

sioner—this was what dictated the report. The Rev. Mr. Clarke had been agitating against the present site. But he (Mr. Byker) was glad that the Government had determined not to change the site until they had made the fullest enquiry.

Mr. Byker would be very sorry to find that the Government were compelled to remove the site. Still he was sorry to hear such a denunciation of the Council of the Agricultural Association, for he believed there was some ground for the report.

Mr. Graham believed, as a practical farmer, that if the present site were retained, the experiment was a total failure. (Hear, hear.) He was a Conservative, and no one had more influence over him than the late Commissioner of Public Works; but this site was totally unfit, from the state of the soil and other circumstances, for the purpose of an experimental farm. It was impossible, he believed, to make it more than a second or third class farm.

Mr. McKellar said that, shortly after the House met, he went out to see the farm. The snow was deep at the time, so he had not much opportunity of judging. His attention was first called to the inferior quality of the farm by a letter addressed by the Rev. Mr. Clarke, of Guelph, to the Provincial Secretary. Some time after, his attention was called to it by the hon. gentleman who had just spoken, who, with another hon. gentleman, had gone to see it, and who had pronounced it absolutely unfit for such a purpose. He had conceived it his duty to obtain the best information he could as to the fitness of the farm, so he determined to ask the Agricultural Association to report upon it. He did so because they had just been elected from the Agricultural Association throughout the country. He thought they were a most proper body to consult with reference to this matter. They reported upon it, and the House had seen the report. In addition to that, he had made arrangements for all members of the House to visit the farm, and many of them had done so. He thought he had been justified in the course he had taken. The reports were prepared and all the information he had would be brought down to the House tomorrow. As far as the Government were concerned, they had no choice in the matter. This was a very important matter which the country was entering upon, and he hoped it would be approached without any party spirit from one side or the other. (Hear, hear.) His desire as an agriculturist was to see such an institution a success—to see it a credit to the country.

Mr. Cameron expressed his surprise to hear of the Rev. Mr. Clarke's complaint in reference to this land, as he had previously approved of the selection. After a reference to the Proton question, the London Lunatic Asylum, and other subjects, the hon. gentleman concluded.

Mr. MacKenzie pointed out that no political feeling could have influenced the Council of the Agricultural Association, for he believed the gentlemen composing it were about equally divided in politics. He protested against the charges which had been made against that body, of willful misrepresentation and even deliberate untruth. It was most unfair to make such charges against them when they were not in a position to defend themselves. He asked if Mr. Clarke had made any report to the department?

Mr. Carling said he had not been required to do so. He had expressed himself satisfied with the land to him (Mr. Carling).

Mr. MacKenzie thought too much had been made of Mr. Clarke's connection with the matter. The motion was carried.

Evening Mercury

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 29, 1872

SUBSCRIPTION ACCOUNTS.

We are now sending out our accounts to all subscribers in arrears. We want them to settle forthwith, without any more delay. Description accounts being correct, we will positively be paid in full, not paid within a month. We wish all such to remember that this is a final notice, so the sooner they cash up the better.

NOTICE.

Fredrick Garrod is no longer authorized to act as Agent for THE MERCURY, or to collect any accounts whatsoever due to this Office.

THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Some of the Conservative organs affect to be very indignant at the proposal to have the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm located near Guelph instead of at Mimico. The Leader in a feeble way has taken up the cudgels on behalf of Toronto, and the London Herald comes to Mr. Carling's rescue and defends his course in purchasing the land for this farm at the place referred to. Let us hear what they have got to say on their side of the question.

It will be easiest to dispose of our ancient friend the Leader first. One of its chief arguments against the proposed removal is that some silly fool has informed it that the Government want to buy Bow Park from the Hon. Geo. Brown, and thus relieve that noted agriculturist of the cares of managing his fine estate. As the Leader has Brown on the brain, its opposition is perfectly excusable, though it is entirely on the wrong scent this time. Mr. Brown never dreamt of, or proposed selling his farm, and the Government never had the slightest idea of buying it.

The Herald in its defence of Mr. Carling, gives that gentleman credit for first conceiving the idea of an Agricultural College and Experimental Farm. We have very grave doubts if Mr. Carling ever conceived this, or any other idea. If we are not mistaken the credit belongs to the Rev. W. F. Clarke of first proposing to establish this College and Farm, as to him belongs the credit of doing many other things in connection with the Department of Agriculture for which Mr. Carling claims the credit.

The Herald then goes on to defend the purchase of the Mimico property, and extols the land as being in every way suited for the purpose proposed. Now, we have but very little faith in the judgment of the editor of the Herald on this subject, as compared with that of the Council of the Agricultural Association, who with only one exception pronounced it in every way unsuitable. Is it not for the members of the Council are convenient tools in the hands of the Hon. Mr. McKellar, or that their course is shaped by the influence and interference of the Hon. David Christie. Several of the members of the Council are staunch Conservatives, who, had they allowed their political predilections to warp their judgment, would have confirmed and approved the action of the late Government. But they had a higher idea of their duty than any the Herald seems to be capable of understanding, and in the faithful discharge of that duty, they made a careful examination of the Mimico farm, and as we stated already, with one solitary exception, condemned it. No one we think will for a moment question the competency of these gentlemen to give an opinion on the subject. They are representative Agriculturists—men of position, knowledge and experience in farming—who have been elected by Agriculturists all over the Province to manage the business connected with the Association. Mr. McKellar's course in referring the matter to this body is therefore highly to be commended. By doing so he appealed to the proper tribunal, elected by the people, and did not take on himself, as Mr. Carling did, to arbitrarily decide without so much as consulting them, or asking them whether the place bought would be suitable or not.

Not only the members of the Council, but every person who has seen the Mimico farm, and who is capable of judging, has pronounced it as very unsuitable for an experimental farm. We need not go on to specify and point out its faults, as that has been done already. But to show that the purchase of it had very much the appearance of a job, we may state that some two years before the Government bought the land, 200 acres of it were purchased for us, we think \$40 a acre. After working it for two years the honest yeoman, who owned it, when he sold to the Government, got double what he paid for it, and no doubt some one else made a handsome plum for effecting the sale. We venture to say that if the land was again put into the market, no one would offer to pay for it a cent over \$40 an acre, if they would even go as high as that figure.

The Herald when it blames the Council for acting as the tools of the Hon. Mr. McKellar casts a severe and unmerited reflection on its own political friends who are members of it. It impugns their honesty and independence of judgment, and in its sweeping charge includes also the member of the Council from its own District, who condemned the Mimico farm in the strongest terms. Mr. McKellar in consulting the Council has done what Mr. Carling should have done. He has left it to the most competent body in the Province to decide on the best location for the College, and they have reported in favour of locating it in the neighborhood of Guelph, in the very centre of the finest agricultural section in the Province, and which on that account has superior claims to any other section. No additional expense will be incurred in changing the location. The best and most suitable land can be got here at the same, or at a lower price than was paid for the farm at Mimico. The buildings have not been commenced, and the contractor is willing to put them up as cheap here as at Mimico. Many other advantages might be mentioned in connection with the proposed change of location, but we have not time to refer to them today. We have no hesitation in saying that if the Government carry out the recommendation of the Council of the Agricultural Association, its action will be supported by the House, and it will meet with the approval of the vast majority of the farmers of Ontario.

As will be seen by the report of the proceedings in the House, the Government have resolved before changing the location to procure more information on the subject.

WE beg to call attention to Mr. Horsman's advertisement about Ploughs. The Plough referred to is having a large demand, so great has it become that three car loads have been forwarded to Mr. Horsman to supply the farmers in this neighborhood this Spring. All pronounce them the best general purpose Plough made; as a guarantee of this we need only say that they are manufactured at the celebrated Agricultural Works of F. W. Glen, Oshawa. The price it will be observed will be kept at \$13, the old figure, until the 1st of April, when it will be raised to \$15 in consequence of the advance in Iron and Steel. We should therefore recommend our farmer friends to lose no time in procuring one at Mr. John Horsman's, Hardware Merchant of this town.

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GUELPH

AUCTION SALE.

Insolvent Act of 1869.

In the matter of THOS. W. HUGHES, An Insolvent.

The Subscriber has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on the premises known as THE WELLINGTON HOTEL,

On Tuesday, 12th of March, 1872

THE WHOLE OF THE FURNITURE

In said Hotel, consisting of Bar-Room, Kitchen, Dining Room, Parlor, Sitting, and Reading Rooms, and the

Contents of 42 Bed Rooms.

DESCRIPTIVE CATALOGUES will be issued in a few days, and can be had on application to the Auctioneer at his office opposite the market.

The Subscriber would respectfully call the attention of intending purchasers to this sale, as the furniture is ALL NEW, not having been in use more than two months, and as he has received strict orders from the assignee to sell without reserve, in order to close the estate, great bargains may be expected.

Terms, - - - Cash.
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a.m., and continue until the whole is disposed of.
Feb 23 dw1

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

A. H. R. KENNEDY'S Flour and Feed Store.

Call and have your orders with A. H. R. KENNEDY if you want the best

Flour, Potatoes and Feed

of all kinds, as cheap as any in the town, and always delivered to any part of the town when required.

Also, a fine lot of wheat, oats and peas, for seed.

Remember the stand—Anderson's new buildings, next door to Wm. Sunley's tinshop, West Market Square. (Feb 15—dw6m)

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The subscriber would call the attention of the public to Kinney's Patent Improvement in Stove Furnaces, by which pots, kettles, frying pans, &c., are so constructed that all smoke, smell and steam from frying meat or other cooking are conducted up the chimney as perfectly as in the old-fashioned fire-place. Ladies, give them a trial.

A good assortment of STOVES, TINWARE and PLOUGHS always on hand, and at the lowest prices. WM. HEATHER, Corner Woolwich-st. and Eramosa Road Guelph, 2nd August, 1871. dw

MORRISTON NEW STORE.

Dry Goods, Groceries, &c.

The undersigned will open for inspection on Monday, March 11th, a complete new stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, Crockery, Hardware, &c., in the store

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The highest market price paid for all kinds of Farm Produce. EDWARD KILNER, wt

MORRISTON, Feb. 28, 1872

New Advertisements.

GREAT CLEARING SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES

THE Subscriber having decided to remove from Guelph, begs to intimate to the public that before closing his business here, he will sell off the balance of his Stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES AT COST PRICE!

The Great Sale will commence on THURSDAY, the 8th of FEBRUARY, and

CONTINUE FOR 30 DAYS

During which time the whole of his stock which comprises a good assortment of New and Fresh Goods, will be offered at actual cost price for cash, and cash only. This is a Genuine Clearing Sale, and the public may depend upon getting

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N. B.—All parties indebted to the Subscriber, either by Note or Book Account, are respectfully requested to settle them at once, as after the 20th inst., all accounts unsettled will be placed in the hands of A. A. Baker, Esq., for collection.

F. PREST,

Guelph, Feb. 7, 1872. dw1w West side Wyndham Street.

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Great Bargains are to be had.

FISH, FISH, FISH,

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JOHN McCREA, Agent. Office over Bank of Commerce Buildings, Guelph, Guelph, Nov 28th, 1871. dw6m

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See testimonials in posted bills. Guelph, Feb. 23, 1871. dw2w

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Guelph, Feb. 12, 1872. dw

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

In the matter of FRANCIS VALLAULT, of Fergus, an Insolvent.

Sale of Bankrupt Stock

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Friday, the First day of March, next, for the stock in trade of the above named Insolvent, consisting of Boots, Shoes, Leather, Lasts, Sewing Machine, &c. &c. at - in the

The stock list may be seen at my office. EDWIN NEWTON, Interim Assignee Guelph, Feb. 21, 1872.

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Special to the Trade.

We have another consignment of the Damaged Valencia coming in, which we expect to arrive about the 28th.

Some of our friends having been disappointed in not having their orders filled from the former lot, and this being the last lot we will receive, we would intimate that all orders will be filled in the order in which they are received, no precedence being given to any. All therefore who are desirous of securing any would do well to send in their orders early.

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Guelph, Feb. 24th, 1872. dw

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New Machine & Repairing Shop

To the same premises, where all orders in that line will be promptly attended to.

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Guelph, Jan. 10, 1872