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### Huron Signal.

OPERICH, Jan. 14, 1874.

**The Huron.**  
We are now fairly into the election season and the politicians of this county are common with those throughout the Dominion, are hard at work canvassing. But little time remains for the work, and the contest promises to be short, sharp and decisive.

In the North Riding Mr. Farrow has after all taken the field, though his last election was contested on the ground that he was disqualified and the prospect was fair that he would be defeated. Whether he has got over this difficulty or not we cannot say, but it is not sufficient property to his name to qualify him to be a member of the House of Commons. A Reform convention was held at Wingham on Monday when Alderman Dick, Mayor Walker, a Conservative, was vice president of Sir Hugh Allan's Pacific Railway Company. The premier will stand for Lambton notwithstanding the story that he intended to hand it over to his brother-in-law, Mr. Mackenzie. Mr. Mackenzie will be opposed in Kingston by Mr. Carruthers who ran his second last election. In all other parts of the county the prospect is very encouraging.

**The Issue before the County.**  
Parliament having been dissolved and a new election ordered, the electors are called upon to give an expression on the question of the day. The issue is clear and simple. There is no long list of disputed questions on which there is a difference of opinion. The simple issue is: What rights the Government to sell the charter of a great national work for the purpose of procuring funds with which to corrupt the electors and purchase for themselves a continuance of place and power? We are satisfied that the great mass of the electors will answer emphatically by their votes that it was not.

It may be argued that if Sir John A. Macdonald is elected he will be elected with the support of the Conservative party, and that therefore the Pacific Railway has nothing to do with the present election. This is a fallacy. The issue is plain. Let them not lose sight of it.

### LOCAL NEWS.

**VITAL STATISTICS.**—44 births, 23 marriages and 38 deaths were registered in the office of the Town Clerk during the year 1873.

**DECEASED.**—The demand on our space for obituary notices on the North Riding has been so great that we have had to postpone them until the 15th inst. The following names were registered during the week ending 7th inst. Mr. T. W. Mackenzie, 82 years of age, died at his residence in the North Riding on Monday evening last and was buried in the cemetery at Wingham on Tuesday morning.

**REFORM MEETING.**—A meeting of the Reform Association of the County of Huron was held at the office of Messrs. Cameron & Garraway on Thursday evening, 22d inst. for the purpose of appointing delegates to the convention at Stratford on Monday next, and for other purposes.

**SOUTHING SYRUP.**—The druggists inform us that Southing Syrup has been in great demand since the election. We would advise them to lay in a good stock as a large quantity will be required for the year.

**TEA MEETING.**—The Methodist Episcopal congregation in Knox Church, having a tea-meeting in Knox Church, on Thursday evening, 22d inst. The public are cordially invited.

**PERSONAL.**—Mr. McDonald has been elected to the office of Justice of the Peace for the County of Huron, and will be sworn in on Monday next.

### GERODICH HIGH SCHOOL.

The entrance examination for the Gerodich High School took place on the 10th and 11th inst. The candidates were examined in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar, and Composition. The papers were prepared by Mr. J. W. Mackenzie, and the examination was held in the school building.

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**CANADA.**  
To Township of Uxbridge last year registered 100 births, 19 marriages and 40 deaths.

The Dominion Telegraph Company has declared a dividend of three and a half per cent. for the half year just closed.

**THE MARKETS.**  
Wheat, (No. 1) 11 1/2  
Wheat, (No. 2) 11 1/4  
Wheat, (No. 3) 11 1/4

**THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE County of Huron.**  
Will meet in the Court Room, in the Town of Goderich on Tuesday the 27th January Instant.

**BANKRUPT SALE.**  
At the residence of the wife of Mr. J. W. Mackenzie, on the 27th inst. the following goods were sold:

**DRY GOODS, READY MADE CLOTHING, BOOTS & SHOES, HARDWARE & G.**

**MARRIAGES.**  
At the residence of the bride's father on the 1st of January, by Rev. J. W. Mackenzie, the following marriages were solemnized:

**NEW SALE ROOMS.**  
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**LIION STORE.**  
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