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DR. BROCK
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The Stone House opposite Davidson's Old Marble Yard, Elora Road.
Guelph, Oct 19, 1871 dw

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R. OLIVER, JR. A. H. MACDONALD.
Guelph, Oct 27, 1871 dw

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK
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Guelph, June 8th, 1871 dwtf

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Guelph, 18th Aug. 1871. dwly

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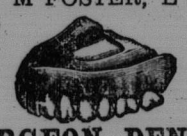

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Guelph Dec 23, 1870

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GUELPH TIME TABLE

Trains leave Guelph as follows

Grand Trunk Railway, East
3.10 a.m. 7.35 a.m. 11.04 a.m. 3.45 p.m. 6.50 p.m.

For the West
2.00 a.m. 9.50 a.m. 5.55 p.m. 8.30 p.m.*
*This train only goes to Berlin.

Great Western---Guelph Branch
Going South depart at 6.50 a.m., 1.05 p.m, and 4.55 p.m; also by mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1.40 p.m.
Going North, depart at 11.45 a.m., 4.55 p.m., and 9.05 p.m.; also by mixed train every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1.05 p.m. Trains leave Harriston every morning at 10 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1.05 p.m, and in addition a mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1.40 p.m. The train which passes Guelph going north at 11.45 p.m., runs every day to Clifford, arriving there at 3.15 p.m., and a mixed train which passes Guelph every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1.00 p.m., reaches Clifford at 500 p.m.

Town and County News

MAYORS ELECT.—Hamilton, D. B. Chisholm re-elected; London, John B. Campbell; Kingston, Alderman Drennan; Toronto, Joseph Sheard re-elected.

ALL THE RAGE.—Mr. A. O. Bucham, in our advertising column, says that his great clearing sale is all the rage. Those who don't believe this should go and see for themselves.

D. MARTIN'S bankrupt stock is selling off fast. Parties wishing to purchase dry goods should call early; the store is continually crowded. It is the most successful sale of bankrupt stock ever held in Guelph.

LECTURE TO-NIGHT.—Remember the lecture to-night in the Congregational Church, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A, by the Rev Mr Guttery, of Toronto. Subject: "The Story of a Lifetime."

LYNX CAUGHT.—Mr James Fennel, of Bowling Green, Amaranth, caught a very large lynx in a trap on the Grand River a few days ago. There has been quite a number of these animals killed of late in that neighborhood.

DIED.—We regret to learn that Mr. George Sayers died last (Monday) night from the effects of the scalding he got by falling into the tank of hot water in Messrs Bell's Melodeon Factory on Saturday. He was not so severely burned, but the shock to the nervous system was so great that he never recovered from it. Deceased leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

PREPARING FOR BUSINESS.—The St Catharines *Journal* says that vessel owners and masters are not likely to have much trouble in getting their craft in and out of Port Dalhousie harbour on the opening of navigation in the spring. Heretofore two tugs have been considered quite sufficient to do the business, but on the opening of navigation this year, it is said that no less than six will make the Port their headquarters, and of course each and all will do their prettiest to secure business.

FIRE.—A barn and stables belonging to Mr Robt Lowes, Brampton, were burned on Saturday night. The circumstances were such as to leave no doubt that it was the work of an incendiary. About a year ago Mr Lowes had all his barns burned, with the entire crop for the year, entailing a loss of over two thousand dollars above his insurance; in this case also incendiarism was the undoubted cause. Only a few years previous to this all his barns and crops were burned under similar circumstances.

MONTREAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY.—The Montreal Telegraph Company opened for business on Monday morning in their spacious new building on the corner of Scott and Wellington streets, Toronto. At eight o'clock on Saturday evening the connection was broken with the old office in the Exchange building, and in half an hour afterwards, so complete were the arrangements that all the thirty wires were in full operation in the new building.

A FIASCAS.—One evening lately a turkey was being raffled for at Lang's Tavern, Hillsburgh; and a quarrel got up between two men, named Kilburn and Hull, about ten cents or some other trifling sum. After indulging in some hard language at each other, the two clinched, and Kilburn was thrown down, when he drew a knife, and one Willis interposed, knocked him down, and kicked him severely about the face and head. The effect of the blows and kicks has been such that Kilburn has been ever since confined to his bed, and will probably continue for some time longer under medical treatment.

SAD BEREAVEMENT.—The Stratford *Beacon* says that the sympathy of the whole community is with Mr and Mrs G J Waugh, in the sad bereavement which has overtaken them in the past few days. Their eldest little boy was stricken down with fever on Friday, and carried off after a few hours' illness. Before he was buried, the third son was attacked with the same insidious disease, which in his case likewise proved fatal. And next the little girl took the fever, and she is now in a critical condition. The only child to escape was the second son, who fortunately happened to be away.

☞ A proposition is in force in Ottawa to close the public schools for a month, in consequence of the spread of small pox. The medical men there have their time largely taken up in vaccination.

Sabbath School Conference.

The Presbyterial Sabbath School Conference, which we have announced in some of our previous issues, commenced its proceedings last (Monday) night, in Chalmers Church in this town. Mr Wardrope, as Moderator of the Presbytery, took the chair, and began by prayer, praise and the reading of the Scriptures, after which he preached a highly suitable sermon from the words, John XXI, 15, "So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord: thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs." In the course of the sermon the preacher dwelt briefly I, On the duty of domestic religious teaching, and II, on the importance of religious instruction in the Sabbath School, closing his remarks by exhorting Sabbath School Teachers to be persevering, believing and hopeful in their work.

After the sermon the Clerk read an extract of the minutes from the proceedings of the General Assembly, recommending the holding of Presbyterial Sabbath School Conferences throughout the Church, and gave a narrative of the proceedings of the Presbytery of Guelph in implementing that recommendation. The roll of delegates was then called, and the names of those present were marked. Committees were then appointed on business, and on delegates' commissions, after which the Conference adjourned to meet in the same place this morning at 9 o'clock.

January 16th.

The Conference resumed this morning at 9 o'clock and spent the first hour in devotional exercises. The Committee on business then reported, recommending the following out of the order laid down in the printed programme, with the exception that Mr Thomson of Erin be requested to address the meeting on the subject assigned to Mr Bentley, of Galt, who in consequence of pressing engagements, is not able to be present, and that the Conference adjourn at 8 o'clock in the evening, so as to allow of members attending the lecture of Mr Guttery to the Young Men's Christian Association.

The Committee on Commissions next reported to the effect that they had found all the names on the Roll as called yesterday evening duly certified and that no fresh Commissions had been handed in to them.

Both reports were adopted, and the Committees were continued.

Mr McDonald then addressed the Conference on "The Place and Purpose of Sabbath School Work" treating the subject in a most interesting a satisfactory manner. Mr Smellie followed in a few remarks expressing his agreement with the speaker in the principles he had laid down, but stating that what he understood by a common remark which Mr McDonald had made, that Sabbath School Teachers should make it their great aim to secure the conversion of their pupils, was that Teachers should aim at, and not rest with anything short of their actual conversion to Christ. Rev Mr McGuire followed and the discussion was kept up till near the hour of adjournment in a way that evinced the deep interest felt in the subject, and that is likely to be productive of great good.

The programme for the afternoon is:
2—2.30 Singing, reading Scriptures and prayer.
2:30—3 "How to render our Sabbath School work more attractive and efficient," by Rev J K Smith, Galt.
3—4 Five minute addresses on same subject, with singing and prayer.
4—4:30 "Importance of Sabbath School Libraries and best means of procuring them," by Rev G Smellie, Fergus.
4:30—5 Five minute addresses on same subject.

EVENING SESSION.
7—7:15 Devotional exercises.
7:15—7:45 "Best means of enlisting the hearty aid of parents, congregations, and others in our Sabbath Schools," by Rev J A Thomson, Erin.
7:45—8 Five minute addresses on same subject, with devotional exercises. Collection.

GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.
Jan 16.

Thomas Keaney was charged by John Chambers with malicious injury to his property in breaking his windows on the 15th inst. Fined $2, and $1 for damages, besides costs. Sent up for one month.

Bernard Gibson was charged with assault and battery. Dismissed with costs.

Five Persons Burned to Death at Bradford.

A dwelling-house was destroyed by fire a few rods from Bradford station at two o'clock on Sunday morning, by which five lives were lost in the flames—a woman named Tersier, her two children and a young woman (her niece) and a man who was boarding in the house. Another man, with his wife and child, barely escaped with their lives by getting out of the bedroom window. The origin of the fire is not known.

LOOK OUT FOR COUNTERFEITS.—There is at present a large number of counterfeit $2 Dominion notes in circulation, so well executed as to easily deceive the unwary. The St John *Telegraph* and the Amherst *Gazette* both state that several of the notes have been seen in these neighborhoods, and have even been taken by the banks. The signatures are the foot are perfect, being done by photo-lithography.

Le Courier de Canada states that in case Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island enter the Dominion, the Canadian Government will be prepared to establish a line of steamships between Canada and the West Indies.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES
BY TELEGRAPH
THE WAR IN MEXICO.
The Mordaunt Divorce Case
The Washington Treaty.

Matamoras, Jan 15—The siege of Mexico has been raised, the revolutionists under Gen Guiroga having been re-enforced by four or five hundred men from Monterey. Gen Cootinas force fell back across the San Joan River yesterday into Carmargo before an attack could be made on them in force. Cootinas precipitate retreat prevented a general engagement, which the revolutionists appeared to seek.

New York, January 16—The *World's* London special says: It is reported that the Mordaunt divorce case will soon be reopened, with the Prince of Wales as co-respondent. Another divorce case has been filed on the trial of which the Duke of Edinburgh will appear as co-respondent.

Washington, Jan 16—No little opposition is beginning to be developed to the 28th and 30th Articles of the Treaty of Washington. Representatives of the Commercial interests of the Great Lakes are in Washington, contending that these provisions will have the effect, if ratified and carried into effect, of transferring to the British owners the monopoly of carrying the trade and the ownership of the lake tonnage to British lands, inasmuch as British vessels can be built and sailed at from 30 to 40 per cent less cost in the present condition of our currency and specie taxation than American vessels can be built and sailed, and that in view of this fact the United States will gain nothing while giving up their own commerce for the mere privilege of entering with American vessels into Canadian ports. It is said that the mercantile interests of New York, Boston and Portland are also beginning to be moved by the same considerations. The probability is that the commercial interest thus effected will combine with the fishery interests for their common protection in endeavouring to defer action upon the subject until it can be more thoroughly investigated, or perhaps reopened for diplomatic negotiation.

Latest from Manitoba.

Fort Garry, Manitoba, Jan. 13.

A petition for a commutation of the sentence of Letendre has been numerously signed and forwarded to Ottawa.

The opening of Parliament is awaited with extraordinary interest, as it is known that the breach in the Ministry still exists, and unless there is a reconciliation the defeat of the Government is almost certain, for the French are nearly all with M Royal.

It is said that M Girard, Provincial Treasurer, one of the newly-appointed Dominion Senators, awaits the developments of the session before either accepting or declining the recent elevation. If the Government be defeated, he will accept the Senatorship; but if sustained, he will decline the honour and retain his present position.

NEWS ITEMS.

☞ The Reformers of Brockville have chosen Lieut.-Col. Buest as their candidate for the Commons.

☞ It is stated that Fisk's property, after all the debts are paid, will not amount to more than a hundred thousand dollars.

☞ Mark Twain promises to give every consumptive who is not cured by camp life at Lake Tahoe "a funeral which will be a comfort to them as long as they live."

☞ The New York Grand Jury have formally indicted Stokes of willfully murdering Fisk, with malice aforethought. The trial is expected to take place in a few days.

☞ After a protracted struggle of several months the Jesuits have been expelled from Guatemala. The exiled fathers, eighty in number, will probably go to Ecuador, as none of the other States in the country will receive them.

☞ An effort is being made to erect a distinctively American church in Rome. It will be Episcopal, owned by an Episcopal congregation, and under the charge of the Bishop of Pennsylvania. The present chapel is outside the walls, in an old granary.

☞ A new kind of trial by jury has been tried in Saxony for petty crimes, and has worked so well that its extension is advocated. It is composed of three lawyers and four laymen. A majority verdict must have the vote of at least one lawyer, as it must have the voice of five of the seven.

☞ The Minister of Marine and Fisheries is actively bringing before the Government a scheme for the adoption of storm signals in the Lower Provinces and in the lakes, and if he succeeds in having his plans carried out he will confer a great boon on the whole of the seafaring community.

☞ It is reported from New York that the Russian Government will sustain Catacazy in his course of action while Minister at Washington, and that it will order the American Minister in Russia to demand his passports. This would break off all diplomatic intercourse between Russia and the United States.

THE TICHBORNE CASE.—The case for the defence in the wearisome Tichborne trial was opened by Sir John Duke Coleridge, who, in a speech of great vigour and eloquence, denounced the claimant as a common imposter and villain; declared that the claim was a stupendous imposture concocted by Messrs Baigent and Carter, both "unscrupulous rogues." This is, of course, special pleading, but it indicates the course the defendants intend to take.

Town Council.

The Council met last (Monday) evening. Present all the members except Mr Robertson and Mr Hogg.

Mr Kennedy and Mr Bell having made the declaration of office took their seats.

Mr Bruce presented a petition from Mr Wm. O'Connor, signed by about 150 ratepayers, asking the Council to retain the license for his Billiard Room at the same rate as formerly, and to repeal the By-law for increasing the same.

Mr Bruce read a petition from Wm O'Connor, for a license for his Billiard Room for 1872.

The first petition was referred to the By-law Committee.

Moved by Mr Bruce, seconded by Mr Massie, that the petition of Mr Wm O'Connor for renewal of his license for a Billiard Room be granted.—Carried.

Mr Howard presented the report of the Committee to strike Standing Committees for the year as follows:

[The name of the member first on the list is chairman of the committee.]

FINANCE.—Messrs Massie, Hogg, Allan and Howard.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.—Messrs Robert Mitchell, Kennedy, Stewart and Bruce.

FIRE, WATER AND GAS.—Messrs. Robertson, Bruce, Snider and McNeil.

MARKET HOUSE.—Messrs McNeil, Mitchell, Howard and Kennedy.

PRINTING.—Messrs Howard, Crowe, Stevenson and Snider.

BY-LAW.—Messrs McMillan, Hogg, Bell and Snider.

TREE PLANTING.—Messrs Kennedy, Bell, McMillan and Crowe.

LICENSE.—Messrs Bell, Stewart, Crowe and Stevenson.

RELIEF.—Messrs Bruce, Robertson, Stevenson and McMillan.

CENTRAL EXHIBITION.—Messrs Allan, Massie, McNeil and Stewart.

RAILWAY.—Messrs Hogg, Massie, Allan and Robertson.

CEMETERY.—The Mayor and Robert Mitchell.

The report on motion of Mr McNeil, seconded by Mr Allan, was adopted.

The Clerk reported that as the former By-law for licensing Billiard Rooms was illegal, he had prepared another one, and it would be necessary for the Council to pass that By-law before he could grant a license. Under the former By-law the Council imposed a license of $250, for which they had no authority, as the statue does not empower any Municipality to charge more than $130 as license.

The By-law was accordingly introduced to repeal section 78 of By-law 164 for the licensing and regulation of Billiard Rooms, and was read a first and second time.

The Council went into Committee of the Whole on the By-law, Mr Allan in the chair.

Moved by Mr Massie, seconded by Mr Bruce, that the first clause be filled up with $100 for the first table and $30 for every second or other tables. The Committee rose and the By-law as filled up in committee was on motion of Mr Mitchell, seconded by Mr Massie, read a third time and passed.

Moved by Mr Massie, seconded by Mr Mitchell, that Messrs Jas Armstrong and Joseph Mimmack be Assessors for the current year. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

From Japan.

Yokohama, Dec. 13.—Three Japanese men-of-war will start for Europe shortly to meet the Embassy there.

A fire at the Yashiware Tea-House destroyed 400 houses, and 80 women were burned or destroyed in the surrounding ditch.

A late edict of the Mikado says: "My country is now undergoing a complete change from old to new ideas which I sincerely desire. Therefore I call upon all the wise and strong-minded to appear and become good guides to the Government during youth. True, it is positively necessary to view foreign countries so as to become enlightened as to the ideas of the world, and boys as well as girls, who will themselves become men and women, should be allowed to go abroad, and my country will be benefited by their knowledge so acquired. Females heretofore have had no position socially, because it was considered they were without understanding, but if educated and intelligent they should have due respect. Six young Japanese women of rank go to America, in care of Mrs Delong, to be sent to some seminary of learning at the expense of the Government.

SAN FRANSCISCO, Cal., Jan 15.—The six Japanese Princesses go to Vassar College.

RAILWAY MEETINGS.—At a railway meeting in Kincardine on Friday a motion was passed, with but five dissenting votes, to submit a bye-law granting a sectional county bonus of $150,000 for the extension of the narrow gauge line to Kincardine. A meeting of the Reeves and Deputy-Reeves of Culross, Huron and Kincardine Townships, the Reeve of Kinloss Township and the Reeve of Kincardine Village was also held, at which it was proposed, on the representation of Mr John Gordon, as President of the Toronto line, to submit a By-Law for $160 000, Kincardine Village to assume $16,000 of this amount and the balance to be assumed proportionately according to equalized assessment by the townships of Culross, Kinloss, Kincardine and Huron. The previous bonus granted by Culross to lapse, and Kinloss to be indemnified for the $15,000 bonus granted to the Wellington line. The majority were quite favorable to this, and a petition will, in all probability, be submitted to the County Council to carry it into effect.