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PARKER'S HOTEL, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH - Re-modelled and a first-class hotel.

R. Campbell, L.D.S., Having recovered from his recent illness, is again prepared to attend to the wants of all who may require his services.

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

SPLendid CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT. Residence for Sale.

New Advertisements.

HOUSE TO LET - To let, a dwelling house near the Great Western Station.

FOUR EXPERIENCED DRESS-MAKERS wanted immediately at the Fashionable West End.

WANTED - A smart active girl, about 14 years of age, to take care of a baby.

ORGAN, nearly new, WITH FIVE STOPS, WILL BE SOLD CHEAP FOR CASH.

HOUSE TO RENT. The stone house at present occupied by John Harvey on Cardigan street.

MONEY TO LEND ON FARM SECURITY. The undersigned have \$25,000 for investment in Mortgages on Farms.

SPINEX MILLS, GUELPH. The subscriber begs to inform the public generally that he has rented the above mill.

TO BUILDERS - Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned on behalf of the Guelph Gas Company.

CONTRACTORS. Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned on behalf of the Guelph Gas Company.

CANADA Agricultural Insurance Company. Capital - - - One Million.

HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL. President - Col. A. C. De L. Harwood, D.A.G.

WESLEY MARSTON, Repairer of all kinds of Sewing Machines, Clocks, Locks, &c.

Job Work of all Kinds. Shop on Yarmouth street, opposite Nelson Crescent.

NOTICE. Estate of the late D. Savage. All parties indebted to the Estate of the late David Savage must call and settle with me by the 15th of June.

BENJAMIN SAVAGE, Dr. COLLINGE, (M.D., Edinburgh, and M.R.C.S., England) having assisted Dr. Clarke in his practice during the last twelve months, has now commenced practice on his own account.

"MONEY TO BE MADE." The subscriber is authorized to let the store and premises in the village of Eden Mills, lately occupied by Samuel Meadows.

"STRAYED OR STOLEN." Five two year old heifers (Durham grades). Three of them are rich roan color, one heifer light roan, and one red with white on face and brislet.

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE. The farm occupied by the late James Forster, being the southeast half of lot No. 7, in the 3rd concession of Eramosa, 100 acres, 60 cleared, the remainder good hard wood, chiefly beech and maple.

Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 5, 1874.

Town and County News

ERIN AND THE BRENNANS. - The Brennan Comedy Company will appear this evening at the Town Hall.

MR. JOHN ANDERSON has sent us "Sunday at Home" for June - a most excellent magazine, filled with the choicest reading matter.

FRIEND SOMERVILLE of the Dundas Banner is rejoicing over an egg which one of Mrs. Byrna's hens laid, which beats the Guelph egg - daily chronicled in the Mercury some time ago - all to sticks.

Y.M.C.A. - The Young Men's Christian Association are making arrangements for an after tea social, to be held in their rooms, on Thursday next, 11th inst., and are preparing a good programme.

THE SHIP OF TRADE. - Mr. A. O. Buchan informs the ladies in our columns to-day that the "ship of trade" has moved west and anchored at his store.

FOR MANITOBA. - We learn that Mr. Wm. M. Kennedy, hardware merchant, and Mr. Robert Campbell, of Erin, left on Monday for Manitoba, on a prospecting tour.

MORE WATER. - Excavations are being made at the Grand Trunk Passenger Station with a view to providing the employees and travellers with good fresh water.

AMERICAN IRON. - We notice that Mr. John Horsman, hardware merchant, is now receiving a large importation of iron from the United States.

THE S. OF T. ENTERTAINMENT. - The new rooms of the Guelph Division Sons of Temperance, over the Y. M. C. A. rooms, Wyndham street, will no doubt be well filled this evening.

A DUCKING. - On Thursday evening about half-past seven o'clock, a child between two and three years of age was playing near the water trough in front of the Red Lion Hotel.

THE BATTALION BAND. - This band paid us a visit on Thursday evening, and played some of their choicest airs in front of the American Hotel.

FATAL ACCIDENT. - A very sad accident happened at Mount St. Patrick, on the afternoon of the 4th. Rev. Father John McCormick started after his dinner for a short walk; a party calling on him and waiting a considerable time, the housekeeper went in search, and he was nowhere to be found.

SEVERE ACCIDENT. - From the Drayton Enterprise we learn of a painful accident which happened to Mr. J. D. Fawcett, on Thursday last week.

THE HAMPTON SINGERS. - This party of colored people gave their concert last night in the Town Hall to a very large audience.

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OFF TO THE LONE LAND. - On Monday last, inst., Messrs. R. B. Fawcett, J. Troupe and J. Medill left the neighborhood of Drayton for Manitoba.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

Forcible Ejection of Strikers.

The Pope's Health.

Railway Fight in Kentucky.

President Grant on the Finances.

London, June 4. - The owners of the Durham collieries are ejecting large numbers of their tenants who were of the striking miners.

Rome, June 4. - The Pope is again ill. The fever from which he lately suffered returned last night.

New York, June 4. - The citizens of Georgetown, Texas, on the 26th ult., took nine prisoners out of jail, including one murderer and two or three horse thieves.

Louisville, Ky., June 5. - The Courier Journal special says: - A fight occurred to-day between the citizens of Burnside Point, Ky., and the laborers on the Cincinnati Southern R. R.

New York, June 5. - The Tribune's Washington despatch says that it is well known that one of the most cherished hopes of President Grant is that specie payments be resumed during his administration.

Peter Smith, cooper, fatally shot John Cunningham in a Brooklyn street last evening. Smith is a non-society man, and was being sent by his employers to do some work at Reed Hook.

John Swinton will preside at Rochester's lecture to-night, introducing the lecturer and giving a brief translation of his discourse for the benefit of his hearers who do not understand French.

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General Assembly of C. P. Church.

After some formal business, Rev. Mr. Torrance, recently appointed Convener of the Committee on statistics, read the annual report, of which the following is a synopsis:

Ministers on the roll of Presbyteries 329, against 315 last year; number of regular charges 645, an increase of 12, with 48 stations, a decrease of 2; vacancies 79; mission stations 33; number of families connected with the Church was reported to be 27,918, and estimating each family to contain five persons, it might be affirmed that upwards of 140,000 persons were under the pastoral oversight of a stated ministry.

Ministers were able to afford Single persons, not connected with congregations, numbered 4,175. The number of communicants had increased to 49,315; 5,947 had been added to the church during the year, and the diminution had been 3,533, leaving a gain of 2,314, or 141 more than last year.

The average per minister was \$700 against \$702 last year. Arrears of stipend amounted to \$4,301, the only Presbyteries in which there were no arrears being Kingston, Hamilton, Paris, Chatham and Huron.

The total amount contributed for the schemes of the Church was \$55,155, a considerable falling off from last year. The sum returned as raised for College buildings was \$28,645, and for various benevolent objects was \$24,448.

The total contributions for all purposes amounted to \$58,899 or an increase over the sum reported last year of \$34,998. The Rev. Mr. John Gray moved the recognition of the report, the thanks of the Assembly to the Committee, and especially to the Convener for his painstaking labors, and the usual vote to him of a slight compensation.

Rev. W. Reid said the report was one of almost complete remembrance, and they must all feel grateful to Mr. Torrance for having got his report before the Assembly on so early a day.

The motion was agreed to. In reference to some recommendations contained in the report, Rev. T. Ward urged the necessity of making the ecclesiastical year coincide with the ordinary year. Agreed to.

The Presbytery of Manitoba made an application to have three students in the Manitoba College trained in Theology, under the care of the presbytery. Referred to the College Committee.

Rev. Mr. Cochrane read the report of the Home Mission Committee. The Committee regretted that the increase in the funds reasonably expected and absolutely necessary, if the Church is to retain her present position and occupy new fields, has not been fully realized.

The result is that the close of the financial year finds the disbursements in excess of the receipts to the extent of \$149,52; the contributions from all sources are \$20,581.25, while the expenditure is \$20,730.79. It has only been by the strictest economy, and refusal of some new applications, that a much larger deficit is not reported.

Several sums had been received from other sources, making the total sum received \$24,430, as against \$21,242 for 1872-3. The working of the various missions during the year was very satisfactory. Mr. Cochrane said the Committee had hoped that the increase for the year would have been considerably larger than it had been.

Still, the Committee were thankful that they were hardly in debt, as the \$149 against them was balanced by \$200 due to the Committee by the Irish Presbyterian Church for the stipend of a missionary. He pointed out that the towns and cities took by far the largest share of the work of contributions, while the whole sum was only 40 cents per communicant. There were now 116 mission stations, against 111 last year; 67 supplemented congregations, against 70 last year, three having become self-sustaining, and 47 probationers on the roll for distribution against 36 last year.

The hour of adjournment arrived before the report was fully discussed. CANADA AGRICULTURAL INSURANCE CO. - As will be seen by advertisement in another column, this Company has made arrangements by which they have secured all the renewals and business of the Watertown Agricultural Co., of N. Y.

Insurers in that Company will now have to deal with the Canada Company, which affords an additional guarantee of safety and security. Farmers and others can get their property insured with this Company at low rates.

The Montreal Gazette thus speaks of it: - "The success of the Agricultural Insurance Company of Watertown, N. Y., managed for the last three years by Mr. E. H. Goff, now manager of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company, gives assurance that a Canadian Company of a similar nature, insuring at considerably lower rates than Mutual or General Insurance Companies, and affording certain safety to its policy-holders, will prove an equally great success."

Mr. W. J. Paterson, Guelph, is agent for the Company. APPOINTMENT. - We are pleased to learn that Mr. John McLean, for many years a resident of Elora and Guelph, has received an appointment under the Government in Manitoba, and left Elora on Monday last for that Province.

His acquaintance with that country will make him a valuable Government officer, he having been for twenty-five years in the service of the Hudson Bay Company. His many Reform friends in this section will be glad to hear of his appointment.

Wellington County Council.

June 4. The Council met at 9 o'clock, all the members present; the Warden in the chair.

The Warden read the following petitions: - For grant of 600ft towards town line between Amaranth and Luther; for grant of \$200 to report road between Luther and Proton; for \$600 to be expended on roads in 2nd and 3rd concessions, township of Luther; for \$800 to repair road to railway station in Mount Forest; aid for repairing bridge on line between Paulineh and Waterloo, and repairs to roads in that vicinity; for grant of \$400 to repair town line between Garafraza and Luther. Those were referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Petitions were also presented to gravel the road between Guelph and Orangeville; from the Beave and Deputy Roove of Amaranth praying for grant of \$600 towards side roads in said Township. These were referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by Mr. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Hollinger, that the Treasurer open accounts with the branches of the Merchants' Bank in Fergus, Elora and Orangeville, so that the Commissioners can cash their orders at these places. - Lost.

On motion of Mr. Rea, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, a by-law was introduced and read the first and second time to assess the townships in sums equal to the Government Grant to aid public schools. In Committee, Mr. Leslie in the chair, the by-laws were filled in as follows: - Amaranth \$400, Arthur \$400, Eramosa \$600, Erin \$800, Garafraza East \$400, Garafraza West \$450, Guelph Township \$700, Luther \$800, Maryborough 600, Minto \$700, Nichol \$400, Peel \$800, Pilkington \$400, Paulineh \$700; total \$7,650.

The Warden read a memorial from Mr. A. S. Allan, Reeve of Clifford, asking the Council to pay the sum of \$85.38, being cost of Bill passed in the Local Legislature to legalize his election and give him a position in the Council; also petition for grant to town line between Caledon and Erin, and for line between Garafraza and Amaranth.

Mr. McGowan moved to obtain the opinion of the Solicitor on the legality of the by-law passed for the incorporation of Drayton-Garrie. On motion of Mr. Leslie a by-law was read a first and second time, repealing by-law No. 230, relating to sale of non-resident property.

The Reeve read a petition from the Town of Guelph for a grant of \$800 towards repairs on the Eramosa and York roads in that Town. On motion of Mr. Rea, seconded by Mr. Duffield, the County Property Committee was instructed to have the petitioners' seats in the Court Room made more comfortable, as complaint had been made about them.

On motion, the Council adjourned till 9 a. m. on Friday. June 5. The Council met at 9 o'clock, 31 members present. The Reeve in the chair. On motion of Mr. Leslie, seconded by Mr. Nicol, the by-law to repeal by-law No. 220 was read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Nicol, seconded by Mr. Leslie, the Clerk was instructed to procure 200 copies of the rules of the Council, with all amendments for the use of the members. Rule 89 was suspended, and a petition read from the Council of Eramosa to improve the road between Wellington and Halton by the removal of a rocky knoll, the Halton Council to bear half the expense. The petition also drew attention to the road between Eramosa and Nichol, as well as that between Eramosa and West Garafraza. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

On motion of Mr. Rea, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, the by-law to assess the townships in aid of the public schools was read a third time and passed. A memorial was read from the Road Commissioner praying that the Council would pay \$21.50, incurred by them in building a bridge on the boundary line between Peel and Pilkington near the village of Alma. Referred to the Boundary Line Bridge Committee.

CONTINUED TO-MORROW. A Quebec paper says: - We believe we can state that, in their report, the Commissioners, who have made the inquiry into the administration of the Montreal Post Office, basing it upon their experience and upon the information obtained in the course of their labours, will recommend to the Government, the abolition of postage upon newspapers, the obligatory payment in advance for letters, and the free distribution of letters and papers at the houses of those to whom they are addressed, in large cities.

The Nor' Wester says that Riel is again among the electors of Provencher, canvassing, we have no doubt, to be elected again to the Dominion House. It seems he is bent on causing more trouble.

The N. Y. Chamber of Commerce has adopted resolutions strongly in favour of a liberal and just Reciprocity Treaty between Canada and the United States, as to commerce and navigation.

Mr. Edgar is expected in Ottawa in a few days to give an account of his mission to British Columbia. The Galt Reporter calls attention to the long delay which passengers from Hamilton for stations on the Branch have to put up with at Harrisburg when coming by the evening train. We have heard the same complaint from people in Guelph, and hope the Manager will remedy the evil.