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WILL BE AT HOME FOR CONSULTATION up to 11 o'clock, a. m. every day. Will visit patients at any hour afterwards, night or day w4

G.C. Shannon M.D.
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, &c.,&c., GODERICH, C. W 13:40-1y

DR. McLEAN.
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G. M. McMICKING, M.D.
LICENTIATE COLLEGE PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS. C. E. Residence, the house formerly occupied by Mr. J. F. C. Haldan, Elgin Street.

DR. CASSADY,
(of McGill College)
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, &c., Office, over his Drug Store, Goderich, Ontario. sw102

B. WALDEN, M. D.
PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, ACCOUCHEUR &C. Office and Residence (Late Widow MacPherson' Hotel). Amberly Ont.,
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Ira Lewis.
BARRISTER AND ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, AND Solicitor-in-Chancery, County Crown Attorney, Goderich, Canada West. Office in Court House. v14n40

M. C Cameron,
BARRISTER, ATTORNEY, CONVEYANCER, &c., Kingston st., Goderich, Ont., w49

Cameron & Garrow.
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Doyle & Squier,
BARRISTERS AND ATTORNIES, SOLICITORS in Chancery, &c. Goderich, Ont.
B. L. DOYLE. sw5 W. R. SQUIER, B.A.

William R. Bain, B. A.
CHANCERY AND LAW OFFICE. CRABB'S NEW buildings, Kingston, Street Goderich.
N. B.—Conveyancing. Money lent on reasonable terms. Disputed and delicate titles to real estate quieted. Goderich, Aug. 14 1869. w30

M. NICHOLSON,
SURGEON DENTIST.
Rooms over the Post Office, West Street, Goderich.
August 14th, 1870 w30tf

CLIFFORD ELLIOT,
ATTORNEY-at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c
WINGHAM, ONT.
Money to lend. Disputed Titles quieted. Crown Land Patents obtained cheaply.
Jul 25th, 1870. w27-1y

T. B. Stokes,
AGENT FOR STRATFORD AGRICULTURAL works (Joseph Sharman, proprietor) Residence, Bayfield Road. w11-1y-8p

S. Malcomson,
BARRISTER, ATTORNEY, SOLICITOR, &c., &c. Clinton, Ont. w35
MONEY TO LEND.

Strong & Squier.
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS, NO. 6, Arcade Building, Buffalo, N. Y
JAMES C. STRONG, Attorney-at-Law. H. R. SQUIER.
Aug 13th 1870. w30

D. McDougall
LICENSED AUCTIONEER, BAYFIELD, County of Huron. Sales in village or country punctually attended to. w9-1yr8

I. O. O. F.
HURON LODGE NO 62, Meets at their Hall, Albion Block, Goderich, every Thursday evening, at 7½ o'clock. Entrance on Kingston street. Visiting brethren are cordially invited I
D. CAMPBELL, Secretary.
Goderich, Feb 3d, 1871, w3-1y—

PAINTING
HENRY CLUCAS,
House, Sign & Ornamental Painter,
PAPER Hangers and Imitators of Woods and Marble KINGSTON Street.
GODERICH.
Opposite Saunders Hardware Store.
Goderich, Aug 17th. 1870. 1yw31

W. G. WILSON
Issuer of Marriage Licenses,
Insurance & Real Estate Agent
COMMISSIONER IN B. R.
DEEDS, MORTGAGES, &c.,
DRAWN AND EXECUTED,
MONEY TO LOAN AT 8 per cent.
Oct. 19th 1870. sw17-1y ZURICH, Ont

JAMES STEWART
WHOLESALE AGENT
OF
The far-famed and reliable St Catherine's Nursery
D. W. BEADLE ESQ
FOR ALL KINDS OF
FRUIT AND ORNAMENTAL TREES, GREEN-house Plants Grape Vines, &c., &c.
Any stock not on hand, ordered on the shortest notice. House—Maitlandville. Goderich P. O
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

Extensive New Premises
AND
SPLENDID NEW STOCK
C. Barry & Bro.
Cabinet Makers, Undertakers & Wood Turners,
HAMILTON ST.
Have removed across the street to the store next door to Wm. Acheson's Harness Shop, where will be found
A GOOD ASSORTMENT
of Kitchen, Bedroom, Diningroom, and Parlor Furniture, such as
TABLES,
CHAIRS (hair, cane and wood seated)
CUPBOARDS
BEDSTEADS,
WASH STANDS,
MATTRESSES,
LOUNGES,
SOFAS.
WHATNOTS, LOOKING GLASSES
GILT FRAMING.
C. B. & B. are prepared to sell everything in their line
Cheap for Cash.
N. B. A complete assortment of coffins and Shrouds always on hand and a Hearse to hire; all on reasonable terms.
A CALL SOLICITED.
Goderich, 16 w30-1

REMOVAL.
ALEX. WALLACE,
WATCHMAKER
AND JEWELER,
WEST STREET,
GODERICH.
THE Subscriber having removed to the Store lately occupied by A. Naysmith, West Street, opposite the Post Office, wishes to thank his friends and the public, for the liberal support with which they have favored him for the last 25 years, and begs to assure them that no effort will be spared to merit a continuance of their patronage, his anxious study will be to supply
Watches Clocks and Jewelery
which will give satisfaction to the purchaser, and as all work has been done by myself, customers may depend on having it well executed.
A good assortment of Gold and Plated Jewelry, Watches, Clocks &c., always on hand
ALEX WALLACE.
Goderich Aug. 15th 1870. w30

Business Directory.

NEW Waggon and Carriage FACTORY.
BATES & ELLIOTT
HAVE pleasure in intimating to the public of town and country that they have opened a Waggon and Carriage Shop on St. David's st., (Lewis Elliott's old stand,) immediately adjoining the Western Hotel. B & E. attend personally to all the work entrusted to them, and are prepared to turn out
Waggons, Buggies, Cutters, Sleighs,
and everything in their line, of the very best material and workmanship and at the very lowest remunerative rates.
JOBBING
Promptly attended to.
ON HAND, a large assortment of
SLEIGHS
which will be sold Cheap for Cash or Cordwood.
Goderich, Aug 1 1870. w30

Lazarus, Morris & Co.
Opticians and Oculists,
MONTREAL,
HAVE, WITH A VIEW TO MEET THE INCREASED demand for the celebrated Perfected Spectacles, appointed P JORDON, chemist and Druggist, Goderich, Ont as their Sole Agent for this place. They have taken care to give all needful instructions, and have confidence in the ability of their Agents to the requirements of all customers. An opportunity will be thus afforded to procure, at all times Spectacles unequalled by any for their strengthening and preserving qualities
Too much cannot be said as to their superiority over the ordinary glasses worn. There is no glimmering, wavering of the sight dizziness, or other unpleasant sensation, but, on the contrary, from the peculiar construction of the Lenses, they are soothing and pleasant, causing a feeling of relief to the wearer, and producing a clear and distinct vision, as in the natural healthy sight. They are the only Spectacles that
PRESERVE AS WELL AS ASSIST THE SIGHT,
they are the cheapest because the best, always lasting many years without change being necessary.
We employ no Peddlers
F. JORDAN,
Sole Agent for Goderich
Goderich Aug 15 1870. w13

PIANOS,
MELODEONS, HOUSE ORGANS, CHURCH ORGANS, Piano Stools, &c., &c.,
Manufactured by the celebrated Firm of
R. S. WILLIAMS & CO., TORONTO.
The most extensive makers in the Dominion
THE undersigned begs to intimate that he has been appointed agent for Goderich and the surrounding country of the above justly celebrated firm, and is prepared to sell all articles made by them, at
MANUFACTURER'S PRICES.
Samples may be seen and terms ascertained at our sub-Ware-Rooms, West Street.
DANIEL GORDON.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

PHOTOGRAPHS
$1.00 Per Dozen.
HALF DOZEN FROM BACK NEGATIVE 51 cents, postage free. One dozen from back negative 87 cents, postage free, to any address.
Particular Attention paid to Copying old Ambrotypes.
For either large or small photographs. The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage heretofore extended to him, would just say that he has made such improvements in his gallery as will merit a continuance of the same.
A Great Reduction on Large Photographs.
E. L. JOHNSON.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870. w30

SALT TERRITORY FOR SALE
FOUR ACRES OF LAND
Near the old Railway Station on the Huron Road. This property has great facilities for a Salt Block, being near the Railroad Track and having four roads surrounding it.
Apply to JAMES MILLER on the premises, or to G. M TRUEMAN, Auctioneer & Land Agent.
February 11th, 1871. w4-8-sw50-1m—

SALT TERRITORY.
FOR SLE, IN 2 ACRE BLOCKS, ON RAILWAY Track, immediately outside and adjoining the Corporation of Goderich about 3 quarters of a mile from Market Square and commanding a leading road to town.
This is one of the most valuable locations for Salt Works in this section for the saving of teaming and the economical use of wood. For further particulars apply at
"THE SIGNAL OFFICE."
Goderich, Nov. 10th, 1870. sw27-tf

SASH AND DOOR FACTORY.
THE undersigned having purchased the Planing Mill and Sash Factory owned, and occupied by Donald Cumming, are now prepared to carry on the business of manufacturing
Sash, Doors, Blinds, Mouldings, Flooring, Siding,
and all kinds of
CIRCLE WORK,
such as Circle and Gothic Sash and Frames
They think from their experience in factory Work, that they can give satisfaction to all who may favor them with a call.
N.B.—A liberal discount to the trade.
20,000 feet of Dry inch and a quarter Flooring on hand.
JAS BUCHANAN,
DAVID LAWSON,
WM. ROBINSON.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

Business Directory.

REMOVAL
DANIEL GORDON, CABINET MAKER UPHOLSTERER,
HAS WITH A VIEW to keep up with the times purchased & fitted up the store two doors west of the Post Office as a
FURNITURE WAREHOUSE
where he will in future carry on the above business more extensively than ever. While thankful for past patronage, he hopes by strict attention to merit a continuance and increase of support.
HE HAS NOW ON HAND
one of the largest stocks of furniture in the County and is on the shortest notice, prepared to supply customers with everything in his line, such as
Drawingroom and Parlor Setts
Bedroom Setts in Walnut,
do do in Chestnut,
do do in White wood,
Mattresses of every description,
Feather Bolsters, Pillows, &c., &c.
ON HAND A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
Pictures such as Oil Paintings, Chromos; Lithographs Photograph of the Queen Having made arrangements with a Toronto Manufacturing House can supply Picture Frames in any style required at Toronto prices.
Has always on hand a complete assortment of
Coffins & Shrouds in the Latest Style.
Also, HEARSES to hire.
Cheap FOR Cash
2 Doors West of Post Office.
Lumber and Cordwood taken in Exchange.
Goderich, Dec. 23rd, 1870. swl

NEW BOOKS, WALL PAPER &c., &c. WHOLESALE & RETAIL
AT BUTLER'S.

A Beautiful Assortment
OF
JEWELLERY OF ALL KINDS
JUST RECEIVED,
and to be sold
CHEAP AT BUTLER'S.

Fishing Tackles,
OF ALL KINDS, CONSISTING OF REEL, BASKETS, BAITS, HOOKS and LINES of a superior kind
AND
SELLING AT COST
AT BUTLER'S.
Goderich 19th Aug., 1870. sw104

CLOSING OUT!!
A. MARTIN,
in view of changing his business, has determined on
SELLING OUT
his whole stock of Dry-goods at cost.
THIS IS NO HUMBUG
TO DECEIVE PEOPLE & THEN
SELL THEM GOODS
At the Usual rates,
But an actual clearing
OFF;
AND PARTIES WISHING TO
SECURE BARGAINS
—will—
SAVE 20 per CENT
—BY—
CALLING AND PURCHASING
FROM
A. MARTIN
(Next door to A. Smith's Clothing Store Market Square.)
Goderich, Dec. 26th, 1870. sw37-tf—

IMPORTAN NOTICE.
F. R. MANN,
House Sign & Carriage Painter
DESIRES TO ACQUAINT THE PUBLIC THAT he has fitted up a shop on North street next to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with varnish room attached where he is prepared to fill all orders promptly, and at reasonable prices Thankful for the patronage of the last 7 years solicits a continuance of the same.
Now is the time to Paint your Cutters Sleighs, and Carriages.
Orders from country Carriage shops attended to with dispatch.
Sign Painting, Gilding, Graining, Glazing, Paperhanging, &c., &c.
F. R. MANN.
Goderich, Aug. 15, 1870 swl

Insurance.

INSURE YOUR PROPERTY
IN THE
Agricultural INSURANCE Company
A STOCK COMPANY. Insures only Farm Buildings and Isolated Town Residences. Chartered and commenced business in **1853.**
CAPITAL $100,000
SURPLUS 425,000
Deposited with the Dominion Government for benefit of Canadian Policy Holders $54,5.00
To be increased 100,000
on the first of June 1871.
HEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA
KINGSTON
Rates on Farm property $9 per $1000 for 3 years — Rates on detached Town residents from 75c to $2 on each $100 for 3 years, according to class of building
A CASH COMPANY,
NO PREMIUM NOTES, NO ASSESSMENTS.
A first class brick house 70 feet Isolated for $1000. Insurance for 3 years costs only $7,50 A frame house 50 or 70 feet, Isolated costs only 1½ per cent. for 3 years insurance, and
NO POLICY & SURVEY FEE CHARGED
All losses paid promptly. The "Agricultural" stands at the head of the list of the 74 Insurance Companies of the State of New York, and the stock is worth double that of any other Company in the state.
Losses in Canada payable in Gold.
A. M. HARDY, Agent, Goderich, Ont.
February 16th, 1871. sw51

ÆTNA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
HARTFORD CONN.
CASH CAPITAL $3,000,000
CASH ASSETS 5,782,635.09
LOSSES PAID IN 51 YEAR'S 28,000,000.
The Largest Capital,
THE LARGEST ASSETS
AND
THE LARGEST ANNUAL INCOME
OF ANY
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
IN AMERICA.
Deposit made with the Dominion Government for the benefit of Canadian Policy holders exclusively.
Recent failures show the importance of patronizing the Companies that afford the most reliable indemnity and the value of an Ætna Policy must be apparent.
N. B.—Especial attention given to the Insurance of Dwellings, Churches, School and Public Buildings for terms of three and five years, at rates as low as they can be made with safety to the Company
DIXIE WATSON,
Agent.
Goderich, Jan. 28th, 1871. w2-1y

1868.
THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY!
Has been in existence Thirty-two years, and during that period has paid Losses exceeding
Five and a half million pounds sterling,
The disbursement of this enormous sum over a wide area, has without doubt contributed to the establishment of this Institution, in the confidence of Public Corporations, Merchants, Householders, and business men generally, wherever it is represented.
In its 1st year, 1836, the Fire Premiums alone amounted to £9,970
In its 10th year, 1846, " " " £47,763
" 20th year, 1856, " " " £922,279
" 30th year, 1866, " " " £879,332
The year later, 1867, " " " £818,055
The Fire Reserve Fund is now $4,727,464
The Life Reserve Fund is now $9,223,468
The company is represented throughout Ontario and Quebec, by influential Agents, to whom application for insurance may be made.
G. F. C. SMITH, Resident Secretary, MONTREAL
A. M. ROSS, Agent for Goderich; B. V. Elliott, for Exeter, W. N. Watson, for Seaforth.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

Maitland Salt Well
PLATT'S PATENT EVAPORATOR,
The undersigned is prepared to
FURNISH No. 1 SALT,
IN ANY QUANTITY AT THE
Lowest Price,
FROM THE ABOVE WELL.
S. H. DETLOR.
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

Wanted to Purchase.
A GOOD SALT WELL, if with buildings erected, preferred. Address with full particulars and price. "A." SIGNAL Office.
Dec. th, 1870 w32-tf

GODERICH
WAGON & CARRIAGE
Manufactory
THE Subscriber would announce to the public of Huron and Bruce, that he is now manufacturing first-class
Carriages, Waggons, Sleighs, Cutters, &c.,
which will be sold CHEAP FOR CASH
JOHN PASMORE,
Victoria Street, Goderich
Goderich, Aug 15, 1870 w30

DUNGANNON.

REFORM CELEBRATION—One of the pleasantest little gatherings, we have ever attended, was held in Dungannon on the evening of Tuesday, 28th inst. A few of the reformers of Dungannon and immediate neighborhood having come to the conclusion that 'all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy,' got up an oyster supper in honor of the triumphant return of Thomas Gibson, Esq, of Wroxeter, as M. P. P. A few invitations were issued (one of which we had the honor of receiving) and some sixty tried and true men assembled to congratulate each other, on the happy result of the late election contest. The Dining Room of Mr. D. Swift's Hotel (who by the bye, we ought to mention, has within the last two months returned to his old stand) was closely packed when the company sat down to a capital supper. Mrs. Swift had performed *her* duty famously; the oysters being done to a turn, the concomitants all that could be desired, and a bountiful supply provided of everything both eatable and drinkable of the finest quality. Justice having been done to the good things, the cloth was removed, and the interchange of feeling and opinion began.

WM. MALLOUGH, Esq., who occupied the chair, felt proud to be in the position. They were met to congratulate each other on the victory over Mr. W. T. Hays, and the return of Thomas Gibson, Esq., Wroxeter, by so large a majority. He would not at present detain them with many remarks, as there were plently of able speakers to entertain them The toasts were drunk in intervals the following toasts:—

The Queen. The Prince and Princess of Wales and the other members of the Royal Family. Their Excellencies the Governor General of Canada and Lieut. Governor of Ontario. These having been drunk with an enthusiasm which made 'roof and rafter ring again,' the chairman proposed a brimming bumper to 'Her Majesty's Loyal opposition;' asking Messrs William Young, of Colborne, and James Somerville of Lucknow, to reply. The toast was drunk with three rousing cheers.

WILLIAM YOUNG, Esq., on rising to speak, was very warmly applauded, and expressed himself highly obliged for the reception he had got, and very happy to be present. He had been pretty freely abused for the stand he took in the past election, and had been told he had no right to change his opinion. He frankly confessed that he had been what was called a Tory, for the past thirty years. But he saw that that party was every year getting worse and worse, and, therefore, he had changed his opinion and was not ashamed to own it and act accordingly. He was glad to say that many others, who had been conservatives, were also coming to be of the same opinion with him. There was no better man in the North Riding than Thomas Gibson. He was well informed man generally, knew the requirements of the riding intimately, and was closely acquainted with the financial condition and wants of the country. No one who supported him, would be deceived in him, as he was a perfectly honest man.—He would make a valuable member of "Her Majesty's loyal opposition."

JAMES SOMERVILLE, Esq., was received with a perfect ovation. He thought there was not much use for him saying anything. He had been always ready for a fight during the contest, but now there was nobody to fight. Her Majesty's Opposition was loyal to the heart's core and composed of honest, upright and straight-forward men. On the other side the members had proved themselves to be the very reverse.—Last four years of the Ontario Parliament speak for themselves, and judging from them Blake and Mackenzie would now work for the people, and send Sandfield Macdonald and his supporters into the cold shades of opposition. From Georgian Bay to St Clair River, there was no ministerialist returned. The people had said that right only should rule and right would prevail. He hoped they would be ready for the next fight—to purge the Dominion House, as they had already purged that of Ontario. The motto of an American President was "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." They should now organize into Township and Electoral Division Committees; the latter to meet monthly and the former say once a year. These committees should see to the revision of the voter's lists, and take care that the name of every man entitled to a vote, no matter what side he was on, should be properly recorded. And at these meetings the actions and votes of the members could be watched and criticised, so that people telling stories around the country at election times could at once be refuted, wherever they went. The Reform party has got the power and will now have a chance of showing what they can do. They would have the advantage of Mackenzie's talent and experience, and they had Edward Blake, who though young was of surpassing ability and sterling integrity.

MR. FALCONER favored the company with a very mirth-provoking and well-rendered Scottish song.

THE CHAIRMAN then proposed "the mercantile interests" coupled with the names of Messrs R. Clendinning and William Gordon.

WILLIAM GORDON ESQ. was, like the rest, very glad to meet so many fellow-electors. As regards the mercantile interests, he could not say he had been very unfortunate. Wawanosh had done very well for him. Twenty-two years ago it did not look very promising. He lived then in a wee bit shanty 8 X 10 and had to take it rough and tumble. He had no conception *then* that his head would be above ground to see the improvements all round them *now*.

R. CLENDINNING ESQ. was glad to meet so many honest faces. He liked social gatherings and especially such a gathering as this He had been in mercantile pursuits 17 years amongst them, and had no reason to complain of want of success. The mercantile interests had greatly aided the development of the county, and had now grown to gigantic dimensions. We had now our merchant princes as well as older countries. But he would not dilate on this subject, but express his pleasure at being present on this occasion to rejoice with them, in being able for once to send a man of their own stamp to represent them in Parliament.

WILLIAM GREEN ESQ. delighted the audience with "Jockey's far awa" which he sang with both taste and feeling.

The next toast from the chair was "The manufacturing interests", with the names of Messrs Saunby, Harris and Disher.

Then followed the "Agricultural interests" with the names of Messrs Washington C. Girvin, John Morris, John Harris, and R. Treleaven.

MR. WASHINGTON regarded the Agricultural interests as first and most important in any country. From the products of the soil a nation's greatness rises. The improvements of the last 40 years were astonishing. About that time he came to Toronto a small boy. It was then "muddy little York" and the country around it almost a wilderness. The improvement since then, as they all knew, was amazing. The success of last election was beyond everybody's expectations. When one thought of the patronage the Government had to bestow and the defeat they had notwithstanding sustained, it spoke well for the progress of the Reform party. That party has the wealth and intelligence of the country in its ranks. The course of the government during the past four years must have been humiliating to every thinking man. He counselled those present to be faithful to themselves and have fidelity to their principles.

JOHN MORRIS, Esq., was glad to be with so many intelligent men, and to be with the party he had supported all his life—He had seen all the elections in the County of Huron, and this was the greatest victory the reform party had achieved. It was something for this County to be represented by two reformers at Ottawa and two at Toronto. They will soon be called on to go through the ordeal of a Dominion election. Let each gentleman pose himself, use his influence, and they will continue to be victorious in the future.

R. TRELEAVEN, Esq., was happy to meet with all. He was glad the reformers had been successful this time and hoped they would keep pulling together, always trying to get good men, sound men, men they could depend on. If they were deceived, that was not their fault and should not discourage them. They should keep on trying till they did get good men.

R. TAYLOR, Esq., was delighted the reformers had made such a slaughter. They were here to celebrate the victory. He was well satisfied with Mr Gibson, but would like him to understand that if he did not do right, it would be the duty of reformers to call a convention, and, if he could not answer for his conduct, ask him to resign. They should speak oftener and more freely to their representatives and not let them go on unchallenged till election time came round. They should go on a good principle, get as good a man as possible, and if he did not do right send him about his business. They had enough of renegades already, and the electors who tolerated them were worse than renegades themselves He did not like the kind of reformers that the rheumatic! or a bad cold! or a pressing necessity to go to town! would prevent from doing their duty at the polls. If any such were present, he would just say they reminded him of the Highlander who kept safely in the House and looked through a knot-hole at his wife killing a bear, and when the wife had succeeded rushed in and shouted "Och, she herself has killed it." They could afford to give such reformers in a present to the tory party.

Mr SOMERVILLE recited the "Nick on the door," and Mr GORDON sang "The Laird of Cockpen."

We have already exceeded our space and the further speakers must excuse us for not doing more than mentioning the fact that they did speak. Mr. James G. Truax gave in his adhesion to the good cause in a very able and hearty manner. Mr. Somerville proposed "The Press" in very flattering terms, which was replied to by Mr. James Young of the *Signal*. The "Educational Interests" were replied to by Messrs Farlow, McVittie and James Truax, who all spoke well and pointedly. C. GIRVIN Esq replied to the toast of "Reform principles." He said that at the last Election, only 7 votes in Wawanosh were on the Reform side. In 1852 Wawanosh only gave 17 votes for Hon. Malcolm Cameron. In 1871 the two Wawanoshes gave 322 for Thomas Gibson. This was gratifying progress.

The "Professional interests" were drunk to, coupled with the name of Dr. McKay.

Then came the "Health of Thomas Gibson Esq. our member Elect.' There was here such an exhibition of generous and manly enthusiasm, as would have done Mr. Gibson's heart good, if he had been present to witness it.

R. CLENDINNING Esq. proposed "the health of the Hon George Brown the best-abused man in Canada", which was received with vociferous cheering, and three rousing cheers more for the Toronto *Globe*.

After remembering "The Ladies," "The Host and Hostess," and "The worthy Chairman," who suitably replied, the happy and successful meeting separated. We are proud to be connected with men such as those who were present at this gathering. Every one of them was well pasted, had thought the matter out for himself, and could stand up and express his ideas with no little fluency. They are capable of revolutionising the sentiments of any locality, and we hope they will use their influence persistently and judiciously, in the noble cause of Reform. We were delighted to be present, and confess to having received a fresh incentive, to keep on unflagingly exerting ourselves, in the cause of pure and responsible government.

Dangerous Innovation.

A servant girl in Easton, Pa., read a story in the papers which told how the hunters of Siberia, when they are hungry and have no food, lie down, place a board over the stomach, and get their companions to sit on it. If we are to believe the narrative, the Siberian hunter immediately rises like a giant refreshed with wine feeling just as good as if had he eaten a hearty Christman dinner. Now this domestic, upon turning the matter over in the darkest recess of her intellect, could not perceive why the principle would not apply as well to an American babe as to a wild rover in Siberia. So when next the offspring of her employer cried with hunger, this woman, instead of giving sustenance immediately from a glass bottle with a gum thing on the nozzle, went and got the pie-board, spread it over the unsuspecting child, and sat on it a quarter of an hour. Like King Henry, 'it never smiled again,' and the hired girl told the man who has charge of the jail that there must be something wrong about the Siberian hunter system, or else the newspapers did not explain it properly.

There are 320 defaulting internal revenue collectors in the United States, the total amount of whose indebtedness foots up over $20,000,000. six twentieths of which is due from ten individuals. Mr. Boutwell refuses to answer a House resolution calling upon him for information, and several prominent Republicans have been busy in smoothing the matter over, but without effect.

The fame of Bret Harte has so brilliantly shot to the zenith as to render any comments on his poems a superfluous task. The verdict of the popular mind has only anticipated the voice of sound criticism. Rapid as has been his elevation, it is the result of no ways that are dark and tricks that are vain,' but of rare endowments of mind and felicities of opportunity, and is equally honorable to his own fine gifts, and to the taste of his compatriots from the Pacific to the Atlantic. His racy humor is untainted by coarseness or affectation, and its robust strength has the charm of genuine spontaneity. It is never so led by the marks of the price current, or forced out of a weary brain to fulfil the terms of a contract. The comic element in Bret Harte is tempered by a loving sense of humanity, and a tender pathos easily takes the place of his fun and frolic. The present volume contains few pieces that are not already widely known to the public, most of them indeed having become as familiar as the lays of the nursery by constant repetition. The following poem has not been reprinted so often as some others, though we can scarcely hope to present it to any of our readers for the first time:

JOHN BURNS OF GETTYSBURG.

Have you heard the story that gossips tell
Of Burns of Gettysburg?—No? Ah, well:
Brief is the story that hero earns,
Briefer the story of poor John Burns:
He was the fellow who won renown,—
The only man who didn't back down
When the rebels rode through his native town:
But held his own in the light next day,
When all his townsfolk ran away.
That was in July, sixty-three,
The very day that General Lee,
Flower of Southern chivalry,
Baffled and beaten, back'ward reeled
From a stubborn Meade and a barren field.

I might tell how, but the day before,
John Burns stood at the cottage door,
Looking down this village street,
Where in the shade of his peaceful vine,
He heard the low of his gathered kine,
And felt their breath with incense sweet:
Or I might say, when the sunset burned
The old farm gable, he thought it turned
The milk that fell, in a blushing flood
Into the milk-pail, red as blood!
Or how he fancied the hum of bees
Were bullets buzzing among the trees,
But all such fanciful thoughts are foreign
Were strange to a practical man like Burns,
Who minded only his own concerns,
Troubled no more by fancies than
Than one of his calm-eyed, long-eared kine,—
Quite old-fashioned and matter-of-fact,
Slow to argue, but quick to act.
That was the reason, as some folks say,
He fought so well on that terrible day.

And it was terrible. On the right
Raged for hours the deadly fight,
Thundered the battery's double bass,—
Difficult music for men to face;
While on the left—where now the graves
Undulated like the living waves
That all that day unceasing swept
Up to the pits the rebels kept—
Round shot plowed the upland glades;
Sown with bullets, reaped with blades;
Shattered fences here and there
Tossed their splinters in the air;
The very trees were stripped and bare;
The barns that once held yellow grain
Were heaped with harvests of the slain.
The cattle bellowed on the plain,
The turkeys screamed with might and main,
And brooding barn-fowl left their rest
With strange shells bursting in each nest.

Just where the tide of battle turns,
Erect and lonely stood old John Burns.
How do you think the man was dressed?
He wore an ancient long buff vest,
Yellow as saffron,—but his best;
And, buttoned over his manly breast,
Was a bright blue coat, with a rolling collar,
And large gilt buttons,—size of a dollar,—
With tails that the country-folk called "swallet."
He wore a broad-brimmed, bell-crowned hat,
White as the locks on which it sat.
Never had such a sight been seen
For forty years on the village green,
Since old John Burns was a country beau,
And went to the 'quiltings' long ago.

Close at his elbows all that day,
Veterans of the Peninsula
Sunburnt and bearded, charged away;
and striplings, down of lip and chin,—
Clerks that the Home Guard mustered in,—
Glanced, as they passed, at the hat he wore
Then at the rifle his right hand bore;
And half of him, from out their youthful lore,
With scraps of a stirring *repertoire*:
"How are you, White Hat?" "Rather though I?"
"Your head's level!" and "Bully for you!"
Called him "Daddy," begged he'd disclose
The name of the tailor who made his clothes
And what was the "d.d.e" he set on those;
While Burns, unmindful of jeer and scoff,
Stood there picking the rebels off,
With his long brown rifle and bullet-crown hat,
And the swallow-tails they were laughing at.

'Twas but a moment, for that respect
Which clothes all courage their voices checked;
And something the wildest could understand
Spoke in the old man's strong right hand;
And his corded throat, and the jerking frown
Of his eyebrows under his old bell-crown;
Put, as they gazed, there crept an awe
Through the ranks in whispers, and some men saw,
In the antique vestments and long white hair,
The Past of the Nation in battle there;
And some of the soldiers since declare
That the gleam of his old white hat afar,
Like the crested plume of the brave Navarre,
That day was their oriflamme of war.

So ended the battle. You know the rest:
How the rebels, beaten and backward pressed,
Broke at the final charge, and ran,
At which John Burns—a practical man—
Shouldered his rifle, unbent his brows,
And then went back to his bees and cows.

That is the story of old John Burns;
This is the moral the reader learns:
In fighting he battle, the question's whether
You'll show a hat that's white, or a feather!

London Huron and Bruce.

At a recent meeting of the Provisional Directors it was resolved that 4—

"The Treasurer of the London, Huron and Bruce Railway Company be instructed to receive from the Railway Finance Committee of the Board of Trade the sum of three hundred and seven dollars ($307), being the balance of one thousand dollars paid as calls upon *forty shares* of $50 each in the London, Huron and Bruce Railway Co., for the purpose of defraying the preliminary expenses of the formation of aforesaid Company; and that the names of the persons who so subscribed to the Stock of the Company be entered in the stock-book as subscribers for one *share each* and that they be credited on the books for $25 each, that being the amount paid by them thereon."

It may be stated further that, in order to expedite the operations of the Company, a circular has been issued to the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of Turnberry, Morris, McKillop, Grey, Tuckersmith, Hay, Stephen and Usborne, suggesting that a meeting take place at Knox's Hotel, Seaforth, on Thursday, 6th of April, between them and the representatives of the Company, to consider and decide upon the best means for securing a bonus from the townships named in aid of the railway, and for any other business necessary to the success of the enterprise. It is quite clear that the Directors will lose no time in pushing on with the negotiations that may lead to a successful issue.—*Free Press.*

In London, every eight minutes, night and day, somebody dies; every five minutes a child is born. This great city contains as many people as the whole of Scotland, twice as many as Denmark, three times as many as Greece, and 400 times as many as Georgetown, D. C. In its vast population of nearly 4,000,000 it has 140,000 habitual gin drinkers, 100,000 abandoned women, 10,000 professional gamblers, 50,000 criminals known to the police as thieves and receivers of stolen goods, 500,000 habitual frequenters of public houses and 60,000 street Arabs. To keep this vast multitude of disorderly characters in something like obedience to the law, 6,000 policemen are necessary. Of the population of the city, only about 500,000 attend public worship, there being a million of adult absentees from church on every Sunday.

A Number of Men Lost in the Mountains and Supposed to have Perished in the Cold.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 20.—The following has been received from Oakland, Oregon, dated the evening of the 21th: John Perdue and John Beeseley, of Locking Glass Valley, in this country, went into the coast range of mountains for a few hours to hunt, intending to return before night. Diligent search has been made for them, but no trace has been found. Some men who went in search nearly perished. Three of one party of five are also supposed to be lost, as they did not return according to agreement. Another party of five is supposed to be lost. Large companies are forming to go into the mountains after them. It is almost certain that they have perished with cold. It has been cold and very foggy in the mountains, raining and snowing continually for the past week, and is still raining.

MOVEMENTS IN PARIS.

FORMATION OF A SUB-CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

GARIBALDI HONORARY PRESIDENT.

NEW ARMIES TO BE FORMED.

A COMPLAINT FROM TURKEY TO RUSSIA.

Paris, March 28.—This afternoon a sub-central committee was formed, consisting of twelve members. M. Assy is real president, and Garibaldi honorary president of the committee.

Decrees were issued for the formation of twenty-five battalions of infantry, twenty batteries of artillery, and fifteen batteries of mitrailleuses. The National Guards are to be paid two and a half francs daily. General Duvail organises the artillery, Henry the infantry, and Bargnet the cavalry. They are authorised to levy requisitions on everything.

Gourech, a member of the committee, commands the gunboats in the Seine. Flourens has resigned, Volgramie is resigning, and Garibaldi has been offered supreme command of the National Guards. It is not known whether he will accept.

The commune will be officially proclaimed on Thursday next. Of 330,000 registered voters in Paris, only 130,000 voted

St. Petersburg, 28th.—The Patriarch of Constantinople has complained to the Russian Synod that the Sublime Porte is disturbing the order of the church in Bulgaria. The answer of the Synod will appear in the *Official Journal* to-morrow.

Bucharest, March 28.—A new Roumanian cabinet has been formed, with General Till as minister of public works, and Floris as commissioner of war. In consequence of the passage of an indirect vote of censure, it is expected that a dissolution of the Chamber will be announced to morrow.

The Elections in Manitoba.

Winnepeg, Mar 4, *via* St Cloud Minn. Mar 21.—The Dominion elections went off quietly, on the 2nd inst., excepting in Lisgar and Marquette. In the former district the vote stood, Schultz 315, Inkster 64. The elections will be protested on the ground of intimidation, bribery, and illegal voting. At one polling house the poll had to be closed twenty minutes after it opened, in consequence of the violence and intimidation used. The poll was re-opened, but not by the returning officer. In Marquette, the vote was, Angus McKay 282, Dr. Lynch 282. Intimidation was freely used, and McKay was chased from the English division by armed Canadians. He only got one vote among the English. Although the proceedings were orderly in the French districts of the division, and Dr Lynch was at the polls, he only got 1 vote. In Selkirk, the figures were Donald A Smith 139, Jno Taylor 103, the former had a majority in every parish, but as there only two besides in the provincial district, the figures stood for Delaware 172, Dean 29. The Local House has been called for the despatch of business on the 15th March. No appointments to which or the Senate have been yet announced.

District elections in Manitoba and Lisgar, Dr Schultz 315, Inkster 65.
Selkirk, D A Smith 230, Taylor 103.
Provencher, Delaware 172, Dean 29.
Marquette, Lynch 282, McKay 282.

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