

The McGee Murder.

The Toronto Telegraph gives the following particulars of Mr. McGee's murder: Whelan has stated that there were two others engaged in the infernal plot, the carrying out of which has forfeited his life; and that he did not fire the shot; this, however, was not stated on the gallows. We now have certain evidence before us, which, in a very strong sense, confirms this statement. On the north-west corner of O'Connor and Sparks streets, stood a building occupied by Mr. George Clarke, as an hotel. A lady who was a boarder in this house, and who then occupied a front room on Sparks street, recollects hearing a buggy drive off from the front of the building, about or immediately after the report of the pistol-shot was heard on the morning of the murder. Now, further past this hotel there was no fence, and the field was open across to Queen street. On Queen street, first lot east from the corner of Bank street, is a small two-story frame house. In this building lived a Mrs. Davidson. A little after 2 o'clock on the morning of the murder, she heard the report of a pistol shot, and shortly after, her attention was attracted by the sound of a hurried foot-step coming across the lot. Her child being unwell, she was awake, and went quickly to the front window. In doing so, she made a noise by upsetting a small stand. The noise attracted the attention of the party on the street; for, on looking out of the window, she saw a man standing, or rather pausing for an instant, and who gave a hurried and furtive glance behind him, as if peering into the darkness to discover if he was followed. He then turned, ran across to the west side of Bank-st., then paused for an instant, again looked back, and then ran hurriedly off up Bank-st. towards the woods. This man is described as tall, having light features and a dark coat and wore a beard on the chin—a goatee. Now, this really does compare favourably with Whelan's statement, and is also corroborated by that of Laroux, who it will be remembered said he saw a man run off in that direction. Public opinion points very strongly to the person who drove to Alymer as being one of the other two whom Whelan refers; and the third, as informed, who answers Mrs. Davidson's description, could very well be arrested. Be this as it may, there is evidently a screw loose yet, or a yarn in the skein unravelled. Whelan's admission in his written statement convicts him of complicity in more ways than one. He does admit it, by asserting Buckley and Doyle's innocence, for how could he know they were innocent unless he had a knowledge of whom the guilty were. It is too bad, to see, through either legal or political blundering, trickery or cowardice, the guilty miscreants, who now, if Whelan's story be true, have a double murder on their blackened and crimsoned souls, no matter who or what country or creed—go scot free and escape the rope's end they so justly deserve.

EDUCATION IN ENGLAND.—Lord Halifax has declared in favour of a universal system of education. His plan involves principles akin to those that underlie the American system. Local taxation and such assistance from the national treasury as will insure a perfect adaption to the wants of all concerned, are his initial propositions. But chief among them we notice that which takes in compulsory education. The children of criminals, and all of a vagrant character, are to be provided with a public parent, with full powers to compel attendance at school. The step is a grand one. It is one which nobility has ever antagonized, but which the logic of the times will force upon them. We are heartily glad that it has coupled with it the compulsory idea. The States takes upon itself to punish the consequences of ignorance. Can there be any reason why it should not compel the banishment of ignorance!

On Monday last the Cunard steamer *Russia* and the Inman steamer *City of Paris* started from New York on an ocean race. Some months since the *City of Paris* beat the Cunard steamer *Cuba*, and the pride of the Cunarders was deeply wounded in consequence. Some heavy bets have been made on the result. This race will be one of the most exciting that has ever been contested by steamships, as not only the prestige of the Cunard line is involved but the postal grant by the British Government for carrying the English mails to this country now possessed by the Cunard line, and for which the Inman Company are contending in London, may be transferred from the Cunard line if the *Russia* is beaten.

Halton Assizes will be on the 27th of April. Judge Hagarty presiding. Vance, of Georgetown, the husband of the woman who was killed while attempting abortion, has been liberated on bail. Dr. McConnell came very near getting bail, but owing to one of his proposed sureties getting frightened as to the consequences of losing \$1,500 bail money, the affair was left unsettled.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND CONFEDERATION.—A bill was to be brought before the Newfoundland House of Assembly on Saturday proposing the adhesion of that colony to the Union. There is no doubt of its passing, and it will be brought up in the Commons early in May.

A North Carolina boy took the honor of the family in his own hands, and shot the seducer of his mother as he was coming out of church last week, Sunday.

BIRTHS.

At Springfield Cottage, Guelph, on the 11th inst., the wife of Mr. G. Hood, had a daughter.

New Advertisements.

POTATOES

For sale, any quantity of first-class Potatoes, at the instance of the subscribers, WEST MARKET SQUARE, Guelph, HIRSCH & KENNEDY, February 15th.

The FAVORITE.

BOW BELLS

FOR FEBRUARY, To be sold at J. B. Thornton's YOUNG CANADA BOOKSTORE.

Shewan's Old Stand!

Wyndham Street, Guelph, Guelph, 15th February.

BOYS WANTED.

Four steady boys wanted to sell the *Evening Mercury*. Apply at this office.

HOTEL FOR SALE OR TO LET.

For Sale or to Let, the Hotel known as the Four Corners Hotel, Eramosa, situated on the Guelph and Eramosa Road, and just 5 miles from the Town of Guelph. For particulars apply to Arthur Jones, Eramosa P. O. Feb. 13.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864 & 1865.

In the matter of GEORGE LESLIE, late of the Village of Aston, An Insolvent. A Dividend Sheet has been prepared, subject to objection, until the fourth day of March next. THOMAS CLARKSON, Official Assignee.

CUNARD STEAMERS.

LEAVING New York every Thursday for Queenstown or Liverpool. FARE FROM HAMILTON First Cabin, - - - \$87, gold value Storage - - - 29.

A RARE CHANCE.

A Six Year's Lease and Furniture of a First-Class Hotel in the Town of Guelph for sale. To be sold by private sale, a six-year's lease and furniture of one of the best Hotels in the Town of Guelph. The subscriber being about to leave Canada, wishes to dispose of the above. For further particulars apply to M. DEADY, Deady's Hotel, Guelph, Guelph, 5th Feb.

BILLARD HALL

Adjoining Coulson's Hotel, GUELPH, ONT. To be sold by private sale, a six-year's lease and furniture of one of the best Hotels in the Town of Guelph. The subscriber being about to leave Canada, wishes to dispose of the above. For further particulars apply to M. DEADY, Deady's Hotel, Guelph, Guelph, 5th Feb.

W O'CONNOR, Proprietor.

Guelph, June 24.

FISH, FISH!

Direct from the Fisheries. Fresh Haddock, Codfish and Sea Herrings. Choice Haddies, Bloaters, Salmon, Kippered Herrings, Pickled Codfish. Labrador Herrings, Lake Huron Herrings, White Fish and Trout, Dry Codfish and Haddock.

GEORGE WILKINSON,

Baltimore Oyster Depot, Wyndham-st. Guelph, 9th February.

1869.

THE ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY OF GUELPH.

THE Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Anglo-American Hotel, on Tuesday, the 15th Inst. At 8 o'clock, p.m. By Order, DENIS KUNAN, Secy. Feb. 11.

TOWN OF GUELPH.

APPLICATIONS for the OFFICE OF ASSESSOR, will be received at the Meeting of Council, on Monday evening next. JAMES HUGH, Town Clerk. Feb. 11, 1869.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864

ISAAC BUCHANAN, PETER T. BUCHANAN and ANDREW BIRNEY, PLAINTIFFS. R. H. HUDGIN, DEFENDANT. A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT has issued in this cause. GEO. J. GRANGE, Sheriff, Co. Wellington. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1869.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing under the name and style of KENNEDY & PIKE is dissolved this day by mutual consent. All parties indebted to the late firm will please call at once at Kennedy's Office, West Market Square, as he is authorized to settle the same and grant receipts. All claims against the firm will also be settled by the same. The business will be carried on in future by GEORGE PIKE. Unless accounts due the firm are settled by the 1st of March they will be put in suit for collection. Guelph, 11th February.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of the late John McNair, late of the Township of Erin, in the County of Wellington, A. M., are requested to pay the same to the undersigned forthwith; and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to file the same in the hands of the undersigned, properly vouched for. And all persons who have charge of the same, within the time required by law, the same will be distributed in accordance with the Act. Dated this 10th day of January, A. D. 1869. J. A. MUIR, Executor for James McNair, Administrator.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber is returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, and to announce that he has erected a NEW OPENING ROOM at one side, and is now, including all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds. From the Locket to Life Size. Equal, as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion. Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays. Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices. Rooms: Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-st. WILLIAM BURGESS, Guelph December 12.

Wholesale.

Wellington Boot & Shoe Manufactory WYNDHAMST, GUELPH. JOHN A. McMILLAN. Has much pleasure in maintaining the Trade that he is now prepared to supply at the

Lowest Wholesale Price of Boots and Shoes of every Description, Style, and Variety. All Manufactured by himself in Guelph. Dealers are requested to call and examine my stock and prices, and they will find a much better article than any Imported Work, and their prices as low as the lowest. Terms, lib. on call.

WANTED.

A number of good journeymen to work on Ladies' Kid, Goat, Prunella and various Gaiters, in connection with the M. Kay Sewing Machine.

LEATHER WANTED.

Tanners can find a cash market for every description of Leather, any quantity, at any time, at the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The wants of the present stock of Boots and Shoes, Rubbers and Accessories, will be sold cheaper than any man can sell imported work. This is a lumping. Call and see, and remember the words, Guelph, Erin and Erin. JOHN A. McMILLAN, Bootmaker for the Million. Guelph, 4th January, 1869.

ATTENTION!

All debts due by parties at the Rutherford House, and not paid this month, will be put into Court for collection. R. RUTHERFORD, Feb. 4, 1869.

Another Bankrupt Stock Just Arrived

AT THE CO-OPERATIVE STORE, Consisting of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes. The following Price List will show some of the Bargains. DRY GOODS. 36 inch Grey Sheeting, \$0.12 former price \$0.17. Prints, \$0.08 former price \$0.12. 32 inch Grey Sheeting, 0.10. Prints, 0.12. Broad Cloth, 2.00. 72 inch Grey Sheeting, 0.25. Teeds, 0.45. Prints, 0.60. Teeds, 0.45. Tweeds 55c, former price \$1.

BOOTS AND SHOES

Men's Coarse Boots, \$1.75 former price \$2.75. Women's Boots, 75c to \$1.00, former price \$1.25. Boys' Coarse Boots, 0.60. 1.00 to \$1.75. Girls' Boots, 50c to 75c, former price 90c to \$1.25. Infants' Boots, 25c to 50c, former price 37c to 45c.

GROCERIES

Gunpowder Tea, 40c, former price 62c. Black Tea, 40c, former price 62c. Japan Tea, 55 cents, former price 85c. Oolong Tea, 25c, former price 50c. Tobacco, Store Polish, Nuts, Soap, Brushes, Lamps, Lamp Burners, Wicks, Chimneys, and all other Goods equally low. GREAT BARGAINS IN CLOTHING. Guelph, February 12.

FOR GOOD LOBSTERS AND SARDINES!

J. & D. MARTIN'S. New Fruits at J. & D. Martin's. SOAPS. WALKER'S, GOLDEN BAR, SILVER BAR AND TOILET, &c. Wyndham Street, Guelph, February 11.

SALLY LUND'S

A DELICIOUS TEA CAKE AT H. BERRY'S. FRESH MADE BISCUITS & CRACKERS. H. BERRY. Sale of Cloths and Clothing! STILL GOING ON. A. THOMSON & CO. WOULD intimate that as their Mr. Thomson is retiring from business, the whole of their stock must be sold and the business wound up. To facilitate this, they have determined to

JUST IN. FISH

White Fish, Salmon, Labrador Herring, Sea Herring, Trout, Tommy Cods, Codfish, Smelt, Sardines, Lobsters, &c., &c. The above will be sold cheap.

HOOP SKIRTS

In all the Latest and most Approved Styles. Including the New PANNIER Skirt. Which is a general favorite. THIS IS BEYOND ALL COMPARISON THE CHEAPEST LOT OF SKIRTS EVER SHOWN IN GUELPH. The attention of every lady is requested. A. O. BUCHANAN, Guelph, Jan. 17. CURLING AND SKATING. A meeting of those who take stock in the Curling and Skating Rink will be held in the Town Hall, on TUESDAY EVENING, 16th inst., at half-past seven o'clock, to take into consideration what steps are necessary to be taken to carry out the same. A full attendance is requested. CHARLES DAVIDSON, Secretary. Guelph, 12th Feb.

VALENTINES!

VALENTINES, VALENTINES. Attention of the public generally is called to a very Large assortment just received from the cities. Such elegant emblems of love and affection could not possibly be obtained elsewhere at this Store. The price being low they are within the reach of all. In design they are unequalled to be really elegant. Now is the time for those wishing to manifest their affection to examine the very extensive stock.

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Guelph, Feb. 5.

GALUTIA B. SMITH, M.D.

WORTH \$100,000,000!

SALT RHEUM.

Dr. SMITH'S Electric Oil cures RHEUMATISM.

Dr. SMITH'S Electric Oil cures PARALYSIS.

Dr. SMITH'S Electric Oil cures NEURALGIA.

Dr. SMITH'S Electric Oil cures DEAFNESS.

Dr. SMITH'S Electric Oil cures OIL Gathered Breast.

FELON, Wounds, Burns, BRUISES, Sores, Tetter, Falling out of the Hair, All Inflammatory PAIN, Sick Head ACHE, in 20 MINUTES. Only cure for PILES.

This Electric Oil, made by Dr. SMITH, of Philadelphia, is the most soothing of all known medical appliances, and may be relied on, especially for DEAFNESS.

Dr. GALUTIA B. SMITH, who wrote the Cholera articles for the Chicago papers, is the well-known inventor of "Sugar Coated Pills," twenty-five years ago—the first ever made.

Send me Ten Green more Electric Oil. It is itself the best. W. W. HUBERTS, Wholesale Druggist, Indianapolis, Ind.

I want the Agency of this Oil in Maine for ten years. Wholesale Druggist, Portland.

From the largest Drug House in Boston: We have sold a large quantity of Dr. Smith's Electric Oil, and it is spoken of only with unqualified praise. Good report from every bottle. WEEKS & PORTER, Wholesale Druggists, No. 154, Washington Street, Boston.

From the best doctor where the Governor of New York lives: I have used Dr. Smith's Electric Oil, and find it the best medicine I ever used for deafness. GEO. L. WHITFORD, M.D.

I was deaf three years; tried everything. One bottle of Dr. Smith's Electric Oil cured me. J. C. BENJAMIN, Bookseller.

From the largest Druggist in the Oil Regions: Petroleum Centre, Pa., Oct. 5th.—We have sold in one day more than \$50 worth of Dr. Smith's Electric Oil. A. D. MILLER & CO., Druggists.

The Oil, I smile at any other examination, and it is very soothing and pleasant, even in the mouth of a child. Sold by all Druggists. For sale by E. Horrey & Co., and all Druggists. February 5.

OYSTERS!

Of the most approved brands, received by express from day to day, at WALKER'S Oyster Depot, on Wyndham Street. Although the shells are not exactly

Given Away!

The price is made to conform to the times, and First Prize Oysters may be purchased on the most moderate terms, either in legs, cans or measured out.

By PAILFULLS

At the present season, it is well known that H. WALKER'S Oysters are the most celebrated in the world, and that they are the only ones that are so fresh and so good as to be sold in the shell, and to be served up in the most palatable manner.

At H. Walker's

It is well known that, at Walker's, and there only, can be obtained the finest quality of Oysters to be purchased. Bring your bowls, bring your business, bring your pots, and get them filled at Walker's.

On WYNDHAM STREET

There never was such a season for OYSTERS, and never such Oysters as Walker is now serving out, so fresh, so juicy and so savory. HUGH WALKER, Or, post-office English Church. Guelph, Jan. 27.

FISH, FISH

100 half bbls. Lake Huron Herrings 25 " " White Fish 50 " " Salmon Trout 50 " " Labrador Herrings

50 Cwt. OF CODFISH

Tins of Salt Water SALMON Tins of LOBSTERS Tins of SARDINES Tins of ANCHOVIES

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S

Guelph, 5th February.

FURS.

WE have opened our stock of Furs, of our own manufacture, which we will sell at LOW PRICES. EXTRA DARK MINK ROYAL ERMINE SIBERIAN SQUIRREL BROWN MINK LADIES' HOODS

And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENTS' MUFFLERS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES &c. Law Furs. F. GARLAND, Market Square. Guelph, 3rd Nov. 1868.