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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 3, 1874.

PRICE TWO CENTS

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

MY IMMENSE STOCK
—OF—
DRY GOODS
IS NOW
Open for Inspection.
On account of being delayed in opening until the season is so far advanced, I find that my stock is much too large in all kinds of seasonable goods, consequently I will commence selling at once all such lines, at about

WHOLESALE COST.
Call and judge for yourselves.

G. A. SMITH,
McQUILLAN'S BLOCK,
Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Nov. 10th, 1874 dw

Business Cards.

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.

D. GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN
Guelph, March 1, 1871. dw

A. H. MACDONALD,
BARRISTER AT LAW.
OFFICE—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph, June 2, 1874. dwtw

LEMON, PETERSON & McLEAN,
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, and Notaries Public.
Offices—Brownlow's New Buildings, near the Registry Office.

A. LEMON, H. W. PETERSON,
W. MACLEAN,
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, etc.

DUNBAR, MERRITT & BISCOE,
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, etc.
Offices—Over Harvey's Drug Store.
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1873. dw

FREDERICK BISCOE,
BARRISTER, &c.
Office—Quebec street, opposite Bank of Montreal, Guelph.

OLIVER & MCKINNON,
Barristers, Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers, Notaries Public, &c.

OLIVER & MCKINNON,
Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph, Nov. 1, 1874. dw

IRON CASTINGS
Of all kinds made to order at

CROWE'S IRON WORKS,
Norfolk Street, Guelph.
Jas. J. D. CROWE, Proprietor.

F. STURDY,
House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter
Grainer and Paper Hanger.
Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

STEPHEN BOULT, Architect, Con- tractor and Builder, Planning Mill and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec Street, Guelph.

JOHN McCREA,
Produce Commission Merchant,
and Insurance Agency.
Office—Bank of Commercial Buildings, Guelph, July 28th, 1874. dcm

RICE'S
BILLIARD HALL,
In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market.

Therom has just been refitted in splendid style, the tables reduced in size, and everything done to make it a first-class Billiard Hall.
Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873. d

M. P. DELOUCHE,
WIRE WORKER,
Pearl Street, off King Street. Every description of wire work made to order at the lowest terms. Any orders left at W. H. Mar- con's seed store, Market Square, or at R. Murray's fruit depot, Wyndham Street, will be thankfully received and promptly at- tended to. Terms strictly cash.
Guelph, June 13, 1874. dtf.

WALDRON'S
CONFECTIONERY STORE,
Next to Petrie's Drug Store,
Choice Confectionery,
Hot Tea, Coffee, and Lunch
at all hours.

CARBS of all kinds constantly on hand. Weddings supplied on short notice.
Guelph, July 23, 1874. d

JOHN KIRKHAM,
GUNSMITH,
Quebec Street, Guelph, opposite the Churches.

Guns, Pistols, and Sporting Materials al- ways on hand. Repairing as usual.

A MERICAN
HOTEL CAR.
The subscriber begs to intimate to the public that his new cab attends all trains at stations, and will convey passengers to any part of the town.
Pleasure or other parties hiring the Cab by the hour can have it at very reasonable terms by applying at the hotel.
THOMAS ELLIS,
Proprietor
Guelph, 1st Dec. 1874. dtf

New Advertisements.

HOT AIR FURNACE.—For sale, Hill's \$200 Wood Furnace, as good as new—most surfaces having been substituted. This may be had on reasonable terms. A. Lemon, Guelph, Sept. 8, 1874. dtf

HOUSE TO LET.—On the corner of Brantford Road and Mitchell Street, a first-class stone dwelling, containing nine rooms, with pantries, wood shed, well, cistern, and all other conveniences.—For particulars, apply to E. W. McGuire, M.D. Nor- folk Street, Guelph. dtf

MONEY TO LOAN.
The undersigned has over \$50,000 to lend on good farm security. TERMS MODERATE.
Apply direct to **FREDERICK BISCOE,** Barrister, &c. Guelph, Oct. 10, 1874. ap

ANDERSON'S DOMINION SALOON.
The undersigned begs to inform the Public that he has leased the above Saloon, opposite the Market House.
From his long experience in business he hopes to merit a share of the trade.
Meals at all hours. Oyster and game sup- pers set up on short notice.
H. M. ANDERSON.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.
Notice is hereby given that the partner- ship lately subsisting between John W. Kil- gour and Thomas M. Till, both of the Village of Hillsburg, under the firm of Kilgour & Till, expired on the 29th of November, by mutual consent. All debts owing to the said partnership are to be received by said Thomas M. Till, and all demands on the said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.
JOHN W. KILGOUR,
THOMAS M. TILL.
Witness: **GEO. WOODS,**
Dated at Hillsburg, this first day of De- cember, A.D. 1874. dtf

POISONED WITH MATCHES.—A little girl nearly 3 years old, daughter of Henry Le Poidevin, in the employ of Mr. Theo- dore Gowly, Limehouse, was poisoned on Tuesday last by sucking lucifer matches, which she accidentally had got hold of. Soon after eating the poison, she became very sick, and vomited freely, and it was hoped that the danger of a fatal result was over. But on Wednesday afternoon she took a fit, and died in a few minutes. Persons should be careful and not leave those poisonous articles where children can get hold of them.

PERSONAL.—We understand that Mr. Wm. Young has returned from Fort Gary where he has been stationed. He is a member of the Wellington Field Bat- tery, and it is believed that he has suc- cessfully succeeded in taking off a first-class certificate from the Kingston School of Gunnery, he enlisted in the Dominion Artillery. He rose steadily in the ranks, and when he left Fort Gary, was a sergeant in the above named corps. Should Mr. Young stay near or in Guelph, and resume his duties in connection with the W. F. B., he will be a valuable ac- cession to it.

Y. M. C. A.—The first monthly busi- ness meeting of this Association under the new constitution takes place to-night. This constitution requires the Executive Committee to report monthly, and their report embodies all the reports of the chairmen of standing Committees, so their report will give the members and others an idea of what the Association is doing. In this connection we would mention that the subject for debate in the Literary Class to-morrow evening is "Resolve that the Miter is less advan- tageous to Society than the Profrigate." Let the members turn out well to-night, and all who can, whether members or not, to-morrow evening.

BOOKBINDING.
MERCHANTS and others requiring first-class LEADERS, JOURNAL, DAY or CASH BOOKS, of any size, need not send away to get them. CHAPMAN can produce first-class books, of any description, to order. All kinds of ruling done neatly and expeditiously.

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JOHN & R. EWING
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Cabs in connection.
Guelph, Nov. 4, 1874. dtw

MARSHALL'S
New Art Gallery
WILL OPEN
Wednesday Morning,
Dec. 2nd.

NELSON CRESCENT
GROCERY.
W. A. Suddaby begs to inform the in- habitants of Guelph and vicinity that he has commenced business in the store lately occupied by R. S. King, opposite the Guelph Sewing Machine Factory, where he has opened up a new and complete stock of Groceries and Provisions.
As all goods have been bought at the lowest figure for cash, they will be sold as cheap as by any other house in Guelph.
He hopes by keeping a good article, and by paying strict attention to business, to merit a share of the public patronage.
Goods delivered to any part of the town.
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THURSDAY EVG. DEC. 3, 1874.

Town and County News
LETTER.—Mr. P. Hanson, we under- stand, declines being a candidate for municipal honors next year.

SUPPER TO-NIGHT.—Mr. James Parker will entertain the County Council, the Town Council, and members of the Press, at an oyster and tripe supper to-night at his hotel.

COMING.—The Agnes Wallace Troupe will be in Guelph on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 7th, 8th and 9th. The agent is now in town making ar- rangements, of which due notice will be given.

STEREOSCOPIC.—We are obliged to Mr. John Anderson for two finely executed stereoscopic views, one representing the interior of St. Andrew's Church, and the other the exterior of the Baptist Church. The artist is Mr. Esion of Preston. Mr. Anderson has a number of these views for sale at a low figure.

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Wellington County Council.

Dec. 2nd.

The Council met at 8 p.m. The Warden in the chair.

The following accounts were referred to the Finance Committee:—J. Anderson, \$3.23; Hart & Rawlinson, \$20.75; an account from J. Webster, amounting to \$41.10, was referred to the County Property Committee.

The Warden read the Treasurer's financial statement for the year.

It showed that out of the sum of \$2,000 voted at the recommendation of the Road and Bridge Committee in June last, there had been \$1,650 spent, leaving a balance of \$350. The expenditure on boundary line bridges from January 1st to June 1st, amounted to \$1,806.39, and from June to this date \$3,525, making a total expenditure of \$5,331.39. On the recommendation of the Committee having charge of this branch of expenditure the Council voted \$9,000. Presuming that the amount spent during the second half of the year is the amount properly chargeable against this vote, there is still at the credit of the Committee \$5,475. The expenditure for repairs on County Roads from June 1st to date, is \$6,903.92, inclusive of \$33 charged to the Glanellan Road Commis- sioners for mutilating a horse. There remains \$272 to be yet paid to cover the vote of \$7,173. Expenditure on bridges, \$500.50. On culverts \$200. Total expenditure on County roads for all purposes \$7,604.42. \$1,708 were ex- pended in paying the 25 cents per cent to the Volunteers while in camp. \$3,105 has been paid as the first interest on C. V. R. debentures.

The following liabilities have to be met on the 31st inst. and lat. prox.:

County debentures maturing. \$6,759 00
Interest—coupons. 2,777 89
\$9,536 89

C. V. R. debentures. \$3,700
Interest—coupons. 4,050
Ontario Bank advances. 7,750 00
Total. \$37,286 89

Cash in the Treasury. \$3,915 23
On the 1st day of January last, the de- benture liability of the County was \$109,122 Paid off. \$13,613
Provided for redemp- tion of debentures, maturing in Jan. 1875. 10,259
Balance. \$85,250

The County Debt during the year has decreased \$85,250.

The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Warden read communications from Rev. George Smellie, Fergus, and from Rev. A. D. Macdonald, Lora, referring to services rendered as examiners at the July Examination of School Teachers; also one from Rev. J. Kilgour in refer- ence to school matters.

These were referred to the Education Committee.

A petition was presented from Arthur Village Council, that the County Solicitor be instructed to do a By-law in ac- cordance with the petition, provided he found the same in accordance with the statute.—Carried.

The report of the Commissioners on the Gravel Road running through the Township of Minto and Village of Hills- burg was read and referred to Com- mittee on County Roads.

A petition from S. D. Hurley, asking for pecuniary assistance, he having lost the use of his left eye and being in poor health, consequent upon being shot by Hazle last summer.

A letter from Dr. Herod in reference to the case was also read.

This was on motion referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Howard read a letter from the Director of the Guelph General Hospi- tal, asking the Council to appoint a special Committee to inspect the build- ing, for the purpose of seeing if it had progressed sufficiently to receive the grant made by the Council at a former session.

On motion of Mr. Hood, seconded by Mr. Leeson, this communication was referred to a special Committee, composed of the Warden, Messrs. Leslie, Rea, Mair, Roberts, Dalby, McMillan, Ander- son, Gibson, McKim, Rabb and Lay- mond, who were instructed to report to the Council in accordance with the re- quest of the Hospital Directors.

The Council then adjourned till Thurs- day morning at 10 o'clock.

COURT OF CHANCERY.
Dec. 3rd, 1874.

PETERSON vs. PETERSON.
There is yet no decision in this case.

PATTERSON vs. THOMPSON & CULLEN.
This case occupied the attention of the Court all day yesterday. The evidence of the plaintiffs was heard and the defendant's witnesses are being heard to-day. The case is not finished as we go to press, and will likely last for about two hours longer.

December Fair.
The Fair on Wednesday was pretty well attended, but business was dull. Not many good cattle were in, the best being no doubt kept for the Christmas Show. They were mostly held high, and but few sales were made up to 12 o'clock, though a large number of buyers were present. The selling prices were from \$3 to \$4 per 100 lbs. and very few were sold at higher figure. We note a few sales:—John Moore, cow for \$38; Jas. Garvin, cow for \$29.50; Jas. Henderson, cow for \$30; Chas. McWilliams, milk cow for \$44; Thos. Coghlan, do. for \$50; John Brown, 15 head for \$360; Jas. Harris, ox \$165; Wm. Barclay, 3 head for \$95; J. Hunter, cow for \$15.

A CURE FOR CONSUMPTION.—A cor- respondent writes as follows about the sanitary power of a well-known plant. "I have discovered a remedy for pulmonary consumption. It has cured a number of cases after they had com- menced bleeding at the lungs and the hectic flush was already on the cheek. After trying this remedy by my own satis- faction, I have thought philanthropy required that I should let it be known to the world. It is common mullein, steeped strong and sweetened with coffee sugar, and drunk freely. The herb should be gathered before the end of July, if convenient.

Mrs. Mary Barton, of Stony Point, dropped dead from fright on hearing a loud thunder clap during the late storm.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

Dr. Kenealy.

Britain refuses to take part in a law conference.

Terrible disaster at sea.

Great loss of life.

Teo Jersey City Scandal.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The Lord High Chan- cellor, Lord Cairns, has removed the name of Dr. Kenealy from the list of Queen's Counsel.

A special despatch to the 'Daily News' from Berlin, says it is reported there that Great Britain has formally and finally refused to take part in the Inter- national Law Conference which Russia pro- posed to re-open at St. Petersburg.

The steamer *La Plata*, from Gravesend for Rio Grande, chartered by the Siem- sen Bros., to repair the telegraph cable, foundered off Ushant on the 29th of Nov. Sixty persons were drowned. Fourteen survivors were rescued by the *Garloch* of Glasgow, from a boat in which they had been floating 23 hours and were trans- ferred to the steamer *Antero*, which ar- rived in the Thames last night. The loss of the steamer is attributed to the shifting of the heavy grapple apparatus. Of 250 miles of telegraph cable on board 150 had been paid out which had to be abandoned in the unavailing attempt to save the vessel by lightening. The cap- tain, surgeon, three officers, engineer, seven stewards and cooks, eleven stokers, fourteen seamen, and the whole lot of cable staff, numbering 16, including Mr. Ricketts, the chief electrician, were drowned. The chief steward who was saved reports that the fire was all out by 10 o'clock on the morning of the 29th. A heavy sea carried away two of the boats. The ship gradually settled by the stern and at 12:30 foundered stern first. The Captain and Doctor were on the bridges and having failed to clear the steamer's life rafts, went down with the crew. The decks burst as the steamer sank.

New York, Dec. 2.—The case of the Rev. John S. Glendonning, before the Jersey City Presbytery, concluded to-day, resulting in a verdict of acquittal on all the counts.

Marshall's Photograph Gallery.
Mr. W. Marshall has just taken possession of his newly fitted up Photo- graph Gallery, next to Mr. Hogg's store, in the Alma Block. In all respects—whether we regard its cheerful appear- ance, the taste and neatness displayed in fitting it up, its elegance and conveni- ence—it is equal to any of the first es- tablishments in the city. On the main floor we have a well lighted and com- modious show room, and the spacious window gives every opportunity for dis- tinct viewing of the beautiful speci- mens of photographic art which have been produced by Mr. Marshall. These will well repay a careful examination, and cannot fail to elicit the admiration of all who delight in perfect pictures. On the walls of the room, and on the counters, are displayed many choice oil chromes, chrome lithographs, mottoes, picture frames, &c., which are for sale. Mr. Marshall having now embarked in that branch of the business. In the rear of the gallery is a well fitted up and airy and enterprise thus fitting up a Gallery which is a credit to the town, and which is as much an evidence of its progress as in any other department of business carried on in it. We wish him every success, and have little doubt but that he will meet with a full measure of it in his new Gallery.

WISDOM OF THE EGYPTIANS.—Philo- sopher, astronomer, chemist, painter, architect and physician must return to Egypt to learn the origin of writing—a knowledge of the calendar and solar mo- tion—the art of cutting granite with a copper chisel, and of giving elasticity to a copper sword—of making glass of the variegated hues of the rainbow—of moving single blocks of polished syenite nine hundred tons in weight, for any distance by land or water—of building arches round and pointed, with Masonic pre- cedent by two thousand years to the Cleopas Maxims of Rome—of sculpturing a Doric column one thousand years be- fore Dorians are known in history—of fresco painting in imperishable colors—and of practical knowledge in masonry. And it is no less clear that every crafts- man can behold on Egyptian monuments the progress of his art four thousand years ago, whether it be a wheelwright building his chariot, a shoemaker draw- ing his twine, a leather-cutter using that self-same form of knife which is consid- ered the best form now, or a weaver throwing the same hand-shuttle.

The King of the Sandwich Islands, who is about to pay a visit to the Presi- dent of the United States, landed on Saturday at San Francisco, where he was received with all honour by the United States and California authorities. The authorities of St. John, N.B., have levied on the property of the Roman Ca- tholic Bishop and priests for non-payment of school taxes according to law.

Ontario Legislature.

Dec. 1.

THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Mr. Cameron rose to move the following resolution:—"Whereas it has been stated in the Guelph Evening Mercury that a serious disaffection had arisen between the Principal and heads of the dif- ferent departments in the Agricultural College at Guelph, and much had feeling had in consequence sprung up. A Com- mittee, comprising the Hon. Mr. Christie, the Hon. Mr. McKellar, Prof. McLeellan, and Mr. James Laidlaw, Warden of the County, decided to hear and take down the statements of the Principal first, and then to take the evidence of the heads of the Departments and of the pupils— which statement and evidence were care- fully reported, and at the close of their investigation the Committee submitted them to the Govern- ment, the consequence was that the Government requested the Principal to hand in his resignation, which was done; and whereas the irregularities in the said in- stitution have tended much to impair its past usefulness and to retard its progress; and whereas the Hon. Archibald McKellar, in his place in this House, on being asked by a member in his place for cer- tain information, suggested that a Com- mittee of this House should be appointed to make enquiry into the management of the same institution; therefore, he re- solved, that a Committee be appointed, composed of Messrs. Boulton, Scott (Peterborough), Clarke (Wellington), Hodgins and Boulter, to enquire into the management, and whether any and what causes, if any, existed, which might cri- tically produce dissatisfaction among the officers or irregularities in the conduct and control of the institution impairing its use- fulness, and the cause of the dismissal of the Principal of the said College; that the said Committee be empowered to send for persons, papers and documents, and that the evidence taken before the Com- mittee be reported to this House." He said that the Agricultural College had, he believed, taken a very considerable hold of the people of this country, and it was very desirable to see that it was administered satisfactorily, and there- fore anything which affected the due working and management of that insti- tution had its interest for the people of the country. It was to be regretted, exceedingly that that institution had been very badly managed in the past. It was said that there had been some reforma- tion in the present, but that must be very doubtful, if the information which he had as to the causes of the disagree- ment among officials and the inefficiency of the institution were correct. That in- formation came from a source which he believed to be reliable. When this in- stitution was first established, of course it was within the recollection of hon- ourable gentlemen that it was designed to be at Mimico, but it was removed to Guelph for reasons which never appeared to be satisfactory to gentlemen on his side of the House or, he believed, to any gen- tlemen on the other. A considerable sum had been expended for the manage- ment of the institution, improvements had been made in the building, on the grounds, and in the salaries of the officials, and yet there were no reasons to be given. He understood that the Govern- ment were exceedingly anxious in their selection of the first Principal for the in- stitution. They had manifested a care which was commendable, a care which they were entitled to very great credit, a gentleman, he believed, came to this country very highly recommended, but they were not satisfied with the testi- monials which he produced in this coun- try, and got some gentlemen resident in this country who happened to be ac- quainted with the duties of the office, and standing in the parts of the United States from which this gentleman came, to make enquiries in regard to him. He believed the result of the enquiries was to show that he was in every way com- petent to discharge the duties of the po- sition in which he was to be placed in this country. He was brought here, but when he arrived he found that the in- stitution was not organized. Though the Government had not got possession of the grounds, though they did not get possession of the building for a consider- able time afterwards, or of the grounds for a longer time, he found on his arriv- al, that an officer had been appointed by the hon. the Provincial Secretary—then the Commissioner of Public Works and Agriculture—who, in his communication to the gentleman appointed, stated that he had promised his brother that he should have a position in connection with the staff. No duty was attached to the office, and no salary was attached to the office. It was said that he had happened that gentleman was connected by marriage with the family of the Hon. George Brown. He believed he was a brother of a brother-in-law of Mr. Brown—at least, so he was informed. When the Principal wanted to know what office he held, he said he believed he was to be farm manager, steward, or something that way, but what it was he could not tell. He was appointed and drew a salary for a considerable time be- fore the farm or building was in a posi- tion to receive pupils. It was found that he had no knowledge to fit him for the position, and afterwards he was made clerk of the works on the institution, it being designed to make improvements in the building. Tenders were advertised for, and a contract was let for \$2,500, but it ran up to \$9,000, which, after in- spection, was reduced to \$8,000. For the management of this gentleman as clerk of the works he was dismissed, and the Principal got the blame of the dismissal, though in fact he was not responsible. Then a lady was appointed as matron, though there was no place for her. Pro- fessor McCandless had made arrange- ments for suitable apartments for the lady, but she objected, and a change was made without further consultation with the Principal. When Prof. McCandless came, he stated that these arrangements were not suitable for the lady, and though they had been concurred in by the At- torney-General and the Commissioner of Public Works, yet because this lady ex- plained the arrangement was entirely changed and another made with further consultation without Prof. McCandless. Then he understood that a woman was appointed as cook at very considerable wages, and another person was required to do chores about the place, so the husband of this woman was selected. Very considerable expense had been incurred in that way. Then the Professor, after consultation with the Attorney-General, got permission to advertise for certain officers required in the institution, among others a housekeeper and yardman, and after he had selected a person in every way qualified for the position he was told that the appointment could not be made because