

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 29, 1874.

Public Accounts Committee.
The Public Accounts Committee are doing as good service as the one now investigating the North West route, in bringing to light some shameful instances of mismanagement and reckless waste of the public money by the late Government.

It appears that the contractors for section 16 on the Intercolonial Railway were Messrs. King and Gough—the latter a stepson of the Hon. Peter Mitchell late Minister of Marine and Fisheries. These gentlemen contracted to do the work on that section for the sum of \$206,000. The work, until within four months of the contract being finished, was inspected by a district engineer named Fitzgerald, who was, however, removed to another section.

During his absence important modifications were made in the contract, bridges and other works of that nature were left out, and a change made in the grade, by which a saving of many thousand cubic yards was effected. Yet for the work actually done \$169,000 were paid to the contractors, which according to careful measurement and calculations was only worth \$79,000.

Mr. Fitzgerald, who was examined by the Committee, stated in evidence that the engineer over him instructed him by telegraph to add \$6,000 to one month's estimate for special work which had no existence at the time or since. It seems that Mr. Fitzgerald demurred to do this and other dishonest acts, and because of his stubbornness he was dismissed, but was afterwards reinstated, the parties to these nefarious transactions being afraid no doubt that he would be sent to jail.

Another transaction, equally questionable, and in which a member of Parliament is concerned, has also come to light. Some months ago claims for work done were brought before the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway, to decide on their validity, and while they were under consideration, Senator McLellan, one of the Commissioners, bought up these claims at a discount. Of course the purchase of these claims made him a deeply interested party in the transaction, and he no doubt exercised all his influence and tried every means to get his brother Commissioners to pass them. The matter was brought to light by Dr. Tupper's motion pressing for the payment of these claims.

Mr. Macenzie in referring to the motion stated that one of the Commissioners (McLellan) had purchased some of these claims, and that they would not be paid till it was known who actually owned them now, and what amount had been paid for them.

We said not long ago that the Government would be able to unearth some very questionable transactions of the late Administration and their chief supporters. We have already given the details of three such acts which the Opposition organs have not dared to defend. Before the present session is over others equally bad will doubtless be brought to light.

Red Chaff Wheat.

We find that some of the farmers have been considerably exercised over a paragraph which appeared in this paper some weeks ago, cautioning farmers against growing the red chaff wheat, as it is very unpopular with millers and wheat buyers, who will not pay so much by 10 cents a bushel for it as they will do for other spring wheat. We made the statement on the testimony of several of these millers and buyers, who all agreed as to the inferior quality of the wheat in question. Since then one or two farmers have waited on us, and given their views on the subject, and they say that the loss in price for this particular kind of wheat is more than made up by the additional yield. One farmer near Preston states that his experience of the red chaff is that it will yield on an average 25 bushels per acre, when other spring wheat, such as the Glasgow, will only yield 15 bushels per acre. He also maintains that the objectionable qualities of this wheat, which millers complain of, will be successively sowing disappear just as they did in regard to the other kinds of spring wheat introduced into the country some years ago, and now almost universally sown.

One or two correspondents in the *Brussels Post* have taken this matter up with spirit, and give their views in that paper. One who signs himself "Cled-dopper" says:—"We have heard these same millers raise the same cry against the Broadwell wheat when it first came into use in this part of the country. They said that it could not be ground at all, that it was like sand or Indian corn meal and would not make flour. The *Treadwell* wheat needs no recommendation; what would farmers of this country have done without it? And now that our kind of spring wheat has run out, we must have a new variety. Our Glasgow wheat as he calls it, has run out. We can only raise from ten to fifteen bushels per acre of it, whilst twenty to twenty-five of red chaff can be raised per acre on the same land with the same treatment. It only requires to be sowed a few times to bring it to perfection, as other varieties have been brought before by our soil."

Another writer in the same paper says:—"Although it may not be as profitable manufacture into flour, I think it can be easily shown that it is a great deal more profitable to the farmer, even allowing he may have to sell it for ten cents a bushel less than the Glasgow wheat. The Glasgow wheat will not average more than 15 bushels per acre, while red chaff will yield at least 25 bushels per acre, making a gain of 10 bushels to the acre in favor of red chaff. Allow the Glasgow wheat to sell at \$1.10 per bushel, and an acre sown will realize only \$16.50, while an acre of red chaff at 75¢ per bushel will bring \$22, which would be a cash gain of \$5.50 on one acre, or \$5 on every ten acres sown."

The *Waterloo Chronicle* gives the above, and Messrs. Geo. Randall & Co., W. B. Snider and Wm. Snider, prominent men in that village, in reply to it say:—"In reference to the above we would say that last year's crop of red chaff wheat was not worth as much Scotch wheat by at least 10 cents

more to a decided extent, and is altogether a most undesirable wheat for milling purposes. We do not recommend farmers to sow it this year, at least to any considerable extent."

Having now given both sides of the question, we leave the matter in the hands of the farmers to pursue whatever course their judgment and interest dictate.

It is understood that the Government intend to expend \$8,000,000 on the Pacific Railway this year.

The cases of forgery and falsification of accounts in connection with the Dawson Road are now engaging the attention of the Public Accounts Committee.

The *Ottawa Free Press* says a bill is now before the house to charter an agricultural Fire Insurance Company with its head office at Ottawa.

There was a warm debate in the Nova Scotia Assembly yesterday on a motion censuring Mr. Woodworth for bringing an unfounded charge against the Provincial Secretary of having falsified the public records. The motion passed, and was followed by one to summon him to the bar to make a formal apology to the Provincial Secretary and the House.

It is in contemplation by the British military authorities to construct at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, a gun weighing eighty-one tons. There is a probability that the great coil or this monster cannon may be welded in the presence of the Czar of Russia.

BIRTHS.
BERWICK — On the 24th of April, the wife of Mr. Richard Berwick, of a daughter.

Garden Tools,
Garden Tools,
Fishing Tackle,
Fishing Tackle,
Bird Cages,
Bird Cages,
Large variety of each

JOHN HOBBSMAN'S,
HARDWARE MERCHANT,
GUELPH.

TOWN HALL.
RETURN
OF
HERNDON'S

Opera House Company
BRASS BAND AND ORCHESTRA
FOR FOUR NIGHTS
Commencing WEDNESDAY Evening, APRIL 29th.

When will be presented the beautiful and thrilling drama, full of wit, humour, startling situations, and beautiful tableaux, written by the talented author and actor, W. S. Huggins, Esq., and entitled

"OUT OF THE FIRE"
During the play will be presented the immensely popular MULLIGAN GUARDS. The whole to conclude with Mr. Herndon's great specialty of

Old Solon Shingle.
Admission 35 cents; Reserved seats 50c. Reserved seats can be secured without extra charge at Anderson's Bookstore, during the day only.
Doors open at 7.15, begins at 8.
Guelph, April 27, 1874.

CHANCERY SALE.
OF
Valuable Farm near Guelph.
In pursuance of the Decree and Order of the Court of Chancery in a suit of *Blong vs. Crawley*, and with the approval of Thomas Wardlaw Taylor, Esq., Master in Ordinary of the said Court, will be sold by public auction by W. S. G. Knowles, Auctioneer, at his auction rooms, in the Town of Guelph, on Saturday, the 16th day of May, 1874, at 12 o'clock, noon, in one parcel, the following freehold land, and premises, viz: The southwest part, otherwise known as the front half of Lot No. 19, in the 7th concession of the Township of Puslinch, containing by admeasurement one hundred acres more or less, of which 80 are cleared and under cultivation, and fifteen well timbered with good hardwood. On it are a frame house and large barn, with stone cellar underneath. It is distant from Guelph about five miles. The property will be sold subject to a reserve bid fixed by the Master. One tenth of the purchase money at the time of sale to be paid to the vendor or his solicitors; a further sum sufficient with the deposit to make one-half the purchase money to be paid within three weeks from the time of sale without interest; the balance to be secured by mortgage payable at the end of four years, with interest at seven per cent, payable yearly. Upon payment of one half and giving mortgage as aforesaid the purchaser will be entitled to his conveyance, and to be let into possession. The other conditions are the standing conditions of the said Court.
For further particulars apply at the law offices of Messrs. Rose & Macdonald, Toronto, and Messrs. Dunbar, Merritt & Bischoff, Guelph.
Dated 21st April, 1874
Sd. T. W. TAYLOR,
ROSE & MACDONALD,
Vendor's Solicitors. wtd-oadw

AT BOND'S.
HARDWARE
For the Season.

GARDEN SPADES AT BOND'S
LADIES' SPADES AT BOND'S
GARDEN TOOLS IN SETS AT BOND'S
GARDEN SHOVELS AT BOND'S
GARDEN RAKES AT BOND'S
GARDEN TROWELS AT BOND'S
GARDEN LINES AT BOND'S
GARDEN REELS AT BOND'S
GARDEN HOES AT BOND'S
GARDEN FORKS AT BOND'S
A complete assortment of Hardware of all kinds at BOND'S

John M. Bond & Co.
Hardware Importers, Guelph.

JOHN A. WOOD'S

MARMALADE ORANGES
MESSINA ORANGES
MESSINA LEMONS
GREEN GAGES
GREEN PEAS
LIMA BEANS
SUCCOTASH
TOMATOES
PINE APPLES
BARTLET PEARS
BLACKBERRIES
PEACHES
RHUBARB
MAPLE SUGAR

JOHN A. WOOD'S
Guelph, April 29, 1874

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SPRING
IMPORTATIONS.

JAS. CORMACK
Tailor and Clothier,
No. 1, Wyndham Street,
Is now receiving a large and beautiful assortment of

Goods suitable for the season, consisting of Plain and Fancy Woollens in the best and newest patterns.

Hats, Caps, Shirts, Col-lars, Ties, &c.
IN GREAT VARIETY.
JAMES CORMACK,
Guelph, April 21, 1873.

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GUELPH

Base Ball Emporium
ANDERSON'S
BOOKSTORE.

Base Ball Goods!
NOW IN STOCK
ORDERS SOLICITED.

Country Clubs Supplied
With everything in the line from a plain score card to a full suit.

Orders by mail promptly attended to.
Guelph, April 22nd, 1874.

LIST OF
BASE BALLS

FOR 1874 AT
DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Ryan No. 1 (professional for 1874) dead white ball
Dead Red
Dead White
Bouncing Rock
Maple Leaf
Dominion Regulation
Star
Red Stocking
Practice
Junior Red and White
Young America

A FULL STOCK OF THE ABOVE AT
Day's Bookstore.

DAY SELLS CHEAP.

DOMINION BOOT AND SHOE STORE
SPRING STOCK

BOOTS AND SHOES
FOR
Mens', Womens', Misses and Children's Wear.

We meet the demands of the time with the best goods and the lowest prices.
OUR SPECIALTY IS
Custom-made Work
Which is made in all the latest styles. Sure fit. Reasonable prices.
Repairing done as usual.
Remember the House—The Dominion Shoe Store. Day's Block, opposite the Town Hall.

WM. TAWSE & SON.
Guelph, April 23rd, 1874

MONEY TO LEND.
In sum to suit borrowers. No solicitors fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned.
GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
April 16, 1874.

New Advertisements.

The Fashionable West End

Notwithstanding the backward state of the weather, the demand for Spring Goods has been exceedingly lively at the Fashionable West End for some weeks past. The various Departments of our stock command a large share of public patronage, and the consequence is that we are BUSY, BUSY, BUSY.

DRESS DEPARTMENT
While showing in this department everything NEW and fashionable for the season, we are also prepared to show several new and desirable lines of Choice Goods which are not to be seen elsewhere, and Ladies are respectfully invited to examine our stock before making their purchases.
Fashionable Dressmaking on the premises.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT
In this Department we will show all this week a large and beautiful stock of NEW TRIMMED GOODS, representing the latest, English, French and American Millinery, and we feel sure that no lady will do justice to herself who purchases without first visiting our Millinery Department. Ladies are cordially invited to examine styles, enquire prices, etc.

Shawls and Mantles
In this Department we believe that we can show some of the nicest things in the Trade this season IMPORTED DIRECT FOR OUR OWN TRADE, and not to be seen elsewhere
1 case Shawls (new styles) 1 case Mantles, Capes, etc. in Silk and
1 case Parasols, Cashmere, OPENING TO-DAY
1 case Sunshades and Silk Umbrellas.
Come Ladies direct to the Fashionable West End. No trouble to show Goods.

A. O. BUCHAM,
Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

R. MacGREGOR & Co.
(Successors to W. D. Hepburn & Co.)

BOOTS AND SHOES
MADE TO ORDER

This Branch of our Business is receiving our Special attention, and we are getting up Goods second to none in the Dominion.

We Use the Very Best of Material
Employ First-class Workmen ONLY, and guarantee perfect satisfaction to our Customers.

R. MacGregor & Co.
GUELPH, Apr. 23, 1874.

ALE AND PORTER
In Prime Condition,
ALE AND PORTER

HUGH WALKER,
Wyndham-st., Guelph.

Co-operative Store.
DIVISION OF PROFITS
We are now paying our Customers 2 cents on the dollar in cash, on their purchases for the past quarter.

SPECIAL CHEAP LINES!
A PRETTY DRESS OF 15 YARDS FOR \$1.50
UNION TWEEDS (purchased at auction) ONLY 35 CTS PER YARD.
A SLENDID LINE OF FELT HATS, ONLY 75 CENTS EACH
BOYS LINEN FACE COLLARS FIVE CENTS PER BOX
DUNDAS COTTONS 10c. BLEACHED COTTONS 9c.
DARK FANCY PRINTS 10c. LIGHT FANCY PRINTS 10c.
CALF SLIPPERS 50c PER PAIR. PRUNELLA BOOTS 75c PER PAIR
A BOX OF 75 CENT TEA, TEN LBS., FOR SIX DOLLARS.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.
GUELPH, April 10, 1874

AUCTION SALE
MR. G. B. FRASER
Being desirous that all classes should partake of the great bargains given at his Auction Sales, and in order to give the ladies an opportunity of buying Goods at their own prices, he will sell by auction,
ON WEDNESDAY, AT 2 and 7, P.M.
THE FOLLOWING GOODS, VIZ:

Tapestry Carpets, Wool Carpets
Stair Carpets, Mattings, Floor Oil Cloths, Window Damasks, Window Curtains, Window Blinds, Table Damasks, Towels, Sheetings, Piano Covers, Table Covers, Black and Colored Silks, Black Lustrous and Merinoes, Prints, White Cottons, Tickings, Kid Gloves, Hosiery, etc. etc.

Remember 2 o'clock, on Wednesday, 29th inst!
Intending purchasers are requested to inspect the Goods on the morning of the sale. Carpets and Oil Cloths to be cut to suit purchasers.

G. B. FRASER,
WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

William Stewart
HAS
NOW OPENED
THE

First Lot's New Goods
for Spring!
Piles of Plain Lustrous,
Lots of Striped Dress Goods,
Fancy Goods
The Newest Colors and Patterns.

Print Department
IS CROWDED
With the Latest Productions in Colours and Styles, and at

WM. STEWART.
Guelph, March 23, 1874

JEWELLERY.
ROBERT CRAWFORD
Being about to relinquish the retail business, will dispose of his whole stock, consisting of
Russell Watches,
Waltham Watches,
English Watches,
Swiss Watches,
Gold Chains,
Silver Chains,
Clocks,
Jewelry, etc.

At a Great Reduction in Price.
IN thanking his friends and the public for their kind patronage in the past, would best to inform them that he will give them A FINAL BENEFIT as the whole of his valuable stock must be turned into money. Call and see for yourself, as bargains will be given such as were never before seen in Guelph. Store next the post office. R. CRAWFORD.
Guelph, March 31, 1874.

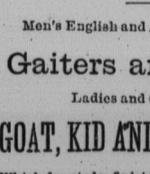
POWELL'S
Boot and Shoe Store
NEW SPRING GOODS
Men's English and American style of

Gaiters and Shoes;
Ladies and Children's
GOAT, KID AND PRUNELLA
Which for style, finish and durability, will be found superior to any in Guelph.
Particular attention paid to
Custom Work and Repairing.

Remember the Noted Shoe Store,
G. S. POWELL,
West side Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Mar. 20th, 1874.

NEW
Paint Shop.
The undersigned begs to inform the people of Guelph and surrounding country that he has opened a new paint shop in Quebec street, next Fenwick's Furniture Shop, and opposite Calmer's Church. He is now prepared to do all kinds of Painting, Glazing, Graining and Paper Hanging on short notice.
He hopes by strict attention to business, and using none but the best material to secure a share of public patronage.
All orders whether from town or country promptly attended to.
W. HUMPHRIES.
Guelph, March 1, 1874.

Surgeon Dentist, Guelph.
Omnegover E. Harvey & Co.'s Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham & Macdonell-st., Guelph.
Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable.
References kindly permitted to Dr. Herod, McGuire, Keating, Cowan, and McGregor, Guelph.

A detailed illustration showing a dental procedure, likely the extraction of a tooth using a specialized instrument. The drawing is in a classic, woodcut style.