

# Guelph Evening Mercury

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## THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST.

The very great importance of the event may afford a satisfactory explanation of the extraordinary excitement which characterizes the Presidential campaign. As November approaches more near the excitement intensifies, and political feeling is at fever heat. Each party has bent its utmost energies to the task of securing the election of its particular candidates, and the members, in their zeal, are not particular about the weapons they make use of to worst their opponents and secure a victory. This is applicable equally to Republicans and Democrats, although perhaps long practice in vilification, and the use of vituperative language, and the fact that they have on their side the champions among blackguard writers give the latter somewhat of an advantage. We have certainly a mournful example of a free press degenerated into licentiousness, in the present conduct of the papers of the United States. The Democrats accuse Grant of being a drunkard, and Republicans retort by making enquiry into the history of the Seymour family and bringing to light, or pretending to do so, the fact that some of the members of it were at some time insane. Then there is room for a very edifying discussion on the point whether it is better to elect a man that may escape the disease to which some of his progenitors were victims, or he who by his own conduct is likely to make himself insane. The more thoughtful men deny the use of such weapons of warfare. They know that the best abused man, to use an expression of O'Connell's is generally sure of enlisting popular sympathy in his favour, for there is a certain manliness in human nature, well known so early as the days of Julian when he refused to persecute the Christians with carnal weapons, that will not allow a man, guiltless of any heinous offence, to be kicked to death, and that will, when there is full proof of foul play, convert foes into friends. It was perhaps a knowledge of this truth which a few days ago suggested to the Democratic Convention of Massachusetts the propriety of the following resolution: "We deprecate all attempts to detract from the military fame, or blacken the private character of Gen. Grant."

Though no necessities of party can be held as a justification for such tirades as the American press indulge in, the positions and strength of the candidates, as well as the relative positions which the two great parties occupy towards each other may be ample apology for the uncommon energy and vigour which has characterized the struggle thus far. Though of primary and paramount importance to the States the contest is not without interest to the rest of the world. The result may be of very great moment. "Let us have peace" was Grant's ejaculation immediately after the fall of Richmond, and it was towards securing peace, and restoring the equilibrium of affairs, political and commercial, that the efforts of the Republicans have been directed ever since the close of the war. It was to this end the President was impeached, because it was believed that the removal of Johnson was all that was necessary to secure peace. Equal rights to all men, is the Republican motto, and what son of Adam can reasonably condemn it. It is true they are not faultless any more than the Democrats, but what truth, integrity and honesty remains with United States politicians is to be found with them. Their ascendancy is perhaps the only security of American bondholders, for they have never with unblushing roguery advocated the Democratic scheme of repudiation. It is true Thad Stevens said something in its favour, but he was the only one of the party that we have ever heard of having done so, and now that he is gone, the others who are left will scarcely consider themselves bound to support a principle to which he was but a recent convert, and which they had all denounced as dishonest and unworthy the conception of a great nation. From these and other considerations we think the wishes of all good men should be for the success of the Republican cause. Present indications are that the cause will be successful, and at the present moment Grant's election seems better assured than at any time since the nomination. He will carry almost every State north of the Ohio and the Potomac; excepting, perhaps, only Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut. In Ohio, Illinois and Indiana, the popular gains for Grant and Colfax promise to exceed all the early Republican calculations, and judging from the aspect of things in New England, the Democratic vote outside of Connecticut, bids likely to fall below that of any year since 1864. Vermont and Maine have already in their State elections demonstrated their inclinations, and given very heavy Republican majorities.

## From Ottawa—Whelan's Assertions.

Patrick Buckley's health is falling rapidly, and he is supposed to be insane or becoming so. He does not appear to know many of his former acquaintances. Ball will probably be accepted for P. A. Eagleson, James Enright, and Thomas Murphy. Slattery and Duggan will most likely be held until the next assizes. P. A. Eagleson who has been about five months in goal under the habeas corpus Act, on a charge of Fenianism, is to be liberated, it is said unconditionally. He has been completely ruined by his incarceration, having been compelled to go into insolvency, although doing a very good business before he was arrested.

Whelan most strongly protests that he did not shoot Mr. McFee, but he goes so far as to say that he knows who did. He will probably make a clean breast of it before long.

**THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERSHIP.**—It is considered very doubtful whether Mr. Walsh accepts the railway commissionership, his chances of re-election being so slim. The Ministerialists expect to see a couple of Reformers brought out to oppose him, in which event he would be elected easily.

**STILL UNDER PROHIBITION.**—Documents have been recently laid before the Cabinet in which an attempt was made to prove that the Illinois cattle plague had so far abated that there was no further necessity for the restriction of the cattle traffic. The remonstrances against the order came from both the Grand Trunk and the Great Western Companies. But although it was shown pretty conclusively that the violence of the disease had abated, that Texas cattle which alone have the power of communicating it were not on the route, yet the facts remained that the plague had not disappeared, and that a number of cattle in Illinois were still suffering from it. Under these circumstances, and pressed by the Board of Agriculture of Ontario the Government have determined that the order prohibiting the importation of cattle from the States shall remain in force some time longer.

## MARRIAGES.

**MCKAY—PIRIE.**—At Guelph, on the 16th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. W. S. Ball, Mr. Thomas McKay, Merchant, Fergus, to Maggie S., daughter of Geo. Pirie, Esq., Editor Guelph Herald.

**BISHOP—ALEXANDER.**—At Fergus, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Cooper, Mr. J. W. H. Bishop, of Guelph, to Johanna, daughter of Mrs. Alexander, of Fergus.

## DIED.

**McLELLAN.**—At Minto, on the 12th inst., the infant child of D. McLelland.

## New Advertisements.

**ARTILLERY COMP'NY,**  
ATTENTION.  
A FULL MUSTER of the Company, for inspection in heavy marching order, is requested on Friday Night. By Order.  
WILLIAM DAY, Captain.  
Guelph, September 16th. d2

**NOTICE.**  
MR. W. J. McCURRY'S subscribers for Papers and Periodicals will be supplied hereafter by R. CUTHBERT.  
Guelph, September 15th. dw

## TO RENT.

A COTTAGE in the outskirts of the Town, near Mr. Neeve's, about one mile from the Market House. The Cottage contains four rooms, and attached to it are a stable, &c., and two and a half acres of land. Apply to  
WM. STEWART, Merchant.  
Guelph, September 15th. d5-w1

## Singing and Pianoforte.

**MISS L. RHEMMIE** begs to announce to the ladies of Guelph and vicinity that she will be ready to receive pupils for the above accomplishments on the 15th of SEPTEMBER, 1868, at her residence, Waterloo Road.  
Guelph, Sept. 11th, 1868. d03w

## Important Auction Sale

OF VALUABLE  
**Household Furniture**

THE undersigned has instructed W. S. G. Knowles, Auctioneer, to offer for sale by Public Auction,  
On Friday, the 25th September,  
On the premises situate on Northumberland Street, in the Town of Guelph, the following valuable Furniture:—

**Parlour.**—1 cottage piano, 1 hair-cloth sofa, centric and card tables, 2 hair-bottom chairs, Brussels carpet, large mirror, ottomans, pictures, stove, arm chair, curtains, ornaments and whatnot, &c.

**Dining Room.**—1 polished walnut table with extensions, side-board, cane-seat chairs, 1 complete set of china comprising breakfast and tea sets, one 8 day clock, 1 parlour cooking-stove, silver plate, cut and other glassware, hall carpets, stair linen and rods, table, and 2 deer's heads, pictures, &c.

**Bed Rooms.**—2 hair mattresses, 1 do copper springs, 3 French bedsteads, wash stands and crockery, 1 set of drawers with toilet glass, toilet dressing table with large mirror, 1 child's crib, 1 do cradle, 2 carpets, sets of curtains, lamps, &c.

**Kitchen.**—1 good cooking stove, table, chairs, wash tubs, baskets, crockery, cupboard, &c. Also gardening tools, wheelbarrow, axes, saws, one baby carriage, 2 cutters, &c. Also, a Wanzler Sewing Machine.

**Terms, Cash.** Any persons wishing to inspect the articles before sale, can do so by calling at the residence of the undersigned, Northumberland Street. Sale at one o'clock.  
W. J. McCURRY.  
\*Guelph, September 17th. dtd w2

## WALL PAPER,

AT A BARGAIN,

For ONE MONTH Only.

The best 30c Satin Paper, now selling for 20, 18, 16 and 14 cents a Roll.

Good Common Paper, 5 cents the Roll.

The balance of our Stock must be sold to make room for our Spring Stock.

Call early and get Good Patterns, at  
**DAY'S BOOKSTORE,**  
Opposite the Market.  
Guelph, September 9th. dw

## CLARK'S

## Music Store.

BLANK BOOKS,  
STATIONERY, and

SCHOOL BOOKS,  
CHEAP.

## At Clark's Music Store.

CARTER'S  
New Writing & Copying Ink

Superior to Stephens'. At CLARK'S MUSIC STORE, Market Square.  
Guelph, September 16th. dw

## CARD.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am now Manufacturing a full assortment of all the Staple Lines in Boots & Shoes EXPRESSLY BY HAND for Fall and Winter wear, and respectfully invite you to call and see my Goods.

I would also intimate that my Stock of Machine Made Goods are purchased for Cash from the largest Manufacturing Houses in the Dominion of Canada.

I am therefore in a position to Buy and Sell this Class of Goods Cheaper, by ten per cent., than any Retail Manufacturer in the County of Wellington. I do not believe in Puffing, and would advise my customers not to be led away by flaming advertisements.

One call will convince all that I have the Largest, Best, Cheapest and most Fashionable Stock of Boots and Shoes west of Montreal.

All Work Warranted. Terms, Cash. Soliciting a share of your esteemed patronage, I remain, yours respectfully,

**JOHN McNEIL,**  
Montreal Boot and Shoe Store Wyndham-St.  
N. B.—German Spoken. dwtf

## 2,

## DAY'S BLOCK.

Receiving daily, a complete assortment of

## CHINA, CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE.

COMPRISING:

Plain China Tea Sets,  
White and Gold Tea Sets,

Extra Fancy Tea Sets,  
White Granite Tea Sets,

Colored Granite Tea Sets,  
Fancy Granite Tea Sets.

A Large Assortment of GOBLETs, TUMBLERS, DECANTERS, BAR BOTTLES, &c., Cheap at  
**E. CARROLL & Co's.**  
Guelph, September 15th. dw

## NO MONOPOLY

## GROCERIES and LIQUORS

THE BEST STORE IN GUELPH TO BUY

## PETRIE'S Drug STORE,

Old Post Office,  
Wyndham Street.

## DYE STUFFS!

BEING determined to maintain my reputation for keeping

## THE BEST DYE STUFFS IN GUELPH,

Have this year developed a greater amount of time and care to their selection and preparation than ever. My stock will now be found complete, and all parties buying from me will have no difficulty in making colors required, and of the

## Very FINEST SHADE.

A. P. B. would call particular attention to his BRIGHT SCARLET DYE, which has given universal satisfaction during the past two years, and pronounced by all parties superior to any they have ever used before. Remember the Old Post Office Buildings.

**A. B. PETRIE, Chemist.**  
Guelph, September 1st. dw

## A SURE THING

For Tomatoes, Peaches  
Plums, &c.

## SELF-SEALING JARS

Sold by JOHN A. WOOD are the best ever invented. Buy before they are all sold.

ONE THOUSAND POUNDS OF

## PURE HONEY,

Strained or in the Comb,  
Only Twenty Cents per lb.,  
Cheaper than Butter.  
At JOHN A. WOOD'S.  
Guelph, September 7th. dw

## PUFF. PUFF. PUFF.



Keep the Feet Dry, and the Head Cool!

THE Man from the Rural Districts, better known as THE FERGUS PUFF BAG, has got off, as he supposes, a good thing by quoting part of an advertisement of mine, and commenting thereon. The public will note the fact that there is no comment on the latter portion of said paragraph, which I will again repeat:

The Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store does not pretend to Manufacture Boots and Shoes, neither do we import Goods and palm them off on the public as Home Made.

The Wellington Shoe Factory advertises to sell none but Goods made in Guelph, which is sheer humbug. Or why expose Toronto and Montreal Goods for sale? It won't do Mr. John A., if there is any honesty in you, and you have any good articles in your establishment, give the credit to those who manufacture them, not to the one-horse affair you call a Manufacture, consisting, by the way, of four men and boys, three girls and a few bits of machinery, "not forgetting the thing without a coat." For Slop Work and Cool Impudence go to the one-horse Factory.

For Stylish, Cheap and Durable Boots and Shoes, go to the Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store.

**JOHN CRIDFORD.**  
Guelph, September 16th. dw

## OPEN CONFESSION

THE Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store, "does not pretend to Manufacture Boots and Shoes," so says the advertisement. (Read it if you want to have a jolly good laugh.) John A. McMILLAN says that is a fact: the things are indescribable; they may be worshipped without the slightest infringement of the second commandment, and the few unfortunates who go crippled with a mass of uncomfortable wrinkles on their feet, can groan in agony. That is a fact too.

JOHN A. McMILLAN invites the Penitentiary to come to him and he will learn it to Manufacture Boots and Shoes. He wants three apprentices yet, (having already selected three of the six he advertised for the other day,) and it is a good boy, and behaves well, and gives over gulling the public, John A. thinks he can make a man of it yet, though it is rather late to begin.

People of Wellington, note the fact that the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufacturing, Wyndham-St., Guelph, "the Old Post Office Block," is the only spot in the whole County, where Boots and Shoes are manufactured extensively. Come and see the Boots and Shoes making, come and see the Machinery at work, come and see the work in progress, come and see the busy hive of industry, and you will go away determined to buy imported work no more.

The Cheapest Boots, the Best Boots, all Home-Made Boots, are to be got at the "Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufacturing," Wyndham Street, Guelph, "The Fergus Boot and Shoe Mart," corner of St. David and St. Andrew Streets, Fergus, and the "Eloira Boot and Shoe Mart," directly opposite Kirk & Clarke's Eloira.

## I DEFY COMPETITION.

**JOHN A. McMILLAN,**  
Guelph, 15th September. (dw) Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufacturing, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

## CORDWOOD WANTED

ON GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

THE undersigned is prepared to receive Cordwood

Delivered anywhere along the Line,

In any Quantity, from FIVE CORDS upwards,

From Brampton to Stratford.

—ALSO, AT STATIONS. Payments as Wood is delivered, either weekly or monthly.

Choppers will find Constant Work, and Good Wages Paid Weekly. For further information address

**ALEXANDER NAIRN,**  
Rockwood, September 14th. d6t-w16t ROCKWOOD STATION, G. T. R.

## E. O'DONNELL & CO.

The Right Place to Buy CHEAP

## GROCERIES and LIQUORS

THE BEST STORE IN GUELPH TO BUY

## China, Crockery, and Glassware.

WE are constantly receiving large additions to our present Extensive Stock from the best Markets in the Dominion and the United States, and will sell at prices that shall defy successful competition.

Try our New Crop TEAS.  
Purchase our Bright Sweet SUGARS.  
Try one Plug CHEWING TOBACCO, at 20c. per lb.

## BASS' PALE ALE AND GUINNESS'S PORTER,

IN SPLENDID CONDITION.

Particular attention paid to the Wines and Liquors, and we recommend buying the dozen or single bottles, as purchasing by the Jug destroys a fine article. A quantity of SALT at

**E. O'DONNELL & CO'S.**  
Wyndham Street, Guelph, September 10th.

## JUST OPENED!

AT BUCHAM'S.

Just opened and selling remarkably Cheap, a nice selection of

## New Fall Dress Goods,

New French Lustres,  
New Empress Cords,  
New Suktana Cords,  
New French Merinoes,

## NEW FIGURED LUSTRES.

—The above Goods are new and decidedly Cheap. See them.

THIRTY-THREE AND THIRTY-SIX INCH GREY COTTONS,  
THIRTY-TWO AND THIRTY-SIX INCH WHITE COY"  
SIXTY-FOUR AND SEVENTY-TWO IN"  
8-4 AND TEN-QUARTER

STINGS, SHEETINGS.

WE will guarantee the Cotton Goods just opened, fully FIFTEEN PER CENT UNDER REGULAR CURRENT PRICES.

**A. O. BUCHAM,**  
Wyndham Street, Guelph, September 3, 1868. dtf

## CHEAP FIREWOOD!

THE Subscriber is prepared to enter into contracts to supply Firewood, consisting of Cedar, Spruce, Hemlock, Pine and Balsam in quantities of not less than five cords. Price, delivered, \$2 25 per cord. Persons handling the wood themselves will be supplied at \$1 75 per cord. As the subscriber intends burning of underbrush in the fall, the timber must be removed during this season.

## CEDAR POSTS FOR SALE.

Also for sale about 3,000 good cedar posts, cheap. Apply to H. HATCH, at his office, or to Mr. Wm. Cooper, on the farm adjoining the residence of L. Lewis, Esq., Guelph, June 15. d-3m

## TO RENT.

THE undersigned, having removed to his farm is prepared to let or lease his late residence. The house contains ten rooms, besides kitchen, cellar and milk-house, with the necessary out-buildings and garden. There is a never-failing spring of water runs through the cellar. Situated about ten minutes walk from the Market House. The premises can be leased for one or more years, with more or less land, as may be agreed upon.

Apply to PETER GOW.

N. B.—The buildings could easily be arranged for two tenements.  
Guelph, September 6th. dtf

## Anglo-American Hotel FOR SALE.

THIS HOTEL is the only first-class building that lies on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway between Toronto and London. It is 130 feet long by 45 feet in width, 3 stories high, and of cut stone: 12 and 11 feet high between ceilings; colossal full size of building, 10 feet deep. Also stone kitchen 40 x 24, with a cistern that holds over 1000 barrels of water. It is situated in the best business part of the town, and is directly opposite the proposed site of the new Union Passenger Station of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways. It is the only first class building in the town that is capable of doing a first-class business. The hall runs through the centre of the main building; the rooms are well ventilated and none in the house dark. The furniture is nearly new, having been purchased only four years ago, and will be sold at a valuation. There is a stoue stable, capable of affording accommodation for 100 horses; well arranged and runs through to back street.

## A CAPITAL FARM.

Likewise there is a farm of 90 acres of the best land in the county, and the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. Three barns and feeding stable and big house are on the farm. Also a running spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of board and new. The farm is laid out in ten acre fields. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at valuation.

## First-Class LIVERY STABLE.

Also, there is in connection with the hotel a Livery Stable, one of the best in Ontario, in fifteen horses, doing the only first-class business in town and indisputably surpassing all others.

As the proprietor is retiring from business he offers to the public a property, the advantages of which are seldom enjoyed by one man in business. The whole will be sold without reserve within three months, either the business separately, or the whole property as may be agreed upon to suit the purchaser.

TERMS—For the hotel property, half cash down will be required, the remainder to be paid in six yearly instalments, or ten per cent. allowed off the second half, if paid at time of sale.

JAMES O'NEILL, Proprietor.  
Guelph, Aug. 29. dwtf

## MEDICAL HALL!

Ontario, Guelph.

## E. HARVEY & CO.

Just received, a fresh supply of

## MINCASEA

For the successful rearing of Infants.

This article is prepared under medical supervision, and supported by the Scientific and Theoretical Institutions of Great Britain, France, &c., and is the only preparation manufactured for this purpose.

Cocoa Nut Oil Soda Soap

For imparting a Beautiful Whiteness and Softness to the Skin.

**CAMPBELL'S**

## Quinine Wine!

—A large supply just received.

**E. HARVEY & CO.,**  
Cor. Wyndham & Macdonnell-Sts. Guelph.

Guelph, September 1st. dw

## R. J. JEANNERET.

From England,  
(Established in London, 1811, 1842 and in Guelph 1868.)

## WORKING WATCHMAKER

AND JEWELER

## DAYS' BLOCK.

Opposite the Market, Guelph.

A GOOD Assortment of the Best English and Swiss Lever Watches. Reference can be made to respectable persons who have carried his Watches from one to twenty-five years each.  
Guelph, September 9th. dw

## BILLIARD HALL!

Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,

**GUELPH, ONT.**

Four New Melian Standard American tables.

Guelph, June 24. W. O'CONNOR, Proprietor. do by

## SPECIAL ATTENTION.

THE Highest Market Price paid for

Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Calskins, and Wood Pickings.

At No. 4, Day's old Block, Grand Street, Guelph, July 23. dw D. 341-170N