

Who Stole the Letters.

The Tribune of Hamilton has brought to light correspondence, said to have been between John A. Macdonnell, (for Archbishop Lynch,) and Sir Charles Tupper, in relation to property purchased by the Christian Brothers from the Government, payment upon which had been allowed to fall into arrears. The letters have been copied extensively in the Opposition press with seeming delight.

Sir Charles Tupper denies having penned the letter, which has no signature. It is without doubt a forgery, as no public man could hardly be guilty of laying himself open to such folly, as the writing of the letter in question. Correspondence there was, and the letters which were private property, must have been stolen.

A more ungentlemanly or disgraceful thing can hardly be imagined, than for private letters of another person to be first stolen, then made public to the world through the press. Precedents can be adduced for the rifling of desks and the contents made use of by persons in high positions, for political ends. Mr. Macdonnell has furnished to the Mail the following letter, which is sufficiently explicit:—

Sir,—My attention has been called to the fact that some party stolen and partly forged correspondence, alleged to have passed between Sir Charles Tupper and myself in the year 1879 on the subject of the purchase of the old Bank of Upper Canada buildings from the Government of Canada by the Christian Brothers, of which order his Grace the Archbishop is in this diocese the head, has been published in a Hamilton paper, ostensibly as a special telegraphic despatch from its Ottawa correspondent. The fact that such a message ever passed over the wires obviates the necessity of characterizing the correspondent in question, as a very low liar. The remark, however, will apply with equal force to the editor of the journal in question, who published the correspondence knowing it to be false in material part, if not in the whole.

The gravamen of the attack which has been based upon the letters in question is that Sir Charles Tupper is alleged to have repeated in writing to me a statement alleged to have been made by Sir John Macdonnell to him, that "no reliance is to be placed on the breed," i. e. the Irish Catholics. Sir Charles Tupper is perfectly aware that I am myself a Roman Catholic, Sir John Macdonnell is aware that my mother was an Irish Catholic, and both know that my then partner, Mr. Foy, is a Catholic Irishman. Is it not probable, therefore, that Sir John Macdonnell would make use of such an expression, intending it to be repeated to me, and that Sir Charles Tupper would put it in writing, thereby insulting us both, who, in addition to being political friends, were also the partners of his son. The fact that Sir John Macdonnell never made the statement to Sir Charles Tupper, that Sir Charles Tupper never repeated it to me, never wrote, and that I never received such a letter, disposes somewhat effectually of the material portion of the scandal, and leaves the stigma of so dastardly a statement with the newspaper which first gave currency to it. I live in hope, however, that the Irish Catholics will survive it.

So far as my letter is concerned, I can only say that it was a private letter, and that I kept no copy of it. How far it is true, and how far untrue, I cannot at this distance of time say. It contains one expression, however, which certainly is not mine. The term "gent" is, I am informed, commonly used by that class of persons of whom the editor of the paper in question is typical. I never made use of it in my life, in conversation or in writing, and would not therefore, have applied it to the distinguished Archbishop of Toronto.

It is apparent, therefore, that in addition to the black dishonor of reading and then publishing a private letter, these people have committed both theft and forgery.

I am at a loss to know what to liken them. To compare them to pirates would be an injustice to the latter, for they at least have one merit—they sail under their proper colors. Perhaps the best plan is not to attempt a comparison.

Yours, &c.,  
JOHN A. MACDONNELL.

Dominion Franchise.

The following are the qualifications for electors to allow them to vote for members of the House of Commons:—  
Owners of property in cities, towns and villages worth \$300.  
Tenants in cities and towns, under lease, paying an annual income of \$400.  
Owners of property in counties, worth \$200.  
Tenants in counties, under lease, paying \$20 a year.  
Sons of owners of property in town or country, residing with father or mother, when the property is sufficiently valuable to make two or more votes as co-owners.

My Mother

Has been using your Burdock Blood Bitters as a liver remedy, and finds them very efficacious. Chas. J. Ainsworth, 41 Vance Block, Indianapolis, Ind.

Existing by Propping.

The Globe devotes a long article in Wednesday's edition to show that the present Dominion Government is in danger of demolition at any moment, and is only existing by constant propping. The props referred to are the National Policy, the Pacific Railway, the Re-adjustment of the Constituencies. These props having served their purpose are become useless, so the organ says, and Sir John is about to spring some more villainous job, some greater rascality upon the long-suffering and down-trodden Grits.

The first prop is one that any Government would be proud to use. It placed the present Government in power, and has assisted very materially in keeping up its strength and popularity. As long as the Finance Minister is able to show such a pleasant and prosperous condition of our trade and finances, as he has done heretofore, the National Policy does not so set in behalf of their opponents, and no Government is expected or ever does play into the hands of the enemy. It was perfectly natural that the Conservative members in the House should endeavor to have any changes that were to be made, in such a way as not to strengthen their opponents. But in no instance has it been yet shown that the sole purpose of the re-adjustment was,—as the Globe claims, to disfranchise the Grits, to steal the Province in defiance of the wishes of the majority of the electors. In some cases the Conservatives were weakened by the change, in other cases they were strengthened. They lost some seats and they gained others. Many of the changes were admitted by even the Grits to be proper and just.

The real truth is that if the affairs of the country continue to be managed as they have by the Government since 1882, and the whole Dominion to advance and prosper as it has done, there is not the slightest hope of defeating the Conservative Government.

Returns.

According to returns, as published in several papers, the Conservatives in the late election have the majority by over three thousand votes, with Algoma not yet decided. Williams the labor candidate in Hamilton received chiefly Conservative votes, Heakes also, in East Toronto and Carter in West Toronto, professed to be Conservative, and in Ottawa McDougall's support was Conservative to a very large extent.

Sir John Macdonnell's new Franchise Act extends the power of voting to women possessing the requisite property qualification, living alone or unmarried. He also gives the right to vote to the sons of merchants and mechanics, as well as to the sons of farmers.

The Newmarket Era says, in reference to the above:—"The old Reformers of days gone by will soon begin to think the Political Millennium is fast dawning; and unless those who claim to be leaders of the Liberal party get out of the way, they will prove little short of stumbling blocks to advanced liberalism and progress, as presented by their opponents. Baldwin Lafontaine, Papineau and Caleb Hopkins never dreamed that the party led by Sir John would become promoters of such a sweeping reform."

TESTON.

(From our own Correspondent.)

The following officers were elected in No. 361, Sons of Temperance:—W. P., Bro. J. S. Kinney, re-elected; W. A. Sister Mrs. Cousins; R. S., Bro. W. Knight, re-elected; A. R. S., Sister Mrs. Nixon; F. S., Bro. C. Nixon; Treas. Sister Mrs. Leud; Chap., Bro. J. Scott; C., Bro. E. Cousins; A. C., Sister Snider, re-elected; J. S., Bro. James Walker; O. S., Bro. W. Diceman.

I understand that for W. P., they had a very keen contest. A Dandy from Vellore set up for the office but was defeated by a large majority. The Painter tried, but I think that was a put up job to catch votes to weaken the Vellore Dandy. Both parties worked hard for their man, but the Government was sustained. As I am not a member of the order perhaps I am mistaken in what I write, but I got it from a member, so I think it will be about correct.

Two of our young people went away last week and came back man and wife, and it is expected a couple more will do the same before this comes out in print, as the cake has been sent to Richmond Hill to be frosted, so it is rumored.

SENSEX.

Teston, April 14th, 1883.

First Rate Evidence.

"Often unable to attend business, being subject to serious disorder of the kidneys. After a long siege of sickness, tried Burdock Blood Bitters and was relieved by half a Bottle." Mr. B. Turner of Rochester, N. Y., takes the pains to write.

Cranberry Marshville.

The old bachelor has been sick, but is able to be out again. It has taken some of the color out of his face.

Not long ago a gentleman from an adjoining township came to this village to purchase a horse. He went to a farmer, looked at the animal, and the would-be buyer said he had an acquaintance in the village, he would go and get his dinner and come back, get the horse and pay for it. He went to get his dinner but never came back. Now there is no doubt in the minds of the villagers that the man with whom he got his dinner spoiled the sale of his neighbor's horse. I myself know that the horse is all right, but it was just done for meanness.

Nat is put out of a vote for another term. The landlord would not put him in the lease.

The saw mill is rushing business at a fearful rate, and so is the farrier.

WILL O' THE WISP.  
Cranberry Marshville, April 16th 1883.

Complimentary Banquet.

TO MR. D. T. FAIRBAIN.  
A VERY PLEASANT EVENING.

A Complimentary Banquet was given to Mr. D. T. Fairbairn, of the YORK HERALD, on Thursday evening, 19th inst. at the Palmer House, and was in every way a decided success.

Mr. F. has been connected with the HERALD for the space of six years, during which time, by his genial manners and generous sentiments, he has made many warm friends, who thought they could not show their appreciation of his many services in a more suitable and agreeable manner than by meeting and spending a sociable time together, on the eve of his departure from this village. The company having assembled in the drawing room, Mr. Fairbairn was called in and presented by a few of his most intimate friends with a very handsome Meerschaum Pipe and Cigar holder, accompanied by a very flattering address, which was read by Mr. T. F. McMahon, complimenting him on the high esteem in which he was held, and expressing their deep regret that they were compelled to yield to the circumstances which were to sever their connection, but trusted he was bettering his position and wished him success in whatever sphere he might hereafter be placed.

Mr. F. replied in appropriate terms, thanking them for their mark of esteem, and expressing the hope that, although separated from each other, they might long continue to be friends, and said he would prize the gift, not only for its value, which would often be brought into use, but from the motive prompting it.

After the address and presentation, the guests proceeded to the dining room to partake of a most sumptuous repast, which had been prepared by Mr. Palmer in first class style, and which reflected great credit on the House.

After doing justice to the good things bountifully supplied, the chairman, our much esteemed Reeve, Mr. John Brown, rose and stated, they had met together for the purpose of doing honor to their respected friend Mr. F., and while standing would propose a toast to which all present—whom he knew to be true and loyal to the British flag—would gladly respond. He would therefore propose the toast of our Most Gracious Majesty "The Queen," when all rose to their feet and responded by heartily singing "The National Anthem."

The chairman then proposed the toast "Our Guest," coupling with it the name of Mr. D. T. Fairbairn. Mr. F., on rising to speak was received with quite an ovation. He thanked his friends for the courtesy they had always shown him, and gave a sketch of his career, and said he had always endeavored, to the best of his ability, to promote the interests of the village, and it—as had been shown by this assembly—his services had been appreciated, he was more than satisfied. The assembly then sang "He is a jolly good fellow."

Mr. M. Teefy, who occupied the Vice Chair, then proposed the toast "Our Village Council," coupling with it the names of Messrs. J. Brown, I. Crosby, J. Sanderson and W. Pugsley, who in turn ably responded.

Mr. E. Langstaff being called upon for a song, very cheerfully complied and gave a very appropriate one which was well sung.

Mr. P. G. Savage next proposed "Our Manufacturing Industries," which was responded to by Messrs. Trench, McConahy, Wilson, Elliott, and Devlin in suitable remarks.

"Our Village Institutions" was the next toast, proposed by Mr. Elliott and with it coupled the name of Mr. J. Sanderson, who in response gave an interesting account of the village institutions, which were shown to be in a prosperous state. In the course of his remarks he gave great credit to the guest of the evening for the energy and valuable assistance rendered by him to both the Mechanics' Institute and Fire Company.

Mr. I. Crosby next proposed the toast "The Ladies," and said he had much pleasure in coupling with it the names of Messrs. T. F. McMahon and J. Elliott to respond for the single and married ladies respectively. Mr. McMahon on rising, said he was thankful for the honor conferred on him in coupling his name with the ladies, and had much pleasure in responding to the toast, although—as a young man and an extremely modest one—he felt it was a very responsible and delicate subject. In his remarks he paid a high tribute to the ladies, and thought they had not at all times had the same privileges conferred upon them as had been extended to those of the opposite sex, being excluded from the learned professions, &c., but trusted the time was not far distant when these restrictions would be removed. Mr. Elliott followed, and said it afforded him much pleasure in expressing the great interest he took in the ladies, who were continually wielding a powerful influence for good in our midst, and cited cases in connection with church matters, &c., where they were doing a noble work, and said he would speak at greater length, but the ground had been gone over by the previous speaker.

Mr. J. Reynolds was then called upon for a song, and responded.

"The Press" was next proposed by Mr. Nicholls, and responded to by Messrs. Keefer and Searle in a few appropriate words.

"The Agricultural Interests" was proposed and responded to at length by Mr. J. Durcan.

"The Bachelors" was responded to by Messrs. Langstaff, Reynolds, Nicholls, Searle, Wilson, Fairbairn, and others in a humorous way.

After several other toasts, speeches, and songs the gathering broke up about midnight, after all spending a most enjoyable evening.

Auction Sales.

TUESDAY, May 1st—Credit Sale of Household Furniture, Carpenters' Tools, &c., at Lot 16, Con. 3, Vaughan, in the village of Sherwood, the property of Mr. Robt. Barlow. Terms, \$10 and over cash; over that 6 months credit on approved notes. Sale at 12 o'clock, without reserve. S. Eckardt, Aucr.

THURSDAY May 3 Credit Sale of Farm Stock, &c., at Lot 60 near Con 1, Vaughan, the property of Mr. Gideon Hislop. Sums of \$10 and under cash; over that amount 6 months credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes. Sale at 1 o'clock. S. Eckardt, Aucr.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Go Bang for sale at the HERALD Store.

50 Acre Farm to Rent. See advertisement.

Wools, and other articles in the fancy line, just received at the HERALD Store.

ARRIVED.—Rev. Mr. Shanklin and family have returned from Florida, and are now staying with their friends on Sherbourne Street, Toronto.

Hair Nets, Invisible Nets, Hairpins, Crimping Pins, Bracelets, Beads, Jet Ear-rings, newest styles, Berlin Wools, Baskets, etc., for sale at the HERALD Store.

We would be glad to hear from our esteemed correspondent at Woodbridge. We trust he has not forsaken us altogether. His letters were always received and read with pleasure.

MONTHLY SALE.—S. Eckardt will hold his Monthly Sale at the Palmer House on Wednesday next, May 2nd, when some valuable property belonging to Mr. A. Law will be offered for sale. See bills.

Parties who have had accounts rendered to them from this office, will confer a favor by responding with the needful. It must be understood that all transient advertisements and job work should be paid for at the time of ordering.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—A meeting of the members of the Mechanics' Institute, will be held in the Committee Room of the Masonic Hall, on Tuesday evening next. A full attendance is requested, as the election of officers and other business will be attended to.

HORSE BILLS.—We have a number of splendid plates of Heavy Draft, Cumber and Trotting Horses, which owners of entire horses should call and see before ordering their bills. We are particular with this kind of work, and have always given the best satisfaction.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—Our respected townsman, Mr. Wm. Trench, had the misfortune to get his hand severely injured, on Friday morning last, while working at the machinery in his works. We are glad to hear, however, that the injury is progressing favorably, under the able care of Doctor Wilson.

LACROSSE.—Our Lacrosse boys commenced practice for the season on Monday evening last, and by the way they handle the rubber it is evident that they have not lost much of their skill and vigor during the winter months. In a few weeks they will be in a position to accept challenges from all city, as well as country clubs.

STILL THEY GO.—As will be seen on referring to another column, Mr. John Powell, proprietor of the Grand Central Hotel, in this village, has taken unto himself a wife. The happy couple left Toronto by the evening train, for a trip to St. Thomas and other Western towns. May they enjoy many years of happiness, is the sincere desire of the writer of this small paragraph.

CONORER'S VERDICT.—The following is the verdict of the jury upon the body of the young man which was found at Oak Ridges a short time ago:—That the deceased came to his death, sometime during the winter, between the 1st of Nov. 1882, and the 25th of Mar., 1883, on the premises of Henry Flavell, lot 60 1st Con. of Markham, by shooting himself in the body and head, with a revolver, but what particular date, there is no evidence to show to the jury.

A HIGH PRICE.—Mr. James Russell has purchased a small farm, being lot 37, Con. 1, of Markham, for \$120 per acre, cash. This is perhaps the highest price ever paid on Yonge Street, for farm land, but Mr. Russell is a plucky buyer, and whether it is a Shorthorn, a Cotswold, or a piece of real estate, when it suits him, money does not stand in the way of the purchase. This property was advertised twice in the HERALD, and we congratulate its former, as well as its present owner, upon the sale and purchase.

STILL ALIVE.—Mr. McNelly, who was at one time around these diggings, is now proprietor of the Newmarket steam dye and job works. He has also an agency in Aurora, which town he visits twice a week. The Aurora Borealis says he charges a very small fee, for renovating, &c., old and faded clothing, and has the happy faculty of making them look as good as new. He might travel a few miles further south. No doubt many of his old friends in this village, would be very glad to see him.

FIRE COMPANY TEST.—The Fire Company test, on Friday evening last, was satisfactory in every sense of the word, and should be at any time necessary, the ratemakers may rest assured that the firemen will do their duty whenever called upon. The judges gave the time of the engine department, that won the prize, as 1 minute and 25 seconds. The practice after the test showed that the Company was quick and active in taking and executing the orders of the captain.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT.—Diseases of Women.—Medical science in all ages has been directed to alleviate the many maladies incident to females, but Professor Holloway, by diligent study and attentive observation, was induced to believe that nature had provided a remedy for those special diseases. He has, after vast research succeeded in compounding his celebrated Pills and Ointment, which embody the principle naturally designed for the relief and cure of disorders peculiar to women of all ages and constitutions, whether residing in warm or cold climates. They have repeatedly corrected disordered functions, which have defied the usual drugs prescribed for such cases; and still more satisfactory is it that the malady is relieved completely and permanently.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the World for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Itching, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. Sold by R. E. Law.

MARRIED.

POWELL—LASCOMB—At the Metropolitan Church, Toronto, by the Rev. James Thom, on Wednesday, April 25th, Mr. John Powell, of the Grand Central Hotel, Richmond Hill, to Miss Lottie Lascomb, of Winchester.

DEATH.

McBRIDE—At his residence, Woodbridge, on the 19th inst. Wm. McBride, aged 84 years. A native of County Down, Ireland, and was one of the oldest residents of the township of Vaughan. In politics, a life-long Conservative.

Burdock Blood Bitters.

Cures scrofula, erysipelas, salt rheum, piles and all humors of the blood. Cures dyspepsia, liver complaint, biliousness, constipation, dropsy, liver complaints, headache, nervousness, female weakness and general debility, when used in time.

THE MARKET'S

TORONTO.

THURSDAY, April 26, 1883.

PRICES AT FAIRMERE WAGONS.	
Wheat fall, new, per bush	1 02 81 03
Spring	1 05 1 11
Barley	65 07 70
Oats	48 46
Peas	76 80
Rye	65 60
Dressed Hoes, net 100 lbs.	8 40 8 76
Beef, hind quarters, per 100 lbs.	0 00 0 00
Mutton, by the carcass, per 100 lbs.	0 00 0 00
Chicken, per pair	75 00 00
Ducks, per brace	00 00 00
Geese, each	00 00 00
Turkey, each	00 00 00
Butter, lbs. roll	22 26 22
large	20 22
sub dairy	20 22
Eggs, fresh, doz.	14 15
Potatoes, per bag	2 00 2 00
Apples per barrel	2 00 2 00
Onions, per bag	6 80 1 00
Cabbage, per doz.	0 30 0 75
Calves, per doz.	40 75
Turnips, per bag	6 35 6 60
Hay, per ton	40 60
Parsons, per bag	40 60
Straw, per ton	13 00 16 00
Wool per lb.	6 00 10 00
Wool per lb.	18 20

New Advertisements.

Farm to Rent!

50 ACRES.

Being the north east quarter of Lot No. 30, in the 2nd Con. of Vaughan. There is about 5 acres of fall wheat in the ground, and mostly fall ploughed. For particulars apply to

D. DUNCAN, Administrator, Don, P. O. Don, April 23rd, 1883.

THOROUGH-BRED STALLION

MILESIAN

And the Trotting Stallion

ORIOLE!

(BY ERIN CHIEF.)

Will stand at their owners' stables, Oak Ridges.

H. QUETTON ST. GEORGE. Oak Ridges, April 26th, 1883.

FOUND!

SUM OF MONEY.

A small sum of money in the vicinity of the Post Office, Richmond Hill. The owner can have it by describing particulars, and paying for advertising. Apply to the Postmaster. Richmond Hill, 17th April, 1883.

TENDERS!

SEALED TENDERS marked "For Mounted Police, Richmond Hill, and Light Supplies," and addressed to the Honorable the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, will be received up to noon, on TUESDAY, 1st May.

Printed forms of Tender, containing full information as to the articles and quantities required, may be had on application at the Department. No tender will be received unless made on such printed forms.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Each tender must be accompanied by a accepted Cash Bond, cheque for an amount equal to ten per cent of the total value of the articles tendered for, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the service contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

No payment will be made to newspapers inserting this advertisement, without authority having been first obtained.

LINDSAY RUSSELL, Deputy Minister of the Interior. FRED WHITE, Comptroller, Ottawa, 25th March, 1883.

FOR SALE!

75 ACRES.

Being the West End of Lot No. 46, in the 1st Concession of the Township of Vaughan.

Also 34 Acres,

Being part of Lot No. 30, fronting on Yonge St. and side-line leading to Brantford Mills. Apply to

J. R. ARNOLD, RICHMOND HILL. April 16th, 1883.

NOTE LOST

The public are hereby cautioned against purchasing a note of hand, signed by George Hogg, and drawn in favor of Francis Cosgrove, of Richmond Hill, dated February, 1880, as said note has been lost, and the payment stopped.

FRANCIS COSGROVE, Richmond Hill April 2nd, 1883. 1111.

THE STAR

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