

On the morning of the 14th Hillen had put McLean's breakfast near his cell, and finding that McLean was not there, Hillen accused Blakeley of letting the prisoner escape. This Blakeley denied.

Blakeley was then cross-examined by Mr. Guthrie, who produced the deposition made by the witness at the investigation before the Inspector. In that, he had testified that McLean told him of the \$750 which Hillen was to receive, part in cash and the balance in a few weeks. Mr. Guthrie asked witness which statement was correct, the one he made to the Inspector that McLean had told him of the bribe, or what he told now, that Hillen told him of it? Witness replied that both were correct; that Hillen had told him of it after McLean did. Witness further said he had a conversation with McLean about the \$200 while Hillen was present; but when cross-questioned by Mr. Guthrie he could not swear that Hillen was present. Witness was therefore ordered to stand down.

The next witness was Alexander Anderson, Hotel-keeper in Fergus, who testified to having seen Hillen in that village one Sunday. He stopped at witness hotel.

Guelph Evening Mercury

TUESDAY E.V.G. OCT. 13, 1874.

The Mail's Mock Indignation.

The trial of the manager of the Mail for libelling Creasy J. Whellams, which resulted in a verdict of guilty being brought against defendant, has afforded that paper an opportunity for displaying an amount of mock indignation, which, if it were not so ridiculous, would be very amusing. Day after day it seeks to exalt this trial to one in which the freedom of the press is endangered, and the right of free expression of opinion wrongfully punished. It abuses the Crown prosecutor, lectures the Judge on his duties, and impugns the honesty and independence of the jury.

And for what? Because the person whose character was libelled, failing to obtain any satisfaction from the manager of the Mail, and failing any retraction in the notice in a Court of Law, because the charges made against him were unauthenticated. They came into the hands of one of the Mail staff in Ottawa, through the Immigration Department, whether they had been sent by the Chief Agent in London, and being sent on to Toronto, were printed in the Mail, with editorial comments, and with the imprimatur of Scotland Yard dishonestly attached to them to give them an air of genuineness. And not only that, but when Whellams, indignant at the course of the Mail, waited on the manager with proofs of the incorrectness of some of these charges, he refused to retract them, and in justification, told the injured party that they did not know him and did not care for him, but only used his case as a means of "pitching into McKellar."

Having thus thrown down the gauntlet, and also having assumed all the responsibility in connection with these charges, Creasy J. Whellams would have been a fool if he had not sought redress in the proper quarter, and the manager of the Mail is a ninny in whimpering and scolding by turns at the issue which he himself courted. No plea of justification could reasonably be urged for his conduct. He employed no means of verifying the correctness of the charges, a fraud was practised in giving to them fictitious authenticity, and the plaintiff's character was injuriously assailed in order that a good ground of attack might be afforded for "pitching into McKellar," and thereby weakening or destroying his position in the Government. Will any man tell us that this was fighting with honourable weapons, that the Manager of the Mail had at heart the well-being of the State, that proper care was taken of private character, or that any other motive operated than a desire for revenge on a Minister of the Crown, whose public character was sought to be ruined by ruining the private character of an employee of the Government.

This is the true position of the case, and seeing it is so, it is the height of impudence and presumption on the part of the Mail to seek for sympathy in any quarter, far less to raise the foolish cry that the freedom of the press is in danger. In no country in the world is there greater latitude allowed the press than in Canada, and no paper in Canada has abused that latitude more than the Mail. It started with a great flourish of trumpets as a sort of gentleman's journal—the special organ of the gentlemanly party—as it delighted to call the Conservatives—and its mode of dealing with public men and public questions was to be a model of elegance and propriety. But it soon fell from this high attitude—fell, too, lower than almost any paper of the same stripe in Canada, the Guelph Herald and London Herald excepted—and became notorious for its constant and unscrupulous attacks on private character, and its goes personal abuse of public men. It has met its reward at last, and the wisest course would have been for it to submit to the light punishment meted out with good grace, and as little about it as possible. The conductors of the press in this country are not such fools as to re-echo its cry that the liberty of the press is in danger, when they are assured that it prostrates that liberty to serve its own base purposes.

The punishment in the shape of a fine of \$300 is a very light one and the Manager of the Mail ought to be thankful he got off so easy, and without having to undergo a term of imprisonment. The points which the judges reserved are as follows:—

Whether a prosecution for libel could be maintained, the defendant being out of the country, whether he had misdirected the jury in telling them that if a particular portion of the article was untrue and unjustifiable, they should find the defendant guilty; and whether the counsel for the Crown had the right to tell jurors to stand aside. These will be argued a term, but should a decision be given favorable to the defendant, it could only result in a new trial.

General Haley has been sworn in as Administrator, during Lord Dufferin's absence in the United States.

The reported withdrawal of the Hon. J. J. C. Abbott of Pacific Oceanic notoriety, from public life is confirmed.

The returns of the elections to the Council-General in France are now complete. Of those elected 672 are Republicans, 804 Monarchists, and 155 Bonapartists.

The prosecution by the Hon. Arch. McKellar of Rufus Stephenson, M.P. for the alleged libel respecting a race horse, copied in defendant's paper from the Toronto Sun, has been taken up by the Crown.

Mr. Sydney Bellingham, M. P. P. for Argenteuil has formally withdrawn from the Tory party, and in doing so gives his reasons as follows:—"Discredit has been cast on the Conservative ranks by the Pacific and Tanneries scandals; and in both instances the same agencies, agents and excuses. Hence many Conservatives, myself among the number, are willing to trust the country to Liberals with well-earned reputation for honor, integrity and ability, and Conservative English members can co-operate with the Liberal section of the Assembly without endangering the material interests of the Province, or forfeiting their self respect."

On the 25th ult., as Mr. Wm. Gleister, farmer, near Crosshill, was returning home from Waterloo Races, when about midway between St. Clements and his own residence, his horses shied off the road, throwing him from the wagon with such violence that his spine was dislocated by the fall. His case is pronounced hopeless.

The fact that General Beauguard has been made president of a base ball club bringing him prominently into public notice. One exchange says, "He will now probably not accept the position offered in the Argentine Republic."

BIRTHS.

LEMON—In Guelph, on the 12th inst., the wife of Andrew Lemon, Esq., Barrister, of a son.

ANGEL—In Pilkington, on the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Angel, of a son.

MARRIED.

BROWN—Maitland—In Hamilton, at the Congregational Parsonage, by the Rev. Mr. McCaul, Myriam Brown, of the firm of Slosson & Brown, dry goods merchants, Niagara Falls, to Susie Maitland, eldest daughter of Francis Maitland, farmer, near Harrison, formerly of Nichol.

DEATHS.

HUGHES—In Guelph, on the 12th inst., John Hughes, (formerly of Brooklyn, V. S.) aged 84 years.

GRANHAM—In Pusillach, on the 12th inst., William, infant son of Mr. Duncan Granham, aged 13 months and 15 days.

OIL CLOTH,

OIL CLOTH,
MANY
New Patterns,
New Patterns.

Also COCOA, and other
DOOR MATS,
At
John Horsman's,
GUELPH.

CHEAP BLANK BOOKS

—AT—
DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Day has now opened out a large stock of BLANK BOOKS for Office and Home Use

All Sizes and Prices
Very Low
AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Call and Examine.

Young Ladies Journal

FOR NOVEMBER

BOW BELLS

FOR NOVEMBER

ANDERSON'S BOOKSTORE,

East Side Wyndham Street,
GUELPH.

AMERICAN HOTEL CAR,

The subscriber begs to intimate to the public that his new car attends all trains at all stations, and will convey passengers to any part of the town.

Pressure or other parties hiring a Cab by the hour can have it at very reasonable terms by applying at the hotel.

THOMAS ELLIS,
Proprietor
Guelph, July 2, 1874

NEW GOODS.

The following invoice of Goods has just been received from the Celebrated Establishment of Grosse & 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,
Garnetfoot Jelly,
Lemon, Madeira, and Vanilla Jelly,
China Preserved Ginger,
Capt. White's West India Pickle,
and Curry Paste,
Mango Ketchup, Pickled Onions,
Kipper HERRINGS,
English Yarmouth Bloaters,
Smoked Cods, Roes,
Anchovy and Bloaters Paste,
Strasbourg 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.

NOTICE!

TENDERS WANTED.

Tenders wanted for the clearing of from 20 to 50 acres of land, on lot 33, 11th concession, and lot 33, 12th concession, in the Township of Rowick, County of Huron. The Underbrush to be cut level to the ground. The Pine, Hemlock, and all good hardwood to be cut into logs, and what is fit for Railway Ties to be made into the same. Cedar if any to be cut into Fence Posts or Telegraph Poles, and the balance to be cut into 2 or 4 feet lengths for firewood, and split railway ties.

State price for standard log laid down at Fulton's Saw-mill, on Gravel Road in Minto; also for Firewood per cord, Ties per 100, and Fence Posts or Telegraph Poles per 100: to be laid down on the W. G. & B. Railway Track at Fulton's Crossing. Also the ground to be cleared, and fenced with a lawful fence (stake and rider), and ready for crop by the 15th of August, 1875. It will be let in 10 acre lots or more, to suit Contractors.

The proprietor does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender. Offers to be sent to GEO. ANDERSON, Grain Merchant, Guelph, on or before 22nd of October, and will not be put up in any part of the country.

Scottish Granite Monuments imported on order.

P. S.—A. Kennedy is a practical marble cutter.

KENNEDY'S Marble Works,

Opposite site from Mills & Good-fellow's Foundry, and
Near Eramosa Bridge,
Guelph.

ALL KINDS OF
MONUMENTS!

Tomb Stones, Mantel Pieces, &c., made to any size or design, and put up in any part of the country.

Scottish Granite Monuments imported on order.

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JUST RECEIVED,

A choice assortment of
**FIRE
GRATES**

Neat in pattern and low in price.

Call and See Them.

John M. Bond & Co.

Direct Hardware Importers,
Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Oct. 9, 1874. do

G. H. McIntyre's NEW DRUG STORE,

No. 3, Day's Block,
FOR
Pure Refined
COAL OIL

Lamp Wicks and Lamp Glasses
OF ALL SIZES.
G. H. MCINTYRE,
Next door to J. F. McElderry's, and directly opposite John Horsman's,
GUELPH. w

MONEY TO LOAN.

The undersigned has over
\$50,000 to lend on good farm security
TERMS MODERATE.
Apply direct to
FREDERICK BISCOE,
Barrister, &c., Guelph
Guelph, Oct. 10, 1874. dwf

SOMETHING NEW.

BEST AMERICAN COAL OIL

AT THE WAREHOUSE OF
O. CLARK,
TRY IT.

THE FASHIONABLE WEST END DRESS DEPARTMENT.

The demand for Fall Dress Goods has been unusually lively during the past few days at the Fashionable West End Our Dress Department contains a full choice of every New and popular Fabric for the season, as well as many choice lines selected from the British markets exclusively for our own Trade, and not to be seen or obtained in any other Establishment in this town. All at our usual well-known reasonable prices!

Dressmaking.—Miss Morrison is prepared to execute all orders entrusted to her in the latest and most approved styles and in a superior manner.

MILLINERY - - - MILLINERY.

The ladies of Guelph are cordially invited to call at the Fashionable West End to-day (Saturday) and examine a fine display of New Millinery.

Our Mantle Department is full of all the newest and best styles for the season and is well patronized.

Our Shawl Department is the admiration of all our customers, while our reasonable prices and beautiful styles never fail to please the most fastidious, as well as economical.

Come direct to the Fashionable West End.

A. O. BUCHAM,

Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle and Millinery Establishment.

New Advertisements.

Elephant Clothing Store

ALL READY FOR THE COLD WEATHER.

Just received, one of the Largest and Best stocks of Clothing ever shown in Guelph, and we are determined to sell it cheap.

Men's Overcoats from \$6.50 up

Men's Suits selling from \$8.00 up.

A Beautiful Stock of Boy's Clothing now on exhibition.

A beautiful lot of Furnishing Goods just received from England embracing all the latest novelties in

Neck Ties, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders,

and everything else belonging to this Department to be sold low.

All styles in HATS and CAPS, the biggest stock in town. Please call and you will be convinced of our cheapness.

WM. RUTHERFORD & Co.

Successors to C. E. Pierce & Co.
Guelph, Oct. 10, 1874.

Central Grocery and Confectionery Store,

Corner Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph.

KEABLES & KING

Respectfully notify the citizens of Guelph that they have leased the premises lately occupied by Mr. John Sutton as a Confectionery Store, where they have just opened out a first-class Stock of Groceries, comprising

Teas, Coffees, and Sugars of the Finest Brands,

and everything usually found in a well regulated Grocery Store. In connection with the above they will at all times keep on hand a choice Stock of Pastry and Confectionery.

Wedding and other Cakes made to order on short notice.

FARMERS NOTE THIS.

We can supply hot tea and coffee, &c., at all hours, while your goods are being put up.

Goods delivered in any part of the town with promptitude.

We trust that by strict attention to business, and selling at the lowest prices, we shall receive a fair share of public patronage.

R. S. KING would be glad to see his old friends at his new place of business.

Guelph, Oct. 9, 1874. d&w
KEABLES & KING,
Central Grocery Store

New First-class Grocery Store.

LOCH & WEIR

A Partnership has been entered into between Henry Loch, lately foreman for John A. Wood and Adam Weir, for sometime book-keeper for the Guelph Sewing Machine Company, and they will open a New First-class Grocery, Liquor, and Crockery Store in McQuillan's Block, Upper Wyndham Street, on or about Saturday, 24th October.

Loch & Weir beg most respectfully to assure those favoring them with their custom that no effort will be wanting on their part to merit a large and extensive patronage.

The stock will be entirely new, and purchased from all the leading houses.

GUELPH, Oct. 3, 1874. dw
LOCH & WEIR.

Co-Operative Store

PRICE LIST FOR OCTOBER

DRY GOODS.

Home Spun, for ladies' suits, all wool.....	37 1/2c.	Black Silks, former price, \$1.40 to \$1.75, \$1.00 to \$1.37 1/2	
Factory Chk Shirting.....	40	Black Lustre	18
White Flannel.....	22	Ashton's Prints.....	12 1/2
Scarlet	25	Scarlet Fingering.....	1 35
Full Cloth.....	50	Factory Yarn.....	60
All Wool Tweed.....	65	Guernsey Drawers.....	75
Heavy Bed Blankets pr.....	\$3.00	" Shirts.....	75
Eider Down Qts.....	3.50	Heavy Chk Shawls.....	2.50

CLOTHING.

35 Boys' Tweed Suits, 4 to 8 years, from \$1.50 to \$7.50.

GROCERIES.

A. Tobacco are steadily advancing in price we have obtained a large supply which we will sell by the Catty at close prices.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Our Machine made Boots are being improved every season and are now nearly equal to hand made, with an immense difference in price.

DIVIDENDS.—We are now paying the quarterly Dividend to those who bring in their Pass Books.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.

GUELPH, Oct. 1, 1874 dw

DRESS GOODS!

JUST OPENED
A case of the Newest Dress Goods.

William Stewart

Respectfully solicits the attention of customers and the many strangers visiting our busy town to many special lines of New Dress Goods, embracing the newest shades and styles.

Wm. Stewart invites inspection of his stock of

Costumes and Polonaises

JACKETS

In Cloth and Seal, every price, and wonderfully cheap.

A SPECIAL LINE OF

Seal Jackets - at \$1.35

Is causing a lively sensation and fast disappearing.

SKIRTS

In Satin, Felt and Lustrés, every price and cheap.

Waterproof Mantles

FROM \$2.25, FULL SIZES.

Table Linens, Bed Quilts, Sheetings, Flannels, Shirtings,

And all staple Goods of every make in stock, and as bottom prices have been touched, the value will please.

All the stock of Tweeds and Gents' Furnishings very complete, Dress and coloured shirts, &c.

TAILORING for style and fit, first-class.

WM. STEWART.

October 7th, 1874.

FALL IMPORTATIONS.

IMMENSE STOCK

OF
NEW GOODS

In Every Department,
JAMES CORMACK,
No. 1, Wyndham Street.

FOR SALE—

TYRCATHLEN LOTS.

The Venerable Archdeacon Palmer has placed in my hands for sale the Lots in his new survey, immediately in rear of his residence and lying on the north side of Grange street. The situation cannot be surpassed in the town—convenient to Market, Post Office, Church and Schools, commanding a magnificent view of the town and surrounding country. The lots are of different sizes, and well suited for private dwellings, with a first-class soil for gardening.

Those lots on Tyrcathlen Terrace are well adapted for genteel residences, and will only be sold to those who will bargain to put up good buildings.

Plans of the Lots can be seen at my office and particulars learned.

Terms very liberal. Purchases made this Fall, interest on balance of purchase money will not commence until 1st April, next.

If desired, the lots will be pointed out on the ground.

Also, if other lots lying to the north of Palmer street, in Macdonald's survey, and on Queen and Arthur streets.

An early call is solicited.

CHARLES DAVIDSON,
Land and General Agent, Town Hall Building, Guelph,
Guelph, Aug. 31, 1874 dwf