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LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public.

A. LEMON, H. W. PETERSON, CHAS. LEMON, County Crown Attorney

D. CLARKE will be assisted in the practice of his profession by Dr. Collins, Doctor of Medicine, Edinburgh, and Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, etc., etc.

REMOVAL OF SURGERY. DR. HEROD Has removed his Surgery to the rooms above the Guelph Drug Store, where he may be found from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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SIX Boarders can be accommodated with first-class accommodation. Apply at the shop.

IRON CASTINGS Of all kinds, made to order at GROWE'S IRON WORKS, Norfolk Street, Guelph.

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REMOVAL OF BAKERY. ALEX. McPHAIL & Co.

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New Advertisements.

WANTED—Four joiners. None but first-class workmen need apply. STEWART'S PLANNING MILL, Guelph, June 25, 1873.

WANTED—A Precursor for Knox Church, Guelph. Liberal salary to a competent person. Apply with testimonials to REV. W. S. BALL, Guelph, June 25, 1873.

HOUSE TO LET for a small family on the south side of the Market Square, containing 6 rooms. Immediate possession. Apply to S. Madock on the premises. June 19, 1873.

CURLING RINK.—The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Curling Rink which should have been held on Tuesday night, was adjourned till FRIDAY night, the 27th, at half-past seven o'clock, in my office. A full attendance is requested. CHARLES DAVIDSON, Sec.

TO BUILDERS. Tenders will be received up to 3 o'clock, p.m., on FRIDAY, the 27th inst., for the Masonry, Carpenters and Joiners Work, Plastering, Painting, and Glazing, and Tin Work required in building a stable and addition to Underhill's Hotel, on Cork Street. Plans and Specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. T. W. GOOPER, Architect Guelph, June 25th, 1873.

NOTICE To Debtors and Creditors. All parties indebted to the Estate of the late David McKersie, sr., of Guelph Township, are notified to make payment to the undersigned forthwith; and parties having claims against the same are requested to present them at once to SAMUEL HODGSKIN, Executor. Guelph, June 24, 1873.

A GOOD FARM FOR SALE. A really excellent and most desirable farm for sale of two Hundred Acres in Paisley Block, 5 miles from Guelph market. Will be sold very cheap. Apply at once, as this is an opportunity which rarely occurs of obtaining a first-class farm cheap in that locality. HART & SPEIRS, 4 Day's Block, Guelph, June 25, 1873.

FARM TO SELL.—Situate within two miles of the Town of Guelph, being Lots 5 and 6, 2nd concession, Division D, Township of Guelph, containing 96 acres, of which from 70 to 80 are cleared and mostly arable, and more than 20 ploughed ready for seed. The buildings and fences are in good repair, and a large orchard in full bearing. Further particulars can be learned by application—17 by letter (prepaid), to John Mitchell, proprietor, Guelph, or to the undersigned. CHAS. DAVIDSON, Town Hall Building, Guelph, June 23, 1873.

TOWN OF GUELPH. STEAM FIRE ENGINE WATER TANKS.

Tenders will be received until SATURDAY, the 28th of JULY, next, for the construction and completion of two more Water Tanks, in accordance with specifications which may be seen at the office of the undersigned. By order, JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk. June 24, 1873.

SALE OF CARRIAGES. The subscriber will sell by auction six carriages and buggies to the highest bidder at the MARKET HOUSE, GUELPH, On Wednesday, July 2nd, the Fair Day. No Reserve. P. SPRAGGE, Auctioneer. June 25, 73—w13.

Ice Cream Freezers, Ice Mallets, Ice Axes, Iceberg Refrigerators, Water Filters.

JOHN M. BOND & CO., Hardware Importers, Guelph, Ontario.

DOMINION DAY. KNOX CHURCH Strawberry Festival

In the DRILL SHED, on TUESDAY, the 1st of July (Dominion Day), commencing at 11 a.m., and continuing during the day and evening.

The luxuries of the season will be supplied during the entertainment. Admission 10 cents. Children half-price. Vale's Youth Horn Band will be in attendance in the evening. Guelph, June 11th, 1873.

MONEY TO LEND. In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned. GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, April 24, 1873.

MONEY TO LEND. On farm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. Apply to FRED. BISCOE, Barrister, &c. Guelph, April 73—dett.

TO LET.—With immediate possession, the stone cellars, rooms, offices, and upper story in Brownlow's Buildings, on Douglas street, near the Post Office. Apply to John Horsman, or William Day. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873.

DRESS and MANTLE MAKING

The Fashionable West End. To the Ladies: We have during the past two years contemplated the establishment of a Dress Making Department, a connection with our other branches. The difficulty of obtaining a suitable person to take charge, has, up to the present time, only prevented us from doing so.

We have now great pleasure in informing you that we have secured the services of Miss Monahan, of Toronto, a lady of first-class abilities, highly recommended to us, and we believe eminently qualified to give complete satisfaction in every respect. Miss Monahan has for the past ten years occupied the position of cutter and fitter in one of the leading Fashionable Dress-making Establishments in the City of Toronto.

Miss Monahan is also an experienced Mantle maker, and all orders entrusted to her will be executed in a style equal to anything that can be obtained in the largest cities.

Orders for these departments will be received on and after Monday next, the 4th of May. A. O. BUCHAM, Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle and Millinery Establishment.

Cueph Evening Mercury THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 26, 1873.

Town and County News. ERIN FALL SHOW.—The Directors have decided to hold the Fall Show in Erin on Thursday the 9th October next.

Y. M. C. A.—On account of Mrs. Cormack's social for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A., there will be no meeting in the rooms to-night.

MEDICAL COUNCIL.—The annual meeting of this Council held at Toronto on Wednesday, Dr. Wm. Clarke, of Guelph, was elected President, and Dr. Muir, Vice President.

THE FESTIVAL TO-NIGHT.—Remember the Wesleyan Strawberry Festival in the Drill Shed to-night. There will be lots of nice strawberries and cream and other refreshments, and Lawrence's Cornet Band will discourse some of their choicest music.

THE CREAM OF FUN.—Mr. T. J. Day has sent us this amusing book, which is filled with numberless smart sayings, laughable extracts, spirited repartees, and funny pictures. It is just the book for summer reading, when one does not want to be bothered with much thinking. For sale at Day's Bookstore, cheap.

THE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.—The ladies of St. George's Church held their strawberry festival on Wednesday night in the Drill Shed. It was well patronized, Strawberries were plentiful and delicious, and during the evening rapidly disappeared before the attacks of the company. Vale's string band was present, and added much to the enjoyment by giving a number of choice selections of music in their usual excellent style.

THE PRESS ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Press Association was held at the Queen's Hotel yesterday afternoon. The annual excursion has, for the present, been left in abeyance, and the annual meeting will be held in the city of London during the week of the Provincial Exhibition, to commence on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

ELOPED.—The Hamilton Times of Wednesday says:—Yesterday afternoon a man from Guelph enquired of the police whether they had seen a strange man in town with a wooden leg. It seems that these two men are brothers-in-law, having married sisters, but the one with the wooden leg became tired of the sister he got, and on Monday eloped with a younger and unmarried sister of hers. The consequence is a general tribulation.

PIC-NIC IN ROCKWOOD.—The children in connection with the Rockwood Presbyterian Church, held their annual picnic in the Agricultural Grounds last Saturday. It was a very successful affair, and the young folks, who turned out largely, had a most enjoyable time. The Rev. Mr. Reeve, the pastor, gave an opening address. The arrangements were under the direction of Mr. Burns, the Superintendent, and Mr. Harris, and were admirably carried out. A few prizes were distributed among the scholars before the pic-nic broke up.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE.—The Leonard Scott Publishing Company have sent us Blackwood for June. It fully sustains its high reputation, and furnishes the reader with a great variety of original reading matter, of a fresh and vigorous kind. The contents of this number are:—The Parisians, book 7; conclusion of The Doctor Abroad; Amateur Theology—Arnold's Literature and Dogma; conclusion of A True Reformer; Our Coming Guest, Mrs. Oliphant's Novels; The second Gladstone Administration. Copies of the Magazine for sale at the bookstores in town.

CARLOTTA WARD.—This little lady gives an entertainment in the Town Hall on Dominion Day, and from the flattering notices of our eastern and American exchanges we should advise all to go and hear her. Her entertainment is a caricature of "People that we see," and no feature is allowed throughout the performance that would offend any. She is ably assisted by Joe Banks, the well-known comedian and Dutch specialist, in his great character songs and dances. Coming as it does on our public holiday, we predict for this company a crowded house, which from its merits it deserves.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Deaths from Cholera. University Boat Races. Weather Probabilities. Extradition. Man Killed. Rifle Match.

New York, June 25.—Three deaths from cholera are reported in Cincinnati to-day.

Syracuse, June 25.—The Regatta at Onondago Lake, under the auspices of the University Boat Club, came off to-day. The first was a single scull race, 3 entries—Chas. E. Courtney, of Union Springs, Chas. Smith, of Rochester, and W. H. Bishop, of New York—3 miles straight course, the first prize was a gold watch worth \$100, second a valuable chromo. The race was won easily by Courtney, time, 24:18; Smith came in second. Among the other races was one between four oared shells, Grammarcy Crew, of New York, and Riverside Crew, of Rochester, contending, distance 3 miles over a straight course. The race was won by the Grammarcy Crew, time 21:13.

Washington, June 25, Midnight.—The probabilities for the Middle States and Lower Lakes are light to fresh easterly and southerly winds and generally clear weather.

Memphis, Tenn., June 25.—Fourteen persons, who died from the cholera, were buried to-day. Cold rain here this afternoon.

New York, June 26.—The British seaman, J. D. Palmer, charged with murder, has been extradited at Philadelphia and will be taken to Halifax for trial.

Joseph Shipley and Walter McGuire quarrelled and fought in a railroad train near Warren, Ohio, yesterday, when the former pushed the latter off the cars, which were going at full speed. McGuire was instantly killed, and Shipley was arrested. Both were intoxicated.

The U. S. Minister Schenck has forwarded an invitation from the Anglo-Belgian Guards to the National Rifle Association to compete with them for prizes next month.

Large Fire in Otterville. (Special to the Evening Mercury.) Otterville, via Norwich, June 26.—A fire started in the building owned by W. F. Kay, and occupied by him as a dwelling and store which also contained the Post Office and Montreal Telegraph Office, and owing to the fire having obtained such headway before it was discovered it was impossible to save but very little stock or furniture. The fire next light on the dwelling occupied by D. Fowler, thence to the store and dwelling occupied by Mr. Maddison. The two last buildings were owned by G. W. Carder. Kay's loss is about \$14,000, insured in the Waterloo Mutual for \$1,140, and in the Niagara District for \$2,500. Maddison's goods and furniture were nearly all saved; insured in the Waterloo for \$1,000. Part of the Post Office books were saved, no stamps or furniture. The Message Book and Monthly Check is all that is saved of the Telegraph Office.

Man Drowned. (Special to the Evening Mercury.) Allanburg, June 26.—A young man by the name of Peter Mills a sailor belonging to the Schooner Acontas, was drowned here this morning while going ashore with a line. Body not found yet.

The School Board and the Tenders for the Central School. To the Editor of the Guelph Mercury. Sir,—In your report of the proceedings of the Board of School Trustees on Monday evening, the Central School Committee in their report stated the number of tenders received for the erection of the School Buildings, and the lowest tender in each trade, without giving the other tenders, or the names, in any case, of those who made them.

Now I think that (the tenders being opened) I have the right, and that the general public have the right, to know who tendered, and the amount of the tender in each case, nor can I see any advantage to be gained by withholding the information. I feel, that in a public matter, and one of such importance to the ratepayers of the Town, all the circumstances should be fully reported, so that every ratepayer may know exactly what is being done.

As a ratepayer of the town I have a right to know all the particulars of the transaction, and to claim that each tender, with the name of the party who made it be publicly announced. Hoping that the Board of Trustees may give the required information. I am yours, &c., Guelph, June 26, '73. A RATEPAYER.

CONCERT IN MORRISTON.—We are glad to announce that a grand concert will be held in the Drill Shed, Morriston, on the evening of Friday the 4th July, the proceeds of which will be given to Mr. G. Fischer, who lately got his house and all its contents burned in that village. Mr. Fischer is well known and much respected in Guelph as in Puslinch, and we feel sure the appeal made in his behalf will be most liberally responded to. The concert will consist of vocal and instrumental music by a number of first-class amateurs, and the excellence of the programme as well as the object for which the concert is to be held will be sufficient to attract a very large audience.

Local and Other Items.

The McGillivuddy Bros., of Toronto, are about to start a new Liberal weekly, the Brussels Post.

A New York lady wears a set of Etruscan jewelry made over a thousand years ago, which is pronounced superior in design and finish to anything made at present.

The aggregate number of periodicals now published in the United States, is 6,786, of which 627 are daily, 95 tri-weekly, 98 semi-weekly, 5,099 weekly, 23 bi-weekly, 86 semi-monthly, 672 monthly; 9 bi-monthly, and 59 quarterly.

One of the victims of the Boston Washington street fire was a heavy sufferer by the fire in November. His spirits were then very much depressed but his friends assisted him and he resumed business. Since the burning of the Globe Theatre he has become a raving maniac, and has been taken to an insane asylum.

There is an Irishwoman of gigantic strength in St. Paul. One morning she lifted a barrel of sugar from the ground into a cart. The next evening she presented her husband with twins. Two days after she did the washing for a family of ten persons. Not so fortunate was a Missouri girl. She washed all day, made a supper of twelve hard-boiled eggs, then danced all night and died next day.

SALT.—The Goderich Signal says that the prospect in the salt market is brightening. Liverpool salt has so far advanced in price that our manufacturers can ship to Montreal and undersell it in the market there. American packers appear to have made up their minds to use only Canadian salt and the demand for bulk salt is on the increase. Even in Scaforth where they have been selling at 85 cents a barrel during the winter the price has now advanced to \$1.

A lady with a poodle dog entered the smoking-car on a western train, the conductor endeavouring to persuade her to go into another car, but she refused, saying her presence would deter the occupants from smoking. A gentleman, however, took out a cigar, and lit it, when she wrenched it from his mouth exclaiming: "If there is anything I do hate, it is tobacco smoke." The passengers who had witnessed the affair were convulsed with laughter, but the offending smoker suppressed whatever emotions may have been struggling for words or action, and maintained throughout an imperious gravity. Calmly rising from his seat, he opened the window nearest him, fastening it up, then reaching over the seat back, took that woman's poodle dog and threw him out of the window as far as possible, at the same time adding, "If there is anything I do hate, it's a poodle dog!"

THE ARCTIC EXPEDITION.—The American expedition for the relief of the *Polaris* has been fitted out with commendable dispatch. The *Junonia* is already in sailing condition, and the *Tigress* will get her outfit as rapidly as possible. Although the former of these vessels has made some preparations for an encounter with the ice, her voyage is not likely to be either long or perilous; it is, in fact, little more than a repetition of the service performed by the frigate *Congress*, which carried stores for the *Polaris* to Disco, in 1871, under command of the late Captain Davenport. She may possibly be compelled to winter in Greenland, but this is hardly anticipated. The crew of the *Tigress*, however, will have to face serious dangers and hardships, unless the *Junonia* should get such tidings of the *Polaris* at Disco or Upernavik as to render a further search unnecessary.

THE BALLOON VOYAGE.—The promised experiment of Prof. Wise the aeronaut, to make a balloon voyage from Boston across the Atlantic, to some point in Ireland and England, has been abandoned for the present. It was his intention to start from Boston on the afternoon of the 4th of July; and his departure was to be one of the principal features of the celebration. He asked for the appropriation of \$3,000 to defray the necessary expenses, and the several members of both branches of the municipal government were favorable to granting the request up to the occurrence of the last hour. A spasm of economy succeeded that calamity, and in consequence of discussions and delays between the members the time has been shortened, and the Professor finds that even if the appropriation asked for were granted he would not have time to build a balloon by the 4th. The consequence is that the experiment is abandoned for the present; but it is likely that if substantial aid is afforded in the immediate future the novel and hazardous journey will be undertaken. Prof. Wise is ambitious to carry out his idea, having full faith that there is an eastern current in the upper regions which will carry him safely across the ocean.

A new feature of Belgian lunatic asylums is well worthy of attention, if not of adoption in America. Boxes are placed within reach of the patients, and if they have any complaints to make they may write out their story and place it in the box. Once a week the boxes are opened and the contents delivered to the local authorities. If the latter deem the complaints or appeals worthy of attention, experts are sent to examine the patient, and if he has been wrongfully treated or illegally confined his case is attended at once. In the United States, for a patient wrongfully confined in a private lunatic asylum there is but little opportunity for redress if his board bill is regularly paid.

Mr. Thomas Symington, one of the executors of the late John Shedden, has decided to draw the first portion of the bequest left him by Mr. Shedden, and to hand it, viz., \$100, to the Montreal General Hospital. The same gentleman has also obtained permission from George Paton and William Paton, heirs of the late Mr. Shedden, to hand over to the same institution \$100 each.

Important Exploration in the North-West.

Professor Bell, of the Geological Survey, passed through Toronto on Friday, on his way to the North-west Territory. His mission is the most important that has probably engaged the attention of the Geological Survey since its establishment. It is no less than an enquiry, thorough and conclusive, into the extent and quality of the coal formation in the North-west territory. Coal is known to exist throughout a considerable extent of the country. It has been burned near places where it has cropped out of the surface, but no attempt has yet been made to ascertain the depth of the seams or the breadth of the country which they cover.

We are happy to learn that for the purposes of the exploration a diamond drill has been purchased in New York, which is to be worked by a portable steam engine. By means of a hollow tube tipped with diamonds, the strata are penetrated, and their quality ascertained by the contents of the tube. Considerable outlay will no doubt be incurred in carrying out this process, but it will be far less than would be necessary with other systems, and the results will amply repay the cost.

In connection with the construction and working of the Pacific Railway nothing could be more important than this enquiry; and more particularly in the location of the road, it is important that the exact position and extent of the coal beds should be accurately ascertained.

Prof. Bell will also, in the course of his survey, pay special attention to the character of the gold deposits which are known to exist through the entire territory from Red River to the Rocky Mountains. He will test the question whether particles of gold found in rivers which do not take their rise in the Rocky Mountains, proceed from the disintegration of the rocks under the influence of ice. He will also make enquiries as to the extent and nature of the salt lakes which exist in many parts of the Territory, and may render it difficult, and it may be impossible to secure, fresh water for railway and other purposes. The nature of the soil will, of course, form part of his field of inquiry.

The survey will extend over two years, but Mr. Bell will return to Canada for the winter. We anticipate great results from his exploration. Although the Fertile Belt has been often traversed, no full exploration has as yet been made, and most who have travelled through it have not been capable of that scientific examination of its soil which is necessary to a knowledge of its capacity to support a large population. Mr. Bell's variety of knowledge, his devotion to his work, and the accuracy of his observations, render him peculiarly fitted for his task; and we may congratulate ourselves not only upon the work which has been undertaken, but on the person selected to carry it out.—Globe.

A Knight-Errent Amazon. A most extraordinary traveller was the nun Monja Alfoxer, whose romantic adventures, published in an old Spanish volume, would scarcely be believed, were they not confirmed by other documents. Having been placed in a Dominican convent, she escaped in the dress of a man, when fifteen years old, and entering the service of a gentleman as his page, traversed the greater part of Spain, meeting with adventures as amusing as those of Gil Blas. But an irresistible desire for more distant travel led her to embark, in 1693, on a flotilla destined for Peru. Here she enlisted in the army destined for Chili; fought bravely against the Araucanians, gaining the rank of standard bearer, and afterwards that of Captain. A sad incident stopped her course for a time, for she had the misfortune to kill her brother without knowing him. After this she shut herself up in a convent again. But such a life was little suited to her taste. She again joined the army, and fought in many distant parts of South America, which the Spaniards was desirous of subjugating. Once she was taken prisoner by the Dutch, and, when released, returned to Curaco, where a new adventure awaited her. Being at a gaming table, her neighbor, an arrogant Spaniard, abstracted some of her money when her eyes were turned away. She detected him, drew her sword, and attacked him. He was well covered by his cuirass, so that her blow glided over him without injury, whilst she was wounded in the breast, and fell bathed in blood. But by renouncing her falling powers, she rose and rushed after the culprit, and, as the soldiers actually made him swallow her sword. He was dead. Appealing to the Bishop for protection, she told him her secret, and he remitted her once more to the convent of St. Claire. Longing for new adventures, she obtained permission to return to Spain, bade adieu to her companions, and followed the course of the Rio Magdalena, embarked at Carthagena, and landed at Cadiz in 1624. Her reputation had preceded her, and everybody wished to see so remarkable a woman. Going to Madrid, she was presented to Count Olivarez, and followed in the suit of the Count de Javier, who was going to Rome for the jubilee. She crossed through France, but in Piedmont was thrown into prison as a spy; and, when her liberty was restored, it was only on condition that she should return to Spain. In the deepest destitution, she retraced her way on foot, and was obliged to beg. Whilst endeavoring to see the King she was attacked by brigands; but at length the Marquis de Montes-Clares presented her at the Court of Madrid, when she obtained a pension, a recognition of her title as standard-bearer, and permission to wear men's clothes. Still determined to reach Rome she embarked and landed at Genoa, when she again got into difficulties through a quarrel with an Italian soldier; but at length she had the honor of kissing the foot of Urban VIII. He listened to her story with interest, and she was soon surrounded by a circle of the nobility, who received her with pleasure. She was then nearly forty years of age. Little is known of her after, though some say she made another voyage to America, and died when about sixty. She was very tall and manly in appearance, with strongly marked but plain features, and her whole air was resolute and soldier-like.