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" "	3.30 " "

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Huron Signal.

GODERICH, Jan. 21, 1874.

Centre Huron.

By all appearance a broad farce is about to be enacted in the Centre Riding election. The Conservatives met in solemn conclave at Seaforth on Saturday and nominated no less a person than Christopher Crabb as their candidate. There are some who think that Mr. Crabb will not go to the polls, but we are not of those. We feel satisfied his presumption and the high estimate he has of his own abilities will lead him to put the Riding to the expense of a contest. As between him and Mr. Horton there is no comparison. The latter has faithfully represented us for the last seventeen months, and though he may not be possessed of the abilities of a Blake or a Mackenzie he has proved himself to be a faithful, honest representative. Were Mr. Crabb by any accident to go to parliament, the members would, no doubt, be treated to some rich oratorical displays, but as there are already enough speakers in the house we think it would not be well to increase their number by sending Mr. Crabb. Better to leave him at home to dispense law and justice. We fancy the real object of the Tories in bringing Mr. Crabb out is to test their strength in the town of Goderich. Our friends had therefore better be on the alert; and see that they are not caught napping. Just as safe constituencies as Centre Huron have been lost through carelessness and neglect, and we would therefore urge Reformers to turn out on the day of polling and record their votes for good government. Let us give Mr. Horton at least 1000 majority. Let us show Mr. Crabb that though he has gone through a block he has not got a tight enough held of the rope to draw him through the knot-hole by which he seeks to enter parliament. Let us leave him at home to attend to his iron and *steel.*

North Huron.

Alderman Dickey of Toronto having declined the nomination of the Reform convention for North Huron, John Leckie, Esq., of Brussels, who was named in the event of Mr. Dickey declining, has accepted the nomination and is now fairly before the electors as a candidate for their suffrages. We are glad to learn that so far as Mr. Leckie's canvass has progressed he has met with much encouragement. The people are already tired of being represented by a nonenity like Mr. Farrow, who was elected by means of the money sent into the riding the day before the election. We trust the Reformers of North Huron will put their shoulders to the wheel, work like heroes till the day of polling and place Mr. Leckie at the head of the poll by a handsome majority. It can be done if our friends only do their duty. They have an able and popular candidate, one who has had large experience in municipal affairs, one who has amassed considerable means by his enterprise and energy, one who is well qualified to look after their interests, and above all, one who is opposed to charter selling and corruption in every form. We are glad to learn that Mr. Leckie has the able assistance of Mr. E. B. Wood in his canvass. That gentleman addressed meetings at Gorrie and Wingham on Monday and at Dungannon last night. The nomination will take place at Wingham on Monday, 26th January and the polling on Monday, 2d February. Let there be a long pull, a strong pull and a pull altogether and the riding will be redeemed.

A Serious Loss.

A fire which entails a serious loss upon the whole Dominion of Canada, took place at Ottawa on Friday last. A building occupied as an office by the Pacific Railway staff was consumed and with it all the maps, plans, books, &c. in connection with that work. The loss is variously estimated at from three quarters of a million to a million and a half of dollars. The result of three years labour has been nearly all lost. The fire so far as can be ascertained was accidental.

School Trustee Election.

The election of School Trustees in the different wards took place on Wednesday last and passed off very quietly except in St. David's Ward, where there was a keen contest and considerable interest manifested. The candidates were Lewis Elliott, the retiring trustee, and C. A. Humber, an old teacher and a man of intelligence, who would have been quite an acquisition to the Board. By dint of diligent canvassing for the last six months, the employment of three or four teams to bring up voters and the use of political arguments, for we regret to say that argument was used, Mr. Elliott secured his re-election, the vote standing

Elliott	99
Humber	64

Mr. Humber was proposed by R. Runciman, seconded by J. Smaill, and Mr. Elliott by E. Graham, seconded by J. Million.

In St. Patrick's Ward John Passmore the retiring member was nominated by Wm. Campbell, seconded by E. Graham, and John Acheson by F. R. Mann, seconded by R. Runciman. Mr. Acheson was proposed without his knowledge or consent and stated that he would not serve, therefore, though the polls were kept open all day, only a few votes were recorded and Mr. Passmore virtually went in unopposed.

In St. Andrew's Ward Wm Kay the retiring trustee refused to be re-nominated, and A. C. Simmons, who sat for St. George's Ward last year, was proposed by F. F. Lawrence, seconded by M. Nicholson. At the end of an hour there being no further nominations, Mr. Simmons was declared duly elected.

In St. George's Ward M. Nicholson was proposed by A. C. Simmons, seconded by J. H. Finlay, and Eric McKay by G. H. Parsons, seconded by W. G. Smith. At the close of the poll the vote stood,—Nicholson 48, McKay 3. Neither Mr. McKay nor his friends did anything to secure his return so that Mr. Nicholson was virtually unopposed.

The Roman Catholics having determined upon establishing a Separate School elected trustees for the same as follows,—St. David's Ward, B. Seymour and P. Nolan; St. Andrew's Ward, P. Tierney and P. Fox; St. George's Ward, J. McIntosh, Junr. and John McAvoy; St Patrick's Ward, Thos. Martin and P. O'Dea. Mr. Seymour was appointed Chairman for the present year.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Comparatively little real work has been done in the Ontario parliament as yet. Last week the debate on Mr. Boultbee's amendment to the address censuring the Government for its course in regard to the Orange Bills, was continued. It was rejected by a vote of 38 to 24, giving the Government a majority of 14 in a thin house. Mr. Bethune's amendment, changing the censure into approval, was then carried by the same division. Another amendment offered by Mr. M. C. Cameron, substantially similar to Mr. Boultbee's, was ruled out of order. The latter then moved a further amendment, reflecting more particularly on the conduct of the Premier, which was rejected by a vote of 40 to 22. The paragraph in the address attacked by these amendments was then carried on the same division, and the whole address adopted and ordered to be presented to the Lieutenant-Governor. In the course of the debate it was made clear that the only course open to the Government under the Confederation Act was to reserve these bills, Mr. Bethune having established that fact in a clear and lucid speech. Had Sir John A. Macdonald done his duty they might have been on the statute book today. He sent them back without a word, in the hope that thdy would embarass the Ontario Government. At a subsequent sitting the correspondence between the two governments on the bills was moved for. The remainder of the week was occupied with routine business of no interest to the general public. On Friday the house adjourned till Tuesday, 3rd February, as it was found it would be little use sitting while the Dominion elections were going on.

South Huron.

The voters lists in South Huron show that the Tories have been busily engaged since the last election in manufacturing bogus votes. In one case in Goderich township there are eight votes on one hundred acres of land. Chagrined at losing the election in 1872 they have evidently made up their minds to carry it now, if false swearing, fraud and trickery will do it. Do the assessors know that they are committing perjury in making up and swearing to rolls manipulated in such a manner? We are glad to learn, however, that notwithstanding all this fraud by which the Tories have made about 100 votes for themselves, Mr. Cameron's prospects are bright, and that there is a prospect of his having a larger majority than before. The people are heartily sick and tired of the reign of corruption which has prevailed at Ottawa and are determined that the new government shall have at least a fair trial. Reformers are working well in the South Riding, but let them not relax their efforts till the last vote is polled. If they do their duty, victory is sure to perch on the Reform banner, but it is only by dint of hard work that the battle can be won.

The Disloyalty Cry.

At every election the disloyalty cry is raised against the Reform party. We have had occasion to meet the charge before, but we beg again to remind the would be loyal Tories that every treasonable plot which has existed in Canada was hatched in their ranks. It was they who got up and signed the annexation manifesto of 30 years ago; it was they who burnt the Parliament buildings in Montreal in 1849; it was they who mobbed, insulted and rotten-egged Lord Elgin, the Queen's representative; it was they who raised the flag of treason at Brockville and other places; it was their leader who disgraced the country by conducting himself in the most shameless manner when the Prince of Wales and his brother were in this country; it was that same leader who when Minister of Militia was in such a state at the time of the Fenian raid that he could not attend to the duties of his office; and it was others of that same party who showed themselves to be cowards at that same time and shrunk from the duty of repelling the enemies of their country. And these are the people who charge Reformers with disloyalty. Faugh.

—Mr. Corcoran of Stratford was nominated by a Reform convention, which met at Milverton on Tuesday, 13th inst., to contest North Perth in Reform interest for the seat in the Local house vacated by Mr. Monteith, who has resigned in order to run for the Commons.

A Parallel Case:

The Stratford *Beacon* thus tersely puts it. We change the names to suit this county:—

Supposing the county council, at its meeting in December last had decided on erecting a new gaol at an expense of, say, $100,000. The warden and council, we may further suppose, are very anxious to get re-elected. They know that there are two contractors very desirous to secure the contract for building the new gaol. One of these contractors is a strong party man, the other takes no interest in politics, but is very rich. The warden and one of the council go to this rich contractor and say, "Give us ten thousand dollars to pay our election expenses and you may have the gaol contract." The contractor pays the money. The county council, or a majority of them, buy their way back to the council, and the rich contractor gets the gaol contract! Electors of Huron, would this be right? Messrs Farrow, Greenway and Crabb say yes. This case is an exact parallel to the selling of the Pacific Railway. Farrow, Greenway and Crabb say, by their candidature that it is right to sell contracts for money with which to buy votes. Vote against the defenders of the Pacific iniquity.

The Charter-Sellers.

The charter-sellers are those who say Sir. John A. Macdonald did right in bartering the Pacific Railway charter for money with which to corrupt the electoral body of Canada. They do not include all the Conservative party, for numbers of respectable Conservatives voted for Cartwright in Lennox and Moss in Toronto, and many are now supporting Major Walker in London, David Glass in East Middlesex and government candidates in other places. Thomas Farrow, Thomas Greenway and Christopher Crabb are charter-sellers. They defend the past conduct of Sir John A. McDonald, and if elected will do all in their power to re-instate him as Prime Minister. Will the electors of Huron give any of them the opportunity to record their votes in favour of placing him again in that position which he has disgraced? We trow not.

The Letter Stealers.

The charter-sellers are making the most of the letter stealing cry in the present contest, the whole Reform party being denominated such. Even were there any grounds for raising this howl the matter is a very small one, but we believe that were the whole facts known the charter-sellers would be very glad to let the matter drop. We understand there is to be a strict and thorough investigation into the circumstances, when the plot which it is alleged existed, will, we trust, be brought to light.

—The city of Natick, Massachusetts, was completely destroyed by fire one day last week. Only three stores were saved. The loss is estimated at half a million dollars.

LOCAL NEWS

COUNTY COUNCIL.—The County Council will meet in the Court House in this town on Tuesday next.

PRESENTATION.—The pupils of S. S. No. 1, Goderich Township, presented their teacher, Miss Welsh, with a beautiful work-box, on the 7th inst., as a token of their esteem and regard.

ANOTHER PAPER.—Teeswater has reached the height of its ambition and now has its local paper, the first number of which is to hand. It is called the *Weekly News* and though small presents a respectable appearance. Mr. Fairbairn is the publisher.

MISSIONARY SERMONS.—Rev. Dr Cameron of London will preach missionary sermons in St. Andrew's church, in this town, next Sunday, morning and evening, and at Smith's Hill in the afternoon. Collections will be taken up in aid of the Presbytery's Home Mission Fund.

W. M. SABBATH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the above Association for the Goderich District called to meet in Clinton on Wednesday, Jan. 21st, commencing at 10 a. m. A large and varied programme will be presented. Clinton friends will generously provide entertainment for all who come.

TOWN COUNCIL.—The new town council met on Monday last, but in the absence of the Mayor and some of the members adjourned till Friday evening, after appointing a committee to strike the standing committee for the year and nominating Rev. J. Graham High School Trustee in place of Rev. Mr. Blackstock.

SOCIAL AND PRESENTATION.—A social of the Wesleyan Methodist congregation of this town took place at the residence of Harvey Howell on Monday evening last, when Miss Andrews, organist, and Mr. Jas. Thomson, leader of the choir were each presented with a purse containing a large sum of money in appreciation of their services.

ENLARGED.—The Brockville *Recorder*, one of the oldest papers in Ontario, and a staunch Reform journal edited by a staunch Reformer, David Wylie, who claims to be the father of Canadian journalism, comes to hand considerably enlarged and improved. Friend Wylie though getting up in years possesses a large share of vigour and he is evidently determined that his paper shall keep pace with the times.

I. O. O. F.—The following have been installed officers of Huron Lodge of Oddfellows for the ensuing term:—John Nairn, N. G.; Geo. Stewart, V. G.; F. W. Johnston, Secretary; Neil Campbell, Treasurer; J. McVicar, Warden; C. Kirkbride, Conductor; W. Knight, I. G.; R. Armstrong, O. G.; W. Mathews, R. S. N. G.; A. Kerby, L. S. N. G.; R. McKay, R. S. V. G.; C. W. Andrews, L. S. V. G.; Thos. Wickham, L. S. S.; F. Smith, R. S. S.; J. H. Colborne, Chaplain.

DEBATE.—The debate last Saturday night on the subject "Does Sir John A. McDonald deserve the confidence and respect of the Canadian people" did credit to those who took part in it. The affirmation was sustained by Messrs Downey, Cameron and Hamilton and the negative by Messrs Bell, Rynolds, Saunders and Trainer. J. Masara, Esq., occpuied the chair and after hearing the arguments expressed great difficulty in giving a decision, which he finally did for the affirmation. There were a number of ladies and others present, besides a full attendance of members.

THAT TRUSTESHIP.—A report has been diligently circulated by interested parties, and we observe it repeated in our local cotem of last week, that Mr. Bell desired to be a candidate for School Trustee in St. Andrew's ward at the late election. The report is utterly false. Though frequently solicited to do so Mr. Bell always positively refused to run, having neither the timenor inclination to engage in a personal canvass, which it appears is necessary if anyone would aspire to the doubtful honour of having a seat at the School Board. The report was set afloat for the purpose of impressing the public with a similar sense of the importance and influence of the party who was elected to that which he has of himself, but we would beg to remind him of the frog in the fable, which in striving to swell itself out to the proportion of the ox, burst in the attempt.

The Inventor of Fairbanks' Scales Knighted.

A letter from the United States Commissioner at Vienna, announces that the Emperor of Austria has created Thaddeus Fairbanks, of St. Johnsbury, Vt., the inventor of the Fairbanks' Scales, a Knight of the Imperial Order of "Francis Joseph." This is a rare testimonial to the value of an American inventive genius, but when the immense value of a reliable and standard weighing machine to the commerce of the entire civilized world is considered, it is one fully merited.—*The World.*

Port of Goderich.

STATEMENT OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS FOR 1873.

With the kind assistance of Mr. Radcliff of the Customs, we have compiled the following statement of the Exports and Imports at the Port of Goderich for the year 1873. It cannot but prove interesting.

IMPORTS.

		Value.
Paying Specific Duty		
Coal Oil	2 bbls	$ 27
Lard and Tallow	5,749 lbs	478
Meats	44,607 "	3236
Paying Specific and ad valorem duty		
Ale, Beer and Porter	330 gals	77
Paying 25 per cent duty		
Patent Medicines		107
Paying 15 per cent duty		
Cottons		1606
Clothing		90
Fancy Goods		519
Oysters in can		959
Hats, Caps & Bonnets		72
Hardware		2560
Jewellery & Watches		137
Manufactured Marble		347
" Wood		894
Harness & Saddlery		106
Musical Instruments		120
Machinery		409
Packages		297
Paper Hangings		796
Plaster of Paris & Marine Cement		84
Stationery		347
Steam Engines		2760
Small Wares		2015
Varnish		241
Woolens		1340
Unenumerated Articles		1964
Paying 10 per cent duty		
Fruit, green		230
Vegetables		37
Trees, Plants & Shrubs		678
Paying 5 per cent duty		
Printed Books, Periodicals & Pamphlets		2319
Iron		11,749
Free Goods		
Paintings in Oil		60
Bookbinders' Tools		37
Burr Stones		567
Fishing Nets, Seines & Lines		4747
Bolting Cloths		75
Junk & Oakum		36
Machine, Linen Thread & Silk Twist		195
Printers' Implements		10
Ships' Materials		519
Iron Tubes		1795
Coal & Coke	3138 tons	10,639
Flour & Meal	95 bbls	304
Grain other than wheat or Indian corn	55554 bush.	15874
Indian Corn	54647 "	19078
Wheat	49510 "	56621
Hides & Horns		21410
Manilla & Sea Grass		82
Marble, unwrought		2488
Stone "		1170
Tea, Green	474 lbs	331
Pitch & Tar		5
Articles for public use of Dominion		350
Settlers' Effects		2410
Machinery to be used in Canadian manufacturing		108
EXPORTS.		
Sleepers & R. R. Ties	19982	$ 2475
Tanbark	2833 cords	10747
Horses	4	525
Butter	100 lbs	17
Eggs	800 doz	96
Fruit, green	166 bbls	1253
Vegetables		408
Barley & Rye	21936 bush.	21936
Wheat	81891 "	93715
Salt	867,016 "	149274
Settlers' Effects		825

Goderich Horticultural Society.

The annual meeting of the above Society was held on Tuesday, 13th inst. when the following Officers were elected for the current year: President, J. H. Williams; Vice-President, Edwin Bingham; Secretary-Treasurer, Peter Adamson; Directors, A. M. Ross, Thomas Hood, Alex. Watson, C. E. Humber, Wm. Harrizon, W. D. Allan, Robt. Gibbons, Wm. Campbell and John Goodall. Auditors, James Thomson and Archibald Dickson.

The retiring Directors presented the following

REPORT.

The Directors in presenting their fifth annual report, beg to state that the financial position of the Society is very satisfactory, for which we are indebted to the Townspeople and Council for the generous support they extended to the Society last year.

The membership was larger than the year previous and the amount received upon the day of Exhibition at the door from non-members was more than double the sum received the year previous. We also had an increase of thirty entries over the previous year.

We had a splendid exhibition of apples and keen competition amongst the exhibitors. They were a very plentiful crop, of excellent quality and generally speaking free from worms.

Pears were a small crop and very inferior in quality, caused we think by the two excessively dry seasons in succession.

Plums were a fair crop, some curculio, but less rot than the previous year.

Peaches were a fair crop and of excellent quality. The most of the trees in this locality were destroyed by the severe winter of 1871 and 1872.

Grapes were a bountiful crop and of excellent quality. We find the following varieties succeed admirably in this locality: Rogers No. 3, 4, 15, 18. Salem, Eumelan, Hartford Prolific, Delaware, Concord and Creveling.

Garden flowers were almost a failure this season, caused by the dry season. We had however a splendid exhibition of Green House plants and flowers.

Garden vegetables were a good crop considering the dry season, but there was not so much competition as in former years.

The show of Ladies' Work was of excellent quality, but rather limited in quantity.

The Society's Library continues to be extensively read by the members. We hold a meeting upon the first Tuesday of every month, when the books are exchanged and occasional discussions upon Horticulture take place.

Goderich maintains its reputation as being one of the best fruit-growing sections in the Province, as shown by our townsman, Mr. Ross, carrying off at the Provincial Exhibition a first and second prize for collection of plums, and two first prizes for collections of grapes grown in the open air, twelve and six varieties. He also took several prizes for separate varieties in both plums and grapes.

Egmondville:

DIPTHERIA AGAIN.—It was thought that this disease had subsided, but we learn that a child of Mr. Wm. Vanegmond, hotel-keeper, died of it a few days ago.

Tuckersmith.

A CONCERT AND LECTURE.—A concert and lecture will come off at Zion Church, Latta's corners, on the evening of Friday the 24th inst. The music—vocal and instrumental, will be under the direction of Prof. Crawford of Seaforth, who will be accompanied by a number of amateur singers from Seaforth. The lecture will be delivered by Dr. Campbell of Seaforth.

Seaforth.

ALMOST A FIRE.—That fine house on the market square owned by Mr. Counter, was observed to be on fire on Thursday evening the 8th inst. The fire proceeded from the hall lamp which exploded. The flames then made their way up a partition to the roof where they were discovered, the alarm given and the fire extinguished. Mr. Counter's family were at a party and Mr. C. had just returned from his shop previously to his going to the party.

West Wawanosh.

THAT SCHOOL.—The following further particulars of the suicide of John McKenzie, which was recorded in last week's issue, have come to hand.—Deceased and his brother had been killing hogs and having agreed to go to the barn and feed the cows while his brother went on another errand, cut his own throat with the butcher knife. His brother who is married returning, and not finding him in, went to look for him, and discovering traces of blood around the barn, tracked him to an adjoining field where he was found lying insensible with five inches of the knife in his throat. No cause assigned for the rash act.

Grey.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The following have been elected office bearers of the Grey Branch Agricultural Society for the present year,—President, John Broadfoot; Vice-president Robt. Martin; Secretary, J. S. Cresar; Treasurer, J. Leckie; Directors, Jas. Ferguson, Wm. Grieves, Jas. Johnston, S. Sleamon, Robt. Brown, Jas. Brown, Jas. Simpson, Alex. Forsyth, A. Hislop, John Cober; Auditors, Messrs. Stewart and Hingston.

Morris

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Morris Branch Agricultural Society was held at Blyth on Tuesday. The affairs of the Society are in a favorable condition. The following officers and directors were elected for the ensuing year: President, John Cummings; Vice-President, James Logan; Secretary, Hugh McQuarry; Treasurer, James McGowan; Directors, John Richmond, R. Laidlaw, George Hood, William Michie, Edward Lundy, James McCallum, G. McGowan, R. Cole and S. Millan.

Dungannon

SCHOOL MEETING.—A public meeting was held in the School House of School Section No 8, Ashfield, on Wednesday, 14th inst., for the purpose of electing a Trustee for the coming year. Mr. Alex. Pentland was elected without much opposition.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Ashfield and Wawanosh Branch Agricultural Society was held in Dungannon on Friday the 9th day of Jan. 1874. The following officers and directors were appointed for the ensuing year,—David McIlwain, President; Wm. Clark, Vice-president; Wm. McArthur, Secretary; Wm. Crawford, Treasurer, Directors, Chas. Durnin, T. Washington, Wm. Mallough, Thos. Anderson, Chas. Girvin, James Ross, James Crawford, Andrew Dreary and Patk. Clare.

Hay.

ANCHESTER PIONEER GONE.—In our obituary column this week will be found a notice of the death of Mr. Thomas Lamb, one of Huron's oldest and most respected residents, which took place in the township of Hay, near Rodgerville, on Monday last. Mr. Lamb had long been a resident of the township of Usborne, and settled on his farm in that township among the first. A few years ago, desiring to retire from active labor, he sold his farm and removed to Rodgerville, where he purchased a house and lot, and where he lived until the time of his death. He was 67 yeaas of age, and in his day was a prominent and useful member of the community in which he lived. His death will be regretted and his memory cherished be many. The funeral took place on Tuesday, and the large attendance fully attested the respect in which he was held.—*Expositor.*

Bayfield.

B. A. O. G. T.—A lodge of the British American Order of Good Templars was organized here a short time ago. The following are the officers for the present term,—D. Cullen, W. C.; Neil McCauley, W. V.; W. C. Pickford, Sec.; W. Foster, Fin. Sec.; J. Wallace, Treas.; C. Wood, Asst. Sec.; A. Rutledge, Chaplain; Mr. Burgess, I. G.; R. Hall, O. G.; J. Wilson, Marshall; J. Johnston, Dep. M.; Mrs. Burgess, R. H. S.; N. McCauley, L. H. S.; J. J. McKenzie, P. W. C. T.; Rev. L. O. Rice, Prov. Dep.

THE HARBOUR.—Our people are pleased at the prospect of at last having something done for the harbour. The Premier in his place in the house last session denounced the late Government for refusing us a grant while giving one to Port Albert, and now that he is at the helm of affairs they know they will have jiustice done them. They feel it to be their duty to support Mr. Cameron and strengthen the hands of those who are prepared to do them that justice whichhas hitherto been refused.

Lucknow.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—The Annual Meeting of U. S. S. No. 1, Lucknow, was held in the Town Hall, yesterday. After receiving the Trustees' and Auditors' report the following gentlemen were elected as a board of Trustees in accordance with the law respecting incorpated villages: John Troleaven, John McHardy, John S. Tennant, M. D., Walter Troleaven, Robert Lees, James Miller.—*Sentinel.*

CURLING CLUB.—At the Annual Meeting of the Lucknow Curling Club, held on Monday last, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: George Douglass, Esq., President; Jno. S. Tenlant, M. D., Sec. Treasurer; James Somerville, Esq., George Kerr, Esq., and Jno. S. Tennant, M. D., Skips. The Club have just received, direct from Scotland, twelve pairs of very handsome curling stones, with silver-mounted handles. We understand that in a few days a match will be played for the championship of the club. —*Sentinel*

Presbytery of Huron.

The Huron Presbytery of the Canada Presbyterian Church met in Seaforth on Tuesday, 13th inst., and continued in session during that and the following day. As the question of union was to come up there was a large attendance of ministers and elders.

Mr. Young was elected Moderator for the ensuing six months.

Rev. Messrs. Roger, McDiarmid and Mitchell being present were invited to sit as corresponding members.

The Presbytery Roll for the year was made up.

The following are the Commissioners appointed to the next General Assembly: Ministers—Messrs. Ure, Ross, Brown, Grant, Fletcher, Hartley and Ferguson. Elders—Messrs. Matheson, Spence, Gardiner, Agnew, Scott, Wilson and Strachan.

Mr. Thomson, student, read trial discourses which were very satisfactory.

Mr. Gracey presented the report of the Committee appointed to consider the financial returns of the past year, setting forth the average contributions per family and per member, for all purposes, &c. While the report showed gratifying results in regard to such contributions on the whole, it was resolved to take steps to endeavor to induce the people to increase their contributions, and to deal with those congregations which failed in their liberality.

The basis of union was taken up and a long and animated discussion ensued.

The presbytery approved of the basis by a majority of one.

The following is the division list: For Union—Ministers: Rev. Messrs. Goldsmith, Ure, Jones, Brown, McCuaig, Gracey, McLean, Pritchard and Leask; Elders—Messrs. Wilson, Strachan, Gardiner and Agnew. Against Union—Ministers: Rev. Messrs. Graham, Logie, Ross, Barr and Ferguson; Elders—Messrs. Carnochan, Walker, Kerr, Matheson, Fulton, Scott and Spence.

The remit on foreign missions was disapproved of.

Rev. Thos. McPherson, of Stratford, was nominated as the next Moderator of the Assembly.

A child was smothered in Prescott recently by guests at a wedding throwing their outer garments on a bed where it was lying.

It is stated that Mr. Notman, Photographer, Montreal, has taken contracts for about $30,000 for photographing the senior classes of Princeton College, N. J.; Dartmouth College, N. H., and Harvard University.

A man named James White, of the township of Carrick, was kicked by a horse in the abdomen the early part of last week, and almost instantaneously killed. Deceased was a nephew of Mr. Robt. Crooks, 8th con. Grey.

THE Hamilton *Times* says: We were shown a day or two ago a letter written to her parents by a young girl from Teeswater, who has been in the Brantford Institution for the Blind for about a year. She is so blind as to be unable to distinguish day from night. The letter is really a model for plain neat writing. The lines are perfectly straight, the letters are square and wonderfully regular in shape and size—in fact it puzzles one to think how a person who can't see at all can write a more symmetrical hand than thousands who can see. There is not a mistake and not an erasure, and yet the girl says she writes in a hurry. The letters is written with pencil, as the blind cannot successfully use ink.

South Huron.

REFORM CONVENTION AT ZURICH.

M. C. CAMERON UNANIMOUSLY NOMINATED.

GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

A Reform convention assembled at Zurich on Friday last for the purpose of nominating a standard bearer for the Reform party at the ensuing election for South Huron. The meeting was more properly one for organization, as Mr. Cameron, who no one doubted would be the nominee, was already in the field, and the convention would be simply called upon to ratify his candidature. Robert Brown, Esq., President of the Reform Association occupied the chair and M. Zellar, Esq., acted as Secretary. The following delegates were present,—

STANLEY—Geo. Anderson, Jas. Wanless, Alex. Mitchell, Thos Wells.

USBORNE—Robt. Montieth, H. Horney, R. Montieth, Jr., Jas. Elder, Jas. McTaggart, Alex. Stewart, Wm. Bawden.

HAY—John Deichart, R. Brown, J. B. Geigher, Robt. Ferguson, Robt McAllister, M. Zellar.

STEPHEN—S. Hogarth, G. Eberhardt, Murray Walker, John Regan, Jacob Haist, Louis Kroft, Geo. Mawhinney, John Parsons, H. Moatz, Jno. Lewis, Josiah Pedlar.

EXETER—Patrick McPhillips, Dr. Moore, John Gould.

On account of the storm and the state of the roads the delegates from Goderich township and Clinton were not present.

Moved by Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Buchanan, that Mr. M. Zellar be the Secretary of the Reform Association for the South Riding of the County of Huron. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Jas. Elder, seconded by Thos. Wells, that M. C. Cameron be the nominee of the Reform party to contest this constituency in the interest of the Liberal party. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Cameron who was on his way from Goderich not having yet arrived, J. S. Sinclair addressed the convention urging upon those present to exert themselves to the utmost to secure the return of their candidate. He urged each one to work as if success depended on his individual efforts. If each one did his duty there could be no doubt as to the result.

Mr. Cameron, who arrived while Mr. Sinclair was speaking and whose entrance was greeted with enthusiasm, spoke briefly, thanking the convention for the honour done him. They knew he would much rather have retired from public life, but under the circumstances he felt he would not be doing his duty were he to decline to serve them on the present occasion. He therefore accepted the nomination and trusted they would all work to ensure success, not so much for him as for the principles they upheld.

There was a good attendance at the convention and much enthusiasm manifested, which augers well for the success of the Reform party when the day of polling comes.

Centre Huron.

REFORM CONVENTION AT SEAFORTH.

H. HORTON, ESQ., NOMINATED.

A convention for the purpose of nominating a candidate to contest Centre Huron in the Reform interest at the ensuing election, met at Seaforth on Monday last, 19th inst. In the absence of J. S. Sinclair, Esq., President of the Association, W. R. Squier, Esq., was called to the chair.

The following delegates were present:

GODERICH TOWN—R. Runciman, R. W. McKenzie, Geo. Swanson, W. R. Squier, R. Mackay, J. J. Bell, Thos. Hood, T. N. Dancy and J. T. Duncan.

TUCKERSMITH—Geo. Walker, James Dallas, F. Fowler, Jas. Mahaffy, John Doig, David Sproat.

COLBORNE—James Symington, John Morris, Wm. Green, R. Fawns, John Brackenridge, Wm. Young.

HULLETT—Chas. Lowrey, Wm. Armstrong, John Petrie, Thos. Moon, Hugh Wallace, A. Woodman, John McMillan, Andrew Sloan.

McKILLOP—John Govenlock, Alex. Murchie, D. Campbell, R. Govenlock, Jas. McDowell, Wm. Cash, Jno. Elliott.

GREY—John Strachan, J. McTaggart, Wm. Bishop, J. Knechtel, Jas. Ferguson, Jas. Douglas, Adam Turnbull, T. W. Johnston.

SEAFORTH—Wm. Ballantyne, D. D. Wilson, S. G. McCaughey.

The Chairman stated that the principal object of the convention was to select a candidate, but as Mr. Cameron the late member for South Huron was present he would call on him to say a few words.

Mr. Cameron made a capital speech, referring to the circumstances under which he became a candidate for South Huron. He also referred to Mr. Sinclair's claims on the party. He (Mr. C.) was unable to go into a contest himself as the strain he had gone through in 1872 had injured his health, and he had refused to run, but he had been urged to do so and at last gave his consent. He depended on the exertions of such friends as Mr. Sinclair to put him in, and Mr. S. having withdawn from the field in the Centre Riding to help him in the South he thought a resolution should be passed thanking Mr. Sinclair for his services to the Reform party He hoped to see him in parliament yet. Mr. Cameron then alluded to the principles of the Reform party and reviewed the history of the Pacific scandal. He was surprised to see people refuse to believe the documentary evidence showing Sir John's guilt. He was glad to know that we had better men at the head of affairs now. He referred in high terms to Mr. Mackenzie's and Mr. Blake's honesty and ability and paid a worthy tribute to the latter, who stood head and shoulders above any other public man in the country. He trusted they would all turn out and give him a heavy reception at Clinton to-morrow. He hoped they would all do their duty in the present contest, record their votes in the Centre Riding and assist all they could in the North and South Ridings.

The lollowing resolution was moved by Geo. Walker, seconded by Wm. Young, "That whereas J. S. Sinclair, Esq., one of the Reform candidates for Centre Huron, has in the interests of the Liberal party, and that he may strengthen and consolidate the interests of the party, and in order that he may more effectually and thoroughly devote his time to the contest in South Huron, withdrawn from the contest in Centre Huron, this convention fully appreciate the services heretofore rendered by Mr. Sinclair to the Reform party and thoroughly recognize the value of such services that this convention cordially approve of the course he has thus pursued and further express their thanks to him for his manly line of conduct. This convention further considers that Mr. Sinclair has claims on the Reform party which must on a future occasion be more fully recognized."

A delegate stated that a report was in circulation that Mr. Horton had given Mr. Sinclair $3000 to withdraw. He wished before the vote was taken on the resolution to know if such was the case.

Mr. Horton gave the statement a flat denial.

The resolution was then put and carried unanimously and a copy of it ordered to be transmitted to Mr. Sinclair.

The nomination of a candidate was then proceeded with, when it was moved by S. G. McCaughey, seconded by Jas. Dallas, that Horace Horton be the nominee of this convention.

No other candidate being proposed the motion was put and carried unanimously.

Mr. Horton thanked the convention for the honour done him. He was glad there would be no division in the Reform ranks as seemed at one time imminent. He had nothing special to refer to in his past career. He reviewed the situation of the government after the elections of 1872 and the history of the Pacific scandal. He justified the dissolution. He reviewed the policy of the government as enunciated in Mr. Mackenzie's address and endorsed it. He did not lay claim to the ability of some members of the house but he endeavoured to act honestly and to vote right when the time came. He again thanked the convention for nominating him and trusted they would all turn out and vote on the day of election.

W. R. Squier was elected Chairman and M. Y. McLean re-appointed Secretary of the Reform Association.

After some general business and a vote of thanks to the Chairman the convention, which was a very harmonious one, adjourned.

North Huron.

THE REFORM CONVENTION.

A MOST SUCCESSFUL GATHERING.

The Reform Convention of North Huron met in the Royal Hotel, Wingham, on Monday the 12th inst., for the purpose of selecting a candidate in the Reform interest to contest the riding at the coming election in the Reform interest. The full quota of delegates from the different townships was present, and about sixty very prominent Reformers were also in attendance. Peter Fisher, Esq., of Wingham, President of the Association, occupied the chair, and J. M. Leet, Esq., Secretary of the Association acted as recorder.

The following delegates presented their credentials and took their seats:

ASHFIELD.—M. Mallough, Robert Glendinning, Alex. Fraser, John Murdock, Alex. McIntyre, Jos. Mallough, Thos. Anderson.

WEST WAWANOSH.—John Washington, Robert