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FRIDAY, JULY 23RD, 1886.

Godenich, as a summer reacrt, seen to have knocked London silly .- [Hamil-

Hon. O. Mowar, premier of Ostario is rapidly recovering from his recent severe indisposition. Long may this Canadian patriot be spared to his coun-

REV. Mr. McDonagh, at the recent Orange pow-wow at Exeter, said "He was an Orangeman before he was born.' It is unnecessary to say that McDonagh is a devoted Tory.

WE are pleased to record that Goderich Model School has shown up rather creditably in the recent entrance examination, compared with outside schools.

The number of pupils who have written for the first time and passed shows that excellent work must have been done in Miss Blair's class to fit them for so rapid a transit through the principal's room. We are glad to sue these marks of improvement in the central school.

CLERGYMEN, if they wish to study human nature, and would see the pecu liar influence of the liquor traffic upon court testimony, should go to Scott Act trials, and take notes. There is a subtlety, a mesmerism, about this illicit drinking that is very interesting to the student of theology or psychology. It almost seems as if with some of the weaker natures the baleful influence court testimony, should go to Scott Act weaker natures the baleful influence emanating from the liquor traffic acts as a solvent of truth and honor. And yet we firmly believe that a man who would lie in any other emergency. The fault is with the man, not with the law.

THE cowardice of the Macdonald Gov ernment has been exemplified in the case of the Chambly election. Early this year D. Thompson, Reform representative of Haldimand, died, and in reply as to when the election to supply his place would be held, Sir John A. Macdonald declared in the House that no election would be held until the new voters' lists lucrative Government office, and an elec-tion is to come off immediately on the old electoral list, as the Government was his race or his religion. (Applause.) fears the newly enfranchised voters in If there was a man in the province dis Quebec. Haldimand has then wacant posed to respect or protect the rights of minorities, he was that man. When the several months longer than has Chambly. and yet no election will be held. The moral is obvious. Guilt has made a gone among his Catholic friends solicitcoward of the boodle administration. ing subscriptions towards rebuilding Although Chambly has been Tory three to one, the Liberals are pluckily fighting for the seat.

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REV. MR. WEBSTER is an excellent preacher, and on the whole has given much satisfaction during his two months sojourn in Goderich; but the information he received as to the attitude of the Scott Act party after the recent election misled him into making a rather unfair for his candor, but he is none the less mistaken in his premises. The greatest objection the anti-Scott people had tender feelings of the liquor men and temperance people taunted and jeered the liquor dealers into breaking the law advocates of the Scott Act comported themselves with very good taste and temper after the fight was over. Mr. Webster was misinformed, and we unon Sunday evening.

BLAKE ON MANHOOD SUFFRAGE It must be remembered that though the Liberal party are committed to the

if there must be a Dominion franchise. Mr. Blake, speaking at Beaverton, made this clear when he said :-

"But I have declared in the House and I repeat here, that if there is to be a Dominion franchise, inasmuch as the Dominion does not touch questions re-Dominion does not touch questions relating to property, and having regard to
our system of taxation, under which
every man who is not a pauper must pay
a share through the customs; and havinv regard also to our system of defence,
I should favor as the only sensible Do
minion franchise, residential registered
manhood suffrage. It would be the
ethuplest and plainest. It would make
no very serious difference with reference
to the character of the franchise, it
would avoid the complication, doubts,
uncertainties, and in a large measure the
expense, of the present system."

The above expression by the Liberal

The above expression by the Liberai leader represents the prevailing Liberal

CONDEMNING THE PAPERS. There are wigs on the green in educational quarters. Some of the papers submitted to candidates for entrance to high school examinations have been such as to call forth protests from the local boards of examiners. The following resolution passed by the local board for this district is in the line of popular opinion on the absurdity—and my lamentable ignorance subject :-

That this board is of opinion:

1. That the papers in orthography, orthopy, grammar, and history were untair and objectionable, not only on account of their difficulty, but also because in some cases the questions are put in such a way that many of the can-didates failed to comprehend them.

2. That the effect of giving such pa-

pers is to discourage teachers and pu-puls, and to exclude from the high schools many candidates who are anxious ls many candidates who are anxious to attend them, and who, from their age.

NOBLE WORDS.

no place for these patriotic words :they were Christians and Canadians engaged in the great work of prometing the common good. (Great cheering.)"

WE present this week a letter from series of pen pictures of scenes on "Sailing Day" at a New York dock. The 1st of July, and expects to be an annual visitor. His letters will be welcome, as

he writes in a charming style. temperance men and women met for question when the matter was before the prayer before, and for thankagiving after House of Commons in 1878:—"When the conflict. True, things might have the commutation of Riel's outlawry was been said that were disturbing to the hefore Parliament Sir John Macdonald himself withdrew from the House. When their supporters; but the charge that the the question was put he escaped with a haste that could scarcely have been surpassed had the building been on fire. is not correct. Considering the feeling Sir John Macdonald subsequently boastthat prevailed before the election, the ed to a friend that the world would never know how he would have yoted had he

Webster was misinformed, and we understand that today none regrets more lain have refused to become parties to a scruples against going inside the sonvass, and content myself than he that the temperance people coalition government, and the Torics are should have been described as they were not so sanguine of success in cabinet

WHAT'S UP?

repeal of the Dominion franchise act,
Thinge That Are Happening
yet it is committed to manhood suffrage
Around Us.

thing-About the Big Boum-Wizard

-It is now some eight or ten month nce the Big Boom agitation was started in Goderich and nothing has been done save a median evnenditure of public oney in a Will o'-the wisp pursuit. I money in a Will o'-the wisp pursuit. I merely draw attention to this fact, to show that when, some eight months ago, others. Naturally he was as much as deck with him, and in so doing the I made certain pertinent remarks on the question, and pointed out the absurdity of the alleged scheme contemplated, I wasn't far from the truth. I said then that the agitation was a municipal election dodge; that there was no scheme before the people; that the fathers of the agitation had no conception of the subject in hand; that the idea was an absurdity so far as Goderich at present was concerned; and that as soon as it had served its purposes, it would be allowed to go to the shade until a future municipal election required the "stalking-horse" to be trutted out again. Of course I got a heap of abuse for my temerity in thus exposing the Boom was severely commented upon. It was, to use the language of the Boomists. "conclusively shown that a well matured scheme was before the people;" and after the poll at New Years it was claimed by the promoters of the agitation that the overwhelming voice of the ratepayers showed that I was little short of mented. But I knew better. I knew

that ninety-nine out every hundred of the men who voted for the Boom didn't know what they were voting for, and the hundredth man had only a vague conception of the contemplated project; and I knew that a few brief months up with the ratepayers of the town. Today I feel assured that my course last December and January was the correct one, and I have the satisfaction of know-Hon. Mr. Mercier is being received ing that pretty nearly every ratepayer in Tory organs held this menace over the and cab driver on an equitable basis, he Hon. Mr. Mercier is being received ing that pretty nearly every ratepayer in the members like a whiplash, and with onthusiasm in his native province town has by this time become convinced kicking members like a whiplash, and him, and judging from the silver that the Big Boom of 1885 was, after

ing to his standard by the thousands. He to galvanize it into life for a similar is a lover of peace and good will, object for the elections next January, Bowell, Woodworth, and others of the ed end of his signs to his lips, he turned and the following temperate and but I have more faith in the gumption same brood. The manner in which the and glared around with a lock which the liberalwords, delivered on July 14th of the majority of the ratepayers than Tory press squinted towards an early in Pontiac county, are in marked to believe that they will be caught twice contrast to the rant and bombast indulg- in succession with the same kind of chaff. meetings were held from one end of Oncontrast to the rant and bombast indulg-ed in by the Orangemen at Exeter two If the question comes up again I would tario and Quebec to the other, for the strides he places himself among the days earlier. Of course the Mail found advise the neighbors before voting to nominating of candidates and disseminhunt up the local papers containing the ation of useful knowledge concerning cabin passengers like a hot coal in place for these patriotic words:—
"It was the custom of his opponents report of the "Big Boom Mass Meeting" report of the "Big Boom Mass Meeting" came on the Provincial elections in New last year, and read what was said then, Runnaries and Nova Scotia when it was hear "Glesca" very plain, such familiar were prepared, etc. Mr. Benoit, Conservative member for Chambly, a Tory stronghold, has just been appointed to a large for the bigot. He was a French and contrast it with what has been done Canadian and a Catholic, and was lines. Then if they take any stock in

drawath nigh.

that they were made too religious. The John Macdonald's cowardice on the Riel temperance men and women met for ouestion when the matter was before the LORD Hartington and Mr. Chamber- Of course, the deacons had conscientious of the time specified. If this prediction and the strains of music float over to us. er help thinking that if it was a sin to and past incidents.

go under the canvass, the man who went on the common to look at the pic-tures on the outside, and who left his business to gaze on the procession, or who followed the brass band and the lion's cage about a dozen blocks or so, was stepping on forbidden ground. I thought so then, and I think so still.

-Whenever I see a man make a great ado about going to a concert, or a menagerie, or any such innocent aususem where an admission is charged, and afterwards meet him at the free show, I am reminded of the horse that used to wear a "poke" down in the pasture field, or more buoyant than his fellows that didn't wear pokes, but the wearing of his poke kept him from disporting himself as he would have wished. However, if a section of the fence between the if a section of the fence between the pasture and the cultivated field was by any means displaced, I noticed that the horse with the poke always got into the grain field with the other critters, and took as much fun out of the pienic as any of them. When you take down the any means displaced, I noticed that the any of them. When you take down the fence, by giving a free show, the man with the overscrupulous "poke" only too often acts in the same way. It isn't his "poke" that keeps him from frequenting every show that comes along-it's the price of admission that fences him out. -It wouldn't surprise me to learn that

Dominion election would shortly be sprung upon us, although the general opinion now is that such a thing is improbable. I am not in close communion with any of the authorities at Ottawa. but I have been putting two and two together, and I've come to the conclusion that four is the result. You see, last session of Parliament was a bad deal on the Government party, in a number of ways, and the amount of cerruption and jobbery unearthed and exposed was unprecedented. It shocked even some of the hide-bound supporters of the Government, and wholesale desertion from would set me and my opinions right-end the ranks was only hindered by the fear that a dissolution of the House would be asked for by Sir Jehn, and many of the present Tory members would be buried stay at homes laughed, vindictively might almost say, before he got on board politically forever and forever. The Lu his efforts to settle with the drayman tuencies. His utterances are statesmanlike, and former Conservatives are flockexpect to see an attempt made shortly good grace stomach the doings of the lance, of a lobster hue, was beyond chang-"Boy" Beaty, John White, Mackenzie ing color. As he mopred his streaming face and subsequently applied the light Brunswick and Nova Scotia, when it was seen that the sun was not shining brightthe scheme, it ought to be easy for them by upon Torydom, to any great extent. the stay at-homes were recalling "Auld the scheme, it ought to be easy for them. The upshot was that the word was pass. Laug Syne." As I came to a stand-still to qualify for permanent residence in a The upshot was that the word was passto qualify for permanent residence in a lunatic asylum. Nevertheless, lock out for the second coming of the Big Boom, held in 1886, and there the matter rest deck, I rubbed elbows with what proved for the larger part of the year is already ed. But, notwithstanding this latest to be a Scot of aldermanic proportions passed, and the municipal election again statement, I have an unfaltering belief thirty-five years in this country as he that an early dissolution of the Dominion —Have you been up to attend the House is on the towpath, and we'll likely ris, or parting cups, which at irregular visard Oil concerts? You haven't, stumble upon it pretty soon. There's intervals were developing hic-cups. Up Well, if you haven't, you're the only one trouble in Manitoba which Sir John's on the deck, leaning over the side, store Well, if you haven't, you're the only one in town that's missed the show. Nightly during the stay of the troupe, there has been a large turnout, and I don't wonder at it. The musical part of the pro- as if Mounseer Mercier is likely to carry ity of gram was good, and as it was an open air the Province, in which event the Domicelebration, and no charge made for ad- nion Government would be handisapped our New York correspondent, giving a mission ticket, and no silver collection if they awaited a regular dissolution vnwas taken up during the song service, til an adverse Legislature held possession writer is a gentleman of varied accoming the whole program. And while I'm on election will come off next year, and id zone aft, to hear it all. My friend of this place. Mr. Webster deserves credit plishments, who visited Goderich on the this point, did it ever strike you, gentle Mowat's prestige as a constitutional lawreader, that charging at the door often yer and a first-class local Premier would strengthens the conscientious scruples of pious people, and just as soon as the ad-

mission to an entertainment is free, they doesn't want that to occur. But the with a prolonged "boo-o-o" from the pious neighbors thought I was "fall- held before another election is because of sound that night and day while a fog ing away" because I went to see Van Amburgh's managerie or Barnum's cir. Sir John is afraid that more exposures lasts seems to penetrate the very rug of a damaging nature might be ferreted with which you try to stifle the ears in Amburgh's managerie or Barnum's circus, and such like, and when I came out
when the clown was getting of his venerheld, in which case he has everything to
they are, a National liner for Liverpool, able "chestnuts," I've found the breth- lose and nothing to gain by delay. Take a Red Star liner for Antwerp, a White ren on the outside atraining their ears to my word for it, we'll have an early dis. Star liner also for Liverpool, a tine new ren on the outside straining their ears to catch the "gags," or standing with opened mouth before the picture of the fat woman, the living skeletor, the Circassian lady, the sword swallower, the ta- claiming all the gredit possible for hav- down stream when tooed Greek, or some such monstrosity. ing built the C. P. R. five years ahead

NEW YORK LETTER.

Steamer Day in the American Metropolis.

ghts and Scenes on a New York Dock-Clancout the Pa

rom Our Own Correspondent The genial postmaster of Goderich, who is at present taking a well-earned vacation in the land of his aires, had informed me that the Circassis, of the Anchor Line, was to carry him over to "fair Scotia." With a well defined feeling of THE HOUR OF SAILING

to be near, and one had to shout their deck gazing up the narrow gangway at some loved face that perchance was never to be seen again, one could observe that within the narrow limits of the vessel were contained all the elements that go to make a community. The opulent merchant, the sober clad minister of the gospel, the dandy with a loud plaid suit and the inevitable cane and sigarette, (twelve houre later I should like to have seen him); ladies in neat travelling attire blissfully unconscious of the impending miseries that are peculiarly their lot at see;—all crowded on the main deck aft. One could observe but few tears at this end of the whig. Once, indeed, as the were contained all the elements that go end of the ship. Once, indeed, as the clanging bell rang all visitors ashore, did clanging bell rang all visitors ashore, did I observe a young creature whom "Sairey Gamp" would certainly have called a sweet "syrup," bury her streaming face in the bushy gray whiskers of her father as he hastily walks up the more ample gang path provided for saloon passengers. But one could see that well-bred people do not want to give way to natural feelings at such times. At least, if they do, they don't. Possibly it is not the style just now. Propriety itself was

present, and the advent of the LASE AND ALMOST LATE PASSENGER scarcely provoked a smile, albeit w CALM, COOL AND COLLECTED

"tripe supper words as "Saut market." etc., gave me to understand that some of idently primed with several doch-on dor-

WORKING HIS PASSAGE across the Clyde. This sally caused the broaden with smiles, while not a few laughed outright, a trifle hysterically to that his countryman on deck did not seem to have washed his face since those

OUT DARTS A SIDE WHEELER

cost 50c or 35c a piece; but I could nev. with chronicling contemporary events Not far in rear the Circaesia dips her AJAX. colors in graceful compliment to

country she is leaving, and amid much waving of handkerchiefs, Kats and cause glides out towards her dessiate track of three thousand miles a little world within herself.

ENTRANCE EX AM

List of Successful Candidates, with Thet Schools and Teachers.

The following are the names of the candidates passed or recommended by the local examiners. Required to pass one-third on each subject, and one-half, or 377 marks on the total, 755. The names are given in order of merit:

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Beatrice Finlay, 598, 9 Ashfield,
W H Johnston.
James Mitchell, 489, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Celia Conner, 475, 2 Ashfield,
Mr Nevin.
Beatrice Stonehouse, 466, Bayfield,
Mr McEachren.
Sara Heddle, 447, 2 Colbrone,
Mr Morrish.
Rose Strang, 441, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Lizzie O'Keefe, 439, 2 Ashfield,
Mr Nevin.
Minnie Campbell, 428, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Naomi Swaffield, 419, 6 Goderich,
Mr Regan.
Maud Rutson, 414, Goderich M S,
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Maud Rutson, 414, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
John Hogan, 412, 7 Ashfield,
Mr Matheson.
Christina Hawkiss, 405, Port Albert,
Miss McGregor.
Charles Garvow, 404, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Agnee O'Donohoe, 404, 2 E Wawanosh,
Miss Jones.
Edward Garrow, 400, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Rosalis O'Beilly, 397, 2 Ashfield,
Mr Nevin.
Florence Ball, 306, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Maud Watters, 305, Convent S,
Sister Gertrude.
Minnie Acheson, 386, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Carrie Cmith, 387, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Alice Reid, 384, Goderich M S,
Mr Embury.
Laure Acheson, 381, Goderich M S,
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Mr Embury.
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Kata McQuidi. 377, 165 Ashfield.

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Kate McQuoid, 377, 16 Ashfield,
Mr Hackett.

John & Finlaysen, 374, 4 Ashfield,
Mr Gibson.

Carrie Briegel, 368; Goderich Convent S. Sister Gertrude. Eva Cattle, 368, Goderich M S,

Mr Embary,
Eva Ralph, 367; Goderich M S,
Mr Embary.
Fanny Salkeld, 36%, 1 Goderich,
Miss Robertson,
Andrew Waddell, 362, Goderich M S, Mr Embury.
Martha O'Neil, 361, 2 Ashtield, Mr Nevin. EXETER.

Charles F Hey, 526, 6 Hay, Miss Coughlin. Zillah Esler, 518, 9 Stanley, Mr Ross. Maggie Esler, 475, Nellie Fulton, 428, 8 Stephen, Nellie Fulton, 428, 8 Stephen,
Mr Bolton.
Edith Robinson, 417, 8 Stephen,
Mr Bulton,
Albert Passere, 384, 2 Usborne,
Mr Beatty.
Henry Dyer, 384, 5 Stephen,
Mr McNabb.

Edward Hagan, 380, 3 Hay, Mr Campbell. RECOMMENDED.

Recommended.

Rennie Kinsman, 386, Exeter P S,
Mr Gregory.

Daniel Witwer, 372, 9 Stanley,
Mr Ross,
Catharine A Fee, 366, 9 Stanley,
Mr Ross.

The board passed a resolution con-

sent to the Education Department The London Business University has very kindly presented this Inspectorate with two six month's courses in tuition, one to be the most proficient male candi-date and one to be the most proficient female candidate. Miss Beatrice Finlay of S. S. No. 9, Ashfield, and Mr. Chas F. Hey, of S. S. No. 6, Hay, are the successful candidates, both of whom gaves

SEAFORTH. The following are the names of the candidates who passed at the entrance examination held in Seaforth, on the oth, 6th and 7th days of July, 378 marks, required to pass : -Hugh Alexander,

n perfect papers in Arithmetic.

408 marks. Hector Elliott, D. J. Malone 464 McCallum Wesley McIver 421

RECOMMENDED. 336, Hugh A. Ross 372; 359, 361, 362; 376 Annie T. Glass Lizzie Kenney Mary A. Martin Jennie McDermid Georgia Smith

Mr. GLADSTONE has placed his resignation as Premier in the hands of the Queen, He will personally deliver seals of office when his suggessor i pointed.

GABRIEL DUMONT has been pardoned