

**TIMELY ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

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G. SOMERVILLE, Secretary of Committee.

**SOCIETIES.**

**Masonic Regular Meetings.**

Minden, No. 253, on Monday, Mar. 4th, at 7:30 p.m.

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Cataract, No. 92, on Wednesday, Feb. 13th, at 7:30 p.m.

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**THE DAILY WHIG.**

"Opifer per Orbem Dicor."

**SPECIAL PLEADING.**

The Montreal Gazette finds it necessary to say something apologetically of the action of parliament on the prohibition question, and so it remarks:

"If the prohibition party could persuade parliament to pass the measure they desire in the present state of public opinion the effect would inevitably be an unlicensed, unbridled liquor traffic subversive of all morality and respect for law. The suggestion embodied in Mr. Mills' amendment, that the opinion of the electors on the question should be taken at some convenient opportunity received very meagre support, probably because a plebiscite is contrary to the spirit of our representative system; yet if there was manifest evidence of an earnest desire for such legislation a popular vote might prove useful. The difficulty which confronts members would hardly be removed, however, in this manner, since a bare majority of the vote recorded would be quite inadequate to the enforcement of prohibition. The course of action wisdom imposes on the temperance party seems obvious. Support of their aims must be obtained in the country rather than in parliament, for when the people are ready the law will come. The Scott act gives all the machinery now required. It that measure were generally adopted and successfully enforced the way to the introduction of prohibition would be paved, but just now the people are disposed to reject even the Scott act."

There is so much of the above that is presumptuous that it must challenge the attention of both anti-temperance and temperance men. It will be news to many that the taking of a plebiscite is contrary to our representative system, since the people have, in towns and cities, repeatedly voted for or against certain schemes, and simply in the demonstration of public sentiment in regard to the same. And it will be news also that the Scott act gives all the machinery now required. The Scott act is the best measure of the kind that has ever been passed, but it is far from perfect, thanks to the indisposition of parliament to deal heroically with it as with prohibition. And the actual feeling of the people can never be fully ascertained until the issue is fairly and squarely put before them. Some who now oppose the Scott act say they would not oppose prohibition, because they do not hope for any radical reform in the habits and practices of the masses while the legal machinery helpful to that end is obtional in its application. And so the remark of the Gazette, that if the Scott act were generally adopted and "successfully enforced (the parliament doing all it can to prevent that accomplishment) the way to the introduction of parliament would be proved," is as senseless as it is untimely. The annual discussion of the prohibition question in the commons is becoming farcical.

**DISSOLUTION AGAIN.**

The Mail, in discussing dissolution which was unquestionably in the thought of the government and abandoned for obvious reasons, holds that it is not desirable that the prerogative of bringing on an election, at irregular and unexpected times, should pass from the hands of her majesty's representative into those of a party leader, who is to exercise it just as may suit the exigencies of his party. It is this principle were established the tenure of parliament would be, not for the legal term for which it has been elected by the people, but during the pleasure of the prime minister, and its independence would be fatally impaired. "A dissolution before the expiration of the regular term ought," the Mail submits, "never to take place except on the occurrence of a constitutional crisis rendering necessary an appeal to the people; and of the existence of such a crisis the governor-general is the judge. We have no other security against the lawless domination of a minister who, by watching favourable opportunities for holding elections, and keeping the threat of dissolution always hanging over the heads of members, might perpetuate his power even against the real sense and deliberate desire of the nation. We do not wish to exalt the monarchical at the expense of the popular elements of our constitution, but we must take the constitution as it is and look to the preservation of its existing safeguards, which we have no means of replacing if they are destroyed." There is force and effect in the argument. This country is being afflicted with elections, and the people may show Sir John Macdonald their displeasure at an increase of the annoyance as the people Great Britain in the last election showed their displeasure to Mr. Gladstone. The grand old man had not let the nation recover from the effect of one political agitation until he brought on another, and, in their vexation, the electors voted against the government and carried down both it and the scheme which it was expected they would endorse. Sir John has profited, apparently by this lesson, and has decided to let things take their course for a while longer. Most assuredly if he appealed to the people now, he would be

defeated, and many a vote he would turn against him because of the unpopularity of early dissolution.

**SILENCE IN TORONTO.**

The silence of the Toronto daily papers, so far as the agitation of the matriculation is concerned, is most astonishing. It is another evidence of the consolidation of the press on any movement which has for its aim the booming up or defence of Toronto's interests. It is unanimous in championing whatsoever contributes to the greatness of the city, and what it cannot champion is most conveniently ignored. Thus the casting of the education department, as presided over by Hon. Mr. Ross, and the senate of Toronto university has not called for any remarks. Can the charges of Rev. Dr. Grant not be met? That would appear to be the case. And think of what he said, in language the most pointed:

1. That the percentage required in the matriculation tests, required at Queen's, is higher than that demanded by the University of Toronto.
2. That the senate of Queen's addressed a communication to the University of Toronto proposing to have a common matriculation examination, and did not even receive an answer to their proposal.
3. That difficulties have been thrown in the way of the other universities obtaining the programme of the University of Toronto.
4. That when the other universities arranged to have a common matriculation, in stead of being aided by the educational department they were practically discouraged and hindered.

The Week is not, however, inclined to let the matter pass without notice, and in its last issue, says: "It would be well for those who are interested in the subject to read the whole of Principal Grant's able and outspoken address. We confess to having ourselves read it with something of despondency and heart-sinking. It is hardly credible that a great school of learning like the university of Toronto supported by public funds and therefore independent in a sense which cannot be predicated of the other universities which have been established and are maintained by those who represent their principles—it is hardly credible that this great university, instead of leading the way in raising the character of our higher education, should be discouraging the efforts of the other universities in that direction. We do not say that this is so, but we say that this is the natural meaning of the statements of Dr. Grant, and we must wait to hear the reply of the friends of the university of Toronto, before we can decide whether they are susceptible of another explanation." Perhaps this will stir up the educationists and pressmen and cause them to speak. The case demands attention. It must be dealt with. Dr. Grant is determined on this, and he has not, in the address he has given, discharged the only shot in his locker.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**

We are asked if the members of the Imperial Federation league are to be considered as opposed to reciprocity. No. One of the club, formed on Saturday, says he is, as ever, in favor of reciprocity in trade with the United States on fair and reasonable lines. And his sentiments, we presume, are the sentiments of others in the club.

A cause is sometimes done more harm by its friends than by its opponents. The man, therefore, who at the imperial federation meeting, went so far in the display of his personal or political prejudice as to say that he would rather earn \$1 in Canada than \$10 in the United States overdid the thing. He left the impression that he was imposing upon the credulity of the people.

The millers are disappointed in not getting an off-hand and absolute promise of a raise of the duty on American flour. Sir John said the tariff could not be altered "without the consent of the people." And the millers have not much hope of their consenting unless they can induce the electorate to believe that the more taxes they pay the happier they are and the richer they become. Is flour and bread not dear enough?

The sympathy of the whole community goes out to Rev. Mr. Bland. The accident which befel him yesterday is deeply deplored. Sadness was depicted on every countenance in the Queen street church last evening when it was learned that he had been hurt, but it was not supposed for a moment that his injury was as serious as it is. May his sufferings be in some measure assuaged by the kindnesses of his many friends. Few men have won their way so deeply into the affections of the people.

This is the manner in which the London Advertiser received the announcement that the legislature had made the usual grant to the Ontario agricultural and arts association, and that its life had been temporarily prolonged: "It having been decided that the provincial fair is to live one year longer it of course is the duty of all Londoners to aid in drawing as large a crowd as possible to fittingly commemorate the end. Let it go out in a blaze of glory and be kindly remembered for the good it did in the old days before London and other fairs became such pretentious events." Judging by this we do not suppose that the people had not been pressing the provincial folks to "fulfil their obligations to London" for this year. Of course the provincial show will only be discontinued on condition that its work will be continued in some way. The time has come for the recognition of the several central shows by the government.

Charles H. J. Taylor, ex minister to Liberia, has established himself at Atlanta, Ga., as a lawyer. He appeared in court recently for the first time and won his case through his brilliant cross examination. He is the first negro lawyer to appear at the bar of Georgia. The jury was white. Senator Quay has been having a royal good time in Florida catching lots of fish. He is only a better fisher for votes.

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**COMMENTS OF THE PRESS.**

**An Opinion About Pews.**  
Detroit Journal.

So long as it is the policy of the churches to sell their pews, just so long the stranger will not feel as if entirely welcome to the church.

**He Was Giving Taffy.**  
Smith's Falls News.

The town has seldom presented a livelier appearance than it did last Saturday afternoon. In fact all the week the streets have been thronged with people walking and driving. Mr. Gildersleeve, who was here one day, said Princess street of his city would hardly compare. Kingston papers please copy.

**Who Has Stirred Him Up?**  
Belleville Ontario.

The hoggishness of the people of Kingston is nauseating. After the board of trade of Belleville warmly supporting the petition for a dry dock and other public works in the limestone city Kingstonians should at least have the good taste to remain neutral when the bay city is opposing a railway which can in no way interfere with their interests. It is a miracle that Kingston did not oppose the construction of a bridge across the bay, so envious is it of Belleville's growth.

**Peter Moyer on His Travels.**  
Berlin News.

Mr. Moyer, editor of this paper, arrived home on Saturday evening after an absence of exactly eight days and as many nights. During that time he travelled about 3,500 miles, spent two days in Chicago, one in Jackson, one in New Orleans, one in Detroit, and a part of two days at Mt. Clemens. He wrote a letter for the paper each day, and collected enough information to last him several months to show that Canada is by far the best country, Ontario the best province, Waterloo the best county, and Berlin the best town in this great North American continent. If it were not for his well known modesty, so characteristic of editors, he might adopt the language of the rural fall show seasons of large potatoes, monstrous turnips, mammoth melons, &c., and say, Who can beat this?

**Inverary Farmers' Club.**

The club met at the residence of L. Tolls on Wednesday afternoon, the 20th. The subject discussed was the "vegetable garden and how to raise good fruits and have them the whole season." The lady members took a lively interest, and considered that plenty of vegetables and fruits of the greatest importance to the health and comfort of the farmer and his family, as half the living can be got from a good vegetable and fruit garden. A variety of the best fruits can be easily raised in this locality by proper treatment and a little care at the right time. The members of the club recommend every one who has a plot of land to plant fruit trees and vegetables, and thus confer a great blessing on themselves and neighbours. The secretary read some papers and letters on the subject of silos and ensilage. The next meeting will be held at the home of the president, W. Ferguson, Wednesday, 6th March, when it is hoped he will have a large kettle of maple syrup ready to "run off."

**Inspection Divisions.**

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—An order-in-council has been passed making the divisions for the inspection of weights and measures co-terminous with the inspection districts of inland revenue, as established by the order-in-council of the 9th day of January, 1889. The Kingston division comprises the inland revenue divisions of Belleville, Cornwall, Kingston, Ottawa (and Pontiac) Peterboro, Perth and Prescott.

The new showroom of the McCausland stained glass works, Toronto, have attracted considerable notice since they opened to the public. They are examples of ceiling and wall decorations in various materials, representing a wide range of prices, while their specimens of church and house glass are very superior and interesting. The firm send samples of wall paper and glass to any address.

**COLLEGE ASSOCIATION.**

**The Missionary Association at Work—Some Interesting Reports Read.**

At the meeting of the Queen's College missionary association on Saturday John McKinnon, B.A., gave an interesting account of his work in the Rockies. In his travels he realized the truth of the poet when he said:

"Where every prospect pleases And only man is vile."

Strange it is that when the works of God are so grand and beautiful man should be so forgetful of that grinding hand. The missionary has many difficulties to encounter: (1) The liquor traffic; (2) want of Sabbath observance; (3) strange ideas of religious life.

The first two are not regarded as illicit because recognized by the law. There is much, however, to encourage the missionary. While the young men are hard to reach and hard to get them to the services, when congregated in the worship of the Master they are most attentive and also willing to contribute to the support of Christian ordinances although unsolicited.

R. M. Phelan also reported work along the line of the C.P.R. Special attention was given to the distribution of tracts and religious reading on the trains at different points. This work was begun through the suggestion of Rev. Mr. McLeod, of Banff. Mr. McLeod secured the services of a young man at Portage la Prairie. Mr. Bryan took hold of this work at Donald, and Mr. Phelan at Calgary. Railway men are worthy of our attention. In the worship of God they were most attentive, yet many in their private life have not that true idea of morality which one would like to see them possess. Of all classes railway men have the greatest difficulties to contend with. Hence our sympathy should be for them, and while presenting to them a true and severe Christian principle it is necessary that there should not be the slightest manifestation of prejudice. Mr. Phelan had been prejudiced the previous summer; his prejudice being removed before his return; he was enabled to go into the work with greater activity and better results. It is only when we are in these fields of Christian work that we get any knowledge of their spiritual needs and claims.

**BURGLARS IN NAPANEE.**

**A Big Hall Made on Lahey & McKent's Store—Police are Powerless.**

NAPANEE, Feb. 25.—A daring burglary was committed on Friday in the dry goods house of Messrs. Lahey & McKent. This firm occupies the corner store in the new block built a year ago by William Rennie, of Toronto. R. P. Lahey, the senior member of the firm, a gay bachelor, occupies rooms over the store, which he left about nine o'clock to attend an assembly given by the bachelors of the town. Upon entering about 2 a. m. he found the back door open. This had been fastened by a bar of iron. The midnight mechanics had sprung the bar enough to admit a hand, then lifting the bar from its socket the store and its contents were at their mercy. Proceeding to the till they burst the lock, but only found three or four dollars, the cashier having early in the evening emptied the till and put the money in the vault. No attempt was made to open this. A quantity of ready-made clothing, furs and silk handkerchiefs are also missing. The firm has not yet been able to ascertain the full extent of the loss.

**VERY EXPENSIVE PRESENT**

**A Republican Club's Gift—It Would Not do to Tag Around Much With.**

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—A committee of the Travelling Men's republican club, of Chicago, arrived here yesterday, bringing an elegant travelling valise, the club's gift to Gen. Harrison. It is probably the finest valise ever made. The material is seal skin. The exterior trimmings are tripple gold plate. A complete set of sterling embossed silver toilet articles accompanies the valise, fourteen pieces in all. The present cost \$300. On the inside is gold letters in a suitable inscription.