

BOYS WANTED.

Wanted, several smart, active Boys to sell the EVENING MERCURY. Several boys are now making from one to two dollars a week. Apply at once at this Office.

From Ottawa.

It is reported at Ottawa that the instructions for the recall of the troops came by cable direct to Sir Charles Wyndham—the usual course having hitherto been a reference to the Governor General before changes are made. The rumour goes that the changes have most likely been made from representations of Sir Geo. E. Cartier at the War Department.

It has been decided to open up the road through the Saugeen Peninsula to the northern extremity, Tobermory, with a view to offer increased facilities for settlers. The work is to be largely assisted by Indian funds. Tobermory is twenty-five miles from South Bay, on Manitoulin Island.

The railway contractors complain that Mr. Sandford Fleming has no information to give them on railway matters. Mr. Fleming tells them that his hands are tied, and that he is not at liberty to tell them anything. What does it all mean? Why are the Government proceedings carried on in this secretive, underhand manner? Is the ring only to get information?

Immigration to Canada.

M. F. W. Lynn has had an interview at Ottawa with Mr. Chapais, Minister of Agriculture, on the subject of immigration. Mr. Lynn presented his views, which met with the approval of Mr. Chapais, but he declined to take any action, till the Conference closed its labours. The Immigration Conference took place on Thursday afternoon in Mr. Chapais' office, at half-past two o'clock, present, Messrs. Chapais, Wood, Carling, Chauveau, Dunkin and Beckwith. The Conference sat about an hour and a half. The proceedings were of a conversational character. The chief point of discussion was the proposition to place the control of immigration in the hands of the Provincial Governments. In consequence of the emigrants being landed at a point in the Province of Quebec, it was felt to be a difficult matter to localise the expenditures. The Conference meets again to-day, when Sir John A. Macdonald is to be present. It is expected that the Dominion Government will agree to maintain an immigration office in London, and also an office in Quebec—the great port of entry to the Dominion; and that as the Provinces has the control of the Public Lands, each one shall take such action as the Provincial Legislature may think proper.

Largest Railway Station in the World.

The spacious London terminus of the Midland Railway, called the New St. Pancras terminus, lately opened, is the largest in the world. Its construction is considered one of the engineering wonders of the world. To build a roof 700 feet long by nearly 250 feet wide, roofing in an area of something like 43 acres was a colossal idea. Yet it has been carried out in its entirety. The whole of this almost colossal structure is built upon what may be termed a crypt beneath it. This is to be used as stores for beer, for which purpose the Company has hitherto been paying the Great Northern some £50,000 a year rent. The so-called crypt is supported in the roof by about 1,100 cast-iron columns, each 13 in diameter; across these pass 50 principal girders of wrought iron, between which are a series of smaller intermediate girders, about 2,000 in number, which tend to distribute the superincumbent weight, and to so subdivide it as to leave the smallest amount of pressure upon any one spot. Between these girders are buckle plates of wrought iron. The entire terminus from end to end is 690 feet, and its breadth about 245 feet. The roof is supported by twenty-five main ribs of a pointed or conical shape. Each rib is double, i. e., each has an upper and lower flange, with wrought-iron lattice work of 6ft depth between. They weigh about 50 tons each. These are the main ribs of the semicircle and the roof, the ends of which are taken down below the platforms and bolted to transverse beams of iron beneath the station. In the construction of the roof an enormous travelling stage was used 100ft high, 240ft wide, 90ft deep, weighing some 1,300 tons. This was moved by leverage. Between each two of the main ribs of the roof are 75 intermediate ribs, of rolled iron, one foot deep transverse, and along all again come fifteen purlins or wrought-iron ribs, extending from end to end of the whole structure, and tie together in one complete network of iron. The entire structure is iron from end to end. The deflection of the main ribs of the roof was 1 inch when left to themselves by the travelling stage. The walls of the terminus have been made very handsome. At the east end of the station the upper opening of the great arch is half covered in by a wrought-iron screen, weighing about 200 tons, divided into small panels which are to be partly glazed so as to break the force of the wind. The roof half way up its exterior has been slated, but the crown is all glass and iron. Upwards of 2½ acres of glass have been used. At one time there were upwards of 6,000 men, 1,000 horses, and 100 steam lifts of various kinds employed on the works.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—The farewell meeting of the young men's Christian Association Convention, which met at Toronto the three previous days, was held on Thursday night in Knox's Church, John Macdonald, Esq., occupied the chair. The attendance was probably still greater than on the previous evening at the Richmond street Church. The building was completely crowded, and at eight o'clock it was almost impossible to find a stand place. Ministers of all denominations occupied the platform. Addresses were delivered by the chairman, Rev. Wm. Stephenson,

WELLINGTON FALL ASSIZES.

OCTOBER 29.

NEWMAN vs ARCHIBALD.—Action on a promissory note. Verdict for plaintiff by consent, \$400. Mr. Drew for plaintiff, Mr. Cross for defendant.

PENLINGTON vs BROWLIER.—Action of ejectment. Verdict for plaintiff, with leave to defendant to move to enter a verdict for defendant in Term. Mr. Boulton for plaintiff, Mr. Cross for defendant.

PENLINGTON vs BOLT.—Another action of ejectment, which was settled between the parties. The same Counsel as in previous case.

RYAN vs PETTY.—Assessment of damages for seduction and breach of promise. The case being undefended no parties appeared. The damages were assessed at \$500. Mr. Guthrie for plaintiff.

PATTERSON vs BUCKLAND.—An action brought by George Patterson, cattle dealer, of Guelph, against a Mr. Buckland of Garafraxa, for having him arrested and brought before a magistrate on a charge of stealing a dog. The case was rather interesting, and among other matters involved the history of a dog, from the time he was a pup five months old until the present time. The dog himself, a black, curly decent dog as needs be, was in court, wondering apparently what all the pother was about. On the twenty-ninth of March last Mr. Patterson was in Fergus, a boy named Wood and the dog being with him. Defendant claimed the dog from the boy in the plaintiff's absence, when Wood seized the dog by the neck, threw him into a buggy, jumped in himself, and then whistled to Patterson whom he saw on the street, to come to him. The latter being made aware of the state of affairs said that if any person had \$50 to spare he could have the animal quodruped. He afterwards drove off to the Elora fair. Mr. Buckland then went to Mr. McInnes, J.P., and requested him to issue a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Patterson for stealing the dog. Mr. McInnes advised him to take different steps, and if the animal was his to secure its restoration by replevin. He also went with him to Mr. Winstanley, barrister, who said it might be recovered in three ways, one of which was, that if he could prove his property he could procure its surrender to him by summary proceeding. After being further urged by Mr. Buckland, Mr. McInnes issued a warrant, which the constable proceeded to execute, and about noon he left Elora having Mr. Patterson along with him. Dinner was discussed at Fergus, and then business was proceeded with, the magistrate finally dismissing the case because it appeared that the dog belonged to neither party. Then came the history of the interesting canine. Caledon was his birthplace, and he was nurtured there until he was five months old. He then became the property of Mr. George Hood, next of Mr. Farr, who gave him to the boy Wood. This lad was employed by the drovers to bring cattle from the fairs up country to Guelph, and he and his dog had gone with Mr. Patterson with the intention of bringing to town whatever beasts the latter might purchase at the fairs he purposed attending. But it appeared further that while the dog had belonged to Wood he had been away for some six weeks. In the spring of 1867 a witness named Gideon Scott was certain he possessed him, having purchased him from some person, and afterwards sold him to Mr. Buckland. Indeed it was he who recognized him at Fergus, and directed the defendants' attention to him. Thus there was either a mistake concerning the dog's identity, or during the time he was absent from Wood some one claimed him as his own, and sold him to Scott for \$1, who in turn sold him to Buckland, and thus laid the groundwork of the present action. The case was argued with ability and ardour by counsel on both sides. Verdict for plaintiff, \$15. Messrs. Palmer & Anderson, for plaintiff. Mr. Guthrie, for defendant.

The Grand Jury came into Court, and presented true bills against Mulligan and Fisher for cattle stealing, and against Samuel Dunbar for manslaughter.

Fisher and Mulligan having been put in the box and arraigned for cattle stealing, pleaded not guilty. Richard Smith, a young lad, pleaded guilty to having stolen a pair of boots and shoes from a hotel in Elora.

The Court opened at nine o'clock, a.m. THOMSON vs. CRISHOLM.—Action of ejectment from a tavern stand in Erin Village. Verdict for plaintiff. Messrs. Guthrie and Robinson for plaintiff; Mr. McCurry for defendant.

BRILL vs. RUTHERFORD.—This was an action brought to recover \$700 which plaintiff had paid to defendant in July last under the following circumstances: The former is a produce dealer in Guelph, and the latter is a merchant of Stratford. Another dealer in Durham asked Mr. Brill to pay the sum above named to the defendant on account of some butter which he advised him was on the way, or about to be sent to him immediately. The butter did not come, and defendant was in urgent need of the money. At length after a delay of some days, and after the defendant had again solicited Mr. Brill to let him have the cash to which the latter agreed to do so on condition that if the butter did not come the \$700 should be refunded him. Defendant acquiesced and the money was handed over, but the value it never arrived, and the defendant refused to restore it. The plea for defence was, never indebted, that is to say, the defendant claims that when he gave the order for the money which he received from the Durham dealer he was under no further obligations to Mr. Brill. Verdict for plaintiff \$712.25. Messrs. Palmer and Anderson for plaintiff; Messrs. Guthrie and Robinson for defendant.

THE CHALLONER MANSLAUGHTER CASE. Samuel Dunbar was indicted in that he did, on the 16th day of April last, at the village of Mount Forest, kill and slay one Leonidas Chaloner. The usual interrogatories being put to him he pleaded "not guilty." The names of eighteen petit jurors were called before a panel was selected, one third of the number having been challenged. The following gentlemen composed the jury, viz: John Hunt, Joseph Wood, John Grievie, Wm. Till, Samuel Hamill, W. Ferguson, R. C. Morris, Saml. Hollin, Wm. Young, J. Leslie, Wm. Hamill, and R. Newman. The trial is still in progress.

A NEW RAILWAY.—Application is to be made next session of the Local Legislature of Quebec for the incorporation of a company to build a railway from Lennoxville to Lakes Megantic and St. Francis.

NEW MIXING BILL.—At a dinner given the other day to ministers Carling and Richards at Peterboro, the latter announced that next session a new mining bill would be brought down in place of the unsatisfactory bill now on the stage.

Local News.

WELLINGTON HUNT.—The Hounds will meet at "Well's Bridge" on Saturday, at 1.30 (sharp).

James Lang, of Mount Forest, assaulted Angus Lamont, of Arthur, one day last week, they having disputed about a pair of boots which the former was making for the latter. The shoemaker gave Lamont a pretty heavy waxing, for which he was obliged to pay \$4 and costs.

THE MINSTRELS TO-NIGHT.—Don't forget that Fish & Thornton's minstrels give one of their popular performances this evening in the Town Hall. They are a first class troupe and deserve to be noticed. The eastern press say their performances are splendid, while instrumental part is said to be far beyond the average of such entertainments.

NEW JEWELLERY STORE IN GUELPH.—We direct attention to the advertisement of Mr. J. R. Poite, late of the "Sheffield House," Toronto, who has opened out a jewellery store next door to Mr. Berry's, on Wyndham Street. Being a practical workman of much experience, and coming highly recommended, we have no doubt but that he will secure a fair share of public patronage.

DR. BRIGGS.—We bear willing testimony to Dr. Briggs' skill in operating on all diseases of the feet. Yesterday he doctored a toe nail which was growing into the flesh, and which caused a great deal of annoyance and pain, and now it is as well as if nothing had ever been the matter with it. Those having corns, bunions or any other ailment of the feet should call and see him this evening at Coulson's Hotel, as he leaves Guelph tomorrow morning.

MAIL ROUTE WANTED.—Last spring the Post Office Department was petitioned for the establishment of new mail routes to Harrison and Clifford from Mount Forest, but nothing has yet come of it. The Owen Sound and Elora and Saugeen roads run almost parallel to each other from Elora and Fergus sixty miles to Durham and Walkerton, without a single cross mail route, and by the present plan, mail matter from Mount Forest to Clifford, distant twelve miles from each other, must make a two day's journey to reach its destination.

The "Local" begs to tender an expression of his gratitude to Dr. Briggs, the hippodist, for having relieved him of a corn, which people in a crowd had an ugly habit of treading upon. It was of no use whatever, except as a natural barometer, for it always made vigorous leaping before a storm. On this account it may be missed, but its absence will not be regretted. The operation was quick, almost painless, and was not succeeded by any inconvenience. All who are corned, not in the head but in the feet, will find that Dr. Briggs is the man for their money.

HIGH INITIATION FEES.—The Board of Stockbrokers of New York seem determined to restrain members within as narrow bounds as possible, and with that view they have passed a resolution raising the initiation fee for new membership to ten thousand dollars; and to invest present members with a qualified property interest in their seats. It is said the Board of Exchange Brokers intend to adopt similar measures. It will lessen the number of applicants for membership, which is really the object to be attained.

The following from Dr. Mack; one of the most successful and widely celebrated surgeons in Canada, should convince the timid and most skeptical that Dr. Briggs is not a quack in his speciality, but reliable beyond a doubt. It gives me much pleasure to certify to the skill and dexterity of Mr. Briggs as a Hippodist. I consider him deserving in every way of the confidence of the public.

THEOP. MACK. Yates St., St. Catharines, Oct. 16, 1868. Dr. Briggs will remain at Coulson's Hotel until 10 this evening, Friday, only, where he will treat Corns, Bunions, Bad Nails, Chil blains, and all ailments of the feet with skill and success.

MARRIAGES.

EAKIN STARKY.—At Guelph, on the 29th of October, by the Rev. John Hogg, Mr. Wm. Eakin to Miss Elizabeth Starky, both of Guelph.

DIED.

BECHAN.—At Guelph, on the 29th inst., Mrs. Bechan, aged 48 years. The funeral will take place from the residence of Mr. D. Gouck, Glasgow Street, to-morrow (Saturday), at 2 o'clock, p.m. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend without further notice. Detroit papers copy.

New Advertisements.

LECTURE.

ON MONDAY EVENING NEXT, November 2, 1868, a lecture will (D. V.) be delivered in the Congregational Church,

in this Town, by the

Rev. Wm. Stephenson

OF TORONTO.

Subject: MARTIN LUTHER

TICKETS, TWENTY-FIVE CENTS.

The proceeds will be devoted to the Church Building Fund.

Guelph, 30th October. 43

CAUTION.

THE public are warned against negotiating or purchasing any or all of six certain promissory notes, made by Christopher Campbell, of Guelph, dated on or about the 5th day of June, 1867, payable to John Fisher, of Dundas, or order, and by him endorsed to and now said to be held as to two of them by Christopher Fisher, son of the said John Fisher, of Dundas; and as to the remaining four by John Fisher, of Dundas; the said notes being for \$40 each, payable respectively at 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 years from date, with interest at 7 per cent.; the Ontario Bank and other creditors claiming that said notes have been transferred fraudulently and without consideration by the said John Fisher.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

ALL parties indebted to the undersigned will please take notice to call and settle their accounts at once, and save further trouble. JOHN TYSON, Butcher, Guelph, 29th Oct. 46 Bagot Street.

House and Lot for Sale or to Let.

A GOOD NEW HOUSE in a good locality, within five minutes walk of Post Office, containing six rooms, pantry, cellar, &c., hard and soft water and half an acre garden. Enquire at the Paint Shop, Raymond's Sewing Machine Factory, Guelph, Oct. 27. do 6

TOWN HALL, GUELPH.

Friday Evening, October 30th.

ANNOUNCEMENT of the appearance of the acknowledged favorites

Fish & Thornton's Minstrels

AND BRASS BAND.

First-Class Artists, beautiful Quartette, efficient Orchestra, 31-piece Brass Band.

Admission 25 Cents. Reserved Seats 35 Cents.

Tickets for sale at Cuthbert's Bookstore, Fish & Thornton, Proprietors, F. G. Butler, Agent, James Fish, leader of the Brass Band and Orchestra. Grand Serenade by the Band at half-past 7. October 26th. do 5

County Right for Sale.

TAKE NOTICE.

THE Subscriber having purchased the right of sale of West's Patent Lamp Burner, which does away with the use of Glasses with perfect safety, whereby the great saving of glasses for street and parlor lamps, and other places is effected, an active man can make \$4 a day by selling the Burner. All parties selling without my consent will be prosecuted. JAS. O'NEIL, Anglo-American Hotel, Guelph, October 24th. do 3

CARD TO THE PUBLIC.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that on and after this date his business will be conducted strictly on the

CASH SYSTEM.

No credit will be given to any one. The undersigned hopes by carrying out the above system to be enabled to give his numerous customers Goods at a lower price than they can be bought for elsewhere. He begs to acknowledge past favors, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit a still greater share of their patronage.

T. J. DAY, Bookseller,

Opposite the Market. Guelph, 13th October. do 4

LAMPS.

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JUST OPENED OUT AT

PETRIE'S

DRUG STORE

Old Post Office Building, Wyndham-St.

A Large Assortment of COAL OIL LAMPS, all sizes and kinds, will be sold CHEAP.

No. 1 COAL OIL.

A supply of No. 1 COAL OIL KEPT CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

A. B. PETRIE, Druggist.

Guelph, September 25th. do 4

Estate of the late Jas. Lindsay

ALL PARTIES having claims against the Estate of James Lindsay, late of the Town of Guelph, Hotel keeper, are requested to hand them in at once to the undersigned, Executors, for adjustment, and all parties indebted to the estate are required to make immediate payment. ARCH. MCCORRINDALE, WILLIAM C. BAINE, Executors. do 2

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL overdue accounts must be settled by the 1st of November, otherwise they will be put in suit for collection. ROBERT RUTHERFORD. Guelph, October 7th. do 14

SPECIAL ATTENTION.

THE Highest Market Price paid for Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Calfekins and Wool Pickings. At No. 4, Day's old Block, Gordon Street, Guelph, July 25 do 10, WOLTON.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

N. CROFT

WOULD inform his friends and the general public that he has opened a shop in his old premises, on

CHURCH STREET,

Two doors West of Deady's Hotel,

Where he is prepared to make up Gentlemen's Garments in the newest style.

CUTTING DONE ON SHORT NOTICE.

Agent for the best Sewing Machines.

N. CROFT, Church-st. Guelph, 11th September do

OATS DOWN

TO 55 CENTS.

FLOUR, - - - \$2.75

POTATOES, - - - 1.00

AT WEBSTER'S

JOHN R. PORTE,

From the Sheffield House, Toronto,

WOULD intimate to the inhabitants of GUELPH and SURROUNDING COUNTRY, that he has opened a store

Next door to Mr. Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham Street,

Where he will keep on hand a large assortment of

WATCHES, CLOCKS AND JEWELLERY, FANCY GOODS, &c.

Repairing done in all its branches. Satisfaction Warranted

Wyndham Street, Guelph, October 29, 1868. do 11

DEMAN CONTINUES!

Dess Goods Selling very Fast.

DURING the last fortnight the demand for DRESS GOODS has been immense. Our Stock is unequalled. We are selling at astonishing prices.

The Rush of Customers we have had this Fall alarms our competitors. Nevertheless we are bound to go ahead.

CHEAP GOODS the ORDER of BUSINESS THIS SEASON.

Unlimited variety of DRESS GOODS to choose from. The latest productions of the British and Foreign Markets. Just opened a lot of French POPLINS—to be sold off at 25 cents; and also a choice selection of REPPS and FRENCH POPLINS in the leading and fashionable shades.

Our Show Room is very Attractive

We exhibit the latest Paris, London, and New York styles in Trimmed Hats and Bonnets. A full stock of rich Millinery Materials on hand. Velvets, Silks, Satins, Flowers, Borders, Jets, and Ornaments, Hat and Bonnet Shapes in immense variety in all the latest styles.

JACKETS! JACKETS!

300 new and beautiful Jackets added to our stock during the last week. Attention is solicited to this department. The most fastidious can rely on getting suited. Business is increasing rapidly.

Cheap Cottons, Cheap Flannels, Cheap Winceys, Cheap Blankets.

Don't forget the Blankets. Rossmund's make, celebrated manufacturers, from \$3 a pair up. Splendid made Blankets, superior to all others. See the blankets at

A. O. BUCHAM'S.

\$30,000 OF

Watches, Clocks, Jewellery

Books, Stationery and Fancy Goods,

Are now spread before the people of Guelph and surrounding country

IN R. CUTHBERT'S ESTABLISHMENT.

To effect a reduction of this immense stock, the undersigned will re-commence his attractive Evening Sales at once, commencing TO-NIGHT.

SILVER TAKEN AT PAR.

Guelph, 29th October. do R. CUTHBERT.

HALLOWEEN, HALLOWEEN

NUTS, NUTS

SPECIAL ARRIVAL FOR HALLOWEEN:

CHESTNUTS WALNUTS HAZEL NUTS BRAZIL NUTS COCOA NUTS ALMONDS

Raisins, Figs, Dates, Oranges, Lemons, Apples, Grapes, Prunes, and last but not least

Splendid Fat Oysters!

Extra fed for the occasion.

HUGH WALKER, Fruit Depot, Wyndham Street, Guelph

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