Guelph Evening Mercury

MONDAY EV'G, NOV. 16, 1874

The Grand Trunk Railway.

The *Globe* of Thursday contains a lengthy report of the half yearly meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway Company. This Company is rapidly emerging from the difficulties with which it was so long beset, and is assuming a prosperous position, while other lines, formerly far more so, are now in a condition, financially, not at all promising. The receipts of the Company have been £1,000,561, in the half year, of which £782,002 or 77.54 per cent has been paid away in working expenses, and £226,559 remains applicable to the various payments, that have to be made (after deducting £9,019 of loss on American currency) to bond-holders, and leased lines, and for the hire of cars, etc., leaving the handsome balance of £43,244 for dividend on the preference stocks. These are the facts, and, though perhaps hardly commensurate with the vast efforts that have been put forth in order to place this undertaking on a satisfactory footing, yet is nevertheless a vast improvement upon the corresponding half year of 1873. The net balance available, is greater than that of the same half of last year by £50,363, obtained partly by an increase in the receipts, and partly by a proportionate reduction in the working expenses, the receipts having increased at the rate of 12.2 per cent, while the expenses have only increased at the rate of 8 36 per cent. The passenger traffic has increased 6.59 per cent, and the freight, 13.86 per cent. The whole length of the line has been changed to the narrow gauge, uniform in its width with the railways on the American side, and 800 miles of the track is laid with steel rails. This is an encouraging state of matters. A few years ago the affairs of the Company were in a very critical condition. Their credit was at the lowest ebb, in fact, bankruptcy seemed to be imminent. A new era in its history, seems however to have been entered upon, and under the new management, it is reasonable to suppose that ere long, there will be no road, more remunerative to its shareholders or more judiciously conducted than the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada.

Enlarging our Commerce.

Since Confederation Canada has attained the proud and prominent position of being the third largest maritime power in the world, and her Commerce is steadily increasing in range and extent. We all know what were the small beginnings of our Atlantic steamer service, and to what proportions it has now grown At first the Allan line had to struggle against many difficulties, and but for the large subsidy paid by the Government it might have had to succumb under repeated losses and other mishaps. Now in the number, size and equipment of its vessels it is equal to any of the first class Atlantic lines. In addition to it there are now two other lines—the Dominion and Temperley—which sail regularly from Montreal, and which do a good share of the business both in carrying freight and passengers. Add to this the very large number of sailing vessels, which regularly ply between Canadian and foreign ports, and we have an aggregate tonnage, which in its volume is the best evidence of the extent and value of our foreign trade.

We are glad to learn that the Government are taking steps to still further increase and foster this trade. It has advertised for tenders for a fortnightly steam service between Canada and St. Thomas and Guiana, and another between Canada and the Island of Cuba, one of the Spanish West Indies. The tenders are solicited by the Post Office Department, and the subsidy or payment made by the Government, will be for the carrying of the mails. From this we should judge that the intention is to establish a regular and first-class line of steamers between the Dominion and the West Indies. It will be remembered, that some years ago the then Government of Sir John Macdonald made a move in this direction, and as a preliminary step sent Mr. Wm. McDougall on a mission of enquiry to the West Indies, where he gathered a mass of valuable information in reference to the trade of these Islands. Nothing was done, however, beyond this first inquiry, and it is now left to a Reform Government to establish a line of steamers between Canada and these Islands, which will, we are satisfied, bring back all the trade that we have been lately losing in that quarter, and will tend to swell it to dimensions, which were never heretofore attained The advantages of such communication are well put in the *Monetary Times* which says:—

"We feel assured the effects of the establishment of this fortnightly steam service will speedily become apparent. At the present time, mail communication with these tropical countries, not to speak of sending or receiving goods from them, is neither a speedy nor easy operation. The proposed steamship line will change all this. It will draw the business men of the islands and Canada closer together—they will be able to communicate freely—they will rapidly become acquainted with each other's trade necessities and customs, and in many other ways will the proposed steam communication serve to increase not only the volume of our commercial exchanges, but the profitableness of their character."

The Government asks tenders for the summer conveyance of mails from the first of June next between Montreal and Georgetown, Demerara, by steamship calling at Quebec, Halifax, Bermuda, St. Thomas and Barbadoes both ways fortnightly or monthly; and during the winter between Halifax and Demerara, calling at Portland, Bermuda, St. Thomas and Barbadoes. Tenders are also requested for similar services beginning at a like date between Montreal, Nassau and Havana, or in winter-time between Halifax and Havana.

THE MODEL FARM.—Mr. Roberts, who at the solicitation of the Government has come out from England with the view of accepting the Principalship of the Agricultural College, if satisfactory arrangements can be made, arrived in Guelph on Friday, and will remain at the Farm till Wednesday. We see it suggested that the members of the Assembly should spend some Saturday in visiting the College and Farm so as to judge for themselves of the nature and working of this much abused Institution. We hope the suggestion will be acted on, so that members will be able to judge for themselves what grounds there are for the many charges brought against it.

THE LEPINE TRIAL.—It is worthy of remark that the English papers in Manitoba lean to Mercy's side in the Lepine side, and favor a commutation of the sentence. The *Nor Wester* of a late date in speaking of the trial says:—"The result of this protracted trial has shown that a Manitoba mixed jury can be depended upon to come to a right decision upon evidence and facts. In this case the general impression assuredly was that the jury would not agree, but the evidence and the charge of the Judge were so clear and forcible that disagreement was rendered next to impossible. That the extreme penalty of the law may not be carried out in this case we believe is the wish of nearly all who have expressed an opinion upon the case. The manly manner in which Lepine stood his ground, and faced the consequences is in striking contrast to the action of his principal, Riel, who evidently has not the courage possessed by the condemned."

The Dundas *Banner*, with much force and truth, says:—The Reform Governments at Toronto and Ottawa are kind to their enemies, as witness their treatment of "Jimuel Briggs!" *National* newspaper, which is always brim full of fat government advertisements. Grit Governments are not bound down to the low grovelling principle of "supporting their supporters." They evidently believe in supporting their enemies, and allowing their supporters to support themselves.

Through local jealousy the St. Mary's *Argus* throws cold water on the nomination of Mr. Ballantyne for South Perth, which may induce that gentleman to decline, and injure the Reform cause in that Riding. Such local jealousies are very much to be regretted.

BIRTHS.

PATERSON—On Saturday, the 14th inst., Mrs. Robert Paterson, of a daughter.

MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

HARRISTON—Friday before the Guelph Fair
BOSWORTH—Saturday before Guelph.
DRAYTON—Saturday before Guelph.
ELORA—The day before Guelph.
DOUGLAS—Monday before Elora Fair.
GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month.
CLIFFORD—Thursday before the Guelph fair
FERGUSON—Friday before the Guelph fair
NEW HAMBURG—First Tuesday each month
BERLIN—First Thursday in each month.
ELMIRA—Second Monday in each month.
WATERLOO—Second Tuesday in each month
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month.
HANOVER—Monday before Durham.
DURHAM—Tuesday before Mount Forest.
FLESHERTON—Thursday following Mount Forest.
ORANGEVILLE—Second Thursday in January, March, May, July, September and November.
MONO MILLS—Third Wednesday in January, April, July and October.
ERIN—First Monday in January, April, July and October.
MARKDALE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November.
BRAMPTON—First Thursday in each month.
LISTOWEL—First Friday in each month.
HILLSBURG—Second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September and Nov.
MOORETOWN—Monday before Guelph.
HAMILTON—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

Facts worth Remembering.—Parties purchasing goods always wish to buy them at the cheapest rate. Now the nearer you can get to the Manufacturer, the cheaper are the goods. Mr. Horsman, the popular Hardware merchant of this town, last summer visited the manufacturing districts of Europe, and purchased very largely from the manufacturers there. He has also made special arrangements with manufacturers in the United States and Canada to have their goods at the lowest Cash prices. In consequence of the extraordinary bargains Mr. Horsman offers, his sales this season are largely increased; in fact, there has been a perfect rush at his mammoth establishment during the last two months. Remember, by purchasing Hardware from John Horsman the profits of the wholesale dealer, or middleman, are saved to the customers. Stoves and Tinware have been added this season, and on account of the very low prices at which these goods are offered by Mr. Horsman this branch of the business has exceeded his most sanguine expectations.

FARMERS' DIARIES.—If our farmers knew how little trouble it is to keep a diary, and with what satisfaction they would look over it in a few years, we feel sure they would, many of them, be induced to begin one. A simple record of the weather and the operations of the farm, the writing of which would not occupy two minutes a day, will, in after years, be not only a source of pleasure, but also of great practical benefit; by reference back to the record of former years, one can see how late he planted certain crops, and at what time they matured, also items of interest to the family prices, &c. At Day's Bookstore will be found a large stock of Diaries and Farm Account Books. Day will sell you a large foolscap Diary for 35 cents, and Pocket Diaries from 15 cents upwards. Begin now, and it will pay you well for the few minutes lost in entering your day's work.

F. STURDY,
House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter
Grainer and Paper Hanger.
Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham street, Guelph. dw

Grand Clearing Cheap Sale of Plain and Fancy Dress Goods, French Merinoes, Silks, Velveteens, Winceys, etc. etc.,

commencing to-morrow---Saturday---at

THE FASHIONABLE WEST END

Tremendous Bargains will be given during the next Two Weeks.

Intending Purchasers should make it a point to come to the Fashionable West End first, as we have determined to offer, during the next two weeks, the most astonishing value in DRESS GOODS ever seen in the Town of Guelph.

Now is the time for CHEAP GOODS. Come and see.

A. O. BUCHAM,
Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle and Millinery Establishment.

NEW GOODS

The following invoice of Goods has just been received from the Celebrated Establishment of Crosse & Blackwell, of London, and as it comprises goods such as are not brought to Guelph by any other house you are invited to inspect them:—

Wax Moons for Carriage Lamps,
Night-lights, 6 and 8 hours,
Cadbury's Cocoa Essence,
Raspberry and Strawberry Jam,
Raspberry Vinegar,
Calvesfoot Jelly,
Lemon, Madeira, and Vanilla Jelly
China Preserved Ginger,
Capt. White's West India Pickle, and Curry Paste,
Mango Relish, Pickled Onions,
Kippered Herrings,
English Yarmouth Bloaters,
Smoked Cods, Roes,
Anchovy and Bloater Paste,
Strasburg Meats, Potted Ham,
Chicken and Game,
Harvey's Sauce,
Lea & Perrin's Worcestershire Sauce,
English Malt Vinegar, and Anchovy Sauce.

ALSO,

White Clover Honey, in Comb,
Cranberries from Lake Superior,

AT JOHN A WOODS,

Alma Block and Lower Wyndham Street, Guelph. O12 do.

1875

Pocket and Office

DIARIES for 1875

A Large and cheap stock at

ANDERSON'S BOOKSTORE,

East Side Wyndham Street,

GUELPH.

LAMPS!

Hand Lamps,
Table Lamps,
Pendent Lamps,
Bracket Lamps,
OF NEAT DESIGNS AND
LOW PRICES.

John M. Bond & Co.
Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Nov. 16, 1874 do

NELSON CRESCENT
GROCERY.

W. A. Suddaby begs to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and vicinity that he has commenced business in the store lately occupied by R. S. King, opposite the Guelph Sewing Machine Factory, where he has opened up a new and complete stock of Groceries and Provisions.

As all goods have been bought at the lowest figure for cash, they will be sold as cheap as by any other house in Guelph.

He hopes by keeping a good article, and by paying strict attention to business, to merit a share of the public patronage.

Goods delivered to any part of the town.
W. A. SUDDABY.
Guelph, Nov. 9, 1874 dw

TO BORROWERS.

Having invested the 28,000 recently advertised, we again have the following sums, besides others, to lend on farm security:

$500	$1000
$600	$1000
$600	$1200
$600	$1250
$800	$2000
$800	$2500

LEMON, PETERSON & MACLEAN.
Guelph, July 18, 1874 dw

MONEY TO LEND,

In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged.
Apply direct to the undersigned.
GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
April 16, 1874. dwtf Guelph

DANIELS & BUCHAN,
(*Successors to James Barclay.*)
Carpenters and Builders,
South of the Drill Shed, Guelph.
Jobbing a specialty. Lumber and Cedar Joisting always on hand.
Guelph, July 27, 1874 dwly

New Advertisements.

STOP

As You Go to the Post Office, and Examine the Goods and Prices at

KEABLES & KING'S

Central Grocery and Confectionery Store,

Corner Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph.

PRIME GROCERIES AT KEABLES & KING'S.
Wooden Ware KEABLES & KING'S,
Fresh Oysters KEABLES & KING'S.

PASTRY BAKED DAILY. HOT TEA, COFFEE AND LUNCH AT ALL HOURS, AT
KEABLES & KING'S.
Guelph, Nov. 7, 1874. d&w Central Grocery Store

FIRE, SMOKE, STEAM!

In consequence of the late great fire in Montreal, Messrs McIntyre, French & Co. have sold the balance of their stock saved from the fire, $30,000 at auction, of which G. B. FRASER bought largely, at such low prices as will enable him to sell

Dry Goods this Winter much Cheaper than any other Store in Guelph!

FRASER'S store is crammed from cellar to attic with cheap goods. The rush of customers to FRASER'S for the cheap smoked goods is enormous, which causes other merchants to grunt and growl. Still FRASER is determined to look after the wants of his customers, no matter what others may think.

G. B. FRASER

Being the only merchant in Guelph who attended the Great Auction Sale in Montreal, can state with confidence that he can show Goods at prices much below their regular value.

Parties buying at FRASER'S will save more money than they would elsewhere.

Strangers to his store should try the experiment. FRASER keeps a general store where all can get suited without having the trouble of going all over town.

A Lot of Slightly Damaged Carpet, at 15c per yard.

CALL and SEE THEM.

G. B. FRASER.

GUELPH, Nov. 4, 1874.

R. MacGREGOR & Co.

SIGN OF THE "BIG BOOT."

We have opened a fine assortment of

SLIPPERS OF ALL KINDS

Warm and Comfortable—just the thing for Cold Weather;

Also, Felt Overs, Artics, Rubbers, etc. in abundance.

OUR USUAL LARGE

Stock of Home-made BOOTS and SHOES

Together with some of the best makers. Eastern made Goods.

In Ladies, Misses and Children's Fine Shoes we keep an assortment equal to any in the Cities.

Sold agents in Guelph for King & Brown's fine goods, unequalled in Canada for style and finish.

R. MacGregor & Co.

GUELPH, Nov '4 1 '74. dw

William Stewart

Has made large additions of New Goods, and at very low and attractive prices:

New Hosiery, every make, for Ladies and Children.
New Promenade Scarfs and Clouds.
New Satin and Felt Skirts.
New Wool Plaids cheap.
New Tweeds for Costumes.
New Black Lustres.
New Black Empress Cords.
New Table Napkins, a Job Lot of 50 dozen at $1.25 worth $2.
New French Merinos, the Greatest Bargains yet offered.
New, a special line of Dress Goods.
New Flowers, Millinery, and cheap Feathers.
New Jackets, in Cloth, Fur and Seal.

WM. STEWART

Will have in stock in a few days

200 pairs of Blankets,

Purchased at a large discount off the manufacturer's cost.
The Goods are perfect, and will be sold cheap.
WILLIAM STEWART.
October 21, 1874.

FOR SALE,
DWELLING HOUSES
IN
GUELPH.

The undersigned is now prepared to offer to the Public a Class of Property which for some time has been difficult to obtain. The prices to each parcel are given in plain figures and are marked down to the lowest possible price. The various properties here submitted are all in desirable situations, and the prices are extremely low. With regard to terms of payment the subscriber will endeavor to meet the views of purchasers.

PARCEL NO. 1.—A stone cottage containing six rooms, on Surrey street rented at $5.00 per month. Price—$700.00.

NO. 2. A new frame cottage, four rooms, wood Shed, etc., on Suffolk street. Price—$900.00.

NO. 3.—A frame house, 1½ stories, seven rooms, on Preston street, rented at $8.00 per month. Price—$1,000.00.

NO. 4.—A frame cottage, five rooms, on Preston street, for $900.00, rented at $7.00 per month.

NO 5.—A two story roughcast house, 11 rooms, 2 large cellars and wood shed, on Green street, rented at $176.00 per year.

NO. 6.—A frame house, 1½ stories, 6 rooms, stone cellar, on Southampton street. Price, —$900 00.

NO. 7.—Frame cottage on Essex street, three rooms. Price—$350.00.

NO. 8.—A block of three dwellinghouses, on Cork street, adjoining the Wesleyan Methodist church, and producing a rental of $254.00 per year. Price—$2,000.00

BUSINESS CHANCES.

NO. 9.—A dwelling, containing 5 rooms, with a workshop adjoining, situate on a good corner lot in Paisley Block, suitable for a country store or a wagon maker. Price—$600.00.

NO. 10.—A store and dwelling, 2 story, stone, in Everton, in which the Post Office and Telegraph Office are kept. A rare opening for a person wishing to commence business. Price—$1400.00

FARM PROPERTY.

109 acres in Guelph Township, two miles from town, with excellent stone dwelling, 2 stories, excellent barn 100 feet long, sheds, stables, &c, large orchard, bearing.

200 acres, Guelph Township, 5 miles from Guelph, an excellent farm, log house, barn, and large orchard.

200 acres, in Puslinch, excellent frame dwelling, woodshed, barn, and large orchard.

50 acres, in Pilkington, on Elora gravel road, excellent land.

Building Lots in Guelph.

About 200 lots in various parts of the town. Lots in every Ward in town. Plenty of choice at low prices and on reasonable terms. Now is the time to buy, times are good, the town is prosperous, and prices will advance very materially.

The subscriber has been in the Real Estate business in Guelph for many years, and has sold an immense amount of property, and his record will bear him out in saying that his transactions in the past, and his representations as to the nature of property and title may be relied on.

HENRY HATCH,
Land and Loan Agent, Guelph.
Guelph, Oct. 14, 1874.

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

OTTAWA, October 3, 1874.

Authorized Discount on American Invoices until further notice, 9 per cent.
R. S. M. BOUCHETTE,
n2-dtf Commissioner of Customs.

RED MILL
Flour and Feed Store,
Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Family and Pastry Flour, and all kinds of Feed delivered in any part of the Town.
R. W. ROBERTSON,
Guelph, Sept. 1, 1874. dtf

IRON CASTINGS
Of all kinds made to order at
GROWE'S IRON WORKS,
Norfolk Street, Guelph.
dw JOHN GROWE, Proprietor

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

The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gordon Street Day's old Block, Guelph.

Plasterers' hair constantly on hand for sale
MOULTON & BISH.
Guelph, January 1, 1874. dw