

## HOLLAND.

## THE HAGUE.

Amongst us Protestantism is more furious than ever against Catholicity, but its fury is nothing but the struggles of a dying man; for it may truly be said that Protestantism, at least as something positive in religion, exists no more in our country. The heretofore dominant, that is, the reformed (Calvinistic) church, no longer looks upon itself as anything but as one section of the evangelical church, as it calls itself, which professes a sort of general or negative Christianity, without dogmas, without mysteries, and without articles of faith. The former antagonists of the dominant sect, who were also called reformed but re-nominate or Arminian, the Anabaptists or Men-nonites the ancient and the modern Lutherans have, on their part, sacrificed the characteristic tenets of their sects, and hold out the hand of fellowship to their old enemies, the Calvinists. This must all be reckoned the fruit of the labours of society which bears the name of *Society for general utility* established in 1785, and which openly professes the intention of bringing back general Christianity. This society which makes a great boast of its efforts to produce a moral generation, particularly among the lower classes, &c. &c., but which is, in fact, no more nor less than a propaganda of indifferentism & infidelity, has gained such ascendancy over all classes among the Protestants, as to have possessed itself of the public instruction, which is become a monopoly in its hand; and by this means it is labouring indefatigably to pervert children of Catholics, who in vain demand the right of free instruction.

It is this society, then, which has gained a most complete victory over positive Protestantism, with a view to establish a strict confederacy of the various negative sects against Catholicity. This design is no longer dissimulated. The synod of the reformed church has lately declared in a public document that "it is time for all parties to unite their forces against the Papal church," and, accordingly, there came out, soon after, the prospectus of a weekly journal, which is to appear without delay, under the title of *Messenger of the Evangelical Church*.

The editorship of this journal, according to the prospectus, is in the hands of 15 ministers and professors of the different sects, assisted by three professors of theology in our universities. We await with confidence the approach of this champion of the new reform, and are making ready for battle. Pray, and ask the prayers of your friends, that God may grant us wisdom from above, that we may not be vanquished in the combat of the Lord. It must, not, however, be supposed that this disorganization of positive Protestantism goes on without opposition is too weak to check the torrent which is swallowing up every sort of positive belief. Some ministers have separated themselves from the church which still calls itself reformed, and some thousands—with few exceptions, of the common people—have gone after them. Under the government of the old, those poor people were persecuted by law, on the pretext that they were framing a new sect: they forbid their taking the name of reformed; for, said they, it was an usurpation of the rights of the reformed church, acknowledged by the law. These meetings were dispersed by military force, &c. &c.; but our reigning king, who is a good and just prince, leaves them at liberty to establish separate churches. They have assumed the remarkable name of *Separate Christians*. These are ultra-Calvanists, who, in the Catholic church can see nothing but the wall of Babylon; who openly call the Pope Antichrist, and who believe, because they have been told so, that the Catholic doctrine is nothing but a heap of idolatry and superstition. But there is already no union among these Separate Christians, who will soon break up into different sects. There are also some ministers of the legal church who complain of the degeneracy, even of the apostacy, of their church. These have presented an address to the synod, to call for the re-establishment of the ancient reformed liturgy, and of the ancient regulation, &c., but the synod have answered that their complaints are on no account to be attended to.

Such, sir, is the religious position of Protes-

tantism, in our country. Nothing would be wanting to us to overcome it but liberty for the church and liberty of instruction. But, notwithstanding the good intentions of a king, who is well affected towards Catholics, our adversaries, who have too much influence and weight not to make themselves important, are wonderfully clever in keeping up their superiority and maintaining their ascendancy.

The excess of the evil, meanwhile, is itself bringing a remedy. If they will not grant us liberty of instruction, Catholics are bound to let their children be without instruction sooner than allow them to be perverted. Perhaps our ecclesiastical superiors will forbid the children of Catholics being sent to Protestant and mixed schools, and then they cannot help giving way.

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**HEALTHY RESIDENCE.**—There is no circumstance connected with health concerning which the public are, in my opinion, so ill informed as the requisites of a healthy residence, both as regards local position and internal construction. In this island we have chiefly to guard against humidity, on which account our houses should not be built in low, confined situations, nor too near water, especially when stagnant, and, still less, near marshes. Neither should a house be too closely surrounded by trees or shrubs. Trees at some distance from a house are both an ornament and an advantage, but become injurious when so near as to overshadow it, or prevent the air from circulating freely around it, and through its various apartments. The atmosphere of a building overhung by trees, or surrounded by a thick shrubbery, is kept in a constant humidity, except in the driest weather; and the health of the inmates rarely fails to suffer in consequence.—Sir James Clarke on consumption.

**THOMAS STINSON**

**H**AS just received in his Stores, at HAMILTON AND DUNDAS, the LARGEST assortment of Goods in Western Canada, to be sold **BELOW** their ACTUAL VALUE, (they having been purchased in Montreal during a very depressed state of the market,) in addition to

**Large Consignments**

of which he is compelled to dispose of during the following Winter!!!

He therefore begs to call the attention of the public generally and more particularly those at a distance to his presents assortment, as they will find themselves amply repaid in the cheapness and quality of his Goods, for any trouble to which their journey may subject them. In addition to his Stock of

**DRY GOODS**

AND

**GROCERIES,**

he has on hand a quantity of IRON, NAILS, &c. &c.

His store in Hamilton is situate at the west end of the Brick Block of Buildings, next door to Mr. Juson's Hardware Store, and that at Dundas, nearly opposite Mr. Bamberger's Hotel, and adjoining the premises lately occupied by Mr. J. P. Larkin.

Hamilton, Dec. 1, 1841.

CHEAP! CHEAP!! CHEAP!!!

**OYSTERS**

**O**F the first quality at the **Bristol House Oyster Rooms**, for 1s. 3d. per dozen, or 8s. 9d. per 100; or £1 17s. 6d. the barrel.

D. F. TEWKSBURY.

Hamilton, Nov. 24, 1841.

**BRISTOL HOUSE,**

King Street, Hamilton, near the Market,  
**By D. F. TEWKSBURY,**  
September 15, 1841.

**T. BRANIGAN,**

Next door to R. Ecclestone's Confectionary Establishment, King Street,

DEALER IN

**Groceries and Provisions.**

N. B.—The highest price in cash paid for Wheat, Flour, Oats, Barley, Peas, Timothy Seed, Pork, Butter, &c.  
Hamilton, Sept. 15, 1841.

**THOMAS HILTON,**

CABINET MAKER,  
AND UPHOLSTERER,  
King Street, five doors east of the Bank.

**PATRICK BURNS,**

BLACKSMITH, KING STREET,  
Next house to Isaac Buchanan & Co's large importing house.  
*Horse Shoeing, Waggon & Leigh Ironing*  
Hamilton, Sep. 22, 1841.

**LIVERV STABLES,**

HAMILTON.

BY HENRY TOTTEN.

Orders left at Press's Hotel, (late Burley's) or at Devereaux's *Royal Exchange*, will be promptly attended to  
October, 1841.

**EDWARD MCGIVERN,**

SADDLE AND HARNESS MAKER,  
HAMILTON  
Opposite Chapel & Moore's Tin Factory  
King Street.  
Sept. 22nd, 1841.

**FALL & WINTER FASHIONS**

For 1841—1842.

**T**HE Subscriber has just received the **FALL & WINTER FASHIONS** for 1841 and 1842, to which he would call the attention of his customers and the public generally, as there is a very great change in the style of the London and Paris garments.

The Subscriber would also mention, that his workmen being fully competent to make up the most fashionable work, the public may rely on every satisfaction being given.

SAMUEL McCURDY.

Hamilton, 1st October, 1841.

**PORTRAIT PAINTING.**

MR. HELY, [late from Europe.]

**L**ADIES and Gentlemen wishing correct Likenesses painted, will please call at Hatfield's Hotel, where, from the specimens Mr. H. can produce, he hopes to secure their patronage.

N. B.—Ladies and Gentlemen can be called upon at their houses if required.  
Hamilton, Nov 16, 1841.

**OYSTERS!**

Fresh, and just received,—call at  
**C. Langdon's Saloon.**  
Hamilton, Oct 13, 1841.

**INFORMATION WANTED.**

**O**F Jeremiah and Philip Brown, who came into Canada from Hagarstown, Maryland, U. S. about eight years ago. One of them was understood to be a sailor on Lake Erie. Their mother who lives in Hamilton, Upper Canada, would be grateful to obtain any word respecting either of the above, or their sisters Caroline and Harriet.

December 6, 1841.

**QUEEN'S HEAD HOTEL.**

JAMES STREET, (NEAR BURLEY'S HOTEL.)

**T**HE Subscriber respectfully acquaints his friends and the public generally, that he has fitted up the above named house in such a style as to render his guests as comfortable as at any other Hotel in Hamilton. His former experience in the wine and spirit trade enables him to select the best articles for his Bar that the Market affords; and it is admitted by all who have patronized his establishment, that his stabling and sheds are superior to any thing of the kind attached to a public Inn, in the District of Gore.

N. B.—The best of Hay and Oats, with civil and attentive Osters.  
W. J. GILBERT.  
Hamilton, Sept. 15, 1841.

**THE HAMILTON RETREAT.**

**T**HE Subscriber has opened his Retreat in Hughson street a few doors north of King street, and wishes to acquaint his friends that they may rely on every Luxury the markets afford; his Wines and Liquors will be selected with care, and no expense spared in making his guests comfortable.

Oysters, Clams, &c., will be found in their season. He therefore hopes by strict attention and a desire to please, to merit a share of Public patronage.

ROBERT FOSTER.

Hamilton, Sept., 1841.

**SAMUEL McCURDY,****TAILOR,**

KING STREET, HAMILTON,

**NOTICE.**

It is confidently hoped that the following Reverend gentlemen will act as zealous agents for the Catholic paper, and do all in their power among their people to prevent its being a failure, to our final shame and the triumph of our enemies.

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Rev. Mr. Gibney, *Guelph*  
" Mr. Charest, *Penetanguishene*  
" Mr Proulx, *do.*  
" J. P. O'Dwyer, *London.*  
" Mr. O'Flinn, *St Thomas.*  
" Mich. MacDonell, [*Maidstown,*] *Sandwich*  
" Very Rev. Angus MacDonell, *do.*  
" Alex. J. MacDonell, *Oakville.*  
" Mr. Mills, *Dundas.*  
" E. Gordon, *Niagara.*  
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" Mr. Lallor, *Pictou.*  
" M. Brennan, *Belleville.*  
" J. Smith, *Richmond.*  
" P. Dollard, *Kingston.*  
" R. v. Angus MacDonald, *do.*  
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