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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, THURSDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 1, 1872.

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BUSINESS CARDS.
DR. BROOK
RESIDENCE
The Stone House opposite Davidson's Old Marble Yard, Elora Road.
Guelph, Oct 19, 1871. dw

OLIVER & MACDONALD
BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW
Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c.
Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec-sts., Guelph, Ont.
K. OLIVER, J. R. A. H. MACDONALD, dw
Guelph, Oct 27, 1871

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY,
Notary, &c. Town Hall Buildings, Guelph,
Guelph, June 28, 1871. dw

STEPHEN BOULT,
BUILDER AND CONTRACTOR
A Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec Street, Guelph.
March 17, 1871. dw

GEORGE PALMER,
BARRISTER AND ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer
Office, over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store—entrance on McDunnell street
Guelph, 17th August. dw

WILLIAM HART
CONVEYANCER, Land and General Agent,
Negotiator of Loans, &c. Office hours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Office: No. 4 Day's Block.

FREDERICK BISCOPE,
BARRISTER AND ATTORNEY AT LAW, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c., Guelph.
Office, corner of Wyndham and Quebec streets,
Guelph, August 5, 1871. dw

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law,
Solicitors in Chancery,
GUELPH, ONTARIO.

F. STURDY,
GUTHRIE, WATT, & CUTTEN,
Guelph, March 1, 1871. dw

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GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER
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Guelph, Feb 27, 1871. dw

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General Commission Merchants
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JOHN SPIERS,
Veterinary Surgeon
(Member of the Ontario Veterinary College.)
Hirsch's Union Hotel,
Dec 23 GUELPH dw

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SPECTACLES
LIKE
Brigham Young on Trial for Murder?

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LICENSED DENTIST
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\$120 will buy Lot 25 on "

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\$150 will buy Lot 28, corner of Powell and Strang Streets.

\$750 will buy a LARGE DOUBLE FRAME HOUSE on Pearl-street (Lot 3, one four down, and five years for the balance.

\$800 will buy

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\$75 will buy Lot 109, corner of Neve and Richardson streets—Sir John A. Macdonald's Survey.

\$100 will buy Lot 149, Bridge Street, in Sir John A. Macdonald's Survey.

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\$15 per acre will buy Lot 9, in the 7th con., 200 acres, next lot to Gordon's steam saw mill. There is a considerable fall in the stream which crosses this lot, which might be used to advantage.

\$12 per acre will buy Lot 4, in the 8th con., 200 acres, a very excellent lot and well timbered.

\$12 per acre will buy Lot 5, in 9th con., 200 acres, one of the best lots in the township.

\$8 per acre will buy East half of Lot 5, in the 13th concession, 100 acres—a valuable lot.

AMARANTH
\$4 per acre will buy west half of Lot 18 in the 3rd con., 100 acres.

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Guelph, Nov 1 1871. dw

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Railway Time Table
C-and Trunk Railway
Trains leave Guelph as follows:
WEST
4:22 a.m.; 9:50 a.m.; 6 p.m.; 8:30 p.m.
To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin.
EAST
3:15 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:04 a.m.; 3:45 p.m.
The 1:55 p.m. and 6:50 p.m. trains are cancelled.

Great Western—Guelph Branch
Going South depart at 6:50 a.m., 1:05 p.m., and 4:55 p.m.; also by mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1:40 p.m.
Going North, depart at 11:45 a.m., 4:55 p.m., and 9:05 p.m.; also by mixed train every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:05 p.m.
Trains leave Hamilton every morning at 10 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1:45 p.m., and in addition a mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1:40 p.m. The train which passes Guelph going north at 11:45 a.m., runs every day to Guelph, arriving there at 3:15 p.m., and a mixed train which passes Guelph every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1:40 p.m., reaches Chifford at 5:00 p.m.

Town and County News
WORKING MEN'S CLUB.—Remember the meeting of the Working Men's Club to-night in the Temperance Hall—See advertisement.

FIELD BATTERY.—The members of the Wellington Field Battery, who go to Kingston to the School of Instruction, left on Wednesday afternoon.

ODDFELLOW'S LODGE.—We learn that it is the intention of some of our prominent residents to form a lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, of the Baltimore Unity, in Guelph.

W. G. & B. RAILWAY.—The inhabitants of Hamilton are now experiencing the benefits to be derived from the Wellington, Grey and Bruce railway. On Tuesday a large quantity of pork was brought into its market from Guelph, where it had been bought from along the route of the said railway, and were it not for the supply thus brought, there would have been no dressed pork on the market on that day.

ROSA D'ERINA'S CONCERT.—The second and last concert given by Rosa D'Erina last night in the Town Hall was fairly attended. The fair singer was in splendid voice, and by her artistic rendering of the songs of many lands called forth enthusiastic applause. We have already spoken so fully of the excellence of her singing that it would be superfluous now to repeat it. Suffice it to say that the pieces, both vocal and instrumental, were given with a grace, spirit and power which took possession of all hearts.—Should Rosa D'Erina ever favor Guelph again with her presence, we are sure she will get a hearty welcome.

FIRE IN GEORGETOWN.—Last (Wednesday) night about half past five o'clock the Tannery of Mr J B Dayfoot took fire in the west end of the building, and it spread so rapidly that the men and girls employed, had enough to do to get out. The whole of his stock, with all the machines were burned. There is very little insurance. From some cause or other the new engine would not work, though there was plenty of water. The shoe shop would have gone also, but for the great efforts made to save it by throwing snow on it. The loss of the building will draw quite a number of men and girls out of work, as the shoemakers worked in the Tannery. The origin of the fire is not known.

GUELPH POLICE COURT.
Feb. 1, 1872.
Charles Markell was charged before the Mayor with assault and battery on Thos. Ward. Fined \$1 and costs.

FIRE IN KESWICK.—The premises on Queen street, occupied by the Revue printing office, Dr. Johnson's office, and Crozier & Leslie's harness shop, were totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning. Crozier & Leslie's loss over insurance, \$2,000; Dr. Johnson's loss, \$400, no insurance; C. Cliffe, editor of the Revue, loss \$400 over insurance.

BOOKBINDERS' STRIKE.—A strike occurred on Tuesday morning among the bookbinders in James Campbell & Sons' establishment, Toronto. That firm lately introduced a ticket system to check the time of the employes, which, proving distasteful, the book-binding department addressed a memorial to the firm. One of the girls was discharged, it is said, for heading the list of names on the memorial, and all the other binders, men and girls, immediately struck work. A meeting was held the same night in the Temperance Hall, where resolutions were passed sustaining the conduct of the men, and means were taken to frustrate Campbell & Sons in obtaining hands from other places.

THE British expedition for the relief of Dr. Livingstone will be ready to start at an early day. At a meeting held on Tuesday evening at the Mansion House, London, called by the Lord Mayor, £3,000 was subscribed, and steps taken to equip the expedition in the most complete manner.

The lumbermen of New England and New York were heard yesterday before the Committee of Ways and Means at Washington, when they urged the repeal of the duty on lumber, contending that the price of that article was rising in Canada, and that it was the American consumers and not the Canadian producer who paid the duty. The deputation represented a lumber interest of one hundred millions of dollars—a pretty nice figure. The deputation who seek the repeal of the salt duties will be heard to-day. The free traders are evidently becoming alive to their own interests over the border.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES
BY TELEGRAPH

RECEPTION OF GEN. SHERMAN AND STAFF.
Matamoros, Feb. 1.—A despatch from Camargo yesterday says that Gen. Auroga is at Villanueva with 1,500 men. The weather is frightful, and is retarding the attack on the city. Trevino has issued a decree that all merchandise leaving Matamoros for the interior is contraband. Monterey papers of 25th report the defeat of Alatorre in Oaxaca by Diaz.

Washington, Feb. 1.—It is rumored here that Gen. Sikes has announced to the President his intention to resign his mission at an early day. It is asserted that his strong American attitude on the Cuban question has not been fully sustained by the Department of State.

Gen. Sikes' mail advices from Madrid give accounts of the reception there of Gen. Sherman and Staff. The dinner given by the King and Queen was a decided compliment, while the banquet at the American Legation, under the auspices of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Marine, Minister of Colonies and Senator Castellar. The toasts and speeches were regarded by very friendly spirit toward the United States. The ball subsequently given at the Legation was a delightful affair, and was attended by the leading social and political people without distinction of party.

NEWS PARAGRAPHS.
Sir John A. Macdonald is still in Toronto, but he has not yet shown himself in the House.

Col. Chamberlain, Queen's Printer, is engaged in writing a life of the late Hon. T. D. McGee.

The Ferguson Brothers of Chatham challenge the Malcolm Brothers of Toronto to a curling match.

Waterloo County Council has honored the Salt Well Company, of Waterloo village, to the extent of \$800.

The Chatham Planet now says it makes no difference, as the Ontario Legislature is only a big County Council any way!

George Albert Mason has been sentenced to two years in the Penitentiary for destroying documents in the Toronto Police Court.

New York proposes to erect a statue of Horace Greeley, in Printing House Square. Ten thousand dollars have already been subscribed for the purpose.

The County Council of York yesterday adopted a report of a Committee recommending the establishment of a House of Refuge for the county, to cost \$15,000.

A telegram from Paris states that large numbers of Bonapartists are arriving in Ajaccio—a circumstance which is evidently giving some uneasiness to the Government.

Of the 38,555,983 inhabitants reported in the Census of 1870, 5,556,346 were foreign born, and nearly 10,000,000 more were born of foreign parents.

The gratifying intelligence comes from Birmingham that the Hon. John Bright expects to be able to attend at his place in Parliament during a portion of the approaching session.

As an indication of French Canadian sentiment on the subject, it may be noticed that L'Evenement praises the conduct of Mr. Blake's administration in passing the Scott murder resolution.

Madam Tussaud's Wax Work Show was first opened in Paris, at the Palais Royal, in 1772, and was brought to London in 1802. It is thus a hundred years old. It is said to be ten times as large as it was forty years ago. Effigies of George Hudson, the railway King, and the claimant in the Tichborne case, have lately been added to it.

It is dangerous to live near a railroad in Pittsburgh, unless one occupies an iron-clad house. A fire, carried with pig-iron, jumped to a track in that city one morning recently, and rushing full headway into a neighboring house, completely demolished it. The inmates, a woman and three children, crawled from the ruins somewhat bewildered, but unhurt, with the exception of a few bruises.

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CANDY CORN.—The recent sharp weather we have had has drawn marked comments from those experiencing it; but so far, no one has found a fitting synonym for it. The St. Catharines Times, however, has found the name by which it is to be handed down to posterity, and here it is:—Last night, in the bitter cold snap, a lady who lives on one of the neighboring streets, heard the voice of a woman in evident distress, and going out to ascertain the cause, she found a poor woman leaning against a fence moaning piteously. She was accompanied by her son, who, in answer to the lady's question "what's the matter?" replied—"It's the Candy corn that's got hold." The compassionate lady then requested them to come into the house and warm themselves. They did so, when lo! it at once became evident that the poor creature was drunk! The good lady is now very severe on the "Candy Corn."

LABOR IN CHICAGO.—The following has been issued by Mr. N. K. Fairbanks, chairman of the employment committee:—"Mechanics and laborers in various parts of the country are making a great mistake in coming to this city in search of work. The supply of labor of all sorts is far in excess of the demand, and will be for two months to come. What building is going on is done slowly, and depends on the weather, which is too severe for outdoor work, while the real advance in building will be delayed until spring. Workingmen not understanding this are pouring in from all parts, spending their last dollar to get here, and appealing to the Relief Committee for aid when they find there is no work to be had. Those journals which are urging these people to come here at this season are unintentionally doing them a cruel wrong, and adding to a city already overburdened with the destitute."

REFORM NOMINATION.—HON. A. Mackenzie received the unanimous nomination of the Reform Convention held at Mount Brydges on Wednesday to contest West Middlesex at the next election for the House of Commons.

Guelph Tract Society.
The annual meeting of the Guelph Tract Society was held on Wednesday night in Chalmers' Church. The attendance was larger than we have seen at previous meetings. The President, Thomas McCrae, Esq., occupied the chair.

The meeting was opened with devotional exercises by Rev Dr Hogg, after which the President gave an introductory address, in which he brought before the meeting the importance of the work in which the Society was engaged, and in eloquent and forcible language urged them to continue in the good work of tract distribution.

The Rev W F Clarke, in the absence of the Secretary, Mr Samuel Hodgskin, read the annual report—

Your Committee in submitting their Annual Report, must express regret that the operations of the Society, during the past year, have not been characterized by the vigor and earnestness, nor has the measure of success been attained which the importance of its work should lead us to expect. It is, however, gratifying to be able to say that something has been done. Some twelve of the lady distributors, appointed at the beginning of the past year, have met with more or less regularity maintained the good work of tract distribution, and there is reason to believe that their labours have been not only generally acceptable, but in many instances warmly appreciated, and we cannot doubt that precious fruit shall be gathered from the seed thus prayerfully scattered. The regularity of the distributors' work has no doubt been considerably interrupted by the unusual prevalence of sickness during a part of the season, rendering it injudicious, in many cases, to continue their visitation.

It having been found that the committing of the work of collecting funds to the distributors has not produced the results hoped for, your committee recommended that four more persons be specially designated to that work, and that the collection be made of the earliest practicable moment.

Your Committee conclude their report by recommending renewed and more thorough efforts during the ensuing year in each department of the Society's work.

Mr. George Smith, Treasurer, read his report. The total receipts for last year, including balance from previous year were \$29.56, Expenditure \$26.80, leaving a balance in his hands of \$3.26, to which is added \$9.20 subscriptions &c. received since he came into the room, making in all a balance of \$12.46 in hand.

The Rev. W. F. Clarke moved the adoption of the report and that the following officers be appointed for the current year:—

President, Thos McCrae; Vice-Presidents, Charles Mickle, D. Savage, and all ministers of the Town, members of the Society; Treasurer and Depository, Geo. Smith; Secretary, Samuel Hodgskin.

COMMITTEE.—Jas. Armstrong, G. W. Sandilands, Jas. Massie, D. Kennedy, C. McLagan, Joseph Ryan, Robt Thompson, C. Raymond, C. Davidson, D. Guthrie, G. Munton, J. Schofield, Thos. Couch, Dr. McGuire and Jas. Tindal.

DISTRIBUTORS.—Mrs. Hogg, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. S. Smith, Mrs. Hayes, Miss Anderson, Miss Goodeve, Miss Mickle, Miss Brodie, Miss Cunningham, Miss Kennedy, Miss Tyson, Miss Hood, Miss Murray.

Mr. Clarke, in moving the adoption of the report, spoke of the importance of tract distribution, and contrasted the healthful influence exercised by the reading of such publications as compared with the pernicious of the sensational literature to often found in our magazines and newspapers. The Rev. W. S. Ball seconded the motion, and in the course of his speech suggested the publication of tracts more suited to the requirements of the district. He also spoke feelingly of the good results which have in many cases followed the distribution of tracts. The motion was carried.

The Rev. S. C. Eastman, Agent of the Society, was then introduced, and gave an interesting address in regard to the Society's operations throughout the Province.

A vote of thanks was then passed to the lady distributors, and after devotional exercises, the meeting was brought to a close.

RESTORATION OF WARWICK CASTLE.—The fire which last December swept away so large a portion of this grand old castle—both of the ancient part and the modern wing—did not spare such of the invaluable contents as could not be replaced in time, and these can never be replaced, being treasures of art, portraits, etc., of which there were no duplicates in existence. But the building itself it is intended to restore as far as may be, to the same condition in which it existed previously to the conflagration. The expense of this will, of course, be very great, altogether beyond the reach of most private fortunes, but as Warwick Castle was not merely the residence of a private family, but was a show-place of all England, as open for the inspection of visitors from any part of the world almost as Niagara Falls, or any other natural curiosity in this country, it is not considered improper, or as placing Lord Warwick under any obligation, to propose to raise the necessary funds by public subscription. Committees have been formed in England for the purpose, and the list of those who have signed the circular to the public embraces the names of the wealthy and titled of the land. There is the more reason in this movement, inasmuch as not only did the present Lord Warwick give access to the castle as had been done during several generations back, but in order to render a number of the rooms more accessible to visitors, he had a new wing built, moved his household into the two rooms, and left all the old open to the public during the largest part of the year.

THE HAMILTON AND NORTH-WEST RAILWAY.—The Town Council of Milton and the County Council of Halton have petitioned the House that the Bill for the construction of a railway from Hamilton to Hog's Bay be passed. Petitions to the same effect were also presented by Mr. Ardagh, from the township council of King, and the town council of Barrie.

Ontario Legislature.
TORONTO, JAN. 31.

Mr. Blake moved that during the remainder of the session Government orders appearing on the paper be called on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, after the other orders of the day have been disposed of. He did not wish to propose an additional day for Government orders, and therefore moved this arrangement. Carried.

In reply to Mr. Patterson, Mr. Blake said the Ministry did not intend during the present session to introduce measures to revise and amend the municipal law.

Mr. Oliver moved for a select committee to enquire into and report as to the best means of protecting the valuable timber of this province from the ravages of fire. Carried.

Mr. Lander moved, "That a select committee be appointed to enquire into the truth or falsity of certain statements contained in numerous sworn affidavits published in certain newspapers, to the effect that one Lewis, acting in concert with others, and who was recently a Government Inspector of lands in the Townships of Melancthon and Proton, in the County of Grey, had during the last election for said County represented to the inhabitants of said Townships that he was authorized by the Government to state that if the voters of the County voted against Mr. Lander, one of the candidates, they should have full benefit of the low estimate which had been made of the value of their lands, but not otherwise." The said committee to enquire into the circumstances connected with the illegal interference of said Lewis in said election, and the authority on which he so acted. Such committee to report the result of such enquiry to the House, together with the evidence taken by them. The committee to have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Mr. Blake said it would be recollected that Mr. Lander, being put on the paper a notice of motion different from the preceding one, had asked leave to have the substituted one put in the place of the former. This was agreed to; in fact the Government agreed that the substituted motion should come up on last Friday. He entirely objected to the system proposed that the House should grant committees of inquiry on every occasion that charges are made in the press affecting the conduct of the members of the Legislature. He also gave his reasons for asking for the affidavits which had been published. Mr. Lander had stated that the affidavits had come to him voluntarily. But their publication at all events was with his privity and sanction. That he had sent them to the paper was clear; for amongst them was a private letter addressed to himself, which distinctly connected him with their appearance. He had first got up the affidavits; then sent them to the paper; allowed them to reappear again and again; had seen inflammatory articles day after day founded upon them and endorsing their contents; and then, when the slander was spread far and wide, came down to the House, and pretended he made no charge. He went on to deal with the several allegations contained in the affidavits. He showed by a letter from the Assistant Commissioner of the Crown Lands Department, that the valuation books Lewis was stated to have taken into Grey in December had been in the custody of the Department since October, and that no one had either removed or had access to them since the valuation was completed. As to the personal charge against himself he (Mr. Blake) had only once seen Lewis, when at the election in March last the latter had spoken to him at Walkerton. He denied in the most specific and unqualified terms that Lewis had any communication with him whatever respecting the valuation. Mr. Blake left his colleague, the Commissioner of Public Works, to speak for himself; but pointed out that the best proof of the untruthfulness of the affidavits was that, whilst they included a charge against him (Mr. Blake), which Mr. Lander admitted was not true, they omitted all reference to Mr. McKellar, who had seen Lewis, and on whose interview with that gentleman Mr. Lander sought to connect the Government with his proceedings. Of Mr. Lander's hustings statements Mr. Blake could testify from personal knowledge.—The former had warned the people that, in the interest of their resolutions and their railway subsidy, would be imprudent for them to return a member hostile to the Ministry he supported. But the efforts were not confined to the hustings utterances of the candidate. These persons were settled on lands known as Grammar School Lands, which for technical reasons were omitted by the late Administration from participation in the early division of the Land Improvement Fund. But on the 11th of December, and when their own conditions, as well as Mr. Lander's, was becoming desperate, the Government of Mr. Sandfield Macdonald suddenly arrived at the conclusion that justice had not been done to those settlers, and they as well as others should share in the Land Improvement Fund. It is a division, as the result of this re-arrangement, was as communicated to Mr. Lander by Mr. Treasurer Wood. But this was not all. The re-valuation made by Mr. Lewis had been rectified. It was necessary to satisfy the people that, in respect to their arrears too, Mr. Lander's servility to the Patent Combination had not been in vain. So, on the fourth of December, an Order in Council was passed, directing the settlers to send in their claims to the Department. And on the sixth of December the Order was made public. But it was thought necessary to use this decision in the way that would most directly influence the electors in favour of the Ministerial candidate. So, on the fourteenth, the resolution of the Council was embodied in a circular in which the settlers were asked to forward a statement of such reduction as they considered themselves entitled to. The original draft, in the handwriting of Mr. M. C. Cameron, is in the Crown Lands Department, and is even more generous than the printed copy, for it asks the settlers to state what reductions "they desire to make." If any doubt as to the motive for this gushing liberality remained, it would be removed by the further fact that Mr. Lander's own clerk was supplied with a large number of these circulars, as soon as they came from the press, to send up for distribution where their effect would be the most pernicious. And this proceeding was all the more flagrant and unjustifiable because at the very moment these assurances were sent forth to bias the votes of the Proton electors, the Patent Combination was in the throes of dissolution and had lost all right or power to perform any more than the