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GUELPH ONT., CANADA TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 6, 1869.

PRICE ONE PENNY

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,
Opposite the Market House.

CHEAP FARES

To Travellers Going South
South or West in the
United States.

The undersigned is authorized to sell TICKETS
to any point South or West by the popular and
safe line.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD.
FARES CHEAP and Tickets good for any reasonable
time.

JOHN JACKSON,
Guelph, 14th April

THE MEDICAL HALL.

TICK KILLER



KILLER

USE
HARVEY'S
TICK KILLER
FOR
SHEEP.

PREPARED BY
E. HARVEY & CO.,
Chemists and Druggists.

Guelph, 10th June.

PIANOS.

THE undersigned having been appointed agents
in Guelph for three prominent manufacturing
houses, and having selected therefrom several
choice Pianos, at various prices,

From \$250 and Upwards!

which we have now in stock. We would invite
intending purchasers to call at our Ware-rooms,
EAST MARKET SQUARE,

and examine quality of tone, as well as terms and
prices. A written guarantee given for five years.

CABINET ORGANS.

We would also invite lovers of music to test our
own make of Cabinet Organs with Vox Humana
or Fan Tremolo. We are constantly manufacturing
those superb instruments, as the demand for
them is very cheering.

Remember the Ware-rooms, East Market
Square—sign of the Mammoth Melodion.

McLEOD, WOOD & CO.
Guelph, 12th June.

THE QUEEN'S HOTEL,

West Market Square, Guelph.

J. MILLER, Proprietor.

THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL has recently been
opened and fitted up in a style to meet the
wants of the TRAVELLING PUBLIC, and secure
to his patrons all the comforts and convenience
of a home.

Particular attention is paid
to the Table.

Which will always be furnished with all the deli-
cacies of the season.

FIRST-CLASS SAMPLE ROOMS FOR COM-
MERCIAL TRAVELLERS, with

LIVERY STABLE

Attached to the Hotel to meet the requirement
of all persons as well as transient customers.
Guelph, March 5.

PRIVATE RESIDENCE FOR SALE

In the West End of the

TOWN OF GUELPH.

For Sale, within ten minutes walk of the Post
Office, consisting of a substantially built

Stone COTTAGE, dry & healthy

Containing eight rooms, with Stable and Driving
House, all in good condition. Pleasantly situated
in a respectable locality. A large garden planted
with choice fruit trees, and plenty of excellent
spring and soft water. Terms of payment, easy.
One-half of the purchase money may remain on
mortgage. Apply to the proprietor—
J. E. WORSFOLD,
May 19. -55m w41 Buckland's Survey

BILLIARDS

GREAT EXCITEMENT.

Billiard Hall Re-fitted
New Style Tables
Exhibition Twice a Week

AT O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL.

Guelph 29th February

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,

Solicitors, Attorneys-at-Law,
Solicitors in Chancery, &c.,
GUELPH, Ontario

G. GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN
Guelph, April 1, 1869.

STORE AT ELORA TO LET.

To be let, with immediate possession, a small
store, being part of the stone block opposite
Biggs's Hotel, and adjoining the grain market.
Apply to Mr. R. MITCHELL, or at the Observer's
office.
Elora, June 19. -55m -S&W

TAYLOR & MINTY,
BANKERS,
EXCHANGE AND STOCK BROKERS

Agents of the United States Lloyds, &c.

OFFICE—Corner of James and King-sts.

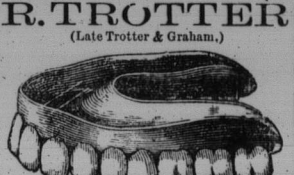
HAMILTON, ONT.

Duncan Sherman & Co.'s Bills on Baring Bros.
& Co., and the Union Bank, London, and on Ire-
land and Germany.
Drafts in Gold or Currency on Duncan Sherman
& Co., New York.
Gold and Silver Coins and uncurrent Money
bought and sold.
Interest allowed on cash deposits.
Liberal advances made upon Consignments to
the United States.
Collections receive the most prompt attention.
Remittances—A successful practice of fifteen
years.

GEORGE TAYLOR,
Late Manager of the Bank of B. N. Am., Hamilton
FRANCIS MINTY,
Late of the Bank of Montreal, Hamilton
Hamilton, 14th June.

R. TROTTER

(Late Trotter & Graham.)



DENTIST, - GUELPH.

OFFICE—Over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store,
corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts.
Residence—A successful practice of fifteen
years.

"N. B.—The public will please not expect the
subscriber to compete for advertise, or expose
"Prize Dentistry," as that is a means of advertis-
ing condemned by all Dental Societies, and
adopted by few, if any, first-class Dentists.

Guelph, 20th April, 1868. dw

LUMBER YARD.

Upper Wyndham-st, Guelph.

OLD FACE IN THE OLD PLACE.

The subscriber begs to inform the public that
he has commenced the lumber business in the old
stand occupied by GOWDY & STEWART.

Opposite the Alma Block, Guelph

Where all kinds of Lumber will be kept constantly
on hand. Bills cut to order on short notice.

Also, Water Lime and Calcine Plaster,
and Flour and Feed

Francis Small, dw

ENGLISH

MAGAZINES FOR JULY!

RECEIVED

At DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

Books and Shoes, is at

Opposite the Market.

Young Ladies' Journal

Sunday at Home

Popular Educator

Leisure Hour

London Journal

Guelph, 2nd July. dw

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 MCNEILS.

THE RIGHT PLACE to find the best

values for your READY MONEY in Boys'
Youths', Misses' and Children's BOOTS and
Shoes, French, American, or HOME manufac-
ture, is at

JOHN MCNEILS.

THE RIGHT PLACE to find a nice

hand-sewed Gaiter or Balmoral for
Gents, all Home manufacture, is at

JOHN MCNEILS.

THE RIGHT PLACE to FIND RAY

MONSIEUR'S CELEBRATED SEWING MA-
CHINES for sale, (prices same as at the factory),
is at

JOHN MCNEILS' Agency,
Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Guelph, Ont.
June 23 dw

LIBRARY OF FICTION

COMPRISING

- Cooper's Novels
- Dickens's Novels
- Disraeli's Novels
- Ainsworth's Novels
- Grant's Novels
- Thackeray's Novels
- Dumas's 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. dw

HARTFORD

Fire Insurance Company

OF Hartford Conn

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

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

Guelph, December 21. E. MORRIS, Agent

Evening Mercury.

TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 6, 1869.

Town Council.

The Council met on Monday night.

All the members present, the Mayor in
chair. The Clerk read the minutes.

The Clerk read a communication from
Mr. Stevenson, of the G. T. R. concern-
ing the removal of the cattle guards on
the railway near the Market House. The
timber is at the station, and they will be
built as soon as the limits of the street
are staked out.

Mr. Robertson presented the petition
of Mr. Wm Hood for aid to make a drain
at the "Bull Frog" Tavern. Mr. Robert
Mitchell presented a petition for the
transfer of license from Rich McCuden
to James Hood, of the same tavern. Mr.
Bruce presented a petition from certain
ratepayers of Paisley-st. praying for a
crossing; and another from ratepayers
on Marlott-st. praying the Council to
have some excavations, which were
made for the purpose of obtaining clay
filled up. The foregoing were referred
to appropriate committees, with the ex-
ception of James Hood's petition, which
on motion made and seconded was to be
granted to his complying with the Act
and by-law relating to tavern licenses.

Mr. Rich Mitchell presented the fol-
lowing report of the Road & Bridge
committee.

ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT.

Your Committee on Roads & Bridges beg
to report that they have received tenders for
bridge over Wellington Foundry, and recom-
mend that the offer of J. & J. Hall to com-
plete masonry and woodwork of said bridge,
for the sum of \$410, be accepted.

Your Committee have also received ten-
ders for the Neeve-st. Bridge, but as the said
tenders exceed the appropriation by about
\$300 we cannot recommend that they be ac-
cepted, unless the Council consider the extra
amount can be granted for that purpose.

Your Committee are not at present pre-
pared to state what alterations (if any are made)
would be the best, but will do so at next
meeting of Council.

The Council went into Committee of
the whole on the report. Mr. Robertson
in the chair. The first clause was passed.

Mr. Mitchell said in reference to the
second clause the question was, is the
Council prepared to give the extra sum.
(The estimated cost of the Neeve-st.
bridge was \$1000).

Mr. McCurry thought the first part of
the report should be adopted, and the
second clause left over until the Road &
Bridge Committee could consult with the
Finance Committee and ascertain if the
extra amount could be granted.

Mr. Chadwick said that if the considera-
tion of the Neeve-st. bridge were put off
it would be a month before work could
be begun on it, and in the meantime
travel would be obstructed. The Com-
mittee should have brought in a more
definite report. They had been led
astray by the report of the engineer, but
he did not know why others should suf-
fer for that mistake. The estimate for
the Wellington Bridge was \$380, the
tenders \$410, yet that is to be built; and
he could not see why favour should be
extended in one quarter and denied in
another.

Mr. Mitchell said if the pier were left
out of the centre, and wood substituted
the result would be a saving of proba-
bly \$30.

The Mayor thought that masonry
should be given to the lowest tender,
and the work proceeded with, an agree-
ment being made that if the Council,
after the abutments were built did not
see fit to construct the pier, they need
not do it; and at next meeting the Com-
mittee might report what they thought
best to be done.

Moved by Mr. Robt. Mitchell, seconded
by His Worship the Mayor, that the
report of the Road and Bridge commit-
tee be amended by substituting the fol-
lowing for the second clause, viz:—
Your Committee would recommend the ten-
der of Messrs Pike & Davidson for the
second clause, Neeve-st. Brdge be ac-
cepted and the abutments proceeded with,
and that the Committee report at the
next meeting of the Council upon the
best course to be pursued for the erec-
tion of the balance of the bridge.

Two other amendments to the report
were offered and withdrawn, when Mr.
Chadwick moved, seconded by Mr.
Sayers that the following be read and
substituted for the following for the second
clause:—That the tender of Messrs.
Pike & Davidson for the masonry of a
bridge over the river Speed on Neeve-st.
be accepted, and that the plan so far as
the superstructure is concerned be recon-
sidered, and the Committee report at
next meeting.

When the question was put 8 voted
for Mr. Chadwick's motion, 5 for Mr.
Robert Mitchell's resolution, and Mr.
Richard Mitchell himself for his own
motion that the report be adopted. The
amendment was consequently declared
carried, when the committee rose and
the Mayor took the chair.

Mr. Rich. Mitchell moved and Mr.
Chadwick seconded resolution for the
adoption of the report as amended. Car-
ried, 10 voting for it and 4 against it. One
member, Mr. R. Bertson, had gone home
before the vote was taken.

Mr. Wood read a communication from
Lieut. Col. Higinbotham in reference to
the Wellington Battalion, and the drill
which they are to perform here. The
Government will provide tents and ra-
tions, but no fuel, light or other neces-
saries, and he requested the Council to give
the last mentioned fact their considera-
tion.

The Council went into committee of
the whole for the imposition and collec-
tion of taxes in the town of Guelph for
1869. Mr. Richard Mitchell in the chair.
The blanks were filled up as follows:
County rate, 3 mills; public schools, 3
mills; redemption of, and interest on
debentures, and for general purposes, 9
mills. The committee rose, the by-law
was read a third time, passed and num-
bered 188.

Mr. Mitchell, with leave given, pre-
sented the petition of Barney Kelly, to be
allowed to fence in and plant with orna-
mental trees a portion of the London
Road opposite his residence. Referred to
Road and Bridge Committee.

In considering the communication of
Lieut. Col. Higinbotham, the Mayor said
that the contracts with the town for sup-
plying provisions to the volunteers would

amount to \$1,200; and in reply to Mr.
Chadwick he said that the entire amount
to procure the articles not supplied by
Government would be about \$100.

Moved by Mr. Day, seconded by Mr.
Sayers, that Messrs. Wood, Chadwick,
Buckland, and Holliday be a committee
to confer with Lieut. Col. Higinbotham
in accordance with the prayer of his pe-
tition, and to make any order necessary,
not exceeding \$100.

Mr. McCurry said the Railway Com-
mittee had got a plan of the proposed
extension of the G. W. R. into town; but
as they had only received it in the even-
ing they had not brought in a report.—
Only one route had been surveyed, and
he thought it was the only one feasible,
as that which was talked of as to run
from the G. W. R. Station by the West
Ward School to meet the W. G. & B.
line, the Engineer believed could not be
considered on account of the valuable
property it would interfere with.

Mr. Canton, a blind young man, was
heard at the bar, requesting the Council
to petition the Local Legislature at its
next sitting to make some provision for
the education of the blind. He is travel-
ling from one municipality to another
urging the same request, and has a let-
ter of introduction from Dr. Rosebrugh,
the oculist, who is the chief moving spir-
it in the attempt to get an asylum estab-
lished for the benefit of the blind.

The Council voted Mr. Canton \$15 to pay ex-
penses, the generosity of municipal bodies
being all he has to depend on for the de-
fraying of his expenses from place to
place.

The Council adjourned till Tuesday,
the 13th inst., at the usual hour.

County Sabbath School Convention.

(From our Correspondent.)

Pursuant to call by circular, a Conven-
tion of Ministers and Sabbath School
Teachers was held in Melville Church,
Fergus, on Tuesday the 29th ult., with
a view to organizing a Sabbath School
Association for this County. There was
a fair representation of delegates from
all parts of the County. The proceedings
began at half-past ten o'clock on Tues-
day morning, when the Rev. Geo. Smel-
lie was appointed chairman. After en-
gaging in devotional exercises, the fol-
lowing committee was appointed to pre-
pare a constitution: Rev. Messrs. Mil-
lard, Barker, Torrance, Gray, and Brew-
ster; and Messrs. Jas. Argo, John Iron-
side, and Robert Stewart.

This committee at the afternoon ses-
sion presented a report, recommending
the following provisional appointments,
which was adopted: That Rev. Mr. Tor-
rance be President of the Convention;

Rev. Mr. Barker, Reading Secretary; Mr.
Jas. Argo, Assistant-Secretary; Mr. John
Ironside, Treasurer. Business Committee—
Rev. Messrs. Gray, Thos. McGuire, and
Brewster; and Messrs. J. S. Armstrong
and R. Stewart, with power to add to
their number.

Rev. Mr. Millard then addressed the
Convention in favour of Sabbath School
Associations, showing how they brought
Christians together from different parts of
the country, who had a common end
in view, who met to encourage teachers of
Sabbath Schools, and to devise measures
for promoting the great work of Chris-
tian instruction. He pointed out the
utility and desirability of having such
Associations, and would open a like
them multiplied by the establishment of
Township Associations.

Rev. Mr. Gray, of Orangeville, next
spoke, and depicted in forcible language
the difficulties he had to contend with on
first settling in that place, some thirteen
years ago. He believed that the progress
made in that section during the past few
years socially, morally, as well as mate-
rially, was in a great measure due to
the success and spread of Sabbath Schools.
He concluded by urging on those living
in the newer Townships, such as Luther
and Amaranth to establish Sabbath
Schools.

Mr. M. Douglas favored Sabbath School
Associations because they tended to fos-
ter union, for, on such a broad platform,
all Christians could join and find some
thing in common.

Quite a number of delegates then ad-
dressed the Convention, giving state-
ments of the position and standing of the
different schools with which they were
connected. Rev. Mr. J. McGuire, of Glen-
allen, reported that considerable success
existed among the teachers and scholars
in his section. Mr. Kerr, of Mr. Middle-
miss's church, reported that the average
attendance was from 50 to 75. Mr. Argo,
of Mr. Smellie's church, reported an at-
tendance of 100. Mr. Wm. Ferrier gave
a good account of his school in S. Utah
Garafaxa, and Mr. P. S. Martin said his
school at Simpson's Corners, in the same
township, though only established about
a year ago, was doing remarkably well,
there being 71 scholars on the roll, with
an average attendance of 41. Rev. Mr.
Anderson, of Rossby, reported that in
the summer season his school had an at-
tendance of from 100 to 120 scholars.

When he went to Rossby, four
years ago, there was only one Union
School in the village, now they
had one attached to the Presbyterian
Church, another to the Methodist Church,
and a third to the Church of England.
Mr. J. S. Armstrong said, he had been
connected with a Union Sabbath School
in Erasmus for 17 years. The attendance
during that time had been steady, aver-
aging from 45 to 80. Union Schools he
remarked, were best suited for the country.
Mr. A. Gerrie reported that the school
in West Garafaxa had been ten years in
existence, and spoke of it as in a flourish-
ing condition. Mr. Dalgarro, also from
Garafaxa, said he was connected with a
Union School, which since its organiza-
tion had greatly increased, and was at-
tended by quite a number of young men
and women. Mr. Gray said there were
now six schools in Orangeville—one in
connection with every church in the
place. There were six schools in Amar-
anth, and two in the Gore of Garafaxa.

A general discussion then ensued on
the merits of Union or Denominational
Sabbath Schools—the delegates being
unanimous in the opinion that the former
answered country places best, but the
latter were preferable if they could be
properly maintained. The hour for clos-
ing the session having arrived, after
prayer and praise the Convention ad-
journed till the evening.

When the Convention met in the even-
ing, the Rev. Mr. Smellie, after devo-

tional exercises, delivered an address of
welcome. He expressed his pleasure
at seeing so many delegates present from
all parts of the County, and gave them a
cordial welcome as friends, as Christians,
and as co-laborers in the work of God.
The work in which they were engaged
was of vast importance, and he was
glad Ferguson had been the place chosen
to meet for deliberation. In assemblies of
this kind, not only are Christians from
different parts of the county brought to-
gether, but their rough corners get rub-
bed off in the intercourse which attends
them. He referred to the great changes
which had taken place in Fergus and
neighborhood since he settled there. At
that time there were only two Presby-
teries in Canada West. The North Riding
of Wellington was almost an unbroken
forest, and was then parts of the County
of Waterloo. He was pretty sure there
was not a Presbyterian Minister in it but
himself. Now the bush had been cut
down, towns built up, and we had Pres-
byteries established in our rear; besides
numerous Wesleyan Circuits, and
branches of other denominations. It af-
forded him great pleasure to live to see
all these changes take place for the
better, and he hoped the country would
continue to go on prospering. He pro-
ceeded to speak of the objects of such
Conventions, of the good done by them,
of the means of improvement they af-
forded in the interchange of sentiment and
experience, and also referred to the great
responsibility resting on all who were
engaged in teaching the young.

The Rev. James McGuire, agent of
the Ontario Missionary Association, de-
livered a very interesting address on
Sabbath Schools in newly settled town-
ships, depicting the difficulties often en-
countered, and the triumphs achieved by
those whose heart was in their work.

The Rev. Messrs. Anderson, Brown, T.
McGuire and Gray followed, and each
took up and dwelt upon some subject of
interest in connection with Sabbath
Schools. The Rev. Mr. Barker gave an
address on the best means of conducting
Sabbath Schools, and he was followed
by the Rev. Mr. Brewster.

This closed the proceedings for the day,
and the Convention adjourned to meet on
Wednesday morning.

(Concluded to-morrow.)

Royal Canadian Bank.

The annual general meeting of the
shareholders of the Royal Canadian Bank
took place in Toronto on Monday. Mr.
W. H. Stanton was appointed chairman.

The report of the Directors showed that
the net profits for the half year ending
December, 1868, were \$89,201.72. They
go on to state, however, that during the
month of January, the Vice President of
the Bank made a demand for accommo-
dation to the extent of nearly one-tenth
of the paid up capital of the Bank. This
demand was unanimously refused by the
rest of the Board. A series of malevolent
attacks by the Vice-President upon the
management of the Bank in connection
with mischievous rumors industriously
circulated by those who were interested
in its downfall, caused the withdrawal of
public confidence to an alarming extent,
causing a large decrease in deposits, cir-
culation, and amount of specie held.

The Directors in this emergency ap-
plied to some of the local banks for a re-
discount of commercial paper to a limited
extent by each. Their application for
assistance having been declined, the ne-
cessity for the suspension of specie pay-
ment for a time was, after much anxious