

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

The Circulation of THE MERCURY is guaranteed to be three times more than that of any paper published in Guelph, or in the County.

Inflation of the Currency.

The Minister of Finance has a measure before Parliament, making some changes in the banking and currency Act, which deserves attention. The belief is generally entertained among financiers and business men that its results in many ways will prove injurious to the country.

Another bad feature of this bill is that the Government will not have to depend on its facilities for circulating and redeeming these legal tenders, but they are to be loaned to the banks as deposits not bearing interest.

It will thus be seen that every opportunity is afforded the Government for the manufacture and circulation of its legal tenders to any amount. But there is still another clause, the effect of which may be even more injurious.

EDITORIAL NEWS.

The Ottawa Times publishes a letter from a correspondent in North Bay, stating that Sir Francis Hincks' re-election in that riding, by a large majority is certain.

It is expected that the present session will not extend beyond this month, and that members will be able to return home before the 1st of June.

THE CINCINNATI CONVENTION.—This Convention, about which the Americans have been so much excited of late, meets to-day in Cincinnati. Great hopes are entertained by the advanced Republicans that the Convention will be able to select a candidate for President whose election will be sure.

The Experimental Farm.

As it might be thought selfish on our part, we have refrained from saying anything lately about the action of the Local Government in reference to the Experimental Farm, but we give the following from the London Standard as an unbiased outside opinion.

Some months ago, it will be remembered, the Council of the Provincial Board of Agriculture visited the site of the proposed Agricultural College and Model Farm at Mimico.

We are glad to learn that Hon. Mr. McKellar, Minister of Agriculture, desirous of obtaining an opinion of the site and soil at Mimico from an authority unbiassed by local or political predilections—and an authority which would command universal respect—last week called in the services of Prof. Mills, a distinguished gentleman connected with the Michigan State Agricultural College.

Mimico, in company with the Hon. Mr. McKellar on Wednesday last, and after going thoroughly over the farm, took away a small quantity of the soil for chemical analysis. His report will be awaited with interest.

Mimico is no place for the representative farm of Ontario. With regard to the expense of changing the site, we believe a change even at this hour would effect a considerable saving.

BIRTHS.

GRUNDY—At Guelph, on the 29th April, the wife of Mr. Chas. Grundy, of a daughter. CHASE—In Mimico, on the 13th ult., the wife of Mr. Wm. Craig, of a son.

MARRIED.

SMITH—WILKINSON—At the residence of the bride's father, Guelph, on the 1st of May, by the Rev. G. Wood, Mr. S. Smith, of Eton, to Miss Johanna Wilkinson. HILBERT—ZINGO—At the residence of the bride's mother, on the 2nd ult., by the Rev. Wm. Williams, Mr. Samuel Hilbert to Miss Mary Ann Zingo, both of Waterloo.

DIED.

SHAW—In Guelph, on the 1st inst., of congestion of the lungs, Mr. Thos. Shaw, mason, aged 45 years. The funeral will take place from his late residence, Nottingham street, on Friday, at 2 o'clock, p.m. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend without further notice.

New Advertisements.

Base Ball Emporium

5 1/2 OZ. PROFESSIONAL DEAD BASE BALLS PRICE \$1.50 A Large Assortment of Balls always kept in stock during the Base Ball Season.

Direct from the New York Manufacturers.

BATS, BATS! Second Growth ASH, WILLOW, &c. &c. The Superior excellence of these Bats is acknowledged by the Champions of Canada, and by most Professional Clubs in the United States.

ANDERSON'S

Cheap Book, Stationery, News, and Base Ball Emporium, OPPOSITE THE MARKET GUELPH Orders by mail promptly attended to. Guelph, May 1, 1872.

"Across the Continent."

A LECTURE BY THE Rev. Manly Benson Travelling Companion of The Rev. W. M. Punshon, M.A., Will be delivered in the WESLEYAN CHURCH, on THURSDAY EVENING, 2nd MAY, Commencing at 8 o'clock. Admission 5c.

JUST RECEIVED.

FISHING TACKLE! A Splendid Assortment. JOHN M. BOND & Co., DIRECT IMPORTERS. Guelph, April 27, 1872.

CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

ESTABLISHED 1817. Cash Income over \$1,000 per day. Investments over \$1,250,000. Affording with the unallocated capital of \$750,000 a Security of Over \$2,000,000.

Claims paid for Deaths since commencement \$ 800,000 Annual income 400,000 Sums assured nearly 10,000,000.

Moderate Rates. Tender to one whose advantages are not surpassed by any other, and explains the fact that it stands at the head of all the Life Companies in Canada.

A. C. RAMSAY, Manager. F. W. STONE, Agent at Guelph. March 2, 1872.

AUCTION SALES.

Valuable Private Residences IN GUELPH. The Subscriber has received instructions from Mr. W. A. Bookless, who is about leaving town, to sell by Public Auction, at the Town Hall, on THURSDAY, MAY 2nd, 1872, at the hour of one o'clock, that valuable two story brick double dwelling on Liverpool Street, next to the residence of Wm. Stewart, Esq.

Real Estate in the Town of Guelph. Wm. S. G. Knowles has received instructions from the Trustees of the Estate of the late James Bates, to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 4th of MAY, at the Market House, that desirable property situate on the York Road, containing acres of land, with a good stone cottage erected thereon containing 7 rooms, with frame stable and a good well of water.

Valuable Mill Property. There will be offered for sale by Public Auction, at the Market House, in the Town of Guelph, On Saturday, 18th May, 1872, At the hour of one o'clock, p.m., that excellent steam saw and grist mill and three acres land, situate on the front of Lot 6, in the 2nd concession of the Township of Maryborough, containing some 2000 ft. of water, now in possession of Michael Trommler.

Valuable Town Property. The undersigned has been instructed to sell by Public Auction, under power of sale contained in a Mortgage made by William Dyson On Thursday, Ninth day of May, 1872 At the Town Hall, Guelph, At the hour of One o'clock, p.m., the following valuable property:

Lot No. 173, on Waterloo Street, containing one quarter of an acre, on which is erected a commodious brick dwelling house, stone foundation, with outbuildings and garden attached.

Lot No. 168, and part of Lot 169, situate on the corner of Waterloo and Gordon Streets, having a frontage of 150 feet on Waterloo Street, on which is erected a large frame store house, renting for \$94 per annum.

Three acres of fine meadow on the West side of Dundas Road, near the River Speed.

TERMS One-third down at the time of sale, the balance in two equal annual instalments, with interest at 6 per cent. yearly on the unpaid principal. For further particulars, apply to THOMPSON & JACKSON, Vendor's Agents, Guelph, April 19, 1872.

New Advertisements. NEW DEVELOPMENTS

The Brantford Stove and Plough Depot. CORK STREET, GUELPH. MESSRS. WEBSTER & WOOLHOUSE. Having entered into partnership in carrying on the Stove and Tinware Business, are pleased to inform the public of Guelph and vicinity that they are now better able than ever to supply them with every imaginable article in their line, and at prices that will astonish their customers.

Tin, Japan, Sheet Iron and Copper Ware, Coal Oil Lamps, Wicks and Chimneys, and every article pertaining to the Trade.

THE ATTENTION OF FARMERS. Is called to their immense stock of STOVES AND PLOUGH!

Which, for Cheapness and Perfection in all the latest improvements, stand unrivalled in the country. We make a specialty of PLOUGHS, and are therefore able to supply the Farmers with just what they want.

PLOUGHS and CASTINGS always on hand from the factory of Lutz & Co., Galt. Our store is crammed with TINWARE of all descriptions, and our prices are as low as our stock is varied.

MR. WEBSTER begs to tender his thanks to the Public for the liberal support he has received during the last 11 years, and hopes, under the new firm, to extend his business and render it more worthy than ever of the support of his old customers. They will always find him at his old place.

GIVING UP BUSINESS. FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS WE WILL SELL GROCERIES AT COST. BOOTS AND SHOES less than Cost DRY GOODS at any Price.

T. H. TAYLOR & CO., Day's Block, opposite the Market. Guelph, 26th April, 1872.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL. SHAW & MURTON Have now received the Balance of their Spring Goods, and would invite inspection to their Stock of CLOTHS, which is this season more than usually attractive.

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS! 100 boxes Messina Oranges. 500 Cocoa Nuts. 1000 lbs. fresh Dates. 100 boxes Fire Crackers.

HUGH WALKER, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH. Guelph, May 1, 1872.

SOAP, SOAP! Received at No. 2, Day's Block, a large stock of Soap, comprising: Judd's Family Washing Judd's White Rose Judd's Primrose Walker's Celebrated Soap Lamont's Celebrated Soap

Judd's justly celebrated Pressed Rose Soap Suitable for Common or Toilet Use. A Splendid Soap for 12 1/2 cents per bar.

J. E. McELDERRY, NO. 2, DAY'S BLOCK

ARRIVED!

A Large Lot of BOYS' TWEED SUITS, Knickerbocker " Sailor " Highland Kill " Tweed

CHEAP TWEEDS For Children's Wear at JAMES CORMACK'S No. 1, Wyndham Street. Guelph, April 25, 1872.

NEW WALL PAPER, Good Wall Paper Cheap Wall Paper At Day's Bookstore.

LARGE ROLLS, Large Rolls, Large Rolls At Day's Bookstore.

NEW PAPERS, New Papers, New Papers At Day's Bookstore.

CHEAP WALL PAPER, Cheap Wall Paper, Cheap Wall Paper At Day's Bookstore.

SPLENDID PAPERS, Splendid Papers, Splendid Papers At Day's Bookstore.

ENGLISH PAPERS, English Papers, English Papers At Day's Bookstore.

A LARGE STOCK, A Cheap Stock, A New Stock, A Big Stock.

CLEAN, NEW and CHEAP Wall Paper at Day's Bookstore.

NEW! NEW!! Spring Goods. Splendid Lines of Trimmings, Ruffles, Braids, Ladies' Under Garments, Children's Clothing, Infants' Robes, &c.

Hair Braids, Chignons. Coronets, Switches, And a splendid line of REAL THREAD LACE GOODS.

The place for all kinds of Wools and Fancy Goods, Toys, etc. JOHN HUNTER, Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods and Toy Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph, Guelph, April 21, 1872.

ONTARIO COAL YARDS. MURTON & REID Have received and are receiving a large stock of Delaware, Lackawanna and Western R. R. Co's COAL of all sizes.

EGG, STONE and CHEMIST, IN FIRST-RATE CONDITION, CLEAN and DRY. This Coal, for general use, is the best article in the market—low for cash.

Office—James Street, one door south of the Canada Life Assurance Co., Hamilton. GEO. MURTON, Agent at Guelph.

NEW Fancy Spring Goods, UPPER WYNDHAM STREET. The subscriber begs to inform the ladies of Guelph and surrounding country that she has just received a large and carefully selected stock of Spring Goods, comprising All the Newest Styles and Patterns!

A SPLENDID STOCK OF BERLIN WOOLS ALL COLOURS. Braids, Scitchees, Chignons, General Fancy Goods, and Toys. STAMPING DONE. Lock-stitch Sewing Machines for sale. MRS. WRIGHT, Next to the Wellington Hotel, Guelph, April 13, 1872.