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FRIDAY MORNING OCT 10, 1873.

Mr. Case's Address.

The address of the Liberal candidate for South Huron commends itself to every well-wisher of the Riding. All measures of reform, no matter from what source they may proceed, are promised his cordial support. Mr. Case is an old and highly respected resident of South Huron, and has a thorough personal knowledge of the requirements of the different municipalities in the Riding. In Seaforth, the place of his residence, he is promised a very large vote, particularly on account of his local popularity, and it is expected, with majorities received from other places, he will be triumphantly returned. Let his friends unceasingly work, and victory will be theirs.

The Commission.

The Royal Commission have ended their labors. Neither Huntington or his allie, McMullen, put in an appearance. They were not backward in preferring charges, but they dreaded the idea of giving evidence under oath. Under such circumstances they shewed their wisdom in keeping away. Their charges were pure fabrications, and if they attempted, upon oath, to make them good they would be punished as the law directs in such cases. The Government has already been clearly vindicated, and they are now ready to meet Parliament with the evidence of their innocence in hand. That they will be sustained by a large majority there is not a doubt. In Ottawa bets are made that on the very first test question their majority will be over thirty. With the new members from Prince Edward Island we look for a majority of twenty-five. Let the reader remember our figures and see if they will not come out correct.

South Huron Nomination.

The South Huron nomination, at Brucefield, on Wednesday, was very thinly attended, not more than one hundred and fifty people being present, all told. James Dickson, Esq., acted as returning officer. Mr. Bishop, the Reform nominee, was proposed by Mr. David Johns, and seconded by Mr. Jas. Elder. Mr. Greenway nominated Mr. Case, the Conservative candidate, and Mr. H. Benson seconded the nomination. Other nominations were made, but, after addressing the electors, all retired except Mr. Bishop and Mr. Case. Hon. Archibald McKellar, one of the Ontario Government missionaries, was the principal speaker of the occasion, but his wild and unjust attacks upon the Conservative party were well replied to by Mr. Greenway. A pompous pettifogger, hailing from Brussels, named McDonald, appeared on behalf of Mr. Bishop, but instead of helping that gentleman's chances he injured them very materially. He appears to have no knowledge of what he was talking about, and aimed at such large and high-falutin words as to cause much merriment. The boy should be looked after. As regards the feeling of the yeomanry present, it seemed to be about equally divided, but both parties were in the best of spirits, and appeared confident of success.

"We petitioned in North Perth against T. M. Daly on the ground of gross bribery. A partizan committee was struck to try the petition. Before a tribunal with such proclivities there was no more hope of getting justice than there is of a true verdict being rendered by the Commission created by Sir John for his own trial."

So speaks the *Beacon* of last week. Rather complimentary to the five gentlemen who comprised the North Perth Committee, but then it is characteristic of the *Beacon's* usual civility towards an opponent. Of all other places, North Perth should be the last alluded to by the Grits on the score of bribery. Conservatives don't deny but there was money used to elect Mr. Daly; but for every dollar spent in his behalf there were, at the lowest calculation, thirty dollars spent by the other side. Why, Mr. Redford himself admitted, monied man and all that he was, that he had been almost "bled to death." Bribery was first introduced into Perth by the Grits, in the time of the McDonald election. It was followed up by the same party in the Daly-Foley and the Daly-McFarlane elections, and in 1867, when Mr. Redford came out for the first time in Opposition to Mr. Daly the leaders of the Faction openly boasted that they had "enough money on hand to buy up the Riding," and the result of the contest proved the truth of their boast. Pretty men these to talk of the paltry few dollars that were spent by Mr. Daly last year. What next?

A Deep Laid Scheme.

For plotting, preferring false charges, and opening private letters, commend us to the pure and simple Grit. Three weeks ago we referred to the political state of matters in South Huron, showing that the first vacancy to be filled by the Ontario Government was promised to a Roman Catholic, and that there was a likelihood that Mr. Mowatt would violate his obligation to the League, as it was hinted that the Huron shrivaltry was already promised to Mr. Gibbons. We have obtained from the most reliable authority information not only bearing us out in our surmises, but exposing a scheme quite in keeping with the general conduct of the Faction. It is this: Mr. Gibbons resigned his seat in the Local House and demanded, for past services to the Reform party, the appointment of Sheriff. Mr. Mowatt tells him that the office is already promised to the Roman Catholic League, and that the name of Mr. Richard O'Loane had been submitted to the Government for approval. Gibbons threatens to go into Opposition if his demands are not acceded to. The Premier consults his colleagues, and, after some days deliberation, they come to the conclusion to violate their obligation to the Roman Catholics, and promise the appointment to Mr. Gibbons, but the matter is to be kept a perfect secret until the elections are over, so that the League may be kept in entire ignorance of the intentions of the Government, and their support thus secured for the nominee of the Reform convention! Such deception should not be tolerated for a moment by either Protestant or Catholic. Mr. Mowatt should have kept his word with his Roman Catholic friends, no matter what the consequence. Roman Catholics are entitled to positions of high trust just the same as any other subject, but it would be foolish to expect justice from such a crew as the abettors of theft and perjury. Sir John A. McDonald has never made a distinction between the two religious bodies, but measure men by their merits. This is not the first time that Grit spite has shown itself towards Roman Catholics. In our own county, it will be remembered, when Mr. Daly appeared in 1857 as the Conservative candidate for Perth, the seperate school question was before the country. Because he promised to deal fairly with his Roman Catholic friends in this matter he was caricatured by the Grits, and photographs distributed through the county in thousands, with Mr, Daly on the Pope's back. His supporters were called midnight assassins, tools of the Pope, priest-ridden slaves, &c. Again, when Mr. Donovan appeared in the South Riding five years ago he was publicly insulted by the Grit prints, and dubbed the "dandy little Papist." Last year Mr. Kidd, on account of his religion, also came in for a share of abuse, and was also caricatured in the most disgraceful manner. The *Beacon* said the Riding was being disgraced by running such a man, while the St. Mary's *Argus* revelled in such language as—"Those Papist dogans, curse them." "Kidd, a tool to catch the Papist vote." "Joe Kidd or lamb and calf." "Croppie lie down." "A goose, a fool, a stupid ass." Such was the way respectable gentlemen were treated, merely because they happened to be Roman Catholics, and asked for seats in Parliament. Roman Catholics have ever been targets for Grit abuse. They were told in '57 by the "Globe" that they were "only fit to be Scotchmen's servants." What will Mr. O'Loane think of this? How would he like the position of boot-black or groom to George Brown." No doubt he would consider either positions humiliating, but still the great Mogul has declared him only fit for such work. Let us hear further from the same authority:—

"One idea absorbs and animates the paltriest member of priesthood—that, though he be paltry, a mere warty insect crawling in the chinks and spider holes of society, still he is part of the stupendous conspiracy which with varying success, has toiled to undermine the freedom and hinder the progress of mankind.—Globe, August 7th, 1857.

"Popery fraternizes with despotism, is fearful of superstition, is accompanied by popular poverty and degradation.—Globe, March 24th, 1856.

"Rome is the most lucid moral pestilence with which our fallen world ever was vexed, and her course is invariably tracked by ignorance, irreligion, and crime.—Globe, Feb. 22nd, 1856.

"A man may be to the last degree immoral, and do and say everything that is vile without being taken to task by these impious priests; but let him endeavor to live like a Christian and seek to enlighten his neighbors and down will come these bloodhounds of Rome upon him.—Globe, October 23rd, 1856.

After this, we would dispassionately and calmly ask the intelligent Roman Catholics of the South Riding of Huron if they will vote for the nominee of Mr. Brown? Mr. Bishop may be a very good man personally, but if he goes to Parliament he will be simply a voting machine of George Brown. He must jump up, like jack in the box, and record his vote as his master dictates, else he would at once be driven from the ranks as a backslider. We hope, therefore, every ratepayer who loves British freedom, equal rights and fair-play will be early at the polls and record their votes for Mr. Case, a man who will support good measures and good men. Let there be no keeping back. A strong pull and a united pull will achieve the victory. Up, then, and at the enemy! The polling takes place on Wednesday next.

"Though Mr. Case, the nominee of the Conservative Convention in South Huron, is understood still to be in the field, he has not yet made his *debut* in public, but canvassing is going on in his behalf."

We are sorry that the "Globe" will persist in a policy of mis-representation and slander. It denies in its issue of Monday that "Mr. Case has made his *debut* in public," when the fact is his address was before the electors early last week. Of course the intention is to make it appear that the Conservative candidate has not yet fully made up his mind to contest the Riding, but we can assure our big contemporary that, whether elected or defeated, Mr. Case will remain in the field until the polls are closed.

Fullarton Agricultural Show.

The farmers of this fine old township nobly sustained their well won reputation, at their fall show held yesterday, (Thursday), as first-class agriculturalists. They were highly favored with most beautiful weather, and the well-to-do settlers turned out in large numbers to participate in the enjoyments of their annual gathering. The President, Geo. Leversage, Esq., and the courteous and attentive Secretary, Wm. Davidson, Esq., were on the ground, doing their utmost to give any information required and make the show a success. In many departments the display was excellent. Some very fine farm stock was exhibited, particularly horses and sheep. Hogs were well represented. Implements were not largely shown, but those exhibited were creditable to the manufacturers. The most attractive objects on the ground were single and double buggies, shown by Messrs. Stiles & Burritt, of Mitchell. Messrs. Pridham & Walkom, of Stratford, also had a couple of very good vehicles on exhibition, one of which received a second prize. The display of grain, roots, fruit and vegetables, in some instances, was ahead of anything we have seen this year. The ladies department, as usual, reflected untold credit on the fair damsels of the township. The various specimens of needle work would compare favorably with any shown at the Provincial Exhibition. Embroidery, knitting, quilts, socks and mits were shown in beautiful profusion. We are sorry that space prevents a more extended notice of what proved to be a most excellent show.

THE PRIZE LIST

Horses—Carriage horses, 1st Wm. Dickie Buggy horse, 1st John S. Coppin; 2nd Thomas Mutton. Span of heavy draught, 1st James Rodgers; 2nd Thomas Skinner. Two year old gelding or filly, 1st Thomas Hanson; 2nd Alexander McDougall. Three year old do., John Jacob. Span general purposes, John Woodley; 2nd Charles Beer. Brood mare, 1st John Woodley; 2nd Alex. Bothwell. Sucking foal, 1st James Woodley; 2nd Alex. Bothwell. One year old gelding, 1st T. Mutton; 2nd W. Laing. Two year old do., H. Heal; 2nd John Pringle. Three year old do., R. Francis.

Cattle.—Durhams, Best heifer, E. Turner. Grade—Best cow, W. Francis; 2nd W. Taylor. Two year old heifer, C. Mills; 2nd W. Taylor. One year do., A. McDougall; 2nd do. Heifer calf, R. Moore; 2nd H. Heal. One year old steers, H. Heal; 2nd Alexander McDougall.

Hogs—Large breed, best young boar, W Hodge; 2nd John Good. Sow, having littered this year, James Woodley; 2nd T Mutton. Young sow, John Good; 2nd T Mutton. Small breed, best boar over one year, T. Mutton. Best young boar, George Leversage; 2nd do. Young sow, H Heal; 2nd G Leversage.

Sheep.—Fat sheep, E. Moore; 2nd H. Heal. Leicesters, ram, two shears and over, Miles Brown; 2nd R. Moore. Shearling ram, H. Heal; 2nd John Woodley. Ram lamb, John Rogers; 2nd H. Heal. Pair aged ewes, R. Moore; 2nd M. Brown. Shearling ewes, H. Heal; 2nd Miles Brown. Ewe lambs, H. Heal. Grade, ram, two shears, Jonas O. Coales. Ram lamb, H. Heal; 2nd E. Moore. Pair ewes, James Cann; 2nd H. Heal. Shearling ewes, H. Heal; 2nd E. Moore. Ewe lambs, Jas. Woodley; 2nd H. Heal.

Poultry.—Pair turkeys, J. O. Coles; 2nd E. Turner. Pair geese, E. Turner; 2nd J. C. Coles. Pair ducks, E. Moore; 2nd Jas. Moore. Pair polands, E. Moore; 2nd S. Harris. Pair Hamburgs, S Harris; 2nd Jas Moore. Collection of fowls, R Moore.

Implements.—Best buggy, with poles or shafts, Stiles & Burrit; 2nd Pridham & Walkom. Set horse shoe, Geo Roland. Set harness G Rice.

Grain, &c.—Fall wheat, white, R Sandercock. Red fall wheat, James Rodgers; 2nd J H Yeo. Spring club wheat, Isaac Roberts; 2nd Charles Beer. Fife wheat, J O. Coles. Black oats, W. Hodge; 2nd James Moore. Barley, R Moore. Crown peas, J O Coles; 2nd Thomas Skinner. Peas, marrowfat, W Hodge. White peas, J H Yeo; 2nd James Moore. Beans, W H Smith; 2nd W Hodge. Indian corn, Thomas Currelly; 2nd G McIntyre. Timothy, James Moore. Flax seed, J. O. Coles; 2nd W Taylor. Flour, John Fitz, Mitchell; 2nd Jas Moore.

Dairy—Salt butter, G McIntyre; 2nd W J Phipps. Do in rolls, W Hodge; 2nd W Francis. Factory cheese, W Francis.

Roots, &c.—Early potatoes, John Rogers; 2nd W. H. Smith. Late potatoes, W. Hodge. Mangolds, R. Moore; 2nd Jas Harris. Field carrots, J, Harris; 2nd W Porteous. Garden carrots, G. McIntyre; 2nd J Prindle. Blood beet, J Harris; 2nd A Bothwell. Turnips, R Moore; 2nd Geo Leversage. Onions, J O Cole; 2nd W Taylor. Cabbage, J O Cole; 2nd G McIntosh. Cauliflowers, G McIntosh. Pumpkins, W Porteous; 2nd E Moore. Squash, W Taylor; 2nd R Sandercock. Citron, W Taylor; 2nd R Sandercock. Twelve plums, W Taylor; 2nd A Bothwell. Apples, R Francis; 2nd Chas Beer. Collection of apples, Thos Currelly; 2nd W J Phipps. Grapes, R. D. Roy. Winter pears, Jas Harris; 2nd J O Coles. Fall pears, J O Coles. Maple sugar, W Porteous; 2nd J Roberts. Honey, John Gettler; 2nd Jas Harris. Crab apples, Geo Rowland; 2nd R Sandercock. Tomatoes, Jas Cann; 2nd J O Coles. Red pepper, W J Phipps; 2nd J Cann. Homemade bread, W Hodge 2nd; J Coles. Home made soap, J Moore; 2nd J Roberts.

Domestic Manufacturers, &c.—Pair union blankets, R Sandercock. Union flannel, S Harris; 2nd W Hodge. Patched quilt, S Harris; 2nd George Kreamer Woven quilt, James Woodley; 2nd J Roberts. Stockings, R Sandercock; 2nd E Moore. Socks, S Harris; 2nd do. Woollen mits, W Hodge; 2nd do. Woollen gloves, W Hodge; 2nd do. Collection of knitting, T Mutton. Collection of needle work, J O Cole. Fancy knitting, G McInyre; 2nd E. Moore. Raised work, E. Moore; 2nd J Moore. Floor mat, J O. Coles; 2nd do. Rag carpet, R H Bain; 2nd James Moore. Straw work, James Moore; 2nd do. Crotchet work, T. Currelly; Fancy needle work, Geo. Rice. Special prizes—Lamb skin mits, Jas. Moore. Netting in darning, Thos. Currelly. Crotchet in wool, E. Moore; 2nd G. Rice. Bead work, W. Hodge; 2nd T. Mutton. Collection of photographs, W. H. Fowler. Yarn, R. Sandercock; 2nd Jas. Moore. Horse blanket, J. Good.

JUDGES.

Horses and Cattle.—Thos. Pearce, Blanshard; Samuel Crawford, Hibbert; and John Ingram, Esqs., Logan.

Sheep and Hogs.—Alex. Smith, Blanshard; D. McLaren, Hibbert; and Jno. Wade, Esqs., Logan.

Implements. — Thomas Ballantyne, Overton farm," Downie; W. C. Currie, Mitchell, and J. S. McIntyre, Esqs., Blanshard.

Ladies' Department.—Mrs. Jno Fitze, Mitchell; Mrs. John Wade, Logan, and Mr. W. R. Davis, Mitchell.

THE DINNER.

After the Judges got through with their work, they were entertained by the Society to a dinner, which was gotten up in first-class style by Mr. Gettler. The chair was occupied by the President, and short but spicy speeches were delivered by several of the gentlemen present.

Hibbert Fall Show.

The Annual Fall Exhibition, under the auspices of the Hibbert Agricultural Society, held on Tuesday last at Staffa, scarcely came up to the average of country shows. The attendance of people was exceedingly large, among whom we noticed the Hon. Archibald McKellar. The quality of stock, roots and other articles shown was very good, but the competition in many of the departments, was poor. The weather was all that could be wished for, and the general arrangements and awards of the judges appeared to give general satisfaction. Below will be found

THE PRIZE LIST.

Horses.—Best saddle horses, 1st J. Gillespie; 2nd Wm. Devon. Span carriage horses, 1st Simon Campbell; 2nd Duncan McLaren. Buggy horse, 1st Whorton Hodgson; 2nd Donald McLachlin. Brood mare, having suckled a foal in 1873, 1st Geo. Spearin; 2nd Duncan Stewart. Sucking foal, 1st Geo. Spearin 2nd Wm. Smale. One year old filly, 1st Wm. Oliver; 2nd R. Barbour. One year old gelding, 1st James Norris; 2nd Peter Campbell. Two year old gelding, 1st James Mahaffy; 2nd John Barr.

General Purposes.—Span horses, Wm. Oliver; 2nd John Norris. Brood mare, P. O'Conner; 2nd Wm. Norris. Sucking foal, James Mahaffy; 2nd Patrick O'Conner. One year old filly. Wm. Norris; 2nd John Stewart. Two yeal old filly, James Simmons; 2nd Peter Campbell. Two year old gelding, James Campbell; 2nd Duncan Stewart.

Special Prizes.—Foal of 1873 got by Lord Haddo, Geo. Spearin; 2nd James Mahaffy. Foal of 1873, got by Scotch Miracle, Wm. Smale; 2nd John Mowbury.

Implements.—Lumber waggon, F. L. & J. Hamilton. Iron plough, Monro & Hogan. Wooden plow, Monro & Hogan; 2nd Thomson & Williams. Set horse shoes, F. L. & J. Hamilton.

Cattle—Durhams—Cow that had a calf in 1873, John Glenn; 2nd do. Two year old heifer, Duncan McLaren; 2nd do. One year old heifer, Duncan McLaren; 2nd do. Heifer calf, John Glenn; 2nd Duncan McLaren, Bull calf, John Glenn; 2nd Duncan McLaren. Thorough bred devon, Wm. Hamilton.

Grade Cattle.—Milch cow calved 1873, Alexander McLaren; 2nd do.; 3rd do. Two year old heifer, Alexander McLaren; 2nd John Stewart; 3rd Thomas Gourley. One year old heifer, Alex. McLaren. 2nd do.; 3rd do. Heifer calf of 1873, A. McLaren, Yoke working oxen, John Glenn; 2nd Wm. Butler. Yoke 2 years old steers, John Stewart; Wm. Hamilton. Pair one year old steers, Alex. McLaren; John Stewart. Fat cow or heifer, John Glenn; 2nd Wm. Butler; 3rd do John McTavish.

Sheep.—Fat sheep, Alex. McLaren; 2nd do.; 3rd do. Leicestershire—Ram two shears and over, Michael Heefer; 2nd John Whyte. Shearling ram, John McConnell. Ram lamb, Thomas Gourly; 2nd do. Pair breeding ewes, A. McLaren; 2nd do.; 3rd Thomas Gourley. Pair shearling ewes, T. Gourley, 2nd do. Pair ewe lambs, John McTavish; 2nd Thomas Gourley; 3rd do.

Grade Sheep—Ram lamb, 2nd Thomas Gourley. Pair breeding ewes, T. Gourley; 2nd Richard Hotham. Pair shearling ewes, Thomas Gourley; 2nd Richard Hotham. Pair ewe lambs, Thomas Gourley; 2nd R. Hotham.

Pigs.—Sow over one year old, John Whyte; 2nd do. Sow under one year D. McLachlin.

Fowl—Geese—1st Robert Webb; 2nd A. McLaren. Ducks—John McConnell; 2nd R. Webb. Chickens—Black Spanish, Alex. McLaren; 2nd A. C. Jones. Polands, A. Jones; 2nd A. McLaren. Hamburgs, A. Jones; 2nd John Carmichael. Brahams, Donald McLachlin.

Grain, Seeds, Dairy, &c.—Treadwell wheat, Wm. Devlin; 2nd Robert Barbour. Spring wheat, Peter Campbell; 2nd Robert Webb. White Oats, A. McLellan. Black oats, Wm. Butler; 2nd James Campbell. Barley, Peter Campbell; 2nd John Barr. Crown Peas, James Campbell. Marrowfat peas, Andrew McLellan. Other peas James Murch. Beans, John Carmichael; 2nd G. Miller. Indian corn, Geo. Hamilton; 2nd Jas. Hamilton. Timothy seed, John Hodgson; 2nd Peter Campbell. Early potatoes, Robert Gardiner; 2nd Robert Barbour; 3rd John Hodgson. Recommended—Robert McTaggart. Late potatoes, A. McLellan; 2nd Wm. Devlin; 3rd Thomas Fell. Recommenned—Wm. Butler. Mangold Wurtzel, Geo. Hamilton; 2nd A. McLellan. Field carrots, R. Barbour; 2nd A. McLellan. Garden carrots, R. Barbour; 2nd Jas. Hamilton. Blood beet, Thomas Gourley; 2nd G. Millar. Onions, G. Hamilton; 2nd Duncan Stewart. Cabbage, John Carmichael; 2nd Wm Butler. Cauliflowers, John Carmichael. Pumpkin, Jas. Gillespie; 2nd Duncan Kellog. Squash, Peter Campbell; 2nd Jno Carmichael. Citron, John McTavish; 2nd Jno. Carmichael. John Hodgson showed turnip seed which was highly recommended.

Manufactures.—Blanket all wool, John Chambers; G. Miller. Satinet, Wm. Smale. Union Flannel, John Chambers; 2nd James Hamilton. Union blanket, Jas. Murch 2nd John Chambers. Calf boots, James McIntosh. Coarse boots, James McIntosh.

Fruit.—12 apples, B. McTaggert; 2nd Geo. Miller. Collection apples, 4 of each, Robert McTaggert; 2nd T. Olver. Grapes, G. Hamilton; 2nd Jno. Chambers. Pears, Geo. Miller; 2nd J. Gillespie. Peaches, J. Hamilton. Maple sugar, John Chambers. Honey, John Saddler; 2nd Peter Campbell. Hard soap, Thomas Gourley; 2nd John Chambers, Newly made butter, T. Haggarth. Factory cheese, John Whyte; 2nd Peter Gardiner. Dairy cheese, John Stewart. Bread, Mrs. John Carmichael; 2nd Mrs. George Miller. Recommended—Sewing machines, Raymond. Canada organ, established by Messrs. Scott & Creelman. Specially noticed, chineasters, by G. Miller. Straw hats, A. C. Jones. Braiding Miss J. Gardiner; 2nd Miss Hacking. Crochet work, Miss McLellan; 2nd Miss Murch. Embroidery in muslin, Miss Hacking. Quilt, A. C. Jones; 2nd Mrs. Saddle. Ornamental needle work, Miss J. Watson. Gent shirt, Miss J. Gardiner. Rag mat, Miss Murch; 2nd Miss G. Ball. German raised work, Miss McLaren; 2nd Mrs. Jas. Hamilton. Woolen socks, Mrs. Saddler; 2nd A. C. Jones. Woolen mits, Miss G. Miller; 2nd Miss Murch. Gloves, Mrs. J. Saddler. Highly Recommended—Lamp matt, by Miss McLellan. Netting by Miss Hotham. Lady dress, by Mrs. Musturd.

Village and County News.

The Reeve's beautiful block, opposite the market, will shortly be roofed. The shingling has commenced.

We are requested, on behalf of the corporation band, to return thanks to Jas. Trow, Esq., M. P. for South Perth, for his donation to the band fund. His liberality will not be forgotten.

Mr. Alex. Mitchell, brother of the respected pastor of Knox Church, has purchased the old salt well property near the station, on which he intends erecting a large stave and cooperage factory. We wish the gentleman success.

The adjourned semi-annual meeting of the Y. M. C. Association, for receiving the report of the Board of Managers, and electing their successors for the ensuing half year, will be held on Monday evening next, in Maple Leaf Lodge Room.

Apology.—In our hurry to get to press last week with full reports of the Mitchell and Logan Agricultural Exhibitions quite a number of gramatical and other errors escaped the eye of the proof reader. We hope, under the circumstances, our readers will kindly overlook the mistakes.

The Pulpit.—The Rev. Mr. Wilson has recovered from his temporary illness, and expects (D.V.) to occupy his pulpit as usual, in the Wesleyan church, next Sabbath. The subject of the morning discourse will be, "The Publican in the Temple." The subject of the evening discourse will be, "The Perpetuation of character in the future life."

Excursion to Stratford.—The Grand Trunk Railway will issue return tickets from all stations in Canada, west of and including Toronto, for one fare and a third, on Saturday next, Oct. 11th, this being the day of the great sale of lots, in the County town of Perth. Description diagram mailed free by Stanly Day, Auctioneer.

The Brantford *Expositor* thinks Mitchell disgraced itself by holding a baby show, and a London contemporary calls the exhibition a "circus." If our fault-finding editors would attend to their own little affairs, and let Mitchell look after itself, we would feel obliged. It would be quite time enough to give their opinion when asked for.

Personal.—We had a call from our friend, Mr. Buckingham, of the *Beacon*, on Wednesday. Contrary to what we were led to believe, he looked in better health than we have seen him for a long time, the trip to Europe evidently recuperating him considerably. We hope he may long be spared to drive the editorial quill, even though it should be used to the disadvantage of our party.

Bissell Lodge Anniversary.—The anniversary of Bissell Lodge will be celebrated, on the evening of the 15th inst. The chair will be occupied by Bro. Dr. Dunsmore. Brother Bissell, and other distinguished members of the fraternity from a distance will be present. Addresses, essays, singing, &c., will form the programme, with a dinner at about midnight. A good time is anticipated.

Short of the Mark.—Some one from Mitchell furnished the London *Free Press* with a short synopsis of our late Agricultural Exhibition, in which the total number of entries are given at 350! The Stratford *Beacon* gives the number at about 800. Our contemporaries are both short of the mark. There were 953 entries altogether, and had it not been for the wet morning of the first day there would undoubtedly have been many more.

Messrs. Thomson & Williams have, this fall, carried off an immense number of prizes at the different exhibitions where they showed the various implements of their manufacture. So pleased were the farmers with their seeder, mowers and reapers at the Provincial Show that upwards of thirty sales were made on the ground. At Guelph between $900 and $1000 worth of articles were ordered for next year. This is most creditable to Mitchell, and we heartily congratulate the proprietors and their skilled superintendent (Mr. Saunders) on their success.

Pay Your Taxes, Gentlemen.—Mr. John Abbott, village collector, has commenced his duties of tax collecting. Mitchell ratepayers have always shown their promptitude in answering the call of our collector, and we expect that they will this year also keep up their credit in this respect. Considering the improvements made, and the reduction of our small debt, the rate is extremely low, and as the roll has to be returned within a short time we trust Mr. Abbott will meet with a hearty welcome when he calls upon the good people of Mitchell for their contribution towards the village revenue.

School Meeting.—The Mitchell Public School Board met on Friday evening last. All the members present except Mr. Williams. On motion of Dr. Dunsmore, seconded by Mr. Stiles, the following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid: "Globe," for advertising, $4.40; George Ritz, desks, repairs, &c., $55.50; Nelson Brisbin, minute book, $1.50; S. Salsberry, repairs, $3.00. Monthly report of the Principal for the month of September was read, and showed the average attendance in the 1st department to be 29, in the 2nd 46, in the 3rd 47, in the 4th 75, and in the 5th (two teachers) 124. Miss Walkinshaw was re-engaged for another month to assist teaching in the lowest department.

Council Meeting.—Regular meeting of Mitchell council was held on Monday evening last. Present, Messrs. Babb, Thomson and Davis. On motion of Mr. Thomson Mr. Babb was elected to the chair. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. The Ontario "Gazette" was then produced, containing a copy of the Lieut. Governor's proclamation, erecting Mitchell into a town, commencing on January 5th, 1874. On Motion of Mr. Davis, the proclamation was entered upon the minute book. The collector produced his bonds, which, on motion of Mr. Thomson, were accepted, and the roll made returnable at the first meeting held in December. Meeting then adjourned until Monday, 13th inst.

A Sensible Advice.—The *Beacon*, in its notice of our exhibition last week, gives the following sensible advice to the township societies in this section:—"The display reminded one of the excellent shows that used to be held by the Fullarton, Logan and Hibbert Agricultural Society, with this exception, that there was a much larger representation in the various domestic departments of the recent show, and that the accommodation was more ample. Mitchell is now a thriving town, the centre of an enterprising industrial community, and if neighboring farmers would rally around the association their periodical competitions might easily be made equal, if not superior to those of Stratford and St. Mary's. All that is needed is active co-operation; united action. Would it not be well for the supporters of the township societies to consider seriously whether it would not be more sensible to abandon local shows, and merge their funds in a large society like the Mitchell Association?"

An Outside Opinion.—That spicy and well managed daily, the London *Herald*, speaks of our town as follows:—"Mitchell has at last been raised to the dignity of a town, the population being more than sufficient to warrant the change. We know of no more progressive place in Canada than Mitchell, and we rejoice to hear of its continued advancement. The cost of working a town municipally, will be rather more expensive than that of a village; but hang the cost, so long as we make our mark in the land."

Obituary.—We regret to chronicle the death of Mr. James Walkinshaw, of this village. Deceased died at his residence early on the morning of Saturday last, after an illness of five weeks. He was fifty-six years of age on the day of his death. We think he came to Mitchell in the year 1860, since which time he has been carrying on the business of a merchant tailor. He was universally respected, was a man of many good qualities, sociable to a fault, and a true friend to those to whom he took a liking. The loss of so estimable a man is deeply regretted by the community. On Monday the body was taken to Brantford where it was interred in the town cemetry, alongside of his first wife and father. A large funeral procession of his old friends was formed at the station, and followed the remains to their last resting place. Thomas Matheson, D. H. Stewart, James Beggs, E. B. Green, E. Course, Esqs. and Dr. Hollowell, of Mitchell, acted as pall bearers.

The Merchants' Bank.—The Mitchell branch of this bank has been so well patronized as to warrant the erection of a new building. The half acre bounded on the front by Main street, on the east by St. Andrew street and in the rear by Montreal street was chosen for the site, and a better piece of property for the purpose could not well be selected in the village. The new building, which is rapidly drawing towards completion, is of white brick, two storeys in height, and the design pleasing to the eye, with a very substantial appearance. The building has two fronts, the one on Main street leads to the bank, and the other on St. Andrew street to the private residence of the bankers. The size of the structure is 43x50 feet, with a wing extending from the south west corner 28x22. Every attention has been paid to the safety of the place, the chimneys and fire-places being built so as to render its destruction by fire from the interior almost impossible. The building throughout is constructed in a perfect manner, and will be fitted up with all the conveniencies requisite for the business for which it is intended. On the first floor, entering from Main street, is the banking department, safe and cashier's parlor. In the rear, which is entered by a large hall from St. Andrew street, is a drawing room and dining room separated by folding doors, kitchen, pantry, &c. The second floor will be reached by a broad substantial stairway, and will be laid off into bed-rooms, &c. The basement, under the private part of the building, is high and well ventilated, fitted up with appurtenances usually found in such a place. Mr. F. Herbts, who undertook the stone and brick work, proved himself equal to his word, and his work has given unqualified satisfaction. The same may be said of Messrs. Vroman & Pierson, who did the carpentry. Mr. Sedgwick is contractor for the painting, but he has only been able to do the priming as yet. Messrs. Harrison & Bell have been sub-let the wood-work of the interior of the building, and we need scarcely add that nothing will leave their hands without being well done. The architect was Mr. Thomas Cheeseman, and it may be said that in point of substantial construction, convenience of internal arrangements, and adaptation to the purposes for which the structure is designed, there are few buildings in Perth to rival the one under notice.

Mr. Editor,—Sir,—Allow me a small space in your paper for the purpose of correcting a report, which I learn is current in town, to the effect that I have, and still am, decidedly partial in supplying the Toronto daily papers, always giving the "Globe" the preference. I wish to state that this is simply untrue. I never did make any difference, nor do I allow any person in my employ to do so. We get the "Mail" on terms quite as good as those of the "Globe," and if I study my own interests, which I certainly do, more than those of the "Globe" or any party, I would sell as many "Mails" as possible. In conclusion, I beg to say to all, that I shall cheerfully supply the "Mail" or any other newspapers as cheaply and promptly as I possibly can.

Yours, &c.,
N. BRISBIN.

Mitchell, Oct. 9th, '73.

McKILLOP.

Fractured Arm.—On the 2nd inst., Mr. John Walker, gardiner, Roxbourgh, in this Township, met with an accident by which his arm was broken between his wrist and elbow. He repaired to Dr. Campbell's office and had the broken arm set, and will no doubt get along well.

TUCKERSMITH.

Sad Accident.—A young girl, aged 12 years, daughter of Mr. Thomas Young, who resides near Kippen, got her thigh bone broken on the Seaforth show ground, on the 3rd inst., by means of a horse, who broke loose, and dashed through the crowd, having a board attached to its halter. The girl was conveyed to Dr. Campbell's surgery, where she had the fractured bone set. Later in the evening she was conveyed to her home, and we hear that she is now doing well.

FULLARTON.

Farewell.—Mr. Wm. Dickie, one of the oldest settlers in this Township, leaves for South Carolina next week. If there is one man more than another to whom we would say farewell to in the most heartfelt manner, it is to Mr. Dickie. Not that we are willing to part with him, for we would prefer him to stay in the place which he has helped largely to turn from a wilderness to what it now is, but seeing he has made up his mind to try his fortune in the sunny South, we must heartily bid him good-bye. And I am satisfied there is not a man who has ever had his acquaintance but will echo our sentiments. He has served in our municipal council at two different times, his first act being to second the nomination of James Watson, Esq., for Reeve, who so ably filled that position for years. We hope he will prosper in the country he has chosen for his future home.—Com.

WINGHAM.

Condensed from the "Advance."

Our contemporary, in a well-written article, gives Mr. Bishop, the Grit candidate for South Huron, some hard knocks on his swallowing the temperance pledge.—The irrepressible whiskey detective, Shrigley, also gets a castigation for his disgraceful conduct towards some of the liquor dealers of the village. The wonder is that a respectable community would tolerate such a man in its midst. The "augur" question is also revived. How the fellow will squeam if particulars are gone into.——Dr. McDonald is out in a washy-letter in defence of "whiskey Mason." If he has any practice it would be more becoming to stick to his patients, and not expose his ignorance through the public press.——Dr. Gardner, of Lucknow, appeals to the Conservatives of North Huron to rally round the "Advance" and support it liberally. Hurrah for the Dr!——Mr. H. Davis supplies those about to "jump the broomstick" with marriage licenses.

HARRISTON.

This go-ahead little town continues to prosper. Since the spring opened, about fifty new buildings have gone up, and building operations another year promise to be still more extensive. Mr. Thomas Robinson, an enterprising villager, is drawing towards completion, near the school house, a beautiful brick residence. On Margaret street Mr. Wm. Preston is also putting up a similar structure, and Mr. J. D. McEchren has erected a fine three storey building on Elora street, to be used for the manufacture of cheese. Mr. George Preston has likewise erected a very comfortable dwelling, and Mr. Samuel Robertson, a first-rate fellow, has shown his enterprise by erecting a block of three buildings, and enlarging his own dwelling. Mr. E. Long has determined not to be behind his neighbors, as shown by a handsome dwelling which is rapidly drawing towards a finish. Mr. W. Simmons is also building a neat residence, and many others are helping to improve our village. The new bridge over the T., G. & B. R. R., Elora Road, is completed, and reflects credid upon the company. It is really a magnificent structure. The contract of the station-house has been let to Mr. Balifort, who will push the work forward as rapidly as possible. The "rag-picker" has removed to a more convenient stand, being now directly opposite the "Royal Hotel." There will now be a grand chance for "sponging." Our council have done well this year, as shown by the numerous sidewalks which adorn our streets. News of importance is very slack. The roads are breaking up, and farmers are hurrying through with their fall ploughing.—Com.

SEAFORTH.

Sold Again.—That house and lot on Market street, at present occupied by Mr. Armitage, has been sold by the proprietor, Dr. Campbell, for $1,100. The purchaser is Mr. Messett, of Hamilton, who has bought it for a private residence, intending to remove into it in a month or six weeks.—*Expositor.*

To the Independent Electors of the South Riding of the County of Huron:

Gentemen,—The delegates at the Liberal Conservative Convention held on the 18th inst. having unanimously nominated me as their candidate to represent this Riding in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, (your late representative, Mr. Gibbons, having recently resigned,) I have, after mature consideration, determined on offering myself as a candidate for your suffrages at the ensuing election.

Being an old resident in this Riding, to many of you I am personally known, and I trust not unfavorably.

Having no personal end to serve, if returned as your representative, my only desire will be to promote your intrests and those of this Province. I am no extremist, but will support all measures of real reform, from whatever source proceeding, and will carefully watch for the exercise of economy (of which there appears to be much need) in all departments of the Government.

The time intervening between this and the election will be occupied by me in visiting the