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In returning their sincere thanks to their numerous customers for past favors, beg to inform them that to enable them to carry on their steadily increasing business they have found it necessary to REMOVE to the large and long established Lumber Yard of THOMAS MCCAIG, Esq., in rear of the Alma Block.

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Where they keep constantly on hand all kinds of LUMBER, from 1 1/2 to 12 in. of Jointing 30 feet long, and cut to order all kinds of Bait Stuffs on a short notice.

DRESSED LUMBER!

Of all kinds on hand, or dressed to order.

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On all kinds of Cabinet & French Polished Furniture, Varnished and Japanese articles of every description

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Guelph 3rd April, 1869. dw

REMOVAL AND DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

GUELPH MELODEON AND ORGAN COMPANY

Guelph Melodeon Co'y.

Dissolution of Co. Partnership.

The Co. partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name of BELL, WOOD & CO., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

WM. BELL, R. B. WOOD, ROBERT BELL, ROBERT McLEOD.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

BELL BROTHERS, of the late firm, assume all liabilities, and all notes and accounts are to be paid to them at the old stand, East Market Square, Guelph 15th April, 1869. w3

BELL BROS'S

The senior partners of the above firm still continue to manufacture

MELODEONS & CABINET ORGANS

In the old stand, under the name of W. Bell & Co. Through the late firm received two First Prizes at the last Provincial Exhibition we were determined to make a still better instrument, and with that end in view secured the services of some of PRINCE & CO'S best workmen, including a tuner who is undoubtedly the best in Canada. We therefore confidently affirm that our instruments are much superior to any made elsewhere in Canada, and at least equal to any made in the United States.

All our instruments warranted for 5 years, and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. Send for our catalogue.

Address, W. BELL & CO. Guelph, April 30, 1869. daw

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Coal Oil 35c. per gallon

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Single Gallon, - - 40 cents

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HOTEL TO LET AT ELORA.

The good-will and three years lease of the FARMERS' HOTEL, ELORA, (late James Hamilton's stand). Apply on the premises to the subscriber.

HENRY HARRISON Guelph, April 22. dw w2

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LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers, Solicitors, etc. Guelph Dec. 9th, 1868. dw w1

WARDEN'S NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Warden will attend at the office of the County Clerk on the first and third Wednesday in each month, between the hours of 11 and 2 o'clock, for the transaction of County business.

REMOVAL OF GARLAND'S

Hat and Cap Store.

THE premises or removed to the splendid Day's Block, late Petrie's Drug Store

And has now in stock an immense assortment of

Hats, Caps, Furs, &c.,

In all the latest and most fashionable styles and colors, which will be sold very cheap.

Being a practical hatter, he thoroughly understands the wants of customers, and invites the public to call and see his goods, as he can sell them a better article at a cheaper price than they can get elsewhere.

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WALL PAPER

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An immense stock of Boots and Shoes always on hand.

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Address, if by letter, post paid.

JOHN A. McMILLAN, Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory, Wyndham Street, Guelph, March 24, 1869. dw

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OLD FACE IN THE OLD PLACE.

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Opposite the Alma Block, Guelph

Where all kinds of Lumber will be kept constantly on hand. Bills cut tender on short notice.

Also, Water Lime and Caisine Plaster, and Flour and Feed

of all kinds cheap for cash as usual. By strict attention to business, he trusts to share a part of public patronage. FRANCIS SMALL, Guelph, April 3, 1869. dw w1

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Residence - A successful practice of fifteen years.

R. T. The public will please not expect the subscriber to compete for, advertise, or expose "False Dentistry," as that is a means of advertising condemned by all Dental Societies, and adopted by few, if any, first-class Dentists. Guelph, 29th April, 1869. dw

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Is ahead of all competitors, being the only Book the Teacher requires, and the Book every pupil is attracted to. 150,000 copies already sold, and the demand greater than ever before. 30,000 copies now selling every year. Its lessons are adapted to pupils of all ages, and its exercises attractive and useful in every stage of advancement. This book has on account of its actual merit become the standard work of Piano instruction, and the only one which every well informed teacher and scholar uses. Price \$3.75, sent post-paid. O. DITSON & Co, Publishers, 277 Washington Street, Boston. C. H. DITSON & Co, 711 Broadway, New York. dw

TO FARMERS AND OTHERS

IN WANT OF

SEED POTATOES

Go to HIRSCH & KENNEDY'S

Produce Store, West Market Square, Guelph, April 29. dw

Evening Mercury.

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 3, 1869.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

A Union Prayer Meeting will be held in the Congregational Church this (Monday) evening, beginning at half-past seven o'clock.

The Rev. Mr. Griffin delivered another of his excellent sermons to young people, Sunday evening, in the W. M. Church. Text—12th and 13th verses of the second chapter of Solomon's Song.

ARRIVAL OF EMIGRANTS.—900 emigrants, about 600 of whom were Germans, arrived at Toronto on Saturday night. The balance were Englishmen, who were sent out by Lady Hobart's Committee, and had their passage paid from London to Canada. The Germans were all on route west.

EMIGRANTS.—The spring tide of European emigration has now fairly set in, and the several lines of steamship bring to New York and Quebec hundreds of emigrants weekly. Ten carloads of Germans and Norwegians passed through Guelph on Sunday morning, and three more to-day (Monday) for the Western States, which are rapidly filling up with this class of emigrants.

MAY FAIR DAY.—Merchants and business men generally requiring hand market wagon bills or the May Fair Day (Wednesday first) should lose no opportunity in getting them ordered at once at the MERCURY STEAM PRINTING OFFICE, Macdonnell street. Our rates are 25 per cent less than any other in this County, and the work the best in the Province. Call early so as not to be disappointed.

GOING AHEAD.—The Mount Forest Examiner says that on Friday, the 23rd ult., Messrs. Hartley & Son, and Mr. Geo. Begg treated their employees and a few friends to a supper at the Hotel. Yesterday the celebration of the construction by the former, and the successful trial by the latter, of the first engine boiler manufactured in that village, and, indeed, we believe, the first constructed north of Guelph.

DOGS.—The dreadful case of hydrophobia at Dundas, particulars of which appeared in these columns, behoves the municipal authorities of Guelph to enforce with severity the law prohibiting dogs from running at large. Better that a hundred valuable dogs even be destroyed in company with many and ownerless curs, than that one of our citizens suffer awful agonies and dreadful death by hydrophobia.

R. C. SERVICES.—The month of May being devoted more particularly to the adoration of the Virgin Mary by the Catholic Church, there will be Vespers every evening during the month. Yesterday (Sunday) morning, the Rev. Mr. Archambault delivered a very interesting discourse with regard to the homage paid by Catholics to the Virgin, with a view of removing some misconceptions under which so many Protestants labour.

HORSE EXHIBITION.—Prof. Graves' free Horse Exhibition on Saturday evening was well attended—the plan of admitting no gentleman unaccompanied by a lady having proved a very successful one. The trained horse was put through his facings by his skilled master, and convinced the audience that much may be done with dumb animals when placed in the hands of those who understand their natures. We hope that the Professor's entertainment to-morrow (Tuesday) night in behalf of the poor of town, will receive warm support from our citizens.

DRAMATIC.—Our amateur dramatists have concluded arrangements to give an exhibition in the Town Hall on Friday evening next, when will be produced "The White Horse of the Peppers" and "Turn him Out"—both being selections which in their hands will not fail to delight the large audience who will be sure to attend. "The White Horse" is one of Lover's best productions, humor and sentiment alternating throughout the play; while the farce is already well known as one of the most amusing that could be brought upon the "boards." Secure your tickets early. See advertisement.

RUNAWAY.—A span of horses attached to a carriage, while standing near the door of the Catholic Church about noon to-day (Monday), got started at some distance, and off at a furious pace down the hill and along Macdonnell street to the corner of Wyndham, where they turned off and dashed the carriage against the stoop at Mr. J. L. Lewis's, breaking one of the wheels, but were fortunately stopped in their career a few steps further up the street by some children. The horses belong to Mr. J. Whyte, of Enniskillen, and beyond a few bruises, received no material injury. The carriage was badly broken. Fortunately no one was in the carriage when the horses ran away.

GRAND EXHIBITION To-MORROW NIGHT.—Prof. Graves will give his last public exhibition of his wonderful trained horses at the Drill Shed, to-morrow (Tuesday) night, for the benefit of the poor. Proceeds to be given to the Ladies' Benevolent Society. Admittance as usual, 15 cents. We, the undersigned, having witnessed an exhibition of Prof. Graves' method of educating horses, are of opinion that this system tends directly to humanity towards that noble animal, the horse, and the personal safety of persons using horses, and cordially recommend the benevolent purpose for which the exhibition is to be held on Tuesday night. (Signed) John Hogg, W. F. Clarke, W. S. Ball, W. S. Griffin.

THE NORTH-WEST.—On Saturday's terms, a last adjourned meeting of gentlemen favorable to the development of the North-West Territory was held in the Mechanics' Institute, Toronto, for the purpose of organizing a Company to initiate and promote a movement calculated to develop the resources of said territory. A long report was read, which entered fully into the question and pointed out the necessity for constructing a road as the first step towards accomplishing the object in view. A committee was appointed with instructions to prepare the draft of charter for organizing a Company, to be submitted to the Houses of Parliament for the Dominion of Canada.

Milton has adopted the early closing movement, and the stores are to be closed in future at seven p. m.

Town Council.

A special meeting of the Council was held this (Monday) morning. The Mayor in the chair. Members all present except Messrs. Bruce and Holliday.

The Mayor explained that this special meeting had been called at the request of the Railway Committee, the members of which had a meeting on Saturday night to consider a bill now before Parliament at Ottawa, in which the Great Western Railway petitioned the House to relieve them of money they owed to Government. The bill had already been read a second time, and it would go into Committee of the Whole on Tuesday night, so that whatever the Council intended to do in the matter should be done at once, as there was no time to lose.

The railway committee and Dr. Clarke, with others, considered a real injustice to the town to have the railway bill passed, without the £17,000 which the Great Western had received from Guelph, and which the municipality had borrowed from the Municipal Loan Fund, also remitted, or a portion of it, at all events, and it was now the duty of the Council to take steps in the matter.

Mr. McCurry, chairman of the railway committee, said that that committee had met on Saturday night, they had decided to call this meeting, and it was now for the Council to consider whether it was better to send the delegation down to Ottawa, or forward communications to the members for the County, instructing them how to act in the matter.

Mr. Robert Mitchell considered that in view of the importance of the matter and other municipalities being interested, it would be best to send down a deputation.

Dr. Clarke, who was present, made a few remarks in relation to the matter under discussion, stating that the municipality had borrowed the money from the municipal loan fund, and given it to the Great Western Railway, who had built the branch from here to Galt.

The speaker thought it would be best to telegraph to the member for the riding, asking him whether a deputation would do any good, before the Council finally determined to send one. An answer from Mr. Sturton could be received in time for the members of the deputation to leave by the four o'clock train in the afternoon.

Mr. Chadwick moved that a deputation consisting of the Mayor, Mr. McCurry, and Dr. Clarke be authorized to proceed to Ottawa, to watch the interests of this municipality in connection with certain railway matters now before the House. The resolution was seconded by Mr. Heffernan, and carried.

One or two of the members thought that the deputation should go whether Mr. Sturton recommended it or not; but Mr. Howard and the Mayor thought otherwise.

Mr. McCurry moved, seconded by Mr. Chadwick, that this Corporation do respectfully request the assistance of the members of the County in furthering the views of the Railway Deputation, and that the Clerk do send copies of the same passed at this meeting of Council to them. Carried.

Dr. Clarke drew the attention of the Council to the fact that the resolution passed did not give the deputation sufficient power to make arrangements and afterwards it was moved by Mr. Robert Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Allan, that the Corporation be empowered to act generally for Guelph, and make any arrangement in the interest of said town in connection with railway matters. Council then adjourned.

Encores.

When the entomologists get hold of a bug they stick a pin through it. Now we have got hold of a decided humbug, and we want to impale it, if possible, so that it may cease to be a nuisance to the public. It is a far less extensive character than the speeches of American Senators or articles in the public press. He hoped to find Mr. Motley as courteous a Minister as Johnson had been. The present administration was eager for a lasting continuance of friendly relations with the United States.

Mr. Gladstone professed to have good assurance from reliable quarters that the rejection of the treaty on this subject by the American Legislature was purely a political movement. The present administration will endeavor to settle the Alabama question on liberal and honourable terms.

Outside, the tone of the English people is anti-American, and more so since having read only a partial publication of Senator Sumner's argument.

New York, May 1.—The New York Herald's London special says—London papers this morning open their editorial pages with comments on the speech lately delivered by Senator Sumner in the U. S. Senate on the subject of the Alabama claims, and the relations generally existing between Great Britain and America. The writers suppress the text of the speech however. The London Star (John Bright's organ) says that the claims of Mr. Sumner are so new and startling, and so vaguely put that they must be regarded simply as erroneous and without unexpected that if they convey merely a shadow of his instructions, merely Mr. Motley comes to the English metropolis in a very different official guise from that under which Minister Johnson, the genial diner out, now about to bid adieu to Court and people, arrived. The Star deplores the rejection by England of the early overtures made by ex-Minister Adams for a settlement of this question.

The London Times says that the speech is worthy of Mr. Sumner's ability, and deserves an impartial consideration. He wants, however, something more than national reparation from England, asking her contrite and public humiliation. The Times asserts that in this England is cruelly wronged, and America has had no useful object served. Expressions of regret and penitence are required by treaty. Treaties of peace, however dictated by conquerors at the head of armies, are found to be unincumbent by such expressions. An acknowledgment of moral liability for these claims made beforehand, would prejudice the controversy and satisfy the proposed settlement. In the event of an arbitration court declaring England not liable to pay damages, would her apology be taken back? The view taken by Mr. Sumner's argument on these points is puerile, unreasonable, and unstatesmanlike.

The London Standard, a Tory organ, says the American claim can hardly be described in serious language, and its terms not excite indignation. They might as well argue against a proposal for American troops to hold the Tower of

BY TELEGRAPH

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

MADRID, May 3. — In the Constituent Cortez the debate on the new Constitution has ended. All the amendments proposed have been rejected. The Cortez has voted an amnesty for all persons who took part in the insurrection at Cadiz, Malaga and Xeres. Deputy Castilla moved that amnesty be extended to Carlists implicated in insurrectionary movements, but the motion was not agreed to. A serious disturbance at Saragossa is apprehended. It is reported that the troops are in a state of discontent and partial insubordination.

LONDON, May 2.—Advices from Paraguay represent that President Lopez with 10,000 men is preparing to take the offensive.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 2.—The Russian Council of State proposes to grant more power to the municipal councils throughout the Empire to enlarge the number of voters, and to modify the press law.

American Despatches

Washington, May 2.—It has been reliably ascertained that the instructions of this Government to Minister Motley do not suggest any mode of adjusting the pending questions between the United States and Great Britain, nor do they require him at present to propose the reopening of negotiations for the settlement of the Alabama and other claims. Our Government will act with the deliberation due to this important subject, and carefully avoid any course of offence, while firmly presenting the American side of the question to Her Majesty's Government when occasion shall require. No one connected with the administration, including the President, nor does the British Minister apprehend any injurious consequences from