

The Fire Limits in Town.

We see by the Globe that a case has just been decided in the law courts in Toronto in which the Town of Guelph is greatly interested. More than once this year, cases have been brought up before the Police Magistrate, in which parties were charged with infringement of the By-law, which defines the limits within which frame or rough-cast houses may not be put up, and as it was clearly shown that the provision of the by-law had been broken, the parties were fined, but went on with their buildings nevertheless. In this Toronto case in which the Attorney General was plaintiff, and a man named Campbell defendant, he was called upon to remove a wooden building which had been put up in contravention of the city by-law. It was decided against the prosecutor, on the ground that the by-law in question is ultra vires. It seems that the municipal law authorizes cities and towns to pass by-laws to prevent the erection of dangerous buildings, but the Toronto regulations based on this take a far wider scope, and forbid the erection of any buildings except those formed of stone, brick, or other incombustible material. The Court held that this was so vague that it could not be enforced so as to apply to the building in question. Now, the Guelph by-law is, we believe, almost an exact transcript of the Toronto one, which has just been set aside, and if any ratepayer in town was to go to the trouble and expense of testing the validity of our one, it would, of course, share the same fate as the Toronto one, from which it was taken. As the matter now stands, therefore, Guelph, as well as Toronto, has no valid regulation for preventing the erection of any kind of building whatever. So long as things are in their present condition, any one can build wooden houses of any degree of combustibility in any part, even the most crowded, of the town. That some proper regulation is necessary all must admit, and we trust the Town Council, at its first meeting, will inquire into the matter, and so alter and amend the by-law as will bring it into conformity with the statute, without, at the same time, making it too harsh in its provisions.

The Proposed Reform Demonstration in Mount Forest.

We see by the last number of the Mount Forest Evening News that the proposed Reform demonstration, which we stated was likely to come off on the 20th of this month has been postponed till some time about the middle of October. This will be a much better arrangement than that first contemplated, and will ensure a larger attendance. We learn from a private source that assurances have been received from the Hon. Messrs. Brown and Mackenzie that either one or both will be present. The exact day when the demonstration will be held has not yet been fixed.

Political Items.

Six of the members elected to the second Parliament are named Ross. Four of them are Grits and two are Ministerialists; the former represent Prince Edward, Centre Wellington, West Middlesex and East Durham; the latter represent Victoria (N. R.) and Champlain. Success, thy name is Ross!

The Sarnia Canadian now says that Mr. McKenzie has purchased his seat for the fine County of Lambton! Bosh!

The Walkerton Telescope says of Mr. Broocbank, who is now running against Mr. Wells, in Bruce, that he "was a rebellion radical, a Baldwin Reformer. He made a speech at Hanover for Snider, and came to Walkerton and was put on Mr. Macpherson's Committee. He was a thorough Ministerial Coalitionist in 1867. Since then he has vigorously denounced the Ottawa cabal. He is now put in the field by the identical fellows who did their best to import John A. but who so shamefully and ridiculously failed."

The Hon. E. B. Wood paid a splendid tribute to the ability and integrity of Mr. Blake, at the amonination in South Bruce for the Local House, on Saturday. After defending the Ontario Government from the slanderous attacks of Mr. Wm. McDougall, Mr. Wood said "he had listened to the best public men in the Dominion of Canada, to many of the foremost American orators, and to some of the most prominent English statesmen, and that in intellectual brilliancy and oratorical power Mr. Blake stood facile princeps, undoubtedly the chief of them all. He (Mr. Wood) had been engaged in discussions of all kinds, legal and otherwise, with Mr. Blake, and had always admired his ability. But even that was as nothing compared to Mr. Blake's high sense of honor and integrity in which he stood as high as he did in the brilliancy of his talents and attainments."

The St. Catharines Times says:—"Mr. sore toes Spiltoun Tom Ferguson is in town advising with the prospective leader of the Opposition in the Ontario Legislature on the course to be pursued at the next session. Tom wants to be minister of Public Works in the new Rykert-Ferguson Ministry that is to be when the present government is defeated."

Attorney General Clarke evidently looks upon Riel as an equal, if not a superior, for we learn by telegraph that he has challenged the murderer to fight a duel. Nice Minister of Justice that!

All rumours of a Clerk of the House of Commons having been appointed are premature, no appointment having as yet been made.

The Galt Reformer has made a calculation from the returns made of members in Ontario, by which it claims that the Opposition represent a majority of the population amounting to no less than 27,773. The Opposition members at the time of the calculation represented 901,025, and the Ministerialists 627,246. Five constituencies classed as independent have 94,063 population.

The Thistle Nuisance.

Sometimes the member for South Wellington is good-humoredly referred to in connection with his Thistle Act; and if it was often thought of for the purpose of enforcing its provisions, the honorable gentleman would have conferred as great a favor on Canada as "the good Duke of Argyll" of a past age did on his native land. All around, on all hands, and in the greatest abundance on the poorer farms, we notice that almost universal pest, the Canadian Thistle, which appears to receive little attention from the owners of the land it grows on, and even less from the owners of the lands adjoining, until in some places the weed has possession of a whole field, in some places it smears the rival of the crop sown, and in not a few places it monopolizes more land than that which yields a profit. Why the owners allow such a state of things to continue is beyond our comprehension, how they expect farming to pay when their efforts are subordinate to the thistle, we know not, and why they toil to put in a crop in expectation of a return, and yet try to us unfathomable. Speak to these men and they will tell you what they intend doing next year; how at some future time they purpose eradicating the pest, but that just now they cannot spare the time, or the land, or they have some special reason for that they do not leave undone, it will be all right next year, this field will be in fallow, that have a root crop, and the other be seeded down, when that which is now all wrong will be made all right. But a slight consideration shows procrastination is the great enemy in this as in all other evil cases; the lack of firmness or decision is also, troying the farm, beggaring the owner, and impoverishing the country at large, while the injustice done to neighbors is beyond calculation. Then, why should such a state of things be allowed? There is a law with stringent conditions, which enforced would abate the evil and also protect the thrifty and industrious from injury at the hands of the indolent and bad manager. Some people suffer much rather than complain, some do not wish to quarrel with a good-natured, lazy neighbor, and perhaps some few do not appreciate the damage they are sustaining. Under these circumstances it would be well for each Municipal Council to appoint a Thistle Inspector, whose duties should be defined and enforced by penalties—the Corporation should clear the roads and the owners of land made to cut their own crops, and the advantages in three or four years would be great. Let the thistle advance at the rate it has been doing for the past half-dozen years, and the farmers in many cases will not have land enough to sustain them while clearing off the thistle crop.

AN INTERESTING feature of the proceedings on Friday in the South Grenville controverted election, was the addition to Mr. Fraser of a vote which had been improperly refused by the Returning Officer. This is a new phase of the procedure.

THE NEW YORK detectives claim strong clues connecting their prisoner Forrester with the murderer of Nathan. It is singular that it took them so long to catch their man, and even yet they may be mistaken.

Mr. C. J. Burton, son of the late Mr. Burton, M. P. for East Durham, has been appointed collector of Customs at Port Hope.

NEW GOODS, NEW BARGAINS.

Still another lot of extraordinary

BARGAINS

CHEAPER THAN EVER AT

P. C. ALLAN'S

Silver Breakfast set worth \$30 for... \$10

Goblets worth 20c... for 10c

Glass Fruit Dishes at 10c, 15c, and 20c each

Butter Coolers worth 25c... for 10c

Silver Butter Coolers at \$1, 1.25, and 1.75

Worth twice the money... for \$1.75

Plated Crystal Stands worth \$1.50... for \$1.00

Plated Butter Knives... for 40c

50c... for 20c

Also, a new stock of Combs, Brushes, Braces, Rubber Bracelets, Neck Ties, Scarfs, Pocket Books, Plated Spoon and Forks, Dinner and Breakfast Knives, Table Mats, Glass Goblets, Salt Cellars, Preserves, Dishes, Butter Dishes, Rubber Chains and Crosse, Pipes (a splendid assortment.)

These Goods will all be sold at half the price usually charged.

Also received another Lot of Splendid Oil Churns, elegantly framed.

Purchasers would oblige by bringing along Baskets or Cases to carry away their goods, as we find it impossible to supply boxes and wrapping paper for all.

F. C. ALLAN,

Remember the Sign of the Red Flag, opposite the English Church, Guelph, Sept. 14, 1872.

FALL RACES

1872 1872

Will take place over the Guelph Course,

On Thursday and Friday,

26th and 27th September.

Premiums - \$1,900.00

ADMISSION - Entrance to the course, each person 50 cents; Saddle, 10c; Buggy, 25c extra; Double carriages, 25c extra; Grand Stand, 25c extra.

FIRST DAY.

Race No. 1, 8:30, Dominion Handicap, open to all Dominion bred horses, mile heats, 1st horse \$150, 2nd horse \$50.

Race No. 2, 8:50, open running race, mile heats, 1st horse \$25, 2nd horse \$10.

Race No. 3, 8:50, trotting race, open to horses that have never trotted better than 2m. 88, mile heats, 2 in 3, 1st horse \$25, 2nd \$10.

Race No. 4, 8:10 trotting, mile heats, 2 in 3, horses owned and in the County of Wellington at the date of the Bill, mile heats, 2 in 3, 1st horse \$25, 2nd horse \$10.

SECOND DAY.

Race No. 5, 8:30, Grand Steeple Chase, open to all, handicaps, weights, half forest, over about two miles good ground, eight jumps, mile heats, 1st horse \$25, 2nd \$10.

Race No. 6, 8:50, open running race, mile heats, 1st horse \$25, 2nd \$10.

Race No. 7, 8:50, open trotting race, mile heats, 2 in 3, 1st horse \$25, 2nd \$10.

Race No. 8, 8:10, running race, open to all horses owned and in the County of Wellington at the date of this bill, mile heats, 1st horse \$25, 2nd \$10.

W. A. BOOKLESS, Sec. Treasurer.

Guelph, Sept. 14, 1872.

BRACELET LOST - \$4 REWARD.

Lost on Tuesday, the 3rd inst., between Mr. Forbes' residence, Dundas Hill, and the Dundas Bridge, a gold bracelet. The finder will receive the above reward by leaving it at the store of Messrs. Geo. & Alex. Hadden.

Coal Oil - fresh lot.

Clear, Bright Colour, Free from Offensive Odour, does not Smoke the Glass.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Lamps, now opening.

Of Chaste Designs and Low in Price.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

New Lamp Glasses.

From the best Manufacturers.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Best Lamp Wicks.

Of very fine texture and quality.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Superior Burners.

Of all the new and improved patterns.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Lamp Globes and Shades.

In Crystal, Porcelain and Ornamental Paper.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Lamp Shears.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Lanterns.

The latest and best styles.

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

All these Goods are from the various renowned manufacturers in Britain, Germany, France, United States and Canada, and cannot be surpassed for Quality, Quantity and Cheapness.

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FALL and WINTER

New Dry Goods!

Wm. Stewart

Is now opening a large, varied, and most complete stock of New Dry Goods.

Many lines were bought much under present values.

4000 yds Plain and Fancy Winceys,

a job lot, from 10c to 25c;

6400 yds Factory Cotton,

slightly damaged by fresh water, price 8c to 10c, value 10c to 12c.

DRESS GOODS

A SPECIALITY

Now in stock over 10,000 yards Rich and Rare Dress Goods, embracing all the latest productions of the Looms of Britain and the Continent for the coming season.

See windows this day.

Wm. Stewart.

Guelph, Sept. 13, 1872 dw

SODEN'S PUBLIC CAB.

The subscriber having purchased Mr. D. Coffin's splendid Cab, begs to inform the public that it will be at their service at all times, either by the hour, the day, or any other way, at the most moderate charges.

It will attend all the regular trains, also Concert and Balls, and can be engaged for Marriages or Funerals on the shortest notice.

Order plates kindly permitted at Mr. Harvey's Drug Store, Parker's Hotel, and Hever's Western Hotel.

A careful and steady driver always with the Cab. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited.

Orders may also be left at the Owner's Grocery Store, Upper Wyndham Street.

Oct. 13, 1871. dw R. SODEN.

WILLIAM BROWNLOW,

UNDERTAKER

GUELPH

Respectfully solicits the attention to those bereaved of their friends, his Undertaking Establishment, in rear of the Wellington Hotel, where all things necessary for the proper observance of the last rites due the departed can be furnished on the shortest notice.

Metallic, Walnut and other Coffins kept in stock. Shrouds supplied, and Funerals conducted with all the most becoming Charges moderate.

Guelph, Feb. 3, 1872 Wm. Brownlow dw

SOMETHING WORTH KNOWING.

The undersigned has on hand an assortment of home-made French Calf, French Kip, and coarse boots, which he is now prepared to sell at 2 per cent cheaper than any house in Guelph or in the surrounding townships.

Also, an assortment of first-class Ladies and Gents' Shoes, Children's and Boys' Boots and Shoes, bought in one of the best factories in Canada, which I am prepared to furnish to all at 5 per cent less than they can be bought in any house for the same class of goods.

Also on hand an assortment of the best leathers, with which I am prepared to fill all orders promptly and on more reasonable prices than any other house. Light French Kip from \$3.95 to \$4 per pair; best Common Kip from \$3.75 to \$4. All repairing done neatly and promptly, and on most reasonable terms. Terms cash. JOHN WILLIAMS, Rockwood, Sept. 11, 1872 dw

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GOLDEN LION!

GUELPH 1872



NEW FALL & WINTER GOODS

500 Cases and Bales Just Received!

- COMPRISING:
- 100 bales of Carpets,
  - 100 bales of White Cottons,
  - 100 bales of Factories,
  - 12 cases of Black Silks,
  - 13 cases of Black Lustres,
  - 13 cases of Black Coboures,
  - 12 cases of Black Sarmattas,
  - 15 cases of Ready-made Clothing,
  - 12 cases of Yorkshire Fancy Trousersings,
  - 10 cases of Black Cassimeres,
  - 10 cases of West of England Broadcloaths,
  - 10 cases of Gents Shirts, Collars, Ties and Braces,
  - 93 cases of Fancy Stuffs and Haberdashery.

500 cases and bales expected next week, comprising Fancy Dresses, Silks, Merinoes, Hats, Mantles, Bonnets, Shawls, Blankets, Flannels, Gloves, Hosiery, &c., the Largest and Best Assorted stock of Dry Goods ever imported to Guelph.

CHANCE & WILLIAMSON, GOLDEN LION, THE ONLY DIRECT DRY GOODS IMPORTERS IN GUELPH. Wyndham Street, Guelph, September 12, 1872 dw

FRUITS OF THE SEASON WHOLESALE

- GRAPES, PEACHES, PEARS, APPLES, PLUMS.

Sole Agent for Ludington's BALTIMORE OYSTERS Dealers supplied at lowest market price.

HUGH WALKER, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH. Guelph, Sep. 12, 1872 d

GUELPH TEA DEPOT

E. O'DONNELL & Co. ARE SELLING

- THE BEST YOUNG HYSON DOLLAR TEA.....for 80c per lb
- A BEAUTIFUL GUNPOWDER TEA.....for 70c per lb
- A FIRST RATE YOUNG HYSON TEA.....for 60c per lb
- A VERY GOOD GREEN TEA.....for 40c per lb
- A NICE SWEET DRAWING BLACK TEA.....for 50c per lb
- THE BEST BLACK TEA IMPORTED.....for 75c per lb

SUGARS, SUGARS! Sugars will be higher very soon, but we will sell Eleven pounds for \$1.00 for a few days, so lay in your stock for preserving while you can get it cheap.

Raisins, Currants, Cheese, Tobaccos, Syrups, Brandies, Wines, Whiskies, Cigars, And everything in the Grocery Line cheap, and will be delivered free of charge to any part of the Town, or to the Stations.

E. O'DONNELL & Co. Guelph, Sept 11, 1872 dw Wyndham Street, Guelph.

G. B. FRASER, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

- OPENED OUT - AT - G. B. FRASER'S, A full assortment of MOURNING GOODS, SUITABLE FOR FALL AND WINTER WEAR, viz: Black Cape Cloths, Black Reppes, warp Lustres, Black Hosiery, Black Coboures, Black French Merinoes, The new style Black Paramatta equal to French Merinoes in wear, and at half the price. Courtauld's Black Crapes, which rain or damp has no effect. Samples sent free of charge throughout Ontario. G. B. FRASER, Direct Importer, Guelph.

Direct Importer of Dry Goods

Ex. Steamship St. David, From Glasgow. cases Aberdeen Winceys, Paisley Shawls, Wool Shawls, Belmore Skirtings, 21 21 21

Ex. S. S. Sarmatian From Liverpool. cases Dress Goods, cases Flannels, 1 case French Merinoes, 1 case French Kid Gloves. Just opened and for sale at G. B. FRASER'S, Direct Importer, Guelph.

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THE MEDICAL HALL GUELPH



DYE STUFFS

The subscribers desire to call special attention to their large and well selected stock of DYE STUFFS which they have opened out, and being determined to keep none but the best quality of DYE, have devoted more than usual care and time to the selection of the best articles from the most reliable markets.

Parties purchasing from us can depend on getting a good color and the shade required. Also, all the ANILINE DYES in quantities to suit purchasers. Call at THE MEDICAL HALL, and get your Dye Stuffs. Printed directions given with each purchase.

E. HARVEY & Co. Family and Dispensing Chemists. Guelph, Sept. 5 1872. dw

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