



THE COURIER.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1851.

THIRD PAGE.

We have seen Mr. George Brown's account of the Hallimand Election in the Globe, and the account which gives for his defeat. With great part of all this we have nothing to do, for being thus unimpaired as to the state of parties in the locality, further than we can guess at it, from the result of the Election, we have no means of knowing whether Mr. Brown's account be correct or not. He states one fact, however, which is worth notice. The Roman Catholics in Canada West have, heretofore, commonly sided with the Reform party; on this occasion, Mr. Brown tells us that at the outset of the canvass some of them were among his staunchest supporters, but that day or two before the election, individuals came into the country from other places, and commenced an agitation against him; amongst other things, a violent handbill, a copy of which is published in the Globe, was circulated, in which Mr. Brown was denounced as a fierce Anti-Catholic, and quotations were given from articles, asserted to have been written by him, breathing a spirit of hostility to Popery. It is stated that these handbills were read in the Chapels on the Sunday previous to the Election, and Mr. Brown denies that any such language was used by him, and as the Globe is a Ministerial paper, and consequently, read by us pretty carefully, we must say, that we do not recollect ever having read any articles on the Popal question, now uppermost in every man's thoughts, that could be justly stigmatized as violent or in any way reprehensible. Mr. Brown seemed to us to look on the recent events in England, from a somewhat Protestant point of view, and we are purely a question of improper interference by a Foreign Potentate with our own Sovereign's rights, and not as affecting religion or religious observance at all. The consequences of this agitation were according to Mr. Brown, that with some 15 exceptions, all the Irish and German Roman Catholics voted against us, numbering perhaps some 60 or 70 votes.

Mr. Brown's opinion in his defeat on such grounds, and so well may it be, if it is to be introduced into party political warfare as an added element of strife, with all its accompanying bitterness, it is well we know it in time. The fine evenings, will have been a great gain, if a secular paper cannot express an opinion on a religious question, or if a religious paper cannot hold its own peculiar religious views, without being denounced by persons of different religious opinions. The question of the Revival prerogative, as we think, has been discussed by a secular Canadian paper with remarkable moderation. We do not think one word has been said which could hurt the feelings of any sensible Roman Catholic, the question having been treated, as we observed before, entirely as one between our own Queen and a foreign Prince. If it be necessary for either of the political parties in this Province to abandon, or to conceal, or in any way to modify the religious opinions, consistently and conscientiously held by the individuals which compose them, particularly when those opinions in no way are connected with any matter arising in this country, in order to conciliate and attack the Roman Catholic voters, then all we can say is, that their attachment is not worth having, and that no honest man will accept their support on such conditions.

The intelligence of an intended dissolution of Parliament, communicated by our Toronto correspondent, if correct, is important. A pretty thing, truly, to throw this country into all the turmoil of a general election, just at the commencement of the business season. Ministers must find their strength even less than their most inveterate opponents imagined it to be, if they feel themselves compelled to resort to such an extreme step, at such an unpropitious time, if they do not intend the country will show their sense of such conduct by refusing to return one of them.

The Toronto Correspondent of the Herald mentions a rumor to the effect that the British Government has determined to withdraw all the troops from Canada at an early date, except the Garrison of Kingston and Quebec, giving the Colony the option to retain the other Garrison by paying the expense. How does this agree with a positive statement made a short time since in the Imperial Parliament by one of the Ministers, that the Government had no present intention to withdraw any troops from this country?

FRIDAY.—On Wednesday evening, about half past eight o'clock, a fire occurred in the rooming house, and a fire company belonging to Mr. Converse, in the Carleton Avenue, the flames were first observed in the room, but when the alarm was given they had got considerably ahead, and owing to the distance of the premises from the city, it was some little time before the engines arrived. When they did, there was considerable delay for want of water, so that the fire communicated with the stone building containing the machinery, and appeared for some time likely to take the adjoining residence of the Hon. James

Leah. Happily Mr. Leah's residence was preserved; but of the factory nothing remains but the walls, and about one-third of the roof-wall. We learn that Mr. Converse was partially insured; but that his loss will greatly exceed what is covered by his policy.

On the same day, about one o'clock, another fire occurred at the corner of the Queen Street and the main street of the Quebec Salubria. The house destroyed was a one story wooden building at the corner of Mr. W. Mason. The tenant saved almost the whole of his goods.

The English Mail, per Asia, may be expected to arrive in town this morning.

St. George's Day.—The Sun of Old England had a splendid day for their annual procession, and mustered in greater force than for some years past. They assembled in Great St. James Street, opposite Dolly's, in the morning, with bands of music and banners; and after marching in procession round the Place D'Armes, passed through Notre Dame Street and McGill Street to St. George's Church, where Divine Service was performed, and a good sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Bond.

The dinner of the Society took place at Dolly's and was, as always, a capital one. Many gentlemen who had delayed to obtain tickets were disappointed in getting them. There was also an elegant dinner at Isaac Moffatt's, numerous attended.

During the night of Monday or Tuesday, a robbery was committed in Gouffard Street Church. Entry was effected by the Vestry door, and the communion plates, a number of hymn books, and some articles of needle-work which had remained in the late Basilan, were stolen. The Missionary boxes were broken open, but fortunately they had been emptied the preceding week. We hope the thieves will be discovered.

Russell's Hotel, Quebec.—We observe by an advertisement, an intimation of the removal of Mr. Russell from his present mansion on the esplanade at Quebec, to the house he formerly occupied in Falaise Street. He has engaged the accommodations as to lodge 150 persons for the season, and to seat 300 at his dining table. His arrangements for the accommodation of his guests are in the first style, combining elegance and comfort. There is no doubt he will do well.

GRAND CONCERT BY MR. OLIVER.—Mr. Oliver, the popular Band Master, of the 20th Regiment, is to give a grand Concert at the Hays House, Dalhousie Square, on Monday evening, the 5th of May. Mr. Oliver's gratis fresco Concerts will be, we suppose, very shortly recommencing for the summer, and those who enjoy the sweet strains of his band during the fine evenings, will have an opportunity of making some acquaintance for the season, and enjoying the pleasures of the concert.

Owing to the necessity of the time of the arrival of the Lake Champlain boats, the hours of departure of the Lake steamer can only be fixed from day to day for the present. Travellers would do well to enquire, in the proper quarter, before starting, as to the best hour, in order to avoid disappointment at St. John's.

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CANADIAN AFFAIRS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

Tuesday, April 23, 1851. The Cabinet has been in Council two days. Yesterday there was a rumor in the city that the subject of their deliberations was an important dissolution of Parliament; but their decision on the subject has not transpired.

It is said that Geo. Thompson, M.P., has received intelligence that two assassins have been sent in search of him with the design of murdering him, if they succeed in finding him, they will be executed. It is believed that he is in the city.

The report will have informed you of the result of the Hallimand election. The following is the state of the poll at the close:

Table with 3 columns: Candidate, Votes, and Party. Includes names like Mackenzie, McMillan, Brown, Galt, and others.

Mr. Brown's defeat is attributed to various causes by the friends of the Government. The Journal and Express contains that to the course of the Globe of the Past Aggression against Mr. Brown was his defeat. I think his supporters generally agreed upon this fact, and that the Roman Catholics did not vote for him, as a man. Just before the election they sent a special messenger from this city to induce the Catholics to oppose Mr. Brown, in consequence of a statement in the Globe that he desired to see a Catholicism put down by some means. But not to this end was truly attributed Mr. Brown's defeat. The secret of the affair is, as I learn from the country, that the Ministerial card is a bad one. One injured his chance of success, which was never very great; by promising, in some instances, that he would not oppose the Government. Between Brown and Case all the Ministerial votes have been shared, and the aggregate is less by 40 than Mackenzie received, and less than Mackenzie's total vote. The Ministerial vote, therefore, is considerably less than one-third of the county. Indeed it is not over a fourth, if we take into account the fact that the greater portion of those who voted for Case are Anti-Ministerial. Mr. Mackenzie is indeed indebted for success to the Conservative vote. The strength of that party was fairly brought out in favor of Mackenzie. The vote by which Mackenzie has been returned are at once Radical and Anti-Ministerial. The result of this contest is important in many respects.

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COMMERCIAL.

By the Government.

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THE BLOOD IS THE LIFE... DR. HALSEY'S FOREST WINE... This is a medicinal wine made from the bark of the forest tree...

THE BRITISH PERIODICALS... LEONARD SCOTT & CO... This is a list of various periodicals and books published by Leonard Scott & Co.

PROTECTION LIFE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY... JOHN STRYKER, President... This is an advertisement for a life and marine insurance company.

BRITANNIA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY... CAPITAL—ONE MILLION STERLING... This is an advertisement for the Britannia Life Assurance Company.

REDUCED RATES OF PREMIUM... HALF CREDIT RATES OF PREMIUM... This is an advertisement regarding reduced rates of premium for insurance.

DR. CHRISTIE'S GALVANIC BELT... BRACELETS... MAGNETIC FLUID... This is an advertisement for Dr. Christie's Galvanic Belt and other medical devices.

DR. HALSEY'S FOREST WINE... TESTIMONY OF... This is a testimonial for Dr. Halsey's Forest Wine, describing its benefits for various ailments.

MACHINERY OIL... BRIGHT VARNISH... This is an advertisement for machinery oil and bright varnish, highlighting their quality and uses.

BRITISH COMMERCIAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY... CAPITAL—\$2,000,000... This is an advertisement for the British Commercial Life Assurance Company.

ALFRED G. SMITH... FRANCIS HEWARD... This is an advertisement for Alfred G. Smith and Francis Heward, likely related to the insurance company.

REMEDIAL TREATMENT... DR. CHRISTIE'S GALVANIC BELT... This is an advertisement for a remedial treatment using Dr. Christie's Galvanic Belt.

DR. CHRISTIE'S GALVANIC BELT... MAGNETIC FLUID... This is another advertisement for Dr. Christie's Galvanic Belt and Magnetic Fluid.

DR. HALSEY'S FOREST WINE... HENRY DONALDSON... This is a testimonial for Dr. Halsey's Forest Wine, signed by Henry Donaldson.

WINDSLOW LIME... WINDSLOW LIME... This is an advertisement for Windslow Lime, describing its agricultural and industrial uses.

W.W. CUNNINGHAM'S MARBLE FACTORY... No. 53 St. Urban Street... This is an advertisement for W.W. Cunningham's Marble Factory.

MONTEAL HIGH SCHOOL... GRAMMAR SCHOOL... This is an advertisement for the Montreal High School and Grammar School.

MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY... CAPITAL—\$2,000,000... This is an advertisement for the Mutual Assurance Company.

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HALSEY'S CUR-ALL... This is an advertisement for Halsey's Cur-All, a medicinal product for various ailments.

ST. LEON AND CANTON SPRINGS... This is an advertisement for St. Leon and Canton Springs, likely a health resort.

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