

countries were fighting for the possession of fresh territory, the people of the seagirt isle contented themselves with attending to their devotions, and the establishment of their Educational system. He referred to the beauty of Irish scenery, to the magnificence of her green fields, and to the loyalty of her inhabitants. His speech was full of characteristic humor, and repeatedly brought down the house.

Mr. E. Lynch eloquently referred to the electric pulsations of the hearts of Irishmen on St. Patrick's day—to their love of country, and their respect and esteem for their fellow men.

Mr. Chadwick, sr., said that there was no man prouder of his country than he was. He had braved the terrors of the deep thirteen different times all for the love of his country. He made reference to the pleasing fact that one page of the *Canadian Illustrated News* was entirely devoted to a description of the land nearest and dearest to the Irishman's heart.

Irishmen at home and abroad was next drunk with much enthusiasm, the company singing "For They are Jolly Good Fellows."

Mr. James Hazleton referred to the past and present commercial history of Ireland, and concluded by referring to the fact that every important branch of trade in Guelph was represented by Irishmen. He sat down amid applause.

Our Sister Societies was enthusiastically drunk.

Dr. Herod responded on behalf of St. George's Society. He said that an Irishman love his Ireland, an Englishman his sea-girt isle, and a Scotchman the land of brown heath and shaggy wood, but let us all hold to the old flag. With those three countries combined we bid defiance to the world.

Mr. James Innes, on behalf of St. Andrew's Society, said that he felt overpowered at the manner in which the toast of the Sister Societies was received. He was glad that he was present in a representative capacity, to do honor to Ireland's Patron Saint. St. Patrick, though dead centuries ago, still lives in the heart of every true Irishman. He congratulated Irishmen on the feeling of love of country which pervaded their hearts. The love of country is a strong feeling, found in every heart. We find this same love of country in the untutored Indian, and in the heart of the representatives of every type of the human family. He felt highly gratified to see so many gentlemen of other nationalities around the festive board. There is a field large enough in Canada for people of every country to join hand in hand for the advancement of our beloved Dominion. This country has a glorious future before it, and is being steadily developed. It became us all to work harmoniously together with this end in view.

Mr. E. O'Connor also responded to the toast. He said that the love of country was a noble feeling, and those who have gambled upon the green fields of Ireland must have a patriotic love for the country trodden by the feet of St. Patrick. Whatever may have been the grievances of our countrymen at home, we have, at least, equal justice in Canada. Irishmen in Canada have opportunities to advance which are accorded to all others, and, as a consequence, we find our countrymen occupying positions of trust and emolument in our adopted country. He said that he paid a fitting and patriotic tribute to the memory of the late lamented and gifted Hon. D'Arcy McGee. The Hon. Edward Blake is an Irishman, — our respected friend, Mr. Chadwick has given to our County a judge. Let us never forget that to be happy and prosperous we must be united.

Mr. Robert Oliver also replied. He endorsed the sentiments of Mr. O'Connor fully.

Mr. W. S. G. Knowles also responded to the toast. "The Learned Professors," drunk with three times three.

St. Patrick's Society feasted one of the Saints some of them would have died during this lental season.

The Agricultural Interests of Canada. Messrs. Laidlaw and Murphy replied.

The Ladies were given and received a bumper. Mr. John Allan doing the toast full justice. A number of volunter toasts followed, and it was early in the morning before the last toast—the Host and Hostess—was given. The gathering was one of the most social that we have ever attended, and the evening's proceedings passed off without a word to mar the harmony. An excellent string band discoursed sweet music at intervals during the evening.

Wellington Spring Assizes. March 17th.

Mr. Stewart's evidence continued.

I do not know where Mr. Stewart is; I never said that the goods would remain at McTaggart's until the \$16 which I owed him were paid.

At the close of the plaintiff's evidence, Mr. Anderson, for defendant, submitted that, as the plaintiff was married in the United States, she could not get the benefit of the Married Woman's Act, passed in 1859, and consequently the goods in dispute were not her property, but her husband's.

Mr. Guthrie contended that the Act of 1859 was not limited to the cases of women who have been married in Ontario, but applied to all married women who resided in this Province, whether they had been married in it or not.

The Judge thought that the Act of 1859 did not apply to the plaintiff, and in deference to His Lordship's opinion, Mr. Guthrie accepted a non-suit, the view of bringing the legal question before the full Court in Term.

Mr. Guthrie, instructed by Mr. G. G. forth, for plaintiff; Mr. Anderson, Q. C., instructed by Mr. Monroe, for defendant.

JAMES ROXBOROUGH vs. HUGH PEDEN, JAMES PEDEN and ROBERT PEDEN, of Garafraxa.—Action for trespass.

James Roxborough, sworn—I live in Garafraxa, on the west half of lot 9, 10th concession; have resided there two years; I took a lease from Mr. Peden, went into possession under that lease; I was to have all the cleared land; I sowed spring wheat and grass seed on three acres of the land; when the wheat was about coming out in head, Mr. Peden and four other men came upon the premises by throwing down the fence, cut down the wheat, ploughed up the field, and left without putting up the fence after them; the crop on the three acres was a very promising one. The question appeared to be whether these three acres came within the designation of cleared land. Plaintiff gave his evidence in a clear and straightforward manner, and was subjected to a rigid examination.

Joseph Turner, sworn—Live in Garafraxa; know the three acres in dispute; all the farm was in a very rough condition when plaintiff leased it; it has been considerably cleaned up since; I then pointed out these three acres, and told Roxborough that was a part of what he was to get as cleared land.

Alfred Davidson, sworn—I worked for plaintiff on the lot in question; assisted in cutting firewood, &c., off the ten acres, a portion of which formed the three acres in question; I helped to fence it; I never saw Peden working on the three acres.

St. George's Church, for the sum of \$6,250 be accepted, on condition that the property owners in the immediate vicinity contribute the sum of \$750 towards the same, and that the Treasurer be instructed to pay for the said property, on his Worship, the Mayor, obtaining a satisfactory title, approved of by the Town Solicitor.

Mr. Massie, on behalf of the ratepayers concerned, tendered a check for the sum of \$750.

Moved by Mr. Heffernan, seconded by Mr. Crowe, that the Council adjourn till Tuesday night. Carried.

The Latest Alphabet. A was an Angel of blushing eighteen; B is the Ball where the angel was seen; C is the Chaplain that chanted the words; D is the Deacons with Frank of the Guards; E is the Eye which those dark lashes cover; F is the Face which it peeped wickedly over; G is the glove of superlative kid; H is the Hand which it spoiled my maid; I is the Ice which the fair one demanded; J is the Juvante who hurried to hand it; K is the Kerchief a rare work of art; L is the Lace which composed the chief part; M is the Maid who watched the girl dance; N is the Nose she turned up at each glance; O is the Olga just then in its prime; P is the Partner who wouldn't keep time; Q is the Quadrille put instead of the Lancers; R is the Remonstrances made by the dancers; S is the Supper where all met in pairs; T is the Twaddle they talked on the stairs; U is the Uncle who thought 'twould be going; V is the Voice which his niece replied "No" in; W is the Waiter who sat up too late; X is the Exit not rightly straight; Y is the Yawning fit caused by the ball; Z stands for Zero, or nothing at all.

Guelph Evening Mercury. TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 18, 1873.

ELECTION PROTESTS.—Petitions were filed on Monday against the election returns for Centre Quebec, East Durham, North Wellington, Peel, and Brockville. The petition against the election of Col. Higginbotham for North Wellington has got up at the instance of Mr. Drew, and his henchman, Mr. Jacobs, who have been scouring the whole Riding for weeks past in endeavoring to hunt up evidence against the sitting member.

Mr. Drew may do his worst, but even that is not much, and we fancy before he is done with this business he will for the sake of his own credit and name regret that he ever went into it. The North Riding will never return him again to Parliament, and Mr. Higginbotham is too strongly entrenched in the confidence of the people of the Riding to be at all alarmed for the consequences.

The petitioners against the election of Mr. Angus Morrison for Niagara, have duly forwarded their petition to Ottawa.

The Tory papers contrast the tone of the *Globe* respecting Hon. B. Wood three years ago, with the contrast if the utterance of Progress papers a few years ago were compared with the "speak now" fulminations.

A special to the *Daily News* from Ottawa, states that the contract for the enlargement of the Welland Canal has been given to parties in St. Catharines, who will proceed with the work immediately.

Mr. Edgar, M. P., for Monk, has moved for any payments to the Hon. Wm. McDougall, with statement of services for which made. Some odd revelations are expected.

Mr. Langevin's election for Dorchester is to be contested on the ground of corruption and ineligibility of Mr. Langevin on account of his alleged interest in a certain Intercolonial Railway contract.

New Advertisements.

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A LARGE NEW STOCK. Opened Out. DAY'S BOOKSTORE. WALL PAPER. HE HAS JUST OPENED 15 CASES. HATS & CAPS. ALL NEW STYLES. NEW BUTCHER SHOP. The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, at Hatch's Block, and will supply all accounts with meat of the best quality; at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. CHAS. FENNELL. Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872.