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**The Liberal.**

RICHMOND HILL, Thursday, March 8, '88

**THREATENED HIGH SCHOOLS.**

We are satisfied that the members of our Board of Trustees appreciate to the full the certain effects of the County Council's proposed increase of the number of High Schools and decrease of the grants made to those now in existence. They see clearly that the change will be fraught with but evanescent good to Aurora, for instance, and with abiding harm to Richmond Hill. It is true that under the stimulus of novelty a High School at Aurora may be received with a certain degree of enthusiasm. But when enthusiasm requires to be kept up by a constant drain on the resources of a community, it soon dies out. Then Aurora will have the wretched satisfaction of having seriously damaged two good and capable institutions, one at Newmarket, the other at Richmond Hill, in order to possess in its midst a sickly, stunted school, doomed to short life, and sure to inflict injury by the very brevity of its rickety existence.

We are informed that Aurora relies, professedly with good reasons, on the support of the Minister of Education. Mr. Ross, it is said, declared that he would do all in his power to give Aurora the wished for school. Surely there is a mistake here. It has ever been the policy of the Mowat Government to elevate High Schools, not by increasing their number, but by increasing their efficiency. Why, we ask, should Mr. Ross change this policy—a policy whose soundness becomes more firmly established with every year—just in order that Aurora may gratify its pleasure? Aurora is within short and easy distance of Newmarket. It is not pretended that the Newmarket High School is not an excellent institution. On what grounds then does Aurora say that the Minister of Education is both willing and ready to cripple two old and capable schools in order that the two vigorous may become three decrepit?

Here is a matter that must be probed. Our Board should at once endeavor to secure concerted action with the Boards of Newmarket, Markham and Weston. A petition, in which are set forth the true facts of the case, should immediately be drawn up. That petition would receive the names of every elector in Richmond Hill, in the east half of Vaughan and in the west half of Markham. The other schools would cover the rest of the ground. And it would require no more to convince the Minister of what he is going to be asked to do.

As to the County Council, it will do well to consider its action. It is not yet too late to undo what has been done. But the County Council will do well to reflect that if the choice lies between efficient schools and a mar-all council, it will not take the electors long to make up their minds.

**AT LAST.**

The latest reports from Manitoba go to show that Sir John Macdonald, having played his last card of the policy of disallowance, is about to yield to a unanimous province. Premier Greenway has been summoned to Ottawa. He is well aware that any compromise is out of the question. Manitoba will not wait until 1891 for its railway of exit. The grain blockade, yet unbroken, renders it adamant on this score. Consequently, Sir John can make only one proposal that will be acceptable to Mr. Greenway. That is the removal of every let and hind-

rance to the completion of the Red River Railroad.

The question will at once occur to our readers—What will the Canadian Pacific Railroad say to this? No anxiety need be felt on this head. The C. P. R. may be weak in some points, but certainly not in that of asking for plenty and getting more. The C. P. R. will not relax its grasp even so little except for potent considerations. Those considerations must be met by Canada, that is, in the main, by Ontario. Nor will Ontario's representatives be found wanting to the occasion. When the C. P. R. says—Give, Ontario has sent sufficient numbers to see that the C. P. R. gets. So much for loyalty and the Conservative party.

**Victoria Square**

On Wednesday evening, the 22nd ult., a number of sleighs and cutters might have been seen wending their way to the residence of Mr. Brown, who has been a faithful worker in the Sunday School for a number of years, but who purposes moving to Toronto in the course of a few days. As he has been deservedly popular with his class they wished to make an acknowledgement for his past services, and consequently a subscription was taken up and a handsome sum raised, with which an elegantly finished chair was purchased.

The following is the address which was read by Mr. George A. McCague and presented by Mr. Wilfred McKay:

TO MR. GEORGE BROWN,  
DEAR TEACHER,—Your class cannot express in a short address how extremely fortunate we have been in having had so diligent an instructor as you during past years. If there is one thing, beloved teacher, we regret, it is that we did not follow your teachings more closely. Your instruction from time to time has been a guide to us in every walk of life. We are thankful for your impartiality and your punctuality in being present to teach your class Sabbath after Sabbath. You have been an instructor in the Sunday School for a long time. Some of your scholars are in distant lands; some have gone the way of all the earth; may it be our happy lot to meet as teacher and scholars in that happy place where parting will be no more.

But in conclusion we would say that we are sorry you are going to cease to be our teacher. If our wish could be gratified you would remain with us. However, as this cannot be, we wish you success in whatever station in life you may be called. And of one thing be assured, friend, teacher, we will never forget you. As a parting token of the manner in which we esteem you, receive this Chair, and although its value be but small, yet we hope it may give you as much pleasure in receiving as it affords us in presenting it.

Victoria Square, Feb. 22nd, 1888.  
Mr. Brown made a feeling and very suitable reply. He said it was a complete surprise to him, and that it was more than he ever deserved. He thanked them for the rich present, and said he hoped that the pleasant feelings that now existed would never be marred, and that he would always have a tender place in his heart for the boys of Victoria Square. He said it was always his end and aim to point us to the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world," and hoped that glory might crown what grace had begun. If we never meet again as teacher and scholars on earth, I pray we may meet above where parting is no more.

After reading the address we engaged in all sorts of amusements, and a very happy time was spent together. A sumptuous oyster supper was prepared, which would tempt the dullest appetite. The assembly dispersed at a reasonable hour.

**Newton Brook**

From our own Correspondent

The social held at the parsonage on the 28th ult., was largely attended; some \$50 was thereby added to the funds of the Newton Brook circuit. The programme, which was an excellent one, was given by the Misses Irwin and James, of Newton Brook; Miss Lewis, of Brockville; Miss Jackson and Messrs. Jackson and Boake, of Downsview; the Misses Anderson and Kirk and Mr. A. L. Willson, of Eglinton. Speeches were made by Revs. G. Davey and J. Locke, and J. Elliott, Esq., of Richmond Hill. Geo. Jackson, Esq., ably filled the chair.

Mr. Thos. Harding has leased his farm to Wm. Little. Mr. Harding intends removing to Toronto, where he will go into business.

Mr. John Finch has rented his farm to Mr. Ford.

Three marriages in one day are reported as taking place, but are not attributed in any way to leap year.

Miss M. J. Gordon, of Chicago, is visiting her uncle, Mr. Robt. Gordon.

DISASTROUS.—The most intense excitement is felt in the flourishing village of Richmond Hill and its surroundings, as facts are revealed, of numerous families who are dyeing, in the most beautiful colors; in fact all the colors of the rainbow, by using the popular Sun-Set Dyes, only five cents a package. Sold in the city only by Joseph Dilworth, the Druggist, 170 King St. East, between the Clyde and Nipissing Hotels, Toronto.

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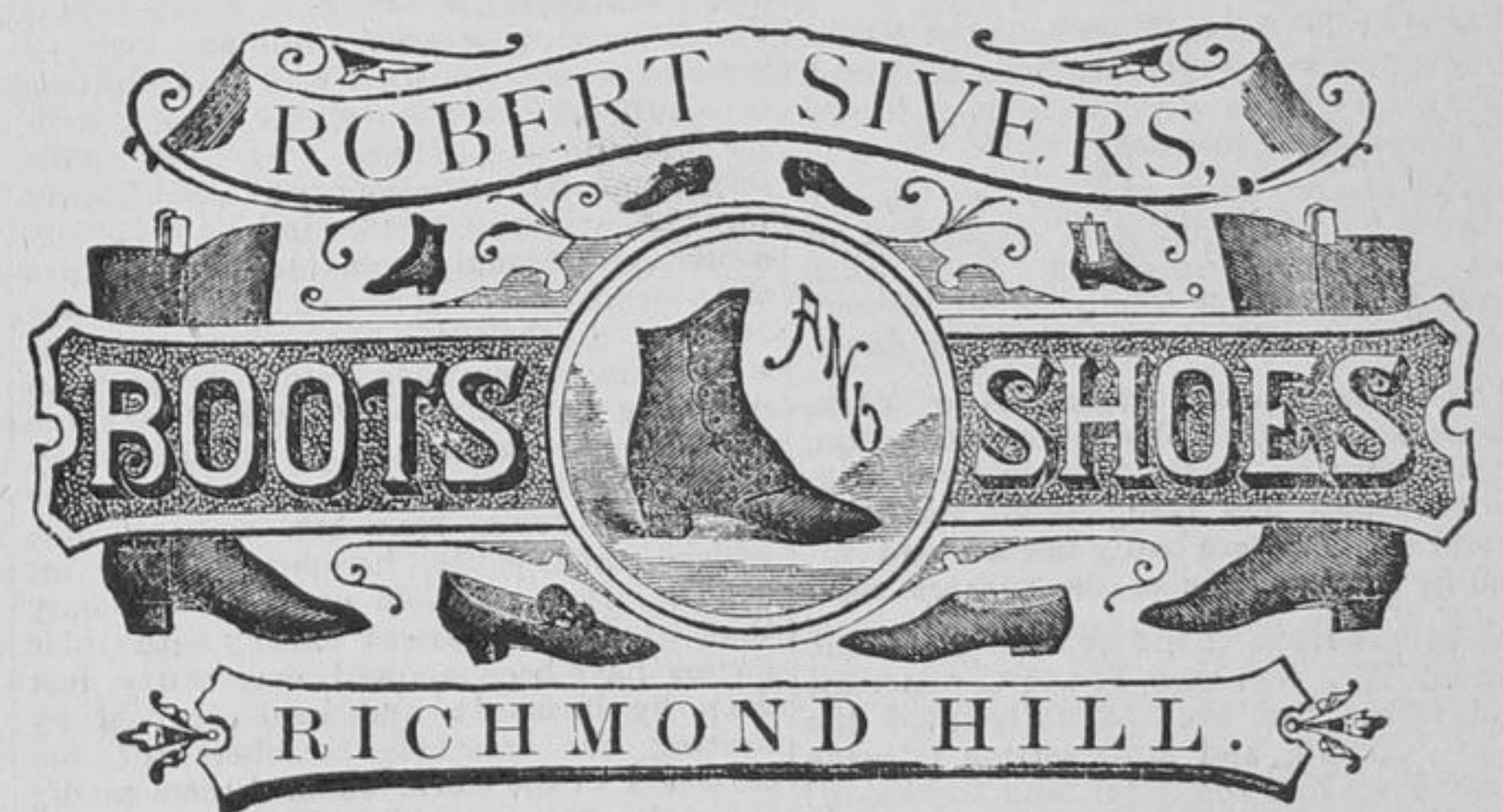
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