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ROYAL HOTEL LIVERY STABLE. The subscriber begs to notify the public that he has purchased the above livery from Mr. Geo. W. Jessop, and will continue the business as heretofore.

CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL, IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET. Refitted in the latest fashion. Five latest styles of Billiard Tables.

DOMINION SALOON. The table supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner.

Fresh Oysters in every Style. The table supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner.

THE BEST HOTEL IN TOWN. CASEY ALWAYS JOILY. The richest drinks, best table, most comfortable beds, attentive country and polite house in town at Casey's—The Harry of Erie Hotel, Macdonnell Street, Guelph.

GUELPH ACADEMY AND BOARDING SCHOOL. Opens on Monday, 8th of April.

Particular attention devoted to the English and Commercial Branches. JOHN MARTIN, Guelph, March 28, 1872.

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, GUELPH, ONTARIO.

ON TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 9th, 1872, at half-past 7 o'clock, for the election of officers, &c. A full attendance is requested. GEO. MURTON, Secretary.

MURTON & REID. Have received and are receiving a large stock of Delaware, Lackawanna and Western R. R. Co's COAL of all sizes.

DUIGNAN'S PUBLIC CAB. The Subscriber begs to inform the people of Guelph that he has purchased a handsome and commodious Cab, which will always be at their service.

SODEN'S PUBLIC CAB. The subscriber having purchased Mr. D. Coffee's splendid Cab, begs to inform the public that it will be at their service at all times, either by the hour, the day, or any other way, at the most moderate charges.

EGGS FOR HATCHING. F. S. STURDY. Is now Booking Eggs from his Imported Poultry. Send stamp for circular.

New Advertisements. CARPENTER WANTED.—To a suit-able person, \$2 per day will be paid. JAMES BARCLAY, Builder.

MELODEON FOR SALE.—A good second hand Melodeon for sale. Apply at Messrs. Bell & Co's Factory.

MAN WANTED.—Wanted immediately, a good steady man to drive the bread wagon, and make himself useful in the bake house. Apply to Andrew Armstrong, baker and grocer.

TWO ADJOINING LOTS FOR SALE.—On Hubbard's Survey, fronting London Road and Edwina Street. Terms easy. For further particulars, apply to John Sully, Norfolk Street.

HOUSE TO LET.—A Gentleman's Residence to be let, on the Catholic side. The house will be completely refitted. There is half an acre of land attached. Apply to McMillan & Co's office.

PHIEST-CLASS SAND FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers for sale, either at the lot, or delivered when required, First-class Sand suitable for either Builders or Plasterers. Apply to JOHN FORD, Paisley Block, East.

NOTICE.—The partnership heretofore existing under the style of Peterson & Butt has been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to the firm, and payable by the firm, are to be settled by Mr. Butt.

GUELPH RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Members of the Guelph Rifle Association for the election of officers, and for the business of the year, will be held at the Wellington Hotel on Tuesday 9th inst. at 7 o'clock p.m.

GOOD FARM TO RENT IN PUS-LINCH.—100 acres, 90 cleared, 4 miles from Guelph, N. E. 1/4 in 7th & 8th Parishes. Apply to Henry Newton, G.W.R. Station, or to the undersigned.

NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS.—James Kirby, an Apprentice of the undersigned, having unaccountably left his employment, all parties are hereby strictly forbidden to employ him in any way.

FAREWELL LECTURE.—BY MR. SAMUEL CAPPER. Subject: "Clever Men."

THORP'S OLD MUSIC HALL, ON THURSDAY, APRIL 11th, 1872. CHAS. COTTIS, Secretary.

FARMS TO RENT. 1. Eighty acres (60 cleared) with good stone dwelling house, barn and outbuildings.

TOWNSHIP OF GUELPH. Tenders for Painting. The Main Building of the Central Institution will be repainted at this office, (where specifications may be seen) until THURSDAY, the 11th inst.

GUELPH BOARD OF TRADE.—The Annual General Meeting of the Guelph Board of Trade will be held in the TOWN HALL, ON TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 9th, 1872, at half-past 7 o'clock, for the election of officers, &c.

TWO MASONS, CARPENTERS, &c. &c. Tenders for work for a small addition to the wooden factory of Armstrong, McCrae & Co., will be received till Saturday, 6th April, Co. will be received till Saturday, 6th April.

TWO MECHANICS AND OTHERS.—The undersigned has about 50 of the best lots in the West Ward, Guelph, which he is prepared to sell cheap and give a good title free from incumbrance.

PLASTER, PLASTER! 600 Tons Fresh Ground Plaster! Paris and Caledonia. Also a large quantity of Land Salt and Seed Grain.

UNDERTAKERS. MITCHELL & TOVELL. Having on hand a Splendid Hearse, Horses etc., hope by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage.

Coffins always on Hand. Funerals furnished if required. Carpenter work done as usual. Premises, a few doors north of the Post Office, and next to D. Guthrie's Law Office, Douglas Street.

BLACKSMITH WANTED.—A man accustomed to country work. Steady employment and good wages will be given. Married men preferred. Apply to William Bellows, Village of Douglas, Garafraxa P.O., March 10, 1872.

THOROUGHBRED DURHAM BULL REMUS, color red, with registered pedigree, will be kept on the farm of the subscriber. Will serve cows during the season. Terms: Grades, \$1.25 for each cow served; Thoroughbreds \$3. T. McCULLOUGH, Midway.

Guelph Evening Mercury SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 6, 1872. RAILWAY TIME TABLE. Grand Truck Railway.

Trains leave Guelph as follows: 4:22 a.m.; 9:50 a.m.; 6 p.m.; 8:30 p.m. To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin. 3:15 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:04 a.m.; 3:45 p.m.

Great Western—Guelph Branch. Going South—6:50 a.m., 1:05 p.m., 1:40 p.m. for Hamilton; 4:55 p.m. Going North—11:45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifford; 4:55 p.m. for Perth; 9:45 p.m. for Perth.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS. Mr. T. J. Day has received Bow Bells for April. E. O'Donnell & Co., proprietors of the Guelph Tea Depot, have just received a quantity of fresh teas.

MILITARY SCHOOL.—A. D. Carmichael, 30th Wellington Battalion, has obtained a second class certificate at the Military School. Mr. John Amielon has received Bow Bells and Wedding Bells for April.

A NEW ENTERPRISE.—Mr. Frank Dobson of Galt is making arrangements to commence the manufacture of hemlock extract for tanning purposes in the village of Clifford. The roof of Mr. John Hutchinson's house, East Garafraxa, caught fire from the stovepipe, last Saturday, and but for the timely help of the neighbors, little would have been left but ashes.

GOOD INTEREST.—The Express says: Twenty-four years ago Mr. Thomas Bishop sold Mr. John Bishop twenty-five acres of his farm in Garafraxa, for \$250 an acre. To-day he bought it back, paying therefor \$900.

RAILWAY MEETING.—We understand that a railway meeting will be held in the Town Hall, Berlin, on the afternoon of Friday, 12th April, at two o'clock. Mr. George Laidlaw and other gentlemen from Toronto, interested in the Credit Valley Railway, will be present and address the meeting.

HOME AGAIN.—Lieut. Wm. Nicol, of the Wellington Field Battery, who served in the Crimean and Afghan Wars, and was wounded in the latter, returned from Kingston on Wednesday, having passed a creditable examination before the Commandant of the Artillery School in that city. They all received certificates.

ANOTHER VICTIM.—Mr. Thomas Boyd, of Pilkington, has recently been victimized. He signed what purported to be an agreement, but which appears to have been a trap, to become agent for the Hay Fork, and was to have received a sample one in due course. The article never arrived, but now that the note falls due he has been sued for the amount, and the case will be tried at Woodstock next month.

THE ELORA FAIR.—The cattle fair on Tuesday last was remarkably well attended. We had no expectation of seeing so many people present nor such a number of prime beef cattle changed hands at prices ranging from 4 to 5 cents per pound, while those sold by the head brought prices according to size and quality, which cows were plenty and sold well. There were a number of horses for sale but no buyers.

FERRIS-WALKING UP.—The Express says: "Several gentlemen in this village, during the past week, have signified their readiness to form a joint stock company, in accordance with our suggestion two or three weeks since, for the manufacture of agricultural implements on a large scale. We have every faith in the project, and fully believe that a first class foundry here would give employment to a couple of scores of good men, and yield handsome returns on the capital invested."

HAMILTON CATTLE FAIR.—The average price of fat cattle sold in the monthly fair here was one dollar per hundred, which was the average price paid in the Guelph fair. We forgot to mention yesterday that there were on the grounds several horse buyers from the United States. We understand that at the next fair premiums to the amount of between \$200 and \$300 in the aggregate will be offered for the best stock of the various classes. This will be a great inducement to farmers to bring their live stock.

Magistrate's Court.—The Mr. Forest Esquire says that on Friday evening last, James McMillan, Esq., J. P. presiding, Richard Bower, a stage driver, was charged by Alex. McEwen with having stolen a sum of money, amounting to about \$25, from the pocket of his (McEwen's) pantaloons while he was absent from his room in Evans' hotel on the morning of Wednesday, 27th inst. Several witnesses were examined, for and against the prisoner, after which the case was adjourned until Friday evening next, in order that further evidence may be produced.

Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railway Company.—The Times says that a deputation, consisting of Wm. McGettigan, Esq., President, and George W. Burton, Esq., Q. C., Solicitor to the Company, with Donald McInnes, Esq., left Hamilton for Toronto on Friday morning, accompanied by several leaders of the Northern Townships, to meet the members of the Government, with a view to discussing the propriety of further aid to this Company on their Southern Extension, the Hon. Premier having consented to an interview for that purpose. We may add that our townsman, Mr. James Massie, went to Toronto the same day to accompany the deputation when they waited on the Government.

Is it Death?—Last Friday morning a young woman, wife of Mr. Robert Mulvey, of Markham, died very suddenly. The corpse was confined and conveyed to this city for interment. The coffin was open-

ed at the house of her friends, No. 102 John Street, and from the appearance of the body, it was thought by some of them that she was not dead. It has been kept since, and if no change takes place, will be interred on Sunday next. The body, for the first few days, had none of the stiffness or rigidity of death, and the arms, elbows and fingers could be moved easily at every joint as during sleep. The case creates no little interest among residents in the locality. Dr. Macdonald has pronounced life entirely extinct.

CAUTION TO FARMERS.—We have been informed upon reliable authority, says the Hamilton Spectator, that several peddlers are traversing the country selling worthless and dangerous trams purporting to be a certain cure for spavin, rheumatism, splinter, &c. We would caution farmers and others who own horses not to allow the swindlers to palm off their wares upon them if they value their stock. Several instances have come to our knowledge where horses treated with quack lotions have been completely ruined.

RAILWAY MEETING AT OSPINGO.—The railway meeting, as previously announced, came off last night at Ospringe, and was very largely attended. Messrs. Goldie, Bruce and McLagan were present on behalf of Guelph, and spoke in favor of the proposed railway from Guelph to Orangeville. Messrs. Milloy, McMillan, McLane, & Colton, and others, spoke in opposition to the Credit Valley road. Mr. Edward Johnson occupied the views held by the Guelph men. After a long and rather mixed discussion, a resolution in favor of the Credit Valley road was defeated by a large majority. We are unable to give a full report of the meeting to-day.

HAMILTON AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.—We learn from the Collingwood Bulletin that at a meeting of the Railway Committee on Monday night, on motion of Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Watson; the chairman and secretary were requested to draft a report of the proceedings of the committee, representing that they had good ground for believing that bonuses to the amount of \$90,000 will be granted by the municipalities as follows: Toronto, \$20,000; North-western, \$40,000; Collingwood (town), \$10,000; a copy of said report to be sent to the provisional directors of the Hamilton and North Western Railway.

THE BROWN MURDER.—The trial of Hugh Caldwell and George Brown for the murder of George Brown a few weeks ago, in a tavern at the West End of Toronto, by kicking him so brutally that he survived but a short time after the assault, commenced on Friday morning before his Lordship Chief Justice Hagarty. The trial was held in the Grand Jury on Wednesday, when they returned in a true bill for murder against both prisoners. The prisoners were arraigned for having, on the 19th March, feloniously, wilfully, and of their malice aforethought, killed and murdered one George Brown. Both parties pleaded not guilty, and expressed themselves ready for trial, which was then appointed to take place this Saturday.

Public Meeting in Guelph Township. Mr. Stirton, M. P., held a public meeting in the Paisley Block school house on Friday evening. On account of the protracted state of the roads there was but a small attendance of the electors. Mr. James Laidlaw, Reeve, was appointed chairman, and in a few appropriate remarks introduced Mr. Stirton, who spoke for nearly an hour. He explained the object in holding these meetings, and expressed his pleasure in meeting so many of his old personal and political friends in that section. He then reviewed at length several of the most important measures which had engaged the attention of this Parliament, showed wherein the Government had been in his opinion, wrong, and pointed out the evil results that would inevitably follow their bad legislation. As far as the Government policy on questions which may yet come up had been indicated, his position to such was one of uncompromising hostility. It is believed that it was carried into effect it would be most injurious to the country. He was listened to with much attention, and closed his speech amidst applause.

Mr. Whitlaw then made a few remarks. He was sure the meeting was highly satisfied with the able and bold speech which Mr. Stirton had delivered. He especially coincided with what he had said, and especially in his views with regard to the fishery question. He thought if we let these fisheries out of our hands in the manner proposed that all chance of obtaining reciprocity with the States was gone. He moved that a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr. Stirton for the able and satisfactory manner in which he had explained the public questions now engaging attention, and also their satisfaction at the course he had hitherto pursued in Parliament, and that which he intended to follow during the ensuing session.

Mr. John Holton seconded the motion. The Chairman, before putting the resolution expressed his great pleasure at the speech they had just heard, and cordially endorsed the expression of satisfaction contained in the resolution with regard to Mr. Stirton's conduct. He had formed a faithful, considerate and prudent course, and if he will consent to run again, he felt assured that he would be returned as handsome a majority as he was in 1867. He went on to remark that Confederation was not going to rid us of the evils that we as Upper Canadians, complained of before that measure came into operation, and referred to the instances in which the present Government had set aside the provisions of that Act in regard to representation by population. Such being the case it was all the more necessary to send men to Parliament like Mr. Stirton, who would fight for principle, who would stand up for our rights, and not stand quietly by and allow them to be trampled under foot. He sincerely hoped that Mr. Stirton would allow himself to be again nominated for the same purpose. The resolution was then put and carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks was then carried to the chairman, after which the meeting dispersed. OYSTER BENEFIT.—Mr. Hugh Walker gives his last oyster benefit for this season to-night. Don't forget it. Lady Granville, to the delight of the aristocracy, has given birth to a son and heir.

Chancery Court. BEFORE VICE-CHANCELLOR STRONG. April 5th. Wright vs. Nichol.—This was a bill filed by Mrs. Wright, of the Township of Peel, against her brother Dr. Nichol, of Listowel, to have it declared that a transfer made by her father the late Hugh Nichol to Dr. Nichol in Aug. 1859 of the south-east half of lot 13, 1 con. of Peel, was given only by way of security, although absolute in form. The defence was that it was absolute transfer and not by way of security. Mrs. Wright claimed that the land should be sold and after payment of the amount due to Dr. Nichol, the proceeds should be divided among the heirs-at-law of her late father.

After hearing all the evidence which occupied the Court eight hours, a decree by consent was made, substantially granting the prayer of the plaintiff's bill. Mr. Moss, Q.C. and Mr. Guthrie for the plaintiff; Mr. McLennan for Dr. Nichol; Messrs. A. C. Chadwick and A. H. Macdonald for other parties.

THE BISHOP VS. THE TOWNSHIPS OF THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO AND THE TORONTO, GREY & BRUCE RAILWAY COMPANY.—The plaintiffs filed a bill to have the debentures for \$20,000 given by them as a bonus to the T. G. & B. R. returned and cancelled on the ground that the railway company had failed to perform the conditions upon which the debentures were given.

It appeared that the By-law for granting the bonus provided that unless the Railway was fully completed and in running order to within 15 miles of Green's Hill Station, and there were no stations erected at the town-line between Luther and Ananarth and at Arthur by the 15th of April, 1871, the debentures should be returned to the Township by the custodian—the Provincial Treasurer—and the Railway should not be entitled to the bonus. The Railway was not completed by the date named—in fact the engineer, W. Wragge, stated that it was not yet fully completed and the station at the town-line has not been erected.

In May the Township demanded back the debentures from the Provincial Treasurer but he declined to give them, on the ground that the Railway Company claimed to have substantially performed the conditions. The Treasurer left the matter to be decided by the court as between the Township and the Railway Company.

The defence of the Railway Company was that time was not of the essence of the contract, that they had substantially fulfilled the conditions, that a large part of the work was done before the 15th of April last; that the road has been running since December, and that the season of 1870 was very wet and hands scarce, and thus the work was delayed. After a large number of witnesses were examined, and the counsel had argued the case, his Lordship reserved judgment. Hon. E. Blake, Q.C., Mr. Prosser, Q.C., and Mr. Guthrie, for Plaintiffs; John Hilliard Cameron, Q.C., Mr. Moss, Q.C., and Messrs. Beattie & Lash, for the defendants.

MESSENGER VS. HENNEBERY.—This suit was brought by the late Miss Messance, to set aside a deed made by her to the Defendants, under the impression that she was not guilty, and expressed her intention of a nuptial during their lifetimes, contained in the contract in favor of the Roman Catholic Church of Elora and Guelph, and it was contended that these trusts came void under the statutes of Mortmain. Miss Messance died during the progress of the suit, and it was continued by her executors. After consideration of the matter, the Vice-Chancellor expressed his decided opinion that the ulterior trusts in favor of the churches were void, but considered it advisable to allow the representative of the deceased to establish them if they could, and directed the suit to stand over for argument in Toronto, to be made parties to it in the meantime. But he suggested that if the sale to Mr. Cushing (who had purchased the land from the trustees) were recognized, there could be no objection in further defending the suit. Mr. Moss, Q.C., and Mr. Watt, for plaintiffs, and the Hon. E. Blake, and Mr. Drew and Mr. Merritt, for defendants.

COLLINS VS. JOHNSTON.—In this case judgment was given this morning, dismissing the plaintiff's bill, so that the defendant is allowed to retain the land. Arthur Agricultural Society. At a meeting of the present members, held at Thomson's hotel, Kenilworth, on Thursday, 28th March, for the purpose of appointing Directors and officers for the present year. Sidney Smith was unanimously elected President; Robert Stevenson, was elected Vice-President, and Michael C. O'Donnell was appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

The following gentlemen were appointed Directors: Messrs. Mark Langdon, Robert Mitchell, jr., Wm. Robt. Morrison, Alex. Allen, Joseph Tuck, Jas. O'Donnell, James Haper and John Allen. Messrs. Robert Gordon and Robert Williamson were elected Auditor. A meeting of the Directors will be held in the same place on the 2nd day of July next, with the view of taking such steps as may be deemed lawful or necessary to secure a portion of the Government aid usually given to such societies. There are thirty-four members already on the list, with good prospect of largely increasing them.

THE MISSOURI MURDER. The trial of Phoebe Campbell was resumed on Friday morning. The court was not quite so crowded as on the previous days. The prisoner looked about the same, maintaining the dogged expression she has worn since the commencement of the proceedings. A number of witnesses were examined for the defence, the chief ones being the father and brother of the prisoner, also Thomas Coylo. The case for the defence was closed on Friday, and Mr. Cornish will address the jury to-day.

POLICE COURT. Before T. W. Saunders, Esq. April 6. Lawrence Tracey was charged with assaulting Alex. Gow on the fair day, on Upper Wyndham Street. Fined \$10 and costs. A Risk for allowing barrels of salt to lie on the sidewalk was fined \$1 without costs.

The Journal de St. Petersburg, of March 7, states that an earthquake in Canencia suddenly changed a prosperous district into a desert. It destroyed the city of Themasaka and injured several neighboring villages, causing a loss of 137 lives.

BY TELEGRAPH THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES Prince Arthur Promoted.

French Exiles. The Earthquake.

London, April 5.—One Fleury, cashier of a bank at Lincoln, Ireland, has absconded with a large amount of money belonging to the bank. He is believed to have taken passage to the U. S.

New York, April 5.—At the hour appointed for the funeral of Prof. Morse, Madison Square Presbyterian Church was crowded, and hands were laid to rest on the coffin in the parlour. Among the delegations present were Governor Hoffman and staff, Committee from the Legislature, Directors of the Western Union and the New York and Newfoundland Telegraph Companies. At 4 o'clock solemn strains pealed from the organ, and shortly afterwards the funeral procession entered the Church—first, the mourners; next, the coffin, borne on the shoulders of four men, and surmounted by a crown; then the family of the deceased; and lastly, the delegations. The Rev. Dr. Adams delivered the funeral oration.

London, April 5.—A despatch has just been received in this city from Yeldo, dated March 26th, announcing that an attempt had been made by a party of twelve persons to assassinate the Mikado of Japan. The efforts of the would-be murderers proved unsuccessful, and the guards in attendance upon the Mikado succeeded in arresting two of the party, but the others escaped. It has caused great uneasiness on the part of the Government. Orders have been issued forbidding foreigners to go beyond the limits of Yeldo.

London, April 6, 5 a.m.—Prince Arthur will shortly be promoted to the rank of Major, and will go to India for two years. Disraeli has returned to this city.

Paris, April 5.—Henri Rochefort, Pascal Grosset and M. Assis called to-day for the penal colony of New Caledonia. Athens, April 3.—The King opened the session of the Assembly to-day with a speech in which he declared that that country was at peace at home and abroad.

San Francisco, April 6.—The Government building at Camp Independence were entirely destroyed by earthquake on the 26th ult.

Management of the Suez Canal. The report of Mr. de Lesseps, at a meeting lately held in Paris, on the position and prospects of the great enterprise with which his name will ever be associated, begins by stating that all material difficulties have now been overcome, and that it is held forth only moral obstacles with which the Company will have to contend. "An ever-increasing number of vessels," he said, "traverse definitely the Canal, and those who, out of France, were the longest to deny the possibility of the advantage of uniting the Mediterranean and the Indian Oceans, have now become our best customers, and our most determined defenders."

The bed of the Canal for 154 kilometers (100 miles), from the extreme end of the pier at Port Said to the roadstead at Suez, has reached the average depth of 30 meters 30 centimeters (27 feet, 2 inches).

The report, in referring to the enlargement of the bends of the curves of the Canal, remarks that it is now 17 years since that work was first planned, and it was never then thought that ships 200 meters long would ultimately make use of the Canal. The length of the great ships which continually traverse the Canal has now made necessary the enlargement of certain curves. Of these five have been widened from 22 to 44 meters. All works on the Canal proper having been finished, the canal or holding-place of the Timsah Lake has now been completed. It was finished on the 29th of October last. This gives the Company an internal port for ships to halt in, &c.—of over 200 hectares—about 50 acres superficial, and eight meters (26 feet 2 inches) in depth. In order also to show the facility with which vessels passing through the Canal may be mentioned the mail-steamers of the Messageries Francaises, Peiho of 1801 tons, which passed from one sea to another in 13 hours 48 minutes of actual steaming; and the Persia, an Italian packet, which spent thirteen in 12 hours 45 minutes. This would be at the average rate of about eight miles an hour.

Shameful. The Tories of Prescott must feel their position most bitterly. On Sunday morning last, at Wesleyan Methodist and Presbyterian Churches were about to be opened, preparatory for divine service, it was found that some miserable miscreant had painted on the doors of each of the churches, in pretty large dimensions, the sign of the cross. The same disgraceful trick was also perpetrated at one of the main window-shutters of Mr. Gerald's Ticket Office, that gentleman having exercised the right of every independent British subject of voting for the man of his choice, Mr. Fraser.

Such disgraceful acts will do the opponents of Mr. Fraser more harm than good, as it will disgust the Roman Catholics who voted for Mr. Ellis, painting the sign of the cross in the instances alluded to being a desecration of a symbol held sacred by others besides Roman Catholics.

We also hear that the subject of protesting the election has been discussed, and that Messrs. Shanly and Ellis are very eager that a protest should be made. Many Conservative voters, however, think that if these gentlemen wish to protest the election, the gentleman named should foot the bill, as they are the only parties who will be benefited. Mr. Shanly, too, being a very wealthy man, is well able to provide the necessary funds out of his own pocket. A very sensible idea, and one the Conservative electors would do well to adhere to. Let them remember, however, before they decide to go into a protest, that the opponents are prepared to give them a "Wolfgang" if an "Oliver," as they have very excellent grounds to show up the "buyings and sellings" indulged in by the Tory party in connection with the election.—Brookfield Recorder.

Lady Mayo is on her way home from India. The stricter recruiting system employed by the Germans will give 40,000 more men to the reserve every year, and will raise the available force of Germany to 1,700,000 in 12 years.