

Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 3, 1896.

The 30th Battalion Called Out for Drill.

Orders have been issued for the assembling of the 30th Wellington Battalion at Guelph, for annual drill, on Friday the 9th of July. The drill will continue for eight days, the same as last year, and for this the men will be paid \$6.50 and rations. The Government furnishes tents, blankets, transport, &c. The men will be provided with rations, and each company of men will have to do its own cooking. Each man of the country companies will have to bring cooking utensils with him. The drill will last six hours each day, and, as we stated before, will be continued for eight days. We will in a few days publish the orders issued by the commanding officer, so that every man belonging to the force may acquaint himself with them. The place for the camp has not yet been fixed upon, but the best possible spot will be selected, so as to be convenient to the town, and also to wood, water, &c.

We expect the Battalion will muster its full strength this year, and that we shall have the pleasure of seeing 500 stalwart, well drilled men in the field. A few days ago we received a copy of the Militia Report for last year, and we notice that the 30th Battalion is spoken of in the highest terms of praise by Lieut. Colonel Taylor, and the inspecting officer Major Bagot. Col. Taylor says: "This Battalion turned out within 8 of full strength—was inspected by Major Bagot, 60th Regiment. Vide report. This is in every respect a first-rate Battalion." Referring to the Colonel's report we see that last year the Wellington Battalion, with 9 companies, turned out 33 officers and 497 men, while the Oxford Battalion with 10 companies had 39 officers and 475 men, and the London with 8 companies had 26 officers and 258 men. The 30th Battalion is evidently the strongest in Lieut. Col. Taylor's District. We append a copy of Major, now Colonel Bagot's report upon the Battalion, after his inspection of it last year, so that the men can see his opinion of its fallings—slight as they are—as well as its good points:

My Dear Taylor,—Agreeably to your request, I inspected the 30th Wellington Battalion of volunteers, at Guelph, on the 30th ult., under the command of Col. Higginbotham, and have pleasure in letting you know the result.

1st. The battalion showed a steadiness in standing under arms, as I rode down the ranks, that was very remarkable.

2nd. The marching past was, on the whole, very creditable, particularly that of the Artillery Company. When a mistake did occur, it sprang entirely from the men not looking to their front, and therefore not trusting to the touch alone to recover their dressing. I drew Col. Higginbotham's attention to this defect.

3rd. The advances and retirements in line when the men had settled down into a uniform "swing" were very good. The pace, however, was too slow. I mentioned this to the Colonel. I take this opportunity of remarking, that a constant use of the pace-stick and plummets, in the company drill sheets, would much conduce to uniformity and steadiness when the battalion is assembled for its yearly drill.

4th. The skirmishing of the battalion was very creditable. The firing, advancing, retiring, the "alarm," and the "close," were all performed without hesitation. This battalion thoroughly appreciate and understand the modifications lately introduced into Light Infantry Drill by Colonel MacDougall, on my suggestion. I should have much wished that he had seen the result.

5th. I ascertained from Colonel Higginbotham that the Battalion possessed neither battalion nor company calls. This is a very serious defect, and if called upon for service with other regiments, might lead to unpleasant results. I should strongly recommend that this be remedied.

6th. One thing I noticed with pleasure, viz. that the officers mess together. I understand this arrangement does not entail extra expenses. I dined at mess, and was particularly struck with the courteous and gentlemanly demeanor of the officers.

7th. I consider this battalion a credit to the volunteer force of Canada. Believe me, my dear Taylor, very faithfully yours, George Bayor, Major, 60th Foot.

Lt. Colonel Taylor, Assistant Adjutant General, London, Ont.

Hamilton Races.

The races at Hamilton, on Thursday, were witnessed by between 4,000 and 5,000 people. The track was in good order, notwithstanding the rain, and the arrangements were carried out in a most satisfactory manner. The first race was the "Dominion Plate," \$350, first horse \$300, second \$50. There were five entries. Kate Allan won the first in two straight heats, being closely pressed each time by Mr. Gates' four years old "John Bell," which took the second. The time made was 1:55.

The "Merchants' Plate" was next contested. The prizes were—1st horse \$350, 2nd do. \$100, 3rd do. \$50, two mile heats; seven entries. Three were distanced in the first heat, and as one had been scratched only, "King Tom," the winner of the first heat, "Tom Norfolk," and "Fotheringay" took the scratch for the second. "King Tom" came in second this time, but first on the third heat, winning the race. "Fotheringay's" score was 2, 3, 3, and "Tom Norfolk's" 3, 1, 2.

The last race of the day was for the trotting purse of \$150; mile heats, best 2 in 3; three entries. "Stayer Boy" took the first heat, then "Lady Elgin" took the next two, and on the last "Emily Foster" came in second, the "Boy" making bad work. The "Lady" was consequently the winner. Time 2:49.

BANK ROBBERIES.—Another heavy bank robbery is reported from New York, the vaults being blown open during Sunday, and money and securities to the extent of \$300,000 carried off.—This occurred at the premises of the Ocean Bank. The frequency of such occurrences in the States are not creditable, for they must arise to a great extent, from collusion on the part of persons supposed to be trustworthy, as well as from perverted skill and ingenuity. In France, England, the continental cities of Europe these outrages are of very rare occurrence. The suspicion that there is a large "ring"—including some members of the police and detective forces, among whom the plunder is shared—is likely to be correct, for the perpetrators of such robberies receive aid, counsel and protection in a manner inconsistent with any other supposition.

The Pacific Railway.

A TRIP THROUGH THE AMERICAN DESERT. Promontory Point, where the Union Pacific and Central Pacific Divisions of the great railway join, is neither city nor solitude, neither camp nor settlement. It is bivouac without comfort, it is delay without rest. It is sun that scorches, and alkali that blinds. It is vile whiskey, vile cigars, petty gambling, and stale newspapers at 25 cents apiece. It would drive a morbid mind to suicide. It is thirty tents upon the Great Sahara, sans trees, sans water, sans comfort, sans everything.

For hours we were in view of Great Salt Lake, now crossing arms of it upon trestle-work; now skirting its northern bank, where thousands of acres are white with fine salt deposited by floods, and now miles away, but catching, thro' breaks in the hills, glimpses of its deep blue waters, and its mountain islands tipped with snow. Passengers who would really see it, and enjoy a delicious bath, should stop for a day in the vicinity of Ogden.

Another day upon the desert. It seems to stretch out to the crack of doom. No body can realize the great work this has been until he takes the long ride of four or five days and nights through dreary wastes and unbroken solitudes. On this immediate portion of the road the alkali water would corrode boilers and soon destroy them. For a hundred miles, therefore, water is carried in tanks upon platform cars, for the locomotives. A supply will ultimately be brought from the Truckee River, thirty-three miles thro' bored tamarack logs. Several stations are already furnished in this way from springs six or eight miles distant. On the Union Pacific, also, through the Bitter Creek country, water is carried thirty or forty miles upon trains, to overcome the same difficulty.

For the last night (the fifth since leaving Omaha) we go to bed in the sleeping car. At dark the air is sultry; but we begin to ascend; before midnight we call for blankets. At daylight we wake among noble forests, and grand snow drifts, with Donner Lake, cool, blue, and sparkling, on our left. Adieu to the desert! Hail to the Sierras! Were ever these pines, and spruces, and firs, so darkly green before, or the mosses upon their trunks so brightly yellow, for the tumbling waters of such foamy whiteness? Were ever the rocks overlaid so vast and threatening, or the chasms below so deep to our straining eyes?

DIED.

REYNOLDS.—In the Township of Nichol, on the 30th June, Martha Marion, wife of James Reynolds, Esq.

The funeral will leave her late residence on Saturday, 3rd inst., at 2 o'clock p. m., for Salem Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

New Advertisements.

SEAMSTRESSES WANTED.—Wanted by the undersigned, a number of Seamstresses to sew Carpets, &c., at O'Neil's Hotel, Apply at once. July 2 d1w WM. BOOKLESS.

SEWING GIRL WANTED.—Wanted by Nelson's Store, Rockwood, a Tailoress.—She must be able to work the Sewing Machine. Apply personally to JNO. NELSON, Storekeeper, Rockwood. July 2 d1w

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864.

In the matter of JAMES HOBERT, of the Town of Guelph, an Insolvent.

The Creditors of the Insolvent are notified to meet at the office of the undersigned, in the Town of Guelph, on TUESDAY, the 13th JULY, at 10 o'clock of the forenoon, for the public examination of the Insolvent, and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally.

E. NEWTON, Official Assignee. Guelph, July 2 d1w

TOWN OF GUELPH.

TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed Tenders will be received at this Office, up to 10 o'clock, p.m., on TUESDAY, 10th INST., for the Erection of

Stone Work required in the new Eramosa Bridge.

Plans and Specifications can be seen, and further information obtained at this Office. The Council do not bind themselves to accept the lowest tender unless otherwise satisfactory.

JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk. Town Clerk's Office, July 2, 1896. d1d

KNOX'S CHURCH

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.

IN THE DRILL SHED, TO-NIGHT.

The 30th Wellington BATTALION BAND,

Will be in attendance. Fresh STRAWBERRIES, PICKED YESTERDAY, supplied all day and evening. July 2

SPEED LODGE No. 180.

An Emergency Meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall on FRIDAY the 2nd July, at half past 7 o'clock p.m.

R. CUTHBERT, Secretary. Guelph, 30th June. d1w

PIGS LOST.

Strayed from Mr. Alex. Crichton's premises, Market Square, Guelph, about three weeks ago, ten pigs, all about a year old. Four of them are barrows, and six are sows. Any person giving information of them to the subscribers will be properly rewarded.

A. CRICHTON, HUGH HOGG. June 29 d1w

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864-5.

In the matter of JOHN HENDERSON, of Elora, An Insolvent.

THE RIGHT PLACE.

The right place to find the Largest, Newest and most Fashionable Stock of Ladies' and Gents' Boots and Shoes, is at JOHN McNEIL'S.

THE RIGHT PLACE to find the best value for your READY MONEY in Boys', Youths', Misses and Children's Boots and Shoes, French, American, or Home manufacture, is at JOHN McNEIL'S.

THE RIGHT PLACE to find a nice hand-sewed Gaiter or Balmoral for Gents, all Home manufacture, is at JOHN McNEIL'S.

THE RIGHT PLACE to FIND RAYMOND'S CELEBRATED SEWING MACHINES for sale, (prices same as at the factory), is at JOHN McNEIL'S Agency, Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Guelph, Ont. June 23 d1w

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

DIVIDEND No. 4.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Four per cent, upon the paid-up capital stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half year; and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after FRIDAY the second day of July next.

POSTPONEMENT.

The amendment to the Charter of the Bank, recently sanctioned by Parliament, changes the day for holding the Annual General Meeting from the first Monday to the SECOND TUESDAY IN JULY.

Stockholders will therefore please note that the meeting this year will be held on TUESDAY, the THIRTEENTH INSTANT.

Chair to be taken at twelve o'clock noon precisely. By order of the Board. R. J. DALLAS, Cashier. Toronto, 23rd June, 1896. d11

LIBRARY of FICTION

- Cooper's Novels
Dickens' Novels
Disraeli's Novels
Ainsworth's Novels
Grant's Novels
Thackeray's Novels
Dumas' Novels
Reynold's Novels
Miss Braddon's Novels
Bulwer's Novels
Scott's Novels
Tales of the Borders
&c. &c. &c.

AT THORNTON'S

New Cheap Bookstore, Wyndham-st. Guelph, 30th June. d1w

BRUCE MINES, PARRY SOUND, AND BING INLET.

The Stanch Royal Mail Steamer

WAUBUNO!

P. N. CAMPBELL, Master. Will leave Collingwood EVERY MONDAY after the arrival of the morning train from Toronto, for

BRUCE MINES!

Calling at Owen Sound and all intermediate ports. Will leave Collingwood EVERY THURSDAY, after the arrival of the evening train from Toronto, for BING INLET.

Also, will leave Collingwood EVERY SATURDAY MORNING, at 7 a. m., for PARRY SOUND.

Important to those looking After Land. Parry Sound is situated in the heart of the best land in the Government Free Grant Territory, and connects with all the leading roads through it. This point is the most desirable, the cheapest and best, to the Government Free Grant Lands.

EXCURSION TRIPS to commence on and after the first Monday in July, between the above Ports, 25 per cent. reduction.

For freight and passage apply to Northern Railway at Toronto, and to the undersigned. J. & W. BEATTY & CO., Thorold. JOHN McDUGALL, Purser, Collingwood and Owen Sound. June 19. d1w

IMPORTANT TO DRESSMAKERS AND OTHERS.

MRS. T. ROBINSON

Has purchased a FLUTING or COFFERING MACHINE

and all parties wishing to have any fitting done can be accommodated on reasonable terms by calling at the

DOMINION STORE!

Upper Wyndham Street. Guelph, 24th June. d1w

GOOD NEWS FOR ALL.

PROF. HERMAN'S

VERMIN DESTROYER

Which is known to be far superior to anything ever yet discovered for killing rats, mice, insects on poultry, ants, bugs, cockroaches, black beetles, fleas on dogs, tick on sheep or goats, &c., in less than ten minutes. Sold in packets at 25c per packet, or six packets for \$1.50. The powder is warranted free from all bad smells, and will keep in any climate. It may be spread everywhere without risk, as it is quite harmless to cats and dogs for they will not eat it. Directions for use on each packet.

The above discovery has gained for Professor Herman a silver medal at the International Exhibition for Victoria, Australia, of 1866, besides numerous testimonials.

Messrs. E. CARROLL & CO., Day's Block, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Agents for Guelph and vicinity. May 20. d1w

PIC-NIC PARTIES.

Public/private pic-nic parties can have

SODA WATER

supplied in any quantity (at wholesale prices), by leaving orders at the Factory.

Corner Norfolk-st., the Crescent. HAMPTON & CO. Guelph, 29th June. d1w

GREAT CLEARING SALE

ANNUAL CLEARING SALE OF

DRY GOODS!

BRADFORD HOUSE

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

THE ANNUAL CLEARING SALE WILL COMMENCE

ON MONDAY, THE 5th of JULY

AND CONTINUE FOR THIRTY DAYS.

The whole stock will be offered at COST PRICES, to effect a speedy clearance. All Goods booked will be charged regular prices. This is a rare chance for purchasing cheap Goods, as the stock is all new and of the best description.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT

The balance of our extensive stock of Millinery will be cleared out much under the prices of production. Also, JACKETS AND SHAWLS at panic prices. Call early and secure some of the many bargains that will be offered during the great clearing sale.

PHILIP BISH,

Wyndham Street, Guelph, June 30. d1w BRADFORD HOUSE.

EXTRAORDINARY CLEARING SALE OF DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, MANTLES, CLOTHING, &c., FOR ONE MONTH ONLY! ON SATURDAY, 3rd of JULY, G. B. FRASER Will commence a great clearing sale of Dry Goods, Millinery and Clothing. In order to convert this present large stock into cash before leaving for the British and European Markets to make extensive Fall purchases, where cash buyers have an enormous advantage. G. B. FRASER would draw special attention to a lot of MANTLES, which he has reduced to 50c, for \$1, &c. Printed Muslins sold elsewhere for 12 1/2c, reduced to 8c, Printed Muslins sold elsewhere for 20c, reduced to 10c. An Immense Stock of DRESS GOODS from 8 cents and upwards. THE MILLINERY DEPARTMENT must be cleared out at any sacrifice without reserve. A large lot of LARGE SHAWLS, usually sold at \$2, reduced to 50 cents. In one word, you will get better value for 50c. at G. B. FRASER'S during this sale than you will get elsewhere for \$1. Wyndham Street, Guelph, 2nd July, 1896. d12-w1

No. 1, DAY'S BLOCK, GUELPH

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AT LOWEST PRICES.

NO HUMBUG "PRICES CURRENT."

JOHN RISK.

House and Lot for Sale. For sale, that House and Lot on Perth Street, between the Wellington Foundry and Dr. Clarke's grounds. The Lot is over one-fifth of an acre, all used as a garden. The House contains five rooms and a summer kitchen. Splendid well and pump, and good soft water system, also good stable and wood shed on the Lot. Terms: cash, and may be made known by applying at the office, or to GEO. MOIR, Mason. Guelph, June 22 d1w

NOTE LOST—CAUTION.

Lost between the Outfit Post Office and Guelph, or in Guelph, on the 22nd June, a joint note drawn in favor of David Allan, and signed by Thomas and M. Whitehead, made payable at the Ontario Bank, Guelph. Any person finding it will please leave it at the MESSAGY Office for the owner, and he will be rewarded for his trouble. All parties are hereby cautioned against buying or negotiating said note, as payment has been stopped, unless presented to D. Allan, or at the Ontario Bank. Guelph, 26th June. d3w3

PETRIE'S

INSECT POWDER.

If you want to save your

PLANTS AND BUSHES!

from destruction by insects use Petrie's Insect Powder, prepared expressly for that purpose by

A. B. PETRIE, Chemist,

Corbet's Block, Guelph.

Full directions enclosed. Guelph, June 8. d1w

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RECEIVED At DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

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Bon Bells Englishwoman Belgravia People's Magazine Popular Educator English Mechanic Boys of England Boy's Own London Society Temple Bar Family Herald Good Words

Leisure Hour Young Englishwoman's Journal Young Men of Great Britain St. Paul's Magazine Leisure Hour Sunday at Home Sunday Magazine Argoey Cassell's Magazine The Quiver

Guelph, 17th June. d1w

UP IN A BALOON

NEW SONG,

—AT—

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STACKS OF

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AT CUTHBERT'S.

Guelph, 24th June. d1w

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