

The Evening Mercury

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Business Cards.

FREDERICK BISCOE, Barrister and Attorney at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c. Guelph Office, corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets. dw

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK, Barrister at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, &c. Market Place, Guelph. Office entrance next door to the Queen's Hotel. dw

STEPHEN BOULT, Architect, Contractor and Builder, Planning Mill, and every kind of Joinery, Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec Street, Guelph. dw

GEORGE PALMER, Barrister and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer. Office, over E. Harvey and Co's Drug Store, Entrance on Macdonnell Street. dw

OLIVER & MACDONALD, Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph. dw

OLIVER, B. & MACDONALD, Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph. dw

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

D. GUTHRIE, W. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN, Guelph, March 1, 1872. dw

F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter GRAMER and PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. dw

JOHN KIRKHAM, Silver-Plater and Brass Finisher. All orders promptly attended to. Shop—opposite Chalmers Church, Quebec Street, Guelph. dw

F. H. PASS, Painter, Glazier and Paper Hanger. All orders promptly attended to. Residence—Two doors above St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, Feb. 26, 1872. dw

ROYAL HOTEL LIVERY STABLE. The subscriber begs to notify the public that he has purchased the above livery from Mr. Geo. W. Jessop, and will continue the business as heretofore, making such considerable improvements, he will be able at all times to meet the wants of the travelling public. First-class Turnouts ready at the shortest notice. Guelph, 6th Dec. 1871. W. J. WILSON. dw

O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL, IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET. Refitted in the latest fashion. Five latest styles Billiard Tables. dw

DOMINION SALOON. Fresh Oysters in every Style. The table supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner. At the Bar, the Choicest Brands of Liquors and Cigars. DENIS BUNYAN, Guelph, Nov. 21, 1872. dw

PARKERS HOTEL, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH. First-class accommodation for travellers. Comfortable stabling and an attentive hostler. The best of Liquors and Cigars at the bar. JAMES PARKER, Proprietor. Guelph, Feb. 6, 1872. dw

HART & SPEIRS, Conveyancers, Land, Loan, Insurance and General Agents. 4 Days Block, Guelph. dw

JESSOP & CORBET, General Insurance, Loan and Real Estate Agents. Office—OSTRICH BANK BUILDING GUELPH, ONT. Life, Fire and Accident Policies issued in first-class Companies on the most favourable terms. Several valuable farms and town property for sale on easy terms. \$5,200 to invest on first-class security. Parties requiring or desiring to invest money will find it to their advantage to give us a call. Charges moderate. JESSOP & CORBET, Ontario Bank Building, Guelph, Ont. dw

N. HIGINBOTHAM, Agent for the following first-class companies:—Royal Fire and Life, Scottish Imperial Fire and Life, Fire and Life, Agricultural Fire (Insured), Police Risk, Fire and Traveller's Life and Accident Insurance Company. Also, Agent for the Hamilton President Loan Society, one of the most liberal in Canada. No lawyer's fees charged. JESSOP & CORBET, Ontario Bank Building, Guelph, Ont. May 11, 1872. dw

NEW BAKERY. The Subscribers beg to notify the people of Guelph that they have started a new Bakery On Essex Street, one door south of Dr. Keating's, Where they will always have in stock a supply of bread of the first quality. Having secured the services of Mr. George Watson as baker, they feel assured in giving satisfaction. Bread and Flour promptly delivered in any part of the town. They hope by strict attention to business, and making bread of the best quality, to merit a share of public patronage. A. McPHAIL & Co. Guelph, March 12, 1872. dw

New Advertisements.

PAINTER WANTED.—Apply at once THAIN, ELLIOTT & Co. 18-3rd. dw

SERVANT WANTED.—Wanted immediately, a good active servant. Apply at this office. dw

FAMILY CARRIAGE FOR SALE.—Apply to R. S. Brodie, Mercury office, Guelph. dw

PIANO FOR SALE.—\$140 cash will purchase an excellent piano. Can be seen at the Royal Hotel, Guelph. dw

40 ACRES OF GOOD PASTURE IN TOWN TO RENT. RIVER upon one side of it. Apply at the Law Office of this morning. Mays, 1872. dw

DURHAM HILL.—The subscriber has a thoroughbred Durham Bull which will serve cows this season his farm is situated on the West Ward, Guelph. dw

DR. CLARK has resumed the practice of the profession. He will remain in his office, Quebec Street, every Wednesday and Saturday from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. for consultation. dw

BAND INSTRUMENTS FOR SALE. An E. Flat Cornet and B Flat Bass (silver) also a Brass Snare Drum (all new), formerly used in Lawrence's Cornet Band. Apply to Guelph, May 1st, 1872. dw

TO MASON.—Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a Stone Barn 10 x 60, on his Farm, York Road. Tenders received until the 25th of May. On the premises, open application to Mr. Cochran, York Road. dw

SHEEP LOT.—About three weeks ago, 12 in number, principally last year's lambs, and one old ewe with black mark over her eye, with lamb at foot. The flock will be liberally rewarded on application to Robert Cochran, York Road. dw

WOOLEN BAGS, CARD, OR FAIR WASTE.—Best cash price paid. Apply to SMITH & WILBY, 10-12-14 Adelaide St. East, Toronto. dw

THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH, rebuilt and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free equities to and from all trains. First-class liquors in connection. JAS. A. THORP, Proprietor, 16-17-19. dw

BEDDING-OUT PLANTS FOR SALE. Aster, Stocks, Balsams, Pinks, different varieties, Zinnias, &c. &c. Orders left with Mr. Hugh Walker, or Sam. Calver, Union Cemetery, will be promptly attended to. dw

TO MECHANICS AND OTHERS.—The subscriber has about 50 of the best tools in the West Ward, Guelph, which he is prepared to sell cheap and give a good title free from incumbrance. HENRY HATCH, Land & Loan Agent, Guelph. dw

FIRST-CLASS SAND FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers for sale, either at the pit, or delivered, when required, First-class Sand suitable for other Builders or Plasterers. Apply to John Ford, Paisley Block Road. dw

ICE, ICE. To be supplied daily in any part of the town. Leave your order with J. HARRIS, Baker and Confectioner, Market Square, Guelph, May 22, 1872. dw

NEW FANCY STORE. The subscriber begs to inform the public of Guelph and surrounding country that she is opening a Fancy Store. On the West Market Square, In Paul Gullen's old stand, where she will keep a choice stock of BERLIN WOOLS. She hopes that by strict attention to business, and studying the wants of the public, to merit a share of public patronage. MRS. MOVES, 3-6-8. dw

TO CONTRACTORS AND OTHERS. The subscriber keeps on hand Fresh Lime, Stone, Sand, Post, Lumber, &c. which will sell at reasonable prices to all who may favor him with their patronage. He also keeps teams on hand, to be let by the day or otherwise, at his residence near the G. T. station, where he will see to this new business in person in the usual way, and hopes to be patronized hereafter as he has been in the past. Orders promptly attended to. DENIS BUNYAN, Guelph, April 15th, 1872. dw

EXCELSIOR LAMP BOILER. Patented Jan., 1872. Safe, Simple and Economical! Saves Time and Trouble! Indispensable in the Sick-room or Nursery! No Family Should be without one! All orders taken by Mr. G. A. Coulson will be filled by E. Harvey & Co., Druggists, who will also keep on hand and for sale, the above Lamps. G. A. COULSON, Agent, Guelph, May 21, 1872. dw

ICE, ICE. The subscriber begs to inform the inhabitants of the Town of Guelph that he can supply them with ice, DELIVERED DAILY. At their houses, at a moderate charge. Parties leaving their orders for the same at Mr. John Webster's, Cork Street, or at Mr. Porter's confectionery store, Wyndham street, will be punctually attended to. RALPH SMITH, Guelph, April 24th, 1871. dw

GUELPH RIFLE ASSOCIATION. A rifle match, open to members of the G. R. A., will be held ON THE TWENTY-FOURTH INST. (THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY). At which \$25 will be distributed in ten prizes, 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$4; 3rd, \$3; 4th, \$2; and remaining prizes \$1 each. The match will commence at 9 o'clock a. m. sharp. Ranges 200 and 400 yards. Enfield or Snider Enfield Rifle, pull 6 lb., to sliding shots allowed on payment of ten cents each. Entrance fee 25 cents. Points any. Rules of the Association to govern. E. NEWTON, Secretary, Guelph, May 16-4th. dw

THE 30th BATTALION CUP will be shot for at one o'clock, Range, 90, 140 and 200 yards; 100 shots at each range; three men from each Company to compete. EDWIN NEWTON, Secretary.

THE CHATHAM merchants can ship hay to the farmers in Bruce, and sell it at a good profit. The trade is large, and is of a kind which has never taken place before.

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TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

The steam grist and saw mill occupied by Mr. Michael Trombaniser, township of Marlborough, was purchased on Saturday last by Col. Higinbotham for \$1,800.

FANCY STORE.—As will be seen by advertisement Mrs. Moves will open a fancy store in Paul Gullen's old stand, West Market Square, where she will keep a choice stock of wools, general fancy goods, &c.

ANNUAL PICNIC.—It is proposed to hold the annual picnic in aid of St. Joseph's Hospital this year on Dominion Day, and the Council at its last meeting was petitioned for the use of the Exhibition Grounds, if the lessee consents to grant them for that day.

A FOOT DRAM.—A correspondent requests us to call the attention of the Board of Health to a drain on the recently opened street between Macdonnell Street and the West Market Square, which keeps the crossing for most of the time muddy, and gives out anything but a healthy odour.

WELCOME GUEST.—This is a new literary monthly magazine, published by the "Pulse" Publishing Company, Toronto. Its contents are all of the choicest character and will be read with interest by every member of the family into which the "Welcome Guest" finds its way. Price only 15 cts. a number and \$1.50 a year.

SEARCHER OF AN ILLEGIT DISTILLERY.—We are informed that Mr. James Gault, Collector of Inland Revenue, Guelph, assisted by Constable Nichols, seized an illicit distillery yesterday on the banks of the Grand River, Township of Waterloo, near the village of Bloomingdale, on the farm Mr. Benjamin Snider. The proprietors are said to be Messrs. Teff and Smith.

COMPLEMENTARY RESOLUTION.—At the last Quarterly Official meeting of the Guelph Board of Health, on the 6th inst., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—Moved by Bro. John Campbell seconded by Bro. William Tindall, and resolved that the Quarterly Board cannot allow this opportunity to pass without giving expression to its entire satisfaction with the labours of our esteemed pastor, the Rev. J. G. Laird, for the two years now closing, and our confidence in his christian character; also requesting that he be re-appointed another year. Geo. MOSKOW, Sec. Steward.

LECTURE LAST NIGHT.—The Rev. Mr. Ely's lecture on Bohemia, in the Wesleyan Church on Tuesday night, was well attended. The lecturer gave an interesting sketch of the history of Bohemia, the habits and customs of the people, an account of the religious struggles between the two races who inhabit the country, the difficulties that the followers of Huss had to contend with, and the present condition of the country. The lecture was listened to with the greatest attention, and a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer at the close. The church was occupied by the Rev. Mr. Laird.

HORRIBLE ACCIDENT NEAR MR. FOREST'S MASS' HEAD SAWYER OFF.—A young man named Gilson met with a horrible death on Monday evening at Lamont's saw-mill in Egrement. In the absence of the tail sawyer, he undertook to remove a newly-sawn plank from the gear, but instead of drawing it off in the usual way, he took hold of it at the middle, and in attempting to turn it round, it came in contact with the saw, drawing him in with it, and instantly severing his head and one of his legs from the body. The unfortunate young man was a member of the Mount Forest Rifle Company, and was well known to be a person of steady and industrious habits.

THE CAMP AT WINDSOR.—As stated before the 30th Brigade will form part of the two brigades which compose the First Military District, and which will go into camp at Windsor on the 19th June. We understand that Major McMillan, of the 30th Battalion, has been appointed Brigade Major for the Second Brigade, Col. Ross, of Guelph, commanding District Adjutant, General Taylor commands the First Brigade, with Major Sergeant acting as Brigade Major. We congratulate Major McMillan on his appointment. We also understand that the ten companies composing the 30th Battalion have their full complement of men, and will number over 500 strong, forming the largest battalion, except one, in the Dominion.

New Hose.—On Tuesday evening the Fire Company had out the engine for the purpose of testing the two new lengths of hose procured from Messrs. McLaren and Buchanan & Co., Montreal, respectively. They are both English made, leather case, single rivetted (McLaren's in a 2 1/2-in. style) and warranted to stand a pressure of 100 lbs per inch. They were both subjected to severe tests; in each case a knot was tied on the end of the hose, and a pressure equal to 95 lbs. was satisfactorily withstood. We understand that the ordinary working pressure of the engine rarely exceeds 75 lbs, so that it may confidently be anticipated that which of the two kinds of hose may be selected by the Fire and Water Department, it will prove equal to the task imposed on it. McLaren's hose is Canadian made; Buchanan & Co's is imported English. There were several of the Council, including the Mayor, present during the testing operation, as well as a considerable crowd of citizens, some of whom got a "happi-m" far from enjoyable as well as pleasant, on so cool an evening. The East end of the Market place bears lively evidence that a deluge must have recently occurred in that vicinity.

James Saxon, a respectable farmer in the neighbourhood of Vienna, shot himself through the heart on Monday night, about seven o'clock, with a revolver. He was about 20 years of age, sober, industrious and highly respected. His motive for doing the rash act is not known.

The Chatham merchants can ship hay to the farmers in Bruce, and sell it at a good profit. The trade is large, and is of a kind which has never taken place before.

Local and Other Items.

THE MARKET.—To-day (Wednesday), wheat is somewhat lower, the English market having a drooping tendency. Potatoes seem in plentiful supply, with quotations easier, having declined 3c. per bag since yesterday—72c. being to-day the outside ruling figure for excellent Garnet Chilis. Wool is as yet but in very limited supply, and therefore dealers say they cannot quote prices with anything like precision. One lot was brought to-day at 47c per lb., but we were informed that it was "lumpy" and not what marketable wool should be. It is quite current that high prices have some time ago been offered and accepted by some of our farmers, but it is generally believed that the expectations of so high a price as were then formed are not likely to be realized. We can discover nothing in our exchanges relative to the wool market that would indicate in the slightest what is likely to be the ruling figure for this staple commodity during the ensuing season.

EXTRAORDINARY SHOOTING.—Mr Edward Ross and Captain Fenton shot recently to decide a tie for the National Rifle Association Cup. The match took place at Weston Park, Leicestershire, the residence of Sir Henry Holford. The agreement was for five 100 shots—50 at 200 and 50 at 600 yards. The following is the remarkable score of the second day:—

Ross—44444444444444444444—98
Fenton—44444444444444444444—95
E. Ross—44444444444444444444—98
F. Ross—44444444444444444444—91

At the 600 yards Mr. Ross fired once without a bullet, which will account for the cipher in the score and the extra shot. The match resulted in a victory for this young gentleman. It will be seen that the score is unprecedented, and an honour to a family celebrated for good shooting.

THE LABOR DIFFICULTY IN GALT.—We are glad to learn from the *Reformer* that the difficulty between Messrs. Galt, McCulloch & Co. and their men is in a fair way to be settled. The offensive document has been withdrawn, and about three-fourths of the men have returned to work under the shop regulations adopted by the Master's Association. A number have left the town altogether, and others who are yet unemployed have set on foot a movement to organize a joint stock company for the purpose of purchasing the Galt Foundry and Agricultural Works, on North Water Street, owned by Lutz & Co. The capital will be raised in shares of \$100 each, consisting of which will be taken up by the men themselves and the remainder by some of the wealthiest capitalists in Galt. Should the project succeed the buildings and plant will be increased and improved in order that steam engines, saw mill and agricultural implements, and all most carrying on, repairing attended to and such arrangements made as will meet the wants of the public. Such an establishment will employ a large number of hands, and prove a valuable addition to the manufactures of Galt.

ELEVEN PERSONS POISONED IN GALT AND PRESTON.—On Thursday last a number of persons in the family of Mr. Chas. Ross, Preston, were suddenly taken unwell, and the symptoms became in some cases very alarming. All were seized with vomiting or violent action on the stomach, and one or two with cramps in the stomach and pains throughout the body. The symptoms were such as to cause the belief that they had been poisoned by some means, but what it was they could not tell. During the afternoon a quantity of butter milk which had been churned in the house was brought to Galt, and left at the house of Mr. Martin Andrich, who is also a connection of the family. About half-a-dozen partook of it, and in two hours the whole of them were seized with vomiting, purging and cramps. Mr. and Mrs. Andrich, a brother of Mr. A., and two hired men were thus affected, when Dr. Brown arrived. Mr. H. Andrich was in an extremely dangerous condition. None of the cases have proved fatal, but all more or less feel the effects of the poisoning. There can be no doubt but that some poisonous substance had found its way into the milk. Analysis of the butter milk by Dr. Brown and Mr. H. Miller has shown no traces of poison, but the microscope reveals large numbers of animalcules, which have doubtless been developed by churning, as the skimmed milk has been used quite freely without injurious effects.—*Reformer.*

NEWS ITEMS.

The Montreal journals say that about thirty vessels have already been chartered to carry timber from that port to South America this season.

What with the Alabama "claims" the Fenian "claims," and the Tichborne "claimant," this generation will probably be known to history as the claimant millennium.

The Curmaid line has lost its first boat in 30 years—the *Tripoli*, off the coast of Ireland.

It is rumored that Toronto will get an additional member at the re-distribution of seats.

Petroleum has been discovered in Nova Scotia, oozing from the rocks in certain localities, and a well bored struck an oil vein at a depth of 758 feet. Considerable excitement exists in the neighborhood.

India is going to erect a monument to the memory of Lord Mayo. £20,000 have already been subscribed for the purpose.

The Toronto Police Force is getting filled up again. There are now 60 in it.

Miss Macpherson, with ninety-nine boys and girls, ex the *Prussian*, arrived at the St. George's Home, Montreal, on Tuesday morning. The party are in excellent health.

The grub has been destroying a number of the blossoms on fruit trees about Galt.

The annual general assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church will be held in Knox Church, Hamilton, on Tuesday, the 4th June.

Forty-seven thousand persons die annually in England of consumption, which the London *Telegraph* calls "a scourge, compared to which cholera is a jest and war a diversion."

THE MISSOURI MURDER.

Phoebe Campbell Confesses Her Guilt and Implicates Coyle.

(From the London Advertiser.)

The city was somewhat excited on Monday morning over the report that Mrs. Phoebe Campbell, under sentence of death in the jail here for the murder of her husband, had made a written confession of her guilt, acknowledging that she had taken an active part in the murder of her husband, and also charging Thomas Coyle with assisting her to accomplish the horrid deed.

The inquiry at the jail, and of the head of the prison, proved the truth of the rumor. It appears that the unfortunate criminal had of late been hovering between the promptings of her conscience to disclose the facts of the murder for which she has been condemned to suffer, or maintaining the deep-seated resolution which has enabled her from the first to persist in her innocence, and which still urges her to carry the dreadful secret to the grave. Under the spiritual ministrations of Rev. Canon Innes she was brought to adopt the former course, and on Saturday evening she handed the Sheriff, in her own writing, a statement which she alleges is a correct account of the murder of her husband. She had in the first place made a verbal confession to the same gentleman, and at their request committed it to writing. The document is in writing of the prisoner, and consists of eight pages of foolscap. It is not addressed to any one, and the confession is a plain statement in her own words, and not in the regular form of a confession as recognized by the law. Although the story told is plausible enough, it does not satisfy the minds of those who are intimate with the circumstances of the murder, as gathered by the appearance of the body and the condition of the premises after the crime had been committed. The many contradictory statements of the condemned woman also go to throw doubts on the accuracy of what might otherwise be accepted as a full, free and truthful confession, so that the statement is not by any means to be accepted as containing the whole truth. Such as it is, we are enabled to give it for public perusal, with the caution that people should not permit themselves to be unduly prejudiced by the accusations contained therein against the prisoner Coyle, who has yet to be brought to trial for the same crime.

Mrs. Campbell commences her confession by offering as an excuse for her action that her husband was exceedingly jealous of her and would not allow her the liberty she desired. She had made frequent complaints of this, and Coyle took her part. As a result a close intimacy arose between them, and finally Coyle asked her if he would give her her liberty would she marry him. She assented, and they at once set to work to plan a method for putting Campbell out of the way. This occurred some two months before the murder took place. The plan decided upon was to poison her husband's food. For this purpose poison was obtained, but she grew too frightened to use it, and this plan was abandoned. They then determined to shoot him, and Coyle went to St. Mary's and purchased a pistol—the thing occurred some two months before the murder took place. The plan decided upon was to have been committed on the night of Wednesday, the 12th of July. Mrs. Campbell was to sit up after George had gone to bed and let Coyle in. But she again became frightened, and retired with her husband. The next day she saw Coyle. He said he had been to the house the night before, and wanted to know why she did not let him in. She told the reason, and they arranged for the crime on the Friday night. That night, she says, her husband sat down with the family as usual, read his Bible and said prayer. He and the children then went to bed, about 10 o'clock, while Mrs. Campbell, to do some mending, sat up. About 11 o'clock she heard a noise, and went outside to meet him, and they conversed for some time regarding the matter. They went together. Coyle stepped up to the bed and attempted to fire the pistol. The cap snapped but the pistol would not go off. Her husband still slept soundly. The two then talked over the subject and finally decided to resort to the use of the axe. Coyle got it under the cupboard and going to the side of the bed, struck Campbell a heavy blow with the back of the axe which she thought disabled his arm and enabled Coyle to master him. He instantly jumped up and clutched Campbell's throat with it. This she said she could not do, and Coyle taking the knife from her hand drew it across George's throat. Almost immediately after Campbell fell to the floor and died. He appeared to die very hard, and Coyle, fearing he might recover, took the axe again and chopped him across the head and face. The whole affair took place in the dark, and no light was in the house until shortly after the deed was done. Coyle lit a match to see if there was any blood on his face. He then went outside and washed himself. He did not stay long in the house afterward, but made his way back to McWain's about two o'clock. She went to bed at that night. She sat up in the room till toward morning, and gave the alarm as she previously stated. She says that Coyle got out of his bedroom window to come over to the house, and that shortly after the murder his clothes were burned, because there he family knew of their plan or intention to put George out of the way. She is positive on this point, and blames only herself and Thomas Coyle. The document was signed "Phoebe Campbell."

During the small-pox in South Norwick, a couple of months ago, it being in the inn kept by a Mr. Southwick, who keeps a few animals for exhibition, a monkey being of the number, caught that disease and went through "its stages as regularly" as Pat would say, "as a Christian." Poor Pug is quite convalescent, and as full of monkey shins as ever.

The *Galt Reformer* referring to Mr. W. Clary having purchased Mr. John A. Good's grocery stock in Galt says:—"Mr. Clary has been its manager since the business was started, and besides being a first-class and thoroughly competent man is highly popular among his customers."

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, May 20.

Mr. Sturton asked when they might expect the return to an address he had moved respecting the number of immigrants passing over Dawson's road and the expense connected therewith.

Hon. Mr. Langevin said he supposed the return was being prepared.

Hon. Mr. Gray asked if it were the intention of the Government to include in the estimates for the ensuing year any provision for subsidizing a line of steamers to the British and foreign West Indies, Brazil, and Mexico, as recommended by the Commission in the report to the Government in 1866.

Hon. Mr. Langevin said the Government had done nothing; but the question had not been lost sight of since the report of the West India Commission; and the conclusion the Government had come to was this: That during the recess the Canadian Government would ascertain if the Governments of the British and Spanish West Indies were prepared to aid in establishing a line of lines of steamers plying between Canada and the West Indies; and if they were prepared to do so, the Government would come down next session and ask Parliament to do our share towards subsidizing such a line of steamers. It was understood that Sir Hugh Allan would be disposed to run a steamship on this route twice a month for a subsidy of £1,000 sterling per trip.

Mr. Young moved for a return of the correspondence respecting the recognition by Great Britain of German and other naturalized citizens as British subjects.

Mr. Sturton moved for a copy of the estimates submitted to the Board of the Intercolonial Railway Commissioners by the Chief Engineer, Carleton Place.

Mr. Ross (Dundas) moved that the House go into Committee to consider certain resolutions for the purpose of imposing duty on hay, oats, and Indian corn imported into this country.

The Speaker ruled the motion of order, as a private member of the House could not propose to consider a question of the imposition of duties.

Mr. Stephenson moved for correspondence relating to the seizure by the United States Customs Officials of the steam tug and barge, the property of Mr. Hiram Little.

Some discussion took place in regard to the question which arose out of this in reference to the right of Canada to the St. Clair Falls and the canal through it.

Mr. Stephenson considered the canal within Canadian Territory, and said it was important to have the matter settled as speedily as possible.

Sir J. A. Macdonald said, as the Washington Treaty settled the question of boundary along with navigation, it would not be affected by war between the United States and Great Britain.

OTTAWA, May 21.

The House went into Committee on the Bill to carry into effect the provisions of the Washington Treaty, and it was reported without amendment. The Bill was then read a third time and passed. The Bank Bill was also passed in committee, and read a third time.

On the motion of Sir F. Hincks, the House went into Committee to consider the following resolution:—

That it is expedient that all the duties of customs, whether specific or *ad valorem*, now payable on tea or coffee, should be repealed upon, from and after the 1st of July next. Carried.

A Bill founded on the above resolution was then introduced.

The House went into Committee of Supply, when a number of items were passed.

The Geological Survey Bill was read a third time and passed.

Guelph Township Council.

The above Council met for general business and as a Court of Revision on the 20th inst., pursuant to adjournment, James Laflamme, Esq., being in the chair. Present—Messrs. Beaumont, Darby, Hayes, and Sweetman. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The following accounts were presented and ordered to be paid:—From Mr. Cooper, for staking site of new bridge on the Town Line between Guelph and Eramosa, \$6. The Reeve read a communication from Messrs. Walker, Sage, Robert H. Snider and W. H. Likens, claiming payment of the reward offered for apprehending John Wilson, who has been convicted of the crime for which the reward was offered. A communication was also read from Jonathan Kelly, Chief Constable, claiming the same reward. The applications were referred to the Reeve to grant his order on the Treasurer for the amount of reward offered, upon ascertaining which party is properly entitled to receive the same. The Clerk presented a communication from the Clerk of the Township of Eramosa relating to a certain amount of personal property belonging to Messrs. T. & H. Carter, in Eramosa, purchased from Mr. Joseph Carter, of this Township, and requesting the Council to strike the same off the Assessment Roll of this Township. As the Council of Eramosa met on the 13th a reply was sent by the Clerk, which was read and met with the approval of the Council. The Clerk presented a circular from the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works, requesting information as to what number of emigrants would be likely to find employment in this municipality. Referred to the Reeve to forward a reply. The Reeve read a petition from George B. Hood and others, requesting some allowance to be made for travelling and otherwise improving that portion of road known as "Seroggie's Swamp." Referred to B. & C. Mr. Darby, in accordance with notice given at last meeting of Council, introduced a By-Law for the stopping up and sale of that portion of road allowance between the Fergus Road and the Township Line of Nichol. Said By-Law was then read a first and second time. Moved by Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Hayes, that the Clerk be instructed to have the necessary notices printed and posted up, and published in the Guelph Mercury, of the By-Law for the stopping up and sale of the road allowance between Lot No. 1 in the 12th Con., Div. C., and Lots 27, 28 and 29 in the 1st Con., Div. D. Carried. The Council then proceeded to fill up the Pathmasters' Schedules with the proportionate amount of labour to be performed in the several road divisions, and the Clerk was instructed to forward them to the Pathmasters. On motion made by Mr. Darby, the Council was resolved into a Court of Revision. The following applications were presented for alteration on the Assessment Roll:—From Solomon Dawson, stating that he had purchased