

Business Cards.

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MONEY TO LEND, In sums to suit borrowers...

PLASTER AND SALT, The subscriber has on hand 500 tons...

F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter...

LIME, BRICKS AND TILES, FOR SALE.

PEARSON & SON, Guelph, March 31, 1874.

PARKE'S HOTEL, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

HOTEL CARD, The Right Man in the Right Place.

THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH, Re-modelled and newly furnished.

DOMINION SALOON AND RESTAURANT, Opposite the Market, Guelph.

W.M. NELSON, Clothes Cleaner and Renovator.

CASH FOR WOOL, HIDES, SHEEP SKINS, CALF SKINS, AND WOOL PICKINGS.

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

SPLENDID CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT, Residence for Sale.

That very desirable property situated on Paisley street...

BERKSHIRE SOWS FOR SALE, The subscriber has three thoroughbred Berkshire Sows...

New Advertisements.

WANTED - To rent, by Sept. 1st, a new Cottage, 5 rooms...

SITUATION WANTED - As house-keeper, by a respectable elderly lady...

TWO ASSISTANT MILLINERS WANTED, IMMEDIATELY at the Fashionable West End, near the well.

HOUSE TO LET - To let, a dwelling house near the Great Western Station...

SAFE KEY FOUND - Found on Wyndham-st., near the Golden Lion on Thursday...

PAINTERS WANTED, Wanted immediately, two first-class Painters...

BOARD - A few respectable young men may obtain board in a healthy locality...

TOWN OF GUELPH, COURT OF REVISION, The first sitting of the Court of Revision will be held in the Council Chamber...

MAGIC! The Vanishing Photograph, Will appear or disappear at pleasure of the performer...

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, HIGH SCHOOL, The examination for admission to the High School, Guelph, will be held (D.V.) in Mr. Cullen's Room...

TO BUILDERS, The subscribers have on hand and will continue to keep Glazed Sewer Pipes...

FLUE PIPES, OVAL AND ROUND, Made by Messrs. Campbell & Son, Hamilton.

H. CLEARHUE & CO., Successors to Robert Rae & Co., GUELPH.

NEW PAINT SHOP, The undersigned beg to announce that they have commenced business as Carriage and House Painters...

MONEY TO LOAN ON FARM SECURITY, The undersigned have \$25,000 for investment in Mortgages on Farms...

Brass Castings, MADE TO ORDER BY HARLEY & HEATHER, IRON FOUNDERS.

PRESTON Mineral Baths, SUMMER RESORT, NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON.

NOTICE, Estate of the late D. Savage, All parties indebted to the Estate of the late David Savage must call and settle with me by the 25th of June...

That very desirable property situated on Paisley street, near the Western Station...

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Guelph Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 23, 1874.

Town and County News

The I. O. G. T. regular meeting is postponed till Monday next—1st June.

BASE BALL.—The Maple Leaf Club will meet for practice on their grounds at four o'clock this afternoon.

ORDINATION.—The ordination into office of the Elders recently nominated in St. Andrew's Church, will take place after the morning service to-morrow.

The Wallace Sisters drew a large house in the Town Hall last night, when the company presented the burlesque of Aladdin. Excellent music was furnished by the orchestra, during intervals of the play.

The Liquor Business.—Mr. John Anderson has sent us a copy of the new Act regarding the sale of spirituous liquors.

The Case of Hillen.—Benjamin Hillen appeared before Judge McDonald this (Saturday) morning, and requested to be tried by jury. His case will come on probably next month at the Quarter Sessions.

Paris via London, midnight.—The Ministry is finally constituted as follows: Gen. Cisse, Minister of War and Vice-President of the Council; Duke DeCazes, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Fauron, Interior; Magne, Finance; Eugene Carle, Public Works; Louis Grivart, Commerce; Viscount De Camont, Public Instruction; Adrien Tailhand, Justice.

Cincinnati, May 22.—At Seymour, Ind., yesterday, two brothers named Fleetwood were convicted of the murder of a little German boy a year ago, and sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

New York, May 23.—Weather cool and clear. A hotel on Canal street was burned last night, and an adjoining dwelling on Greenwich street was damaged.

The revenue cutter Grant will convey President Grant and family down the harbour to-day, to bid farewell to their newly married daughter.

A twenty mile yacht race to sea from Sandy Hook and return, to come off the day after the New York Yacht Club regatta, has been agreed upon between the yachts Madeline and Tidal Wave.

A black fiend, named William Baker, committed an awful outrage upon a poor little Italian girl after enticing her into the basement of an unoccupied house in Amity street yesterday afternoon. He was subsequently arrested. The child will die.

Town Council. An special meeting of the Council was held on Friday evening, ten members present. Absent, Messrs. Hall, Crowe, McCrea, Heymond.

Moved by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Bruce, that Sunday, 24th May, being Her Gracious Majesty's Birthday, the Mayor is requested to issue his proclamation declaring Monday, the 25th, to be a public holiday, and the Market Committee are instructed to have the Town Hall and Council Chamber building illuminated. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Petrie, that leave be granted to introduce a By-law for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of a building for increased Market and Hall accommodation. As the by-law was being read by the Clerk a first time, several members left the room, leaving the Council without a quorum. The Council was therefore adjourned.

OTTAWA ITEMS, May 22. Parliament will be prorogued on Tuesday.

The usual stampede of members has commenced. They leave by the evening train.

Two most interesting Committee reports have yet to come down, viz., Public Accounts and North West difficulties. The latter cannot be presented before Tuesday. The evidence it will contain, however, is known to establish the fact that an amnesty was promised.

Mr. Fleming's report on the Pacific R.R. is published to-day. It is a voluminous and interesting work, and is embellished with maps, plans, profiles and cuts, printed in excellent type on thick paper, and strongly bound. As it is not yet distributed, no idea of its contents or opinions of its author can be given.

It has been ascertained, by the Public Accounts, that Engineer Fitzgerald returned work as done on section 16 of the Intercolonial, which was never done, and sent in the returns for the pay of accountants when none were employed. Therebogs returns covered the amount of \$10,000. Gough, the contractor, drew the money, and it is believed that a quarrel between them over the spoil was the reason why Fitzgerald brought his charges against Gough in the first place.

PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSEUM.—Further contributions have been made to the Elera Museum by Mr. Francis Dalby. Among them are silver specimens from Nevada, Texhada Island, B. C., Victoria Mine, B.C., Eureka, B. C., and Iron from Texas, Island and Rawlin's Spring Mine, B.C.; Arkali from the great American Desert; Moss from the scrubby oaks of Sacramento Valley; two large and valuable fossil shells from Queen Charlotte's Island; a Japanese toy turtle, and a number of smaller articles. Master N. Buckley gives several bits of Indian pottery, picked up at Abyrne; and other specimens are indefatigable in hunting up.

Local and Other Items.

The Post Office will be open on Monday from 10:30 to 11 a.m.

Day's Bookstore will be open on Monday from 9:30 till noon, and from 1 to 2 p.m. for the delivery of papers.

ANDERSON'S bookstore will be open on Monday morning from nine till twelve o'clock.

HOUSE BURNED.—Mr. Richard Davie, of Luther, had his house and contents entirely destroyed by fire originating from the stove-pipe. The contents were insured, which will cause the loss not to fall so heavily on him.

CAUGHT.—John Nelligan, the prisoner who escaped from the Hamilton jail several weeks ago, was apprehended at the village of Allanburg, on the Welland Canal. He was tried on the charge of larceny of his jail clothes and sentenced to six months for escaping jail, and four months for the larceny.

HANDSOME PRESENT.—Dr. McVicar, of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, in entering his new residence, in connection with the College, was presented by a few of his friends in that city with elegant furniture to the value of one thousand dollars, as a token of their respect and esteem.

HON. E. B. WOOD.—The friends of the Hon. E. B. Wood, in Brantford, composed of leading gentlemen of both political parties, will give Mr. Wood a public dinner and presentation before he leaves for Manitoba. The dinner will be held on Tuesday, the 26th. Mr. Wood, who is very much improved in health, will leave for the scene of his future labour about the end of next week.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—On Saturday evening of last week, while Mr. Readhead was doing business in Kilbride, his horse ran away towards the bridge on the road leading to Milton.—His little girl and boy were in the buggy at the time, and the two children were thrown quite a distance upon the rugged bank of the creek and received fearful injuries. The boy is suffering from a contusion of the skull and fracture of a leg; and the girl seems to be inwardly injured. One of the horses, a very valuable animal, died shortly after the event.

PACIFIC RAILWAY.—The whole distance from Lake Nipissing to the Red River has now been surveyed, and a route has been traced out through its extent. In order to avoid the rugged country on the coast line of Lake Superior, the location has been thrown back of Lake Nipigon, consequently a connection is called for from the main line with Lake Superior. A branch to Thunder Bay will be about 150 miles, and to Nipigon Bay probably about 110 miles. These lines are now being tracked out. The Chief Engineer of the line reports that the distance from the eastern terminus of the Red River is about 980 miles. The waters of Lake Superior will, however, be reached in about 440 miles from Red River. The whole section of the work has been vigorously prosecuted during the past winter. A surveying party, fully equipped for this particular service is now engaged exploring the country from Yellow Head Pass to the east towards Edmonton, on the North Saskatchewan.

FOR MANITOBA.—We learn that Mr. A. J. Belch purposes ere many days leaving St. Mary's for Manitoba. Mr. Belch founder of the St. Mary's Argus and the Middlesex Review, and for fifteen years conducted in a successful manner the former journal. Mr. Belch intends travelling to the North west by the Dawson route, which is the only Canadian route to Manitoba. The fare from Prince Arthur's Landing to Fort Frances will be \$10 for adults, and \$5 for children under fourteen years of age; infants, under five years, free. Meals will be furnished at the stations along the route, if desired, at 30 cents each. Each passenger will be allowed 200 lbs. of baggage free, and \$2 per 100 lbs. will be charged for additional baggage. Household furniture \$3 per 100 lbs.; machinery at special rates.

Dr. Bingham has returned to Waterloo and entered into partnership with Dr. Walden of that place.

It is said that there is a market falling off in the yield of South African diamond mines, and the diggers who remain are much discouraged.

Frank Cronyn, youngest son of the late Bishop of Huron, died at the residence of his brother, Mayor Cronyn, London, on Wednesday morning.

The Tiverton Watchman has authority for stating that the Dominion Government will grant \$7,000 more to make the necessary repairs at Inverhuron harbour.

The 6th of March next year will be the fourth centenary of the birth of Michael Angelo. Florence and Italy propose to celebrate that anniversary in a manner worthy of the occasion.

"What brought you to prison, my colored friend?" said a Yankee to a negro. "Two constables, sah." "Yes, but I guess had interence anything to do with it?" "Yes, sah, dey was bote of dem drunk."

A Southern journal tells us that over one hundred and forty thousand people are without food and shelter in the South, and that the floods have robbed them of all but life. First the war, then the carpet-bag domination, and now the floods.

One of Mr. McDougall's schemes for forwarding Scandinavian emigration was to induce the population of Iceland to migrate en masse to Canada. Frozen William informs the Minister of Agriculture that repeated failures of their scanty crops and volcanic disturbances, which recently threatened them with destruction, have predisposed to the whole population to seek a home in the new world. The population of Iceland is said to be about 60,000 souls.

A puzzle for horticulturists has been forwarded by the French Bishop of Canton to the Jardin d'Acclimation in Paris, in the shape of a plant, which is a conspicuous specimen of the wonderful art possessed by the Chinese of leading astray. Not content with producing the human foot and producing pollard oaks, apparently had improving on China bowls, they have succeeded in growing plants which change color three times a day.

The farmers of West Pilkington, taking advantage of the recent by-law passed by the Township Council, are planting a great many trees along the road side.

Queen's Birthday Celebration.

Monday next, 25th inst., will be observed as a public holiday by our citizens, in compliance with the proclamation of His Worship Mayor Harris. There will be no display or celebration of a civic character in Guelph, but our citizens will have no difficulty in making a good use of the time at the different scenes of festivity and enjoyment. As we publish no paper on Monday, we give a list of the principal features of the day.

EXCURSION. The Great Western Railway will run excursion trains carrying passengers to Suspension Bridge, Niagara Falls, and intermediate stations, at one fare for the round trip. The train will leave Guelph at 6.40 a. m., and the tickets will be valid until midnight on Monday.

The Grand Trunk Railway issue return tickets to Toronto, at one and one third fare, and other stations at reduced rates.

RIFLE MATCH. A shooting match will take place at half-past eight in the morning at the Range near Victoria Bridge.

CRICKET MATCH. The first game of the season will be played by the Guelph Cricket Club on their grounds, the wickets to be pitched at 8.45 a. m. and the game to commence at 9 o'clock. The contest will be between the Bachelors and the Benedicts of the Club, and the players will be the picked members of each persuasion.

AMATEUR BASE BALL. The Athletics and Red Stockings will play a game in front of the Newton House, near the G. W. R. Station, at 8 o'clock a. m.

The Resolutes and Stars, two local junior clubs, will play their opening game on Oliver's Field, on Queen Street, at 9 o'clock a. m.

A picked nine from the Independents will leave Guelph in the morning for Georgetown, where they play a match game with the Restless Club, of that town, at one o'clock.

THE EVENT OF THE DAY. The Champions will play a match game with the Stars of Seaford, on the grounds of the Maple Leaf Club, near the Great Western Station. Game will be called at 2 p. m. sharp. The following are the names of the players, and their positions on the field.

MAPLE LEAF.—W. Smith, pitcher; G. Maddock, catcher; H. Myers, first base; G. Keri, second base; H. Spence, third base; W. Jones, short stop; Thos. Smith, left field; B. Emery, centre field; Colson or Stanley, right field.

STARS.—J. Lamb, pitcher and captain; W. Paulin, catcher; R. Lattimer, first base; D. Sills, second base; H. W. C. Meyer, third base; Henry Cameron, short stop; Hugh Cameron, left field; D. Hogan, centre field; J. McMurray, right field.

THE CONCERT. In the Town Hall in the evening the young people of the Wesleyan Methodist Church will give an entertainment which promises to be largely successful. One of the distinguishing features of the affair will be a public debate on the question, "Which is the greater incentive to action, money or fame?"

ILLUMINATION. In the evening the Town Hall and Council Chamber will be brilliantly illuminated, in compliance with instructions given by the Council at their meeting last evening.

PRIVATE PARTIES. Many of our citizens will take advantage of the holiday for a quiet day's sport, and several pic-nics along the banks of the river have been arranged.

Fort Garry has a base ball club. Wm. Grigg, of Clinton, had his left leg broken just below the knee on Monday last, 18th inst.

The Clinton New Era complains of the scarcity of coppers in that district, and wants the Government to issue more. Now let the Missionary Societies speak out.

Mr. Wm. Monahan, of Clinton, performed the herculean feat of cutting 24 cords of bolts into staves, in eight hours.

Mr. Stanley has written a new book entitled "Compassion and Magdala; the story of two British campaigns in Africa," which is highly spoken of by the English press.

A firm in Montreal offer to furnish extracts, coloring matter, &c., by which Cognac brandy—"equal to any imported"—can be manufactured at about \$1 a gallon.

Parker now has his lodge of Good Templars, amongst the first to be initiated being Mr. McKim and several members of his family.

The City Clerk at Ottawa prides himself on his pedestrian powers. The other day he walked a mile, and two hundred yards over, in less than twelve minutes.

A curious and painful issue is on trial in a New York court. The disposition of a third share of the life interest in the estate of the late Jacob Stiner, who perished with his wife and daughter a short time ago in the burning of their residence, turns upon the fact whether the wife or daughter died first. The difficulty of proving the fact can be imagined. The amount involved is large, the estate being valued at \$120,000.

Connecticut is in great need of a law to prevent the employment of children in factories. At the immense Baltic Mills, late the property of the bankrupt A. & W. Sprague corporation, it is said that children not over four or five years of age are put to work for the benefit of their French Canadian parents.