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BUSINESS CARDS.

Boarding & Day School.

MRS. M. H. DOW will open her school, Day Lodgers and Little Boys, on Monday, [illegible] Residence, Mr. Dow's, Corner of Wellington and Quebec streets, Guelph. Arrangements can be made for Pupils to board in the family. Guelph Marble Works.

DR. G. W. THOMAS, V. S., Graduate Ontario Veterinary College. Office:—Dominion Livery Stables, Guelph, Ont. A vacancy for a pupil. Next term 11th

WILLIAM HART, CONVEYANCER, Land and General Agent, Solicitor of Joint Stock Companies, Chancery Lane, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Office: No. 4 Day's Block.

A. H. MACDONALD, BARRISTER and ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Solicitor in Chancery, &c., has removed his Office to the County Buildings, Guelph. March 17.

STEPHEN BOULT, ARCHITECT, CONTRACTOR and BUILDER, Planing Mill, and every kind of Joiner Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec Street, Guelph. March 17, 1870.

GEORGE PALMER, BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer. Office, corner of Wellington and Harvey streets, Guelph. Entrance on Wellington street. Guelph, 17th August.

ROBERT OLIVER, BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c. Agent for the Canada Life Assurance Company. Office, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario. W. Cutten, Guelph, March 17.

F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter, GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER. Shop lately occupied by Mr. Wm. Hood, Wyndham street, Guelph, Feb. 21, '71.

WM. NELSON, WHITEWASHER AND COLOURER, NEAR ESSEX STREET, GUELPH. All work neatly done, and orders promptly attended to. Guelph, April 8, 1871.

The Best Hotel in Town. CASEY ALWAYS JOLLY. The choicest drinks, best table, most comfortable beds, merriest company, and jollest host in town at Casey's—The Harp of Erin Hotel, Macdonell Street, Guelph.

MONEY TO LEND. MONEY TO LEND, Applications not required to emit borrowers. CHARGES MODERATE. Apply to FREDERICK BISCOE, Barrister, &c., Guelph. Office, Corner of Wellington and Quebec streets.

Guelph Steam Foundry AND AGRICULTURAL WORKS, Upper Wyndham Street.

MILLS & GOODFELLOW (LATE MILLS & MELVIN) beg to inform the public that they have on hand a complete assortment of Gray and Anderson's celebrated Steel Ploughs, also Cast Iron Ploughs of the most approved patterns, Cultivators, Scarifiers, Straw and Turnip Cutters, the best and most approved Agricultural Implements, &c.

Stoves. Always in stock, and in course of manufacture, cooking, parlor and box stoves of the latest and improved patterns at the lowest rates.

Castings of all kinds made and finished to order in first-class style.

Tinsmithing. All its branches. Tin Ware always on hand for sale.

EAVE TROUGHS and EAVE PIPES put up in town or country.

Notice. Parties owing Ashes or Scrap Iron are requested to settle their accounts. Guelph, April 1st, 1871.

VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY For Sale or to Exchange

THE undersigned offers for sale, or to exchange for real Estate in the Town of Guelph, the undermentioned property, viz.: A valuable farm and Farm Lot on the Dundas Road, in the Township of Burlington, containing 200 acres. The Village of Burlington Station is on the property. [illegible] Also, the Lot No. 13, in the 1st Concession of the Township of Puslinch, containing 100 acres. There are about 50 acres cleared and under cultivation, with a good new Log House. The above lots are well watered and timbered with the best kind of hardwood timber, which is valuable unless the last two lots, which are granted from the Crown. For further particulars apply to the undersigned. JOHN KAY. Brass Foundry and Farm, Upper Wyndham Street. Guelph, May 2, 1871.

Dissolution of Partnership. THE Partnership heretofore existing between [illegible] Guelph, May 1st, 1871.

THE MEDICAL HALL GUELPH.

CHINESE Garden Powder! FOR DESTROYING Insects, Grubs and Caterpillars

MOTHER'S CELEBRATED FLY PAPER

E. Harvey & Co

ALMA BLOCK GUELPH

CIRCULAR

We beg to advise the trade of our business to Messrs. Paterson & Co., who will carry it on as heretofore in all its branches, on the same premises. From the experience of our Salesmen, and the facilities they possess, we have great confidence in recommending to them a share of the patronage bestowed on our house, and to which we take this opportunity of adding our own. [illegible] Toronto, May 1st, 1871.

We have pleasure in recommending the above to our friends and the public generally. [illegible] Toronto, May 1st, 1871.

PATERSON & Co. W. J. PATERSON. R. PATERSON.

In Store and for Sale by the Subscribers: [illegible] TEAS, Young Hysons, Hyson, Imperial, Gunpowder, Twankay, Japan, Souchong and Congou. COFFEES, Java, Laguayra, Mocha, Jamaica and Rio, green and roasted. SUGARS, Granulated, Crushed, Yellows, Refined. MOLASSES, Golden, Standard and Amber. SYRUPS, Lyle's Golden, in kegs and tins. FRUITS, Layer, Loose Muscatel and Valencia Raisins, Currants, Figs, Malaga Grapes, Extra Fine French Prunes, French Plums, Bloom and Foreign Nuts. TOBACCOS, A large assortment of different brands. Cigars of choice brands. BRANDIES, Hennessy, Martell, Otard, Dupuy & Co's and other Brandies, in wood and bottles. RUM, Fine Old Jamaica in puncheons. GIN, Dekuyper's, Houtman's and Henkes, in cases and casks. WINES, Port, Sherry, Claret, Carbonel, Grand and Champagne. WHISKEY, Scotch, Irish and Canadian. ALES, Bass, Allsopp's and Jeffrey's pale and Guinness' Dublin Porter. [illegible] Toronto, May 1st, 1871.

LUMBER, LUMBER. Flour and Feed WATER LIME, &c. THE undersigned begs to announce that they have removed to the premises adjoining the Alma Block, Opposite the Alma Block UPPER WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH, where they will keep constantly on hand a full supply of the above goods, which they will sell at the lowest market rates. GOWDY & STEWART. Guelph, 12th May, 1871.

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TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 23, 1871.

Town and County News.

AN INDUSTRIOUS DUCK.—Mr Donald Cameron, of Puslinch, informs us that he has a duck which lays two eggs every day.

PILKINGTON.—The two Assessment Rolls for this Township show, value of real property $553,523, personal property $88,820. The population is 2,010.

ONE FARE.—The Hamilton *Times* says that on the 24th inst. the Great Western Railway will convey passengers from all points to that city and back for one fare.

FIRE IN MONO.—The residence of Mr R Frame, Center Road, Mono, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday. The fire originated from a defective chimney. Loss about $700. No insurance.

FIRE IN ERAMOSA.—A correspondent of the Eramosa *Observer* says that some mischievous set fire to the woodshed of Mr Harrison's Royal Hotel, on the morning of the 17th inst. The flames were put under before any serious damage was done.

FIRE IN ROTHSAY.—On the 16th inst. the barn, stable, &c., on the estate of R Moore, jun., Esq., were burned to the ground. The tenant could give no account of the origin of the fire. There was no insurance on the premises, says the *Herald*.

A FIRE IN AMARANTH.—A Correspondent in the neighborhood of Mr J Simpson's, 1st concession, 10, Amaranth, on Friday night, and completed destroyed the building and its contents. Loss about $700, uninsured. Mr Simpson has but recently settled on the farm, and cannot well afford the loss.

ENGLISH COMBINATION TROUBLE.—Freeman's English Combination & Female Brass Band give an entertainment at the Town Hall to-night. The Freeman's enjoy a Provincial reputation as musicians, and the other members of the troupe are very highly spoken of by our contemporaries. Harry Clarke, is said to be a very superior singer. See advertisement.

BOOKS.—Mr. Greer, Agent for several theological works of varied merit, is about canvassing this town for subscribers to the same. These books are set forth by the Ministers in the town as works of surpassing excellence, and strongly recommended by them to the consideration of all readers, learned or otherwise.

OUR NEWS.—In our daily issue on Monday we gave the initial chapter of a new story entitled "The Boccagh." The scene of the tale is laid in Ireland, and the rollicking incidents and characters compare enough in fun and eighty years ago, although in this age and country they seem wonderfully romantic. We have no doubt that our readers will spend many pleasant hours in perusing "The Boccagh."

THE WIMBLEDON TEAM.—The following are the names of the Volunteers who have been selected to represent Canada at Wimbledon:—Cotton, Patrick and Harris, Ottawa; Bell and Wilkinson, Brockville; Kincaide, Kingston; Oronhyateka, Belleville; McNaughton, Cobourg; Jennings, W. McMullen, Birch, Gibson and McDonald, Toronto; Murison, Omand, Sache, Little and Mason, Hamilton; McCleneghan, Woodstock; Waste, London.

REFORM MEETING IN DUNDAS.—A meeting of the Reformers of North Wentworth was held in Dundas on Saturday last. Mr McMonies, the present representative in the House of Commons, was present, and expressed his determination of not serving again. The meeting then tendered a unanimous nomination to Mr Thomas Bain, Reeve of West Flamboro', and late Warden of the county, and he accepted the trust. The selection is a most judicious one. Mr Bain will make a strong candidate and a good representative.

BATTALION BAND CONCERT.—The complimentary concert, by the members of the Battalion Band, to Band Sergt. Fosbury, took place last (Monday) night, in the drill shed. The band played in their usually masterly style and showed a decided improvement in their style of rendition, which reflects much credit upon Mr Vale, the band master. The evening's entertainment was very pleasantly varied by dancing, in which many of those present engaged. We regret that the people of the town show so little encouragement to the band or to any member of it, as testified by the rather slim attendance. They deserve better at the hands of our citizens.

INTERESTING TO ALL.—The following decisions, it is said, have recently been made by the American Post Office department:—Letters addressed to the number of a drawer or box, to initials, or fictitious names, are not deliverable. They should be sent to the dead letter office. If there are two persons of the same name in the place and do not agree as to how their letters shall be delivered, letters shall be delivered to the party bearing the name who calls first. If the letter should prove wrongly delivered, it should be marked, "opened by mistake," with the name of the party opening it, and returned to the office to be delivered to the proper person.

Telegraphic.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

South American Affairs.

More Revolutions.

Laying of a Cable.

Railway Ring in the States.

New York, May 22.—Arrived S. S. *Oceanic* and *Italy*, from Liverpool.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 2.—Venezuela dates to 8th received, and revolutionary outbreaks continue. Generals Duharme and Oliver captured the seaport Carripano and Maturin. The Government has since declared these ports in a state of blockade and are performing blockade duty. Gen. Sutherland arrived at Caracas and it is reported offered his services to Guzmann to drive Pulgar from Maracaibo. Advices from St. Thomas state that the telegraphic cable from St. Thomas to St. Croix has been successfully laid.

New York, May 22.—About 1000 Orangemen arrived via the Erie Railway, last week. Sir John A. Macdonald, the Dominion High Commissioner, and Lady Macdonald, Miss Drinkwater, and Hon. Col. Harwood left for Ottawa last evening. The Erie mystery still perplexes Wall Street, the general impression appears to be that Thos. A. Scott, President of Pennsylvania Central, is [illegible]

Senate Board.

[illegible] last Monday evening, Mr Peterson in the chair. Present: Messrs Knowles, McCrae, Newton, Harvey, Inglis, Stevenson, Raymond, Machell, McIntyre and Fraser.

The Clerk read a communication from the Board of Public Instruction declaring the eligibility of the Rev Robt Torrance to be School Inspector for the town; also a communication from Mr Dunn, praying that some improvements be made in the Grammar School.

Moved by Mr Newton, seconded by Mr Knowles, that Rev Robt Torrance be appointed School Inspector of the Town of Guelph.—Carried.

Mr Raymond read the report of the special committee on school site, to the effect that they had visited several schools throughout the Province, and presented a plan for the formation and government of the Guelph schools.

The Board went into committee on the Special Committee's report, Mr Harvey in the chair.

Mr Peterson objected, in very strong terms to the plan proposed by the Committee, and strongly opposed the idea of still supporting Ward Schools after the erection of a Central School, which he thought, if he could judge from the plan, would be totally inadequate for the accommodation of the large number of children in Guelph.

Mr Raymond held an entirely different opinion, and considered the ward schools as nurseries for the younger children, in which would be taught the rudiments of a common school education.

A great deal of discussion then followed upon the various clauses of the report, especially upon that part referring to the ward schools.

Mr Peterson moved that the report be laid over for further consideration.

Committee rose. The motion for referring the report for further consideration was then put and carried.

Mr Newton read the report of the Finance Committee, which recommended the payment of an account from the *Globe* office, and from Mr John Rish. The estimated expenditure for the year was $5,581.80.

Mr Newton moved the adoption of the report.

Mr Harvey said he would never give his vote in favor of receiving a report which gives so much to the support of the Grammar School.

On the vote being taken, the motion was carried.

Mr Stevenson read the report of the School Management Committee, to the effect that they had engaged a female teacher for the new School about to be organized.

On motion the report was adopted.

Mr Knowles moved, seconded by Mr Mitchell, that Mr Wells be notified to find some other place for holding public worship, so as to allow the Board to use the school which he now uses for that purpose as a new school.—Carried.

Mr Stevenson moved, seconded by Mr Raymond, that the band room in the Central School be fitted up for the children until the other building should be procured.—Carried.

The Sec. notified the Board that the law for the proper grading of Common Schools would be put in force after the midsummer holidays.

The Board then adjourned.

RETURN OF REV. W. M. PUNSHON.—Rev W. M. Punshon has returned to Toronto, after his trip to California and British Columbia. The party accomplished their 8,800 miles without a single accident, and were highly pleased with the countries which they visited.

Terrible Conflagration.

A Whole Village Destroyed.

On Monday the Village of Bradford, on the Northern Railway, was totally destroyed by fire. The fire originated in the bakery of Mr Edmonston, and rapidly spread to adjoining buildings, and thence to others, until the town was a charred and blackened ruin. A hundred families have been left destitute; 124 houses were burnt, exclusive of four hotels and the town hall and market house. There is not a store left standing in the place whereat the sufferers who have been turned out of house and home can purchase provisions, and the state of many of the families was pitiable in the extreme; their furniture and clothes all consumed, and no place wherein to lay their heads for the night; children were wandering about without hats, boots, and other necessary articles of apparel.

The *Globe* says:—Fortunately no loss of life took place, nor did we hear of any incidents of any very serious nature. Mr Bingham, an hotel keeper, with some little difficulty rescued his invalid wife from the house while it was burning, without her sustaining any injury beyond a severe fright which she has turned in consequence of a portion of the bed upon which she was lying becoming ignited. The loss of Messrs Strachan Bros., Mr Murphy, and Mr Bonnell, which were built on the fire-proof principle, were each destroyed, and your readers are aware what a sad blow it is to these gentlemen. Sparks were blown about the streets of the last named place, and parts of hedges and houses, bearing the impress of Messrs McMaster and other merchants' name, were picked up on the road twenty miles north of Newmarket. The goods in the Express office were all burnt, together with the cash box, containing a considerable amount of money. From the excitement which was prevailing throughout the day it was impossible to obtain a correct list of those who have suffered by the fire, or the amount of damage done, but the latter is variously estimated at from $500,000 to $1,000,000; but one thing is certain that an insurance agent able to judge estimates the loss to the companies at $125,000. The fire burnt itself out remarkably quick, nearly the whole of the buildings being of frame, and the recent dry weather rendering the material of which they were constructed inflammable in the highest degree; and the supply of water being but poor, and the engines not being of any great power, all militated greatly in the favor of the rapid progress of the conflagration. The sad calamity has excited much sympathy among the citizens of Toronto with the unfortunate sufferers; and last night, until the train arrived, there were many under painful apprehensions as to the personal safety of their friends living in Bradford, and the news that no one was hurt was hailed with much satisfaction by the numerous enquirers who had assembled at the Northern Depot to interview the passengers arriving by the 9.10 p.m. train.

The Holiday To-morrow.

To-morrow promises to be a very quiet holiday in Guelph, and we presume that a very large proportion of our citizens will be out of town pleasure-seeking. The base ball match at London will no doubt attract a large number, as a keen contest is anticipated between the "Tecumsehs" and the Guelph boys, but the latter are quite confident of success.

A grand rifle match under the auspices of the Guelph Rifle Association will take place at the Ford Road rifle range. There will be three matches:—the Association Match, open to all members of the Association, nine prizes, 300 and 500 yards; All Comers' Match, ten prizes, open to all residents of the County, 200 and 400 yards; Volunteers' Match, open to all members of the 30th Battalion, 400 and 500 yards; fourteen prizes.

In addition to the above, we presume, there will be the usual number of private picnics, boating and driving parties, &c., all of which, we trust, will be pleasant and enjoyable. As already announced, the Great Western will convey passengers to and from Hamilton, from all points, for one fare.

In the evening an entertainment will be given in the Town Hall by the Holmans, of the Royal Lyceum, Toronto. The reputation which they enjoy will no doubt attract a very large audience, and we believe that those who attend will not be disappointed in their expectations.

GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before J. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate. May 23.

Robert Ferguson, of the township of Peel, was charged with having been drunk and disorderly on the street. It was his first offence he was dismissed with a reprimand.

PRESENTATION.—The Fergus *Express* says that a few days ago a handsome watch and chain was presented to Mr D McInnes, track inspector on the G. W. R. at D'Vroomen's Hotel, Harrisburg, on the occasion of his being transferred to the track inspectorship of the line between Hamilton and Galt. The presentation was made by the foreman of the branch. There were present among the company on the occasion, Mr Brodie, Station Master at Guelph, besides other Station Masters on the line, and our respected townsman, Mr Conductor Quirk, and a pleasant time was spent.

☞ A man named John Stewart, belonging to the 2nd con. of the township of York, was stabbed on Thursday with a pitchfork, by a man named Hazel. Hazel escaped, and has not been apprehended.

Fighting in Paris.

The [illegible] which has so long raged around Paris is now transferred to within the gates of the city itself, and streets that a few years ago [illegible] with gay and happy throngs are now crowded with desperate men engaged in fratricidal strife. It would appear that following up at once the success of Dont, the Versailles troops crossed the Bois de Boulogne through the battered gates, away to the Arc de Triomphe, and the Champs Elysees, where they were joined by the divisions which entered from the south. The Communists in many instances offered determined resistance to their onward progress, but were driven back by superior numbers and higher courage. Several bloody encounters are mentioned, where the invaders were decimated by the fire of the mitrailleuses from behind barricades. The Communists have also suffered heavily. They have concentrated chiefly around Hôtel de Ville, the Place Bastille, and the streets in their neighborhood. The Versailleans have, it is said, eighty thousand men in the city, and more ready to follow. MacMahon has advanced into the heart of the city to the Arc de Triomphe, and his cannon were sweeping no less than five of the broad avenues, including the Champs Elysees, which diverge from that point. Although the contest may be protracted and the unfortunate city have yet to endure much suffering before it ceases—for no doubt the Commune will fight with courage and desperation, as they have been unable to prevent the entry of the troops—it is vain to suppose that any entire subjugation can be anything more than a question of time.

The latest despatches state that Versailles held three quarters of the city, having repulsed the Communists in a battle near the Porte de Ville, barricades. The rebels are now said to be evacuating the city from the north-east of Paris. This is running the risk of being cut to pieces. An extensive mine is said to be in the city.

NEWMARKET.

[illegible] the school-room, a meeting was held in the new Presbyterian church, Winterbourne, for the purpose of presenting to Rev. Mr Gourlie, of Elora, a testimonial of the gratitude felt towards him by the people of this community for his occasional services among them as a preacher of the gospel of Christ. He was presented with $50 by the Rev. H Thompson. Mr Gourlie made an appropriate reply.

A MODEST REQUEST.—The Lyons *Reporter* gives the following report of George Francis Train's lecture in that town last Wednesday night:—"American eagle—the Irish crowned me their king. Erin go bragh—my heel measures 24 inches—shut the English bastile—man of destiny—next President—preached one million times in New York—woman's suffrage—who's afraid? let down the windows. *Chicago Tribune*—lunatic, humbug, clarionet, pretender—Phillips, Greeley, Beecher, Wendell, [illegible] responsibility—venal press—scoundrelly editors—the political parties [illegible]—everybody goes for him—[illegible] Train Longest—terminus—everywhere—time to win—[illegible] bonfires, fireworks, cannon, [illegible] and snipes, jazz, jug, harp, [illegible] City, [illegible]."

SMALLPOX.—The Sarnia *Observer* says:—"We have already announced the death in this city from smallpox, of two passengers by the steamship *Moravian* from London. From a gentleman who came over in that steamer we learn how the disease was introduced on board, and certainly the facts he discloses indicate an amount of carelessness calling for enquiry on the part of the authorities. A smallpox patient, just out of a London Hospital, was allowed on board as a passenger, though on application at Liverpool for a passage by the Allan line he had been refused. Our informant says examination of the passengers by the physician before allowing them on board the *Moravian* was a perfect farce. The appearance of the face of the man who had been refused a passage by the Allan line indicated plainly that he was only just recovering from the disease, yet he was allowed to pass without a question."

THE BUFFALO COW CASE.—The Buffalo *Express* says, the suit entered by Mr. West, drover, to recover possession of the cow claimed by an old woman in Buffalo, from a drove he was driving through that city, the particulars of which we narrated in the *Reporter* a few weeks ago, was tried before the Court in Buffalo last week. The evidence offered by Mr West as to his claim to the cow was of the very strongest description. Mr John Page, of Waterloo, testifying to his having raised the cow, and having sold it to Mr West; but parties from Buffalo swore positively that the cow was the old woman's, and that they could not be mistaken. In his charge to the Jury on the conclusion of the evidence, the Judge went strongly in favor of the old woman's claim, and the end was that after a lengthened deliberation the Jury failed to agree, and were discharged. It is understood that there are seven in favor of Mr West, and five for his opponent. The case will come on again in September next.

☞ The confidence in Dr. Livingstone's safety is based on a letter to Consul Kirk, at Zanzibar, from Sheref Barghash Iben Ahmed in which he says: "I have to inform you that on the 15th of Sheban (Nov. 10), a messenger came from the people of Menama with letters from the Arabs who are there and one from the Doctor, and those letters were dated 20th Regib (Oct. 15). In answer to my inquiries they told me that the Doctor was well although he had been suffering, and he is for the present at the town of Manakoso with the Mahomet Iben Gharib, waiting for the caravans, being helpless without means, and few followers, only eight men, so that he cannot move elsewhere or come down. We have sent off 12 of our men with American cloth, kaniki, beads, sugar, coffee, salt, two pairs of shoes, shot, powder, soap, and a small bottle of medicine (quinine). All that he was in want of we have sent to him, and I remain at Uijiji on the lake, awaiting his orders. 20th Sheban (15th), 1870." Letter from an Arab merchant confirms the above and says that the Christian intends to return to Ujiji in the month of Safar (April, 1871).