

The First Vote of the Council. The Herald scents politics in the first vote of the Town Council on the appointment of a special committee to draught standing committees. So to we, but with this difference, that it was the distinguished legislator for the South Ward, Mr. Thos. Heforman, who is responsible for introducing them. The motion was no doubt concocted and written out twenty hours before it was moved, with the express object of keeping the Reeve off the Committee. The little game of our distinguished legislator aforesaid was, however, too transparent, and was balked by Mr. Elliott, who moved and carried his amendment, including the Reeve, and a fair representation from each of the Wards. If the Herald's friends will introduce politics in the Council proceeding, they must expect to be met and beaten by their own weapons. But don't let them complain after they are beaten, and seek to shift the onus off their own shoulders on that of their colleagues. If, as the Herald says, there is to be war to the knife, why let it come, but on its friends will rest the responsibility of beginning the fight.

The Proposed Railway. By reference to our report of the meeting held in the Queen's Hotel, on Monday evening, it will be seen that the leading men of the Town are determined not to allow our interests to go by default. A large and influential committee has been appointed to secure the charter of the proposed new road from Guelph to Orangeville and Collingwood, and the Mayor has been requested to call a special meeting of the Council to consider the advisability of granting the charter. This looks like work, and we trust that all interested will second the efforts put forth for the early construction of a road, the building of which would be so advantageous to the town of Guelph. We have more to say upon the subject in a few days.

Opening of the New Baptist Church. PUBLIC MEETING.

A public meeting, being a continuation of the services held in connection with the opening of the basement of the new Baptist Church, was held in that place on Monday night. There was a large attendance, a number of whom belonged to other denominations in town. The Rev. J. Mackie, Pastor of the Church, occupied the chair, and opened the proceedings by giving out a hymn, which being sung, the Rev. James Gerrie, of Elora, engaged in prayer.

The chairman in a few introductory remarks expressed the gratification he and the people felt that their ardent prayers had been so far answered, and their wishes so far realized in the partial completion of the church, and the opening of this part of it. God in His good time and way raises up agencies and means, and they were devoutly thankful that He had put into the hearts of His people to come forward so liberally, by which they were enabled to accomplish so much. As chairman of the Building Committee, he had much pleasure in complimenting Mr. Langler, the architect, on his beautiful plans, which were so well carried out under the able superintendence of Mr. Boulton. He had also great pleasure in hearing testimony to the very satisfactory way in which the contractors had done their work. Each being the case there was little left for him or the Committee to do but go around the buildings and admire the work as it progressed. As Treasurer of the Committee, he might state that the whole work, including the building of the spire and fencing, will cost about \$12,000. There had already been paid on the building on contract account \$10,928.87. Of this amount he (the Pastor) had received from sister congregations \$500; subscriptions from parties in town, outside the congregation, about \$147; the balance had been raised among the members of the congregation. After again, on behalf of himself and congregation, expressing devout thankfulness to God for the great success which had attended their efforts, he called on the Rev. Dr. Hogg, who congratulated the people connected with the Baptist Church in Guelph on seeing their hopes realized in getting into their new church. He wished them all success in the great work in which they were all engaged, in the conversion of souls, and enjoined on them and on all other Christian bodies to cultivate fraternal affection, and to co-operate together in all good works. The Rev. Mr. Wood followed in a similar strain. He hoped that for many generations to come the good work he had gathered into the fold of Christ in this place, and that they would be able to realize not only the blessedness of loving him, but love to each other, and to all who are in the bonds of faith. Excellent and appropriate speeches were also given by Rev. Mr. Selman (at present preaching in the Congregational Church here), Rev. Mr. Gerrie, Elora, Rev. Mr. Bates, Woodstock, and Rev. Dr. Cooper, London.

The proceedings which were of a very pleasant and profitable character, were brought to a close about ten o'clock, by the chairman, who after thanking the speakers for their attendance, and the press of the town for their kind notices, pronounced the benediction. Several hymns were very nicely sung by the choir and audience during the evening, and at the close a collection was taken up in aid of the building fund. To-night the Rev. Mr. Richardson, of Hamilton, preaches in the church at half-past 7 o'clock, and to-morrow night the Rev. Mr. Dates, of Woodstock, at the same hour.

SMASH UP ON THE NARROW GAUGE.—There was a smash-up on the Narrow-gauge Railway on Monday morning at 11 o'clock. The engine of the accommodation train from the south ran off the track about three miles north of Thornbury. The cause was expansion of the rails. The engineer and fireman were scalded. Fortunately the coupling broke, and a very serious accident must have followed. The engine is lying in the middle down.

Large quantities of cheap books and news depot, at the Market, Guelph.

THE LION! THE LION!



GOOD NEWS! HAPPY NEWS! JOYFUL NEWS!

New Year's Gifts for me, for you, and for Everybody! The Lion for Ever! Long may he Reign!

BANKRUPT'S STOCK AT LESS THAN HALF PRICE!

The Bankrupt Stock of Mr. A. Polson, of Galt, amounting to \$20,000, coming to Guelph, to be sold at the Golden Lion! Hurrah, Hurrah, for the Lion! Happy New Year! Long Life and Happiness to the Proprietors of this Mammoth Establishment!

CHANCE & WILLIAMSON

Have pleasure in announcing to their friends and customers that they have bought the stock of Mr. A. Polson, of Galt, at half the cost price, and in order to give their numerous customers, one and all, New Year's Gifts, will on January 4th offer to the public, in addition to this Bankrupt Stock, their whole stock of DRY GOODS amounting to over \$100,000 at the actual cash price. Remember, at the actual cost, sterling, in the old county. Every Clerk & Employee in the Establishment has received instructions to ask only one price, and that the actual Cost.

This being an opportunity that has never occurred before in Guelph, and probably never will again, every one, both young and old, rich and poor, should participate in the benefits of getting the best and cheapest goods ever offered to the public.

REMEMBER, REMEMBER, REMEMBER,

Your choice of Bankrupt Stock; also your choice of the whole store from the fourth flat to cellar, embracing all the novelties in Fancy Goods, also the best Staple Goods ever imported to Canada.

The Sale will commence on Saturday, January 4th, 1873. No Reserve! Everything at Cost for One Month! CHANCE & WILLIAMSON.

BIRTHS.

HANSEN - At Guelph, on the 21st inst., the wife of Mr. A. Hansen, of a daughter.

DIED

TALBOT - In Ermosa, on the 21st inst., Mr. Henry Talbot, in the 63rd year of his age, because was amongst the first settlers in Ermosa, having settled there in the year 1838.

The funeral will leave the family residence at 1 o'clock on Thursday. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this notice.

PETRIE'S NEW DRUG STORE

Nearly opposite the Old Stand. NOW OPEN.

Mr. PETRIE takes this opportunity to thank the Public for their large and liberal support during the seven years he has been in business in Guelph.

The New Store is the one formerly occupied by Mr. H. Berry, and lately by Mr. J. R. Forté, as a Confectionery Store. The store has been enlarged and refitted, making it a much more desirable place of business than the old stand.

Having secured the new store for a term of Ten Years, I hope, with the assistance of the Public, to prevent in the future as I have done during the past seven years, any monopoly in the Drug Trade in Guelph.

The old store will remain open for business until the first of May.

By conducting my business in the future in the same upright principle as in the past, I trust to receive a continuance of your generous support.

I am, yours very truly, A. B. PETRIE.

1873 NOW IS YOUR CHANCE

Hunter's and Trapper's Guide, Bow Bells, Cassells, and Canadian Almanacs for 1873, Josh Billings' Almanac, and Carl Petzel's Almanac, 1873. Will be presented to every subscriber of the Weekly Globe... \$1 50, Weekly Mail... 1 00, Weekly Leader... 1 50, Weekly Mercury... 1 50, Weekly Advertiser... 1 50, Weekly Herald... 1 50.

Remember, these are not old Books, but are all new and useful. Send your subscriptions, and have your orders by mail promptly attended to. AT ANDERSON'S Cheap Book and News Depot, at the Market, Guelph.

New Advertisements.

Co-Operative Store.

LADIES PLAIN FELT OVER SHOES Reduced to \$1 per pair.

Men's Overcoats & Ladies' Furs Are also Reduced in Price.

NOTICE

Customers who present their Pass Books during the present month will receive the dividend of Three per cent on their purchases for the past quarter.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.

CLEAR THE TRACK FOR THE FASHIONABLE WEST END!

GREAT BARGAINS "ALL THIS MONTH" Selling Off! Selling Off!

We are now offering to the Ladies of Guelph, the Balance of our Large and Beautiful Stock of Dress Goods at cost price. We have no hesitation in saying that we have the best stock of desirable Dress Materials to be found in the trade, and Ladies who may favor us with their patronage will find no difficulty in getting suited.

Dress Goods at Cost Price all this Month! Our entire and splendid stock of Shawls and Mantles to be sold all this month at Cost Price. Our Beautiful and Attractive Stock of Millinery to be sold off at once—PRICE NO OBJECT 1 case Terry and Silk Velvet Hats and Bonnets—NEWEST STYLES ONLY—former price everywhere, \$1.25, to be sold off at 50 cents each. 1 case Velvet Hats, various new styles, former prices 75c and \$1, to be sold off at 25c each.

The Ladies of Guelph are cordially invited to examine our Stock. Our Clearing Sale will continue all this month. A. O. BUCHAM, Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment. Guelph, Jan 9, 1873.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN IMPORTING HOUSE,

48 and 50 Yonge Street, TORONTO; and 196 and 198 McGill Street, MONTREAL.

Full lines of the following goods of this season's importation or manufacture offered to the jobbing trade by the package, or to general merchants in any part of the Dominion. TERMS—CLOSE, and discounts liberal to prompt men.

Table Cutlery, Pocket Cutlery, Nickelite Silver Spoons, Electro-plated Spoons, Electro-plated Ware, Sterling Silver Spoons and Forks, Dixon's Shot and Powder Flasks, Janned Trays and Waiters, Walker and Ely's Gun Cases, Celebrated Periscope Spectacles, Musical and Patent Albums, Violins and Accordeons, Watches, Waltham and Swiss Clocks, Connecticut and French Old Bull Violin Strings, Bohemian Glass Ware, German Morocco Pocket Books, Toys in Wood, Tin and Iron, Baskets, Fancy and Market, Fancy China Ware, Gosnell's Brushes and Soaps, Meerschaum and Drier Pipe Work boxes and writing desks, Ladies' and Gents' Dressing Cases, Shell and Pearl Card Cases, Jewellery, Gold and Plat, Jewellery, Gold and Jet, Crystal Looking Glass Plate

Fancy Goods generally, the largest stock in the Dominion. ROBT. WILKES, Sept. 24, 1872. dwj

AUCTION SALE

Homestead, in Guelph, Thursday, 27th of Feb'y, 1873, AT TWO P.M., AT THE PREMISES.

Mrs. R. CORBET will offer for sale her residence, corner of Norfolk and Oxford streets, Town of Guelph, comprising one quarter acre of land, Stone Dwelling of two stories, having Drawing Room, Dining Room, Parlor, Library, and seven upstairs Bed Rooms (gas in 10 rooms); also kitchen, wood shed, &c. A stable for two horses, also a never failing well of pure water, and large cistern with pump. The Garden is stocked with choice Fruit Trees.

These premises are in excellent condition, sufficient for a large family, and situated in the most pleasant part of the Town, within five minutes walk of all the Churches and Markets. Guelph being widely known for its healthy situation, enterprise, and excellent market, an opportunity—rarely equalled—is now presented to persons desirous of procuring a property not only of increasing value, but one which will prove a most agreeable homestead.

Terms—One-third cash, and the balance in five years at 7 per cent interest, half yearly, secured by mortgage and fire policy. Possession given by the 1st May next, or sooner. Title good. Intending purchasers are referred to LEMON & PETERSON, Solicitors, or W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer.

N.B.—The premises may be inspected every Wednesday afternoon. Guelph, Jan. 17, 1873. dw

GREAT SALE FOR ONE MONTH

FANCY GOODS, Jewellery and Toys, Worked Shawls, Ottomans, Cushions, Screens, Feuders, &c., Scarfs, Ties, Clouds, Hoods, Bonnets, Caps and Shawls.

At 20 per cent. Discount. A large assortment of Toys and General Fancy Goods, Wool, etc., must be sold regardless of price, to make room for the NEW STOCK.

Knitting of all Kinds Done to order on the shortest notice. STAMPING for Braiding, and EMBROIDERY from natural designs, done with neatness and dispatch. PATTERNS A full assortment of Madame Demorest's reliable patterns for Ladies', Misses, and Children's Garments of all kinds.

AT J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods, and Toy Store. Wyndham Street, Guelph.

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.

The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hatch's Block, and will supply customers with meat of the best quality, at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. CHAS. FENNEL, Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872. dw

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE.

For sale, the Wason, Lockman and Howe Sewing Machines, all first class and cheap for cash. Enquire at the Mercury Office. nldw

PARKERS HOTEL, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE the MARKET, GUELPH

First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler. The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar. F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter

GRAINER and PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. For sale, the Wason, Lockman and Howe Sewing Machines, all first class and cheap for cash. Enquire at the Mercury Office. nldw

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!

IMMENSE CLEARING SALE

AT THE LARGE NO. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph, Commencing on Wednesday, 8th Jan. AND CONTINUING For Thirty Days.

Fifteen to twenty thousand dollars worth of DRESS GOODS, DRESS TRIMMINGS, MILLINERY, BREAKFAST SHAWLS, MANTLES, SHAWLS, NUBIAS, CROSS OVERS,

Together with a Mammoth Stock of Ready-made Clothing and Furnishing Goods in Men's, Boys and Children's Wear, to be Rushed off regardless of profit. The subscriber being desirous of clearing out the whole of his winter stock,

GREAT BARAINS WILL BE GIVEN Call early and get the first selection W. GALLOWAY, Next door to J. M. Bond's Hardware Store, Guelph, Jan. 7, 1873

N.B.—All purchases entered on the books during the sale will be charged at the regular rates.

FRASER

\$34,600 brought to Guelph will be offered for Sale in Lots to suit Merchants, Hotel Keepers, and others, on and after Monday, the 13th inst., at the Cheap Store.

GOOD NEWS—The Largest Wholesale Bankrupt Stock ever

MR. FRASER having bought a Wholesale Bankrupt Stock in Montreal, at Fifty Cents in the Dollar, will sell the same at less than the Goods could be bought for in England. Seeing is believing.

FRASER \$34,600

PHENIX MILLS, WATERLOO ROAD.

Chopping and Gristing Carefully attended to, and satisfaction promised.

Family and Fall Flour, Graham Flour, Cracked Wheat, Corn Meal, Chopped Corn, Feed and Millers' Oats.

Of all sorts for sale at the old Stand, Upper Wyndham Street

Next door to D. Naismith's. Having our own Mill, articles dealing with us can rely that our Flour, Feed, &c., is fresh good, and as cheap as any place in Town. Buckwheat Flour for sale. Orders promptly attended to. Guelph, Oct. 31, 72. MCWATTERS & BUTT

WILL SHOW AT THE LION THIS DAY

The Largest and Cheapest Stock of BLANKETS Ever Shown in Guelph.

Now is a rare opportunity of getting the best Value at the Great Sale of BANKRUPT STOCK

The most successful (because the most truthful) ever known in Guelph, all Goods being sold at a reduction. At and Under Cost. Golden Lion, Guelph.