

# Guelph Evening Mercury

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PRICE ONE PENNY

## Business Cards.

**F. STURDY,**  
House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter  
GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER.

Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**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. Having made 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. dt W. J. WILSON.

**O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL,**

IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

Refritted in the latest fashion. Five latest styles Phelan Tables.

**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 will be found the Choicest Brands of Liquors and Cigars.

DENIS BUNYAN,  
Guelph, Nov. 21, 1871.

**SODEN'S PUBLIC CAB.**

The subscriber having purchased Mr. D. Coffey's splendid Cab, begs to inform the public that it will be at their service at all times, either by the hour, the day, or any other way, at the most moderate charges.

It will attend all the regular trams, also Concert and Balls, and can be engaged for Marriages or Funerals on the shortest notice.

Order plates kindly permitted at Mr. Harvey's Drug Store, Parker's Hotel, and Howers' Western Hotel.

A careful and steady driver always with the Cab. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited.

Orders may also be left at the Owner's Grocery Store, Upper Wyndham Street, Oct. 10, 1871.

R. SODEN.

**DUIGNAN'S PUBLIC CAB.**

The Subscriber begs to inform the people of Guelph that he has purchased a handsome and commodious Cab, which will always be at their service.

He will be at the Railway Stations on the arrival of all trains.

Parties wishing to hire by the hour or otherwise will be charged the most reasonable rates.

As he will make it his study to see to the comfort of all passengers he hopes to receive a share of public patronage.

Orders left at the Express Office, Mr. Hugh Walker's, and at the Post Office will be promptly attended to.

Sept. 4, 1871. do JOHN DUIGNAN.

**RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES**

Family Sewing Machine (single thread); Hand Lock Stitch (double thread); No. 1, Foot Power, etc.; No. 2, for heavy work.

Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

CHARLES RAYMOND,  
GUELPH, ONT. dwly  
July 12, 1871

**PARKER'S HOTEL,**

DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH

First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler.

The best of Liquors and Cigars at the bar. JAMES PARKER, Proprietor.

Guelph, Feb. 6, 1872. dwly

**PRIZE DENTISTRY.**

DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL,

Licentiate of Dental Surgery. Established 1864. Office next door to the "Advertiser" of Guelph.

Residence opposite Mr. Bond's Factory, Quebec Street. Teeth extracted without pain.

References, Drs. Clarke, Tuck, McGuire, Herod, McGregor, and C. Graham, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan and Pridie, Toronto; Drs. Elliott & Meyers, Dentists, Toronto. dw

**W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S.,**

**SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.**

Offices over E. Harvey & Co's Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts. Guelph.

Uses Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable.

References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod, Clarke, Tuck, McGuire, Keating, Cowan and McGregor, Guelph; W. C. Graham, Dentist, Brampton.

**NEW MILLINERY SHOW ROOMS.**

**MISS ELLIS**

Begs to inform the public that she has just received a fresh lot of

**MILLINERY GOODS**

In all the latest styles, and respectfully solicits an early call.

One door east of the Royal Hotel. Guelph, Oct. 5, 1871. do

**ELECTRO AND CARRIAGE-PLATING SHOP.**

The undersigned begs to inform the public that he has purchased the business of the late E. J. Robinson, and that he intends to carry it on in all its branches. Prices, etc., as usual. Small articles plated from 15 cents and upwards. Country orders promptly attended to. He has also moved his

**New Machine & Repairing Shop**

To the same premises, where all orders in that line will be promptly attended to.

JOHN KIRKHAM,  
Guelph, Jan. 10, 1872. dtf

**THORP'S LIVERY STABLE**

STILL IN OPERATION

**AT THE OLD STAND**

First-class horses and rigs can be had at all hours by applying at the Stable, opposite the Grand Trunk Railway Station.

## New Advertisements.

**MONEY, MONEY, MONEY!**  
To lend, at reasonable rates, on security of real property, in sums to suit borrowers. Apply to GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTLER, Guelph, Dec. 27, 1871. 3md

**APPRENTICE WANTED.**—Wanted immediately a good stout boy to learn the printing business. Must be a good scholar. Apply at this office. dw

**BLACKSMITH WANTED IMMEDIATELY.**—Good wages and steady employment to a competent man. Apply to James Laing, Blacksmith, Morrison. dtw

**FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.**—Convenient to the Great Western station, Lots 53 and 54 being corner Lots well fenced and a good dwelling house on each lot, with stable and pump. For further particulars apply to JAMES McDONALD on the premises or at this office. Title perfect. Feb. 22-1mdw

**TANNERY FOR SALE OR TO RENT.**

The subscriber will either sell or rent his Tannery, on Surrey Street, Guelph. Possession given on the 1st of March. Apply, on the premises, to JAMES CLARKE, Proprietor, Guelph, Jan. 9, 1872. dtw

**LOTS FOR SALE IN THE TOWN OF GUELPH.**—Lots from 9 to 22, being the front on the Elora Road of the Catholic Church Glebe, in lots to suit purchasers. For terms and particulars of sale, apply to Messrs. McMillan & O'Connor, Barristers, Nos. 8 and 9, Day's Block, Guelph. j19-dw

**LOOK HERE.**

Owners having horses suffering on Ring Bone, Bone Spavin, Blood Spavin, Curbs, Splints, &c., can have these enlargements effectually removed in a very short space of time and at small expense by applying to

JOSEPH HITCHCOCK, Union Hotel, Guelph, Jan. 31st, 1872. dtw

**THOROUGH-BRED BULLS FOR SALE.**—For sale two thorough-bred Durham Bulls, one a year and nine months old, the other eleven months old. Pedigree of both unexceptionable. One a nice roan and the other dark red. JAMES HOLTON, Lot 15, 4th Con., Etanosh. Feb. 21-4d

**FARM FOR SALE.**—Being the north-west half of Lot 99, Con. C, Township of Minto, containing 60 acres, from 40 to 45 acres cleared. There are two never failing spring creeks crossing the farm. Situated on the gravel road, three miles from the flourishing village of Harriston. For terms, apply to Alex. McNeil, Harriston, or the subscriber, on the premises. Feb. 5, 1872. dtf wt MAL. MILLOY.

**ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY.**

The sixth annual meeting of the Guelph St. Patrick's Benevolent Society, will be held at the Albion Hotel, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th inst., at 7:30 p.m., for the election of officers, and the transaction of other business.

By order of the President, E. O'CONNOR, Secretary, Guelph, Feb. 21, 1872. dtw1

**SALE OF TOLL HOUSES.**

The Commissioners of the Elora and Sauganaw Roads, from the Junction to Rosworth, will offer at Public Auction,

ON FRIDAY, 1st MARCH, 1872

The toll houses on said Road, at the following places, viz:

Toll houses, Nos. 4 and 5, at Steele's Hotel, Village of Apsan, at 1 o'clock, p.m.

Nos. 2 and 3, at Biggar's Hotel, Elora, at 3 o'clock, p.m.

HUGH ROBERTS, Chairman Com., Feb. 14th, 1872. dtw

**JOHN MACDONALD & CO.**

TORONTO,

Are now opening out the Largest and Choicest Stock of

**SPRING GOODS**

They have ever Imported.

Purchased before the advance in prices.

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.**

**A. H. R. KENNEDY'S**

**Flour and Feed Store.**

Call and leave your orders with A. H. R. KENNEDY if you want the best

**Flour, Potatoes and Feed**

of all kinds, as cheap as any in the town, and always delivered to any part of the town when required.

Also, a fine lot of wheat, oats and peas, for seed.

Remember the stand—Anderson's new buildings, next door to Wm. Suley's tinsmith, West Market Square. (Feb 15-16w)

**PLASTER, PLASTER!**

Just Received

**600 Tons Fresh Ground Plaster!**

Paris and Caledonia. Also a large quantity of Land Salt and Seed Grain.

For sale at the Montreal Warehouse, below the Railway Crossing. G. BALKWILL, dw3m

**NEW BOILER and REPAIR SHOP**

The undersigned have opened a Boiler and Repair Shop

**IN GUELPH.**

Having had twenty-five years experience at the business, they feel confident they can satisfy any one who will favor them with their orders, either on new or old work.

Steam Boilers, Oil Tanks, Stills, Sheet Iron Shutters, Iron Doors, Smoke Stacks, and Sheet Iron Work of every description furnished on the shortest notice.

Particular attention paid to repair jobs of all kinds.

All orders left at Ellis' North American Hotel will be attended to.

W. M. FOSTER, Proprietor.

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THURSDAY EVEN'G, FEB. 22, 1872.

**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**

**Grand Trunk Railway**

Trains leave Guelph as follows:

WEST

4:22 a.m.; 9:50 a.m.; 6 p.m.; 8:30 p.m. To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin.

EAST

8:15 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:04 a.m.; 8:45 p.m. The 1:55 p.m. and 6:50 p.m. trains are cancelled.

**Great Western—Guelph Branch**

Going South—6:50 a.m., 1:05 p.m., 1:40 p.m. for Hamilton; 4:55 p.m.

Going North—11:45 a.m. for Chifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Chifford; 4:55 p.m. for Fergus; 9:05 p.m. for Fergus.

**Town and County News**

**THE RAILWAY CAMPAIGN.**—Mr. Sturton M. P., left to-day to take part in the railway campaign in Bruce.

**THE PAINTERS OF HAMILTON** have agreed not to ask a reduction of time to nine hours, but to ask for an increase in wages.

**THE LECTURE TO-NIGHT.**—Remember the lecture to-night by Rev. Mr. McColl in Knox Church on "Hugh Miller," under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

**KICKED BY A HORSE.**—On Sunday last Walter Linton, son of Mr. W. Linton, near New Aberdeen, was kicked by a colt on the abdomen, and died the following day from the effects of the blow.

**ACCIDENT IN PAISLEY BLOCK.**—One of the men in the employment of Mr. John Hobson has received such severe injuries from the kick of a horse, that it is feared they will prove fatal.

**LUCAS** had a necktie party a few evenings ago; 200 people wore neckties on that occasion. We very often see more than 200 people here with neckties on, and the sight is not considered a party either.

**GREAT SALE.**—Mr. G. B. Fraser will commence a great clearing sale on the 24th. The stock will be offered at less than the goods can be manufactured. Intending buyers should keep in mind this great sale. See advt.

**MR. JAMES LOGHRIE.**—It is with feelings of great regret we learn to-day that Mr. Jas. Loghrie, one of the oldest and most esteemed settlers in this section, is lying dangerously ill of inflammation, and with but faint hopes of his recovery.

**FAIR IN HILLSBURG.**—As will be seen by advertisement a bi-monthly Fair will be hereafter held in the village of Hillsburg on the second Tuesday of March, May, July, September, November and January. Hillsburg is a good point for a fair, and we hope and believe it to be started next month will be a success.

**FIRE IN HARRISTON.**—Markle's Royal Hotel was burned to the ground on Wednesday afternoon. The contents were nearly all saved. The fire started in the kitchen chimney, which is believed to have burst, and the wind was so high that all efforts could not save the building. The insurance is \$2,000, in the Gore Mutual and Provincial. The loss is not known yet.

**GETTING ALARMED.**—"The local" of the London Free Press is evidently becoming alarmed. Hear him:—"With dread forebodings view the advent of the fatal 29th, when proposals may come from the fairer portion of creation; and all those who can are making preparations and packing their trunks, so as to be able to flee away to the wilderness of Nisour or the mountains of Hepsidam a few days before hand."

**GRAND ORANGE LODGE.**—The Grand Orange Lodge, to the number of 400 met at St. Catharines on Wednesday, and marched in procession to church. Dr. Lett preached a sermon in aid of the Orphans' Home. It is said that the Grand Lodge has passed unanimous resolutions thanking the Ontario Government for their conduct in the Scott's Hill. Assistant Grand Secretary; James H. Bessey, of Grantham, Grand Treasurer; Thomas R. Brownlee, of St. Catharines, G. D. C.

**SABBATH SCHOOL MEETING.**—The anniversary meeting of the children attending the Sabbath School of the First Congregational Presbyterian Church was held on Wednesday night in the Town Hall. There was a large attendance of young people, besides a number of the parents and others interested in the Sabbath School. The ladies of the congregation provided an excellent tea for the young folks, to which they did ample justice. They then adjourned to the Hall, where suitable addresses were given by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Torrance, by the Rev. Messrs. Hogg, Wardrop and Clarke, Mr. Savage, the Superintendent, and Mr. Clowe. At intervals during the evening the young people sang some hymns very nicely under the leadership of Mr. Anderson. The meeting, which was of a very pleasant character, was brought to a close at a seasonable hour.

**PRINCE EDWARD.**—A large and influential mass meeting of the Liberal electors of the County of Prince Edward was held in the Town Hall, Pictou on Wednesday, for the purpose of selecting a candidate to represent their interests at the approaching election for the House of Commons. The meeting was unanimous in the choice of Mr. Walter Ross, the present

## Attempted Rape Case in Pilkington.

The Prisoner Committed for Trial.

Chief Constable Kelly arrested and brought into town last (Wednesday) night a young man who gave his name as Levi Gillies, on a charge of committing an indecent assault, with intent, on the person of Mrs. Elizabeth Husson, wife of one of the section men on the W. G. & B. Railway, in the Township of Pilkington, about four miles from Elora. Prisoner is a young man, very ragged in his clothes, and has the appearance of being somewhat weak in the intellect. He says he belongs to Tilsburg, and had been working on the railway.

He was brought before the Police Magistrate this (Thursday) morning, when the following witnesses were examined: Elizabeth Husson, being sworn said:—Lives in the Township of Pilkington near the track of the W. G. & B. Railway; know the prisoner by sight; never saw him before yesterday; am a married woman; have no family; prisoner came to my house yesterday about a quarter to 12 noon; he came down the railroad from Elora; he knocked at the door, and when I opened it he asked for a drink; after that he said he would wait till the train passed; he stood at the door, and after some time came in; did not invite him in; he leaned against the wall after he came in; after a while he asked for a needle to mend his coat; I gave him one; he then stood up beside the stove; I was attending to my own work all this time; he remained at the stove for a time, then he caught me as I was coming from the door; had got alarmed and went and looked out to see if I could see any one; he caught me as I was returning by the shoulder; we struggled; can't remember whether he said anything or not during the struggle; he then threw me down on the floor; I began to scream; he told me he would shoot me if I made any noise; had no weapon with him that I saw. Witness then described how prisoner tried to effect his purpose; he did not succeed in his object owing to the resistance I made; I begged him to let me go; after a little he got up, when I went out and ran to Mrs. Nickinson across one field; my husband was away at the time working on the railway; Mrs. Nickinson sent her son after my husband; I returned to my own house with her; she remained with me till he came; I informed him of what had happened as soon as he came home, in Mrs. Nickinson's presence; he at once went in search of the prisoner, whom I saw going down the track towards Guelph; he felt very sore from the shoulder to the small of the back; my neck is also very sore, being the effect of the prisoner's assault on me; knew nothing of the prisoner before; there was no one in the house at the time he made his attempt. Matilda Nickinson, sworn, said she was a widow, and near neighbor to Mrs. Husson. Have known her for a year. She bears a very respectable character. When she came to me yesterday she was in a dreadful state, and in great distress. She was crying. She told me that there was a man came into her house and tried to commit a rape on her. I accompanied her to her house, went from that place, and sent my son for her husband. Then returned to her house, and stayed till her husband came. Her husband came in about two o'clock. She informed him of what had happened in my presence. He took his coat, and along with my son, started down the railway in search of the prisoner. Never saw the prisoner before. Edward Osborn, being sworn, said, as he was going to Elora on Wednesday forenoon he met the prisoner going down the track the way of Mrs. Husson's house. From the time I saw him, prisoner had plenty of time to be at her house at the time she named. The charge was then read over to the prisoner, and he was asked whether or not he was guilty. He did not seem to understand its nature, but replied he was subject to it, and "if they said it was so, he supposed it was."

He was then committed to stand his trial.

**THE PRISONER'S MANTLE, BEING SCENES FROM THE LIFE OF ELISHA, THE SON OF SHAPAT, BY THE REV. JAMES MURRAY, OF OLD CUMNOCK.**—Such is the title of a handsome little volume, which has reached us through a friend from Scotland, and which, on account of its excellence, we wish may be introduced to our readers and extensively circulated among them. In a series of eighteen chapters, it discusses the public course of the successor of the great Elijah, under such titles as "At Abel-meholah," "Beyond the Jordan," "The Widow's Pot of Oil," "Hard Times," "John, the Son of Nimsi," &c., and states the practical lessons to be learned from his history. The style is pure and simple, the portrait of the prophet accurately drawn, and, altogether, the book supplies a place which had not been previously occupied even by the work of Dr. Krummacher. It has been favorably reviewed by the press in the old country; and is well worthy of a place not only in every Sabbath School Library, but in every household.

**A female Justice of the Peace in Wyoming** has kept herself in pin money for some time past by fining her husband in her official capacity whenever he committed a domestic contempt of court.

**An Anti-Low Neck Association** has been started in England by a Boston woman.

**Horseflesh**, says the Paris papers,

## BY TELEGRAPH

**THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES**

**Fire in St. Paul.**

**Meeting in Milwaukee.**

**Latest from Mexico.**

**Alabama Claims Question.**

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 21.—The loss occasioned by the burning of the machine shops and engine house of the St. Paul & Sioux City Railway at Shakopee yesterday morning was over \$100,000, of which there was an insurance of but \$30,000.

Havana, Feb. 21.—Advices from the City of Mexico, up to the 15th inst., state that the supporters of Juarez were confident, but that the revolutionists seemed to be greatly encouraged by their early success in the north. Military law has been declared in the States of Jalisco and Jalisco, where the Government troops had suffered some reverses. The execution of the revolutionary chiefs is continued. At the latest advices all the States except Chihuahua and Mexico were affected by the revolution.

London, Feb. 22, 6 a. m.—The excitement over the Alabama claims is rapidly subsiding. The Times, alone of this morning's papers, discusses the subject, and urges a diplomatic solution of the question. It is understood that John Bright approves the conduct of the Government in the controversy.

The Daily Telegraph pronounces the report of Lord Northbrook's appointment to the Governor-Generalship of India premature.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 21.—Baron Von Offenbergh, new minister to the United States, will soon proceed to Washington.

Milwaukee, Feb. 21.—At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to-day the Lake Cable Committee made a final report, in which the project was strongly recommended in view of the great railroad interests now centering at Grand Haven, Mich.

**Confession of a Murderer.**

TRAVIS CONFESSES TO THE CRIME.

John Travis, who was executed on Thursday in Toronto for the murder of a man named Johnston in the Township of Gwillimbury, has confessed to the murder to the Rev. Henry Harris, of the Primitive Methodist Church. The following is his statement to the minister:—

The day before the murder I went to Johnston's house, about three o'clock in the afternoon, and stayed there till evening. That evening there was service in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Johnston's boys and I went. I had no intention of staying at their house that night, but intended going home, which was about a mile and a quarter further on. The boys wished me to stay the whole night, and I complied, as we were on very friendly terms. The next morning Johnston was going to some village or town to buy furniture for his house. (He, Travis, told me the name of the place, but I have forgotten it.) As Johnston had to go past my house, I got into the sleigh. I never asked him if I might ride, for if I had I believe he would have refused. He seemed to have such an antipathy against me, I cannot understand why, as I never did him or his family any harm.

Mr. Harris adds: The young man could only assign one cause for Johnston's bitterness towards him, which was this: Travis was a volunteer, and one of the finest men in his company, so his lieutenant says. The volunteers last summer were called out for camp duty. At that time the young man was working for Johnston, and he took with his company to Niagara very much against the will of Johnston, and since then he took a dislike to him. He said that when he got into the sleigh he had no intention of shooting him, but as they went along a feeling of revenge laid hold of him, and he took the pistol out of his pocket, and without speaking a word, shot Johnston dead.

Travis has conducted himself very quietly up to the latest moment. During last Monday he wrote a letter to Mr. Daniel McLean, Superintendent of Alice Street P. M. Sunday School; and one to Rev. Mr. Harris, spoken of above, full of contrition for the crime he had committed. The execution was ordered to take place at 9 o'clock this Thursday morning, as up to last night at least, no instruction had reached the Sheriff of any commutation of the sentence.

**The License Question**

To the Editor of the Mercury.

Sir,—On Monday evening last I was in the Council Chamber hearing what was said for and against allowing billiard rooms being open until eleven o'clock at night, and after listening to what was said on both sides of the question, could heartily endorse a remark made to me by a gentleman who stood next me, who when the vote was taken that negatived the request of those who wished billiard rooms to be kept open until eleven o'clock, said, "that is a righteous verdict;" and I would add it was one that those who gave it will never regret having given.

But, sir, when listening to what was said about petitions, I thought that the real sentiments of the ratepayers could be obtained without much difficulty if the Council would pass a By-law requiring that previous to any license being granted for a billiard room, or for the sale of intoxicating liquors in any hotel, tavern, saloon or shop, a vote of the ratepayers be taken whether the license applied for be granted or not. And as the object of the party seeking to obtain the license is to enrich himself, all expenses incurred by taking said vote shall be borne by him, sufficient sum to defray expenses being deposited by him in the hands of the Town Clerk before any action shall be taken in the matter.

## Execution of Traviss.

His Deposition on the Scaffold.

Confesses his Intention to Murder Mrs. Johnson.

Special to Evening Mercury.

Toronto, Feb. 22.

Travis rose very early this morning, and, along with Rev. Mr. Rice and others, was occupied in prayer. At seven o'clock the burial service was read in the chapel in the presence of the prisoner. Travis afterwards partook of a light breakfast. About half-past eight he was pinioned, and seemed quite firm and composed, shedding, however, a few tears. He addressed those present, numbering about one hundred, who had been admitted by ticket. He stated that it had been his intention to have murdered Mrs. Johnson also, but that God had mercifully prevented him. He expressed his confidence in his Saviour, and hoped to meet his mother in Heaven. He knelt on the trap while the executioner was adjusting the rope. Rev. Mr. Curtis offered a short prayer. At a signal from the sheriff the drop fell and Travis dropped six feet. His neck was evidently instantly broken, as death was instantaneous, and almost without a struggle. His friends have applied for his body but it is not yet known whether the permission will be given to them to have it. Travis expressed a strong desire to be buried beside his mother.

**Presentation in Brampton.**

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