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Guelph, 25th July, 1868.

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At H. BERRY'S.

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At H. BERRY'S.

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At H. BERRY'S.

Guelph, May 30 1868.

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

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A large variety of Scythes, Scythe handles, Cradles, Forks, Stones, Rakes, Grindstones, and other articles suitable to the season. Also Brass and Enamelled Preserving Kettles.

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Evening Mercury.

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WEDNESDAY EVENG, AUG. 5, 1868.

TORONTO, GREY AND BRUCE RAILWAY.

The ratemakers of the township of Holland have ratified the by-law granting \$40,000 to the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway.

NEW BOOKS.—Mr. Day has lately added a large lot of new books to his previous extensive assortment. A list of them will appear in our next issue.

CRICKET.—The Galt Reformer accuses the Guelph cricketers of "shabby backing out" of the late cricket matches which were arranged to have been played between the Counties of Brant and Wentworth vs. Waterloo and Wellington.

The matches came off at Dundas on Friday and Saturday, the score being 78 for Wentworth and Brant and 58 for Waterloo—one innings being played on each side.

BASE BALL.—A return match at base ball was played on Saturday last between the Clifford and Harrison Clubs, resulting in the defeat of the former by one run.

A LESSON.—A little boy named James Fox was tried at the Police Court on Saturday afternoon, for misbehaving himself towards a girl of about fifteen years of age, and sent to goal for a month. By the expiration of that he will perhaps have "learned" better than to take such liberties in future.

HUNKIDORA BASE BALL CLUB.—The married and single men, members of the above Club, played their second match on their ground, Acton, on Saturday the 1st August, which terminated the same as the first, in favor of the single, the single scoring 34 runs to 20 for the married men. As the word satisfaction has been freely circulated by the married men, since the first match, we hope satisfaction has been extended to them in the shape of a good sound drubbing, arising from the fact that it is impossible for them to stand before the sharp folding, rapid hitting, and skillful pitching of the boys.

TEMPERANCE MEETING AT EVERTON.—A meeting, held under the auspices of the Everton Temperance Lodge, took place at Everton on Friday evening last, when a large turn out of people were present. Spirited addresses were delivered by the Chairman, Rev. James Kilgour, and the Rev. James Howie, of Guelph. Mr. James Ferguson gave some excellent recitations. A very pleasant evening was spent by those present.

MUSKOKA DISTRICT.—We have received a little paper published in the Muskoka District, which is named the *Seller's Guide*, and which, as its name implies, is designed to be of service to those who may be seeking homes in Muskoka. From it we learn that the boundaries of the District are as follows:—1st. The River Severn may be taken as the Southern boundary. 2nd. The French River and Lake Nipissing as the Northern boundary. 3rd. The Eastern and Western boundaries are situated within and between 75° and 80° west from Greenwich. The extreme length is about ninety miles and the extreme breadth about thirty-five miles. Area in square miles about 2,800; area in acres 1,500,000.

KNOX'S CHURCH SABBATH SCHOOL PLENIC.—We have been requested to state that the above annual picnic will be held on Friday afternoon, the 14th inst. The place for holding it has not yet been definitely settled upon. The parents of children, members of the congregation, and others interested in the cause, wishing to participate can leave their contributions in the lecture-room of the church, not later than 4 p.m., on that day.

WELLINGTON GREY AND BRUCE RAILWAY.—The "SPECTATOR" says:—At a meeting of the Directors of the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway Company held last night (Tuesday) it was determined to at once advertise for tenders for the first section of the road between Guelph and Fergus, the tenders to be handed in by the 10th prox. This action is taken now, so that no delay may occur in putting the road under actual contract, after the passage of the by-law. It was agreed to survey the line from Mount Pleasant, through Normanby to Walkerton, and Lake Huron. This action looks like real work on the part of the Company; and is the substantial confirmation of the hopes expressed by them when recently in Bruce that the road would be actually under construction before the winter sets in.

The circus establishments at present traversing the country, are attended by

BASE BALL MATCH.

The long expected match between the Guelph and Woodstock Base Ball Clubs for the silver ball and the championship of Canada, took place on the Agricultural Show ground in Woodstock yesterday.

In consequence of the two Clubs having had a match about a month ago, in which Guelph was defeated by only two runs, and the celebrity of both clubs, considerable interest was centered in this match.

The Mayor of Guelph having proclaimed the day as a civic holiday, business was entirely suspended, and a great many people having accompanied the "Maple Leaf" to Woodstock, assisted to swell the number of spectators, which was very large. A temporary stand had been erected for the accommodation of onlookers.

At each end of the stand a Band was placed, the Guelph Silver Cornet band, under the leadership of Mr. Geo. Lawrence, being placed at the left and the Woodstock brass band at the right. Both bands discoursed some excellent music at intervals throughout the afternoon. The ground was in poor condition, and it is a very inferior one any way. A large hulk of a building stands within a few feet of the players, operating seriously against the playing of strangers.

At 1.30 p.m. the contest commenced, Woodstock taking the bat. Mr. William Shuttleworth, of the Maple Leaf Club, Hamilton, acted as umpire. In the first innings Woodstock scored six and Guelph two. In this innings S. Wilson broke his bat, and was "at sea" throughout the afternoon in consequence. J. McKay sent the ball through the windows of the Agricultural Hall, causing a crash of glass. Woodstock in the second innings succeeded in scoring five—the Maple Leaf eight. The play of both clubs now began to manifest itself, it being remarked that the fielding of Guelph was superior to the Young Canadians, and the interest and excitement on both sides running high.

The third innings, however, gave the Young Canadians the score which carried them safe throughout the day, they making twelve to their opponents' two, the game standing at 23 to 12. In the fourth innings the splendid fielding of the Maple Leaf boys did capital service, and they succeeded in giving the Young Canadians a "goose egg," while they scored seven. The odds were then down to four, but the fifth innings scored six for Woodstock and only two for Guelph, leaving a majority of eight in favor of the former, which they maintained till the close of the game. In the sixth innings Woodstock scored one and Guelph two. This was one of the most exciting innings of the contest. One of the Woodstock men had been caught out on a "foul" while Goldie on the long left field caught the ball on a fly, returning it he succeeded in getting out the men making for the first and second bases, for which he was lustily cheered by all present. Woodstock in the seventh innings made four; Guelph three. By the certainty of Goldie's fielding and making excellent catching, the Young Canadians were able to score but two in the eighth innings, and their opponents one. In this innings the best play on both sides during the day was made. The ninth and last inning scored a "goose egg" for the Young Canadians and one for the Guelphites, leaving the game at 26 to 23. Stevenson of the Maple Leaf club, in the last innings made some superior catching. Standing at the first base, by a beautiful catch, he succeeded in putting out the men who were making for the first and second bases. The game was closed amidst intense excitement, the Woodstock people lustily cheering for the Young Canadians and Maple Leaf. They left the ground at 4.30 p.m. In the evening a public meeting was held, when Adam Brown, President of the W. G. & B. R. Co., addressed the ratemakers assembled, but without effect, as the Toronto scheme carried the day.

WOODSTOCK. GUELPH.

Pascoe..... 2 6 Howard..... 2 5

Clyde..... 4 3 Coulson..... 2 5

S. Wilson..... 2 5 Stevenson..... 4 1

Douglas..... 2 3 Stanley..... 4 1

McWhinnie..... 1 3 Steele..... 1 6

Anderson..... 3 3 Goldie..... 3 4

Edwards..... 2 3 Smith..... 3 2

J. Wilson..... 6 2 Nichols..... 3 2

McKay..... 2 3 Mitchell..... 5 2

Total..... 27 36 Total..... 27 28

Runs each innings—1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Woodstock..... 6 5 12 0 1 4 2 0 36

Guelph..... 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 29

Umpire, Mr. W. Shuttleworth, who discharged his onerous duties in a fearless and impartial way, giving general satisfaction to all. Scorers: Woodstock, Mr. McKay; Guelph, A. B. Feast.

HOWDYS.

We were always aware that Woodstock, like many other places, contained a certain class (for they are limited to a family or two) whose height of ambition appears to be how base and how degraded they can possibly make themselves. They believe in the "Donnybrook fair" style of doing things, and are certainly a pest to the town in which they live. "Tread on the tail as we coast" appears to be their challenge, and any one coming within a pole's length of them is rushed about

kick at their victim. That no improvement has taken place in the class we refer to, for the last fifteen years, was manifested yesterday; and certainly if surplused the peace-loving citizens of Guelph to witness the violence and rowdiness which appeared to go unheeded yesterday; not a check having been attempted by the civic authorities. This certainly is a bad state of affairs for that beautiful and enterprising town, and the sooner steps are taken to put down such mobs by the strong arm of the law the better it will be for the town, and the somewhat unenviable notoriety for decency and order which it enjoys. We fully estimate the Young Canadian base ball club from any blame in this affair, and should they ever come to Guelph, although the town should turn out *en masse*, we promise them a different state of affairs; but it will be a long time ere a club from Guelph will go to Woodstock, if a material change does not take place in the way of enforcing order. The only inference we could draw from the brutal exhibitions yesterday, was that these roughs had everything their own way in that town, and that no one dared to interfere with them in their nefarious work. We can assure our Woodstock friends that it will take many a good act on their part to efface from our memories the proceedings of yesterday.

Town Council.

The Council met on Monday night. Present, the Mayor in the chair, Dr. Herod, Messrs. Hoffman, Day, Masie, Howard, Buckland, Seyers, Chadwick, Mays, Mitchell and Harvey.

The Clerk read the minutes. Accounts were presented from T. W. Cooper for \$18, two from H. Stovel for \$6.50 and \$3.50 respectively from Wm Brownston for beds, &c., for Volunteers \$12.51, extra allowance for Volunteers \$9, extra Police \$1.50, and Jas. Humphries for having Fire Engines on several occasions \$17.—Referred to Finance Committee.

The Clerk read a memorial from Ohas. Taylor, Baker of Valparaiso, for the refunding of \$8, being the amount he had paid for the use of the Dull Shed one night on which he had not exhibited. On motion of Dr. Herod seconded by Mr. Mays the petition was granted. The Clerk read a communication from the Secretary of the Fire Company, setting forth the desire of the Chief Engineer that six more men might be appointed by the Council to assist in handling the hose reels.—Referred to Fire and Water Committee.

The Clerk read a communication from Mr. Donald Guthrie, in which he gave it as his opinion that the Rector and Churchwardens of St. George's Church had power to dispose of certain portions of the Church lot, and that on receiving the release the Town would be safe in paying the sum mentioned between them.

The Mayor read a communication from the Police Magistrate, bringing under the notice of the Council the fact that Mr. Hough, sr., had never performed his duties as Police Clerk, having left them to Geo. Hough, over whom he (the P. M.) had no authority. Since then Mr. Hough, sr., had declined acting as the Police Clerk, he requested the Council to appoint Geo. Hought to the office, otherwise he would have to prohibit him from acting.

Mr. Chadwick read a petition from Geo. Neve calling the attention of the Council to the rough state in which his property had been left after gravel had been taken from it, and requested that it might be levelled. Referred to R. and B. Committee.

Mr. Hoffman read a petition from Timothy Sheedy for remission of dog tax. Referred to Finance Committee.

Dr. Herod read the following petition from Geo. Bruce, sr.:

The undersigned beg leave to memorialize your Honorable body, that I have just cause as proprietor of certain property being and lying on the Edinburgh road to represent that I am aggrieved, my property damaged unnecessarily by those employed and paid from the funds of the Corporation (by whose authority the undersigned said lot) cutting the street immediately in front of my gate to a depth of 7 or 8 feet, reducing the width of the street one-half. I know not of any municipal law giving to any corporate body, whatsoever or whosoever, to interfere with the public or private rights guaranteed to the Queen's lieges, by interrupting and endangering the public highway, and that after being frequently remonstrated with.

Trusting the combined wisdom of so many Honorable, venerable, distinguished, intelligent, enlightened, philanthropic, generous, intellectual, economical, and highly esteemed men of mark, devoting their time, and what abilities they may fortunately or unfortunately possess; for the weal or woe of the loyal denizens of the town of Guelph, will in their wisdom condescend to take into your most dignified and favourable consideration the above memorial to prevent annoyance or disagreeable consequences.

Geo. BRUCE, sr.

P.S.—Two teams and a number of hands are busy working and undermining the while I am writing.

G. B.

Mr. Chadwick presented the report of the Finance Committee. They had much pleasure in presenting the map of the Town, drawn by Joseph Hobson, Esq., and recommended that the same be accepted, framed and hung up in the Committee room for reference; and that a printed copy of the same be prepared to be deposited in the Registry Office, as required by law.—Adopted.

Dr. Herod presented the report of the Board of Health, which was signed by the Mayor as Chairman. It was as follows: The Board of Health, to whom was referred the petition of John Tyson and others, beg respectfully to report, that they have carefully examined the section of the Consolidated By-laws referred to, and cannot recommend that any alteration should be made in sec. 27, as prayed for in said petition.—Adopted.

Dr. Herod moved the first and second reading of the by-law to amend the market by-law, making the fees payable in cents, instead of in pence as heretofore. The tariff is as follows, the by-law being filled up in Committee of the Whole: Double wagon or other double vehicle 1c, single do. 7c, horse or wheelbarrow 4c, basket 2c. Fair ground: Horse, mare or gelding 19c, cattle 6c, each sheep, calf or hog not in wagon 2c. Scales: Weighing draft on hay scales 12c, market scales under 100lbs. 2c, heavy draft on market scales, from 100lbs. to 300lbs. 4c, every additional 100 lbs. 1c, quarter of beef, sheep or hog 2c. Measurement for every separate pint or bushel 2c, and wood 2c. The Committee gave and reported, and the by-law was passed and numbered 175.

Dr. Herod said he had again to call attention to the tanks. At every corner of the streets he was met with a sneer from some person with regard to the failure of those that had already been put down. The Fire and Water Committee had during the whole year been remiss in the matter of reports, and he thought it was as little as they could have done at the present meeting, knowing the failure, to bring in a report and told all they knew about it, and whether there was a likelihood that the contract would be carried out. It was not courteous either to the Council or to the Town to do otherwise when a large contract—a contract of \$1,000 had been let, and \$350 of the sum paid, while we were no better off than before.

Mr. Harvey said that it was known when the deficiency in the tank was, and it would be corrected. But as regarded a supply of water people might make their minds easy on that score, for they had got the hose so arranged that they could cover any part of the town.

Mr. Buckland said he had understood that the tanks were to be inspected before they were put down, but the first one had not been.

Mr. Harvey said he was from home

THE EXCURSION.

The town was very quiet on Tuesday after the bustle of getting off to the excursion train had subsided. Almost the only appearance of life afterwards was when the morning trains came in, and the people gathered to get their *Globe* or *Leader*. A number of our townfolk went down to Toronto. There was great excitement for a moment, occasioned by two ill-natured little terriers getting hold of each other and having a rough-and-tumble over the rails just as the Toronto train was coming up pretty rapidly. The wheel of the locomotive was about a foot from them when they let each other go, and bounded back on this platform. Throughout the day an occasional straggler was to be seen on the street, and as night approached the Telegraph Office became the focus of attraction to a number who had staked small piles on the Base Ball Match. Tickets were sold to 473 excursionists at the G. W. Station in Guelph, and thirteen cars started with this number of human beings, all in good spirits and bent on enjoying a gala day. There were accessions to the number at Hespler, Preston, Galt, Branchton, and other stations on the way. The train left Guelph at ten minutes past seven, and reached Woodstock about half-past ten. It was late at night before the excursionists returned, having spent a very agreeable time, and not the slightest accident having occurred to mar the pleasure of the day. Certainly they should, and we believe they do, feel grateful to Mr. Swinyard for his generosity, and to Mr. Brodie, Station Master, for his intercession, by which they got a long and safe ride for the low price of one dollar; and also to the conductor, Mr. James Blount, for the courteous and gentlemanly treatment extended by him to the excursionists, he doing everything in his power to render them happy and comfortable.

Mount Forest Correspondence.

From our Correspondent.

The Railroad excitement still continues unabated. Meetings have been held in Normanby and Egmont by the Toronto directors of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce road, and at all those meetings they have been fully sustained by the ratemakers of these municipalities. Those gentlemen arduously a series of meetings through out Bentinck, Glenelg, Holland and Sullivan. All those townships are favorable to the scheme, therefore there is no doubt of the ultimate success of the narrow gauge. There was a convention of the Reeves, Deputy Reeves and Councillors of the following corporations, viz: Egmont, Normanby, Arthur and Mt. Forest, held in Mount Forest on Saturday for the purpose of coming to a mutual understanding, if possible, as to which line of Railroad we can get in this section and the line that should be supported. A vote was taken, which resulted in favor of the Toronto road by two to one. Whilst the township representatives were in session on the above subject, a strong deputation from Hamilton and Toronto arrived in town. In the evening a public meeting was held, when Adam Brown, President of the W. G. & B. R. Co., addressed the ratemakers assembled, but without effect, as the Toronto scheme carried the day.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.

WEDNESDAY, 4th.—R. Grand appeared again this morning to answer a charge of having sold liquor without license, and was fined \$20 and costs. Nancy Dolan, for vagrancy, was sent to goal for 21 days.

The case against Geo. O. Robinson, for a breach of Lotery Act, came up again this morning, having been adjourned from Monday. There were two informations of goods having been disposed of two different parties by a mode of chance. On one he was fined \$20 and costs, and the other lies over for ten days.

An attempt was made on Friday morning last to burst open the safe of the Passenger Department, G. W. R. Galt.

100 SHEEP STRAYED.—The Galt Reformer says that Mr. James Good-fellow who lives about three miles west of Doop, has lost about 100 sheep, which strayed from his premises about three week ago.

The ratemakers of Sullivan have defeated the by-law proposing to grant the railway \$38,000.

The Traction Engine after an

Mays, that the written contracts for the tanks be now laid before the Council, and all communications having reference to the same.—Carried.

The contract having been produced Dr. Herod said, that before reading it he thought the Fire and Water Committee were to blame; but now he was sure of it. The contract was worth nothing; it was all one sided. Mr. Armstrong might throw up the agreement and keep what money he had got. He had before pointed out that it was on account of the loose way the contracts were let that we had not as good tanks here as in other places. How is it that we can't have tanks when they have them in Beckwith and other places, and Goodenham, & Worts, or Toronto, have one that holds 22,000 gallons. The tanks should have been tested before they were put down, and if the Fire and Water Committee had been acting for themselves they would have been brought into ridicule, but he was not going to be blamed at every corner, for the whole Council were censured and not the Committee only. It was not enough that one-fourth of the money should have been kept back from the contractor until the work was completed. He should have been obliged to give security, either his own personal security, or that of two others, and for every day that the tanks were unfinished after the 1st of July he should have forfeited \$50 a day.

Mr. Harvey said he had no doubt the contract would be carried out in good faith. The contractor's reputation as a workman was at stake and it was to his interest to make the tanks efficient.

Mr. Chadwick also condemned the contract, there was nothing whatever binding in it. Mr. Armstrong should have received no money until the work was done.

Some further discussion on this point followed.

Moved by Dr. Herod, seconded by Mr. Harvey, that leave be granted to bring in a by-law, to amend the Crown Prince of the appointment and remuneration of Police Clerk. Carried.

The Council adjourned.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

London, July 4.—The wheat harvest in the British Isles is nearly over, and according to the estimates which can now be formed the yield of the crop will be at least double that of last year, and will exceed by one-third the annual average.

Bonn, Aug. 4.—The University of Bonn has conferred the degree of D.L. upon his Royal Highness the Crown Prince of Prussia, Hon. George Bancroft, the U. S. Minister, Prof. Darwin and John Stuart Mill, of England.

London, Aug. 4.—Mr. Scallor, counsel for the prisoners Warren and Costello, in a communication to the London Times repeats his declaration that his clients were tried and convicted on the evidence produced in the United States. The Times, in answer, reiterates in the most positive terms its denial of the correctness of the statement.

The royal commission on the Irish Church establishment have made their report. They recommend the abolition of all the Episcopal sees and cathedral establishments in Ireland, except 8 to be maintained on reduced incomes. They also report in favor of measures to encourage tenants under church leases to purchase property in perpetuity, and to enable land holders, by the payment of tithes and rent charges, to eventually redeem and regain possession of their lands.

American Despatches.

New York, Aug. 5.—The Herald's St. Thomas special says Marshal Falcon, lately President of Venezuela, has repudiated before Coro, whence he had recently departed, to make his escape to the island of Curacao. He contemplated attacking Gen. Monagas to regain the executive chair from which the latter drove him by force.

The Times' special says a telegram from Lieut. Gov. Gleason of Florida announces that the Legislature of that State has passed an Act providing for the election of Presidential Electors by the joint ballot of the two Houses of the Legislature in joint convention. This example will doubtless be followed by other Southern States and perhaps by all of them. The health of Thad Stevens is again declining and to-night is reported in an exceedingly critical condition.

Reliable persons from New Orleans confirm statements that rebel cavalry regiments in Louisiana have been reorganized as Seymour Knights, and the infantry regiments as Blair guards.

MATTERS ABOUT CLIFFORD.—Our Clifford correspondent, writing on Monday, says: The weather is getting somewhat cooler,