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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 22, 1873.

PRICE TWO CENTS

Business Cards.

STEPHEN BULLT, Architect, Contractor, Builder, Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec street, Guelph. dw

LIVER & MACDONALD, Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont. (dw)

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.

D. GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. R. CUTTEN, Guelph, March 1, 1871. dw

REMOVAL OF SURGERY.

DR. HEROD Has removed his Surgery to the rooms above the Guelph Drug Store, where he may be found from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entrance on Cork Street. After 6 p.m. at his residence as usual. dw

MEDICAL CO-PARTNERSHIP.

We, the undersigned, have entered into partnership for the practice of the Medical Profession under the style and firm of Keating & Macdonald.

A. A. MACDONALD, M.D., M.B.C.S., England
A. A. MACDONALD, M.B., L.R.C.P., Edin., and L.R.C.S., Edin.
Guelph, July 1st, 1873. dim wem

WILLIAM J. PATERSON,

Official Assignee for the County of Wellington.

Office—Opposite Town Hall, Guelph. dw

TOWN OF GUELPH.

GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER.

Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. 57 dw

MONEY TO LEND.

In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned.

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Guelph, Dec. 12, 1873. dw

IRON CASTINGS

Of all kinds, made to order at

CROWE'S IRON WORKS,

Norfolk Street, Guelph.

151 dw **JOHN CROWE, Proprietor**

RICE'S

BILLIARD HALL.

In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market.

The room has just been refitted in splendid style, the tables reduced in size, and everything done to make it a first-class Billiard Hall.

Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873. 3nd

THOS. WORSWICK

MANUFACTURER OF

MACHINISTS' TOOLS

Complete, with best modern attachments.

STEAM ENGINES

of a superior class, with variable cut off. Also cheap portable stationary engines, the smaller sizes of which are designed for Printing Offices, and others requiring small power.

Jobbing will Receive Careful Attention.

THOS. WORSWICK, Guelph, Ont. dw

RAYMOND'S

SEWING MACHINES

Family Sewing Machine (ginger thread) Hand Lock Stitch (double thread) No. 1. Foot Power. No. 2. for heavy work. Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

CHARLES RAYMOND, GUELPH, ONT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE NORTH WARD.

GENTLEMEN—At the solicitation of a number of rate-payers of the above Ward, I have consented to become a Candidate for the office of Councillor for the ensuing year. If, gentlemen, you should deem me worthy of the honor of representing you, and should elect me to that position, I shall endeavor to the best of my knowledge and ability to serve you faithfully, and do all that lies in my power for the benefit of the Town in general and the North Ward in particular.

Soliciting from you my hearty support and vote, I have the honor to remain, gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

E. HARVEY, Guelph, Dec. 13th, 1873. dw

ROBERT CRAWFORD,

WATCH AND CLOCK MAKER & JEWELLER.

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Brooches, Rings, &c. Hair Plate and Device Work, Clocks and Time pieces, Jewellery repaired and made to order. Plated Goods in variety. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dw

HOTEL CARD.

The Right Man in the Right Place.

THOMAS WARD, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the traveling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the Post Office, where he hopes by courteous attention, and good accommodation, to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The Victoria Hotel, Wines, Cigars, &c., constant on hand. A good hostler always ready to attend to the wishes of his guests. Remember the sign—next door.

THOMAS WARD, late of Crown Hotel, Guelph, Dec. 13th, 1873. dw

PARK HOTEL.

OPPOSITE MARKET, GUELPH

First-class accommodation for travellers and a attentive hostler.

The bar is kept at the hotel, and the favorite wines and liquors are on hand.

Tickets 10 cts. Sardines. dw

New Advertisements.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—At the Cash Store, a few first-class Tailor-makes. Apply to B. Clayton. 1841

NOTICE—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station, Guelph, Nov. 7, 1873. dw

SERVANT WANTED—Wanted a respectable servant girl, accustomed to do general house work. Apply to Mrs. P. Gow, Beech Grove, Guelph. dw

HOUSE TO LET—To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office. Guelph, Dec. 3rd, 1873. dtf

LOCKET LOST—A gold locket was lost at the Oddfellows' Ball in the Town Hall on Friday last. The finder will oblige by leaving it at this office. Dec. 22, 1873. dtf

CARETAKER WANTED—Wanted a Caretaker for the First Presbyterian Church. Apply to W. D. HEBURN. dtf

WANTED, AT ONCE, AN ACTIVE girl as nurse and housemaid. None but competent persons having good references need apply.

MRS. JAMES WATT, Near the G.W.R. Station, Guelph, 22nd Dec. 1873. dtf

ENGRAVING.

Gold and Silver Plating.

Office Dundas Bridge. Orders left at Mr. Savage's Jewellery Store, Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to.

Guelph, Dec. 15, 1873. T. O. OLDHAM. dim

TOWN OF GUELPH.

All persons having claims against the Corporation will please send in their accounts on or before WEDNESDAY, the 24th of DECEMBER, inst.

JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk, Guelph, Dec. 16, 1873. dw

GIVING UP BUSINESS.

The subscriber for various important reasons is constrained to give up his boot and shoe business on and after the first day of January, 1874. All those indebted to him by book account are requested to make payment at an early date, and those accounts remaining unpaid will be placed in the hands of the Clerk of the Court for collection. The remainder of the stock on hand will be sold cheap for cash. Repairing done for cash till the business is wound up.

JAMES TINDAL, Guelph, Dec. 20th, 1873. dtf

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE—W. S. G. KNOWLES will offer for sale by public auction at the residence of Mr. James Taylor, near the Grand Trunk Station, Town of Guelph, on

TUESDAY, 23RD DAY OF DEC. INST.

the whole of his valuable household furniture and effects; comprising tables, chairs, glass cupboard, bedsteads, feather bed and bedding, cooking and parlor stoves, clock, looking glasses, kitchen furniture, and a variety of articles. Terms cash. Sale at 1 o'clock.

W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. 1st.

Just Received,

100 Barrels Choice Labrador Herrings;

100 Half barrels ditto.

This is the finest Lot we have seen this season.

Messrs. Paterson & Co., Guelph, Dec. 19, 1873. dtf

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GIFTS.

A very large and choice selection of Christmas and New Year's Presents

At I. & J. Andrews'

FANCY STORE,

OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

Don't fail to examine the fine display in the window, and the Christmas Tree inside. Lots of Presents and Toys for the little folks.

Also on hand, Berlin Wools, all colours; real and artificial hair, and a great variety of slipper patterns.

I. & J. ANDREWS, Guelph, Dec. 20th, 1873. dw

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

ERB'S

Celebrated Fall Wheat FLOUR

FOR BREAD AND PASTRY.

ROBERTSON BROS., SOLE AGENTS

Dealers in Goldie's and Armstrong's Flour, Graham Flour, Buckwheat Flour, Corn Flour, Cracked Wheat, Oatmeal, and Feed of all kinds.

Delivered free to any part of the Town.

Do not forget the stand, Red Mill Flour and Feed Store, opposite Alma Block, Wyndham St., Guelph.

ROBERTSON BROS., Guelph, Dec. 11, 1873. dtf

CHALMERS' CHURCH.

A Soiree will be held on

Monday Evening, 22nd Inst.,

at which the Rev. Messrs. Cochrane, of Trenton, Fraser, of Berlin, Dickie, of Berlin, and the resident ministers will deliver addresses. Mr. H. K. Maitland, with his excellent choir, will be present.

Tea served in the basement at six o'clock. Admission 25 cts. Tickets to be had at the bookstoves; also at Messrs. G. & A. Hadden's, Wm. Stewart's, W. J. Little's, John Risk's, Mrs. Wright's and A. B. Petrie's.

The Children's Annual Festival

on Tuesday evening, the 23rd inst., at 6 o'clock. Tea will be served to the children, after which addresses will be delivered by the Rev. Mr. Fraser, of Berlin, and others. Recitations and dialogues will be given by the children, and the singing will be under the able leadership of Mr. H. K. Maitland. Tickets 10 cts.

Proceeds of both evenings to be applied to the Sabbath School Fund.

Guelph, Dec. 12, 1873. 2w.

NEW GOODS

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CRANBERRIES

PRUNES

RAISINS

CURRENTS

FIGS

SULTANA RAISINS

SEEDLESS RAISINS

TABLE RAISINS

JORDAN ALMONDS

ENGLISH ELBERTS

SQUARE CUT LOAF SUGAR

BON BONS

SWEETS OF ALL KINDS

AT

JNO. A. WOOD'S

Alma Block and Lower Wyndham-st.

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Town and County News

The Y. M. C. A. bazaar opens to-morrow (Tuesday) at ten o'clock.

Bro. Jas. Hewer acted as floor manager at the Oddfellows' Assembly on Friday, in place of Bro. Nichols whose name appeared on the programme.

The first of a series of penny readings, instituted under the auspices of the Maple Leaf Lodge, B.A.O.G.T., was held last week in the large room of the Wingham Public Building.

Theological Acuteness.—A clergyman at Thornhill, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, was lately examining the parish school. After many questions had been asked and answered, greatly to the satisfaction of the Minister, he proposed that any boy might ask one question, as he then might have an idea what particular information they wanted. A pause ensued; at last a bright looking boy said "I would like to ask the Minister, 'what is the question you are to ask?' " "Sir," said the boy, "what was the use of Jacob's ladder when the angels had wings?" The minister felt taken aback, took out his snuffbox, and looked at the boy. "I think," said the man, "that is just the very question I should have asked of the class, and I will give sixpence to any boy in the class who will answer it." After a somewhat long pause, one little fellow, third from the bottom, held out his hand. "Well," said the Minister, "do you have an answer?" "Yes, sir," "Well, what was the use of the ladder when the angels had wings?" "Oh, sir, the angels were punkin (mounting) at the time, and couldn't fly." The Minister is taking an interest in that boy.

GERMAN GIRLS AND ENGLISH WOMAN.—If you take a German and English girl at sixteen, you will find the German probably the better taught of the two; but take the same women at six-and-twenty, and the chances are that the English woman will have advanced immensely, while the German will have forgotten much of her school learning, and grown actually narrower in her range of interests. The reason simply is that in England the men talk to the women, and in Germany, in general, they don't! As a rule, German men do not speak to their women; each other's society when they are young, and the man goes to ball and picnics, partly to amuse himself, partly to find a wife. When she is found, and they are settled down, he looks to men for his social refreshment in future, and she to women; he goes to his club, his lecture, his smoking-rooms; she to her afternoon coffee parties; when they meet in large evening gatherings, the men often keep in a separate room, or at any rate herd together on one side of the drawing-room. In England a man speaks his wife to take her part intelligently in conversation on the topics of the day, and she educates herself accordingly.—Good Words.

Mount Forest Central Fair.

An adjourned meeting was held at Neagle's Hotel on Wednesday last. Encouraging reports were read from those who had charge of subscription lists. Provisional committees of five from each township were constituted as follows:—

MINTO—W. Horsburgh, T. B. Patterson, James Lang, Thomas Crow and George Lyons.

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LUTHER—Alex. Hunter, David Powrie, George Wilkie, James McLuhan and John Perry.

PHOTON—Alex. Gillies, Peter McGregor, Joseph McArdie, John Vert and Duncan McMillan.

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N-BRANDY—John Robertson, John Dickson, L. Neecker, James Anderson and Thomas Cool.

MOUNT FOREST—John Kennedy, A. T. Gregory, David Yeomans, Thomas Swan and Robert Kilgour.

Meetings are to be called in three townships, at each of which five Directors are to be chosen to attend the annual meeting to be held in Mount Forest on a day to be hereafter appointed, when the permanent or annual list is to be effected.

Two women have recently died in Boston from the inhalation of chloroform and ether respectively. Both of these anaesthetics occasionally produce death, though statistics show that ether is far less dangerous than chloroform. It should be remembered, however, that whereas every case of death produced by anaesthetics is reported, the countless cases in which they are used without any injurious effect are passed over without notice. Still there is always a certain amount of risk in using either chloroform or ether, and it seems unwise to permit them to be used on trivial occasions and administered by other than competent physicians.

Local and Other Items

The Canada Presbyterian Church in Ayton will be officially opened on Sabbath, 28th inst.

FURS.—Just received, handsome grebe and mink sets of furs for ladies and children, suitable for Christmas presents, at Geo. Jeffrey's, Bradford House. 21

THE PENN RAILWAY BY-LAW granting aid to the Port Dover and Lake Huron and the Stratford and Lake Huron Railway Companies has been ratified by the County Council. The Mitchell Advocate says 600 votes out of the 994 majority in Stratford were found to be bad when the poll-books were scrutinized.

A bazaar is to be held at Berlin to-day, Tuesday and Wednesday, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th, in aid of the Young Men's Christian Association. The proceeds are to go towards fitting up their splendid new hall in Bochemer Bros. new block on King street. The ladies of the town deserve great deal of praise for their assistance in this commendable enterprise.

A WIFE LOST.—A young man dressed in the height of fashion jumped off the Western express last night in a perfect frenzy. He wanted to know how soon the next train passed for the East, and being informed, stated that he had only been married about two hours and was going to Toronto on his wedding tour. On reaching Prescott Junction he had met a friend, who gave him a cigar, after taking a few puffs of which he fell into a deep sleep before the train left the station. When he awoke he found himself near Brockville, and after making a search through all the cars became aware that his newly made wife had gone he knew not where. It appears that the friend had been on very intimate terms with the lady before her marriage. The outraged husband went back to Prescott by the Moccasin this morning in search of his lady-love.—Brookville Recorder.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

The Virginus Case.

N. Y. Tribune Thereon.

More Herald Reports.

New York, Dec. 22.—Attorney-General Gastar's decision regarding the Virginus constitutes the leading topic of discussion in the morning journals. The Tribune says:—If our Government has really reached this decision there should be no hesitation in pressing on with the utmost frankness and promptness the measures for the condemnation of the compromised vessel. We have no doubt whatever that the Virginus carried the American flag fraudulently, that she was not only engaged in a filibustering expedition of the grossest kind, but that she was to all intent and purposes an insurgent steamer belonging to the Cubans, and only using the American flag as a blind to cover an illegal expedition. All this, of course, could not be known at first. The Spanish Government has had time to put in its evidence, and, of course, that evidence would be placed before the Attorney-General for examination. The Virginus has practised a cheat upon the United States Government, and had no right to carry the American flag and was engaged in an enterprise which was a distinct violation of the law.

The Herald's Washington despatch contains a long statement to the effect that the right of the Virginus to carry our flag is fully established, and that such is the judgment of the Administration.

The Madrid report that the Spanish Government will make a demand for the return of the Virginus is not credited in Washington.

EXECUTION OF NESBITT.

Special to the Evening Mercury.

Lindsay, Dec. 22.

This morning at 8 o'clock, David Nesbitt, tried and convicted at the late Assizes for shooting Miss Hopwood on the 12th of July last, was executed. The execution was private, only a few persons beyond the officials being admitted. At the appointed hour Nesbitt came forth from his cell, accompanied by the Sheriff and two clergymen, and walked to the scaffold with a firm step. He displayed no emotion whatever, and met his death like a man, as he had before declared.

When on the scaffold he made a brief address, in which he asserted his complete innocence and declared the woman had shot herself. After religious services the bolt was drawn and the body fell seven feet. Death appeared easy. After hanging half an hour the body was cut down and an inquest held—a verdict being returned in accordance with the proceedings of the clergymen who strove to bring him to a penitential mood, and died without giving any indication of repentance.

MURDER.

A Man Kills his Wife and Four Children!

Ingersoll, Dec. 21.

A man named Timothy Topping, an auctioneer, and at one time collector for the township of West Oxford, killed his wife and four children this morning about six o'clock, by cutting their throats with a butcher's knife, and tried to take the life of his two oldest boys, but they succeeded in taking the knife from him, when they fled for help to some of their neighbours. On their return they found their father had cut his own throat. At latest advices he is still alive. Insanity, caused by financial troubles, is supposed to have been the cause.

POLICE COURT.

(Before the Police Magistrate.)

Monday, Dec. 22.

MORE SNOW CASES.

A. B. Petrie, Edward Carthew, Dr. Worsfold, Thos. Holliday, and Robert Stewart were charged with a violation of the snow-by-law, in not clearing their sidewalks, and fined