

IMPORTANT TO MERCHANTS

FALL ADVERTISING! THE MERCURY has a guaranteed circulation THREE TIMES MORE than that of any other paper published in Guelph, or in the County. Merchants when they are arranging for their Fall Advertising should not forget this fact. Contracts made for any period at moderate rates.

West Middlesex Nomination. The nomination for West Middlesex, for the election of a candidate in room of Hon. Mr. Mackenzie, took place at Mount Brydges on Tuesday. Previous to the nomination the Tories were put to their wits' end to find a candidate. They first pitched upon Mr. M. G. Munroe, the Warden of the County, but he positively declined. They then offered the London to Mr. Currie, who at first accepted, but on mature consideration, and in view of certain defeat, threw up the sponge and backed out. In their desperation the Conservatives then asked Mr. Dewar, Mayor of Strathroy, to be their standard bearer, and after hard pressing he was induced to take the field. In his speech at the nomination he promised to give the present Ontario Government a fair trial. In his address which he has issued, he has styled himself the candidate of the Liberal party, and by this means hopes to avoid the defeat that, considering the circumstances, so certainly awaits him. It is self-evident proof of the through extermination of Toryism from this Riding, that the candidates brought out under its auspices for the Local House have not the courage to go to the polls under any other colors than those of a Liberal candidate. Reports from all parts of the Riding place the election of Mr. Waterworth, the Reform candidate, beyond a doubt.

Political Items. The Parliament buildings are being renovated. Hon. Mr. Mackenzie is still attending to the duties of his Department, and will continue so to do until his successor shall have been appointed. Hon. Edward Blake is expected to sail for home on the 3rd of October. Hon. Archibald Mc Kellar has gone to the county of Monck.

Mr. R. M. Wells, candidate in South Bruce, is not partner of Mr. Blake, as the Leader asserts, but of Mr. Angus Morrison, M. P. for Niagara. It is proposed to hold a Reform Picnic in Peel on Friday the 19th inst. It will take place at Brampton. Good speakers are expected, and everything will be done to render it successful.

Further advice from Manitoba confirm the belief there existing that Sir George Cartier will represent Provencher. A Mr. Lee has been nominated by the Conservatives of the County of Monck to represent them in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, in the place of Mr. McCallum resigned. His address is singular only in one respect, that instead of announcing Tory doctrines, he utters only those which the Reformers have entertained for years.

We understand that already the Tory party are looking up a candidate to represent the county of Welland in the interest of Sir John A. Macdonald. Mr. Macklem, of Chippewa, noted for his penchant for horse racing is said to be the coming man. We hardly think he will have the same weight in the county as the late T. C. Street had.

We learn that Mr. Redford will protest against Tom Daly's return for South Perth on several grounds. First, because the deputy returning officer at one of the polling places in Mornington township was compelled to close the poll at three o'clock, in consequence of disturbance. Second, because electors were prevented from going to the polls in Wallace by the rampant spirit of rowdiness, which reigns supreme in that locality. Third, because intimidation was resorted to throughout the riding to prevent a free election.

Garafra Correspondence. Fires have for the past week been raging in various parts of the Township, and considerable damage has been sustained by the farmers by the loss of fences, crops, and in some cases buildings. On Sunday last great fires were in most all parts of the Township. On the third line Jas. Walker, John Ellis, Wm. Ford, Henry Neer, Geo. Pattullo and James Holey, were all in great danger, and some of them only escaped having barns, houses, hay and grain destroyed by the most strenuous efforts on the part of themselves and neighbors. As it is, all of them are losers by the destruction of fences and valuable timber. On the fourth line a house and stable belonging to Dr. Orton and a stable belonging to Mrs. Hayes, were all burned. Besides this, Dr. Orton lost heavily by the destruction of timber, and worse still, a large quantity of cordwood in the bush, while in the same locality Samuel Hayes, Jas. Dyce, Major Bates, and R. Gallagher are all losers by the destruction of fences. On the fifth line Wm. Till lost eight acres of wheat, two acres of barley, and a stock of hay, all of which were burned on Saturday. Mr. John Keel, near McKee's Corners, had 15 acres of wheat and a large hay stack burned on Sunday, and the tenant on James Miller's farm on the 5th con. Eramosa, had also a field of grain burned the same day.

The Great Mill is not now in operation, but a new water-wheel and a steam engine are being put into it. It is the intention to run it by water when it is plenty, and by steam when the water is scarce. The mill has certainly been a very great deal of trouble and expense to Mr. Smith since he became its proprietor, and many a man of less perseverance and energy would long since have abandoned it. But his indomitable energy and courage stop at no obstacle, and he will soon have it running the whole year despite droughts and floods, and will doubtless meet with that success which he has well merited.

The Drill Shed is commenced and it is to be finished by the Fall Show. It is to be framed on a stone foundation, and built on the Market Square.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES BY TELEGRAPH

The Peace Congress.

Pere Hyacinth's Marriage.

The Geneva Arbitration Award. London, Sept. 11.—It is now reported that the International Congress, in its closing session, adopted a resolution converting the society into a political organization. The resolution was introduced by August, one of the members from Paris. Delegates from Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Spain, France and the United States, protested against it, and threatened to withdraw unless the vote was reconsidered. As the sitting was secret it is difficult to obtain a trustworthy account of the proceedings, and it is not known what action was finally taken on the question. The report that several of the French members withdrew in disgust before the adjournment, leads to the belief that the Congress rescinded its vote.

New York, Sept. 11.—The letter of Pere Hyacinth, published in the French papers, concerning and defending his marriage, declares it to be farthest from his intention to renounce his rights, and claims with many arguments to show the justice of his step, that marriage and the priesthood are by no means antagonistic, and that his step has not been inconsiderate or hasty, or notoriety seeking.

London, Sept. 10.—The Times expects that when the conference at Berlin is over, a circular note will be issued explaining its pacific nature. It is reported in New York that the detectives have ferreted out evidence sufficient to convict Forester, who was recently arrested in New Orleans, of the murder of Nathan.

The damage to the cotton crop in some parts of the Southern States, from drought and the ravages of worms is even worse than at first reported. The Carlists are again becoming troublesome in Spain. Fresh outbreaks have occurred on the frontier. Troops have been despatched to the menaced points, and precautions have been taken to prevent the insurgents from crossing over from France or concentrating in any considerable numbers.

London, Sept. 10.—The Advertiser this morning expresses in strong terms its dissatisfaction with the results of the labors of the Geneva Arbitrators. It says the plain English of it is, that the British Government has allowed the American to bully us out of three or four millions of pounds to carry favor with them, and modestly congratulates us on paying the amount in settlement of claims for which a few weeks ago it was affirmed England was neither legally nor morally liable.

James Anthony Froude, the celebrated English historian, has been engaged by the Young Men's Christian Association of New York, to deliver a course of five lectures on "The Relations between England and Ireland." The course will be delivered in Association Hall, commencing October 17th.

The Great Eastern lies at Sheerness, waiting the completion of a fourth trans-Atlantic cable which she has been charged to lay. Rev. Mr. Spurgeon, of England, is expected to visit America this fall. The Ottawa Free Press regrets to learn that Sir George Cartier's illness is of a most serious character, and one from which he may possibly not recover.

Coal Oil—fresh lot. Clear, bright colour, free from offensive odour, does not smoke the glass. At JOHN HORSMAN'S. Of Choice Designs and Low in Price. At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Lamps, now opening. Of Choice Designs and Low in Price. At JOHN HORSMAN'S. New Lamp Glasses. From the best Manufacturers. At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Best Lamp Wicks. Of very fine texture and quality. At JOHN HORSMAN'S. Superior Burners. Of all the new and improved patterns. At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Lamp Globes and Shades. In Crystal, Porcelain and Ornamental Paper. At JOHN HORSMAN'S. Lamp Shears. At JOHN HORSMAN'S. Lanterns. The latest and best styles. At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

All these Goods are from the various renowned manufacturers in Britain, Germany, France, United States and Canada, and cannot be surpassed for Quantity, Quality and Cheapness. At JOHN HORSMAN'S.

WILLIAM BROWNLOW, UNDERTAKER. Respectfully solicits the attention of those bereaved of earthly friends to his Undertaking Establishment, in rear of the Wellington Hotel, where all things necessary for the proper observance of the last rites due the departed can be furnished on the shortest notice.

Metallic, Walnut and other Coffins kept in stock. Shrouds supplied, and Funerals conducted with the utmost decorum. Charges moderate. WM. BROWNLOW. Guelph, Feb. 3, 1872.

JOHN SPIERS, Veterinary Surgeon. (Member of the Ontario Veterinary College.) Hirsch's Union Hotel, GUELPH.

FARM FOR SALE IN ERIN.—East half of Lot 3, 1st concession, Erin township, eighty acres under cultivation, well fenced, and plenty of water. Log house in fair order, frame barn 60x80, stone stables and root house nearness. A good young orchard in full bearing. Terms liberal. Apply to owner on the premises, or by letter, to Robt. Allan, Acton, 50, Co. Hallow, (Essex).

BIRTHS.

Snowden—At Guelph, on the 29th ult., the wife of Mr. Wm. Snowden, of a daughter. CAMPBELL—In Harrison, on the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. A. D. Campbell, Principal of the Harrison School, of a son. FINLEY—In the Peep-o'-day Settlement, Luther, on the 25th ult., the wife of Mr. J. Finley, of a son. DICKSON—In Guelph, on the 5th inst., the wife of Mr. James Dickson, of twins—son and daughter.

MARRIED. PARSONS—LINDSEY—At Orangeville, on the 27th ult., by the Rev. W. K. Phillips, Mr. Wm. Parsons, hardware merchant, Orangeville, to Annie, daughter of the late John Lindsey, of Albion.

DIED. GIBSON—In Pilkington, on the 30th ult., Thomas Gibson, aged 17 years. HOME—On the 28th ult., Mr. James Home, sr., of Esquesing, aged 89 years, 10 months, and 14 days. WATSON—At Minto, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, on the 11th August, at the residence of her brother-in-law, Margaret, eldest daughter of Mr. Wm. Watson, merchant tailor, Peterhead, and sister to Mrs. A. C. Co. ill, late of Guelph.

BRACELET LOST—\$4 REWARD. Lost on Tuesday, the 3rd inst., between Mr. Forbes' residence, Dundas Hill, and the Dundas Bridge, a garnet bracelet. The finder will receive the above reward by leaving it at the store of Messrs. Geo. & Alex. Hadden.

OPENED AT—DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Bill Head Cases, Damping Wells, Book Slates, Bill Cases, Foolscap, Portfolios with or without lock.

SCRAP BOOKS A DOZEN VARIETIES. SPRING MUSIC. FOLIOS, Flat and Round Rulers. ALL KINDS OF GOLD AND SILVERED PAPER. Embossed and plain, GLAZED MUSLIN PAPERS all colors and patterns.

Concertinas, Guitars, Flutes, Card Pictures, Brackets. A few A. 1. first Violin Strings. Day has a Big and Cheap Stock.

DAY'S BOOKSTORE, WYNDHAM ST., GUELPH.

THE MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH. The subscribers desire to call special attention to their large and well selected stock of DYE STUFFS which they have opened out, and being determined to keep none but the best quality of DYE, have devoted more than usual care and time in the selection of the best articles from the most reliable markets.

Parties purchasing from us can depend on getting a good color and the shade required. Also, all the ANILINE DYES in quantities to suit purchasers. Call at THE MEDICAL HALL, and get your Dye Stuffs. Printed directions given with each purchase.

E. HARVEY & Co. Family and Dispensing Chemists. Guelph, Sept. 5, 1872.

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES. Family Sewing Machine (single 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. July 12, 1872.

New Advertisements.

CO-OPERATIVE STORE.

NEW CANADIAN GOODS JUST ARRIVED

Canadian Double Warp Alpaca Lustres. Blankets, Flannels, Tweeds, Yarns, Cottons, Hats, Shirts and Drawers for Ladies.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co. Guelph, Sept 11, 1872.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL. Shaw & Murton. Have just received the Latest Styles in English, American and Canadian FELT AND FUR HATS AND CLOTH CAPS. SHAW & MURTON, Merchant Tailors, Wyndham Street, Guelph, Aug. 30, 1872.

G. B. FRASER, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. OPENED OUT AT—G. B. FRASER'S. A full assortment of MOURNING GOODS, SUITABLE FOR FALL AND WINTER WEAR.

Black Crape Cloths, Black Reppis, Black double warp Lustres, Black Henrietta Cloths, Black Coburgs, Black French Merinos. The new style Black Panama equivalent to French Merinos in wear, and at half the price. Courtly's Black Crapes on which rain or damp has no effect. Samples sent free of charge throughout Ontario. G. B. FRASER, Direct Importer, Guelph.

Direct Importer of Dry Goods. EX. Steamship St. David, From Glasgow. 2 cases Aberdeen Winceys, 1 case Paisley Shawls, 1 case Wool Shawls, 1 case Balmoral Skirtings.

EX. S. S. Sarmanian From Liverpool. 2 cases Dress Goods, 3 cases Flannels, 1 case French Merinos, 1 case French Kid Gloves. Just opened and for sale at G. B. FRASER'S, Direct Importer, Guelph.

FRUIT JARS, AIR TIGHT, Quart Size, \$1.25 pr doz. At John A. Wood's.

OUR STOCK which approaches HALF A MILLION NOW COMPLETE. JNO MACDONALD & CO. TORONTO.

MICHAEL DUGNEN, Cabinet Maker and Undertaker. Desires to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding country that he has commenced business in the stand known as Mr. J. Doran's Grocery Store, opposite the Market. As I have purchased a New and Handsome Hearse I will keep on hand a full assortment of every thing in the undertaking business. Metallic, Rosewood, Walnut, and Cloth Covered Coffins kept in stock. All kinds of Cabinet work made to order. Particular attention paid to the repairing and varnishing of it. As I intend to devote my attention to both branches, I desire to merit a share of public patronage. Charges moderate. Wanted—quantity of Seasoned Butternut and Cherry. Wanted—A pair of well-matched black horses. MICHAEL DUGNEN, Guelph, June 15, 1872.

M. A. T. HEATHFIELD, Organist and Teacher of Music. Is now prepared, and will be happy to receive pupils for instruction in Music, both Vocal and Instrumental. Piano, Organ, Harmonium, Violin, also in Harmony and Composition. References kindly permitted. The Rev. Canon Brent, Newcastle; Saml. Ziegler, Newcastle, and Mrs. A. Boucher, Colborne. For terms and particulars apply to Mr. Heathfield, Norfolk Street, opposite the New Baptist Church.

GUELPH TEA DEPOT. E. O'DONNELL & Co. ARE SELLING. THE BEST YOUNG HYSOON DOLLAR TEA for 80c per lb. A BEAUTIFUL GUNPOWDER TEA for 70c per lb. A FIRST RATE YOUNG HYSOON TEA for 60c per lb. A VERY GOOD GREEN TEA for 40c per lb. A NICE SWEET DRAWING BLACK TEA for 50c per lb. THE BEST BLACK TEA IMPORTED for 75c per lb.

SUGARS, SUGARS! Sugars will be higher very soon, but we will sell Eleven pounds for \$1.00 for a few days, so lay in your stock for preserving while you can get it cheap.

Raisins, Currants, Cheese, Tobaccos, Syrups, Brandies, Wines, Whiskies, Cigars. And everything in the Grocery Line cheap, and will be delivered free of charge to any part of the Town, or to the Stations.

E. O'DONNELL & Co. Guelph, Sept 11, 1872. Wyndham Street, Guelph.