SOUTH OXFORD ELECTION.

JAMES NOXON, Esq.,

—THE—

REFORM CANDIDATE

—WILL—

Address the Electors

AS FOLLOWS:

SPRINGFORD,
Friday Ev'g, Feb. 29th

BEACHVILLE,
Saturday Ev'g, March 1st

INGERSOLL,
Monday Ev'g, March 3rd

Dicksons' Corners,
Tuesday Ev'g, March 4th

February 21, 1884. 1589

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MEETINGS

IN THE INTEREST OF

JAS. NOXON, ESQ.,

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REFORM CANDIDATE,

WILL BE HELD AT

SALFORD,
Friday Evening, Feb. 29th

SWEABURG,
Friday Evening, Feb. 29th

THAMESFORD,
Friday Evening, Feb. 29th

MT. ELGIN,
Saturday Evening, March 1st

HAWTREY,
Saturday Evening, March 1st

MT. ELGIN,
Monday Afternoon, March 3rd

BROWNSVILLE,
Monday Evening, March 3rd

TILSONBURG,
Monday Evening, March 3rd

BEACONSFIELD,
Monday Evening, March 3rd

EASTWOOD,
Tuesday Evening, March 4th

NEWARK,
Tuesday Evening, March 4th

Meetings commence at 7.30.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS WEEK.

School Books—Robinson's Book Store.
Special—Frank Leslie.
Special—The Art Interchange.
Meeting—John Charlton.
Credit Sale—John McDonald.
Auction Sale—John McCaul.
The Alleghanians.
New Fruits—A. M. Smith.
THE CHRONICLE AND DAIRYMAN.
Notice to Creditors—Thos. Brown.
Servant Wanted—Mrs. J. A. McInnes.
Pianos—Box 156.
Cheese Maker Wanted—A. McBean.
Meetings—James Noxon.
S. O. Spring Exhibition.
Special—J. G. McKay.
Note Lost—P. Kennedy.
Notice—Jas. Noxon.
Notice—Geo. A. Cook.

The Ingersoll Chronicle.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1884.

TOWN NEWS.

GOOD sleighing again.

SPECIAL meeting of the council to-night.

NOMINATION day—yesterday—brought a large crowd to town.

CARNIVAL on Friday evening, March 7th, for the benefit of the Band.

LIFE ASSURANCE.—Mr. W. S. King has been appointed agent for the Life Association of Canada, head office at Hamilton, Ont.

MAPLE SUGAR.—"New maple sugar" was offered for sale on the market Saturday morning. It looked as if it had been made of New Orleans molasses.

CARNIVAL BENEFIT.—Last carnival of the season for the benefit of the band on Friday evening, 7th March. The band boys deserve a "full house."

"CHAIR BOARDERS" is the name now applied to those gentlemen who infest the hotel reading rooms, getting heat, a comfortable seat, and the latest news.

"PAPA, what is meant by an anomaly?"

"An anomaly, my son," replied the father "is a man who pays his gas bill without referring to the company as a thief.

SPRING FAIR.—The seed, grain and stallion fair, will be held Thursday, 12th April. The seed show in the town hall, and the horse show in the town park. See adv.

TOO ENTERPRISING.—We like enterprise, but it is possible to be too enterprising. The people who are now advertising that they have Christmas and New Year's goods for sale are too enterprising.

THE novel "Two Kisses" is said to be having a great run. We know of a man in this town who took "Two Kisses" and is having a great run. The woman's husband is after him.

LENT.—The lenten season begins on Wednesday, the 27th inst. Services are announced to be held each Wednesday and Friday evening till the close of the season, in St. James church.

SOLD OUT.—O. T. Wright, photographer, has sold out to Messrs. Rowe & Browse, of Toronto. Mr. Wright has gone to Guelph to conduct a gallery for Mr. Marshall, of that city.

SPRING FAIR,—A meeting of the committee for making arrangements for the Spring Fair, to be held at Ingersoll, April 17th, took place at Rice's hotel, on Friday last. Gentlemen present, E. Moon, Pres., G. H. Cook; Alex. McFarlane, Reeve of Norwich; Mr. Harris, Springford; D. S. Butterfield, Norwich.

LECTURE.—Rev. J. Laycock, of Parkhill, will give his celebrated lecture entitled "small things" in the M.E. Church, Charles St., on Monday, March 10th. Admission free. Silver collection taken. Proceeds for conference claims. The same Rev. gentleman will preach in the above church, Sabbath, March 9th, morning and evening.

M. E. CHURCH.—The Fourth Quarterly meeting of the present conference year will be held next Sabbath, Mar. 2nd. Rev. Dr. Gardiner, P. E., will officiate; the Love Feast will commence at 9:30 a. m., the Lord's Supper and preaching by the P. E., afterwards. This is the last distinctively M. E. Quarterly meeting that will be held in Ingersoll, unless, (what is not very probable) the legislation now pending should fail.

CLOSE SEASONS FOR FISH.—The following schedule of the close seasons for fish in Ontario during the year 1884, which has just been issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, may be of interest:—Pickeral, 15th April to 15th May; maskinonge, 15th April to 15th May; bass, 15th April to 15th May; salmon trout and large grey trout, 1st Nov. to 10th Nov.; white fish, 1st Nov. to 10th Nov.; speckled trout, 15th Sept. to first May.

M. E. CHURCH.—The M. E. Missionary Anniversary Services last Sabbath were a success, in every way. Rev. William Williams, of Woodstock, preached two very profound and eloquent sermons; the one in the forenoon from Heb. 2:9, and the evening discourse from Isa 53:11. The congregations were large, and the financial results grand. The full amount apportioned to this station, was raised, which is very creditable to the congregation.

EXTENDING THE ACT.—The bill introduced into the Ontario Legislature by Hon. A. M. Ross, respecting noxious weeds, extends the operation of the Act respecting thistles. Municipal Councils may without petition appoint an inspector to secure the destruction of weeds, and must do so if fifty landholders petition that such appointment be made. This is a step in the right direction. The inspector's duty shall be to have thistles cut when they are not destroyed after due notice is given, and the cost is to be assessed against the owner of the land.

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TELEPHONIC.

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There are now fifty telephones in use in Ingersoll, as follows:—

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Buchanan M. T., residence.
Buchanan M. T., office.
Browett J. W., drug store.
Brown & Wells, office.
Brady Jas., residence.
Bell W. C., office.
Credit Valley Railway Office.
Campbell H., Jr., store.
Casswell E., residence.
Casswell E., office.
Daly House, hotel.
Ellis A. H., store.
Great North Western Telegraph Co. office.
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Gayler J. C. B., residence.
Grant J. L. & Co., pork factory.
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Gayfer John, drug store.
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Hoyt & Williams, office.
Hegler J. C., office.
Imperial Bank, office.
King W. S., office.
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McCarty A. J., hotel and livery.
McCarty H. D., store.
McDonald John, residence.
McKay Dr., office.
McDonald J. F., office.
Noxon Bro's Manufacturing Co., office.
Noxon James, residence.
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Thompson G. A., residence.
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Waterhouse & Bradbury, store.
Wilson J. M., store.
Wilson & Robertson, store.
Wilson C. C. L., residence. 90v.

An "Independent" means nothing, vote for one who is manly enough to place his views before you and mark your ballot for JAMES NOXON.

PARTIES requiring money on good security can obtain any amount they may require at from one to two per cent. cheaper than any where else by applying to P. O. Box 29, Ingersoll. Business strictly confidential. 82

GRATEFUL.—Mr. and Mrs. A. McLeod desire to express their heartfelt thanks to Messrs. N. Elliott and W. Tonll, as well as the other friends who were instrumental in rescuing their child from drowning.

SOCIAL.—The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church, will hold a social next Wednesday evening, March 5th, at the residence of the pastor, Rev. J. Reynolds, King St., West, Chapman's Terrace, opposite the C. M. Church. All are cordially invited.

There is scarcely one load of grain brought into market this year for every fifty last year.—*St. Marys Argus.*

The superior attractions of Ingersoll both as a market and as a place to buy goods of every kind has drawn a large trade to Ingersoll that formerly went to St, Marys.

"THE PIRATES."—The Woodstock Amateur Opera Co. gave the "Pirates of Penzance," to a large and very appreciative audience, on Tuesday evening. The opera was presented in such a manner as to attract the heartiest applause, the audience forgetting that they were listening to amateurs, so well were the parts taken. It is by far the best company that has visited Ingersoll for a year past, not excepting the best professional troupes.

ELOQUENCE AND ANECDOTE.—Col. Bain, the gifted temperance lecturer, delivered an address in the Town Hall last evening under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. There was a large attendance. The lecture was largely made up of the emotional, being replete with touching anecdotes, here and there diversified with eloquent passages of flowery rhetoric. At the same time many logical and cogent reasons were advanced by the Colonel in support of "the faith that is in him."

DOWN with the Woodstock clique and VOTE FOR JAMES NOXON, the Nominee of the Liberal party.

COURSE OF LECTURES.—The 4th in the couse of lectures given on Sabbath evenings in the B. C. Church, will be given next Sabbath evening by Rev. Mr. Rowe. The lecture for next Sabbath will be illustrated with 8 large diagrams, representing bible scenes in wilderness of Arabia. Erraha plain, the place where tabernackle was made on Mount Sinai the place where the law was given will be among the scenes, which with their lessons cannot fail to impress and instuct every Bible reader. Admission free.

BARGAINS.—J. Grant McKay has purchased the bankrupt stock of H. J. Lewis, and will hold auction sales every afternoon at 2 o'clock and every evening at 7 o'clock, until the whole is disposed of. Private sales during the morning. 20v.

SEED GRAIN.—Any of our subscribers having seed grain for sale will receive reduced rates for advertising the same for the next two months.—Intelligent farmers are aware by experience that the same grain should not be grown on any land longer than three or four years, and we trust those who have not had grain of good quality last season, will dispose of it all, and purchase fresh seed where the quality is better. Buy what suits your land, and be sure it is clean and sound. Don't wait until you are ready to sow, thus wasting your own time and annoying the man you are buying from; but secure it at once while you have leisure time to look around for what will suit you.

MR. NOXON was nominated by Mr. Nancekivell, and seconded by Mr. Brady. This is a sufficient contradiction to the falsehoods circulated to the effect that Liberals are supporting Mr. Cook.

FRANK LESLIE'S POPULAR MONTHLY.—The March number is, we think, one of the best yet issued of this deservedly favorite magazine. The 128 quarto pages are filled with choice, entertaining and instructive literature; and there are over 100 handsome embellishments, besides a very tasteful colored plate frontispiece, "A Woodnymph." The articles embrace various subjects, and are by popular writers. "Soudan and its Complications," "Napoleon's Marshals," "Living Homes," "The New York Negro Plot of 1741," etc., are exceedingly interesting. There are poems of great merit, and a comprehensive miscellany of pleasant reading matter. The price is only 25 cents for a single number, and a year's subscription $2.50, postpaid. Mrs. Frank Leslie, Publisher, 53, 55, and 57 Park Place, New York.

VOCALISTS AND BELL PLAYERS.—The Alleghenians are announced to appear at the town hall to-morrow (Friday) evening, when they will give one of their unique concerts, have recently returned from a very successful tour of eleven years in Europe. The troupe comes to us with the highest praise from the European press, as well as an unequivocal endorsement from the American press—both before they left and since they returned from Europe. As vocalists they delight their audience wherever they appear, and as bell players they have no superiors. Our exchanges speak of their concerts in a most positive endorsement as will be shown by the following extracts and clippings: "The genuine and hearty applause accorded the performers must have convinced them that their wonderful performance was appreciated."—[Liverpool (England) *Mercury.* "In quartet they are marvelously effective. The 'Burning Ship' was given in a splendid manner—the vocalists throwing, seemingly, their whole souls into the music and thrilling the audience."—[*N. Y. Herald.* The price will be placed at a popular rate.

THE ART INTERCHANGE.—The Art Interchange of February 14th contains a beautiful design in color—"The Butterfly Fairy." It shows a beautiful cupid being driven through the clouds by a multitude of brilliantly colored butterflies; a number of gracefully disposed birds completes a very charming design, and one which is especially adapted to painting upon silk or satin. It would make a beautiful fan mount, or could be used to advantage on a lamp-shade or wall-hanging. Other attractive illustrations are six designs for a fish set. These are both beautiful and unique. A crab-apple design for a parcel, and another, from the Royal School of Art Needlework at South Kensington, for sketching on linen, are both to be commended. A charming woodland scene is given as a suggestion for crayon work, and another (an artistic marine) as a study for pen-and-ink sketch. A beautiful border design for embroidery, from the Royal School of Art Needlework at South Kensington, England, is another example of good design. Sample copy sent upon receipt of 10 cents. Address—William Whitlock, 140 Nassau Street, New York.

VOTE for an able public speaker and a man who knows your wants by marking your ballot opposite the name of JAMES NOXON.

A FINE lot of silverware of every description at the China Tea House. 80

FRENCH Kid Boots at $2.2f. The best value ever offered in Ingersoll.—S. P. Logee. 56

THE best and cheapest stock of silver knives and forks and silver spoons at the China Tea House. 80

South Oxford Election

The Nomination Yesterday.

The Largest and Most Representative Political Meeting Ever Held in this County.

800 Electors Gathered Together!

JAMES NOXON,

The Liberal Candidate.

MAKES A ROUSING ADDRESS.

AND CARRIES THE AUDIENCE WITH HIM.

Liberals Solid for NOXON and the Mowat Government.

The "Independent" Pans Out Very Poorly.

At one o'clock yesterday afternoon the Town Hall was jammed to the utmost with the sturdy yeomanry of South Oxford, who were evidently bent upon hearing the issues of the day discussed, that they might intelligently cast their ballot on the 5th proximo. Never, we believe, in the history of South Oxford, was there a more representative gathering or a more attentive one, and from the beginning to the end the best of feeling prevailed.

At the legal hour, Sheriff Perry, the Returning Officer, read the proclamation and called for

NOMINATIONS,

which were responded to as follows:—

Jas. Noxon—Nominated by Wm. Nancekivell, seconded by Jas. Brady.

Geo. A. Cook—Nominated by D. W. Miller, seconded by M. Kennedy.

Dr. McKay—Nominated by D. Morrison, seconded by F. Cody.

William Nancekivell—Nominated by R. Ryan, seconded by Ira Carroll.

Jas. Brady—Nominated by B. Minkler, seconded by G. Galloway.

A. Pattullo—Nominated by H. A. Titus, seconded by S. Pitcher.

W. T. Preston—Nominated by W. Watterworth, seconded by J. Sheahan.

Dr. J. A. Williams—Nominated by Geo. Wiseman, seconded by R. Luno.

Just before the time expired for receiving nominations, Messrs. Dr. McKay, Nancekivell, Brady, Pattullo and Preston retired, leaving Messrs. Jas. Noxon and Geo. A. Cook, as the only candidates for the suffrages of the electors in the pending contest.

The Returning officer, before leaving the chair, (a little after two o'clock,) gave a short speech embodying some useful instructions for the guidance of the Deputy Returning Officers, warning them that his return must be based upon the open papers—not upon the sealed envelopes or packages, and cited instances to show the necessity of observing his instructions.

Mr. J. Vining Bodwell demanded a poll on behalf of Mr. Jas. Noxon, and Mr. Miller demanded a poll on behalf of Mr. Cook.

Sheriff Perry announced that Mr. Noxon had appointed for his financial agent, Mr. Jas. F. McDonald, and Mr. Cook had appointed Mr. Daniel M. Donald of Norwich, as his financial agent.

The meeting was here handed over by the Returning Officer, to Mr. Wm. Watterworth, who was duly appointed to the position of chairman by the almost unanimous vote of the large assemblage.

THE CANIDATES ADDRESSES.

On Mr. Watterworth assuming the guidance of the meeting, he at once had measures taken to seat all or accommodate in the best manner possible the large gathering congregated at the doors, and after a short delay, hundreds of electors were safely housed in the hall, where for some time before they could only reach the outer staircase and clamor for admittance. At this stage, there must have been 800 electors present in the building, every inch of room being utilized and occupied.

MR. WATTERWORTH, on calling the meeting to order, thanked the electors present for placing him in the chair. He did not think his duties would be very onerous, feeling assured that the speakers would all receive fair play. In the order of things, he would call for the first speaker, Mr. Jas. Noxon.

MR. JAMES NOXON on making his appearance was heartily cheered. He referred to the loss which the constituency had sustained in the affliction which had befallen the Hon. Mr. Adam Crooks. He said it had been thought that after the decided opinion passed only a year since that the constituency would not have been put to the trouble of another election. An independent man, however, has appeared in the field, whose independence would be devoted towards embarrassing the Government. He said there never was a time when the Government required the honest support of the people more than the present. The opposition which was being made did not come from the Conservative party, as might be expected, but from one under the guise of an independent. Mr. Noxon then passed on to deal with the public question of the day. He discussed the boundary question, showed how the trouble had arisen; the appointment of an arbitration to settle matter, and how their award had been repudiated. He discussed the act which extended the boundaries of Manitoba into the territory claimed by this Province. He said that the non-ratification of the award was due to the opposition of the Bleus of Quebec, who were afraid that by the accession of this territory Ontario would become so powerful as to practically control the Dominion. He said the object of the above-mentioned act was to force a conflict between the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba. He showed how Ontario and the Northwest were settled by the same people. The sons of Ontario farmers had gone there; the principal staple of both was agriculture, and he showed how infamous it was to try and set these Provinces against each other. He referred to the wise arrangements entered into between Mr. Mowat and the Government of Manitoba to settle the boundary dispute. He asked his hearers if they believed that Mr. Mowat was doing right—was acting in the interests of the Province—to return him one more supporter, to aid in carrying out the good measures in which he was engaged. He showed how the Dominion authorities were infringing on the right of the Province, and he said if the rights of the Province were to be upheld the people must rise and demand that those rights be left to her own control. He asked them if they were willing to surrender their rights, or where they free men, as he believed them to be. (Cheers.) He asked them if they were willing to allow the control of their municipal institutions to be taken out of their hands—if they were willing to abandon their control of the schools, of the liquor traffic and of their railways? Here were two sets of License Commissioners. Hotel-keepers were now forced to pay two licenses. He asked them if they were willing that this state of chaos should continue now. At this election the people would give a decided answer in the matter in favor of the Province. Mr. Noxon next showed how provincial railways had been seized by the Dominion Government without any compensation for the amount expended by the Province upon them. He said not a single mile of railway could be built or a dollar expended upon new railways, because upon their completion they were in danger of being seized by the Dominion and placed under the heels of a favored monopoly. He said the proposition had been made that the Grand Trunk should turn over all its Northwest traffic to the Canada Pacific Railway in return for the complete control of the railroads of Ontario. It this was carried out, British North America from one end to the other would be under the iron heel of the Grand Trunk Railway. They could fix what rates they pleased and there was no remedy. He asked those farmers present if they were willing to allow this monopoly to eat up all their earnings in the freights charged on their produce. There were about 20,000,000 bushels of grain exported annually, and he asked them if they were willing to allow the Grand Trunk Railway to swallow all the profits made on this, and leave the farmers nothing but a bare sustenance. He promised them if returned that he would bring this matter before the Legislature, and set his face against such monopoly. (Applause). Mr. Noxon next went on to deal with the financial affairs of the country. He showed how the Government were squandering immense sums of money, by presenting it to the C. P. R. Syndicate and to the Province of Quebec, and he said two thirds of this money would come out of the pockets of the people of Ontario. He next took up the school book question. He said that his opponent was in favour of having the Government print all the school books. This had been done. The old Board of Public Instruction formerly printed the books, and a more worthless and useless lot of books never had been printed. (Cheers and laughter.) He took issue with his opponent on that point when he proposed to go back to the good old times when such books were used. Mr. Noxon said Mr. Cook was a man who read the newspapers, who heard all the public questions, and yet his mind was still a blank. He could not make it up on any of these questions. He asked if there was a man in the hall besides his opponent who would get up and acknowledge his mind was a blank? (Laughter.) Mr. Noxon said he himself had formed opinions upon public questions, and strong opinions at that. If they supported him they might rest assured they would not be represented by one whose mind was a blank. (Applause.) He said he had met Mr. Cook for the first time a few nights since. He was a perfect gentleman and a good citizen, and he thought it a pity to deprive his fellow-citizens in his own locality of him by sending him to the Legislature. They had before them two men, one with his mind made up and his principles fixed, the other timid, shrinking, not knowing what he would do next, and he asked them not to vote for Jas. Noxon or Geo. A. Cook, but to vote for the principles they represented. Mr. Noxon concluded by saying he felt assured he would receive the support of a large majority of the electors, and withdrew amid the most enthusiastic applause.

MR. GEO. A. COOK—His opponent had drawn his photograph so thoroughly that it was hardly necessary to show himself, if the previous speakers' statements were correct. As an "Independent," however, it was the electors' duty to know how he stood upon the great questions of the day. Did not think a slur should be cast upon the Lower Canadian Judges, as had been done, respecting the Boundary Award, and believed that the Privy Council would give a decision in favour of Ontario. They should have the right to legislate for themselves, as they were the best able to judge for themselves. On the License Question his views were the same as was embodied in an article of a late issue of the *Globe*. After reading the article Mr. Cook declared they were his sentiments, and he was in sympathy with the result of the vote carried on Monday in Toronto. He was not a public speaker. He was but a young man, and had some friends, and these friends he urged to vote for him on the 5th, and if elected he would vote in their interests. Mr. Cook's speech did not occupy five minutes in delivery, including the reading of the *Globe's* article, and much of his speech was given in such a low tone as to make it almost impossible to be heard a few feet away from the speaker.

DR. MCKAY, on being called for, took the platform amid great applause. He assured the audience had heard enough of politics for one day, and did not require much from him. He thanked his friends for nominating him on the present occasion. With such vital questions before them, the electors should carefully consider the candidates, especially in view of legislation that was likely to be made, and being made by the Dominion Government prejudicial to the interests of this Province. They should send a man to the legislature that would be a credit to them, and a key-note to the noble riding of South Oxford. They had no difficulty to arrive at a conclusion as to whom they should send after hearing the two candidates. Mr. Cook was at one time allied with the conservative party, and last year got the nomination of the conservative convention. That gentlemen was then believed to be a conservative in body, or else since that time he has materially changed his views. At this stage Dr. McKay cited an anecdote illustrating Mr. Cook's position, which was received with cheers and laughter. He compared Mr. Cook to the greenbacker who "wanted the coon." He, the speaker, did not know whether Mr. Cook was after the coon or not, but he certainly was "independent" because he wanted the Local Legislature, (applause and laughter.) That gentleman had given his opinions, which were non-committal. They should send a man to Parliament that would give no uncertain sound, and one able at all times to stand up and express his opinion boldly, particularly when their rights were being encroached upon. After referring to the vetoing of the "act respecting navagable streams" and other matters where the Dominion Government had encroached upon the civil rights of this Province, the speaker went on to say that unless these encroachments were stopped the provincial legislature would be treated by the Dominion Government as a sham, and they would not get their rights unless they changed their views. They should send a man of pronounced views. He was glad to see so many before him. It showed that the people were aroused, and that on the 5th March there would be such a rousing majority as to forever shut off "Independent" candidates from troubling the riding of South Oxford—(loud applause.)

MR. WM. NANCEKIVELL next took the platform and was cordially received. He said he felt it his duty to acknowledge the complimentary act of his nomination. Both candidates seem to belong to one party—one was "independent," and the other most positive. "Independents" were at times dangerous. The present Government had a clear majority of 12. Supposing there were seven "Independents" in the House, they would be able to control it, and wield a greater influence than the two distinct parties. They had no object in sending a "distant" supporter of the Government. On the 5th of March his ballot would be cast for Mr. Jas. Noxon. (Cheers.)

MR. JAS. BRADY was heartily applauded on taking the platform. He stated that it was with no ordinary pleasure that he stood before them and see so many old faces present on this occasion. Yet the pleasure was somewhat tinged with sorrow when he thought of Mr. Oliver and Mr. Crooks, their late representatives, who had passed from their sight. In the order of things, however, they must look ahead and be content, and the Government machinery must be worked. He was to-day, as he had always been, a supporter of the Liberal nominee. If it was necessary to have Reform Conventions, they were as Reformers in duty bound to support the nominee. He had nothing to say against Mr. Cook, but was sorry to see that this gentleman had undertaken such a laborious task of representing South Oxford. (Applause and laughter.) When Mr. Cook received the Conservative nomination he told them he did not belong to that side, and that he was allied to no party. Believed it to be the duty of every elector, if both political parties, to rally to the polls and give Mr. Noxon such a majority as to render useless for all time to come for any man to put himself forward as an "Independent." All eyes were directed to South Oxford, and if they should stultify themselves by sending down an "Independent" it would be a sorry day for this Riding. He had no fear of the result. (Applause.) He was satisfied to let the Ontario Government control the Liquor License interest. They should prove true to the law makers of Ontario and stand by the Crooks' Act. They were in duty bound to support Mr. Noxon on this occasion. Mr. Cook did not deserve their support unless he could show that he was entitled to it. The opposition comes from the little town east of them. Mr. Brady concluded by thanking the mover and seconder of his nomination, and retired amid hearty applause.

MR. A. PATTULLO paid a high eulogy to Mr. Noxon's abilities. He thought those who had bore the heat and brunt of the past battles should be preferred to those who had yet to earn their spurs in political or municipal life. Mr. Noxon was before them as a Reformer, and he had been nothing else. He was a gentleman that South Oxford might be well proud of, and was one whose services were needed in the legislature.

MR. W. T. PRESTON, of Toronto, said it augured well for South Oxford when such men as Mr. James Noxon can come before them and discuss the great burning questions of the day as that gentleman had, the speaker, had never seen a contest before where the candidates were so far apart as to leave no difficulty in choosing whom to send to the Legislature; or where a candidate could not say on what side he was as illustrated by Mr. Cook. They found this gentleman before them with a *Globe* in one pocket, and a *Mail* in the other, and yet between these two great political factors he was unable to define which side he was on. When Mr. Cook had formed decided opinions, it would then be time for him to come before the electors to seek their suffrages. This was not the time to send a man to Parliament to learn his political A. B. C. He did not think the "Independent" cry would amount to much in South Oxford. He challenged any one to point his finger on the political history of any country to show where an "Independent" ever rose to prominence. Nay, all great men sprung from one distinct party or the other, having decided and pronounced convictions. Amid much merriment Mr. Preston closed with the anecdote of the boy and the elephant, and resumed his seat amid great cheering. This gentleman is a pleasing speaker, and although a stranger to the electors he soon won their sympathy, and time and again was accorded hearty applause.

The meeting closed with hearty cheers for Mr. James Noxon, and for the chairman, Mr. Wm. Watterworth.

This meeting was by all odds a grand ovation to Mr. Noxon and speaks well for a decisive victory for this gentleman on Wednesday next. Reformers, however, must be up and fully alive to their duty, and let not over-confidence lull them into fancied security.

LETTER FROM A NORTH OXFORD LIBERAL.

The Woodstock Clique Shown Up.

To the Editor of THE CHRONICLE;

DEAR SIR,—It may be of importance in the election to know that Mr. Cook, although his address pledges a weak support to Mr. Mowat's Government, is being brought out by a number of the Woodstock disaffected. Some of Mr. Cook's supporters are thorough Tories and have never cast a Liberal vote in their lives, others have never pronounced themselves in any way and work for the man who they think has the longest pocket. The interests of South Oxford are not identical with those of Woodstock, and if Mr. Cook should be elected, he will favour the Woodstock clique before looking to the welfare of South Oxford. It behooves every true Liberal to put forth his best endeavours to secure the return of Mr. Noxon. His acknowledged abilities and his extensive acquaintance with the wants of his constituents, makes him the best man to represent the Riding. Mr. Cook is working vigorously in the contest, and if Mr. Noxon hopes for success, his supporters must put their "shoulders to the wheel" and push the canvass with the greatest perseverance.

Yours, &c.,

NORTH OXFORD LIBERAL.

Woodstock, Feb. 27, 1884.

Go and hear Mr. Charlton on the great questions of the day at Mt. Elgin, Monday afternoon, March 3rd, and Tilsonburg, Monday Ev'g, March 3rd.

Mr. Noxon's Meeting at Norwich.

Mr. Noxon's meeting at Norwich was largely attended. It was a thoroughly representative one, the hall being crowded to the doors and down the passage. Perfect order reigned, and the frequent applause from the audience denoted how strong and enthusiastic Mr. Noxon's supporters are. In this, the home of Mr. Cook, and where he confidently expects a large majority, there are indications that Mr. Noxon will poll a very heavy vote. The Liberals of Norwich are alive to the great danger the county is in, and will send no uncertain voice to represent the Riding. Mr. Noxon has been long and favourably known to the people of Norwich, and however much personal regard there may be for Mr. Cook, all are united that Mr. Noxon is the man best fitted to serve the Riding. Mr. Cook cannot speak, and his endeavour to express himself at Norwich was a painful exhibition. If he cannot do better than he did, how can South Oxford ever hope to have a voice in the House if he is elected.

South Oxford will not elect Mr. Cook and Norwich will not give him a majority. Let Mr. Cook show himself a true and earnest supporter of the Liberal cause and not come forth half Liberal and half Tory seeking to catch a majority and pledging himself to no party, and no cause.

Let the Norwich's roll up a majority for Mr. Noxon and show their choice for Mr. Mowat's administration.

The Hotel Screen.

One of the rules of the Dominion License Act of 1883 reads as follows:—"The traffic in intoxicating liquors in the bar-rooms of all licensed premises in this district shall be exposed to public view and shall not be hidden or secreted from the observation of the public by any device, screen, shade, blind, curtain, painted or frosted window, or other obstruction, to obscure the view, and the sale and drinking of liquors in a bar-room of all such licensed premises shall be as public and open to the public gaze and the observation of passers in the public street as is the sale of goods, wares, merchandise, and other commodities where such are ordinarily sold."

If you cast your vote for Mr. Cook, or if you abstain from voting, you are placing yourself in antagonism to the present Liberal Government.

Contradictory.

Woodstock Sentinel.

The Ingersoll carnival on Friday evening last was a poor one. Very few from Woodstock attended.

Woodstock Times.

A most successful skating carnival came off at Ingersoll last Friday night, the ice being in fine condition, and the attendance very large, including a large number from Woodstock.

We don't know whether there were many from Woodstock or not, one thing however is certain, it was the best carnival held on the rink in two seasons, notwithstanding the evident misunderstanding on the momentous question by our cotems.

County and Vicinity.

A complimentary banquet and presentation was given to H. Muma, Esq., at the Atkinson House, Drumbo, on Tuesday evening last, by his numerous friends in Blenheim, as a slight token of appreciation.

Matthew Steele, an old resident of West Nissouri, died at his home on the 19th. He was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1805, emigrated to Canada in 1840, and settled in Nissouri in 1844. Three daughters and five sons survive him.

Mr. Alex. Stewart, of Belmont, met with an accident on Saturday which will probably result in his death. He was engaged in assisting to fell a large tree on the Credit Valley section near the village, when a limb fell, striking him on the head and shoulders and inflicting terrible injuries.

THE following is from J. W. Ptolemy, of Winnipeg, formerly grain buyer for William Gillesby, of Hamilton and Grimsby: "I was for many years much afflicted with Costiveness, Biliousness, and ultimately Dyspepsia. I suffered very much and tried many different medicines, which gave me only temporary relief and then I was as bad as ever again. I was recommended by a friend, who had been restored to health by it, to try Kidney-Wort. It worked on me, I did so, and it was not long before I felt like a new man, and I have enjoyed excellent health ever since. I first commenced taking it February 7th, 1879. Sold by Gayfer and Kneeshaw.

TO HOTEL KEEPERS.—Buy none but union work cigars. See posters for particulars. 79

THIRTEEN lbs. of good sugar for one dollar at the China Tea House. 80.

The cheapest and best assorted stock of lamps at the China Tea House. 80.

A FINE assortment of silver cruet stands at the China Tea House. 80.

FINE steel pocket and table cutlery from 10 cents to $5 at the China Tea House. 80.

CALL at Beck's and get some of those fine large oysters direct from Baltimore. 80.

R. VANCE keeps the finest of honey, both comb and extracted. 86

The place to go for something nice is to the China Tea House. 80.

ALL kinds of canned goods guaranteed good at Beck's. 80.

A large assortment of vases and toilet sets at the China Tea House. 80.

OYSTERS by the can, quart or dish at Vance's. 71.

FINE confectionery at Beck's for Christmas. 80

THE reason why "Nonsuch Washing Compound" should be used in preference to all other washing preparations. First, It is perfectly harmless. Second, It saves more than half the labour. Third, It is the cheapest in the market. Many more could be given but this should be sufficient. For sale by all grocers. 84

ALWAYS AHEAD.—Mr. McIntyre has purchased a very stylish new glass hearse, which, with the former hearse, will enable him to fill all orders in the undertaking line promptly. 81

A LARGE and varied stock of napkin rings and finger bowls at the China Tea House. 80

LADIES' Kid Boots at Logee's. 80

COMMERCIAL.

INGERSOLL MARKETS.

GRAIN AND SEEDS.			
White Wheat, per bush.	$1 00	to	1 05
Red Fall Wheat	1 00	to	1 05
Spring Wheat	1 05	to	1 08
Barley	50	to	60
Peas "	65	to	75
Oats, "	33	to	34
Corn "	60	to	65
Buckwheat "	00	to	54
Rye "	55	to	60
Clover Seed per bush.	7 50	to	8 50
Timothy Seed "	2 00	to	2 50
PRODUCE.			
Potatoes, per bushel	0 50	to	55
Onions "	0 75	to	0 80
Apples "	0 00	to	05
Dried Apples pe lb	9	to	10
Tallow "	0	to	00
Lard "	10	to	11
Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs	7 50	to	8 00
Live Hogs "	5 00	to	6 00
Hay, per ton	8 00	to	9 00
Straw, per Load	2 50	to	3 00
Beef Hides,	0 05	to	0 06
Calf Skins	0 09	to	0 10
Lamb Skins	0 60	to	0 80
Pelts	0 30	to	0 40
Wool,	0 18	to	0 20
PROVISIONS.			
Flour, new process, Spring, 100 lbs.	0 00	to	2 75
Flour, new process, Fall, 100 lbs.	2 75	to	3 00
Flour, per 100 lbs	2 00	to	2 75
Oatmeal	0 00	to	2 75
Cornmeal	0 00	to	1 90
Bran, per ton	13 00	to	14 00
Shorts "	00 00	to	18 00
Marrowfat Peas	0 70	to	0 85
Butter, tub	16	to	18
Butter, rolls, per lb	22	to	25
Cheese,	12	to	13½
Skilton Cheese	15	to	18
Sugar Cured Canvass Hams	12	to	14
Bacon, 100 lbs.	8 00	to	9 00
Eggs, per dozen	25	to	00
Geese,	45	to	50
Chickens, per pair	40	to	60
Ducks,	60	to	00
Turkeys, per lb.	0 10	to	0 14
Beef, per lb	08	to	12

FARM AND DAIRY.

The Avon Company has secured an excellent cheesemaker, Mr. John Swartout.

The annual meeting of the Eastwood cheese and butter manufacturing Co., will be held in the school house, S. S. No. 2, on Monday, 3rd of March.

Mr. Thomas Ballantyne, M.P.P., of Stratford, and Prof. J. B. Harris, the well known cheese men, leave for Scotland in a couple of weeks. The latter goes in the capacity of instructor in the Scottish dairies.

A large meeting was held in the town hall, Drumbo, on Saturday evening, and decided to have a cheese factory. No doubt it will be a success, and the farmers generally will support it.

Mr. John Steiner, of New Hamburg, director of the Ontario Dairymen's Association, intends controlling the management of two cheese factories during the ensuing season, viz., the Oak Grove and the Phillipsburg.

Mr. E. Hunter, formerly cheese maker for the Dereham and West Oxford Independent Cheese and Butter Mfg. Co., has been engaged as maker for the East and West Oxford factory for the coming season. Mr. Waddell succeeds Mr. Hunter.

There were seven applicants for the position of secretary to the Thamesford cheese factory, one of them being a lady. The directors for the coming season are Messrs. F. Patterson (President), W. Freel, E. Day, M. Kennedy and James Hanton. Mr. C. Garner, we understand, is to be secretary.

The Spring Creek Cheese Manufacturing Co., has just passed through the most successful season that it has experienced since its inception. They have succeeded in paying off about $800 of an encumbrance on property this last season and their stock being rapidly taken up.

It will be news to our read