Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE :... MACDONNELL STREET

SATURDAY EV'NG, JAN'Y 11, 1868

THE CROWN LANDS. A very large amount of labour lies before the Legislature of Ontario, but perhaps there is none of the questions so momentous as the management of the Crown Lands. It needs not to be reiterated, that culpable incapacity or still more reprehensible indifference and negligence has heretofore been the characteristic of the Department. The government has for years scoutclaims of emigrants, as if a "bold peasantry" were not what Goldsmith asserted they were, "their country's pride," and as if they were less beneficial to the Province than the cattle on the hills. What were the balance to be tried against the demands of avaricious great men? They were lighter than the dust on The Canada Company, in consideration of a nominal sum, became possessors of many of the fairest and most fertile tracts of land in Canada, and the way in which they treated settlers let those who toiled for years to hew out homes in the echoing woods, struggling against all doubt not the wisdom of their final the hardships incident to, and inseparable from, the life of a backwoodsrable from, the life of a backwoods man, while the principal and interest due as purchase money on their lands, kept accumulating until liquidation became hopeless and impossible—let these men bear testimony. Let those speak out who have looked with tearful eyes on the lost labours of years, while they turned their faces resolute ly westward to seek homes in another land where the value of labour is understood and appreciated. About ten, perhaps it is nearly eleven years ago, the Canada Company announced their power to dispose of certain lands on which for some time previous they had been unable to give the settler claim. What was the result? It will be best understood by illustration, and for this purpose the County of Perth may be very appropriately made use of, and even one township in that will be sufficient. A great part of Ellice is covered with swamp, and much of the remainder is more or less broken, but still previous tather year 1857 emigrants, and others had made their way in and settled down on every lot that had enough of dry land on it to make a potatoe patch. There were pine and cedar on the land, and they trusted that the Company's terms would be easy, that they could take out timber enough to pay for their deeds, and they imagined that having secured those thesethers are all be of any effect, but the party holding any unstamped License.

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worse if worse could be. led in luxury, and wasted the bread, of the Receiver-General at any office the very life of the poor, and every man that wishes his country well, and yet it is the foundation of all wealth, for men could live if a ship had never been launched upon the ocean. More particularly in Canada is it necessary that this branch of industry should receive attention. If we are to be great that greatness must grow from the soil, and the soil will not produce unless there are hands to till it. We have gentility (with and without brains) sufficient for a population five times outnumbering ours, and the only thing that can be done under the circumstances is to import the counter element of

in 1857.

Mr. Rykert, on Thursday, moved an Address to His Excellency, pray-Ing that he would cause to be laid before the House a return showing the number of licenses granted for timber limits since 1860, the extent of the land covered by said licenses, and also what portion of the government lands were fit for agricultural purposes. Mr. Rykert spoke well and for cibly, and although in the debate that followed he was not furnished with the required statistics, yet he had the safaction of seeing his motion carried. Like all great public enterprises, and we may add, like all good works, the

diture of an amount of capital which no enigrant has at his disposal, and which he would not spend for such a purpose even if he had. So long as there are extensive tracts of wilderness suited for purposes of husbandry and easily convertible thereto, and so long as these are not all occupied emigrants should not be allowed to settle on wood lots, no more from the injury they would do the lumber trade than from the probability there would be of many becoming converts from agriculture to rafting, and of the chief end of their invitation to Canada being thus frustrated. The men who are now dealing with the question, however, are possessed of sagacity and practical experience, and we

THE LICENSE LAW.

determination.

take out timber enough to pay for their deeds, and they imagined that having secured these, the hardest part of the battle would be fought, and distribute such Licenses to any Mundistribute s of the battle would be fought, and that they could reclaim the swamps and convert them into fertile land by patient industry. But these illusions were rudely dispelled. All prices from eight dollars up to fifteen dollars per acre were placed upon the lots, and the result is that in the north end of Ellice, there is not one settler out

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THE DOMINION STOCK .-- The often to be found now who was there Nearly all have removed, Treasury Board, of which the Minisand it is doubtful if their successors ter of Finance is chairman, has issued will be able to become freeholders a circular, calling for tenders for a even though prices have been redu- million and a half dollars Canada Doced fifty per cent. This is only one instance; hundreds that we wot not of payable at the end of March and Sep. have fared no better, but perhaps tember each year. Tenders not to be for less than one hundred dollars. All al Speculators have long enough revel- deposits must be made to the credit hopes to see it prosperous, will rejoice that the Legislature not only in its first session, but during the first days of that session have taken up the question with an earnestness that aumay be redeemed at par at the option gurs a solution, and a decision favourable to the emigrant. The greatest gains do not accrue from agriculture, September next, to be counted from the date at which the payment in full ts made.

Gas by a new Process

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Gas for the lighting of a public building was used in Guelph, for the first time, on Friday night last in Mr. O'Connor's Billilard Hall. The chemical material used in its production are naphtha with two other ingredients, but the mechanism by which the gas is generated is hard to understand and much more difficult to describe. A machine has been patented for the purpose by Dr. Hall, of St. Mary's, and the one we saw in use was made by Mr. E. W. Colley, under the supervision of the patentee. It consists of two cylinders. The first of these is partly filled with water, and just above the line to which the water rises there is an opening for the admission of air. In the inside is what is called a "drum," which we are told is upon the principle of the turbine wheel, and which is made to revolve by means of a heavy weight attached to the axle by a small rope made of wires that passes over a pulley fixed to an upright beam, thus pressing the air, which fills the buckets as they pass the apt ture, into the water. The air is then forced up an upright tube, and along a horizontal to this that the liquid is put. An instrument called an "agitator" is working inside on the same axle that causes the revolution of the "drum." Its buckets take up the fluid, and the mixing of the air, that has passed through the first cylinder, with the liquid forms the necessary elements of the illuminating gas. The machine is also arranged so that it regulates the quantity of gas that passes from the cylinder into the pipe that conveys it round the building. Of course in

tant of Canada is as important in the commendation that it must bring with it to secure public favor, is some proof of its economy. The naphtha and the two other requisite ingredients will, it is stated, cost only fifteen cents per gallon, and will by means of this machine generate that all lands of whatever their description shall be settled, if settlers can be found. Nature, however, is further asserted that only three quarts out of the gallon of the liquid is used, and that the residuum is neither more nor less than the burning fluid, which is retailed at ninety cents or a dollar a gallon. But one thing is certain that Dr. Hall has produced a very fine light. The arrange ments were by no means completed at the limit of the machine generated arable, but there are others that dannot be made fertile without the expenditure of an amount of capital which in emigrant has at his diagram. produced a very nie ingit. The arrangements were by no means completed at the Billiard Hall on Friday night, but they had progressed far enough to give a proof of the illuminating powers of the gas. These were four lights burning from one chandelier, near the front of the Hall, and a very besuitful revolving light at the further end. If the gas is all that it is said to be, Mr. O'Connor can have sixteen lights (much better than coal oil makes) burning for six hours any night, and the cost will be only about seven cents. The Billiard Hall is worth a visit.

New Advertisements.

Speed Lodge No. 180.

THE next regular communication of Speed Lodge, No. 180, will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY EVG-14th January, 1808, at half-past seven.— JOHN CRIDIFO

Notice to Debtors.

A LL parties indebted to the under either by note or book account, quested to settle on or before the 26th Ji instant. All unsettled accounts after the date will be placed in the Division Court lection. Guelph, 11th January, 1868. dw

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

WE beg to tender our thanks to the Directors of the Western Insurance Company of Canada for the prompt settlement of our claim against them, for loss sustained by the late fire, in the sum of 85,000, received through their agent, Geo. Elliott, Esq. JAMES MASSIE& CO. Guelph, 11th Jan, 1868. JAMES MASSIE & CO.

CORRECTION.

is currently reported, and cast up to me by respectable electors of Puslinch, that I wan dactshiely to John Hammersley, Esq. and ined him to write a letter to Win. Leslie Esq., to holraw from the contest for the Recvessley, Public blarge I do most emphatically deny. I not say one word, either verbally or in writty to Mr Hammersley on the subject, by therefing the above in your valuable journal will much oblige
Yours respectfully.

Aberfoyle, 11th January, 1868. dwl.

SPECIAL NOTICE!

DURING the year 1848 I have determined to sell Goods lower than ever, but my terms will be strictly CASH, and on no condition will Goods be charged.

T.J. DAY, Bookseller, opposite the Market Guelph, 11th January, 1868.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

THE OPENING SERVICES OF THE

New Congregational Church!

In the Town of Guelph, will (D V) be held on

Wednesday 15th of January When two Sermons will be preached by

REV. H. WILKES, D. D.

of Montreal. Service to commence in the morning at 11 o'clock, and in the evening at 7 o'clock. Collections in aid of the Building Fund will be taken at both services.

A COLATION Il be served in the Lecture Room of the New nurch on the same day, at 1 p. m., to which ends are invited. After the repast, some brief dresses may be expected.

Tickets of Admission 50 cts. The Opening Services will (D. V.) be continue on the following Sabbath, and a Tea Meeting i lso intended to be held early in the ensuin, week, of which further notice will be given

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CARD!

The subscriber begs leave to return his sincere thanks to his numerous friends in Guelph and the surrounding country for their kind patronage to his Hardware Store in the ALMA BLOCK for many years past.
The whole of the Alma Block, and a large portion of his Hardware Stock, having been destroyed by the recent fire, the business will be moved to the Store corner of Wyndham and Cork Streets, near the Gore Bank, but in future it will be carried on by Messrs. JOHN M. BOND & CO., who succeed him as Hardware Merchants in Guelph, and for whom he respectfully asks a continuance of that generous support which has been so liberally given by his kind patrons.

HENRY MULHOLLAND.

REFERING to the above, the subscribers beg to state that they have taken the Store corner of Wyndham and Cork Streets, near the Gore Bank, where they will continue the business heretofore carried on by Mr. MULHOLLAND as Iron, Coal and Hardware Merchants. The Iron and Coal Yard will be, as usual, at the Alma Block.

They expect in the course of a week to receive a new and complete Stock of Hardware to replace that destroyed by fire, and hope to receive a continuance of the public favor.

JOHN M. BOND & CO. Guelph, 8th January, 1868.

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SPECIAL MEETING of the Members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the Co. of Wellington.

A time request of D. Guthrie, Esq., and other members by requisition presented to the President of the Company, a special meeting of Nan members will be held in the Anglo-American Hotel, Guelph, on

WEDNESDAY, 15th INST.

t I o'clock, p. m., to take into consideration the oss sustained by Messrs. James Massie & Co., a he late fire in the Alma Block, Guelph. By order of the President.

CHAS. DAVIDSON, Sec. & duelph, 4th January, 1868.

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I N consequence of the severity of the cold, the continuation of the auction sale of Hardware is adjourned till

TUESDAY, 14th INSTANT, When the whole of the Hardware recovered from ruins will be offered for sale,

sting in part of Cut Nails, Wrought Nails orse Nails, Carriage Boits and Nuts, Barn boor and T Hinges, Trace Chains, Cow Chains, Halter Chains, Barn Door Rollers, Chopping Axes, Iron Wash Basins, Tin Plates, Butt Hinges, First Book, 2nd Part, 54 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—tencents. Second Book, 56 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—twenty cents. THIRD BOOK, 41 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—thirty cents.

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Parties wishing to make presents of Photoraphs to their friends should call at once. PICTURES

Guelph, 18th December, 1867.

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