

ordinary action of ejection. Carried, and the bill referred to a select committee.

Guelph Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 25, 1873

Interdiction of Habitual Drunkards.

Mr. Pardee has introduced a Bill for the interdiction of habitual drunkards. The Bill has been deemed necessary in consequence of the fact that certain heads of families, and other persons in the Province, have been, in a good many instances, the cause of ruin to themselves and their families, and of great loss to their creditors. The interdiction shall deprive the habitual drunkard of the entire management of his estate so long as it remains in force. Any person who has the reputation, in the community in which he resides, of being a drunkard, shall be taken to be an habitual drunkard. The parent, wife, child, relation by blood or affinity, creditor or friend of the unfortunate respondent may be petitioner. In default of appearance by the respondent at the time and place named in the notice, the judge shall make an order for his interdiction. If, after the expiration of twelve months, the drunkard becomes a man of sober habits, the judge has the power to set the order of interdiction aside. The judge may appoint the wife guardian of the estate, and she shall have full authority to take any steps necessary for the protection thereof, and may prosecute and defend all actions in his name. Any person selling or giving the habitual drunkard liquor—except under the direction of a duly qualified medical practitioner—shall pay a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered upon a summary application to the judge of the County Court of the County within which the offence had been committed. Any dealer supplying the habitual drunkard with liquor, after the interdiction, in addition to any other penalty, shall forfeit his license, and be unable to procure one for the next succeeding year. The provisions of the bill are none too stringent, and we hope to see it become part and parcel of the law of our land. An habitual drunkard is a curse to society generally, and to his own friends in particular; and if this class of the community are not obliged to become sober men by the law of our land, sooner or later they fill drunkard's graves. Scarcely a day passes that we do not melancholy instances of the miserable deaths of habitual drunkards—aye, and occasional ones too. The man who cannot govern his inordinate desire for strong drink, should just be compelled to submit to the stringent measures prepared by the excellent Bill of which we have given a synopsis.

Attending to His Duties.

The member for Centre Wellington, who is not only working faithfully in the interests of his own constituents but for the benefit of the Dominion at large—has given notice of another motion, enquiring of Ministers whether they have had under consideration the introduction of a measure having for its object the enforcement of means by which machinery, when in motion, may be so guarded as to protect from injury those employed in working it. Mr. Clarke is evidently the right man in the right place, and is letting his light shine.

POSTAGE ON NEWSPAPERS.—The Dominion Board of Trade resolved at its recent session in Ottawa to petition the Government to reduce the rate of newspaper postage to one cent. We think the action of the Board of Trade in this matter will be endorsed by the community in general.

It is satisfactory to see the question of marriage licenses and marriage registration taken up with earnestness in the Provincial Legislature; and it is to be hoped that the Dominion Parliament will do its part at the approaching session towards securing a general law for the compulsory registration of all marriages. Marriage is a civil contract as well as a religious one, and needs to be registered as much as any deed or mortgage.

We are officially informed that the Civil Service officers for Ontario, though at one time exempt from taxation on their incomes, have since 1870 been required to pay income tax. Thus, then, at the present time the Civil Service officers both at Ottawa and Toronto are required to pay income tax when their incomes are over \$100 per annum. They are, therefore, so far as taxation is concerned, put upon precisely the same footing as all other persons in the Province.

It is reported that Hon. Alex. Vidal of Sarnia, has been chosen to succeed the late Hon. Frederick Matheson as Senator for Perth.

WHO WOULDN'T BE A KING?—Somebody has been summing up the fate of kings and emperors numerically, and if they have had an easy time of it while reigning, their exit also hasn't usually been pleasant. We have no time to verify the statement, but it is as follows: Out of 2,540 emperors or kings over sixty-four nations, 299 were dethroned, 61 abdicated, 20 committed suicide, 11 went mad, 189 died on the battle-field, 123 were made prisoners, 25 were pronounced mad, and 151 were assassinated, 62 were poisoned, and 108 were sentenced to death. Total, 963. Who wouldn't be a king?

A FORTUNATE MAN.—The Berlin Telegraph says:—At the present time when business men are grumbling over the scarcity of money and sighing for the advent of the "good times" which are always coming but never arrive, it is gratifying to know that one of our townsmen has been, or is about to be, placed in a state of comparative affluence by the death of a lady relative. The lucky individual is Mr. Wm. Gaull, at present manager of Messrs. Huber & Roy's custom tailoring department, and who is, we presume, as deserving of a wind-fall as any man in our midst. We forbear mentioning the amount of the legacy, lest it should be considered as a slur on the estate.

How to Rear Mink.

As some of our readers have intimated a wish to get more definite information on the subject of rearing mink than has yet been given, we subjoin the following letter from a large fur dealing firm in the United States, who have several successful minkeries in operation. They have been in the business about five years and have so far raised over three hundred. They say:

"A pen, one fourth of an acre in size, is plenty large enough to raise four or five hundred mink. Around it there should be a close board fence, six or seven feet high, smooth on the inside to prevent climbing, and set deep enough in the ground to prevent their digging under it, while a running stream should pass through the enclosure, as the inmates must have running water to play in. In the way of food they will eat fish, fresh meat scraps, or in fact anything but salt food. It is not requisite to feed them more than once a day. Some small boxes fitted with holes in their sides, should also be placed in the enclosure, and filled with fine hay or straw, in which they will make their nests. The males should be kept by themselves, except for about three weeks in the month of April. The young may be allowed to remain with the mother for two months, after which age they should be put in a separate pen, as they thrive much better when separated from the older animals. When they have matured in size, and appear in a healthy condition, they can then be at liberty to join the others. In conclusion the expense of keeping them is small, and with care and attention they will thrive, while a ready market is always obtainable for their peltries."

The above will give data upon which to make a commencement. A pair of mink could be trapped at this time of year quite easily, and the business entered upon at once. It may be stated that when practicable we consider a stone or brick wall preferable to a board fence for the mink pen.

A New Horse Disease in New York.

The Tribune says:—There is a new and disastrous epidemic prevailing among the horses in the city, which has already proved destructive to a large number of animals. The disease is pronounced by the surgeons to be spinal meningitis, and is believed to be an outgrowth of the distemper which recently afflicted the horses so greatly, and a result of imprudence in working them before they had fully recovered. Every case has thus far proved fatal, and the surgeons assert that there is no way of preventing the disease or curing the horses when attacked. No premonitory symptoms are exhibited by the horses, which come out of the stable in the morning in apparently perfect health, but are attacked suddenly and drop paralyzed in the street. No resource is then left but to kill them. So prevalent is this disease that Superintendent Hartfield, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, states that the officers of the Society alone have killed as many as six or seven horses a day. No signs of the abatement of this new plague are yet visible, and it is feared that there will be a great destruction among the horses before it disappears.

PROGRESS IN JAPAN.—He must travel fast who would keep up with moral and material progress in Japan. The latest news from that inspired country is curiously heterogeneous in its items. Actors and wrestlers are warned that they have three years in which to choose some "more useful and honorable employment." Think of Edwin Booth and Mr. Thomas Sayers being relegated to private life! Male Japanese need no longer shave their heads; but the top-knot must not come home. Native petitions for railroads and telegraphs are graciously granted, and the construction of lines is to be under the supervision of the Board of Public Works; this last phrase has an alarming suggestion of New-York politics about it. So, what with the abolition of prize-fighting and play-acting, the construction of railroads and encouragement of hair-growing, the extension of religious toleration, and reformation of police and judicial systems, we may conclude that Japan is fairly launched on the troubled sea of progress.

BIRTHS.

BAILEY—In Guelph, on the 24th inst., the wife of Mr. Jas. G. Bailey, of a son.
BROADWOOD—In Peel, on the 15th inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Broadwood, of a daughter.
TARB—In Pickerington, on the 16th inst., the wife of Lieut. "Trib", of a son.
WYNFIELD—In Elora, on the 16th inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Wynfield, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

NEWCOMB—KENNING—In Elmira, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. A. D. McDonald, Mr. Chas. K. Newcomb, teacher, Blair, to Anna Margaret, third daughter of the late James Kenning of Elmira.
SERRAQUE—ELMSLIE—In Elora, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. Jas. McMillen, Mr. David Serraque to Miss Agnes Elmie, of Elora.

DIED.

ERLOYD—In Mount Forest, on the 18th inst., Thomas Alfred Ernest, infant son of Dr. Erloyd, aged 3 months.

PICKARD is so busy selling 20 cent OYSTERS that he has no time to change his advertisement this week.

STEAM DYE WORKS GUELPH

The subscriber having fitted up a portion of his Soap Factory, Perth Street, near Erma's Bridge, as a Dye House, and has secured the services of Mr. Wildridge, late of Guelph & Co., Wyndham street, who is a first class dyer, to superintend the same, begs leave to acquaint the public that

Dyeing and Scouring

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C. CAMPBELL.

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J. E. McELDERRY

No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph.

Still a-head! See the Prices:

A CHOICE JAVA TEA, very strong and sweet 40c per lb
EXTRA FINE YOUNG HYSOON, new crop..... 50c per lb
FINE BLACK TEA 50c per lb
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A fresh lot to hand of our Famous Mixed Tea at 50c per lb

11 lbs. Good Bright Sugar for \$1

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First-class TEAS!

OUR VERY BEST GREEN TEA..... for 80 cents per lb
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All orders will be delivered at your houses. Give us a call.

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Guelph, Jan. 23, 1873 Wyndham Street, Guelph.

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Our entire and splendid stock of Shawls and Mantles to be sold all this month at Cost Price.
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1 case Terry and Silk Velvet Hats and Bonnets—NEWEST STYLES ONLY—former price every where, \$1.25, to be sold off at 50 cents each.
1 case Velvet Hats, various new styles, former prices 75c and \$1, to be sold off at 25c each.

The Ladies of Guelph are cordially invited to examine our Stock. Our Clearing Sale will continue all this month.

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GUM and LICORICE DROPS,
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MOLDED SWEETS, new patterns;
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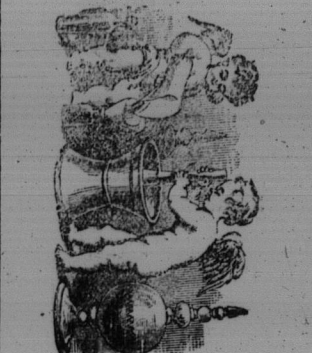
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JOHN ROTT, Senr.

JOHN AWBRY, Executors.

Dated at Erin, this 10th day

of January, 1873.

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