

FACTS for ADVERTISERS.

The circulation of the DAILY and WEEKLY MERCURY is DOUBLE that of any Paper in Guelph, and larger than that of any paper published west of Toronto. Advertisers, both in this County and at a distance, should bear this fact in mind when they wish to make their business known to the public.

Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET
TUESDAY EV'NG, SEPT. 1, 1868

THE SOUTH AMERICAN WAR.

For the twentieth time, perhaps, we are told that the fortress of Humaita has fallen into the hands of the Allies. About a month ago a similar announcement reached us, but it was almost immediately followed by the counter declaration that the Paraguayans had repulsed with slaughter the attack upon their stronghold, and that it was still in their own possession. Advices from Rio Janeiro to the 8th ult. state that the garrison had been starved out, and evacuated the fortress, leaving to the enemy a number of valuable trophies, in the shape of munitions of war. We are also informed that the advance of the Brazilian commander by land, and the presence of three iron-clads in front of Lopez's position was likely soon to leave the Paraguayans no choice but surrender. Whatever credence may be attached to this part of the story, whether Lopez and his followers will ever lay down their arms except with their lives, it seems not improbable that the Allies have had the same trick played on them which the Babylonians in days of old played upon the conquering Alexander. The Paraguayans have never, or at least not recently, ignored the contingency of being obliged to abandon the stronghold in which they had sought shelter after a series of disasters in the field, and consequently Lopez put under construction some distance in the rear of Humaita a line of fortifications which might afford protection to himself and his army, and consequently to the country, when Humaita should be no longer tenable. There is one part of the report to which it is rather difficult to attach much credit, that is that a revolt had broken out. Such may have been the case, but it could scarcely have been of formidable dimensions unless there has very lately been a violent change of popular feeling. The Allies had some hopes from intestine dissensions in Paraguay, but amid all their losses and suffering we do not recollect to have heard before that a hand was raised against the authority of the President. Whether Chili and Bolivia will be able to effect a reconciliation is doubtful; it will probably require the mediation of powers of greater prestige, and this good office has too long been withheld.

Prospects of some of the Candidates.

The candidates on both sides in Britain are busily preparing for the coming parliamentary contest. The majority of the distinguished Liberals whose fortunes we follow with interest, are likely to be returned without serious opposition. The Brights, Forster, Stansfeld, Taylor, Fawcett, Potter, and some other sterling Liberals, will not be in any danger. The same is not the case with Mr. Mill. Westminster will be again contested by W. H. Smith, the wealthy publisher, whom he defeated at the last election. Smith will contest jointly with Lord Hamilton, youngest son of the Duke of Abercorn. Mr. Mill will contest jointly with the son of Earl Grosvenor, as before. This conflict will be very exciting. There seems some probability that Mr. Vernon Harcourt ("Historicus") may get in at Oxford (City), and Lord Amberley "reports progress" in South Devon. Mr. Edmund Beales is making great efforts to be returned from the Tower Hamlets—one of the most immense districts of London—where, however, there will be many candidates and many retirements before the election comes. Some have thought of bringing forward Sir Sydney Waterlow, Alderman, as a less radical Liberal. Considerable interest has been excited by the preparations made for a big contest in the little borough of Woodstock. This borough has been hitherto a mere appanage for a Duke of Marlborough, who said to this man, "Go, and be rooth" to Parliament. Mr. Mitchell Henry made an unsuccessful effort to oppose the "Blenheim man" (one Barnett) at the last election; and this year he will try it again. There is to be a great Liberal meeting there, at which Sir Henry Dashwood, Bart., will preside, and Goldwin Smith will speak. The well-known Dr. W. H. Russell is the leading Tory candidate for the new Borough of Chelsea. He has published an anathema against the disestablishment of the Irish Church as involving a "violation of the oath of the Queen." Thomas Hughes will probably have a bitter opposition in Lambeth, but will conquer. It is too early to say just what form the struggle against Mr. Gladstone, in South-West Lancashire will take. He is associated in the contest with Mr. Grenfell, M.P. It is noticeable that there are a very large number of new names pressing forward for Parliament, and that the number of candidates is enormous—in some cases as many as 12. But many are called, few chosen.

The Hamilton Railway By-Law.

Special to Mercury. The voting took place in Hamilton today on the By-law to transfer the G. W. R. stock to the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway. At noon the vote stood for the By-law 420, against it 53.

FIRES at GODEFRICH.—A fire broke out on Sunday in a large wooden block on West street, belonging to Dr. Gordon, of Goderich, and Thomas Robertson, of Dundas, and occupied by W. Moss, shoemaker, B McCormack, tailor, Miss Taylor, milliner, Mr. Thompson, shoemaker, and Mr. Sharp as a dwelling. The building being old and dry the flames spread rapidly, and in a short time communicated with the brick North American hotel, kept by Andrew Donoghue, which too fell a prey to the devouring flames. Several buildings on the opposite side of the street were fired, but promptly extinguished.

Mr. Charles Magill, M. P., President of the Local Exhibition Committee, is in receipt of a note intimating the acceptance by His Honor, Lieut-Governor Howland, of the invitation to be present at the Exhibition at Hamilton. Invitations to His Excellency, the Governor-General, to the Lieut-Governors of the other Provinces, and other notables have been sent, and a large gathering of the leading men of the Dominion is expected.

Victor Emmanuel is writing an autobiography.

Local and Miscellaneous

WELLINGTON HUNT.

WANTED immediately, a Steady Young Man to look after the Wellington Fox Hounds. For particulars apply to F. GRANGE, ESQ. Guelph, September 1st. 2td

TO PRINTERS.

WANTED immediately, at the Mercury Office, Guelph, a first-class Printer who can make himself generally useful at the Case and Job-work. Constant employment given. Also, a stout, active lad who has been at the business two or three years. A good opportunity of learning the business in all its branches. Apply at once. McLAGAN & INNES, Mercury Office, Guelph.

NO MONOPOLY

PETRIE'S Drug STORE, Old Post Office, Wyndham Street.

DYE STUFFS!

BEING determined to maintain my reputation for keeping

THE BEST DYE STUFFS IN GUELPH,

Have this year devoted a greater amount of time and care to their selection and preparation than ever. My stock will now be found complete, and all parties buying from me will have no difficulty in making colors required, and of the

Very FINEST SHADE.

A. P. B. would call particular attention to his BRIGHT SCARLET DYE, which has given universal satisfaction during the past two years, and pronounced by all parties superior to any they have ever used before. Remember the Old Post Office Buildings. A. B. PETRIE, Chemist. Guelph, September 1st. 2w

MEDICAL HALL!

Ontario, Guelph. Wyndham Street.  **E. HARVEY & CO.** Just received, a fresh supply of

MINCASEA

For the successful rearing of Infants.

This article is prepared under medical supervision, and supported by the Scientific and Theopneustic Institutions of Great Britain, France, &c., and is the only preparation manufactured for this purpose.

Cocoa Nut Oil Soda Soap

For imparting a beautiful Whiteness and Softness to the Skin.

CAMPBELL'S

Quinine Wine!

A large supply just received.

E. HARVEY & CO.,

Cor. Wyndham & Macdonnell-Sts. Guelph. Guelph, September 1st. 2w

NOTICE!

ALL persons indebted to Dr. PERKINS, Rockwood, are hereby notified to settle the same immediately, otherwise their accounts will be put into Court for collection. Rockwood, Aug. 5th 1868. wt

New Advertisements.

Anglo-American Hotel FOR SALE.

THIS HOTEL is the only first-class building that lies on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway between Toronto and London. It is 130 feet long by 45 feet in width, 3 stories high, and of cut stone; 12 and 11 feet high between ceilings; cell-rail suite of building, 10 feet deep. Also stone kitchen 40 x 24, with a cistern that holds over 1000 barrels of water. It is situated in the best business part of the town, and is directly opposite the proposed site of the new Union Passenger Station of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways. It is the only first-class building in the town that is capable of doing a first-class business. The hall runs through the centre of the main building; the rooms are well ventilated and none in the house dark. The furniture is nearly new, having been purchased only four years ago, and will be sold at a valuation. There is a stone stable, capable of affording accommodation for 100 horses; well arranged and runs through to back street.

Likewise there is a farm of 30 acres of the best land in the county, and the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. Three barns and feeding stable and log house are on the farm. Also a running spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of board and new. The farm is laid out in ten acre fields. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at a valuation.

Also, there is in connection with the hotel a Livery Stable, one of the best in Ontario, of fifteen horses, doing the only first-class business in town and indisputably surpassing all others.

As the proprietor is retiring from business he offers to the public a property, the advantages of which are seldom enjoyed by one man in business. The whole will be sold without reserve within three months, either the business separately, or the whole property as may be agreed upon to suit the purchaser.

TERMS.—For the hotel property, half cash down will be required, the remainder to be paid in six yearly instalments, or ten per cent. allowed off the second half, if paid at time of sale.

JAMES O'NEILL, Proprietor. Guelph, Aug. 29. 2w tf

CLEARING SALE

OF AN IMMENSE STOCK OF

WALL PAPER,

Day's Bookstore, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

The balance of our Stock of PAPER HANGINGS will be sold at COST to make room for our Spring stock.

Now is the time to buy; sooner than keep it over till next Spring we will sell at First Cost.

A large lot on hand. Call early and select good patterns, at

DAYS BOOKSTORE,

Opposite the Market. Guelph, Aug. 22.

JUST RECEIVED!

AN IMMENSE STOCK OF

CONCERTINAS

CHEAP.

At Clark's Music Store.

Several NEW PIANOS.

Inspection invited. SHEET MUSIC IN GREAT VARIETY.

At CLARK'S MUSIC STORE,

Market Square, Guelph. Guelph, Aug. 29, 1868. 2w tf

JUST RECEIVED

AT THE

Medical Dispensary

An entire NEW STOCK OF

Toilet Requisites.

E. HARVEY & CO.

Wyndham Street.

OPPOSITE ENGLISH CHURCH.

Canada Clothing Store!

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

BARGAINS

Positively selling off at

20 PER CENT BELOW COST

COUNTRY Merchants and Tailors are particularly invited to inspect the stock of CLOTHING, LITHING, TRIMMINGS, &c., which for quality and cheapness cannot be equalled in the Dominion. We challenge competition.

A number of first-class Sewing Machines for sale at from \$10 to \$45, in good working order. Call before purchasing elsewhere and get a bargain.

RICHARD ANLEY.

Guelph, 29th July. 2w

H. METCALF,

(Late Smith and Metcalf.)

WISHES to inform his customers and the public that he has opened a

SHOP NEXT DOOR to MR. HAZELTON'S,

Nearly opposite the Wellington Hotel, where he is prepared to attend to the wants of customers and the public. He has on hand a lot of

TRUNKS and SADDLES

Slightly soiled by removal at the late fires, will Guelph, July 5, 1868. 2w tf

New Advertisements.

Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory,

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

ENCOURAGE HOME MANUFACTURE!

A Few Facts to the People of Wellington to Consider:

- 1st.—Is it good policy to buy imported BOOTS and SHOES, when you can get home made work for less money.
- 2nd.—Is it wise to keep hundreds of people at work in Hamilton, Toronto, Kingston or Montreal, making your Boots and Shoes.
- 3rd.—Would it not be much better to have those work-people living in Guelph and spending their money here?

Every person can answer the above to suit his own fancy, but remember the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory you can get

Home made Boots, a better article than any Imported Work, for less money. Call and See.

The Cheapest and best Boots in the County are to be had at the WELLINGTON BOOT and SHOE MANUFACTORY, Wyndham Street, Guelph, the "Old Post Office Block."

JOHN A. McMILLAN, Guelph, 1st September. (2w) Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

A. R. McMASTER & BRO.,

Are Now Opening their FALL

IMPORTATIONS!

And will be glad to see their friends and customers at

32 Yonge Street, TORONTO.

Toronto, September 1, 1868. 2w tf

Bryce, McMurrich & Co.

W. HOLESALE

DRY GOODS IMPORTERS,

TORONTO.

Our Large Stock is now fully assorted, to which we invite the attention of the Trade.

TERMS: LIBERAL. Toronto, September 1, 1868. 2w 3m

FRESH

TEAS!

TEAS!

CROP '67 and '68.

REFORD & DILLON

ARE now receiving direct from London, Eng'd, their FALL SUPPLIES of New Season Teas, comprising—

TWANKAYS, YOUNG HYSONS, IMPERIALS, GUNPOWDERS,

Col'd & Uncol'd JAPANS CONGOU, SOUCHONGS, PEKOES.

100 Hhd's Choice Barbadoes and Cuba Sugars,

With a well selected assortment of GENERAL GROCERIES, all of which they offer to the trade LOW.

REFORD & DILLON,

Toronto, September 1, 1868. 12 and 14, Wellington Street, Toronto.

BRADFORD HOUSE

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

PHILIP BISH,

IN returning thanks to the public for the very extensive patronage accorded to him this season, would state that as our Mr. Jeffrey is now in the Markets, and in order to clear out the Stock as much as possible, he will still continue to

Sell the balance of his Stock at the same Prices as they were during our GREAT CLEARING SALE.

OUR STOCK OF DAMASKS, TABLE LINENS, TOWELINGS, SHEETINGS, &c., is well worth the attention of Housekeepers.

Our Fancy Dress Goods

As every body knows, have been the rage this season. We have still some great bargains left.

Just Received—Two Bales White Cotton Warp. Two Bales Coloured Cotton Warp. Three Bales White Cotton. Two Bales of Dundas Cotton Bags.

Also—A splendid assortment of HOOP SKIRTS, to be sold cheap.

PHILIP BISH.

Wyndham Street, Guelph, September 1, 1868. 2w tf

SPECIAL ATTENTION.

THE Highest Market Price paid for Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Catskins, and Wood Pickings.

At No. 4, Day's old Block, Gordon Street, Guelph, July 28. 2w

TEACHERS' PIC-NIC.

THE Teachers in the South Riding of Wellington will hold a Pic-Nic on Saturday, the 12th SEPTEMBER, on the grounds of the Rockwood Academy, at 1 o'clock, p.m. It is hoped that the Teachers, and others interested in education, will make it convenient to attend.

By order of Committee. Guelph, August 31st. 2d-1w

BILLIARD HALL!

Adjoining Coulson's Hotel, GUELPH, ONT. Four New Phelan Standard American tables. Guelph, June 24. W O'CONNOR, Proprietor. 2d 1y

Cedar Posts for Sale.

FOR sale a number of Cedar Posts Apply to Guelph May 25th 1868 DENNIS COFFER. wt

New Advertisements.

Another Lot of those Delicious Pine Apples

At H. BERRY'S.

SPLENDID DATES

At H. BERRY'S.

FINE

ORANGES & LEMONS

At H. BERRY'S.

REAL

Maple Sugar

At H. BERRY'S. Guelph, May 30 1868. 2w

STATIONERY

FANCY GOODS.

At W. J. McCURRY'S OFFICE: Stationery and Fancy Goods Store, opposite the English Church, Wyndham Street, GUELPH.

Will be found a good assortment of Standard Theological Works, Biographies, Travels, Works on Arts and Sciences, Architecture, Engraving and Agriculture, Works on the Horse, Cattle, Sheep and Dog. A large stock of all the SCHOOL BOOKS in general use always on hand, and sold cheap. The Trade supplied at Publishers' Prices.

In Classical Works, the stock will be found equal to any in Ontario. A great variety of Music Books and Sheet Music. A large stock of Family School Pocket BIBLES, School and Pocket Testaments, Wesleyan and other Hymn Books. All the Standard Works of the British Posts.

Law and Office Stationery, a complete assortment of Envelopes and writing materials. Great variety of Gilt and other Moulding for Picture Frames, &c. Looking Glass plate made, and pictures promptly mounted, at the smallest advance on price of moulding.

A very large stock of FANCY GOODS. Over 2,000 Eodin Wool Patterns, at less than half the usual selling price. A very large stock of Italian and other Violin Strings, Bows, Accordions and Concertinas.

English and American ballpaper, bordering and decorations, which for variety, low prices and beauty of pattern cannot be excelled in Canada. As the above stock is imported direct from the manufacturing houses of Great Britain, France and the United States.

Bookbinding and Paper Binding done on the premises at very moderate rates. Guelph, June 24. 2w tf

FRIEND,

WISH can I get good, sound first-class

Bacon, Hams and Shoulders?

AT WILKINSON'S

He has the best in town. The richest, clearest and best assortment of

BRIAR ROOT AND FANCY PIPES

IS AT

GEO. WILKINSON. Guelph, August 3. 2w tf

Special Notice

TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.

E. CARROLL & CO.

BEG to notify that they are now receiving a large lot of NEW CROP

TEAS

which they intend to sell cheaper than any house in Guelph. Examine OUR PRICES and judge for yourselves.

Young Hyson per lb. 75c. worth \$1.00
Old Hyson... 50 " 0.75
Gunpowder... 87 1.00
Japan... 62 " 0.75
Congou... 50 " 0.62
Souchong... 62 " 0.75

And all other Goods equally low at

No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK.

Guelph, August 12. 2w tf

GOOD

Pure CIDER VINEGAR

25 cents per gallon.

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

NEW AND OLD

FACTORY AND DAIRY CHEESE,

Wholesale and Retail.

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Good Young Hyson Tea, 50c
Good Congou Tea, - - 50c

At John A. Wood's.

Fresh ROASTED JAVA COFFEE

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

SILVER AT PAR AND NO MONOPOLY.

THE Undersigned has come to the conclusion to deal as usual by taking silver at par, hoping thereby to squash the discount business, as in other places of note. All kinds of FRESH MEAT always on hand in Butcher Stall No. 2, Guelph Market.

JOHN TYSON, Butcher. Guelph, August 28. 2d 2c