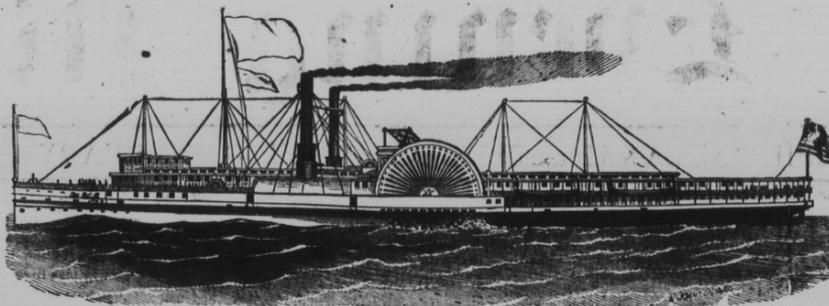


At COST

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# SELLING OFF HARDWARE AT COST!

## JOHN HORSMAN

Has determined to sell off the balance of his STOCK OF HARDWARE AT COST.

Axes at cost, Knives and Forks at cost, Pocket Knives at cost, Electro-Plate Ware at cost, Cruet Stands, Toast Racks, Pickle Forks, Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons, Table and Dessert Forks, Dish Covers, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Tea Trays—ALL AT COST. Window Cornices and Curtain Bands at cost, Lamps at cost, Lanterns at cost, Enamelled Saucepans at cost, Stove, Scrub and Shoe Brushes at cost, Bed Cords and Clothes' Lines at cost, Locks and Hinges at cost, TOOLS of all kinds at cost, and the whole of his present Stock will be rushed off at Cost Prices.



## An Immense Stock of Hardware, Oils, Paints, &c.

J. HORSMAN has ordered from the European Markets an Immense Stock of Hardware, Paints, Oils, &c., which for extent, variety and cheapness, will not be equalled in Canada. J. HORSMAN is determined to maintain the high reputation he has gained for keeping the Largest, Cheapest and Best Stock of Hardware in the Province. Remember the balance of my present Stock of Shelf and Heavy Hardware, Oils, Paints, Window Glass, Cordage, &c., must be cleared off at once at Cost Prices, to make room for heavy importations to arrive shortly. Do not neglect this grand opportunity of laying in Cheap Bargains of Hardware.

Guelph, 1st February, 1868.

## JOHN HORSMAN.

### Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET  
TUESDAY EV'NG. FEB. 4. 1868.

#### At Rest at Last.

We beg to present our humble congratulations to our Municipal Fathers on the repose which their wearied virtue may now enjoy since the question of a water supply has been finally set at rest. We will all take comfort from the fact, that the proverbial "Something" has been done, that the Town will in a short time not be so utterly defenceless against accidental fires, or the flames kindled by the torch of the incendiary as it is at present. The question was one of more than ordinary importance, and we cannot say that it was at all surprising that there should be diverse opinions or stormy discussions indoors as well as outside; among those whose duty it was to mature a project as well as among those who would be taxed to pay for it. Even to a wealthy town like Guelph \$7,000 is a considerable item of expenditure, more especially when it is problematical what amount of benefit shall be derived from the outlay. It was not the sum necessary to put the Town in a proper state of defence against fire that protracted the discussions; that would have been willingly voted by almost every one—the difference of opinion arose concerning the scheme which would be best worth the money. It is useless at the present time to revert to the arguments that were used for and against the system of waterworks, when Mr. Hobson laid his able and elaborate plan before the Council, and when those who opposed that scheme proposed no other to supersede it; or to the reasoning of members for the steam engine, since it has been mooted, and against the waterworks, or vice versa. These are things of the past that it would be better not to attempt to resuscitate. We commend Mr. Hobson's scheme at the time it was propounded because of its perfect suitability to our requirements. But it has been voted down; and though we may still have a lingering regard for what was termed, facetiously, by a member of the Council "our first love," yet after the careful deliberations, the patient investigations of knowledge, which the Fire and Water Committee have recently made, after their own conversion from absolute faith in the waterworks to a firm belief in the efficiency of the engine, and above all in view of the large sum which is to be expended on the new machine, on apparatus and tanks, we would not consider that we were not honestly fulfilling our duty to those whose interests we always endeavour to promote, if we did not with the utmost earnestness hope that no person either in or out of the Council may ever have reason to regret the decision arrived at on Monday night, to purchase a Steam Fire Engine from Mr. Silby. We wish the project all the success, that its most enthusiastic patrons can hope for it; we rejoice at the solution of the knotty problem, and the termination of discussions in which there was frequently *satis loquitur* (talk to no purpose)—what can we do more?

### PRESENT STATE OF AUSTRIA.

It is scarcely probable that Austria will ever fulfil the prediction which one of her sanguine rulers had carved on the walls of his palace, and engraven on his plate, in Latin, and which was to the effect that "Austria will rule the whole world." But there is one thing remarkable about this power—she possesses the faculty of repairing disasters faster than any other nation in Europe, or perhaps any place else. It will be remembered how quickly she shook off the dust which clung to her when the first Napoleon crushed her, and became again great and powerful, and that she is fast recovering from the calamities of the Bohemian campaign, a newspaper correspondent certifies. He says:

"While France is tearing out her heartstrings raising armies that shall leave the fields untilled and the vines untended—while Russia is straining every nerve to conjure gigantic hosts out of an empty pocket—while the *contre coup* of last year's triumphs is crying "Famine" with a piteous voice throughout Central Prussia—and while national bankruptcy and revolution threaten Italy, whose millions spent upon fighting material have brought her in nothing but defeat, disgrace and humiliation,—Austria has this year not added a man to her *cadres de service*, and has expended a sum comparatively trifling upon the conversion of her rifles into breech-loaders. She has not armed; she has not increased the burthen of her people; she has neither vapoured in the East, nor promised in the West; and yet she has more than recovered that influence in the Councils of Europe, which everybody, a year ago, deemed was irretrievably shattered on the plains of Bohemia. See what honesty, combined with earnestness, can effect in the short space of one year. But twelve months ago, Austria's case was well-nigh desperate; and now her best friends cannot wish her more prosperity than appears to await her. For fifty years she has wanted a great man and now she has got him. Already he has rescued her from the brink of destruction; and he will, unless I am much mistaken, guide her successfully to honor and well-being. Whilst according full acknowledgment to the value of Baron Beust's services (and it would be difficult to overrate them) it must not be forgotten that the Emperor has taken a grand and glorious part in the reconstruction of Austria. Heart and hand he has thrown himself ardently into the good work. Who has had so many trials, and so much sad experience, as he? Well, he has profited by them, and has come thrice refined out of the fire. Can any one wonder that he has become the most popular monarch in Europe? The people love and revere him, and the people are right; for he is a man of the age—a true patriot, and an honest Emperor. I hope this sobriquet will be his in future history; it is as noble a pseudonym as "Rudolph of the Iron Hand" or "Francis the Good" (*der gute Franzer*). And I hope that Englishmen will, one and all, wish Austria "A happy New Year."

**THE INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.**  
—The Ottawa Times of Saturday says:—The Privy Council had another lengthy meeting yesterday. It is understood that considerable progress has been made in the settlement of the several matters relating to the Intercolonial Railway, and that the further consideration of others had been postponed for a fortnight or three weeks. It is not probable, however, that the decision of the Privy Council on those points, which, according to the Loan Guarantee Bill, have to be submitted to the approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, will be made public in this country until that approval has been obtained.

**NEW SENATOR.**—The Hon. J. C. Chapais, Minister of Agriculture and Statistics, has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the senate, created by the Hon. M. Bosse's acceptance of a Judgeship. A writ for a new election in Kamouraska will be issued in consequence of M. Chapais' retirement from the Commons.

A petition to the Quebec Assembly to place the affairs of the city in the hands of commissioners appointed by Government, and suspend the corporation for a time, has been signed by a large number of citizens of Quebec city,—some of them prominent and wealthy.

—The subscriptions already collected in the two provinces of Quebec and Ontario for the relief of the fishermen of Nova Scotia, amount to some \$20,000.

### DIED.

**WILLMOTT.**—At Guelph, on the 31st inst., after a long illness, Miss Catherine Willmott. (The funeral will take place from her late residence, Glasgow Street, on Thursday, 6th inst., at 1 o'clock, P.M. The deceased was a near relative of George Elliott, Esq. The friends of the family are invited to attend without further notice.)

### New Advertisements.

#### BRITISH AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COLLEGE.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY.**  
(From Lyman & MacNab, Wholesale Hardware Merchants, Toronto, 13th September, 1866.)  
Messrs MURROVE & WRIGHT,  
B. A. Commercial College, Toronto.  
DEAR SIR,—We have much pleasure in testifying to the order of training for commercial pursuits obtained by the young men educated at your College.

We have now in our employment one of your graduates, who, notwithstanding the fact that he never had any previous experience, has proved himself a most reliable, accurate and efficient book-keeper.

—Your efforts are worthy of every appreciation in founding a sound Commercial Emporium of the intelligent youth of Canada, and though occasionally students fail to become proficient, it can only be attributed to lack of ability on the student's part and not the incapacity of the tutor.

We remain, Gentlemen, yours, &c.,  
**MORRISON, TAYLOR, & CO.,**  
Wholesale Provision Dealers.

For Circulars, Penmanship, Bank Notes, &c., address  
**MURROVE & WRIGHT,**  
Guelph, 4th Feb, 1868. (dw) Toronto.

### NOTICE.

PERSONS having claims against the estate of the late Hon. A. J. Ferguson Esq. will please send particulars of them to D. Guthrie, Esq. Barrister, Guelph, for adjustment.  
G. D. FERGUSON, Executor  
Guelph, 28th January, 1868. dw2

### BOARDERS.

TWO or three gentlemen can be accommodated with good rooms in a first-class private house. A gentleman and his lady not objected to. For information apply at the Post Office, or at this office.  
Guelph, 25th January, 1868. d

### W. B. COWAN, M. D.

HOMEOPATHIC Physician, Surgeon and Acupuncturist. Graduate of New York Homeopathic College, and Licentiate of Canada. Office over Mr. Massie's new store—entrance Macdonnell Street.  
Guelph, 27th Jan, 1868. dwtf

### EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

BY two men willing to act in any capacity as labourers or general servants. Character excellent. Apply at this office, or to N. Highbottom, Druggist.  
Guelph, Jan. 24th, 1868.

### New Advertisements.

#### G. A. D. C.

THE Guelph Amateur Dramatic Club intend giving another performance

ON THE 19th FEBRUARY,  
On which occasion will be produced a beautiful Tragedy, entitled

#### BARBAROSSA!

Never played before in the Dominion. To be followed by the roaring Farce of

#### THE HAPPY MAN

Guelph, 4th Feb, 1868. dtd

#### DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, LAND, LOAN, INSURANCE, And General Agents.

Office—Town Hall Buildings, Guelph.

#### AGENTS FOR THE Royal Insurance Comp'y

#### AGENTS FOR THE Standard Life Assurance Co'y

#### AGENTS FOR THE Trust and Loan Company.

#### AGENTS FOR THE Canada Permanent Building and Savings Society.

£5 A large amount of private funds to lend upon real and personal security. Rates moderate.  
Guelph, 4th Feb, 1868. w

### TENDERS for CORDWOOD WANTED.

SEALED Tenders will be received by the undersigned, at Pallister's Commercial Hotel, Guelph, up to 12 o'clock noon,  
On Saturday, 8th February,

for the delivery of 300 Cords of good, sound Beech and Maple Green Wood, in such quantities as may be agreed upon, and 100 Cords Dry Wood. No tender will be received for less than ten cords. The place for delivery will be made known on application to the subscriber.  
CHARLES HEATH.  
Guelph, 4th February, 1868. w1

### Guelph Horticultural Society.



THE annual meeting of the Guelph Horticultural Society for the election of officers, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at the Wellington Hotel,  
On Wednesday, 12th of Feb.,  
at 2 o'clock p. m.  
GEO. MURTON, Secretary.  
Guelph, 4th Feb, 1868. 3dlw

### NOTICE.

MR. CHAS. GRUNDY who has been my book-keeper for several years in Guelph, is authorized to collect all debts due to me, and to grant receipts in my name for all payments that may be paid to him on my account. Also, to adjust and pay any accounts due by me.  
OFFICE: In the store of Messrs. John M. Bond & Co., Corner of Wyndham and Cork Sts.  
HENRY MULHOLLAND.  
Guelph, 22nd January, 1868.

### THE KINGSMILL SURVEY

THE COURT OF CHANCERY has appointed me to sell the balance of this private property

### PRIVATE SALE

The undersigned are prepared to treat with parties desirous of purchasing on favourable terms as to payment, &c. The property now offered for sale comprises

### 75 Building Lots

Ranging from one-fifth to one-fourth of an acre each, in the Kingsmill Survey, and 1 1/2 acres in one block, beautifully situated on the Paisley Hill.  
PALMER & LILLIE,  
Vendor's Solicitors.  
Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868. dw1

### New Advertisements.

## NEARLY GONE.

The CLOUDS which we received a few days since are nearly gone. The demand has been immense, thanks to a discerning public.

## Grey and White COTTONS.

Just opened, a superior lot of Grey and White Cottons, in the various widths and qualities, at the lowest figures. On hand, 36 inch Dundas Cottons.

Guelph, Jan. 31, 1868. d

## A. O. BUCHAM.

### CONCERT! CASTLE GARDEN SALOON

### GUELPH, ONT.

### Sacred Music

### THE CHOIR

### The Congregational Church

On Wednesday Ev'g, 12th February

assisted by a number of the most talented Vocalists and Chorists of the town, will give a Concert, consisting of choice selections from the works of Handel, Haydn, Beethoven and Mozart, in the NEW CHURCH.

when it is confidently expected that a musical entertainment will be furnished that will be well worthy of public patronage.

Tickets - - 25 cents each.

May be obtained at the stores of Messrs. Day, Higginbotham, McNeil, Thomson, Cuthbert and Savage, and at the door.

Doors open at 7.30, Concert to begin at 8 o'clock precisely. The proceeds will be devoted to the organ fund of the Church.

For further particulars see programmes.  
Guelph, 3rd Feb, 1868. dtd

## NOTICE.

All Accounts and Notes due to

## HOGG & CHANCE

remaining unpaid on the 5th February ensuing will, without any distinction of person, be handed in to Mr. Baker for immediate collection.  
Guelph, 28th January, 1868. HOGG & CHANCE. dw2

### SPECIAL NOTICE. CANADIAN

### National Series of Reading Books,

Authorized by the Council of Public Instruction for Ontario.  
NOW READY FOR DELIVERY.

PRICES:  
FIRST BOOK, with 31 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—thirty cents.  
FIRST BOOK, 2nd Part, 54 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—thirty cents.  
SECOND BOOK, 56 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—twenty cents.  
THIRD BOOK, 41 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—thirty cents.  
FOURTH BOOK, 45 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—thirty cents.  
FIFTH BOOK, 50 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—thirty cents.  
Six copies supplied at the lowest Toronto wholesale price for cash only.

T. J. DAY,  
Opposite the Market, Guelph.  
Guelph, 6th January, 1868. dw

### Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.

MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D. V.) on the 6th of January. Vacancies for two or three boarders.  
Guelph, 26th December, 1867. 317

### THE BAR

will be supplied with the

### Best Wines, Liquors and Cigars

And the table with all the delicacies of the season. In fact no expense will be spared to make it a first-class establishment.

### LUNCHEON!

Every day from 1 to 3 o'clock.

### OYSTERS AND GAME,

Etc. Dinner and Supper parties provided on short notice, at reasonable charges.

JOHN MILLER, Proprietor.  
Late of the Commercial Hotel, Whitby.

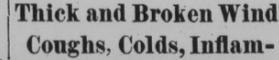
### GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Guelph, Jan. 23, 1868. do 11

### FRENCH'S

### Condition POWDER,

### AND HEAVE REMEDY.



FOR THE CURE OF

## HEAVES

Thick and Broken Wind, Coughs, Colds, Inflammation of the Lungs,

And all Diseases which affect the wind of Horses.

It is the best medicine known for removing all Impurities of the Blood and producing a sleek and Glossy Coat, and they have a peculiarly good effect in Cleansing the Skin. As a Diuretic Medicine they will be found superior to any other Powder made. Prepared by

## A. B. PETRIE

Chemist and Druggist, Apothecaries' Hall, Market Square, Guelph.  
Guelph, 20th Jan, 1868. wd

## LOST.

LEFT by mistake yesterday, the 28th, between 11 and 12 o'clock, in a sleigh, painted blue, at Ellis' American Hotel, and either taken away in said sleigh, or abstracted therefrom, a Lady's green Morocco Satchel, containing purse in which were five two dollar bills on the Commercial Bank three or four dollars in silver, a card case with cards, and one or two other articles. Its restoration, with contents, will be suitably rewarded, by leaving at Ellis' American Hotel, Guelph, or with the owner, RICHARD SINCLAIR BRODIE.  
Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868. daw 11