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" " "	10	"	12 1-2
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" " "	10	"	12 1-2
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TERMS OF SALE STRICTLY CASH.--All goods sold for Trade or on Credit will be at Regular Marked Prices. **Jas. Irwin.**

THE BEE

R. S. PELTON, EDITOR.

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GRIT OR TORY--WHICH?

The Stratford Sun and Listowel Banner are at loggerheads respecting THE BEE editor's political persuasion. The former sets us down as a Grit of the first water, in an editorial last week, winding up with the following war whoop: "We can well imagine what a hullaballo would have gone up if a Tory printer had made such a mistake." The same week editor Climie, of the Banner, takes his Tory friend to task for publishing such a libel on the Grit party, and gives the Sun to understand that "Friend Pelton, of THE BEE, is and has always been an undoubted Tory." We are more than little amused at the speculation indulged in by these over-zealous political martyrs. Surely "someone hath blundered?" Where friend Climie got his startling information regarding our political faith is a conundrum to us and to our readers as well. For fear any further dispute should arise on this point we will relieve those who are in doubt by a true statement of our attitude in the political arena. We have taken a purely independent standpoint in politics as in everything else, not for policy but from principle. To think and act independently is a sacred birthright of man and a prized liberty of the press. We are determined during our journalistic career to "hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may." THE BEE is the organ of no party or clique, but the exponent of the people. Truth, justice and equality must ever be the governing principles of this journal.

PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED.

The sixth Parliament of Canada has been dissolved by His Excellency the Governor-General, and writs issued for a general election. Feb. 26th has been fixed for the nominations and March 5th for polling day. The question naturally suggests itself, what are the reasons which have induced the Government to appeal to the country at the present time? The Empire submits the following explanation: "It is understood that the Dominion Government have through Her Majesty's Government made certain proposals to the United States for negotia-

tions looking to an extension of our commerce with that country. These proposals have been submitted to the President for his consideration, and the Canadian Government is of the opinion that if the negotiations are to result in a treaty which must be ratified by the Parliament of Canada, it is expedient that the Government should be able to deal with a Parliament fresh from the people rather than with a moribund House. It is understood that Canada will send a delegation to Washington after March 4, the date on which the life of the present Congress expires, for the purpose of discussing informally the question of the extension and development of trade between the United States and Canada, and the settlement of all questions of difference between the two countries. This delegation will visit the United States capital, it is said as the result of a friendly suggestion from Washington."

However some may differ from the Conservative organ, it is quite evident that the trade question is agitating the minds of the Canadian people to a greater or less extent, in brief, some definite action must be taken by the Government of this country respecting closer trade relations with the American Republic. The McKinley tariff is largely responsible in bringing about the present dissatisfied state of trade, the vigorous protection policy being looked upon by many Canadians as a grave and serious blow to inter-commerce, and hence it has been deemed advisable to dissolve Parliament that the proposed negotiations to result in a treaty may be ratified by a Parliament fresh from the people. What policy the Government will adopt in reference to this trade matter is at present unknown, but we are disposed to believe that a Free Trade policy will form a plank in Sir John's platform in the near future. This is what the Reformers have been and are at present agitating for under a different name, and which many of the Conservatives have long hoped for. But the difficulty has hitherto been on the other side of the lines. A vigorous protective policy has been enforced to the letter by the United States for years,--years when our ports were open to their commerce free of duty--until the Dominion Government regarded it unfair for the Americans to tax our goods while we admitted theirs free, hence the adoption of a protection policy known as the National Policy. Now we do not believe in making flesh of one and fish of another,

in other words, if one country insists on imposing duty on the produce of another, then both should be entitled to the same privilege. Free Trade with the United States would be hailed gladly by both parties, and if the Americans will abolish the McKinley and all other tariffs, by all means let us throw down the bars of protection and admit free and unrestricted reciprocity. Other international questions are hanging in the balance at present, which must necessarily be settled by the new Parliament, the pros and cons of which will be fully discussed in the coming general campaign.

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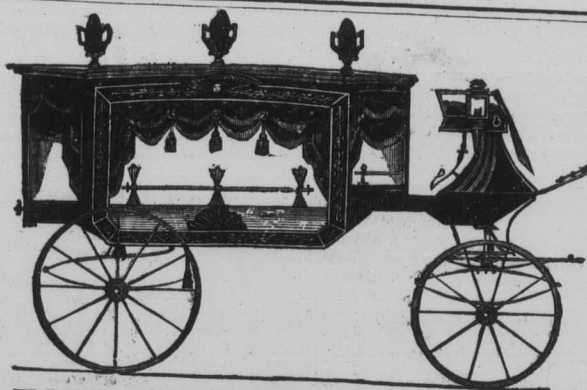
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