

Report of the Oxford Election.

On the evening of their great victory, the Reformers of Oxford determined to celebrate the occasion by a dinner to the Hon. Francis Hincks, and those friends of the cause who had visited Woodstock for the purpose of bearing a part in the proceedings.

The dinner was held at the residence of the Hon. Francis Hincks, Alderman Beatty, of Toronto, and Messrs. Wiles and Daniels, of London; and on the left by the Hon. Malcolm Cameron, Elisha Hall, Esq., of Ingersoll, and John Scatcherd, Esq., of Nissouri.

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by their opponents. (Hear, hear.) When the English, Irish, and Scotch, with all their hereditary reputation for loyalty, abandoned the British flag in the neighboring States, who was it that stood firm in their loyalty, and became the steadfast supporters of British connection? It was the Lower Canadians, (cheers)—the much abused Colonists of French origin in Lower Canada. (Cheers.)

When those thirteen Colonies revolted, because they were denied the inalienable rights of British subjects; because they had not the same privileges in a Colony which British subjects enjoyed at home—those privileges which the Hon. E. Baldwin and his supporters had so well distinguished themselves by claiming for the people of both Upper and Lower Canada—these States had been vindicated by subsequent history; but, notwithstanding, the Lower Canadians did not revolt.

And yet they were rewarded with more oppression, as if it were intended to provoke rebellion. In the war of 1812, what was the conduct of the Lower Canadians of French origin? Let Lacolle and Chateauguay tell how nobly they supported the power, and maintained the foothold of Great Britain in North America.

After this, having full reliance on the regard of Great Britain for the faith of treaties, they patiently and consistently looked for their rights, through the means of a just and honorable concession, which they had so fully proved, that in addition to what they claimed, they had deserved. How again, he asked, were they repaid? Was any concession made to them? Had they any control over their own local affairs? Not in the least.

When the Parliament of Lower Canada represented their wishes to the Home Government by a vote of 60 against 10, and such a call must be, were they regarded in preference to the representations of the merchants of Montreal, made through their partners in England, by the merchants of the "Down-east"?

Oh, Parliament was only a screen for Executive tyranny. If the acts of Government were approved, well; if not, the people were soon taught to feel that they had no rights, and none of the power of English subjects. Could you, Reformers of Upper Canada, have stood all this? No! you did not, and they did not.

After my father had selected his lot, and raised a little well, the next thing was to take it to mill. Well, I heard my friend on my left, Squire Scatcherd, say that after he had settled in Nissouri, he had to go to mill with his grist on his back nine miles; that was a herculean labour, to be sure, but how far do you suppose my father had to travel with his grist on his back? He travelled thirty-five miles, (hear, hear) he travelled from West Oxford to the old Indian mill that stood on that little stream that crosses the Plank Road a little this side of Brantford.

I remember the first time he went to mill, he traded the bran for a little soap, and with his flour on his back, and his pig under his arm, he came home, and this was the first pig that ever brought into Oxford. Well, mother was much pleased with the little pig, and she fed it all it could eat, and it grew astonishingly; but after a few weeks it got into the cabbage yard, and began tearing away at a head of cabbage. Mother saw it, and tried to frighten it away, but the little pig paid no more attention to my mother than it would to its own; so she picked up a stone and tossed it at the little pig, and horrible to tell, struck it on the head, and killed it dead!

When I heard of this, I jumped the fence, took the little pig in my arms, and cried over it most bitterly, and I ran to father, crying out, "I've killed the pig! I've killed the pig! Oh! never mind," says father, "it's very good, and very good, and very good, I can tell you it did eat good. (Much laughter.) So you see, gentlemen, how much we made of a pig in those days. As I said before, I was born and brought up in the Province of Canada, and I rocked in the cradle of loyalty. (Laughter.)

Who upset the cradle? I felt that it was an outrage for a British boy subject to speak against the Government, and I made a great show of manhood, and was allowed to vote at elections, the man that was submissive to the great ones at York, was the man for me. But after a while I got back to the old house, he turned in to liquor again, and then the bystanders took out the puppy and put back the pig, and when he got home he opened the bag to show the puppy to his mother, and behold it was a pig! Well, gentlemen, that was the case with our number. When I was on the road to York, and a fine man when he got to York, and a fine man until he walked down King-street, and rubbed against the Attorney General's sleeve, and then, he puppy. (Much laughter.)

When I made up my mind to vote at an election, that would be pig here, and pig there, and the older I grow the stronger I am in the faith. So, with these few remarks, I beg to propose—Prosperity to the agriculturists of the Province of Canada. (It is impossible to convey any idea of the genuine humour displayed in the delivery of the above speech. Like "Poor York," he "kept the table in a roar.") It could only be appreciated by those who heard it.)

T. S. Shenstone, Esq., District Councillor, proposed the health of Messrs. Brown and Leslie, of Toronto, and Mr. Metcalfe, the principles of the London. He felt that in introducing this toast he was his duty to say something, but it would be unbecoming in him to attempt to make them a long speech, and he made up his mind to say a few words, and fill the highest and proudest position it was possible to attain in Canada. He felt bound to take this opportunity of publicly acknowledging the Reform party to unite with their opponents, and Woodstock were under their friends of Ingersoll and Beattie, for the trouble they had taken to get up the present entertainment, and the admirable manner in which they had conducted the evening.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION.

We are very happy to publish the following Report of a School Examination, and likewise observe that it is very satisfactory to find that with regard to this School the inhabitants seem to have taken an interest in the property of their School, that they have solicited Alexander Strath, Esq., J. P., to examine it, whose Certificate, expressing his satisfaction in the management and progress of the School, we have seen. We trust that the Ministry in their new School Bill next session, will keep up with the emulation of the people:—

No. 2 Common School, last convention, Westminster, under the management of Mr. Robert Atkinson. At a public Examination, held Monday, 8th inst., in the above School, by Alexander Strath, Esq., J. P., the following pupils obtained premiums in their several classes:—

Grammar.—O. Curtis, C. Irwin, J. Howard. Geography.—O. Curtis, C. Irwin, J. Howard. Carpenter's Spelling.—A. Emery, F. Hart, J. S. Sumner, W. Bell, J. W. Scott, L. Sumner, J. Scott. Reading.—E. Emery, R. Sumner, C. Irwin, N. Curtis, T. Bell, F. E. Towle, F. Bell. Spelling and Reading.—E. Bell, T. Sumner, R. Scott, J. Franks, W. Sumner. Arithmetic.—A. Emery, O. Curtis. These marked (*) denote girls. Those marked (†) denote the division of each class.

We are informed that the Royal Artillery Company stationed in this Town are ordered Home. They have received their route. The Assizes for this District will commence this day. The Assizes for the County of York will commence on Monday, 24th April, 1848. A heavy snowfall to be got through.

By Magnetic Telegraph! Reported expressly for the Western Canadian. From our Extra of Tuesday. ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMSHIP BRITANNIA! ONE WEEK LATER FROM EUROPE. Advance in Breadstuffs. NEW YORK, May 8, 1848. The Britannia arrived at Boston at two o'clock yesterday. News received by Government express.

General tone of Corn trade firm. Supplies from abroad continue limited. Numerous buyers, and holders enabled to realize better prices. At Mark Lane, Canadian and United States wheat, 45 to 48s. Indian Corn, 24s to 27s. Demand for American flour moderate; fair supply. U. S. 26s to 27s; same prices for Canada. At Liverpool the trade is firm; the value of most articles advanced. Canada wheat, 6s 6d to 8s. Flour, for best Western Canal. Good export for Indian Corn for Ireland; export exceeded import 8000 qrs. during the last week of the month. White, 24s to 25s; yellow, 22s to 27s 6d; mixed, 25s to 26s. Beef continues full prices—76s to 90s; fair enquiry. Pork, good quality, would realize 68s to 75s; prospects of higher prices. Sound cheese, very limited supply. Lard has again receded. Breadstuffs will be in good demand for some time. Appearance of crops still encouraging. Iron trade dull, Scotch pig 40s. Trade in the manufacturing districts continues dull, most working short time, more entirely unable. Last quotations of Consols 82 to 83.

NOTICE.

THE COMMITTEE of the London Branch Bible Society, inform the public that their Stock of BIBLES and TESTAMENTS, comprising a great variety of sizes, and styles of binding. The prices will be found extremely low. In addition to Bibles and Testaments, suitable for Common and Sabbath Schools, they have on sale the Scriptures in Gaelic, Welch, German, and French languages.

DEPOSITORY at the Book-Store of Mr. T. CRAIG, 25 Dundas-Street, London, May 10, 1848. D. M. Thomson, Barrister, & Co. Office—Doctor Anderson's Brick Building, RIBOUT-STREET. London, May 10, 1848. Great Western Rail Road. NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Stockholders in the Great Western Railroad Company, will take place at the Court House, in the City of Hamilton, on the FIRST MONDAY, or 5th day of JUNE next, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, for the purpose of electing a new set of DIRECTORS of the said Company, pursuant to the Act of Incorporation.

SMEDS EXPRESS, FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE. IS now thoroughly established in this City, under charge of the Subscriber, and is appointed to arrive regularly on Tuesday mornings, and leaves on the same day, at 12 o'clock, noon. JOSIAS BRAY, Agent. Hamilton, April 29, 1848. Rags! Rags! Rags! THE Subscriber will pay CASH FOR RAGS.—The Subscriber will pay CASH, and the highest market price, for RAGS. THOMAS CRAIG, London, 10th May, 1848. IN BANKRUPTCY. PROVINCE OF CANADA, IN the Court of Bankruptcy, LONDON DISTRICT, IN the District of London, JAMES M. SMITH, of the Township of Malahide, in the London District, dealer and shopman, a Bankrupt. NOTICE is hereby given, that the undersigned has been appointed Assignee of the Estate, real and personal, of the above named Bankrupt. Second meeting of Creditors ordered for Saturday, the 13th day of May, 1848, at the Court House in the Town of London, at Twelve o'clock, noon. FRANCES H. WRIGHT, Assignee. J. SHANLY, Solicitor for Assignee. May 1, 1848.

To Farmers and Sportsmen. JUST IMPORTED, and for sale by F. B. BEDDOME, J. Bookeller and Stationer, in the City of London, The Shooter's Prospect, by F. B. Johnson; Hawker on Shooting, by Parker, with illustrations; Young on the Dog, by E. G. Lewis, M. D.; The Illustrated Fly Fishes Text Book, by Theophilus Smith; The Angler's Souvenir, by J. Fisher—25 beautiful illustrations, with illustrations by Beckwith and Topham; The Horse and his Rider, by Rollo Sprangford; The Field Sports of France, by R. O. Couper, Esquire; The Angler's Guide, illustrated with 90 fine cuts, by G. F. Salter, Esquire; The American Angler's Guide, with the opinions and practice of the best American Anglers; A Treatise on River Angling for Salmon and Trout, by John Youinger; A Dictionary of Sports, by Harry Harwood; Rural Economy, or Chemistry applied to Agriculture, by J. B. Boussingault; A Dictionary of Fishing, by John Armstrong; The Farmer's Book Manual; The Farmer's Instructor, by J. Beech, Esq., 2 vols.; The Farmer's Guide, a Treatise on the Diseases of Horses and Black Cattle, by James Field; The Farmer's Treasury, by F. Faulkner, Esq.; The Farmer's Manual, by F. Faulkner, Esq.; A Treatise on the Practice of Landscape Gardening, adapted to North America, with remarks on Rural Architecture, by J. Downing; The Canadian Farmer and Cattle-keeper's Guide, 15, Dundas-street, London, April 26, 1848.

1848. Port Stanley, Buffalo, Toronto and Detroit. Touching at Port Dover & Grand River. THE FAST SAILING UPPER CABIN STEAMER LONDON, CAPTAIN GEORGE WILLOUGHBY. WILL run, during the Season of 1848, (touching at the above Ports, as follows:— DOWNWARDS: LEAVES PORT STANLEY every TUESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY, at 10 o'clock P. M., and PORT DOVER & GRAND RIVER every WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SUNDAY, at 10 A. M., and arrives at BUFFALO at 9 A. M. on the same days. UPWARDS: LEAVES BUFFALO every WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY, at 7 P. M., and PORT DOVER & GRAND RIVER every TUESDAY, THURSDAY & SUNDAY, at 7 A. M. on the same days. FARES: Port Stanley to Buffalo, Cabin, Deck, Freight, 100 lbs. 83 1/2 50 50 1/2. "Dover, 2 25 1 25 1 24 1/2. "Grand River, 2 25 1 25 1 24 1/2. N. B. Passengers to Detroit will arrive at Buffalo by the London, and time for the Canada for Detroit, and passengers to Toronto by the London will arrive at Buffalo in time for the Emerald, and other Toronto boats.

THE CANADA LEAVES BUFFALO every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY at 9 A. M. and DETROIT every MONDAY and THURSDAY at 6 P. M. AGENTS: F. A. HOADLEY, Port Stanley. G. S. WARD, Buffalo. May 1, 1848. THE Colonial Life Assurance Company. SPECIAL NOTICE. THE POLICIES granted by the COLONIAL COMPANY in the Participation Class of Assurance, are ranked at the Periodical Division of Profit according to the particular year in which they have been opened. At 25th MAY, 1848, the lists for the present year will be closed, and all persons opening Policies before that date will secure a share of the profits at the investigation in 1851, corresponding to 7 years. The mode of dividing the profits of the Company is a subject of much importance, and the Directors have studied to adopt such a plan as shall conduce, on equitable principles, to the interests of all concerned in the Institution. The Bonus, when declared, shall be added to the sum payable at death, or applied in present value towards reduction of the Annual Premium, or partly in the one way and partly in the other. The Company have already assured nearly Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds sterling; and the successful progress of the Institution generally, has been very remarkable, showing a great extension of Life Assurance to the Colonies of Great Britain has been appreciated there. In order to secure the benefit of the present year's entry, it is necessary that all declarations should be signed on or before 25th May next. By order of the Directors. A. DAVIDSON PARKER, Manager for Canada. OFFICE—19, Great St. James Street, Montreal. AGENT at LONDON—CHARLES MONSARRAT, London, April 26, 1848.

TO BE SOLD.

THE North half of Lot No. 7, in the 2nd concession of North Dorchester, containing 100 Acres, 9 Acres of which are cleared. The LAND is well Watered, and there is a LOG HOUSE built on it. For particulars apply to the subscriber, at Mr. JAMES OLIVER'S, LONDON. ANDREW KELLY, London, May 9, 1848.

STRAYED, INTO the enclosure of the Subaltern, Lot No. 11, 3rd concession. A Pale Red Milch Cow, with ear split—about 6 or 7 years old. The subscriber will give her up on payment of this advertisement. WILLIAM HAWKINS, May 3, 1848.

Book and Stationery Store. F. B. BEDDOME begs to inform the inhabitants of London and its vicinity, that he has opened the Store formerly occupied by Messrs. Shaw & Scott, No. 15, Dundas-street, where he hopes, by keeping a constant and well assorted stock of Books and Stationery, to merit a share of their support. F. B. BEDDOME has, in connection with his business, a CIRCULATING LIBRARY, to which he would call the attention of the reading public. It consists of a good selection of Theological Works, Travels, and the new Novels as they come out. LONDON, April 24th, 1848.

CHEQUERED STORE, No. 25 DUNDAS STREET, LONDON, CANADA WEST. THE Subscriber would respectfully announce to the inhabitants of London and vicinity, that he has commenced business in the above Store, and will keep constantly on hand a general assortment of Teas, Sugars, Wines, Liquors, Groceries, AND PROVISIONS, Which he will sell at the lowest figure, for Cash or Country Produce; and treats with assiduity and attention to the wishes of his customers, to merit a share of public patronage. Amoung his stock will be found— TEAS: Superior Young Hyson, fine Old Hyson, extra fine Young Hyson, Imperial, Empowder, fine Country Yulong, Pouchong, and Souchong. SUGARS: Macavado, Havana, Porto Rico, Crushed and Refined, TOBACCOS: Cavendish, Honey-slew, Plug, and Fine Cut; Macaboy and Rapee Snuff, imported Frisco, the real Java Sams, and common Cigars. COFFEE: Java, Laguyra, Mocha, and Rio Coffee, ground and roasted to order. WINES: E. J. Madem, I. P. do, Sherry, Pale and Brown, L. P. Superior, Hunt's Port, Sherry, Beaucaire, Claret, Malaga, superior Old Port, Champagne. SPIRITS: Old Jamaica, Long Island Cognac Brandy, Brandy, Brandy, Holland Gin, compound Gin, Canada Whisky, Scotch Whisky, V. Schiedam Gin, Peppermint, and Morton's Family Whisky. SUNDRIES: Raisins, Currants, Pimento, Pepper, Cornmeal, Cloves, Nutmeg, Ginger, Mace, Licorice, Nuts, Fruit, Almonds, Peppercorn, Sassa, Castor Oil, Bary, Alum, Copra, Musto, Lamp Oil, Tanner's Oil, Madder Blue, Vitrol, Dry-woods, Blacking Salt, Tea, Vanilla, with all other articles generally found at Grocery and Provision Stores. D. MURPHY, London, April 26, 1848.

Dissolution of Partnership. THE PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing under the firm of H. J. NASH & Co., Farming Machine Makers, at the Village of WARWICK, in the Western District, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts contracted by the above firm, and by either of the Co-Partners on the business of the Firm, will be settled by the Subscribers, who continue to carry on the business at the same place. COLE, KINNEY & Co. JOHN CAMERON, J. WILSON, ARCH. MCKELLAR, 1848. Wool! Wool!! 1848. To the Farmers of the London and adjoining Districts. THE Subscriber has on hand a large Stock of SATINETS, Grey Cassimeres, Tweeds, Blankets, Flannels, Coloured and White Linens, &c. which he will exchange for good clean FLEECY WOOL, delivered at the Farm Store of Mr. Peter McMartin, Dundas Street, next door to Mr. Finlay McEwen's Tavern. S. S. POMROY, London, April 27, 1848.

Buffalo and Port Stanley, TOUCHING AT INTERMEDIATE PORTS. THE STAUNCH STEAM BOAT EXPERIMENT, CAPT. H. MCGRAW. Will run during the above Ports, as follows:— LEAVES BUFFALO, Every Tuesday and Friday evening, at SEVEN o'clock. LEAVES PORT STANLEY, Every Monday and Thursday morning, at SEVEN o'clock. For Freight or Passage, apply on Board, or to F. A. HOADLEY, Port Stanley. A. BUCKWELL, Port Dover. JAMES MASSER, Port Maitland. MR. WEAVER, Port Burwell. R. S. BECHER, Buffalo. FRENCH & BROWN, Buffalo. April 19, 1848. Education. MRS. BEDDOME, receives a Select number of Young Ladies, to instruct in the usual branches of an English Education, with Music, French, Drawing, (in Pencil and Crayon), Oil and Water Colour Painting, and the rudiments of Latin and German. Having resided for some time in Paris, Mrs. Beddome teaches the French Language Grammatically. Private lessons given in the above accomplishments. Also, in Astronomy, Botany, and Mineralogy. No. 15, DUNDAS STREET. London, April 22, 1848. NOTICE. THE Subscriber begs to acquaint the Public, that he has taken the Premises of the late Stephen Bosser in York Street, next to the Provincial Hotel, and intends to continue the business of a Smith and Farrier there. He has a so manufacturing Ploughs on an entirely new model, recently introduced from Scotland, and which are highly approved by those who have given them a trial. A WAGON SHOP to let, next door. PETER WRIGHT, April 20, 1848. WILLIAM C. L. GILL, ATTORNEY AT LAW, SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY AND BANKRUPTCY, CONVEYANCE, &c., COURT HOUSE, LONDON, O. W. Lands for Sale. North half of Lot No. 6—in 5th Concession, Nissouri, 100 Ac. Do. No. 7 do do do 200 Do. No. 8 do do do do 200 Do. No. 9 do do do do 200 Do. No. 10 do do do do 200 Do. No. 21 4th Concession, Dunwich, 300 South half of Lot No. 20—3rd Concession, Brooklee, 100 North half of Lot No. 22 on 9th Concession, North of the Egremont Road, Warwick, 170 South-east half of Lot 21, in 2nd Concession, Cuyahoga, with good house and barn, and 30 acres cleared. Apply to W. HORTON, Esq., Editor, London, April 20, 1848.