

THE NORTH-WEST TROUBLE.

Though the recent rebellion in the North-West has been suppressed, and peace restored, yet the danger of a repetition of similar trouble, is not removed, nor is the safety of white settlers in sparsely settled portions of the territories by any means assured.

There will always be danger of trouble between Indians and the white settlers so long as they are brought into contact with the inevitable result of bad blood and hostile feeling which may at any time precipitate an Indian war. The Government should take warning and prevent the possibility of such an occurrence by collecting all the Indians in the North-West into one large reservation amply sufficient for their needs, and forbidding them to leave it. The mounted police force, even though increased to one thousand men, will be altogether inadequate to the task of watching the Indians, dispersed as they are on small reservations scattered through an immense extent of territory, whereas if they were massed in one locality a cordon of police stretched around it could be a comparatively easy matter. There is the greatest danger to white settlers of the Northwest in leaving the Indians as they are at present, with arms in their hands, living in the immediate neighborhood of the whites, and liable at any time to be tempted by hunger to raid cattle or plunder isolated farm-houses. The sooner we follow the sensible example of the United States and concentrate the Indians in a locality remote from the course of settlement, the better. It may prevent a great catastrophe, and would, in all events, be certain to give a sense of security from Indian outrages which would do much to hasten the advance of civilization in those regions.

CENTRE GREY FARMERS INSTITUTE.

In accordance with notice, a meeting was held in Markdale on Tuesday last to organize a Farmers' Institute for the Centre Riding of Grey. Thos. Gilray, Esq., Reeve of Euphrasia, who was appointed by the County Council to organize an Institute in this Electoral Division, took the chair and briefly stated the objects of the meeting. The attendance was not large, but nearly all present became members and the following officers were elected:—Thos. Gilray, President; Thos. Kells, Vice-President; A. Turner, Sec.-Treas. Directors—Dr. Sproule, M. P.; N. McColman, M. P. P.; Wm. Pringle and John Sparrow for Sullivan; Geo. Richardson and D. R. Ellis for Euphrasia; Wm. Norton and Thos. Sowerby for Holland; John Boland and J. A. Blakely for Artemesia; Wm. Guy and John Clinton for Osprey; and Wm. Hewgill and Arch. Campbell for Collingwood. Considerable discussion followed, on the benefits which might be expected, and would be gained by the agricultural community through such an organization. Farmers' conventions will be held for the discussion of interesting topics, and it is understood the services of the professors of the Agricultural College will be available to deliver lectures once or twice a year at the conventions, the first of which will be held in Markdale on a date to be fixed by the directors in the fall or winter.

CONFLAGRATION IN TORONTO.

On Monday morning about half past twelve o'clock a fire broke out in the gluecase factory at the foot of Berkeley St. and swept along the water edge burning vessels, steamers, boat houses, factories and everything out of a breast for over half a mile. This was perhaps the most inflammable portion of the city, being nearly all old wooden buildings. The wind was high and the vast array of fire extinguishing appliances had little or no effect in staying the devouring element, the rain came in good time however, and by daylight the fire was under control. The loss is estimated at over \$700,000.

RIEL'S VERDICT.

The trial of Riel has been short and decisive, and the evidence against him strong and to the point. The jury only required half an hour to consider the charge when they returned a verdict of guilty. The execution is to take place on the 18th of September, and it is to be hoped it will be carried out.

CREAT SALE of HARDWARE.

W. KOUGH

Having decided to give up Business, is now offering his his immense stock of SHELF & HEAVY HARDWARE, PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, &c., AT COST.

This is a genuine Clearing out Sale. Call early and secure Bargains. W. KOUGH, OWEN SOUND, SIGN OF THE "BIG AXE." 240-53

Sentenced to be Hanged

REIL FOUND GUILTY OF TREASON-FELONY.

The 18th of September Named as the Day of Execution.

REGINA, Aug 1.—The jury in the Riel trial were out about thirty minutes. They returned a verdict of guilty. Judge Richardson, when he began his charge to the jury, confined himself chiefly to reading extracts from the evidence. He then reviewed the law upon which the court was established and the trial conducted. The charge was concluded at 2:15, and the jury retired. The oath was administered to the guard to keep the jury without meat or drink, fire or lodging. At 3:15 there was a murmur in the court, and it was whispered that the jury had agreed. All was bustle and excitement. Riel prayed fervently, kneeling in his box, and looked unmoved as the jury entered with a verdict of guilty. Francis Cosgrave, the foreman, while crying like a child, announced that he was asked by his fellow-jurors to recommend the prisoner to the mercy of the crown, and the judge said the recommendation would be considered.

In answer to the question if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed on him, Riel addressed the court over an hour and said the verdict of guilty was a great advantage because it showed him to be not insane. He had a mission to fulfil and so long as he was looked upon as insane he could not do it. Now he would begin to succeed. One of his difficulties was beginning to disappear. He thanked the jury for the recommendation of mercy. It would be easy for him now to make an incendiary speech against the selection of the jury and the legality of the court, but he must take advantage of the situation to show himself responsible. He had a call from God to do something for the Northwest. His suffering would prove him to be a prophet. He himself had suffered seventeen years Riel fifteen, and he had two more years to suffer. The Saskatchewan troubles were only the continuation of the troubles of sixty-nine.

The Dominion government had sent delegates to treat with the rebels of sixty-nine and it was reasonable to expect that they would do the same in the Saskatchewan, and grant the rights of the halfbreeds now as then. He explained the plan of how he was going to invite the Irish, Germans, Jews, Bavarians, Poles, Scandinavians, Italians, Belgians, Norwegians and Swedes to come and assist him, and give each a share in the Northwest and British Columbia. The condition of the Jews was they must acknowledge Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world. Gabriel Dumont and the Fenians were now active in his behalf in the States and their assistance was the last resort. He complained that Archbishop Tache and the ministers of the crown had broken the promise of an impartial amnesty in 1869. Dubuc had given him the name David as a souvenir in 1871. Archbishop Tache came and said his lower Canadian friends wanted him to leave the country because he would embarrass them during the election. He and Lepine got \$400 from Archbishop Tache to go. He agreed only because his benefactor, Archbishop Tache, asked him to. After Sir Geo. Cartier was defeated in Quebec, Riel was asked to give up Provencqer for him. Before the election in 1878 Sir John MacDonald sent an offer to him of \$35,000 to leave the country, and if that was not enough how much would he take to cross the ocean? If he had the right to that money then, had he not the right to ask it last year? He declared himself the prophet of the new world, giving some rather comical instances in proof. He wanted a medical, legal commission of doctors and lawyers to try him, not

on account of the outbreak on the Saskatchewan alone, but on his whole career during the past fifteen years, and determine if the execution of Scott was a murder. He complained that the judge had charged all against him, but felt entire confidence that he would yet be spared to fulfil his mission. The voice told him that, Judge Richardson, before passing sentence, referred to the enormity of the prisoner's crime, and said he could hold out no hope whatever, but to prepare for the end. When the jury returned to court, Riel continued praying fervently until the verdict was given. He then rose without the slightest agitation apparent. This demeanor he maintained till the end, and a smile spread over his face as the judge pronounced sentence.

The 18th day of September was fixed as the day of execution. It is not yet settled how the other halfbreed prisoners will be charged. It will probably be treason-felony, in order to obviate the necessity of serving an indictment ten days before trial. A majority of the prisoners will be charged with murder, although some may be indicted for treason-felony or levying war. The latter charge is not necessarily capital.

FROM OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Aug. 2.—The French Canadian population here are greatly agitated over the news of Riel's conviction and sentence. The general complaint is that the trial was unfairly conducted, and that evidence was suppressed by the Government. Petitions to the governor-general asking for a commutation of the sentence will at once be prepared.

The trial of Indians and halfbreeds who have been arrested on the same charge as Riel is now going on, twenty-two of the twenty-six have already pleaded guilty. Chief Wandering Spirit, who was captured a few days ago, stabbed himself and is reported dying.

Correspondence.

NOTICE.—We wish it distinctly understood that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents

To the Editor of the STANDARD.

Priceville, 27th July, 1885.

Sir,—It may be interesting to Trustees and Teachers of Public Schools, to be informed through your paper, that the enclosed is a list of the appointments of the Legislative Grant for the current year to the several sections of the townships, named: These amounts are payable by the several township treasurers, on presentation of the written orders of the trustees, verified in each case, by the corporate seal of the section. This new arrangement renders unnecessary the issue of any cheques by Inspectors.

2. The Public Schools Act of 1885 directs that teachers be paid quarterly, and authorizes trustees, whenever necessary, "to borrow on their promise, a note, under the seal of the corporation, at interest not exceeding eight per cent. per annum, such moneys as may be required for that purpose, until the taxes therefor are collected." (Section 40, sub-sec. 4).

8. Sub-section 6 further directs the trustees "to give notice in writing before the 15th day of January, in each year, to the Inspector, and to the Township Clerk of the township in which their school is situated, of the names and post office addresses of the several trustees then in office, and of the teachers employed by them, and to give reasonable notice in writing, from time to time, of any changes therein."

Copies of the new School Act, with full explanatory notes, by the Deputy Minister of Education, are now published by Copp, Clark & Co., Toronto.

APPORTIONMENTS.

Table with columns: Artemesia, Bentinck, Egremont, No. 1, \$24, B B 1, \$118, No. 1, \$34, etc.

Table with columns: Glenelg, Normanby, Osprey, Proton, BG2 \$15, 1 \$41, 1 \$44, 1 \$90, etc.

Yours truly, W. FERGUSON, P. S. I.

That Accounts for It.

One evening recently while wending our way down Mill Street towards Markdale station to meet the evening train, we halted where half a dozen or more were sitting in front of Askin's establishment, and enquired of an acquaintance if he would go for a walk to the station. He pulled out his watch, at the same time asking, what time is it?—3 minutes after 9. I looked at mine, which I knew was Toronto time, and found it precisely the same, when suddenly all the watches in the crowd were hauled out and not half a minute difference in the lot. This is something remarkable says I; when one of the crowd gave as a reason for the number of close timers, that they had been purchased from W. A. Brown, the reliable Markdale Jeweller. That accounts for it.

TRAVELLER.

KNOWN BY THESE SIGNS.

Dyspepsia may be known by Heartburn, Sour Eructations of food, Wind Belching, Weight at the Stomach, Variable appetite, Costive Bowels, etc. Burdock Blood Bitters will positively cure Dyspepsia, although in its worst chronic form.

Euphrasia Agricultural Society

At a meeting of the Euphrasia Agricultural Society, held at Rocklyn on the 25th inst., Friday, the 9th of October, was selected as the day for the fall show. The directors present not being prepared to hand in their subscription list, the prize list was not made out.

Thomas Gilray, Esq., Reeve of Euphrasia, and Mr. J. W. Boyd offers special prizes for the best six copy books, written by the pupils of any school in Union School of Euphrasia this season. We expect other specialties, of which notice will be given in the prize list, a copy of which can be obtained from the secretary any time after the 16th of August.

Robert Duxton, Clerk. The treasurer was ordered to R. McKnight, Esq., county registrar, the sum of \$2.53, fees and searches. The Reeve's orders were issued to the treasurer to pay as follows, viz: James Arthurs, \$8, plank for roads; J. Paterson, \$31.48, printing, etc.; list and advertising; R. Dunlop, \$25, preparing voters' list; G. H. \$20.25, work on 6 and 7 side line; con. 9 and 10; G. Yeaddell, \$10, covering crossway; H. Hurd, \$6, to pay for gravel and for labor on roads; W. Fawcett, \$33.13, to work on side line 6 and 7; Joseph Manary, \$60, salary as collector of the 7 westerly concessions for 1884. Council adjourned until the Saturday in August next.

Meaford Road.

(From our correspondent.)

Major Sutherland and wife and Miss Ellery, with several other members of the Gospel Army, have been out here for several Sabbaths past holding meetings in the church. Their efforts have met with good success. A large number having joined the Army. The Rev. Mr. Ayers also attends two evenings each week. The good work is still going on.

Haying operations were about wound up last week, and the crops have been saved in most excellent condition.

The rain on Monday came in good time, and was very much needed by the spring and root crops.

Fall wheat is about ripe and promises to be a most excellent sample.

Mr. J. Brodie and his two sons (Eldor and Sydney) have gone to visit friends in Brampton.

Mr. R. Douglas has veneered his house with red brick.

Mr. W. J. Cooley, our mail man, has purchased a new sulky rake.

We have had several new additions to our population here lately. More to follow.

Kimberly.

From our own correspondent.

The Methodist church was dedicated last Sunday, under favorable circumstances. The weather was fine and the roads good, consequently there was a large turnout. The church was full at morning service, and in the evening a number had to remain outside. Rev. Mr. Howell, Chairman of the District, preached. He is certainly a credit to the church he belongs to, and would make a clever man in any calling in life.

Mr. A. T. Buchanan has rented his house to a gentleman from Charleston who intends starting store here.

The rain of Monday last was the heaviest of the season. It will be a great benefit to the late crops.

Miss Thomson has gone on a visit to Owen Sound.

DO NOT DELAY.

Do not delay, if suffering any from Bowel Complaint, however mild apparently may be the attack, but use Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. It is the old reliable cure for all forms of Summer Complaints that require prompt treatment. Ask your druggist and all dealers in patent medicines.

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If you are troubled with inactive Liver, your complexion will be sallow, frequent sick headache, aching shoulders, dizziness, weariness, irregular bowels, and many other serious complaints. Burdock Blood Bitters regulate the Liver and all the secretions to a healthy action.

Euphrasia Council.

The council met pursuant to adjournment on 25th July, 1885. Members all present. Minutes of last session of council read and confirmed.

Mr. Hurd was appointed to get a small bridge built on side-line 8 and 1 con. 6.

Joseph Manary was appointed collector of rates in the whole of the township for the current year at a salary of \$110.

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ROBERT DUXTON, Clerk.

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