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The Watchman.

THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 1891.

South Victoria.

As will be seen from the report of the Liberal-Conservative Convention held here last Saturday, Mr. Charles Fairbairn has been again chosen as the candidate to contest the riding in the interest of the Government. The choice as anticipated was heartily unanimous; and Mr. Fairbairn's acceptance of the nomination, in view of what he has been compelled to undergo in the public interest during the past twelve months, shows that he is possessed of the necessary pluck and determination, and entitles him to the heartiest support. The latter he will most assuredly receive, and his election by a large majority, should a contest take place, may safely be counted upon. An intelligent riding, which within one short year has decided at one bye-election in favor of the policy of the Government and in support of certain valuable local interests, and repeated the verdict at a general election, is not likely to stultify itself by reversing the verdict at a second bye-election. This is especially true when the policy of the opposition has in the meantime been discredited by the best minds in their own party, and when local interests remain the same. It simply remains for the friends of Mr. Fairbairn to see that every voter is brought to the polls, in order that no risk may be run through over-confidence on the part of the electors. The personal claims of Mr. Fairbairn will prove a strong factor in the contest, should there be one. The rank and file of the electorate are fortunately not so hardened politically as to be dead to considerations of this kind. The fact that Mr. Fairbairn has now for the third time within a year, through no fault of his own, to face the expense and labor of an election, will bring to him a large support, assurance of which he has already received from all sides. Let the organization and work be as thorough as on former occasions, and his election by a large majority will be the result.

Editorial Notes.

At the Reform Convention, yesterday, Thomas Walters, Esq., was nominated to oppose Charles Fairbairn, for South Victoria.

The position of the election protests up to date is as follows: Reformers—unseated 17, petitions dismissed 19, judgments pending 3, members disqualified 1, petitions to be tried 23. Conservatives—unseated 9, petitions dismissed 24, petitions to be tried 9. And yet some reform journals assert that the results so far 'are about evenly divided!'

A substantial beginning has been already made in the barley trade with Great Britain. During the past season of navigation there was sent from the port of Montreal 739,421 bushels, of which nearly 400,000 bushels was of the two-rowed variety. According to the same return from the port of Montreal also there were 233,757 dozen eggs shipped to the British market up to the close of the season. The foundation of a large and remunerative trans-Atlantic egg trade has been laid, which promises ere long to equal the large trade formerly carried on with the United States.

MONDAY next is nomination day for the municipal elections, which take place on the 4th prox. As has been too frequently the case in the past, no interest seems to be taken in the matter, the selection of candidates for the various offices being left to the last moment. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that undesirable material finds its way to the council board. The matter is one entirely in the hands of the ratepayers, however, and so long as they allow municipal affairs to drift along in this haphazard sort of way, so long will municipal matters be managed unsatisfactorily.

The Exeter Times submits the following questions for the careful consideration of every Canadian reformer:—

- 1. "Does he believe, or has he any reason for hoping, that Unrestricted Reciprocity can be secured with the United States?" 2. "Does he not believe Unrestricted Reciprocity is really another name for Commercial Union, under which we should be obliged to adopt the McKinley bill against all the world but the States?" 3. "Does he believe we could retain British connection under Unrestricted Reciprocity, alias Commercial Union?"

As was expected by those who followed the evidence in the Baie des Chaleurs investigation, the commission of judges reported against the Mercier Government, and the latter has been dismissed from office. The investigation, it will be remembered, was confined to the actions of the Government and Ernest Pacaud in connection with the Baie des Chaleurs charter and subsidy. There were two offers made to the Mercier Government for the completion of the Baie des Chaleurs railway, both by firms of unquestioned standing. One offer was for \$450,000, the other for \$590,000. Both firms had conducted their negotiations with the Government through Pacaud, of whom it had been proven under oath a few months before that he had levied blackmail to the tune of \$10,000 on a claimant upon the treasury in connection with the Quebec court house contract. The \$590,000 syndicate offered Pacaud the immense sum of \$100,000, to secure the charter and subsidy. On this the Government allowed the \$450,000 offer to fall through, and accepted the larger tender. Further, letters of credit were illegally issued by the Government to at once secure the \$100,000 toll, and out of this sum \$52,000 was at once paid to or for Hons. Messrs. Mercier, Langelier, and Ribidoux. The whole transaction is without parallel in the history of boodling, until at least further investigation is made into the Mercier record. Lieutenant-Governor Angers acted within the letter of the constitution in dismissing his ministers, and it is difficult to understand in face of the record how his act can by any possibility be construed into a violation of the spirit of the constitution. The latter point, however, is being raised in defence of Mr. Mercier by a section of the Liberal press, he eminent service of the latter and his boodler on behalf of Mr. Laurier and his party at the late Dominion elections requiring some return it would appear. The applause with which the same Liberal press approved of the action of the late Mr. Letellier, when in 1878 he dismissed a Conservative administration for a comparatively slight offence, is the best test of the liberal "constitutional" cry. The issue in the end rests with the people of Quebec. Their verdict will be given when the new administration goes to the country, and the eyes of the Dominion at large are turned with more concern towards the people of Quebec than towards Lieutenant-Governor Angus.

Catch the Thief.

The following is a copy of the notice that has been sent to the different police head quarters, in reference to the escape of the burglar:

Look out for and arrest Gus Bladwin, alias Wm. Bladwin, alias J. G. Lawrence, young man, fair complexion, 20 or 25 years of age, locks younger, 5 feet 1 or 2 inches high, slight build, the thumb and two first fingers on left hand partially gone, suffering from recent wound on right hand. When he left here had on a light colored undercoat, dark pants, no vest, Christy stiff hat. Will likely be found in some cheap boarding house or hotel. Warrant issued. Wire all information to

JOHN DOUGLAS, Chief Constable Port Hope.

POLITICAL.

The Ribbon Against Dr. Monteyne of Haldimund Dismissed. CAYUGA, Ont., Dec. 22.—The attempt to unseat Dr. Montague, Conservative M.P. for Haldimund, has failed. The evidence offered failing to show any culpability on his part. There had been considerable persuasion, however, and no costs were allowed. The cross-petition against Colter, the defeated candidate, was also dismissed without costs.

The Halifax Petition. HALIFAX, Dec. 22.—The trial of the Halifax petition was resumed yesterday. The court refused to allow the petitioners to add any further charges to their particulars and ordered a large portion of the particulars filed to be struck out as too indefinite. Portions thus struck out constitute a large proportion of the whole. John F. Stairs was the first witness and occupied the witness stand all day.

Senator Chaplin. ST. CATHARINES, Dec. 22.—The announcement in The Toronto World yesterday that Mr. William Chaplin, one of our leading manufacturers, is to be called to the Senate created intense excitement here today. The matter is discussed to the exclusion of all other subjects. It was generally supposed the honor was to be conferred on Dr. Ferguson. Mr. Rykert was also in the field and is very bitter over the elevation of his former antagonist.

The Purest Election They Ever Tried. NAPANEE, Ont., Dec. 22.—The trial of the protest against election of Mr. Dawson as M.P. Addington was finished Tuesday morning. The only two or three remaining charges being disposed of, Judges Osler and Maclellan dismissed the petition with costs and pronounced it the purest election they ever tried.

Dr. Wilson Will Run in East Elgin. AYLMEER, Ont., Dec. 22.—The Reform convention met here yesterday and selected Dr. Wilson, ex-M.P. of St. Thomas, as a candidate to contest the riding of East Elgin at the coming by-election.

Mills All Right. CHATHAM, Dec. 23.—The petition against the return of the Hon. David Mills, as Liberal member for the Dominion Parliament, was dismissed with costs yesterday for want of evidence.

The Dickey Birds' Pre-emption Defeat. HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 22.—The trial of the Cumberland election case against Arthur R. Dickey, Conservative M.P., was continued at Amherst yesterday, several cases of bribery and other illegal practices on behalf of respondent were proved.

Lieut. Governor Dewdney. HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 23.—F. F. Forbes of Moose River, N.W.T., who is at present in Halifax, has been tendered the Liberal nomination for East Assiniboia as Mr. Dewdney, the present M.P., will accept the Lieut. Governorship of British Columbia shortly.

A Supposed Horse Thief Cuts His Throat in Jail. PRESTON, Ont., Dec. 23.—An unknown man was arrested yesterday for trying to sell a horse and buggy supposed to have been stolen. He was placed in the lock-up. Two hours later police found the prisoner on the floor of his cell with his throat horribly gashed, and beside him, written on a piece of an old geography map, this message: "I am gone to the devil—yes, gone. Do not bother yourselves about me. This is the last of me." He is still alive but unconscious, and has not yet been identified.

'Father of the Canadian Press' Dead. BROOKVILLE, Dec. 23.—Lt. Col. David Wylie, known as 'the father of the Canadian press,' died yesterday, aged 80 years. Col. Wylie was born in Renfrewshire, Scotland, in 1811 and was associated with journalism in England and Scotland, until 1845, when he came to Canada as a reporter on The Montreal Herald. From 1850 to 1883 Mr. Wylie edited The Brookville Recorder.

Author of 'Box and Cox' Dead. LONDON, Dec. 23.—John Maddison Morton, the dramatist, is dead.

Mr. Morton was 80 years old, and during his long life was a prolific writer of farces, among them 'Box and Cox,' which became famous. His plays were as successful as they were numerous, and the royalties paid him would have made most men rich, but he was so imprudent that in his old age he had to seek shelter in the Charter House of London.

Figaro's Dramatic Critic Dead. PARIS, Dec. 23.—Albert Wolff, the noted dramatic critic of The Figaro, is dead, aged 55.

A Well-known Author. CALLEDONIA, N.Y., Dec. 23.—John H. McNaughton, the author of 'Ounalinda,' died this afternoon at his home in this village of pneumonia.

Accessory After the Crime. BRANTFORD, Dec. 23.—Detective Greer was in the city this morning. He had an interview with Constable Hunter regarding certain statements made to him by prisoner Douglas, and which constituted important evidence of accessory after the fact on the part of Douglas. Douglas and Bartram are still in the county jail.

A Lily Bloomed for Death. WINDSOR, Conn., Dec. 23.—A calla lily owned by Orrin Seales is a strange freak. Mr. Seales says that 20 years ago there was a beautiful blossom on the lily stalk. His wife died and in all the years not a bud appeared until yesterday, when his second wife died. Then a fine large flower appeared and is in full bloom.

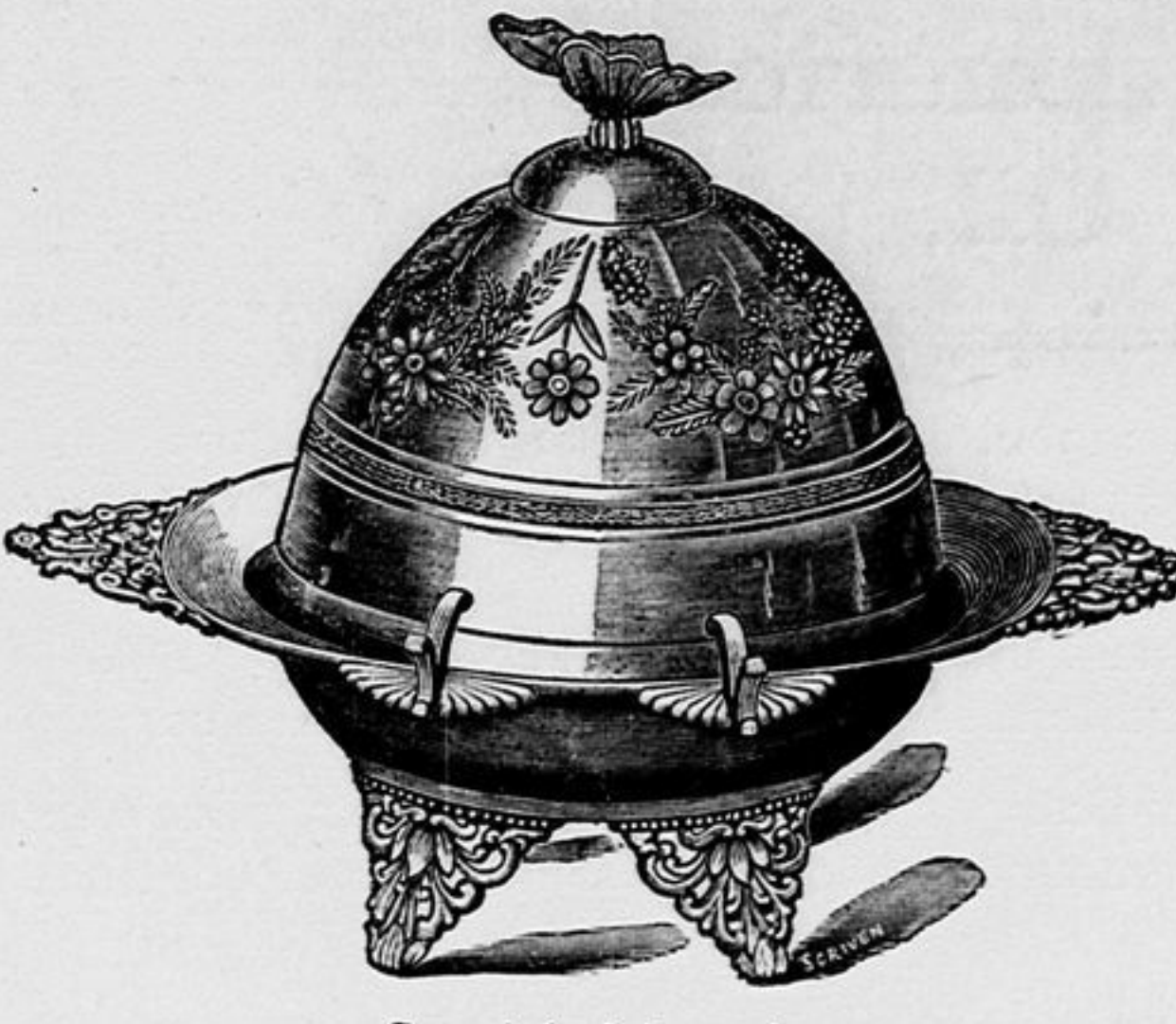
Through the Ice. OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—Thomas Mulligan, aged 12, wandered out on thin ice at Campbellford village, broke through and was drowned.

A Bank President Dying. OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—Mr. James McLaren, president of the Bank of Ottawa, of Buckingham, is dying.

Crushed by a Beam. OTTAWA, Dec. 23.—Martin Downey was tearing down an old barn on a farm he had purchased at Rochette, when he was struck on the head by a beam and fatally hurt.

Flooding Mill Burned. GODFREYS, Dec. 23.—Henning's flour mill here was totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Loss \$6000. Insurance \$1900.

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