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Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE.....MADONNELL STREET
MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 4TH, 1869.

THE ELECTION FOR MAYOR.

The voting for Mayor commenced this morning at nine o'clock, but under circumstances which altered the state of things very much. Mr. Melvin, on account of the sickness which has been in his family for the past fortnight, and from the death of his only son on Sunday, was altogether unprepared for a contest. Indeed, so far was he from thinking about the election, that on Saturday he expressed a desire to give up the contest, and again on Monday morning, when spoken to about the matter, he was anxious that his name should be withdrawn, and that as far as he was concerned no election should take place. Some of his friends on the other hand insisted that he should let it go to a poll, and accordingly at nine o'clock the voting began. But it was evident from the first that Mr. Melvin and his friends were placed at an immense disadvantage. There was scarcely any organization among his friends, the necessary arrangements for bringing up the voters were not made, or could not be carried out, and many who had promised to vote for him were deceived by the report that he had withdrawn and did not come up to vote and not a few voted against him. In fact there was from the first an apparent want of spirit, the election was allowed to go by default, and Dr. Herod we have little doubt will gain an easy, because not properly contested, victory.

Under the painful circumstances we would have much preferred that no contest had taken place, and had Mr. Melvin's wishes been consulted this would have been the result. As it is Dr. Herod has no reason to exult over his victory. It has been gained under circumstances which no human being could control, and over a man in whose household death reigns and sorrow broods, whose thoughts in reference to the matter were completely obliterated, for they only brooded over the loss of one whom no earthly power could restore. It seems to us that Dr. Herod would have had infinitely more credit, and raised himself higher in the estimation of the ratepayers than if he had gained ten such victories, by retiring from the contest when he was so well aware that his opponent was placed at such a disadvantage. By such a display of feeling and regard to the feelings of his opponent, he would have earned the approbation and good will of every right minded citizen. As it now is, his triumph is a miserably cheap one, in comparison to what it would have been, had the two candidates gone to the poll under anything like similar circumstances.

In the West Ward Mr. Geo. A. Bruce surprised everybody by announcing his intention to stand for a councillor at the eleventh hour. After the positive refusal he formerly gave, his present action is perfectly inexplicable to us. Dr. Herod's friends, however, seem to have taken him by the hand, for in almost every instance they made a ticket of the two candidates, and voted for both through. At the same time we must be candid and admit that he also secured a large vote from among Mr. Melvin's friends. The poll was opened some time before Mr. Hadden was aware that Mr. Bruce was running, and mainly through the exertions of Mr. Bruce's friends he was kept at the head of the poll during the day.

At 2 o'clock the vote in the different wards stood as follows:

WARD	MELVIN	HEROD
West Ward.....	103	105
North Ward.....	64	78
East Ward.....	57	70
South Ward.....	56	94
Total.....	280	347

WEST WARD.

Bruce.....	127
Hadden.....	66

The Eastern Question.

While the Great powers of Europe are thinking of negotiating Greece is thinking of fighting. She is raising arms and munitions of war and endeavouring to show to Turkey that if she is small she is heroic. But it might be worth her while to consider whether she is not foolish in thus exposing her puny form as the champion of liberty. When she herself groaned beneath the yoke of the Porte none could deny her sympathy in her valorous efforts to cast it off, but can it be asserted unhesitatingly that she is justified now, while her power and resources are so much inferior to those of her enemy, in throwing down the gauntlet and daring to her own annihilation should the good offices of her friends not eventually save her? It was hard for her to stand placidly by and witness unmoved and inactive the struggles of her Cretan brethren, but she must be well aware now that her pugnacity will give trouble to others than herself, and she has no right to draw so largely on their friendship. She appears to have forgotten that the interests of a few should in all cases be subservient to those of the many. And besides the Cretan obstancy appears to be in some measure to blame, for there was every appearance of sincerity in the Sultan's offers to grant reforms, after his visit to England. We are informed that the Conference will meet on the 9th inst. to attempt to settle the difficulty, and that the Porte, which was at first averse to the negotiations, will be represented. Fear of the encroach-

ment of Russia will perhaps exercise considerable influence in the counsels, though it surely cannot be that Turkey will be obliged to swallow the port insolence of the Greeks without opening her lips in complaint, lest she should suffer worse things from the ire of the Czar. And the great powers if they do effect to save Greece from a drubbing would do well to caution their ward regard to her future behaviour, for it would be a little too much if she, interesting though she be, should be the insignificant cause of setting Europe in flames. The latest telegraph news informs us that in case of the negotiations being unsuccessful Russia will demand that the powers remain neutral. So far as England is concerned we do not see that it is a necessity with her to embroil herself in war at the present time; she has done it already on this Eastern question, and it appears that she may do it periodically. She is safe whether Greek or Mohammedan win, and they had better, if it must be fought, fight it out themselves.

MURDER AT PORT DALHOUSIE.—

On New Year's day, a ship carpenter a drunken character, murdered his wife at Port Dalhousie, by striking her on the head with a mallet. The murderer was arrested.

DECLINE IN NEW BRUNSWICK SHIPPING.—

The decline of shipping is shown by the returns of the year, closing on Thursday. Only seventeen vessels have been surveyed by the English Lloyd's during the entire year.

The leader of the war party in Athens is young Queen Olga, who, by her beauty and winning ways, has acquired great popularity, and constantly avails herself of her influence to stimulate the hatred of the Greeks against the Turks.

A LARGE SALE.—

A large sale took place at St. Catharines last week. Messrs. Norris & Nelson have purchased of Lincoln and Welland Mills, the St. Lawrence Warehouse and Wharf from T. R. Merritt M.P., paying therefor \$100,000.

The coroner's inquest on the bodies of the sixty-two persons killed at a colliery explosion in Wigan, England, returned a verdict of killed by an explosion, cause unknown. The jury recommended that the use of blasting-powder be discontinued in mines.

The London Times announces that the Great Western Railway of Canada have notified that a settlement of the debt due by the Company to the Government of Canada, has been proposed to the Board and accepted by them, subject to the consent of the shareholders.

NEW PROCESS FOR MAKING IRON AND STEEL.—

Some months ago we were informed that a poor German immigrant had discovered a new and cheap method of making bar-iron and steel, and had got some of his wealthier countrymen in this city to take shares in a company, paying a capital of \$5,000 altogether, if we remember right, to enable him to carry out his object. This man, or company, took out a patent, and sold it to a company in Pittsburgh—so the story went— for five or six millions of dollars, payable in such instalments that the dividend of the company was some five or six times as much as they had put in, and they expect to get about one thousand dollars for one. This story had such an Aladdin-like air that we allowed it to sleep; but we are reminded of it by a notice in the American papers, that a new method of making iron without puddling is just now causing a great excitement in Pittsburgh. This must obviously be something different from the Bessemer process, which is no longer new.—Witness.

POOR-PACKING.—

Messrs. Henry Millward & Co., under date Chicago, 19th December, say—Short crop theorists have at present the day all to themselves, and are regarded as the successful prophets of the future, but unfortunately they numbered so few among their ranks, that the packers deriving any benefit from the recent developments may be readily counted.—The profit, as usual, accruing almost exclusively to the farmers. But it really seems as if we were approaching the end of the season, as the fabulous prices daily current for huge seem powerless to draw from the farmers anything but a daily precipitating class of hogs, which are evidently the "riff-raff" of their stock. The accounts we receive from all points seem corroborative of these appearances. The crop is variously estimated by the most competent authorities at 2,600,000 to 2,700,000 head, while the parties making up the estimates inform us that our point has been put down at 750,000 head. If we have only packed 348,000 head to the present time, there is but little chance of our reaching the number estimated, and it is to be hoped for the sake of accuracy that the other points have not been so liberally estimated. Thinking or writing one way or the other will not affect one whit the future market, and all that can be said is that if the season should suddenly close, the present hog operators will probably reap the reward of their fearlessness, while, if the packing should be protracted, they would most likely be found among the penitents.

Blackwood's Magazine

for December, which is No. 658 of Magazines with other voices of the season in reminding us that time is passing away. As he passes he leaves his mark on most of us; but who bears up so well against his touch as our old friend Mag?—for fifty years a monthly visitor to some of us, and showing no signs of impaired strength. This number is a fitting close for the issues of the past year, which, taken altogether, have been of more than average merit, furnishing a large amount not only of entertaining but of substantial literature. We have so often spoken of the value of this periodical, that we need no doubt most of our readers are familiar with it, at least by repute; and without going further into details, we content ourselves with giving a list of the articles in the present number. "Doubles and Quits," a Comedy of Errors, Part II.—a very amusing story of mistaken identity. "Historical Sketches of the Reign of George II.—The Sailor."—Another of those graphic descriptions which bring past scenes and characters before us as in a picture. The present paper gives a sketch of Lord Anson and his memorable voyage. "Kinglake's History of the War in the Crimea."—Those who cannot afford to purchase this book will find a good substitute for it in this review. "Dean Milman."—A biographical sketch. "Cornelius O'Dowd."—A continuation of those favorable light satirical comments on current ideas and events. "What is to Come of it?"—An article on the political situation of England. Reminding our friends that among the best periodicals now soliciting their attention, Blackwood's Magazine has an eminent claim, we recommend those who have not yet done so to enter their names early for the ensuing year. Published by the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, 140 Fulton Street, New York.

A young man in Troy consulted Planchette for the purpose of finding out what his wife would give him for a Christmas present, Planchette wrote—The young man pronounces Planchette a humbug.

DIED.

MELVIN.—

At Guelph on the 3rd instant, of marial fever, Robert, only son of Robert Melvin, Esq., aged 5 years, 1 month and 21 days. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Tuesday) at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend without further notice.

ANDERSON.—

At Guelph Township on the 2nd of January, Thomas Anderson, senr., aged 86 years. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend the funeral from his late residence to-morrow (Tuesday) at 1 o'clock, without further notice.

New Advertisements.

LOGGING CHAIN FOUND.

Found, a logging chain on Quebec Street, some weeks ago. The owner on proving property and paying expenses can get it by applying to Guelph, 4th January. JOHN GRIFFITH, ds.

THE GUELPH Classical and Commercial Academy

Will commence the third session on WEDNESDAY, the 4th inst. The scholars are prepared for business, professions, or the University. The business course comprises Book-keeping by Single and Double Entry, Commercial Arithmetic, plain and ornamental Writing, and all that is usually taught in the Commercial Institutes.

CHARLES WALKER, Proprietor.

Jan. 4. 1w-1st DAVID WATT, Ass't.

GUELPH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

J. M. DUNN, B.A., LL.B., Head Master.
G. H. PORTER, Assistant.

The above School will be re-opened after the Christmas holidays, on MONDAY, 11th JAN. Fees in both Classical and English Departments 25 cents a month.

H. W. PETERSON, Chairman Board School Trustees, Dec. 20.

WELLINGTON BOOT & SHOE MANUFACTORY

WYNDHAM ST., GUELPH.

JOHN A. McMILLAN

Has much pleasure in intimating to the Trade that he is now prepared to supply at the

Lowest Wholesale Prices Boots and Shoes of every Description, Style, and Variety.

All Manufactured by himself in Guelph. Dealers are requested to call and examine my stock and prices, and they will find a much better article than any imported work, and their price as low as the lowest. Terms, liberal.

WANTED, a number of good journeyman to work on Ladies' Kid, Goat, Frunella and Canvas Gaiters, in connection with the McKay Sewing Machine.

LEATHER WANTED.

Farmers can find a cash market for every description of Leather, any quantity, at any time, at the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The whole of the present stock of Boots and Shoes, Rubbers and Moccasins, will be sold cheaper than any man can sell imported work.—This is a rare chance, and a much better article than the spots.—Guelph, Fergus and Elora.

JOHN A. McMILLAN, Bootmaker for the Million. Guelph, 4th January, 1869. dw

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BOARDING.

Parties requiring board can be accommodated with good bedrooms in a first-class Boarding House, situated near the Post-Office. Address A. H. Guelph Post-Office, or apply to the Office.

Jan. 2. det

HOUSE TO LET.

To let, on the Epanosa Road, next to Mr. Webster's rough-hack house, containing seven rooms, with a well, cistern and other accommodations in connection. Apply to

Guelph, Jan. 2, 1869. det

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

ESTATE LATE DR. PARKER.

The Executors of the late Dr. Parker have placed the Medical Accounts of the said Estate in the hands of Mr. R. MEREDITH for collection, who is authorized to grant receipts for the same. He will be found at the store of Messrs. C. S. T. Merritt, west side of Wyndham Street, a few doors below the Old Post Office. All accounts not paid by 1st February next will be put in suit in the Division Court.

GEORGE ELLIOTT, HUGH BOWMAN, WARD BLAKE, Executors.

Guelph, Jan. 2.

ARCHIBALD LEAND,

(Successor to John...)

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No. 9, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE,

uncurrent money and Specie bought and sold at best rates.

5-20 Bonds bought and sold at highest market rates.

Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the London and New York Steamship Company, fortnightly Line between New York and London.

Telegraphs via the Michigan Central R. R. and the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana R.R. for all points West and South. Royal Mail Letters, Montreal and intermediate ports.

Agent for the Keating & Elvans' celebrated Fire and Burglar Proof Safes.

Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 178

HARTFORD Fire Insurance Company

of Hartford, Conn.

INCORPORATED IN 1810. CAPITAL, \$2,000,000.

Special Rates for Dwellings and contents for terms of one to three years.

Guelph, Dec. 21. E. MORRIS, Agent. dw

THE BOUND VOLUME FOR 1868

OF THE
British Workman
Infants' Magazine
Children's Friend
Band of Hope
Sunday at Home
Leisure Hour
TO BE HAD
AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE
Opposite the Market.

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A Select Dramatic Entertainment.

Opening of the Season 1869.

W. ANDERSON, President.
THOMAS H. TAYLOR, Acting Manager.
PROF. VALE, Leader of Orchestra.

The Guelph Amateur Dramatic Club will make their first appearance this season in the TOWN HALL, Guelph, on the evening of

MONDAY, the 4th of JANUARY

On which occasion will be produced the great MORAL TRAGEDY DRAMA, in 5 Acts, entitled

THE DRUNKARD!

Or, The Fallen Saved!

Being a powerful and vivid picture of the fall and downward progress of the victim of intemperance. The scenery to be used on this occasion is all new, and has been painted expressly for the Club.

Admission 25 cents. Reserved Seats 50c. For particulars see programmes.

Guelph, 24th Dec. do

TOWN OF GUELPH.

STORE LICENSES.

All persons having obtained Store Licenses, are hereby notified that said Licenses expire on the 31st ult., and that they are requested to renew them immediately.

JAMES HOUGH, Town Clerk.

Town Clerk's Office, January 2nd, 1869. do dt

VALUABLE AND DESIRABLE

Dwelling House for Sale.

That eligible and commodious Stone Dwelling House and Lot, containing nearly half an acre of ground, with large Stables and out-houses complete, the residence of the late Dr. Parker, situated on the corner of Market and Dublin Streets.—This property is but a short distance from the Market and business part of the Town, and is an admirable location as a dwelling for a professional or business man. The above property will be sold on easy terms, which may be known by applying to

GEORGE ELLIOTT, or N. HUGHBOTHAM, dwin Executors.

Guelph, Jan. 2.

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One Case Clouds,

At 20c. 25c. and 30c.

ATW. STEWART'S.

Guelph, 31st December. d

THE WHEEL OF LIFE!

OR

ZOETROPE and PLANCHETTE

AT

CUTHBERT'S.

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For the Present Holiday Season

Exceed anything that has ever been in Guelph.

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Guelph, December 23 dw

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.

The subscriber has opened a new Butcher Shop on the London Road, near the Guelph Marble Works, where he is prepared to sell Beef, Mutton, Pork and Lamb as cheap as it can be bought in the market sheds. The subscriber respectfully requests a share of public patronage.

Guelph, Dec 23 w4 B. B. PRESANT.

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To let a cottage opposite the farm of P. Gow Egan, M. P. P., containing four rooms and a good cellar, 23 acres attached, splendid garden well stocked with fruit. A stable and cow shed are attached to the house. Apply to MISS SMITH, Dressmaker, near Hatch's Block.

Guelph, 28th Dec. do w1

New Advertisement.

COME EARLY TO-NIGHT

AND SECURE A KEG OR CAN OF THOSE FAMOUS

BALTIMORE OYSTERS!

THAT CAME DIRECT TO HUGH WALKER.

EXTRAORDINARY DEMAND

TREMENDOUS ARRIVALS.

Tremendous arrivals. Express heavily laden daily with Oysters for H. WALKER.

HADDIES that are Haddies. None of your stale trash kept.

ORANGES and LEMONS—Beautiful Oranges and Lemons just arrived this day.

HUGH WALKER,

Guelph, 31st December. dw Wholesale and Retail, Guelph.

Retiring from the Retail Trade.

ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD OUT.

WM. STEWART,

In returning thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal patronage bestowed on him for the last thirteen years, respectfully intimates his intention of retiring from the Retail Business.

In order to facilitate the entire clearance of Stock, he will on WEDNESDAY, 6th JANUARY, commence the GREAT SALE, when Goods will be offered at Cost, and in many cases under. The public should take advantage of this rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at the Lowest Prices ever offered in Guelph. The reputation of the Stock being so well known for extra quality, and being composed of New and Fashionable Goods, all may rely on extraordinary Bargains.

On and after the 2nd of January the Books will be closed, and during the sale Goods will be sold only FOR CASH.

N. B.—This is no clap-trap sale, as the subscriber is positively retiring.

WILLIAM STEWART.

Wyndham Street, Guelph }
Dec. 30th, 1868. dw

ALMA BLOCK, GUELPH.

WHOLESALE.

NOW OPENING.

Another Shipment of Glassware!

CONSISTING OF IN PART

Tumblers, Goblets, Wines
Decanters, Celery Glasses
Butters, Sugars and Creams
Spoon Holders, Salt Cellars
Preserve Dishes, in great variety
Cruet Bottles, Cruet Frames
Bird Fountains,
Bird Seed Boxes, Bird Baths
Lamp Chimneys
Specia Jars, Japanned Covers
&c. &c. &c.

R. RAE & CO.

Guelph, 28th December dw

EDUCATIONAL.

MRS. WM. BUDD,

Organist of the Congregational Church,

Begs to inform her Pupils and friends that her School will re-open on MONDAY, 4th JANUARY, 1869, she will also be prepared to give Private Lessons on the Organ, Piano and Melodicon.—Residence: Norfolk Street, Guelph. December 20. do w17

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COM'Y.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office in Montreal, on FRIDAY, the 5th day of January next, at one o'clock, p. m., to elect Directors for the ensuing year, and generally to transact the business of the Company.

A Dividend of five per cent, for the half-year ending 30th November, has been declared upon the capital stock, which will be payable at the offices of the Company on and after Friday, 31st January.

The Transfer Books will be closed from 31st December till after the General Meeting. By order of the Board.

JAMES DAKER, Secretary. December 31. do w7

FACTORY FOR SALE OR LEASE

A good Factory for sale or to let. Apply to

S. BOULT, Quebec-street Guelph
November 19. daw 17

GIFTS AND PRESENTS FOR NEW YEAR.

Notwithstanding the tremendous rush at Christmas, there is still at

J. HUNTER'S,

Wyndham Street, Guelph,

not only the largest and most select, but also the cheapest assortment of general

FANCY GOODS AND TOYS.

suitable for this season of the year to be found west of Toronto. Call and see.

Writing Desks
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Work Boxes,
Ladies' Companions
At less than Toronto Prices,
Slippers, Ottomans, Woole, Toys and Fancy Goods *ad infinitum* at

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Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-St.
Guelph December 29th. dw