

GRANTS TO SECTARIAN COLLEGES

It has now become a question whether the government of Ontario should imitate the example of the government of Canada as it existed before Confederation in giving grants to sectarian colleges. That these grants were freely bestowed in former times, was of course mainly, perhaps entirely due to the influence of Lower Canada. Her colleges had to be supported, and therefore if a spoliation of that kind were going on her sister province had a perfect right to such a share as she was able to grab. But old things have passed away, and it will soon devolve on the Legislature of Ontario to say whether or not these donations shall be continued in this province. Better by all means we should say, that the grants should be discontinued. As they have been heretofore bestowed it would not be easily shown that the donors regulated the amount of their gift by any established rule, or that each college received that assistance to which its importance entitled it, when presents were going, or a sum proportionate to its requirements. And certainly if colleges are to be aided by the government these are considerations which cannot justly be omitted. But again experience proves that the less governments interfere with the religions of a country it is so much the better. Harmony can then be longer maintained among the different religious elements of a population, because when all are tolerated and protected, but no peculiar favors shown, none has cause for jealousy. A connection between Church and State may exist, if not with advantage, at least without mischief, in a country where all are conformists, but where there are those who choose to differ conscientiously from the national faith, if the State wishes to keep down strife, and preserve peace within her borders one most effectual way of doing this is to have nothing to do with the church, further than exercising her function of civil protector. Canada is happily free from partiality to any particular denomination; each individual is allowed to worship how he pleases, in whatsoever church he chooses, and with whomsoever he may think proper to conduct the services; and the State leaving him thus free, it should leave him free also to say by what means the minister or the priest should be educated—its aid being left entirely out of the question.

Suppose now that the Legislature of Ontario should give a grant to any sectarian institution, Victoria College for instance, then Knox College might with equal right demand a certain amount, so might the Collegiate Institute at London, and in order to do strict justice to all parties it is evident that the favors dispensed must be in exact proportion to what Methodists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians respectively contribute towards the revenue of the country, and not such amounts as the humor of the government may fix, or their predilection may settle. Then what is to be done with the Roman Catholics? If they have no college in Ontario still there are many of that persuasion in the Province, and it is scarcely probable that they would look idly on, and without amurmur see their money go to nourish institutions in which tenets are inculcated wholly at variance with those which they believe to be true? Not at all; and they would have just grounds for claiming their dividend whatever it might be, and applying it for the education of their clergy, wherever that education was to be received.

Now, it is well known that there is no more bitter complaint arises from some of the people of Ireland than that against the levying of tithes, with which the British government endows the churches that are willing to receive the subsidy. Maynooth College receives a liberal endowment, and yet, as we have only too much reason to know, this generosity is by no means satisfactory. It will, of course, be objected, that there is no parallel, that an endowment is very different from a grant. We admit that it is, but still the conferring of either is an infringement of the prerogative of the people to do as they choose in matters of religion, except the apportionment was made in the manner stated above, which it never is. If it were, no grants would be asked, for nothing should be gained; but as it is, they are asked with the knowledge that many must be involuntary contributors. Then we say, let the grants be denied, on the principle of non-interference of State with Church, as well as on the principle of economy.

It is stated by the St. Louis Democrat that, according to the estimates based on good authority, not less than two hundred thousand persons have settled in Missouri during the past year.

Bank Accommodation in New Brunswick.

The St. John Morning Journal has the following, concerning the issue of Provincial notes down there. It is evidently not well posted in the character of the Bank of Montreal: "Mr Tilley has completed arrangements with the Bank of Montreal by means of which half a million dollars of Government notes, redeemable in specie in St. John, shall be issued for the Province of New Brunswick, through the St. John Branch of the Bank.—This arrangement, made in consequence of recent legislation, will enable the Bank of Montreal to come to the aid of other Banks in affording the amount of discount required by the commercial public. Moreover the free issue of the Government notes will prevent the withdrawal of gold from the banks in which the Government account is not kept, and thus enable them to discount freely and make good profits for the stockholders. When the Bank of Montreal sends in for exchange the notes received at the Treasury, the Banks will soon be in a position to offer in return the Government notes, which will be put in circulation. We may expect that the Bank of Montreal will now open a number of accounts here and station their present or other officers in Saint John permanently. The arrangement in short, supplies St. John with another bank of large means, and it relieves it of the incubus of a Bank which was an absorbent of the public funds; while it contributed little or nothing to the public accommodation. The good news has not come a moment too soon—indeed no bank, not being a bank of issue and discount in St. John, should ever have been permitted to collect any revenue here—a work that could have been performed equally well through other sources. We have personally and strongly represented to Mr Tilley how unfavorable the past operation of the Bank of Montreal has been in Saint John (owing partly to the want of legislation) and no doubt he has received hundreds of letters of the same kind. The intelligence now published shows that, to give Mr Tilley his due, he has not just much time since Parliament closed. We presume a similar arrangement has been made as regards Nova Scotia.

RATHER DANGEROUS!—Horace Greeley has made a discovery with regard to Canada. According to him it appears that the country lying contiguous to the river St. Lawrence (that is, of course, on the north side of that river), has running all thro' it, rocks denominated Laurentian, which are essentially volcanic in their origin. "If in any point," says the Tribune, "this crust which maintains, in its strongest point, about the same relation to the fiery fluid mass within, that the shell of an egg does to its diameter, should be worn away by the ceaseless attrition and violent friction of the molten mass which we know forms the core of our solid earth, we are to expect that some three more tremendous than the strata will bear, will burst open a passage and afford a vent to the long confined gases, vapor, red hot lava, etc., which constitute the great central fires of our earth." If the predictions of Horace should ever come to pass, which is scarcely probable despite his philosophy, we would find ourselves about as unfortunate as the inhabitants of St. Thomas.

WHAT QUEBEC THINKS OF ONTARIO.—The Montreal Telegraph, discussing the ministerial policy in Ontario, says:—The speeches in the Legislatures of Quebec and Ontario, so far, are excellent indices of the characters of the majority in the two sections: those in Ontario have been plain and business-like, the expressions of men in earnest for practical legislation—and those in Quebec verbose, stilted and declamatory, like the eloquental exercises of a lot of college boys. The probable results will be good legislation and rapid improvement in Ontario—and in Quebec floods of diluted oratory, absurd legislation, and general stagnation.

MR. HOWLAND'S ILLNESS.—It is said that the illness under which Mr Howland is suffering arises from cancer in the stomach. If this is really the case, very little hope of his ultimate recovery need be entertained, as it is a disease against which medical skill is of little avail. Possibly, however, the "medicos may be mistaken as to the nature of his disorder; but there is no reason to doubt that his illness is of such a serious nature as will prevent him from attending to his duties for some time.

BRITAIN AND MEXICO.—The British Government has not only withdrawn every person connected with the Mexican Legation and the Consulate, but has also removed the archives connected with the Embassy, which have been accumulating ever since the year 1823. Mr Middleton, the Charge d'Affairs, and all the persons of the Legation and Consulate were to leave Vera Cruz on the 20th ult., on board the British man-of-war Jason.

SESSIONAL PAPERS.—We have to thank Mr Gow, M.P.P., for a supply of Parliamentary papers. The average life of a gypsy is thirteen years longer than that of a member of the aristocracy. Centenarians are by no means uncommon; and one woman is said to have attained 120 years, who almost up to the period of her death could attend to her own wants.

FENIAN EXCITEMENT IN GLASGOW.—Much excitement was created in Glasgow by the discovery in the Cowcaddens on Saturday night, Dec. 21st, of some blasting rope concealed in the ashpit of a gasometer. The next day an extra watch was placed on the gasometers throughout the city. But the discovery was explained satisfactorily on Monday. It is said that the fuse had been given to a person living in the neighborhood by another man, who had found it in another part of the town. On trying to mend a pair of shoes with it, the presence of the gunpowder was discovered, and it was then thrown into the ashpit to prevent mischief. On Monday the Lord-Provost and Magistrates and the Sheriff of Lanarkshire were engaged in swearing in special constables. A large number came forward for the purpose, and the work of enrolling a force to guard against Fenian outrages was in progress at the latest dates.

New Advertisements.

BOARDING.

GOOD BOARD and comfortable rooms on moderate terms. A few day boarders can be accommodated. Apply at Brick House, corner Quebec and Woolwich Streets, near the Grand Trunk Station. Guelph, 13th January, 1868. dw4

NOTICE.

ALL persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing any Notes of Hand drawn by me in favor of H. W. DIMON, as I have received no value whatever for said notes. HENRY PATTEN. Erin, 13th January, 1868. w4

MAGAZINES for JAN., 1868.

RECEIVED AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Children's Friend, Infants' Magazine, British Workman, Band of Hope, Boys' Own, English Women's, Sunday at Home, Leisure Hour. Also, Bound Vol. of Kind Words. AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market. Guelph, 13th January, 1868. dw

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AT MARSHALL'S,

Day's Block, opposite the Market. Guelph, 13th January, 1868. w

Speed Lodge No. 180.

THE next regular communication of Speed Lodge, No. 180, will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY EVEN'G, 14th January, 1868, at half-past seven.—A full attendance is particularly requested. JOHN CRUMFORD, Secretary. Guelph, 11th January, 1868. 3d

Notice to Debtors.

ALL parties indebted to the undersigned, either by note or book account, are requested to settle on or before the 25th January, instant. All unsettled accounts after the above date will be placed in the Division Court for collection. GEORGE WILKINSON. Guelph, 11th January, 1868. dw

SPECIAL NOTICE!

DURING the year 1867 I have determined to sell Goods lower than ever, but my terms are strictly CASH, and on no condition will Goods be charged. T. J. DAY, Bookseller, opposite the Market. Guelph, 11th January, 1868. dw

Cordwood for Sale.

FOR sale One Hundred Cords of good Green Beech and Maple Cordwood, just chopped. For terms, &c., apply to PETER TYNAN, Lot 19, 4th Concession, Puslinch. Guelph, 10th January, 1868. 43

No. 1 Coal Oil.

VERY BEST COAL OIL. At Apothecaries' Hall! MARKET SQUARE.

Fifteen cts. per Gallon

or in Glass Carboys containing Ten Gallons, for \$2.50. ALEX. B. PETRIE, Chemist, Market Square. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868. dw

EDUCATIONAL.

Private Lessons in German, French, Latin and Greek, at the Pupils' Residences. PROFESSOR H. G. VON HOXAR. Guelph, 3rd Jan., 1868. dw

GEORGE PALMER

BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer. Office, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph

CANADA HOSIERY.

LADIES' SCARLET WOOL HOSE, LADIES' WHITE WOOL HOSE, LADIES' BLACK WOOL HOSE, LADIES' FANCY WOOL HOSE, MISSES' HOSE in all sizes, BOYS' KNICKERBOCKER HOSE, GENTS' UNDERCLOTHING.

Guelph, Jan. 11, 1868. A. O. BUCHAM.

FOR THREE WEEKS

CLEARING SALE!

THE GREAT CLEARING SALE AT THE Canada CLOTHING Store

READY-MADE CLOTHING

HATS, CAPS, &C., Which will be sold at COST and UNDER for CASH ONLY.

WILL CONTINUE FOR THREE WEEKS LONGER, so as to clear out the balance of the Stock of.

PLATT & CO'S

WORLD RENOWNED OYSTERS

Received daily by Express. Wholesale and Retail. GEORGE WILKINSON. Next door to Telegraph and Express Office. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868. daw if

CHURCH DEDICATION.

THE OPENING SERVICES OF THE New Congregational Church! In the Town of Guelph, will (D.V.) be held on Wednesday 15th of January. When two Sermons will be preached by REV. H. WILKES, D.D.

A COLATION

will be served in the Lecture Room of the New Church on the same day, at 1 p. m., to which friends are invited. After the repast, some brief addresses may be expected. Tickets of Admission 50 cts.

D. KRIBS' HONEY SYRUP

For the various affections of the LUNGS & THROAT Such as Colds, Coughs, Hoarseness, Bronchitis, Asthma, Influenza, Consumption, &c.

TUBE PAINTS!

A FULL ASSORTMENT OF ARTISTS' COLOURS, In Tubes, kept constantly on hand At Apothecaries' Hall! ALEX. B. PETRIE, Chemist and Druggist. Guelph 7th Jan., 1868. wd

Another Reduction!

TWO GALLONS PURE WHITE COAL OIL For 25 Cts. JOHN HORSMAN. Guelph, Jan 8, 1868.

Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.

MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D.V.) on the 6th of January. Vacancies for two or three boarders. Guelph, 26th December, 1867. wly

POCKET BOOK LOST.

LOST this forenoon, about the Market Square, a Pocket Book containing a sum of money. The finder on returning it to the Market office will be rewarded. Guelph, 10th January, 1868. 43

ROCKWOOD

Commercial, Mathematical, and Classical ACADEMY.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH SEMI-ANNUAL EXERCISE COMMENCED ON THE SIXTH JANUARY, 1868.

THIS long established and popular Institution affords special advantages to old and young. Its rural situation affords a degree of freedom from temptation seldom attained without undue restraint; while the comprehensive nature of the curriculum meets the wants of all classes of advanced students, comprising a classical course for those preparing for the University or the professions.—A thorough English and Mathematical Course, especially adapted to the wants of first-class teachers and the general student. A complete Commercial Course, including not only those branches requisite to the mercantile student, but also others indispensable to the intelligent and business man. Regular instructions in Plain and Ornamental Penmanship and Vocal Music. Terms in advance—\$20 per quarter of 2 1/2 months. Classics, \$10 per annum extra; Reading Room and incidental, \$1 per quarter. The most respectable references given if required. Send for a circular. McCAG & McWILLAN, Rockwood, 27th Dec, 1867. dw

NEW FRUITS

The most complete, The most choice, The most select, The Best and Cheapest

22 lbs. New Currants for . . \$1  
11 lbs. New Valencia Raisins  
10 lbs. New Seedless Raisins  
8 lbs. New London Layer do.  
Orange and Lemon Peel, 30c.

FILBERTS!

Brazil Nuts, Walnuts, Almonds, shelled or unshelled, Figs, Prunes, Dried Cherries and Cranberries, Oranges, Lemons, Dried and Green Apples, Canned Fruits and Vegetables of every description.

HUGH WALKER,

Wholesale and Retail Fruit Dealer, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH Guelph, 13th December, 1867. dw

Adjournment of Sale

ADJOURNED AUCTION SALE OF HARDWARE, Recovered from ruins of late fire in ALMA BLOCK, GUELPH.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

CANADIAN National Series of Reading Books, Authorized by the Council of Public Instruction for Ontario, NOW READY FOR DELIVERY.

PRICES:

FIRST BOOK, with 31 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—five cents.  
SECOND BOOK, 2nd Part, 54 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—ten cents.  
THIRD BOOK, 41 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—twenty cents.  
FOURTH BOOK, 45 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—thirty cents.  
FIFTH BOOK, 50 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—forty cents.  
SIXTH BOOK, 56 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—fifty cents.

ADJOURNMENT OF SALE

IN consequence of the severity of the cold, the continuation of the auction sale of Hardware is adjourned till TUESDAY, 14th INSTANT, When the whole of the Hardware recovered from ruins will be offered for sale.

ALMA BLOCK, GUELPH.

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

H. MULHOLLAND, dtd. Guelph, 9th January, 1868.

CHEAP Photographs

W. BURGESS Began leave to inform his friends and the public of Guelph and surrounding country that having received a large lot of FRAMES suitable for

Christmas Presents,

he will through the HOLIDAYS (through all kinds of Photographs at greatly REDUCED PRICES. Parties wishing to make presents of Photographs to their friends should call at once.

PICTURES

of all kinds furnished in the first style of the art. Gallery above John A. Wood's Grocery Store. W. BURGESS. Guelph, 16th December, 1867. dw

DOMINION SALOON,

(LATE GRAND'S SHADES SALOON,) OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

CHOICE LIQUORS, Cigars, Oysters, &c., &c.

Always on hand. Meals furnished at all hours. DENIS BUNYAN. Guelph, December 2, 1867. dawly

South Wellington AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at ELLIS HOTEL, On SATURDAY, 25th January, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of Officers and transaction of other business. GEORGE MURTON, Secretary. Guelph, 5th January, 1868. wtd

WEDNESDAY, 15th INST.

At 1 o'clock, p. m., to take into consideration the loss sustained by Messrs. James Massey & Co., at the late fire in the Alma Block, Guelph, on By order of the President, CHAS. DAVIDSON, Sec. & Treas. Guelph, 4th January, 1868. dtd

News Record, Fergus; Times, Elora; Chronicle, Waterloo; Telegraph, Berlin; Farmers' Friend, Preston, and Volksblatt, New Hamburg, copy in weekly till date, and send in account.

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