

Rally For the Convention.

On Tuesday next there should be a large gathering of the Liberals of South Grey in the Town Hall here.

Dr. Landerkin, M. P., will meet his friends publicly for the first time since the election, and his friends include many more than cast their ballots for him.

Mr. O'Connor, Q. C., will be there, and, as the heated feelings which interrupted his speech at his last appearance in Durham have cooled down, his eloquence and interest in South Grey, will, we hope, be rewarded by a large and enthusiastic gathering of those who rejoice at the triumph of Liberal principles at the last election.

Mr. G. McKechnie, ex-M. P. P. is also billed to speak, and as he is a most intelligent student of Provincial affairs, will be able to throw much light on current public questions. Prov. Secretary Davis has found it impossible to be present, owing to the crush of the session, much as he was anxious to come.

Since the triumph of the 23rd of June 1896, there has been a succession of Liberal triumphs in several hard-fought battles. Let every sympathiser in these triumphs come out on Tuesday and take part in legitimate rejoicing over legitimate victories. Bitterness, where any existed, is gone, and it is now possible to make an interesting meeting to discuss national affairs without a thought of gloating over defeat.

The four townships near the town will give a good account of themselves, and we hope to see many from Proton and Artemesia as well.

At 1.30 p. m. on Tuesday next.

Editorial Note and Comment.

A disastrous fire occurred in one of the departmental buildings at Ottawa which will cost the country about a million dollars. The cause it is thought was a careless smoker, and there is evidence of carelessness in other ways. A most inefficient fight of the fire was made, owing to rotten hose and frozen hydrants.

The local House is now in session. There was a brilliant opening. The Frenchman Evtanture is speaker and is satisfactory to both parties. Premier Hardy is already showing that he has things well in hand, and Mr. Whitney and his followers will have no easy task to find holes in Government armor. The estimates are ready, and should soon be disposed of, and let all parties get to work to formulate a vigorous mining policy for the great new Ontario of the north.

PRICEVILLE.

The Priceville correspondent to the Chronicle in a recent issue of that paper talks somewhat sneeringly about a young lady who is a near relation to a couple of domestic animals which she christened after the Premier, and now she has her expectations fully set upon receiving a pecuniary situation as a result. We presume that the young lady in question must be a near relation to the good correspondent to the Chronicle, or else she otherwise might be deprived of her thinking faculties, and in consequence thereof lose the anticipated reward. What think you Jim?

The Sons of Scotland were out in full force on Tuesday evening, the 6th inst. They show the loyalty to the order by a full meeting. They meet monthly.

Robert Fisher is engaged for the last week drawing wood at Proton Station for Nelson brothers, of that place.

What might have been a fatal accident occurred in our School on Tuesday of last week. During intermission Johnny McArthur, son of Mr. Jno. McArthur, merchant of this town, while in the act of coming down stairs from the upper department, by some way or other lost his balance at the top of the stairway, coming down with full force heading to the bottom. He was picked up unconscious by the teacher, Mr. Blakeston, who thought that life was almost extinct. Dr. Hutton was called upon and we are happy to learn that the young lad is doing as well as could be expected. We heard the stairway is in a very unsafe condition and should be attended to. This is the second accident that has happened for the last year or so.

We are pleased to see that Mr. Arch. Hutton is able to be out to the store again after being confined to his room for a time. We hope to hear of his being all right again soon.

Sacrament will be dispensed in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday in English. The usual preparatory services will be held on Friday and Saturday.

Henry Hooper, of the South Line, Glenelg, is busy hauling bricks from Proton Station. He intends to build a brick house next summer.

Alfred Hinks sold recently two hundred dollars worth of fat cattle.

Lots of sickness at present in the shape of colds, influenza, or la grippe, or whatever it may be. It is not very pleasant.

Mr. Neil McKinnon is attending the Grand Lodge, Toronto, A. O. U. W. his week.

Dr. Hutton nursed a couple of sore fingers for the last two weeks.

Miss Maggie McLean, of Toronto, is spending a few months at her mother's, Mrs. McLean, South East Glenelg.

A grand soiree will be held in the Presbyterian Church in this village, on Wednesday evening the 10th day of March. A good programme will be expected as the good people of Priceville are seldom behind the age in producing good talent to entertain the audience.

We see that Dan McLean, of this town is issuer of marriage Licenses. No need for any one needing his assistance in preparing them for a happy life to delay any longer as Dan is always ready to assist them in providing them with the necessary documents to be presented to the officiating clergyman.

Miss Jenny Cameron spent most of last week with friends on the South Line and amalgamated pleasure with business.

Rev. Mr. Harrison, of Dundalk, preached in the Presbyterian Church here on Sunday evening last.

Sons of Temperance had a good entertainment on Thursday last. The

Society is increasing in number and should be patronized by all who uphold the principles of temperance.

Mr. John McQuarrie received the sad intelligence of his brother Murdoch's death at Chicago, on Saturday the 6th inst., of Pneumonia following pleurisy. Mr. McQuarrie was raised on the 2nd con., North Line, Glenelg, and left the old home some 25 or 30 years ago when a boy. He leaves a wife and family to mourn his loss.

A sleigh load from the township of Arran, Co. of Bruce, consisting of Mr. McKechnie and wife and a number of Donald McCannell's family, drove to Mr. N. McCannell's. They are cousins of Mr. McCannell.

The Gaelic Sacrament on Sunday last in the Presbyterian Church was not largely attended. Mr. McLeod was not in the best of health as he has a severe cold, which is very common at present.

Died, at Chicago, on Monday the 8th inst., Mrs. Martha Ferguson, native of the Isle of Islay, Argyleshire, Scotland. Mrs. Ferguson was a long resident of this village. 3 or 4 years ago she moved to Chicago with her daughter, Miss Maggie Ferguson. Mrs. Ferguson came to the township of Glenelg about 46 years ago and resided in her early days with her brother, the late Donald McKechnie, until she was married to the late John Ferguson, of Proton. Her husband departed this life 28 years ago. Mrs. Ferguson was a woman ever ready to minister to the needy whenever she was called upon. She was indeed one of the good mothers of Israel whose counsel was greatly desired in time of trouble. She was a constant member of the Disciple Baptist Church. A large number of friends drove to Flesherton Station to meet the remains of one who was in former years, a resident of the locality, and formed a large procession to Priceville where the casket was taken from the hearse into the Baptist Church where the crowd assembled and in absence of a clergyman of that church to officiate the Rev. D. McLeod, pastor of the Presbyterian church, preached the funeral sermon from the 14th chap. of St. John: "Let not your hearts be troubled, etc." Preaching a very impressive discourse therefrom. He referred to the life of the departed lady as one that might be well imitated by every true Christian. The remains were taken to the McKechnie cemetery Durham Road, Glenelg, and laid to rest beside her husband. Thus ended the life of another of the pioneers of this place.

BALSAM VALLEY.

Mr. Thos. McDougall, was laid up for a few days last week with rheumatism. He is all right again.

Mr. Archie McLean got struck in the eye with a chip flying from off the wood he was working with, but we are glad to see him able to be around again.

Miss Maggie McLean is home from Toronto.

Miss Janet Ferguson is home from Minto.

Mr. and Miss McPhail visited their uncle, Mr. Donald Black, in Bentinck, last week.

Miss Mary L. MacDougall has gone to Hopeville to keep house for her uncle for some time.

Miss Elsie McDougall visited friends around here last week.

Mr. R. McNally was through our Valley with a load of fish he had brought down from Collingwood. Any one that wants fish knows where to get it handy now.

Master Albert Pierson visited at his grandfather's for a few days lately.

Mrs. N. Ferguson visited at Dugald McColl's, of Dromore.

We are pleased to hear that Dan McKechnie, of Dakota, is getting better. He thinks he will be able to go on his farm in the spring.

The latest fad in dancing now is talking with the deaf and dumb le ter.

Mrs. McLean, accompanied by her son John visited at her brother's, Mr. Black, in Bentinck.

Miss Maggie Hooper paid the Valley a flying visit. Come again Maggie.

Some of our young lads took in the dance at Chas. Watson's last week. They all seemed to have enjoyed themselves and got a cold to the bargain.

We will be pleased to welcome Dave and his German bride in our Valley as soon as possible. Hurry Dave as some doubt your word.

One of our young men got tired doing nothing, so he started and made a pair of shoes. He can compete with Dugald McLean at the fall fair this year.

Mr. Norman McDougall is having lots of fun with the Germans, of Hawkinsville. He will be sorry when the gang moves away.

THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

This young Society, thanks to energetic officers and especially Secy. Gorsline, seems to be booming. The membership is already very large, and a circular just issued, sets out that any one paying \$1.00 for 1897 before March 1st next, secures not only membership but, (1) a certificate of Membership in the Fruit Grower's Asso. of Ontario, (2) The Canadian Horticulturist, (3) A bound copy of the Annual Report, (4) A share in the Annual distribution of plants of that Association, these consist of a Japan Lilac, a Lillium Speciosum Roseum, 2 plants of Cornish Raspberry, Dempsey Pear tree, any one of which a member may select. Then each member has the choice of one of the following premiums:

- 1st premium—12 Gladioli bulbs, 2 Cannas, 12 Papers flower seeds, 1 Tub's Begonia, single, 1 Geranium.
- 2nd premium—3 Coleus, 1 Heliotrope, 1 Swainsonia, 1 Acharanthus, 1 Abutilon, 1 Gloxinia, 1 Sanseveria Zealanica.
- 3rd premium—2 Downing Gooseberry bushes, 4 Red Cherry Currant bushes, 2 Columbian Raspberry bushes.

In addition to this the intention is to distribute Hyacinth bulbs next Autumn, to all members, without further cost, and to hold a Horticultural Exhibition during or about the first week of September next.

Surely a great dollar's worth and the privilege besides of obtaining any other plants at greatly reduced prices.

MULOCK.

Mr. John Forster is busy hauling home lumber for a new barn, which he intends to build soon.

Mr. William J. Ellis, student of Woodstock College occupied the pulpit Sunday night.

Mr. John McEachern is enjoying a visit from his brother Alex. of Stayner, and one of his daughters this week.

The so called grippa has confined a good many of our citizens to their beds for the last couple of weeks.

Miss Maggie McGillivray has returned home after spending a month at her sisters, Mrs. Henry Patterson, of Glenelg, Mr. H. H. McLean, of Pricellville, at tented church here on Sunday morning.

Mr. James Redford is home from the Lower Settlement and had an attack of the grippa last week.

Mr. D. McKinnon has been appointed Assessor this year again. Good service means a great deal in public life.

Mr. R. Boyce passed through here with a large load of grain one day last week from down the country. R. believes in changing seed.

Rev. Mr. Burns, Jr. was assisting in special meetings at Orchardville last week.

SOUTH EGREMONT.

Farmers busy hauling logs, wood, &c. The roads near Mt Forest are in a bad condition with patches.

The low price of farm produce makes it difficult for farmers to make both ends meet and it rumored one farmer struck on a new plan to raise the wind by stuffing some of his farm into a hide and letting it freeze solid! It is alleged the buyer had it thawed out and found about 25 pounds of sand and dirt and demanded his money back as he did not buy land at 6 cts a lb.

Misses Eliza Benwick and M. Brown left for Toronto last week.

A soiree at Fairbairn's on Thursday next has a galaxy of speakers, lay and clerical, and good music promised.

Rumors around that two of our prominent young men will soon embrace wedlock's joys. One finds his attraction to the north the other to the south.

The entertainment at Yeovil last Friday night under the auspices of the Epworth League was a success. Mr. Pearson, Mt. Forest, gave a practical address, and some Mt. Forest ladies furnished the music.

WELBECK.

Pressure of business, Mr. Editor, has kept me budget late, but will try and keep in line in future.

Poles everywhere. Messrs Jno. Stewart, H. Riddell and D. McDonald are busy drawing to Elmwood while Messrs D. McArthur, Jno. and H. Wade and S. Cranston are hustling to Durham.

Mr. Don Stewart has taken a contract of drawing 6000 feet of square timber from Mr. R. Mill's, of Sullivan.

Talk about ups and downs of life? Go to Elmwood and Chesley if you want to have these.

Miss McKinnon, of Durham, whiled away a few pleasant days with Miss Maggie Riddell, of this place last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. McArthur, Hopeville, visited the McArthur family here for two days last week.

Mrs. McLean, of S. Line, Glenelg, with her son John, visited her brother Mr. Don Black who is seriously ill with what seems to be blood poisoning, and the doctors, owing to his advanced years, have little hope of his recovery. Mr. Hector McDonald, of Walkerton, is also visiting his uncle, Mr. Black, accompanied by Mr. Robt. McPhail.

Jno. Boyd is employed taking out telegraph poles for Mr. Alex. Cranston. John is hard to beat with an axe.

Rev. Mr. Little exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Bell, of Burgoyne, last Sabbath.

NORTH EAST NORMANBY.

Miss Petty and Mr. Reading of Guelph are visiting at the former's father Mr. H. Petty.

Mr. S. Lindsay and his mother & Paisley spent a few days in Durham and this part last week, while on the way to Fergus.

Will Caldwell wears a smiling face these days. It's a boy.

NEW DRESS GOODS!

The Winter is sliding along and already Spring IS IN SIGHT. New Spring Goods are coming to land daily and amongst the latest arrivals are some novelties in Dress Goods, these are Silk and Wool mixtures in very pretty effects and the latest thing in the trade. They come in dress lengths, no two of which are alike, and if you want a stylish dress, these will suit you. We have also some very pretty tweed effects in light and dark colorings: another correct thing for Spring Dresses.

The Store is beginning to take on a **SPRING APPEARANCE**

Amongst the many other new goods we might mention are

- New Pants
- New Clothing
- New Wrapper Cloths
- New Muslins & Lawns
- New Shirtings & Galates
- New Laces & Edgings
- New Lace Curtains
- New Carpets

We have a couple of snaps in the Clothing line this week, one for the **MEN**, the other for the **BOYS**.

Men's All-wool Tweed Pants, fancy stripes and well finished Goods \$1.00 a pr. ALL SIZES

Boy's Knicker Pants, Good strong Tweed. Sizes to fit boy from 8 to 12 years of age 50c

All Lines of Winter Goods Offered at Special Prices.

To the **LADIES** We have still a few nice hats left and if you want any thing in that line, see them at once. AT HALF-PRICE they are going fast.

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DURHAM MARKET.

Corrected each week by Geo. Sparling.

Flour per bbl	\$ 3 00 to \$ 4 80
Oatmeal per sack	2 00 to 2 00
Beans per cwt	60 to 60
Shirts per cwt	60 to 70
Full Wheat per bushel	0 75 to 0 81
Barley	0 25 to 0 30
Peas	0 27 to 0 30
Oats	0 16 to 0 17
Dr'd Hogs, per cwt	3 50 to 4 50
Hogs, live weight	3 25 to 3 40
Lard per lb	0 08 to 0 10
Tallow per lb	0 04 to 0 05
Butter per lb, Tub	0 10 to 0 10
Roll	10 to 10
Eggs, per doz	0 10 to 0 10
Chickens, per pair	20 to 20
Ducks	40 to 50
Turkeys, per lb	0 07 to 0 07
Geese	0 05 to 0 05
Hides	25 to 25
Calfskins	5 00 to 5 00
Sheepskins each	40 to 40
Hay per ton	9 00 to 10 00
Straw per ton	5 00 to 6 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 25 to 0 25
Apples	0 25 to 0 25
Wood, 4 feet	1 75 to 2 00
Wood, 22 inch	1 09 to 1 10

Robe Tanning!

Horse Hides, Cow Hides, Dog Skins, Tanned suitable for Robes & Coats

By the New Process, which for Finish and Softness can't be beat.

Satisfaction Guaranteed.

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With New Groceries, New Canned Goods, New Crockery, and Glassware.

Fruits & Confections of all kinds.

The old Stock bought from Mr. T. Moffat will be rushed off at low prices to make room for New Goods arrived and arriving.

If you want Bargains, come this month to.

A. McLACHLAN'S, (Moffat's Old Stand.)

Mr. John Black is to have a bee drawn Tuesday this week, a big dance and a good time expected.

Our Shoe Maker A. McDonald is doing a good business in the line of patching he says cash is scarce.

Mr. and Mrs. N. McIntyre visited friends in this burg on Monday.

Miss Jessie Beaton spent Sunday and Monday at the old homestead.

Mr. J. McDougall visited Mr. Pearson last week.

Ogr friend Mr. T. Laurence has in his employ, the famous Jeff Whitmore and E. Sacks from Bentinck, they are a jolly gang.

Pump maker Connor from Durham, was doing business in our town this week.

FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING

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Would intimate that he will continue as Furniture and Undertaking Business established by his father in Durham in 1855 and will endeavor to give all old and new customers the same entire satisfaction.

FULL LINE OF **Furniture of the Best Make** ALWAYS ON HAND. **PICTURE FRAMING A SPECIALTY**

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The only first-class Hearse in town.

HOPEVILLE.

It appears the Orange Hall has been entered though a window that could be lifted up and a Bible that was lying on a table torn. Boys are supposed to be the ones. Our old man here acted detective and had one boy acknowledge or turn Queen's evidence and told the story. We here this old caretaker saying that it has to be stopped or the parents of these mischievous youths will have to look sharp.

The Rev. Mr. Hodgson, the able minister who was preaching in the Presbyterian Church here and at Cedarville has left. It appears the split here by the McLeash converts and the old members is not healed up, and that the question as to where the new church will be built is a question that we regret very much.

On the 2nd Con. ing 174 acres, 140 grand state of cultivated weeds, Spring & Kitchen, Wood Barn 50x70, Stone Drive & Implement Stables underneath Hard and Soft Wood School convenient ham.

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