Huron Signal.

GODERICH, [illegible]

East Riding Convention.

LARGE GATHERING.

Mr. Thos. Gibson Nominated.

"THE FLYING DUTCHMAN" AGAIN.

Special Telegram to the Signal.

Bayfield, Dec. 29.

The Reform convention for East Huron assembled here to-day, and was largely attended.

The following officers were appointed: John McCrae, President; Donald Scott, Vice do.; D. McKay, Caddy, Scotty; D. McDonald, Tuckersmith.

Mr. Thomas Gibson received the unanimous nomination of the convention. Stirring speeches were made by Mr. Gibson and others, and the general opinion is that the "flying Dutchman" will be sent back to Brantford a sadder and wiser man.

The Local Election.

On Monday, 4th January, the writs will be issued for the local elections, and on the following Monday, the 11th, nominations will be made, the voting taking place on the 18th. Very little has been left to the electors to do, as much work, and considerable of it good work, has been done by one and will have to be undone by others. Good work must be done, however, if we would have a happy community, and we trust that the late Government will be in mind's eye the issue will be settled, "the field is before you."

The West Riding.

Every constituency the Conservative party is making its most determined efforts, and they have calculated on the object of carrying the Riding by a majority out of labor. Mr. John Davison, well known throughout the town and country and esteemed, announces himself as the nominee of the late convention at Blyth, and as a candidate for public suffrage. No stronger man could be brought out, we think, in their interests; but like the rest of the nominees, Mr. Davison also declares that he is independent, as he hints in his address—"I have generously been allowed perfect freedom to act, speak and vote on all matters of policy and legislation." The Conservative principle has been one which binds the members so as to constitute a dead weight in the political scales, the whole party following the leaders, but [illegible] principle has been such [illegible] the individual members [illegible] tion that is at once in[illegible] consistent with party co[illegible] announcement on Mr. [illegible] gentleman of ancient [illegible] principles, is surprisin[illegible] of a spirit of dis[illegible] faith of the party [illegible] is a blind to deceive [illegible] vanced and progressive candidate is needed in the Riding. It is very well to talk of one's freedom and the independent course followed or pursued before an election, but it is generally understood that these professions resolve themselves into the freedom and independence that are comprised in the Tory principle of "follow your leader,"—or in the case of leaders, opposing the legislation of the opposite party. If this latter principle was carried out more vigorously the assistance thus given to the Government would be of vast benefit, but the opposition part shown has been of the cross-grained character neither [illegible] ble to the party nor beneficial to its collective body.

Mr. Davison is a gentleman and his popularity is something of which he has reason to be proud; but as a man to occupy the position of member of the Provincial Parliament, he is convinced that he is not well fitted. He belongs to another generation, and brought up with the old members of the Conservative party he has been imbued with the spirit of bygotism that belongs to all the old consistent Tories, and which is totally at variance with profession of independence. The independence dodge is not one to be treated favorably by the Conservatives, although such promises as the encouragement of the moral and material interests of the Province are contained within the category of his independent principles. There is little satisfaction in supporting a half pledged candidate, no matter what good conduct he promises, and Mr. Davison will no doubt discover this ere before the end of next month.

The Reformers have been mapping, but the ridings are now completely under a vigorous canvas. The West Riding holds its convention to-day, and when the result is ascertained the work will go on still more vigorously. The first victory is the most important one, and as party strength is well matched the struggle will be a close one. It behooves every Reform to hold himself unpledged until the Reformed nominee is announced, and to do his best in the canvass.

The East Riding.

The newly dubbed "Liberal Party" assembled at Blyth to decide the political fate of the East and West Ridings of Huron, on the 22nd inst. The way in which the East Riding was disposed of was quite amusing, and the nominee must certainly have felt himself highly honored by the favor, had it not been that patriotism prompted him to accept the "forlorn hope" in order to make a feint at opposition in the interests of his party. As one of the party organs says, he does not thrust himself upon the electors but takes the field because no local candidate can be found. Mr. Fred Van Norman, of Brantford, in lieu of a more promising and tractable candidate is fished from obscurity to represent the party of Conservatism, with the single but comprehensive stipulation that he will pursue an independant course. He has been picked up as a last recourse, to make a show of action, for it is a hopeless task to attempt to defeat the Reform candidate. Who Mr. Van Norman is, very few seem to be aware. He has dawned upon the political horizon of East Huron like a falling meteor, to be seen for a moment and then to perish. His history is unknown to the people from whom he is about to seek election, and his only recommendation is his scaly protestation of independence while his present position is attributable to the Conservative party. The London Advertiser and some other

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The Goderich Reform Association met at the rooms on Saturday night. The President Mr. W. R. Squier, being detained at home, Mr. J. Stutmon [illegible] in the chair. The Secretary, Mr. J. H. Williams, read the names of the committees and their chairmen, whose duty it was to canvass the town, and upon suggestion the number of committee members was increased. Delegates were selected to attend the convention at Blyth, number, thirteen in all, a sufficient number being provided in case of inability of any of those appointed to attend. The organization is a strong one, and the canvass during the past week has been vigorously prosecuted.

It is by no means just or consistent, on the part of high Conservatives, to raise the cry of intimidation to defeat candidates who are seeking election in the West. As Mr. Horton said, the town has never been in a more prosperous condition. It is not mismanagement but unavoidable circumstances that have been the cause of the 2 cent assessment. Let each voter go to the polls with the intention of returning experienced men, and each as they feel sure will reflect credit upon the office of councillor.

The W. G. & B. railway extension to Kincardine was opened on Monday of last week, with great eclat.

The proclamations are out for the West Riding nomination which takes place on Colvin's Hill, on the 11th.

Mr. Herman Cook has been re-elected for the Commons, in North Simcoe.

Mr. John McLeod has been re-nominated Ministerial candidate for West Durham.

Mr. J. H. Hunter has been chosen Ministerial candidate for South Grey.

Mr. J. W. Williams has been re-nominated by the Hamilton Reformers.

Toronto Correspondence.

Toronto, 28th Dec., 1874.

"Christmas comes but once a year," but when it does come it brings with it more satisfactory and substantial enjoyment than does any other season. Every one who can, seems to have made, for a time, his usual engagements and avocations and devote his attention to the cultivation of friendships and the renewal of those which the engrossing cares of business have during the rest of the year suffered to fall into rust and decay—and as your correspondent has no "itching palm" for being considered singular in this respect, he must take the liberty of being exceedingly brief on the present occasion.

At the closing of the House which took place on Monday last, nothing unusual occurred, same being accompanied with the usual and not very imposing ceremonies, the galleries pretty well filled, but the body of the House was comparatively empty—few of the members being present—many of them had left by Saturday's trains, and others might have been seen listlessly strolling about the streets at the very time that the closing ceremonies were being performed. There is little doubt that these gifted legislators were musing over the brevity and uncertainty of earthly honors, more particularly in connection with their own political position as representatives of the people. Doubtless many of these gentlemen will never return to rouse the House with their fiery eloquence. Although the session has been a brief one, a good deal of useful legislation has passed the House. Ninety-nine Bills were assented to by his Honor the Lieut. Governor. We shall probably refer to some of these measures on a future occasion.

Two more of the members of the Commons recently unseated have been re-elected. I refer to Messrs. Plumb

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In our last we deplored the [illegible] of late, of robberies and burglaries, particularly the great number of the latter, and if anything was wanting to prove the correctness of our observations, surely we had sufficiently cogent evidence in the burglary perpetrated at Mr. Gale's on Young St., sometime between Saturday night and Monday morning last. For bold and daring, it is safe to say that we have heard or read of one to equal it. A storekeeper's place could not be taken in any part of the City, a place within sight and hearing of which the police are supposed to be both day and night, and yet burglars actually take up the pavement from the side walk, which they could not do until they had first chisled off the heads of the four spikes by which the grating was fastened to the planks, and broke several bars. By means of the aperture thus formed, the thieves entered the building and had time enough to select over $3000 worth of the best silks on the premises, and taking same out by the way they had entered, to safely make their escape. This burglary has caused no little excitement here, and some very severe things are said of the members of our Police Force. It is to be hoped that the community will soon do something in the direction we have indicated, and so put a stop to these systematic depredations.

The Mayoralty election is likely to be a very lonesome. Something like a fortnight ago, a deputation of our citizens chiefly composed of our city clergy, waited on the police commissioners for the purpose of impressing upon them the desirability of issuing fewer liquor licenses, and thus remove at least a portion of the temptation to indulge in strong drink. The Commissioners received the deputation coldly, flatly refusing to consider the propriety of the course suggested. Those commissioners are composed of our Mayor, County Court Judge and Police Magistrate.

Mr. McCord comes out in his candidate as the friend of those who desire to restrain the liquor traffic. Mr. Morrison, the third candidate has not yet declared himself on the subject. It is at present thought that the contest will be chiefly between Mr. Metcalf, the present mayor, and Mr. McCord, but as politicians are likely to have something to do with the election, it is difficult to judge which one of the three has the best prospects of success.

The Messrs. Cameron, of London, have issued a new prospectus of their Journal, they intend publishing here. They stated that certain legal difficulties connected with having both their papers issued alike, have induced them to change the name of the proposed Toronto sheet, from the *Morning Advertiser* to the *Liberal*. The paper is to make its appearence here, sometime about the 20th of January.

Wishing you, the publishers and readers of the SIGNAL, many happy returns of the present festive season, we remain, &c., &c.

George Whitfield.

LECTURE BY DR. COCHRANE, OF BRANTFORD.

The tea meeting in Knox's Church on Monday evening last was but slimly attended, although the attendant circumstances of bad weather and the general festivities of the season were more to blame for the fact than the unappreciative nature of the people. The refreshments were provided in the basement of the church, and about 150 partook of the beauties. The lecture was delivered in the church proper, and Mr. Urquhart who occupied the chair, after a few remarks and singing by the choir, introduced the lecturer.

Mr. Cochrane, in opening his remarks, said: "The former days were better than these," is a sentiment often expressed regarding the political and religious tendencies of an age. It is not so if history speaks truly. England, in the days of George Whitfield, bear little resemblance to the England of our age as darkness to light. In commerce, in the developments of her mineral treasures, in railroads and telegraphs and in her vast and varied manufactures, she has made marvellous progress, but in Christian and moral enterprise she has advanced with such gigantic strides as to revolutionize the entire face of society and transform the barren wilderness into a fragrant [illegible] choicest flowers and [illegible]

There were chu[illegible] and ministers [illegible] exceptions, [illegible] and self-denial [illegible] Christianity, [illegible] ation and [illegible] dead. "There [illegible] places, and dark[illegible] nes in the [illegible] tual and the [illegible] and darkness [illegible] rich and dark[illegible] thick, religious [illegible] darkness that [illegible] cathedral and [illegible] doxy pow[illegible] the sanctu[illegible] nonsense [illegible] potes "no [illegible] nothing [illegible] ity and [illegible] matising the Prophets [illegible] as impostors and the [illegible] gelists.

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WILLIAM CAMPBELL,

Goderich, 23rd April, 1874. 1418

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