod's committee. A committee con
ferred with Rev. T. E. Colvert regarding
his reception as a minister of the church,
and Presbytery agreed to apply to Assen
sibly on his behalf. Mr. Carriere and Mr.
Corney were appointed members of the
Synod's Committee on bills and ordi
nances. The next meeting of Presbytery
will be held at Lonsdale.

The first annual meeting of the Wom
en's Foreign Mission Society, associ
ated with the Presbyterian Churches of
the county, was held at the same time.
Delegates were present from Clinton,
Goderich, Blyth, Brucefield, and Thames
Road, and a very interesting and profit
able meeting was held. The chair was
occupied by Mrs. Thos Fair, Presid
ent of the Association, and Mrs. A. D. Mc
Donald, of Seaforth, delivered a very
cordial address of welcome, which was
replied to by Mrs. A. Stewart, of Clinton.
General business of the Society was
transacted, after which the following
officers were appointed for the ensuing
year:—President, Mrs. T. Fair, Clinton;
Vice-presidents, Mrs. Fletcher, Thames
Road, Miss McKay, Goderich; Secre
tary, Miss Anderson, Seaforth; Treas.
Mrs. W. Robb, Seaforth. —[New Era.]

Post Albert.

Rev. Mr. Leisk, of Lupton, preached
in the Union church last Sunday morn
ing.
R. J. H. DeLong returned from his
trip to Dakota on Tuesday.
Our esteemed friend, Geo. Erwin, who
has been very ill, is convalescent.
Mrs. J. Donogh, of Goderich, is visit
ing her many friends here.
Miss Blair, of Amherst, is visiting her
friend, Miss M. Mobilian.
Mark Drake, of Staffs, visited his
brother, Henry Drake, this week.
A number of our citizens have been
busy packing up this week.
Geo. Curriel, of this place, is the owner
of a coat 12 months old which weighs
1025 lbs.; also Jas Hewkins of one, 11
months old, weighing 950 lbs. Who can
beat this?

Miss.

Robert Kiek has gone to visit friends
in Chatham.
Rev. Mr. Logan, of Holmesville,
preached in this place last Sunday, even
ing to a crowded house.
Charles Girvin, sr., is away on a pros
pecting tour to Peterborough, Ontar
io and Amherst Island.
Mrs. Cassady, of London, has been
visiting at her father's, Joseph Hether
ington's. Her sister Dorothy has gone
with her on a visit until next fall. We
wonder why she did not do the same
as Walter. By the amount of cutter
driving he is giving that girl on Sunday
nights we would expect him back next
winter.

The entertainment under the auspices
of the Nile Literary and Debating So
ciety was in every respect a grand suc
cess. The pieces were well rendered,
and showed good taste. The singing by
Mr. Brown's children, of Auburn, de
served special mention. Also Miss Bis
sett's solo, "Money is Power." The pro
gram was well arranged. Wm. Mc
Phos had his violin, and Miss Bissett
presided at the organ. This proved to
be a very attractive part of the program.
Mr. Williams, of Leoburn, gave two
readings and was called on by the audi
ence to which he replied in a comic
song, which was well received. The
dialogue were of a good character, and
were well rendered. We should think
the society should feel proud of their
first public entertainment. We under
stand the proceeds amounted to about
fifteen dollars. The money is to be ap
plied to the Sabbath school, (the
public school, a good idea. We wish
them much success in their honorable
undertaking.

GOODS
STORE
BY,
People's Store, Goderich.

HERE!
IVRAY
and the Public in general.
ERY
ing a Choice Assortment of
Requisites,
and a wide variety of
with a full benefit of
reaching elsewhere, and see
McGILLIVRAY
507-1m
FORE.
EW BOOKSTORE
Acheson's
KS and SCHOOL SUPPLIES
Goods, &c., &c.
shortest notice.
LASER,
West Side Market Square.
R.
Only.
ed Sugar-5
ENTS,
CHASE OF
TEA.
ion.
L BROS.,
Grant's Grocery Store.
THE
INESS
NTIRELY TO
IES,
the following prices:
11c. per lb.
3. 8c. "
8c. "
ide in the above prices.
L. GRANT.
503-3m
OWN,
CHEMIST.
ock of
fumery, Etc.,
is of Goderich that he is now able
ALL at Reasonable Prices.
PECIALTY.
T TONIC,
unarranted.
a.m.: 2 to 4 p.m.; 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
500-07
h Store
AIN.
ODS
LD AT COST.
ND PATTERNS,
PRICES.
Manager.