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**Evening Mercury**

THURSDAY EVENING, AUGUST 22

**A Vile Fraud.**

More than a week ago the Leader gave a number of extracts from what were represented to be the papers of Mr. George Brown, spoken years ago against the Catholics in Canada. Among others the Leader quotes nearly a column from an extract from which we give which Mr. Brown never delivered, which the Leader falsely puts in his mouth. And what will our Leader say when we tell them that the speech was delivered not by Brown, but by the then grand secretary of the Orange Association at a meeting in the St. Lawrence Hall, at which Mr. Brown was not present. Here is the extract:—

Take care, gentlemen, never to let our morality be destroyed for the sake of physical good. [Cheers.] I object to this ground to having a class of Catholics imported from the United States into this country. I object to several reasons. I object to it, because wherever these people predominate, the peace, the happiness, and the unity of the community is destroyed. I object to it because they sow and disseminate, and strifes, where they are. I object to it, because they have no mind of their own. [Loud cheers.] Their body, their soul, their intellect, are in the hands of a bigotted hood. [Loud cheers.] The mind wonderful influence on the body, that is the effect of the Popish system themselves? They cannot look straight in the face. The system has made the body, it has injured the mind, it has injured the tempers, it has made the passions. You will scarcely find a noble, benevolent, open countenance who is a sincere Roman Catholic. [Cheers.]

**Election—the Polling Places.**

The Returning officer, has announced for the election the nomination, as usual, is on Friday, the 23rd, the polling commences on the 24th September. In the 1st Ward will be a polling place in the four Wards, where we previously polling for the Municipal Council usually is held. In Guelph, the polling place will be near the place where the last meeting was held, which is the school house near Blyth's Hotel road. There will be two polling places in Puslinch. The Town has been divided into two sub-divisions No. 1 shall contain the whole of the New Survey, and a portion of the Gore of Puslinch west of side line dividing and 31. Sub-division No. 2 consist of the whole of the Old Survey and that portion of the said Gore east of said line between and 31 in said Gore. This is a convenient arrangement, as it divides the township into two equal parts, comprising what is called the Old Survey with that part of the Gore specified, and the other the New Survey, with that part of the Gore included in the other sub-division. The polling places will mostly be near McCaig's Inn and 3rd concessions, and the polling place in the second sub-division or Old Survey at Aberfoyle.

**Centre Riding.**

There are no new developments in connection with the contest in this since we last referred to it— we are quite certain that Mr. Brown will run in the Conservative. In view of this, an arrangement now in progress by which the Reform or the other, or both of the Reform candidates will retire, would be clear for a contest between Mr. Brown and one Conservative. There can be no result. We are sure both Reform candidates are in a disposition to accept of what we have said and we are sure the Riding will appear to show they are at heart united to support

**Members Elected.**

Four members have already been elected. Mr. Fraser, of the Assembly for West Northumberland, and Mr. J. R. Benson to the Commons for Lincoln. Both these gentlemen are Reformers. The latter refused a seat in John Sandfield's "patent combination." Two Conservatives have also been elected, namely, Mr. Cookburn for West Northumberland, and Mr. J. C. Rykert for Lincoln.

**Mr. McGee's Disclosures—Part II.**

In Tuesday's Daily News, Mr. McGee continues his narrative of the attempts made to establish Fenianism in Montreal. The design from the first was to compromise some person of influence and respectability among the Irish citizens of Montreal, and once compromised, he would stand by the order if any event that might arise. He mentions the names of several parties who promoted the Fenian dinner on St. Patrick's day, 1864, men whom, unfortunately, nobody knows anything about. Mr. McGee thinks that the whole number of enrolled Fenians in Montreal at the time when Fenianism was most rampant was not more than 250. He gives from what he considers good authority the amount paid towards the liberation of Ireland by the disaffected in Quebec, Montreal and Toronto, for the months of September and October, 1865, the total sum being about \$1200. The gentleman throws aside the Irishman's proverbial bashfulness and lauds himself considerably for his lectures to the people against Fenianism. He proceeds to tell of the Fenian organization as it had existed from 1857, changing its name in 1865, to the "Irish Republic," relates the efforts made to get hold of the St. Patrick's Society of Montreal, quotes from his famous speech in Ireland, piles the agony on the Montreal Herald, which he accuses of being in sympathy, and concludes this instalment of his terrible disclosures without having said anything that can injure anybody, and without having exalted our ideas of his own cleverness. In the writing of histories, and in the narration of conspiracies, Mr. McGee will never become a world's wonder.

**The Reform Committee Meeting.**

A large and enthusiastic meeting of Messrs. Sturton and Gow's Committee was held in the Wellington Hotel last night. Members of the Guelph township and Puslinch Committees were also present, and brought in most favorable reports of the progress of the canvass. Eloquent and stirring speeches were made by the chairman, Mr. G. Howard, Messrs. Sturton, Gow, White-law, Brodie, Elliott, Jas Laidlaw, J. Hobson, Thos. Hood, Higinbotham, and Molloy. Altogether the prospect for the Reform candidates is most cheering, and the enthusiasm displayed at the meeting last night is a very good proof that their election is placed beyond all doubt.

**SOUTH WATERLOO.**

The Waterloo Chronicle says:—Messrs. Young and Clemens are still carrying on the contest in the South Riding, and every day seems to make it clearer that they will be elected by overwhelming majorities. On Friday evening last they had a meeting in Breslau, and there didn't seem to be a single vote in favor of the Tory candidates. On Monday evening they had a very large meeting in Baden, which is considered one of the strongholds of the enemy, but we are informed by what we believe to be perfectly reliable authority, that the feeling even there was two to one in favor of Young and Clemens. Thus the good work goes on, and every day the prospects of the Reform and Anti-Corruption ticket become brighter. The government are keeping the writs for this Riding back as long as possible, for they know that the defeat of Mr. Cowan would tell powerfully against them in other parts of the province.

**LONDON NOMINATION.**

At London, yesterday, Hon. John Carling and Mr. James Peacock were nominated for the Commons. Mr. Carling was also nominated for the Local Parliament. Mr. Durand was nominated as his opponent.

**Is the Returning Officer for the North Riding Legally Qualified?**

To the Editor of the Mercury.

Sir,—In noticing the names of the parties appointed as Returning Officers for the South and North Ridings of this County, I was led to examine the British North American Act of 1867 to ascertain who were legally qualified to act in that capacity. I find for the first election of members to the Parliament of Canada, in Section No. 42, "That the Government shall cause Writs to be issued by such person, and addressed to such Returning Officer as he thinks fit;" but Section 41 says that "until the Parliament of Canada otherwise provides, all laws in force in the several Provinces relative to Returning Officers, their power and duties, proceedings at elections, &c., &c., shall respectively apply to election of members to the House of Commons." Section 84 contains a similar declaration regarding all laws relating to elections and Returning Officers in Ontario and Quebec, and in reference to the election of members of the Local Legislature, which are to be in force until repealed. Now, let us see what this existing law is respecting the appointment of Returning Officers. The Consolidated Statutes (Cap. 5, Sec. 22), provide that Sheriffs of Counties shall be Returning Officers, and when Counties are divided into Ridings the Sheriff and Registrar shall act. Section 24 provides, that when no persons can be ex officio Returning Officers (as, for instance, when a County is divided into three Ridings, provision only being made for two Returning Officers, viz:

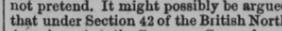
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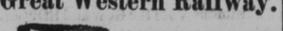
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