

## VOTE FOR THE FORM CANDIDATES!

South Wellington.

STIRTON, HOUSE OF COMMONS.  
GOW, ONTARIO ASSEMBLY.

Centre Wellington.

STIRTON, HOUSE OF COMMONS.  
DOBBIN, ONTARIO ASSEMBLY.

North Wellington.

STIRTON, HOUSE OF COMMONS.  
T. McKim, ONTARIO ASSEMBLY.

Ph Evening Mercury

RSDAY EV'G, SEPTEMBER 5.

and Loyal Reformers! not the cry that the Re- ranks are broken. Not a man there wavers, not will stand to his post victory rewards his bra- It is a cry used in battle and is now revived the design of infusing vigor into the faltering of the enemy and of riting you. Regard it it is unreal, it is untrue. the Polls to-morrow ing and vote early!

## Pictures, and Two Parallels.

DAVID STIRTON

ungrudgingly given years of his for the benefit and welfare of the in many ways. He has always a prominent part in every move- which had for its object the well- of the County. He faithfully for years as a Township and Councillor, and protected the of Guelph Town and Town- and Puslinch on all occasions. He elected to serve the South Riding member in Parliament in 1857, a splendid exhibition of the people's nce. Nor has he betrayed that nce, although met by a thousand ations. Dozens of public men allen since he was first elected; he County of Wellington has nev- to blush for its member. If he t the inordinate loquacity of a he has something better—com- ense and discretion—and knows me is money in Parliament as out of it. He, perhaps, lacks philosophical profundity of a but as this gentleman himself Mr. Stirton, at the Reform- tion, "he is sound on all the rdinal points of the day." He does not possess the financial of Dr. Clarke, but the public in his plain clothes and farm more stylish equipments, for he never trafficked indirect- the school children's money, to be like CESAR'S WIFE, SUSPICION and possesses the and unbought confidence of an in the Riding.

he does possess patriotism. Dr. says so, and he is an authority matters. He does possess and integrity. Hon. Mr. Blair so, and he is in the government. He possesses the confidence of the or, they would not have twice ed him by acclamation since and would have done it again few wire-pullers not got up a dless opposition which will only up their own wretched weakness, and more firmly to establish d STIRTON in the confidence, and estimation of the electors South Riding of Wellington. have mentioned some of Mr. n's virtues. Let us be candid fess to one of his most insuper- ults—at least so some among ard it. He is a Scotchman— is a crime with some, but we are not in your eyes, enlightened shmen and Irishmen.

F. W. STONE

pent one minute in any Village, Township or County Council life—not even as School Trust- and always said he would not this time—that others should do he would not. He has no taste ination for public business. Can ard change his spots in a day? can Mr. Stone be different in e and inclinations to-morrow the tastes and habits of a life- totally different? He don't to be troubled with office, and tell you so if you saw him face e. He will not thank the few oulders for using his name and their political intrigues, and the old and faithful ser- ple, David Stirton.

no taste or inclination s, Mr. Stirton has and Mr. Stone was dragged t Stirton without good has for ten years e people desired and e to serve them. e at a public ay twenty e No. e of excellent abilities, and will make a valuable member. He is an Irishman. don Advertiser.

ment has always led him to adopt those pursuits which were more congenial to him, and for which he feels best fitted. He will never thank the wire-pullers for their gratuitous impertinence and unwarrantable use of his name.

## PETER GOW

Has for many years lived in this town, and during all that time has taken his part in promoting its interests and those of the County. He has devoted years of his time at the Town Council Board, and in the County Council. He has for two years acted as Mayor, with ability, efficiency and honour. He has spent his earnings among the people. He has added, and daily keeps adding, to the manufacturing interests of the Town and County as is abundantly shown by the factories and tanneries he has erected in Guelph. As an agriculturist, too, he is enterprising and persevering, and although he is one of the clod-hoppers so much despised by men of the *Saxton* stamp—who see no virtue but in petti-fogging, or *rigmarole* yarns of political fustian spun out to order—yet the farmers and mechanics of the County believe him trustworthy and qualified for their representative. He has the taste and ability for public life, is possessed of sound judgment, perseverance and force of character. Moreover, he can illustrate a position, and defend it by argument, and support with energy and zeal a good cause. He is loyal and patriotic, for Dr. Howitt says he was his ablest supporter in his Rifle Scheme. And who do the people think was his bitter enemy—Dr. Clarke, Mr. Leslie's right-hand man. Mr. Gow lives in the heart of the Riding, and is well-known to the bulk of the electors. He is accessible at all times, and living in the Town of Guelph, and being an agriculturist, with a farm in the Township, his interests are singularly identified with both Town and County. But Mr. Gow, too, is guilty, like Mr. Stirton, of having drawn his first breath in Scotland. This is an unpardonable fault with some, and they denounce him for it. But this is not the spirit of liberal men, wherever have been their birth-places. We are assured it is not, and Mr. Leslie and his admirers will soon find it out.

## WILLIAM LESLIE

Is positively such a stranger to fame as to be almost unknown to any one except his own neighbors and friends in his own Township. How many know him or anything about him in Guelph? And yet he is the man the wire-pullers want the electors to swallow *holus bolus*, on credit, so to speak. These wire-pullers think they can so gull the electors that they have only to bring out a Jack-in-the-Box, and they will all fall on their knees to him. Pray, who brought out Mr. Leslie to oppose Mr. Gow? Let the mass of the electors individually, each for himself, answer this question if they can. They will say to a man, we don't know. Who did then? Why a knot of interested wire-pullers and office seekers, who employed a horde of canvassers, at \$5 a day to gull people, and to get their names to what they pretended to call a requisition. Why don't they publish the names?

We ask, has Mr. Leslie the ability for the position he seeks, or can he be at all compared with the man he is put up to oppose? All who heard and saw the two at the nomination regarded the exhibition made by Mr. Leslie of himself as a broad farce, and were astonished at his temerity in opposing Mr. Gow. Mr. Leslie is well known not to be the sort of man anybody would select to send to Parliament, but being weak and pliable, such as the wire-pullers desired for a candidate, they have put him up.

He lives on almost the very last lot next to another County, and takes out of it every grain of wheat and oats he raises, buys all his produce, and has all his dealings in Hamilton, or out of this County. He does the County no good, so that his local interests are in no sense identical with those of the County of Wellington. On the contrary he is almost a foreigner to us, and belonging to the County of Wentworth. We don't want such a man to look after our local interests. We want one in every sense superior and better qualified, one who will never make our cheeks mantle with the blush of shame for his incapacity, as Mr. Leslie made those of his few zealots at the hustings on Friday who had any feelings of sympathy or pride left in them.

## STIRTON and GOW.

Poll your votes early on Friday morning, the 6th September. One vote before 12 is worth two after. Vote for the Reform ticket.

It may not be generally known that the gentleman who floured D'Arcy McGee is a former resident of London. The Rev. James Boyd was a few years since pastor of the Congregational Church. His health suffering, he went into the mercantile business at Vankleek Hill, and is now a member of the Legislature of Ontario for Prescott. He is a gentleman of excellent abilities, and will make a valuable member. He is an Irishman. don Advertiser.

## IS IT TRUE?

*Vox populi, vox Dei* (the voice of the people is the voice of God). So we are told by the conditionists, while caps are flung up and the air is rent with the acclamations, "The Ministry is everywhere being gloriously sustained, and the country is saved." Suppose that we admit the infallibility of the proverb, does it follow that the voice of the people always demands and obtains those measures which are for the common good? Is the thoughtless, tumultuous majority always right and the contemplative, orderly minority always wrong? Is passion a safer guide than reason, or means of obtaining what is good and beneficial than the efforts made after calm and dispassionate deliberation? We may acknowledge the truth of *vox populi, vox Dei*, and yet it would not follow from the admission that the vociferations of the people or their maddened efforts would produce agreeable or desirable results. God may make the people's voice His voice, but its tones may be those of anger, and not of pleasure. He may allow them to be the instruments of their own punishment. Nothing is more improbable than that He would make known His wisdom by the mouths of such multitudes as it is generally asserted speak with His voice. He is not in the cloud of animosity which men at certain periods nurse against their fellow-men; He is not in the whirlwind of passion which then sweeps away their judgment, but is far more likely to be found in the still, small voice that speaks after deep contemplation from the depths of retirement. Multitudes are capable of doing evil; we have Scripture proof of it, and we are warned not to follow them and participate in their crimes. This fact, however, never seems to be considered by those who cry out—"Eureka." The voice of the people has carried it, and we are about to enjoy the increased munificence of Heaven. If we fully believe that, order is Heaven's first law, we must be careful how we accept it as an undeniable fact, that all ameliorations of grievances, all amendments of laws (which were in reality ameliorations and amendments) were brought about by popular demonstrations. The tendency of an idle multitude is certainly more to sedition than to the quiet, legitimate discussion of any subject which may be engrossing their thoughts. Those who imagine that the Almighty always confers favours on the people when they cry aloud and struggle for them, that they always receive good at His hands and no evil, are sadly deficient in knowledge of history, or in a memory of facts. When riot rages furiously, when skulls are cracked with little consideration as to if they were nut shells, when the life of a human being is no more regarded than the life of a dog—then *vox populi, vox Dei* if unthinking people choose, but we imagine they would choose it in another way. We might go on to say that under this plea very much that is mischievous to themselves, and to the community in general is perpetrated. A man takes a notion that the time has come for him to do something, he manages to infect another who is not so foolish as he is, and before very long it would be more like truth to assert that the voice of the people is the voice of the prince of the lower regions. To cite instances in proof of our statement would be useless, although by no means difficult, since they are so numerous. But we might just in passing direct attention to the continual struggles that in these days are going on between capital and labour, between employer and employee. But in the case of the election of ministers to support John A. Macdonald *vox populi, vox Dei* may be true, and we may be the recipients of favours from on high, but still toleration may be granted to those disposed to doubt whether the tones of the voice are those of kindness or displeasure—whether they betoken good or evil.

DAVID STIRTON and PETER GOW are the Farmers' Choice.

The fact that Charlotte, Maximilian's widow, is now undergoing different treatment, while her condition is steadily improving since her return to Belgium, is attracting the attention of those practitioners who have always condemned the practice of imposing solitude upon the insane. Whilst at Miramar, Charlotte was entirely left to herself, and there constantly grew worse and worse, until her life was almost despaired of. Since the death of her husband, however, when the Belgian royal family decided to take a more lively interest in the welfare of the King's widowed sister, the celebrated Belgian physician, Dr. Bulckens, has subjected his patient to a different system of treatment, entirely opposed to that of the German physicians who had charge of the Empress while at Miramar. Dr. Bulckens permits Charlotte to associate with the rest of the royal family, to visit places known to her from youth, and to spend most of her time in company. The effect is already marked, for we now hear that the Empress's convalescence, though slow, will be steady, and that in due time her mind may be so entirely restored as to allow the sad fate of her husband to be communicated to her.

Vote for STIRTON and GOW. One vote before 12 on Friday is worth two after.

At a recent book sale in London the extraordinary price of \$2050 was paid for "Shakespeare's Comedies, Histories, and Tragedies," published according to the true originall copies, and printed by Isaac Iaggard, and Ed. Blount in 1623.

ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday last, while a man named Barrett, an employee of the G. W. R. Company, was standing on the gang plank laid from the wharf to the steamer *City of Toronto*, the boat began to move away, and he in his hurry to get off he stumbled and fell into the bay. Efforts were made in vain to save him.

M. DE GHARDIN thinks the political condition of the French people is analogous to that of the locomotive organs of Chinese women. Look at the feet of a Chinese woman, and you will have a notion of the liberty of a Frenchman. Consider the freedom of a Frenchman, and you may form an idea of the feet of a female Chinese. The same refinement of delicacy.

## ELORA CORRESPONDENCE.

THE FAIR.

On Tuesday the usual monthly fair was held in this village, but owing to the season of the year, little business was transacted.

THE CROPS.

Harvesting is nearly past. The crops generally are light, but good. The yield will be above the average.

SICKNESS.

There is and has been a great amount of sickness in the village and its vicinity. The prevailing complaint is diarrhoea. It has swept off a large number of infants and children. The Rev. John Smithurst, of Lea Hurst, Minto, died at St. John's Parsonage, in this village, last night—disease, droupy. I think a great deal of the sickness, especially in the village, is caused by the condition of the river, which is at present nearly dry, thus exposing a vast surface of unhealthy slime and mud. Nearly all the mills are stopped for want of water, some few working occasionally. The country is thus suffering for the wholesale destruction of the forests along the banks of the streams. It is the most natural thing in the world to expect that a stream should become smaller in its course if exposed for miles after mile to the free action of the sun and air.

IMPROVEMENTS.

The improvements in the village this summer speak well for the prosperity of the place. Several handsome stores, besides numerous other buildings, have been erected or are in course of erection. The principal street, by a judicious and generous enlargement, has added considerable beauty. The Irvine Bridge is undergoing a thorough repairing, and is to be supported in the centre by a massive stone pier, costing \$1300. A sidewalk over a mile in length, between Salem and Elora, is nearly completed. A new dam has been made in the east part of the village by Mr. Ross, and still farther east or up the river, at Abonye Mills, a new bridge is being built.

POLITICS.

Almost everyone dabbles in politics, and many are the controversies at the corners of the streets about the triangular contest between Dobbin, Loghrin and Ferrier. Judging from present appearances this contest, Mr. Dobbin will have the votes of all Reformers with the exception of a few moderate ones, who will vote for Mr. Ferrier. Besides these few moderate reform votes, Mr. Ferrier will carry the Conservative influence, and Mr. Loghrin will have scarcely a single vote.

DELTA.

To the Millers, Manufacturers, Produce Dealers, and Farmers of Canada.

GENTLEMEN.—We beg to advise having admitted Mr. John C. More, of Halifax, as a partner in our firm, and have opened a Branch of our business in that City, where it will be our aim to serve our friends in Canada to the utmost of our power in the attaining the best possible rates for Consignments, the extension of the manufacturing interests of the Lower Provinces, the importing there on commission their Fish Oils, &c., and the dissemination of correct and unbiased information respecting the markets.

Consignments to Halifax, as well as Montreal, we will, as heretofore, make liberal advances against shipments, and drafts may in all cases be made at the option of Consignors, either on Montreal or Halifax.

The season being now at hand when the Cheese and Butter in the country must be marketed, we take this liberty of tendering our services for its sale here, or at either of the different principal points in the Lower Provinces or Great Britain, where we have first-class reliable correspondents, who will do the very best that can be possibly be done with Consignments. Cash advances on which will be made by us here when required.

KIRKWOOD, LIVINGSTONE & CO., Commission Merchants, Montreal.

KIRKWOOD, LIVINGSTONE & MORE, Commission Merchants, Collin's Wharf, Halifax. Montreal, 2nd Sept., 1867.

## THE COMING ELECTION

Is something which is creating quite an excitement in the Town of Guelph, and at present it is not known which of the opposing candidates will be successful, both having a fair show of hands. Be this as it may, BERRY & BORSFORD have the largest, best and cheapest stock of CLOTHING ever offered in Guelph, which they are selling at remarkable low prices. Sign of the Elephant, opposite the Market.

SMITH & BORSFORD.

## New Advertisements.

TO PRINTERS.

WANTED at this office a young lad who has a knowledge of setting type. Apply at once at the METROPOLITAN OFFICE. Guelph; 22nd Aug., 1867.

## Last Notice!

MONTREAL BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

REMEMBER THE

10th of SEPTEMBER!

All unsettled accounts after the 10th September, will be in the hands of W. A. Baker Clerk of the Division Court for Collection.

WM. McLAREN.

September 5, 1867.

## Another REDUCTION

IN THE PRICE-OF

## COAL OIL

At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Guelph, 4th September, 1867.

## GUELPH RIFLE COMPY.

ATTENTION!

A MEETING of the Company is requested on TUESDAY EVENING, the 10th at Halfpast Seven, for Battalion Drill, and to receive their pay for the 1st of July.

GEORGE BRUCE, Commanding.

## MONEY TO LEND.

THE Subscriber has money to lend on first-class farm security, at 8 per cent. half-yearly. The security must be undoubted, both as to title and value. Loan to be repaid by yearly instalments, no commission charged, and expenses moderate. Apply personally, or by letter, post-paid, to G. S. PAPPS, Barrister, &c., Hamilton.

Hamilton, August 3, 1867.

## NOTICE.

A. L. Creditors of the Estate of William Burrows, formerly of Eden Mills, are hereby requested to send in their accounts, with vouchers, to the office of Messrs. Blair & Guthrie, on or before the 21st of September, 1867.

CHARLES ADSETT, JAMES GOW, Assignees.

Guelph, 29th August, 1867.

## TOWNSHIP COUNCIL!

THIS next meeting of this Council will be held at the Council Room on Monday the 9th of September.

August 29th, 1867. A. MCCORKINDALE, 21st Township Clerk.

## COW STRAYED.

STRAYED on the 7th instant, a three year old Cow, color red and white, with heavy horns standing well up. A reward will be given for her recovery.

ANDREW SIMS, Lot 29, Con. 5, Eramosa, Orie P. O. Guelph, 22nd August, 1867.

## Primary Girls' School.

THE Primary Girls' School (Miss Unsworth's) will be opened on Monday next, the 2nd of September, at 9 o'clock, forenoon.

Guelph, 27th August, 1867. dw

## Farm Hand Wanted.

A GOOD farm hand wanted to work on and take charge of a farm. Must be a married man. Apply to MILLS & MELVIN, dwit Guelph, 27th August, 1867.

## For Sale or to Rent.

FOR sale or to rent, a house and lot of five acres, with or without the crop, situated near to Judge Macdonald's. Apply to GEO. SMITH, Collector. Guelph, 15th Aug., 1867. dw-1m

## DOG LOST.

LOST on Thursday evening a small black and tan dog, with white spot on breast. Answer to the name of "Carlo." Any one returning it will be suitably rewarded.

JOHN MCNEIL, Quebec-St. Guelph, Aug. 24, 1867. d tr

## ICE CREAM, ICE CREAM, ICE CREAM

AT H. BERRY'S.

Guelph, June 13, 1867. 712 tr.

## MOLASSES!

Standard Syrup.

Golden Syrup.

Amber or Honey do.

For sale at Lowest Prices

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, 3rd September, 1867. dtf

## JUST RECEIVED,

Fresh Lobsters!

AND SARDINES.

25 cents per Gallon.

GEORGE WILKINSON.

Guelph, 2nd Sept., 1867. (d)

(ADVERTISEMENT.)

## ELECTORS!

VOTE against the men who, to gain the votes of the Licensed Victuallers' Association, are willing to lessen the restrictions on the

## LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

which is the great cause of

## POVERTY AND CRIME,

and burdens us with

Unnecessary Taxation!

UPHOLD GOOD LAWS,

AND

DEFEAT THE TRAFFICKERS

BY VOTING FOR

GOW AND STIRTON!

Guelph, 27th August, 1867. dw

## Farm for Sale in Peel.

FOR SALE, the North-east quarter of Lot No. 2, Con. 13, Township of Peel, on the Elora and Sauguen Gravel Road, six miles Alma, consisting of 50 acres, 23 of which are cleared and under cultivation, with a good spring of water. A creek also crosses the corner. The location of the land is high.

Terms easy, and may be learned by applying (if by letter post-paid) to the undersigned, or to Mr. F. J. B. Forbes, Auctioneer, Guelph.

M. H. THOMAS, Guelph.

Guelph, 36th April, 1867.

## MONTREAL

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO'Y.

1867 1867

Steam to Liverpool, London, and Glasgow.

Steamer NOVA SCOTIA will leave Quebec on the 27th September, for Liverpool.

Tickets to and from the Old Country, Passage Certificates to bring friends out, Return Tickets for six months, issued at reduced rates. State rooms secured, and every information given on application. Insurance Policies for the voyage issued at the low rate of \$1 per 1,000 up to 15,000.

Apply to GEORGE A. OKNARD, Agent, G. T. R. Guelph. Guelph, Aug. 28, 1867. dw

## BEEES. BEEES.

THE Subscriber begs to inform the public that he has on hand and FOR SALE until Winter, an assortment of Common Bees. Common Hives, \$2 each; movable Comb do., \$3 each. I shall also have, late in the Fall, a limited number of Italian Bees, for sale at \$15 in movable Comb Hives. The Italians were bred from stock imported from Quinby, one of the best and most extensive Apiarists in America.

JOHN INGLE, Eden Mills. Eden Mills, September 3, 1867. 721-111

## The Queen's Book.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S Memoirs of the Prince Consort. Price, \$1.50.

At DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

Guelph, 27th August, 1867. Opposite the Market.

## HEIFER LOST.

STRAYED from a field adjoining Mr. Sleeman's Brewery, on the Waterloo Road, a two year heifer, white, with red spots. Any person finding her will be rewarded by the owner.

C. WILSON, Waterloo Road. Guelph, 24th August, 1867. 431n

## LOT FOR SALE.

FOR sale, a valuable lot on the main street in the village of Hanover, on the Durham Road, with a Blacksmith's Shop, 24 x 36 ft., and a Dwelling House attached 18 x 24 ft. Will be sold cheaply and on reasonable terms. The owner being a waggonmaker would like to sell to a good blacksmith. For particulars apply (post-paid) to

JAMES C. CLARK, Hanover P. O. July 18th, 1867. (3m)

## STONE HOUSE TO LET

TWO LET in the West Ward, near St. Andrew's Church, a stone House containing 11 Rooms, with stable, wood shed, yard room, hard and soft water, and every other convenience. The house is comfortable and finished in first-class style. Enquire at THE MERCURY OFFICE, Macdonnell-St. Guelph, 20th August, 1867. d 1w

## FARM WANTED.

WANTED to rent, and ultimately to purchase, a farm of about 200 acres, in the neighborhood of Guelph, with suitable buildings and good pasture land.

A. B. Post Office, Guelph. Guelph, 24th August, 1867. d 1w2

## Wool, Hide and Leather

DEPOT,

No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street.

Guelph, July 31, 1867. (dw) D. MOLTON

## SITUATION WANTED.

WANTED, by a young man, (married), a situation, has had several years experience in the grain business, is a good accountant, and can bring unexceptionable references. Guelph preferred. Address post-paid Box 179, Guelph P. O. Guelph, August 21, 1867. d 1w4

## NEW

## PAINT SHOP.

W. NOBLE

WOULD intimate to the citizens of Guelph and surrounding country generally, that he is prepared to execute

Painting in Every Branch!

With Cheapness, Neatness and Despatch.

Shop on Douglass Street, first door North of Coffey's Victoria Hotel.

Guelph, 24th Aug., 1867. dw2m

## JAPANESE DUST

THE only effective preparation for exterminating Moths, Bugs, Fleas, Cockroaches, &c.

Prepared by WALLS, CLOSE & CO London, England.

For sale by N. HICINBOTHAM, Medical Hall

Guelph, 27th July, 1867. d

## CONDY'S PATENT

## DISINFECTING FLUID.

THE safest and best disinfectant ever discovered, much superior to the chlorides of Lime and Soda. In bottles, with full directions.

For sale by N. HICINBOTHAM, Medical Hall

Guelph, 27th July, 1867. d

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