

### Business Cards.

**STEPHEN BOUTT,** Architect, Contractor and Builder, Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec street, Guelph.

**LIVER & MACDONALD,** Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont.

**GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,** Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.

**DR. HEROD** Has removed his Surgery to the rooms above the Guelph Drug Store, where he may be found from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entrance on Cork street. After 6 p.m. at his residence as usual.

**WILLIAM J. PATERSON,** Official Assignee for the County of Wellington.

**F. STURDY,** Opposite Town Hall, Guelph, Ont.

**House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter** GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

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**A. LEMON, H. W. PETERSON,** CHAS. LEMON, County Clerks & Attorneys.

**GUELPH ACADEMY** WILL RE-OPEN (D.V.) On Monday, January 5th, 1874.

**DOMINION SALOON AND RESTAURANT.** Opposite the Market, Guelph.

**IRON CASTINGS** Of all kinds, made to order at

**CROWE'S IRON WORKS,** Norfolk Street, Guelph.

**MONEY TO LEND,** On farm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. Apply to

**THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH,** remodeled and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free omnibus to and from all first-class lines in connection.

**ENGRAVING, Gold and Silver Plating** Office—Dundas Bridge. Orders left at either Messrs. Savage or Pringle's Jewellery Stores, Wyndham street, will be promptly attended to.

**W. H. TAYLOR, CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER,** Opposite Knox Church, GUELPH.

**BILLIARD HALL,** In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market.

**NEW COAL YARD.** The undersigned having opened Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of

**Hard and Soft Coal** At moderate prices. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to.

**W. M. FOSTER, L.D.S., Surgeon Dentist, Guelph.**

**DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL,** Licentiate of Dental Surgery, Established 1851. Office next door to the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**CASH FOR WOOL, HIDES, SHEEP SKINS, CALF SKINS, AND WOOL PICKINGS.** The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's Old Block, Guelph.

### New Advertisements.

**NOTICE**—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station, Guelph, Nov. 7, 1873.

**HOUSE TO LET**—To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office, Guelph, Dec. 3rd, 1873.

**WANTED IMMEDIATELY**—At the Cash Store, a few first-class Tailor-esses. Apply to R. Clayton. 1841

**WANTED**—A good general servant. Well recommended. Wages liberal. Family small. Apply to Mrs. R. Taylor, Waterloo Road.

**CHOPPERS WANTED.** Wanted—Two Choppers. Apply at this office. 113-36

**WANTED TO PURCHASE**—A small house containing from five to seven rooms. The purchase money paid down. Apply at the residence of Mrs. Sterling, Hatch's Block, Norfolk street. diff

**A. O. F. No. 5856,** Meet every WEDNESDAY in the GOOD TEMPLAR'S HALL at 7.30 sharp.

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.** All parties indebted to the firm of Chance & Williamson are requested to make payment of the same, as the partnership will shortly be dissolved.

**GUELPH TO LEND.** Ten Thousand Dollars for Investment in sums of from \$300 to \$2000, at 8 per cent. interest. Charges moderate. Apply to

**INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.** In the matter of HENRY METCALF, an Insolvent.

**NOTICE.** All parties indebted to the estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

**ANNIVERSARY**—Mr. H. K. Maitland has the honor to announce that he will give

**A CONCERT** In honor of the anniversary of the Birthday of Scotland's Bard, in the Town Hall,

**On Monday Ev'g, 26th inst.** He will be assisted by Mrs. Cuthbert, Toronto; Miss Young, Berlin; Messrs. Machie, Berlin; Murray, Bridgeport; Spriggins (the English); Tenor and Yule, Guelph, and by Vale's Band.

**On Wednesday, 23th Jan., 1874.**—ABOUT—

**50 First-class Instruments,** consisting of Square, Cross Scale and Elyptic in finest Rosewood Cases, 7 and 8 octave, overstrung, action French Grand, Treble Ivory Bridge, and Through Agraffe, Rich carved Legs and Lyre, elegantly cut music desks.

**Terms Liberal** and will be made known at time of sale. Sale at 11 o'clock, a.m. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1874.

**GREAT CHEAP SALE** At I. & J. Andrews' FANCY STORE, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

**CONSISTING OF SLIPPER PATTERNS** Toys, Dolls, and a general stock of

**FANCY GOODS.** BERLIN WOOLS IN ALL SHADES

**Ladies' Magazines** YOUNG LADIES' JOURNAL, YOUNG ENGLISH WOMAN, ENGLISH WOMAN'S DOMESTIC MAGAZINE, BOW BELLS, FAMILY HERALD, LADIES' GAZETTE OF FASHION, WORLD OF FASHION, LADIES' TREASURY, LITTLE DRESS MAKER, MILLINER AND DRESSMAKER, DEMOREST'S, FRANK LESLIE'S, GODEY'S, LADIES' MAGAZINE

**ANDERSON'S** Cheap Bookstore, East Side Wyndham-st. Guelph, Ont.

### Guelph Evening Mercury

MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 19, 1874

**Town and County News** THE ONTARIO TEACHER.—The January number of this useful educational journal is to hand. It is published by Messrs. Ross & McColl, Strathroy.

"VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE."—As will be seen by advertisement elsewhere, this handsome publication is issued quarterly at twenty-five cents per annum. It contains a large amount of matter useful to those interested in the cultivation of flowers and vegetables. Vick's seeds are always reliable and of the most approved varieties.

A SMALL AVALANCHE of snow and ice came rattling down upon the sidewalk from the town hall roof, near the front entrance, to-day. The caretaker was clearing the sidewalk within a few yards of it at the time. Lucky for him that he was not nearer, or one of the 1874 Council's first acts would have been to appoint a new hall-keeper. This sudden thaw has loosened the ice and snow on the roofs of the houses, and pedestrians on our streets had better look out.

**GRIP.**—Mr. Anderson sends us Grip for January 17. The cartoon shows the Government and Opposition playing cricket. Mat. Cameron is bowling. Mr. Mowat is at the bat, and the latter has just blocked a ball delivered by the former, who was trying to bowl him out on the Orange Incorporation Bills. McKellar is near the wicket, executing a dance of triumph; black-bearded Bonitbee stands straddle-legged in the background; and the Lieut. Governor and Mr. Crooks are "taking it easy" in the foreground.

**FATAL ACCIDENT.**—The Milton Champion regrets to learn that a young man by the name of Matthew Cook, at Cox's mills, E. Gosport, was accidentally killed last Monday morning. While assisting to unload, a very large log tilted the sleigh over so quickly that it threw a smaller one about ten feet in the air, which in its descent unfortunately struck him on the back of the head and crushed it to the frozen ground, thus smashing in the whole of the front part of his head and causing instantaneous death.

The annual meeting of the Flora Horticultural Society was held in the Drill Shed, on Monday evening, the 12th inst. The auditors presented their report, showing: Subscriptions for the year, \$114; Government grant, \$52 73; taken at the door of the shows, \$29 01; total, \$194 74. The disbursements are:—Prizes and expenses, \$146 26, leaving a balance in the treasurer's hands of \$48 48.

The following were then elected officers for the current year: president, Geo. Barron; 1st vice-president, Jas. Henderson; 2nd ditto, John Waddell; secretary, John Bain; treasurer, John Gregory; committee, W. P. Newman, L. Topham, Jas. Smith, Geo. Fraser, Alex. Haig, John Waddell, John Bowes, Rowley Wood, Peter Simpson.—News.

**CANADA SHORT-HORN HERD BOOK.**—A circular to breeders has been issued from the office of the Agricultural and Arts Association of Ontario, Toronto, intimating the intention of the Council of the Association to publish the third volume of the Canada Short-Horn Herd Book as early as possible in the ensuing summer, containing the pedigrees of short horned bulls, cows, heifers, and their produce, up to 1st of March next, and asking that pedigrees may be forwarded as early as possible by those who wish them entered. The value of the Herd Book is well known to breeders. The book is simply indispensable to every breeder of Short-Horned Cattle who wishes to breed intelligently and advantageously. Portraits of animals may be inserted. On the cost of taking the original sketches of the animals being paid by the owners, the plates will be lithographed and inserted gratuitously.

**Terrible Fall at the Catholic Church.** At five minutes before seven on Sunday night a serious accident befel one of the Christian Brethren, known as Brother Prudent, at St. Bartholomew's Church, Guelph. It seems that communication between the gallery and the belfry has been had by means of two planks, laid over a portion of the gallery story upon which the flooring had not been laid down. Brother Prudent, having a lamp in his hand, was proceeding into the belfry for some purpose connected with the coming vespers service, and put down his foot, without looking in the place where one of the planks usually was. The plank had been removed, however, and the unfortunate man fell through to the floor below, a distance of twelve or fourteen feet. His face was cut by the broken glass, and his arm badly hurt. The wrist was dislocated and two of the wrist bones were broken, there being what is called a Colles' fracture. The thumb was also badly dislocated. We are glad to hear from Dr. Herod, who attended the case, that there are no internal injuries.

**POISONED.**—On Sunday last a man named Fitzpatrick, while in Sutherland's flour and feed store, St. Mary's, discovered a piece of biscuit in the corner of a shell, and picking it up, ate it. The biscuit was one on which strychnine had been put for the purpose of killing rats. The poison took immediate effect, and Fitzpatrick dropped on the floor. Drs. Phillips and Sinclair were immediately called in and administered strong emetics, which counteracted the effects of the poison, and the unfortunate man so far recovered that he was able to proceed home during the afternoon, and is now entirely well.—Argus.

### BY TELEGRAPH

**Terrible Skating Accident.**

**Stabbing Affray.**

**A Strike Evaded.**

**U. S. Justice.**

**Death of Dean Sparrow.**

**Wreck on the Scilly Isles.**

London, Jan. 17.—Rev. W. Sparrow, D.D., Dean of the Faculty of the Episcopal Seminary near this city, for the past 33 years, died suddenly this morning in the 73rd year of his age. He was one of the ablest divines of the Episcopal Church.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—A special from Grand Rapids says a report is current there that while a party of people were skating on the river at Bur-roak, one person broke through, and the rest of the party, 27 or 28 in number, going to the rescue, broke through and were drowned. There are no particulars given, and the report lacks confirmation.

Baltimore, Jan. 18.—Edward Berry, a bar-keeper, killed a man named Chas. Jones in a fight this afternoon by stabbing him with a knife in the lungs. The murderer has escaped.

Cincinnati, Jan. 18.—Rev. Samuel Fisher, of College Hill, pastor of the 2nd Wesleyan Church, fell dead this morning.

London, Jan. 19.—The Minnilaha, from Calas to Dublin, has been lost off the Scilly Islands and ten of her crew drowned.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 18.—The strike of window glass blowers, which has been going on for some time, is now supposed to be at an end, and manufacturers will resume operations in a short time.

By an explosion at Dunbar Furnace—some 50 miles from here—last Thursday, one man was instantly killed, his head being blown a distance of 20 feet from the body. The roof of the casting-house was blown off.

New York, Jan. 19.—Washington specials to this morning's papers have agreed upon Judge M. B. Wait, of Ohio, as next nominee for the Chief Justice-ship, though the weight of opinion is that no nomination will be made until after Tuesday's Cabinet meeting.

**NORTH WELLINGTON.** Splendid Meeting at Harrison.

A rousing meeting was held at Harrison on Saturday in the interest of Colonel Higginbotham and good Government.

The Town Hall was completely filled. The meeting was organized by Mr. Alexander Micklejohn being called to the chair, who in a few remarks introduced the Hon. E. B. Wood. That gentleman, in a telling speech of nearly three hours, reviewed the misdoings of the charter-sellers. Mr. Wood was frequently interrupted by the answering of the question whether he was in favour of protecting our manufactures has caused great dissatisfaction among the manufacturing interest of this town. We know the free trade principles advocated by the Globe the official organ of the Reform party, and if those principles are to be carried out, the sooner manufacturers enter their protest against them the better. Our market is too small to build up any large manufacturing interests so long as we are obliged to compete with extensive and old established manufactures in the Government States, which have a market of 40,000,000 people to themselves exclusively, on account of their high tariff. If we had even the advantage of the whole of our own market, manufactures would spring up in our midst without the aid of local bonuses, and we would soon gain strength to compete without protection.

The farmer who says that if you put on an increased duty it will come out of his pocket, not thinking of the enhanced prices gained for his produce on account of the increased demand brought about by the growth of manufactures. Whenever a business is seen to be flourishing others will soon embark in it, and the competition thus engendered will be sufficient to keep down prices.

As it is now, Canada is made a convenient field for foreign manufacturers to spend any surplus production to be sold at any price rather than injure their home market during every tightness in the money market.

It would certainly benefit the country if the money which goes out yearly, say for what we make in Ontario alone, could be kept at home. For furniture, sewing machines, pianos, &c., at least \$1,500,000 is paid yearly to the Americans. Does this benefit either farmer, mechanic or manufacturer in this country, or help to employ the mechanics now wandering idle through the streets of our towns?

We are, at least, entitled to a direct answer to the question put to Mr. Stirton, and until such is given the manufacturers' influence will certainly not be cast very strongly for him.

Yours very truly,  
A HERDING MANUFACTURER.  
Guelph, Jan. 19, 1874.

### Town Council.

The last meeting of the old Council was held at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the Mayor in the chair. Present also Messrs Elliott, Kennedy, Hefferman, Howard, McLagan, Crowe, Massie, Coffee, Davidson, Hogg, Robt. Mitchell, Richd. Mitchell, Chadwick.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE.** Mr. Massie presented a verbal report from this Committee by stating that the revenue for the past year had met all expenditures and left a small balance in favour of the Committee.

**MARKET COMMITTEE.** Mr. Elliott presented this report. It stated that Mr. Victor Stewart, architect, had been instructed to prepare plans for a new Town Hall and Market; these appeared to meet the requirements of the town, but in view of the close of the municipal year, the Committee left them for consideration of their successors in office. The Committee also presented the annual comparative statement of the receipts of produce, &c., brought to market, prepared by the Market Clerk in his usual careful and elaborate manner. It shows an increase of Market fees over last year; the amounts being \$2,949 for 1872, and \$3,015 for 1873. But for the want of sleighing in December, the increase would have been greater. The report was adopted.

**ROADS AND BRIDGES.** This committee reported that they had advertised for tenders for excavating earth in the East Market Square in connection with the proposed siding of the G.T.R., and received eleven tenders. They recommended that the tender of Mr. Michael Mulligan, at 14c. per cubic yard, be accepted, being the lowest, and that Mr. Mulligan be notified of the acceptance as soon as the arrangements between the town and the railway company, mentioned in the committee's last report are concluded.—Report adopted.

**PRINTING COMMITTEE.** Mr. Coffee reported that this Committee had examined Messrs. F. J. Chadwick & Co's account of \$425.93, for printing, advertising, &c. The report was correct and recommended that it be paid.

**THE CEMETERY AND THE KEEPER.** The Mayor read the report of the committee of the Guelph Union Cemetery for 1873, signed by Mr. Jas. Laidlaw, Chairman. During the year the committee had sold 23 burial lots, and 39 lots for single graves, and given three lots for single graves to indigent persons. There had been 96 interments in the Union Cemetery, and 27 in St. George's Cemetery. During the year the committee had held here a Committee was appointed to collect and arrange as large and varied assortment as possible. A very fine collection was obtained, with which we carried off the 2nd prize, Brantford Society taking first. At a meeting held in the afternoon of Sept. 9th, it was decided to send a collection of plums to the Pomological Society's Show, at Boston, who had offered prizes for the best collection of plums from any State or Province. But it was afterwards found that some private individuals had already sent samples to the Fruit Growers' Association who were getting up a variety of Fruits for the purpose of competing at the same exhibition, therefore, this Society did not take any action in the matter. And we are proud to say that our own collection, with silver medals, having carried off no less than six silver medals. Ontario gained the second prize for peaches, first for largest and best collection of Ontario grapes, distanced all competitors in plums—many of the samples from this neighborhood took a silver medal for her choice collection of pears; and the president of the Association, who has a mania for pears, took a silver medal for his private collection. After that who shall say that Canada cannot grow fruit? The vegetable department of our Show was excellent, and among the successful competitors were some new members, who we hope will persevere and continue to take an interest in Horticulture. We should be pleased if something could be done to make our show more attractive and remunerative, as the small amount of money taken at the door for admission is not commensurate with the advantages derived from our Society. We leave this matter in the hands of our successors, suggesting that a committee be appointed for the purpose of devising some scheme for the improvement of our Show for next year.

The financial statement, showing receipts and disbursements for the past year is as follows:—

**RECEIPTS.**—Amount received at doors Spring Show, \$23.70; Government grant, \$140; Members' subscription, \$177; receipts at door, Fall Show, \$36.10; special prizes, Mrs. Hooge, \$3; D. Sorby, \$1.50; Alex. Glass, gift, \$2; D. Sorby, \$2; prize taken at Central Exhibition, \$6; making a total of \$391.39.

**DISBURSEMENTS.**—Amount due Treasurer last audit, \$35.28; book of lithographs \$21.13; premiums at Spring Show, \$105; hand, \$15; doorkeeper and attendants at shows, \$15; Judges, \$10; premiums at Fall Show, \$189.75; Advertising \$22; postage and stationery, \$4.41; incidental expenses \$10.75. Total \$429.68. Leaving balance due the Treasurer of \$88.29.

It was stated that the salary of the Secretary was two years in arrear, in addition to the deficiency above named. A conversation ensued as to the best means of making up this deficit, and on the suggestion of Mr. Elliott, a subscription was opened. Between \$70 and \$80 was contributed in the room, and Messrs. Anderson, Sorby, and Sunley were deputed to canvass for further subscriptions.

The meeting proceeded to the election of officers with the following result:—

**President.**—Jas. Anderson.  
**Vice-President.**—Douglas Sorby.  
**Secretary.**—Geo. Murton.

**Directors.**—Messrs. Geo. Elliott, Jas. Giehrst, Jas. Goldie, George Balkwill, John Calkin, Wm. M. Mann, F. J. Chadwick, Chas. Sharpe, and N. Sunley.

**Delegates to the Provincial Exhibition of 1874.**—The President and Mr. A. A. Baker.

**Auditors.**—Messrs. D. Allan and Stone. A vote of thanks was given to Mr. C. Sharpe for his services as President during the past year, on motion of Messrs. Elliott and Stone.

A vote of thanks was given for the (SEE FOURTH PAGE.)