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## Business Cards

**STEPHEN BOLT**, Architect, Contractor & Builder. Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec street, Guelph. dw

**OLIVER & MACDONALD**, Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Ontario, Guelph, Ontario. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont. dw

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

**D. GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN**, Guelph, March 1, 1874. dw

**REMOVAL OF SURGERY.** DR. HEROD. Has removed his Surgery to the rooms above the Guelph Drug Store, where he may be found from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entrance on Cork street. After 6 p.m. at his residence as usual. dw

**MEDICAL CO-PARTNERSHIP.** We, the undersigned, have entered into partnership for the practice of the Medical profession under the style and firm of Keating & McDonald. dw

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**WILLIAM J. PATERSON**, Official Assignee for the County of Wellington. dw

**STURDY**, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter. GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. dw

**IRON CASTINGS** Of all kinds, made to order at GROWER'S IRON WORKS, Norfolk Street, Guelph. dw

**JOHN CAWWE, Proprietor** LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public. Offices—Brownell's New Buildings, near the Registry Office. dw

**A. LEMON, H. W. PETERSON, CHAS. LEMON**, 1 County Court Attorney Guelph. dw

**GUELPH ACADEMY** WILL RE-OPEN (D.V.) On Monday, January 5th, 1874. A few pupil boarders can be accommodated. JNO. MARTIN, Swatw Guelph, Dec. 30, 1873.

**DOMINION SALOON AND RESTAURANT.** Opposite the Market, Guelph. First-class accommodation for supper parties. GEORGE B. LEBESS, Proprietor. Guelph, Oct. 31, 1873. dw

**MONEY TO LEND.** On farm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. FRED. BISCOE, Barrister, &c. Guelph. April 4'73.-dwf.

**PAKKE'S HOTEL** DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH. First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive host. The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar. He has just fitted up a room where Oysters will be served up at all hours, in the favorite styles. Pickled Salmon, Lobsters and Sardines. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dw

**ROBERT CRAWFORD**, PRACTICAL Watch and Clock Maker, Jeweller. Wyndham Street, Guelph. dw

**THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH**, remodelled and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free omnibus to and from all first-class railway connections. May 14 dwf JAS. A. THORP, Proprietor.

**W. H. TAYLOR**, GARRIAGE SILVER PLATER, Opposite Knox Church, GUELPH. The only one of this kind in Toronto. All work warranted the best. Please send or price list. dw

**RICE'S BILLIARD HALL**, In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market. The rooms have just been refitted in splendid style, the tables refitted in size, and everything done to make it a first-class Billiard Hall. Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873. dw

**NEW COAL YARD.** The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of Hard and Soft Coal. Admonstrations. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to. Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873. dw

**MONEY TO LEND.** In sums to suit growers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned. GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873. dwf

**CASH FOR WOOL, HIDES, SHEEP-SKINS, CALF SKINS, AND WOOD-PICKINGS.** The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's Old Block, Guelph. Plasterers' hair constantly on hand for sale. MOULTON & BISH, Guelph, Jan. 1, 1874. dwf

## New Advertisements

**NOTICE.**—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station, Guelph, Nov. 7, 1873. dwf

**HOUSE TO LET.**—To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office. Guelph, Dec. 2nd, 1873. dwf

**CHOPPERS WANTED.** Wanted—Two Choppers. Apply at this office. j15-46

**WANTED TO PURCHASE.**—A small house containing from five to seven rooms. The purchase money paid down. Apply at the residence of Mrs. Sterling, Hatch's Block, Norfolk street. dwf

**SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE.**—For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, different makers, all new cheap for sale. Apply at the Machinery Office. dwf

**COURT OF PERSEVERANCE.** A. O. F. No. 5856. Meet every WEDNESDAY in the GOOD TEMPERANCE HALL at 7:30 sharp. G. A. COULSON, Sec. dwf

**NOTICE.**—All persons indebted to the Estate of Robert Rae & Co., are requested to settle their accounts before Monday, 15th inst., and all persons having claims against the Estate will forward them to the undersigned. JAMES MASSIE, Administrator. Guelph, 10th January, 1874. dwf

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.** All parties indebted to the firm of Chance & Williamson are requested to make payment of the same, as the partnership will shortly be dissolved. CHANCE & WILLIAMSON, Golden Lion. Guelph, 4th Jan., 1874. dw

**INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.** In the matter of HENRY METCALF, an Insolvent. NOTICE. All parties indebted to the estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned. HENRY HATCH, Assignee. Guelph, 9th Jan., 1874. dwf

**NOTICE OF PARTNERSHIP.** The undersigned begs to announce that he has taken his son, W. D. Tewe, into partnership, and that the style of the firm will be Wm. Tawe & Son. All accounts against the undersigned up to 1st January to be settled immediately. All accounts due the undersigned will be collected by the new firm. All parties indebted will please call and settle immediately. Wm. Tawe, Day's Block, opposite the Market. Guelph, Jan. 14, 74. dwf

**BENEFIT NIGHT.**—TOWN HALL—FRIDAY, JAN. 16th, Annie De Montford. The undisputed reigning star of Mesmerists, will give a quotation of her marvellous Mesmeric Entertainments, Especially for the poor of Guelph, under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society, upon which occasion new and brilliant experiments will be presented. The Royal Amateurs, Members of Parliament, The Great Steeple Chase, Zoological Concert, Or human imitation of various animals, with numerous other illustrations. Admission. Reserved seats 50 cents; back seats, 25c. NOTICE.—On Saturday night, Jan. 17th, a SPECIAL BENEFIT will be tendered to Annie de Montford upon her last farewell night. FAMILY MATINEE, Saturday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Price of admission 25 cents, children 15 cents.

**ANNIVERSARY SERMONS** will be preached in the Wesleyan Church, on SABBATH, JANUARY 18th, BY THE REV. LACHLAN TAYLOR, D.D. At 10.30 a.m., and by at 6.30 p.m. A collection will be taken up at each service in aid of the Trust Fund. A Tea Meeting will be held in the basement of the Church on MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 19th, by Rev. Dr. TAYLOR will deliver an address on his recent VISIT TO MANITOBA. The proceeds are to be applied to the Trust Fund of the contemplated Second Wesleyan Church. Admission 25 cents. Doors open 5.30. Tea served from 6. Guelph, Jan. 14, 1874. dtw

**GREAT Trade Sale of Pianofortes** At the Manufacturing Establishment of J. F. RAINER, GUELPH, On Wednesday, 28th Jan., 1874, —ABOUT— 50 First-class Instruments, consisting of Square, Grand and E. H. H. in finest Rosewood Cases, 7 and 7 1/2 octave, overstrung, action French Grand, Triple Ivory Bridge, and Through Action, Rich varred legs and legs, elegantly cut music desks. Terms Liberal. Sale at 11 o'clock a.m. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1874. dwf

**GREAT CHEAP SALE** At I. & J. Andrews' FANCY STORE, OPPOSITE THE MARKET, CONSISTING OF SLIPPER PATTERNS Toys, Dolls, and a general stock of FANCY GOODS. All of which will be sold at and below cost. Orders received for Hair Jewellery I. & J. ANDREWS, Guelph, Jan. 15th, 1874. dwf

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### Town and County News

The proposer of Mr. Frank Cornish, the successful candidate in the first contest for the Mayoralty of Winnipeg, Manitoba, was Mr. Alex. Brown, late of the Galt Brewery.

THE BURN'S ANNIVERSARY CONCERT.—We are glad to learn that, in addition to the other musical attractions, Vale's Band will perform a selection of Scottish airs at Mr. Matland's concert on the 26th inst.

RAILWAY.—The afternoon express from Hamilton passing Guelph at 5.50 p.m., which formerly went no further than Palmerston, now runs on to Harrison, reaching there about nine o'clock.

The first of the monthly socials of the Baptist Church, came off last night, and notwithstanding the state of the weather was well attended. A good programme is being prepared for the 15th of next month.

The social entertainment arranged to take place in Collison's Hall, Harrison, under the auspices of the St. George's Church Association, on the 20th of this month, has been postponed until Wednesday evening, the 27th.

FOR THE POOR.—Remember the entertainment to be given in the Town Hall to-night by the great mesmerist, Annie de Montford, under the auspices of the Ladies' Benevolent Society for the benefit of the poor of Guelph. The worthiness of the object and the interest of the performance combine to furnish a strong reason why the Town Hall should be crowded to-night.

POINT MENTAL.—The Curling Club's medal for the player who has succeeded in scoring the greatest number of points during the year, on the Guelph rink, was played for on Wednesday, and was carried off by Mr. Wm. Congalton. The match was between Messrs. W. Congalton, 10 points; Alex. Congalton, 9 points; J. Spaulding, 9 points; James Anderson, 8 points; Jas. Dobbie, 8 points; and J. McMillan, 8 points. The ice was very good, and the game a lively and exciting one.

NORTH RIDING.—We learn from the Harrison Tribune that enthusiastic meetings were held in the interest of Col. Hinghbotham at Connell's school house, and at Cotswold on Tuesday night last, for the purpose of organizing and appointing committees to canvass. The whole meeting was a unit in favor of the Col. and pledged themselves to use every honorable means in returning him to the head of the poll, not by 67, but by hundreds, which the Reformers feel sanguine can be done with energy and work.

FRESH MEAT FOR ENGLAND.—When noticing the extract from the London Times a few days ago as to sending fresh meat from Canada to England, we did not think that Guelph would soon share in that important trade. Such is the fact, however. One of our foremost produce dealers has, we learn, shipped to England 500 dressed hogs, sewn up in canvass. This is of course the first shipment of fresh meat from Guelph to the Old Country, and we shall watch with interest to hear the result of the experiment, we suppose it may be called.

THE TORONTO AND SOUTH WELLINGTON.—A meeting of "Liberal Conservatives" was called for Thursday night at the Albion Hotel, and publicly announced in the Herald. Our reporter attended the meeting. Dr. Herod was called to the chair. Before proceeding to business he stated that the meeting was a preliminary one, called for the purpose of organization, and only for those friendly to the Liberal-Conservative cause. It was not desirable that the proceedings should be published, and he therefore requested the reporter of the Mercury to withdraw. Our reporter said he had much pleasure in acceding to the wish of the chairman.

THE GUELPH TOWNSHIP AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S meeting was held on Wednesday afternoon. The following gentlemen were appointed office bearers for the present year:—President, William Atkinson; Vice-President, Jas. Laidlaw; Secretary-Treasurer, George Murton; Directors, W. Whitelaw, G. Atkinson, B. Blythe, Jas. Porter, Robt. Mathews, Matthew Sweetnam, James West and Robt. McIntosh; Auditors, James Laidlaw and John Carl. In consequence of the amalgamation of this Society with the South Wellington Agricultural Association, the annual report will be embodied in that of the latter.

DEATH OF MR. JAS. ANSELME.—We regret to learn that Mr. James Anselme, founder of the Galt Reformer, died at his residence, Township of Dumfries, on 8th Dec. Some months ago Mr. Anselme was attacked with paralysis, and has been unable to leave his house. He had, however, rallied from its effects to some extent; but a second shock, followed quickly by a third one, was too much for his weakened constitution. In noticing his death, the Reporter says:—"Naturally of a warm and impulsive temperament, Mr. Anselme had his faults like most of us; but there are many amongst us who will ever bear a kindly remembrance of him, and who will forget his faults in the brighter record of his virtues."

ACCIDENT.—At a shooting match held at Killeen, on the 1st inst., a young man named Murdoch McLean, residing near the Gore of Paslinch, had the greater part of two of his fingers shot off by the accidental discharge of his gun.

## BY TELEGRAPH

### Sunday Concerts Stopped.

### Indemnification Refused.

### Breaking Gaol in Milwaukee.

### More Fighting in Cuba.

### Suicide of an Actress.

### Coal-Oil Lamp Fatality.

### Defeat of Rio Rebels.

New York, Jan. 15.—All the proprietors of places of amusement were notified to-night by the police that hereafter no sacred concerts will be permitted on Sunday nights. This order creates intense excitement among the Germans.

St. Louis, Jan. 15.—By the explosion of a coal oil lamp to-day James McGinness and his daughter, aged seventeen, were burned to death. His wife, and son, aged eighteen, and infant, are supposed to be fatally burned.

London, Jan. 17.—Henry Belknap, a passenger on the steamer *Ville du Havre*, writes to the Times that the French Transatlantic Steamship Company, relying on the exemption of their officers by the French Court, refuse to indemnify parties for the loss of friends and property by the disaster, and sufferers propose to seek redress in the New York Courts.

The Times correspondent at Carthage reports that a tumult of the people, who were convinced of the treachery of the leaders, precipitated the surrender. It is understood that the French Government will deliver to Spain, under the Extradition Treaty, those of the Carthaginian refugees now in Algeria who are accused of piracy and other civil crimes.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 15.—The Prince and Princess of Wales have arrived here. A fete at the American legation, in honor of the Duke of Edinburgh's marriage, will take place on Monday.

London, Jan. 15.—Late advices from Rio report that the termination of the war in Entre Rios has been officially declared. General Jorhan, the leader of the rebellion, has been totally defeated, and was a fugitive. His adherents had given in their submission to the Government.

New York, Jan. 16.—The Herald's Washington despatch says Senator Conkling has accepted the Chief Justiceship. The Times despatch says no selection will be made until next week, and predictions are therefore useless.

New York, Jan. 15.—The sale of the St. Louis and St. Joseph railway is announced. The public auction has been postponed until February 10th.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—Mrs. Lulu Torrence, actress, wife of John Torrence, shot herself through the heart last night. Domestic troubles were the cause.

Milwaukee, Jan. 15.—Three prisoners escaped from the State Prison at Wauquan last night, having been furnished with false keys and pistols. Among the party is the celebrated David Riggo, who, with Allen, almost escaped from Chicago gaol, and also from Milwaukee gaol during their trial for burglary.

Havana, Jan. 15.—Spanish accounts state that Col. Espanda, with 650 men, has had an engagement with the insurgents near Melones. The fighting lasted six or seven hours, and at the close Col. Espanda retreated before superior numbers. The loss was four officers and sixteen privates killed, and fourteen officers and fifty privates wounded. Owing to the severity and length of the combat the insurgent loss could not be ascertained.

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—The missing steamship China, from Hong Kong, arrived here this morning.

Madrid, Jan. 15.—The insurgents at Barcelona have surrendered, and the authority of the Government is fully restored in that city.

Nearly Fatal Accident. Mr. Thos. Edie, Paisley Block, son-in-law of Mr. Thos. Hood, has had a narrow escape from instant death. He was working at a threshing machine last Wednesday, when his scarf caught in some of the gearing, and the upper part of his body was drawn into the machinery. Most fortunately the driver noticed the mishap, and stopped the horses immediately, thus saving Mr. Edie's life. As it was, Mr. Edie had his shoulder dislocated, and his head badly bruised. It was not necessary to cut away his clothing before he could be extricated. Drs. Keating and Macdonald attended to the hurts of the sufferer, and he is doing well. This is another argument in favor of Mr. Clarke's Bill.

SURPRISE HOR.—On Monday evening last, about eighty ladies and gentlemen of Harrison surprised Mr. Stewart Johnson by marching in double column to his residence. The party took possession of the large cheese factory lately finished, which was comfortably heated, and brilliantly lighted. The walls were decorated with evergreens. In a short time two violinists were present, and twenty couples were dancing, whilst others amused themselves in games of various descriptions. At about twelve o'clock a repast, brought by the party, was partaken of; some went home; others resumed the dance, and kept it up until about two o'clock. This was one of the most sociable and harmonious gatherings that has ever taken place in Harrison.—Tribune.

"Dear old Aunt Sarah," said a school girl, "don't see very well, and last Sunday she was buzzing around getting tiddy for church, looking for umbrellas, spears, overbores, and last, but not least, her prayer-book. The latter she thought she had secured by grabbing something off her bureau at the last moment, but when she got to church it proved to be my musical-box, and the old lady, in trying to find her place in the uncommon book of prayer, touched the spring, and it went off in fine style to the tune of 'O, Jim Along, Jim Along, Josey.'"

## Ontario Legislature.

After usual routine proceedings, Mr. Merrick moved an address for a copy of all correspondence with the Dominion Government with reference to the Acts of Incorporation of the Orange Association of Eastern and Western Ontario, and all Orders in Council and papers in connection therewith.

In speaking to the motion, Mr. Merrick said that when the Orange Bills were before the House the Attorney-General stated that it was within the competency of this House to pass such measures, and in a few days thereafter he took the unwarrantable course of serving the Bills. He would not enter fully into the subject till the papers were produced.

Hon. Mr. Mowat in reply said that the Government offered no excuse or apology for the course they pursued. They pursued a course requiring no apology but entirely in accordance with constitutional usage. He considered it was the duty of the Dominion Minister of Justice to have settled the question, and advised the Governor-General to allow or disallow the Bills. He would not offer further remarks, as the subject had already been fully discussed.

Mr. Cameron defended the course of the Ottawa Government, and stated that the reason for the Bills being sent back was a gross error, viz. that the Provincial Government had full power to deal with them.

Mr. Bethune showed, by quotation of several precedents, the right position of the Government in the matter, and held that, under the circumstances, they could not have pursued any other course than that adopted.

Mr. McCall and Boulter having spoken briefly against the course of the Government, the motion was put to the House, and carried.

The House then adjourned.

### The Provincial Besspell.

A great Provincial Curling Match was played at Toronto on Thursday. It will be noticed that the match resulted in a tie—an exceedingly remarkable and unprecedented circumstance when the number of players is considered. We conclude the following account from the *Globe*:

Within the past three weeks the idea has taken place that the curlers in the Peninsula should have a grand game. It was to be on the model of the annual curling in Scotland, where the North plays against the South, making it a day of almost national importance. Here the East was to play against the West, the route of the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway being the line of demarcation, having Toronto in the East. It was first expected that the match would be played on Burlington Bay, but at the last moment it was found that this was not to be relied on, and on Wednesday it was decided to play on the Don.

By one o'clock in the afternoon twenty-nine rinks, representing two hundred and thirty-two players, had assembled on the scene of action. For half a mile north and south of the gaol bridge, the river was soon occupied, each rink at its appointed location. A gang of labourers had been employed cleaning the surface, and the ice was found to be in very fair condition. It was cold; a nipping frosty wind came down the valley of the Don from the north, but what currier cares for that? When the game was at its height, the scene was one of unusual character and animation. The hearty players; their strange cries of advice, and warning, and encouragement; the rapid and incessant whirling of the countless stones, and the singing and whirling of the staves, formed a combination of sights and sounds which have no counterpart in any other pastime. We could not doubt the statement of an old curler,—"that such a besspell had never been played in America, and that it would do Lord Dufferin good to see it—for Lord Dufferin, you see, is an enthusiastic curler." The play lasted five hours, interlarded with a spell for refreshments. The following is the score:—

EAST	WEST
Red Jackets.....10	Ancaster Thistle.....11
Scarboro.....16	Dundas.....16
Caledonians.....19	Mechanics, Ham.....15
Fergus.....14	Hamilton.....12
Malcom Bros.....14	Thamesville.....16
Guelph.....12	Flamboro.....11
Toronto, City G'd.....12	Paris.....12
Caledonians, T'nto.....10	London.....9
Toronto, City G'd.....12	Mechanics, Ham.....15
Cobourg.....12	Thamesville.....16
Scarboro.....17	Hamilton.....15
Dundas.....17	Paris.....12
Galt.....12	Ingersoll.....13
Galt.....12	Thamesville.....16
.....18	.....20
Scarboro.....6	Dominion.....14
.....12	.....27
Newcastle.....11	Thistle, Hamilton.....16
Orengo.....4	Hamilton.....22
.....13	Dundas.....27
.....20	.....13
Cobourg.....15	West Flamboro.....24
Guelph.....11	New Dominion.....14

The following are the three rinks that went from Guelph:—

No. 29.—Charles Spaulding, Robert Emelie, W. D. Hepburn, D. Kennedy, skip.—11.

No. 10.—Geo. Murton, C. Davidson, Jas. Dobbie, Thos. Dobbie, skip.—13.

No. 7.—Jas. Anderson, W. F. Mills, Adam Robertson, jr., A. Congalton, skip.—17.

A man in Orange County, Vermont, has published the following:—"whereas the old Woman known as my Wife, in consequence of attending the Pow-Wows of the Jumpers and the Howlers and the Cat Burners, has become entirely Senseless Crazy and Reckless and does nothing but run up and down the road and Circulate the Most Infamous Lies Concerning myself and others thus accomplishing my ruin, therefore I forbid any one to harbour or trust her on my account."

The Russian nation is the one which speaks the most languages and which speaks them the best. You may go through Germany and not hear a word of French spoken, but will be sure to hear it when you reach the frontier of Russia. The Russian schools and gymnasia for girls are of the highest excellence, and in some of the girls' schools in Moscow the dresses are all brown, to prevent the bad feelings which might arise from a comparison of dresses and toilets.

THE ST. LAWRENCE BANK.—The Harrison agency of this bank will be opened for business on and after Monday next, the 19th inst.

## Election Intelligence.

Dr. Herod, Secy. A.—The short-cutters held a Convention here yesterday, but failed to find a candidate for South Brant, and adjourned sine die. The nomination was offered to Mr. J. Cookhutt, Mr. Alfred Watts, and others, but was respectively declined.

SOUTH GREY.—Dr. Landerkin, the late member, received the unanimous choice of the South Grey Reform Association, and accepted it. The Conservatives held a Convention on Thursday.

LONDON.—Major Walker's ward meetings have been highly successful. The canvass is showing the most astonishing results.

EAST ELGIN.—A Convention of Reformers was held in St. Town Hall, Aylmer, on Tuesday, when Mr. William Harvey, the late representative, was unanimously nominated.

WEST ELGIN.—A Reformers of West Elgin have nominated Mr. G. E. Casey, the late representative, as their candidate.

NORTH VICTORIA.—Mr. Joseph Staples, who was a supporter of the late Government in last Parliament, intimated his approval of the policy of the present Administration as laid down in Mr. Mackenzie's address, and his intention to support the Government in the House. The Reformers of the county thereupon gave Mr. Staples a unanimous nomination.

### Local and Other Items

A young man named Wm. Spencer, a printer by trade, was arrested in Galt on Friday last, charged with stealing a sum of money from Mr. Wm. Webster. He was committed for trial at the spring assizes.

During the last few weeks the Rev. Mr. Muir, of St. Andrew's Church, has, in Galt and the vicinity, united in matrimony about ten couples—a number as large as the aggregate number of two years.—Reporter.

Burglars are operating in Hamilton. A daring burglary was committed on Wednesday night on James street, and only about one hundred feet from the police station, where a man was on duty. The safe in Mr. Phillips' saddlery store was blown open and destroyed by nitro-glycerine. The robbers, however, only secured four dollars.

FREIGHT.—The freight business over the Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railway has largely increased of late. The season opened rather dull, on account of the financial disquietude, but matters have mended, and now the ordinary trains are unable to carry away the large amount of freight offering, and heavy "specials" daily pass over the road. We are pleased to note this returning activity.

MINTO LODGE, No. 98, I. O. of O. F., HARRISTON.—Officers for the ensuing Term:—Bros. John Henderson, P.G.; W. T. Watson, N.G.; John Fisher, V.C.; W. T. Janson, R.S.; James Rutherford, P.S.; A. G. Markie, Treas.; John Livingstone, W.; R. Nokes, C.; Edward Green, O.G.; T. Rumble, L.G.; D. H. Clegg, R. S. N. G.; B. L. Anderson, L.S.N.G.; Joseph Noble, R.S.S.; Wm. Brown, L.S.S.; Alex. Irvine, R.S.V.G.; Wm. Hollman, L.S.V.G.

THE GALT JANUARY FAIR on Wednesday was only fairly attended by sellers, and cattle were somewhat scarce. The demand was fairly brisk, and the prices obtained were quite as good as the quality of stock offered warranted. The figures paid may be said to have run from 30 to 40c live and at these prices from 50 to 70c head were sold. The attendance of buyers was large, and coming after the ample purchase of December, this fact is somewhat curious.

SWINDLER ARRESTED.—For the last few days a person giving his name as Scott has been canvassing Napane and adjoining villages for the *Christian Advocate*, a paper published in Hamilton, and doing a good business. Mr. John Gibbard, Napane, a subscriber for the paper, noticed that the publishers stated that they had no agents, and this aroused his suspicion. He telegraphed to Hamilton, and the result was that Scott was arrested and sent to gaol, where further inquiries are made in the matter.

CRUDE PETROLEUM AS A FAMILY MEDICINE.—No family should be without a bottle of crude petroleum of about twenty-eight to thirty gravity, and with all the benzene evaporated by exposure in the open air. It is good for burns, scalds, and all bruises, where the skin is not broken. It also cures chapped hands. It is a specific remedy for rheumatism. Taken internally, from three to ten drops upon a lump of sugar, acts as a purgative, and is an excellent remedy for indigestion. Bottles of this invaluable remedy will be filled free of cost at many of the oil producing farms in the oil region, or it may be purchased by druggists upon application to any of the refiners.

ROBERT AT NEWMARKET.—Three young men, whose names are Alex. Milne, Geo. Thayer, and John Farrell, were before the Newmarket Bench on Thursday, charged with having committed a robbery at Queensville on the night of the 18th inst. The three prisoners, with another person, called at the house of Mr. James Milne near Queensville, at about 10 o'clock some time later Mr. Wm. Sawdon, who lives a short distance from Milne's, was awakened from his sleep by a noise and light. The household being aroused, Mr. Sawdon found his vest and pants in the kitchen, and his two pocket books, which had been rifled. About \$245 in notes had been taken therefrom. After he and others had traced the track of men's feet from Jas. Milne's to his house, his hired man discovered that Mr. Sawdon's horse and cutter had also been stolen. Constable Kavanagh followed the track of the cutter on the newly fallen snow to near Hogg's Hollow, where he met the horse coming homeward without a driver. Proceeding to Toronto, he succeeded in arresting the three prisoners. On being searched, a considerable sum of money was found on them, and on the person of Farrell a revolver, and policeman's whistle were also found. The prisoners were committed for trial.