

The Speech from the Throne.

"And is not this a dainty dish to set before a king?" Change king to people, and the couplet will suit the very meagre bill of fare which the Ottawa Government, by the mouth of Lord Dufferin, laid before the Parliament of Canada on Wednesday. His Excellency naturally begins the Speech by expressing his personal gratification that he has had the privilege of connecting himself with the Dominion, and taking part in the labors and aspirations of its public men for its welfare and advancement. His graceful allusion to this subject, and his reference to the general peace which prevails, and to the future of this country, are couched in such terms as one might expect from such an accomplished statesman and scholar as Lord Dufferin.

After the Governor's introductory sentences, the Government proceed to give their programme. They first tell us that the Pacific Railway Company has been fully formed, and the hope is expressed that satisfactory arrangements may be made for raising the required capital in England. The Government take good care, however, not to tell us of the manoeuvring of Sir Hugh Allan in forming his company, or of Sir John Macdonald's connivance with the Knight of Montreal in giving the virtual control of this great undertaking into the hands of American speculators, who, it is said, were bled to the tune of \$300,000 to aid in the operations last summer, and who having once got their hand in the Company will not give up their claim or interest in it, but mean to make all the money they can out of the Canadians, and at the same time render this Pacific road of ours a sort of branch or subsidiary line to the United States Northern Pacific Railway, now under construction. They also fail to tell us that a purely Canadian Company (the Inter-oceanic) with such able capitalists and managers as Senator Macpherson at their head, offered to build the road on as favourable terms as the Allan Company, but were refused simply on the ground that both Sir John and Sir Hugh had got themselves within the power of these cute Yankee speculators, who would not forego their advantage. By and by we shall have a nice exposure of the whole matter, when the papers and correspondence are laid before the House of Commons.

After talking about the improvement and enlargement of the Canals for five years, it seems—if we can believe the statements of ministers—that the work on some of these is at last about to begin. It is high time these improvements were begun, for the volume of our shipping and commerce are now so great that these highways are inadequate as channels of communication between the sea board and the great lakes.

That blundering census of 1871 is lugged in to pad out the speech to a decent length, and we are called to rejoice that the printing of the returns is in a fair way of completion. Well, better late than never. We are also promised an improved Election Law, which might have been passed last session, only John A. wanted to make all the possible use of the defects of the old law for the recent elections. This measure is forced on the Government by public opinion, for the bribery and corruption witnessed during the recent elections staggered even the supporters of the Government, and made some of them disgorge to the tune of several thousands of dollars each. They found that elections were getting a little too expensive, and so they have urged on the Government to bring in a bill, which, it is hoped, will do away with such corrupt practices in future.

Reference to contemplated amendments in the laws relating to pilots and other matters connected with navigation; to the union of the two offices of Secretary of State and Secretary for the Provinces; to measures promised relating to the criminal law, weights and measures and the inspection laws, make up the sum total of this miserable and meagre bill of fare. No wonder even supporters of the Government are ashamed of it, and still less wonder opponents of the Government look upon it with the most sublime contempt.

CONVENTION OF ELECTIONS.—It has not transpired what course the Government will take in the matter of the Muskoka and Peterborough-conventioned elections. There are cases clearly in point to justify the House in ordering the Liberal candidates in both cases to take their seats. Should the Government persist in taking a partisan course, there is a very considerable number of their followers who will not independently. In the case of the South Renfrew election, as in those of less gross character, there will be a considerable number of witnesses to examine, and the work will of course be referred to a committee.

WEST DURHAM.—Mr George Haines, President, and Wm. Thompson Vice-President of the Reform Association of West Durham, and Mr. John McLachlan, M.P., a delegation appointed by the Association, at a meeting held at Bowmanville on the 4th inst. to wait upon the Hon. E. B. Wood and tender him the candidature of the West Riding of Durham, waited on him on Thursday and tendered him the nomination which he accepted in an ably written letter to the Delegation.

LEAD OF THE OPPOSITION.—The Globe says: At a full meeting of the Parliamentary Opposition, held on Thursday in Ottawa, Mr. Alexander Mackenzie was unanimously elected to the leadership. Private and personal considerations which were explained to a committee of

the caucus, caused Mr. Blake's name to be withdrawn. The utmost cordiality prevailed.

CONSTRUCTION OF A HARBOR.—A delegation consisting of Messrs. Adam Brown, W. Gray, P. McEneaney and R. Baird are in Ottawa for the purpose of urging upon the Government the necessity for the construction of a harbor, at the termination of the W. G. & B. R. R. They had an interview with the Ministers on Wednesday.

Cannibalism.
We find the following revolting story in the New York World, under date Feb. 13. We can hardly believe it true. A horrible scene of cannibalism was enacted in a trailer a few days ago. The principal actor in it was a pig-jobber who had long been completely absorbed in the gratification of animal desires and passions. Relationship and consanguinity mattered not; to his mind mankind must have appeared a "swinish" multitude; and whether man or pig was at hand, with a total disregard of particularity in this respect, it mattered not whether the article was cooked or otherwise. Well, this two-footed brute came home drunk to his poor old mother, who has passed the allotted "three score years and ten," and the old creature reasoned with him. A row ensued, in which the mother was knocked down on the floor, and, by sheer force, one of her legs was broken in two places. This not satisfying him, he commenced to eat the flesh off her arm. A watchman named Mara, who was passing at the time, was attracted by the woman's screams to the house, and on Mara forcing open the door, he saw him actually eating the flesh as if he had a taste for it. The watchman not being able to rescue the poor creature from his savage gluttony, he went off for another watchman, and on their return to the house he was at the same inhuman feast, and his face and breast were all smeared with blood. Word was sent to the police, and the night patrol on coming to the house secured him. The coolness of the ruffian was extraordinary, for he had the audacity to prefer a charge of assault against Mara for attempting to make him desist when he first entered and saw the horrible repast he was indulging in. The poor woman was conveyed to the county infirmary, and placed under the care of Dr. Lawlor, where on examination her body was found to be frightfully lacerated; the bone of one arm up to the elbow was built bare of flesh, and the sinews of the other were quite exposed. It is thought she can hardly survive the treatment of her cruel son. Her depositions were of course taken, and the prisoner, who had been in the Bridewell, was transferred to the county jail for trial at the Assizes.

TORONTO, GREY and BRUCE RAILWAY.

TEESWATER TERMINUS.

GREAT SALE

Village and Park Lots

AT TEESWATER,

The Terminus of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway—a rising town, with first-rate water power, in the centre of a fine farming country, & a Chartered Company is drilling for Salt, with the best indications of success. The place cannot fail to be one of the finest towns in Ontario.

The subscriber will order for sale

BY PUBLIC AUCTION,

At the Town Hall, Teeswater,

On Thursday, March 20th, 1873,

Forty-three Village Lots and Seven Park Lots. The property is the most eligible in the Village. The situation is between the present Village, and the located railway terminus. A number of the building lots front on the main Grand Road, which is the leading street of the Village, and others on the Road from the proposed Railway Station to Jitico's Mills.

TERMS OF SALE.

One-fifth of the purchase money to be paid in the time of sale, one-half of the remainder in three months, the balance in nine months.

Further particulars will be announced at the time of sale.

T. FERRIS, Auctioneer.

Teeswater, Feb. 27, 1873. 33-31

HE HAS JUST OPENED

15 CASES

HATS & CAPS

ALL NEW STYLES.

MEDICAL DISPENSARY.

Just Received a Large Supply of LUBINS

"GRAND TRUNK,"

The most elegant and fashionable Perfumery of the day.

PERFUMES & LUBINS

RIBBON OF BRUGES.

A very fragrant Perfumery

FOR THE SICK ROOM

MEDICINE SPOONS,

TEA AND DESSERT SPOONS.

A fresh supply at the Medical Dispensary.

G. B. McCullough,

Dispensing Chemist. (Late McCullough & Moore.)

GUELPH.

New Advertisements.

Co-Operative Store.

ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS

New Cottons, New Prints, New Linens, New Tweeds, New Lustres, New Dress Goods.

NEW BOOTS AND SHOES

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.

GUELPH, Feb. 28.

10lbs. best Bright Sugar

FOR \$1.00;

11lbs. good Musc. Sugar

FOR \$1.00;

20lbs. good Currants

FOR \$1.00;

J. E. McELDERRY

2 DAY'S BLOCK.

GREAT SALE

OF BANKRUPT STOCK!

The whole stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES

Belonging to the Insolvent Estate of John A. McMillan will be sold at a tremendous sacrifice. The immense stock amounting to \$8,000.

Must be Cleared-Out within ONE MONTH!

The greatest Bargains ever offered in Guelph! Special inducements to retail merchants and jobbers, who desire to secure job lots.

The sale is now going on at the old stand, Wyndham Street.

W.M. McLaren, Assignee.

Guelph, Feb. 22, 1873.

NOTICE.

All parties indebted to Shaw & Murton are requested to settle their accounts on or before the 10th of March, 1873. to save Division Court expenses.

SHAW & MURTON.

GUELPH, Feb. 25, 1873. dw1

BUSY STOCKTAKING

AT THE FASHIONABLE WEST END!

Extraordinary Bargains for the next Two Weeks.

200 pieces Early Spring Dress Goods to be sold off at once to the Ladies of the Town of Guelph, at 12c, 20c, and 25c a yard, the cheapest lot of Dress Goods ever shown by any house in this town.

50 pieces New Black Lustres, our usual superior make cheaper than ever, to be sold at 25c, 30c, and 40c. from 5c to 10c per yard under regular prices, and the best goods for the money we have ever sold.

120 pieces Broderie New Prints—first quality, to be sold at 12c cents, all choice and select patterns.

JUST OPENED

1 case Lustres, 50 New Poplin Dresses—beautiful designs, 4 case Sewed Muslins, Laces, Edgings, Feltrines, &c. &c. 20 pieces Splendid White Cottons, to be sold at 12c cents per yard.

25 pieces Brown Hollands at 15c, 20c and 25c.

LADIES WILL PLEASE REMEMBER THAT

Our Sale of Dress Goods commences on Monday morning, the 24th inst., and as we are determined to clear the lot within the next two weeks, intending purchasers may come expecting to receive decided Bargains.

A. O. BUCHAM,

Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment. Guelph, Feb. 23, 1873. dw2

RECEIVED DAILY

BY EXPRESS AT

Pickard's Fruit Store,

Alma Block.

Fresh Codfish, Haddock, Mullett, Flounders, Herrings, Salmon Trout, etc. etc. etc.

Pickard's Fruit Store,

ALMA BLOCK.

Guelph, Feb. 22nd, 1873. do

Ministers,

Superintendents, and Sabbath School Teachers.

Sabbath School World,

With Dr. Hall's Schemes and Notes of Lessons, 65c a year;

Presbyterian Work,

With J. B. Tyler's Schemes and Notes of Lessons, 65c a year;

Sunday School Times,

With Dr. Ormiston's Schemes and Notes of Lessons.

Every Minister should have one.

Every Superintendent should have one.

Every Sabbath School Teacher should have one.

Mailed promptly to any address.

ANDERSON'S

Cheap Bookstore.

Opposite the Old English Church, East side

WYNDHAM STREET.

SPEX, SPEX!

THE

ROCK CRYSTAL

SPECTACLES

Pronounced by all who have worn them to be superior to any other.

Every Eye can be Suted.

Call; try, and be convinced.

To be had only **AT J. HUNTER'S.**

NEW SUPPLY OF

Chignons, Braids, Coronets, &c.

AT J. HUNTER'S

Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods, and Toy Store.

Wyndham Street Guelph.

A LARGE

NEW STOCK

WALL

PAPER

Opened Out

DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

GREAT SALE OF BANKRUPT

STOCK.

Watches, Jewellery, etc.

R. CRAWFORD

Having bought the Bankrupt Stock of John R. Porto will commence to sell the same

ON WEDNESDAY MORNING

AT THE OLD STAND,

FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY.

The Greatest Bargains Ever Given

in Watches, Jewellery, and Fancy Goods.

EVERYTHING BELOW COST.

TERMS CASH.

Sale each day from 10 to 4 p.m.

Guelph, March 4, 1873. dw2w

ROBERT CRAWFORD,

Watch and Clock Maker, Jeweller,

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Brooches, Rings, &c. Hair Flat and Device Work.

Clock and Time pieces, Jewellery repaired and made to order. Plated Goods in variety.

Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dw3

PETRIE'S

NEW

DRUG STORE

Nearly opposite the Old Stand,

NOW OPEN.

Mr. PETRIE takes this opportunity to thank the Public for their large and liberal support during the seven years he has been in business in Guelph.

The New Store is the one formerly occupied by Mr. H. Berry, and lately by Mr. J. R. Porto, as a Confectionery Store. The store has been enlarged and refitted, making it a much more desirable place of business than the old stand.

Having secured the new store for a term of Ten Years, I hope, with the assistance of the Public, to prevent in the future as I have done during the past seven years, any monopoly in the Drug Trade in Guelph.

The old store will remain open for business until the first of May.

By conducting my business in the future in the same upright principle as in the past, I trust to receive a continuance of your generous support.

I am, yours very truly,

A. B. PETRIE.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

The Guelph St. Patrick's Society will celebrate the Anniversary of Ireland's Patron Saint by a

PUBLIC DINNER,

TO BE HELD

At Deady's Wellington Hotel,

ON THE EVENING OF

MONDAY, 17TH MARCH.

Tickets, ONE DOLLAR each, to be had from the officers of the Society, and at the Restaurant.

E. O'CONNOR, Secretary

Guelph, Feb. 27th, 1873. dw4

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No. 1, Wyndham Street.

James Cormack

Has just received a few cases of the newest and most stylish

SPRING HATS.

Also, a splendid assortment of

SHIRTS, COLLARS, TIES, BRACES

to be had

JAMES CORMACK,

No. 1, Wyndham St.

McCULLOUGH & MOORE.

Notice of Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore carried on by the undersigned, as Chemists and Druggists, at the Town of Guelph and Village of Rockwood, under the style and firm of McCullough & Moore, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts due to the Guelph Store are to be paid to Mr. G. B. McCullough, who will settle all liabilities, and those due to the Rockwood Store to John H. Moore.

Guelph, Feb. 22nd, 1873.

G. B. McCULLOUGH

JOHN H. MOORE.

Witness, FREDERICK BISHOP.

With reference to the above, I beg to inform the patrons who have so largely patronized the late firm of McCullough & Moore, that I intend carrying on the business of the late firm, at the Town of Guelph, and trust, at least at the present time, to receive the same description in the Chemist & Druggist line as the late firm.

The partnership heretofore carried on by the late firm of McCullough & Moore, at the Village of Rockwood, having been dissolved by mutual consent, I beg to notify the customers of the late firm that I intend carrying on the business, and hope that by constant attention to the wants of customers and keeping on hand the very best articles, I merit a continuance of their patronage.

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