

A DREAM.
I stood upon a burning shore,
My feet were weary, worn and sore,
For I had wandered many a mile,
To reach the stream called *Time's* *Divide*.
I gazed down the lovely stream,
And saw a vision, like a dream—
Upon the blue and glittering bright,
A boat just sailing in sight.
With fluttering sail, and jewelled mast,
It glided up, then anchor cast.
So near me I could almost reach
Its golden prow from off the beach.
Upon its deck a couch I traced,
A manly form its cushion graced;
Upon a golden harp he played,
And with the waves the music waded.
The moon's soft beams lit up the scene,
Sweet odors filled the air serene,
The gentle zephyr's loving kiss
Wrapt my full soul in sweetest bliss.
And when my feet once more could stand,
I knelt upon the burning sand,
Like some long-captive bird in chain,
And spell-bound listened to each strain.
The minstrel saw me kneel, and rose
With arms outstretched for my repose:
Said some, oh cherished, purest dove,
Sail with me on the sea of love.
I looked, I sighed, I started in
The waters toward the bark of sin;
Just then I heard a sweet voice call,
It said, come back, you shall not fall.
I turned and crossed the burning shore
And sped with weary feet so sore,
I gained the old familiar path,
Escaping from the sea of wrath.
Like lightning's flash I flew along,
Soon I beheld a happy throng;
Sweet friends and kindred, who with prayer,
Had saved me from sin's dark despair.
With eyes to heaven I look a vow,
That I would ne'er again allow
My eyes to gaze upon that stream,
Though it were only in a dream.

CAUTION TO REEVES AND DEPUTY REEVES.—By one of the amendments to the Municipal Act just adopted by the Legislature of Ontario at its recent session, reeves and deputy reeves of towns and townships, and aldermen of cities, are required, before they can act as magistrates, to qualify as such in the same way as magistrates appointed by the crown, by filing the affidavit of qualification with the Clerk of the Peace. Those interested will do well to attend to this matter, otherwise their judicial acts will be very apt to be set aside; while they will at the same time be liable to the penalty imposed by statute, namely, a fine of one hundred dollars for every offence, one moiety of which goes to Her Majesty, and the other moiety to such persons as will sue for the same, to be recovered, with full costs of suit by civil action or information in any court of competent jurisdiction. This requirement does not apply to mayors of towns and cities.

PRIZE ESSAY.—The Cobden Club of London has invited competition for a gold medal, to be awarded for the best essay "On the best way of developing improved political and commercial relations between Great Britain and the United States of America." The essays, identified by a motto (with the names and addresses of the writers inclosed in a sealed envelope), must be forwarded on or before the 31st of January next, to the Honorary Secretary, Mr. Thos. Bayley Potter, M.P. Mr. Potter is one of the staunchest friends of the United States in the House of Commons, and the purpose of the present competition is to strengthen amicable feeling between the two countries. The Club reserves the right of publishing the prize essay.

The *N. Y. Herald* is for sale. Young Bennet, it is thought, will sell it if it should fall in his hands, so the senior is disposed to make the most of it in his lifetime. It is said that certain partners in the *Tribune* association are negotiating for its purchase. The price is said to be \$1,000,000, exclusive of the new building, but including the four new presses, which cost \$400,000.

A deputation from the Evangelical Alliance of Great Britain have had an interview with Lord Stanley, at the Foreign office, on the subject of the persecuted Nestorian Christians in Persia and Turkey. In this, as in many other instances, the Evangelical Alliance has been very useful in thus bringing moral influence to bear for the help of those who are suffering persecution for righteousness' sake.

The prison of St. Palague, in Paris mostly occupied by political convicts, is now full. Many editors, not finding vacant rooms for serving their term, have to wait for the expiration of the imprisonment of their predecessors of the pen. Such is the beautiful liberty of the press as promised last year by the emperor.

Myriads of wild fowl at present swarm on the Dundas Marsh and Burlington Bay seemingly conscious of the protection of the law. The sportsmen in this vicinity understand the importance of permitting the favorite game rest unmolested at this time, that they may increase and multiply abundantly.

An exchange states that His Royal Highness Prince Joseph Napoleon Bonaparte has been arrested at New Orleans for the violation of a city ordinance, and, despite his illustrious name, has been sentenced to ninety days' confinement in the workhouse.

The number of the 25th March of the *Official Gazette* contains 239 advertisements connected with bankrupt estates.

FOR THE RED RIVER COUNTRY.—Rev Mr. McDougall, missionary in the Northwest Territory, is about returning after a visit to Canada, and will be accompanied by Rev. E. R. Young, of Toronto, and Rev. Peter Campbell, ministers of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in connection with the Canadian Conference. The Rev gentleman from this city will engage in the Norway House mission which is one of considerable extent and importance. Rev Mr. Young, of Toronto, will be stationed at Red River, and the Rev. Mr. Campbell will labor among the Black-foot Indians. At the conclusion of a prayer meeting held at the King street Wesleyan Church, Monday evening, where Rev. E. R. Young has officiated as pastor for some time, Mr. Thomas Morrison read an appropriate address to the reverend gentleman, accompanied with the presentation of a purse containing seventy-five dollars in gold. The purse was handed to Mr. Young by Miss Josephine Griffith. The recipient of the testimonial replied suitably, referring to the pleasure which his connection with the church had afforded him. The congregation part with their pastor with very great regret, and he carries with him their warmest wishes for his happiness in his new sphere of labor.

FREEMAN & FREEMAN
SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY,
CONVEYANCERS, & C.
Office over Berry's Confectionery Store,
Wynham Street, Guelph,
Guelph, 4th December 1867. dw

COMMERCIAL.
Guelph Markets.
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, April 9, 1868.

Flour, 100 lbs	3 75	@	\$ 4 00
Fall Wheat, 1/2 bush	1 63	@	1 72
Spring Wheat, 1/2 bush	1 58	@	1 62
Oats, 1/2 bush	0 57	@	0 58
Peas, do	0 68	@	0 70
Barley, do	1 10	@	1 20
Hay, 1 ton	9 00	@	12 00
Straw	4 00	@	5 00
Shingles, 1/2 square	1 00	@	1 50
Wood, 1 cord	3 00	@	3 50
Wool	0 27	@	0 20
Eggs, 1/2 dozen	0 10	@	0 10 00
Butter, 1/2 lb	0 13	@	0 13
Geese, each	0 25	@	0 30
Turkeys each	0 50	@	0 60
Chickens, 1/2 pair	0 30	@	0 28
Ducks, do	0 20	@	0 23
Potatoes	0 55	@	0 65
Apples, 1/2 barrel	2 00	@	2 00
Lamb, 1/2 lb	0 06	@	0 07
Beef, 1/2 lb	4 50	@	6 00
Pork, 1/2 lb	0 65	@	0 66
Pork, 1/2 100 lbs.	5 00	@	5 00
Sheep Pelts, each	0 50	@	0 75
Lambskins	0 40	@	0 45
Hides	0 00	@	0 00

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's report by Special Telegraph to "Evening Mercury."
MONTREAL, April 9, 1868.
Flour—Fancy \$7 50 to \$7 75; Superfine No. 1, \$7 45 to \$7 60; Welland Canal, \$7 50; Bag Flour, \$3 60 to \$3 70; Oats 48 c to 50c; Barley \$1 15 to \$1 20; Butter—dairy 18c to 22c; store packed 18c to 22c; Ashes—Pots \$5 70 to \$5 75; pearls \$0 60 to \$5 60.
FLOUR.—Demand and sales trifling, market dull and weak. Grain—wheat nominal; peas active; former rates. Provisions generally unchanged. Ashes dull and drooping.

TORONTO, April 8, 1868.
Flour—Receipts, 200 barrels; No. 1, at \$7 00 to \$7 10; Welland Canal, \$1 85; Spring Wheat—\$1 00 to \$1 04; Oats—40c; Barley—\$1 35 to \$1 40; Peas—61c.

HAMILTON, April 8, 1868.
Fall wheat, \$1 00 to \$1 05; spring do—\$1 55 to \$1 60 per bushel; Barley—\$1 35 to \$1 40; Oats—55c to 58c; Peas—65c to 90c; Pork—\$0 00 to \$0 50.

NOTICE.
THIS subscriber having purchased from the Executors of his late partner, Mr. Henderson his share of the business, begs to notify his friends and the public that he will continue to carry on the business in all its branches at the old stand, Wynham Street, Guelph, and would solicit a continuance of that patronage so liberally bestowed on the late firm.
G. D. FRASER.

ALL outstanding accounts to be paid in bankable currency to G. D. FRASER up to the 15th of April, any remaining unpaid then will be put into Court for collection, as the books of the late firm must be closed within 30 days after date.
Guelph, 27th March, 1868. d

DOMINION HOTEL
GEORGE BLACK
BEGS to inform his friends and the public that he has opened the above Hotel, in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL-ST.
A few doors above Higginbotham's Drug Store and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharpe & Seed Store. There is a good stable attached to the hotel, and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience.
Guelph, March 6, 1868. daw 3m

POTATOES!
Potatoes of all kinds
Wholesale and Retail.

AT WEBSTER'S
Grain and Flour Store,
West Market Square, Guelph.
Guelph, March 29, 1868. do tf

PLATT & CO'S
WORLD RENOWNED
OYSTERS
Received daily by Express. Wholesale and Retail.
GEORGE WILKINSON.
Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.
Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868.

FUNERALS.
WILLIAM BROWNLOW, UNDERTAKER,
SHOP, in rear of the WELLINGTON HOTEL, Douglas Street. House in rear of Mr. F. W. Stone's Store, and fronting the Fair Ground.
The subscriber intimates that he is prepared to attend
FUNERALS
As usual in Town and Country. Coffins always on hand and made to order on the shortest notice.
Terms very moderate.
WM. BROWNLOW, daw y
Guelph, March 20, 1868.

NOTICE.
HAVING sold out my stock at "Bradford House" and Book-accounts to Mr. Philip Bish, all parties indebted to me on book account will pay the amount to Mr. Bish.
GEORGE JEFFREY,
Guelph, 5th March, 1867.

WITH reference to the above, I have much pleasure in stating that I have purchased the whole stock in trade, also the book accounts, of Mr. Geo. Jeffrey. The business will be carried on as formerly in all its branches, trusting for a continuance of that patronage which was so liberally bestowed on my predecessor. For further particulars see future advertisement.
P. BISH.

N.B.—All accounts not satisfactory, will be placed in first court for collection.
Guelph, March 5th, 1868. dw

DENTISTS!
CUELPH and BRAMPTON,
Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.
OFFICE:
Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store
REPRESENTED—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Drs. Clarke, Parker and Herod, Guelph; A. F. Scott, Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattullo, M. C. R. Rev. Mr. Arnold—Brampton. Dr. Barnhart, Warden of Peel; Dr. Hampton, resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital.
The new anæsthetic agent used for extracting teeth without pain.
R. TROTTER,
Guelph, 2nd August, 1867. W. K. GRAHAM (d.w-1y)

Not Run Away Yet!
THE Subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the Public, that though several noted characters have lately been constrained to leave Guelph for the sake of their health, he is still hale and hearty, and hangs out his shingle at the old spot,
CORK STREET,
OPPOSITE
DEADY'S HOTEL,
Where he is prepared as formerly to make up CLOTHING of every description at short notice and in a superior style.
To Farmers!
Having had 30 years experience, and devoting all his time to the business, he can make up
Home-made CLOTH!
And trim it CHEAPER than can be done at any other Establishment in Town.
All work carefully finished, and at Moderate Rates.
Guelph, Feb. 21, 1868. WM. MITCHELL, d.w-1y

Dominion Store!
(Late Post Office Store.)
JUST RECEIVED, a large assortment of Embroidery for Ladies Underclothing. Also for Braiding on all sorts of Dress Goods.
Some of the Finest Patterns ever seen
Call and see them, they are for sale singly—Stamping done to order on the shortest notice. Also a hand assortment of
New Oranges and Lemons.
For sale GATE'S & CO'S VICTORIA SEWING Machines. Don't forget the stand, next to the Wellington Hotel.
MRS. ROBINSON,
Upper Wynham Street, Guelph.
Guelph Feb. 19th, 1868. daw

NEW Oyster Rooms
VALENTINE WALD
BEGS to announce to the public that he has fitted up Oyster Rooms in connection with his Hotel, on MACDONNELL STREET.
The very best of Liquors, and choicest Cigars will always be kept.
The Rooms are under the superintendence of Mr. R. McCracken, whose courteous attention, as well as his thorough knowledge of the business, will insure satisfaction in all cases.
The very best of Oysters always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice.
TOM and JERRY, and all kinds of Fancy Drinks prepared in the most approved manner.
Guelph, 27th December, 1867. d.w-1m

Funerals, Funerals!
NATHAN TOVELL has to intimate that he is prepared to attend funerals as usual. Coffins always on hand. Hearses to hire.
His Special Planing Mill in constant operation. All kinds of lumber, sashes, doors, blinds, mouldings, &c. He solicits a share of public patronage.
NATHAN TOVELL,
Guelph, 27th Aug. 1867. Nelson Crescent

REMOVAL.
STEPHEN BOULT,
Architect and Builder,
Has removed his Workshop and Planing Factory to QUEBEC STREET, (site of the old Congregational Church,) a short distance east of Wynham Street.
Plans, Specifications & Estimates,
Supplied, and work superintended in all its branches.
STEPHEN BOULT having succeeded to the old established Lumber Yard of Thos. McCracken, Esq., begs a continuance of public patronage. All kinds of Lumber on hand. Prompt attention given to all orders.
Planing Done to Order,
AND ALL KINDS OF
Mouldings, Sashes, Doors, Blinds, and Machine Joiners' Work,
Executed with despatch and kept always on hand. Cash paid for all kinds of Lumber at the yard.
Guelph, March 10th, 1868. d.w-1y

DR. JAMES' NEW DISCOVERY,
GREEN MOUNTAIN OIL.
WARRANTED TO CURE
Rheumatic Pains of all kinds.
Diphtheria
Croup and Burns
Deafness and Sore Eyes
Rheumatic Pains
Stiff Joints
Pains in the Back
Dyspepsia
Asthma
Sore Throat
SPRAINS, Wounds and Bruises
NEURALGIA, Toothache and Headache
SARACHE and Stiff Neck
SALT RHEUM
ERYSIPELAS
PROSTED FEET and CHILBLAINS.
This Oil is mild and pleasant, and is a GREAT FAMILY MEDICINE for children teething. It will relieve Nervous Complaints. Ladies should use it, as it always leaves you better than it finds you, and one bottle often effects a cure.
Druggists, merchants and others supplied at the lowest price. For sale in Guelph by Messrs. N. Higginbotham, A. B. Petrie and E. Harvey.
Prepared by
J. H. LEMON,
Woolwich Street, in rear of the Old Alma Block, Guelph, to whom all orders must be addressed.
Guelph, March 28, 1868. dw

ASHES, LEATHER, & C.
CONSIGNMENTS solicited. Highest prices realized and returns promptly made. Every possible information afforded consignors in reference to the Markets, Packing of Pork, Manufacture, &c., as required.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co.,
MONTREAL.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & More,
HALIFAX.
ADVANCES.
DRAFTS authorised against Consignments to Montreal and Halifax may be made at the option of Consignors, on either City. Cash advances made on shipments to our Correspondents in Foreign Markets.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co.,
MONTREAL.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & More,
HALIFAX.
FISH, OILS, & C.
ORDERS for Fish, Oils, or West India Produce carefully and promptly executed.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co.,
HALIFAX, N. S.
d.w-1y
October 12 1867.

CASTLE GARDEN SALOON
MARKET SQUARE,
GUELPH, ONT.
THE Subscriber begs to inform the public that he has leased the above premises for a term of years, and has refitted it in a very superior and substantial manner, and hopes to share a portion of the patronage of the public.
THE BAR
will be supplied with the best
Wines, Liquors & Cigars
And the table with all the delicacies of the season. In fact no expense will be spared to make it a first-class establishment.
LUNCHEON!
Every day from 1 to 3 o'clock.
OYSTERS AND GAME,
Etc. Dinner and Supper parties provided short notice, at reasonable charges.
JOHN MILLER,
Proprietor.
Late of the Commercial Hotel, Whitby.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868. do tf

INDIA AND CHINA
TEA COMPANY
A LARGE SUPPLY
OF THIS
CELEBRATED TEA
FOR FAMILY USE,
Just received at
MEDICAL HALL.
N. HIGGINBOTHAM,
Sole Agent for Guelph.
Guelph, 19th March, 1868. dw

INDIA & CHINA TEA CO'Y.
Home Depot at London and Liverpool.
Canada Depot, 23 Hospital Street, Montreal.
THE India and China Tea Company beg to call the attention of the Canadian community to their directly imported Teas, which for PURITY and EXCELLENCE will be found unequalled.
The Company have made arrangements whereby they have secured the entire produce of some of the best plantations in Assam and on the slopes of the Himalayas, and by a judicious blending of these magnificent Teas with the best varieties of China produce, they are enabled to offer to the public Tea of quality and flavour hitherto unknown to the general consumer. These Teas are in high favour in England and France, and a single trial will prove their superiority.
The Company supply two qualities only, either Black, Green or Mixed. Their Black Teas will be found to possess great brilliancy and flavour, combined with colour and strength, and to be entirely different to the flat and rapid article usually sold as Black Tea, while their Green Teas are altogether free from the deleterious mineral powder so commonly used for coloring the leaf.
PRICES.—Rich flavoured Tea, for family use a real genuine and fine article 70 cents per lb. Finest quality procurable, one dollar per lb.
The above can be had either Black, Green or Mixed.
To be had in packets of Quarter Pound, Half Pound, One Pound, and upwards, or in tin canisters of 5 lbs. and upwards, from the Company's Agents in all the chief towns of Canada.—N. B. All the packages are lined with tin foil paper, and the Tea will consequently retain its flavour any length of time.
ORDER.—All packages have the Company's trade-mark, without which none are genuine.
MR. N. HIGGINBOTHAM
Agent, Guelph.
Guelph, August 3, 1867. d.w-1y

Valuable Property!
FOR SALE LOW.
TOWN OF GUELPH.
1.—Lots 7, 8 and 9, Perth Street, with large frontage on the Eramosa Road. Large buildings. Lots extend to the river, well situated for many factoring purposes, and in the heart of the town.
2.—Lots 19, 20 and 21, Hubbard's Survey, fronting on Woolwich and Norwich Streets. Two good houses. Let to good tenants. Plenty of shade trees and good gardens.
3.—6 Lots known as the Poplars, having a close board fence, fronting on Woolwich Street, London Road and Mill-st.
4.—One Lot adjoining on Mill Street, with good Frame House, being Lot 5, McCartney's Survey.
5.—Two Warehouse Lots at the junction of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways—Grange's Survey.
GUELPH TOWNSHIP.
6.—A choice farm of about 53 acres, with never failing brook, situated on the Town Line, bounded on the west by the farm of T. Sandilands, Esq., on the east by the G. W. R., admirably adapted for a gentleman's residence, with all the benefits of the town without its taxes.
NICHOL.
7.—A nice farm of over fifty acres, situated on the Town Line of Eora, being the N. Wharf of Lot No. 2, 1st Con, Nichol.
EAST FLAMBORO.
8.—A good mill privilege, 14 feet fall, on the 12 mile Creek, East Flamboro', with good buildings, 71 acres of land, several houses. Now occupied as a Last and Peg Factory.
For further particulars apply to Messrs. THOMPSON & JACKSON, Agents, Guelph, who will also act as my agents for the same.
W. J. BROWN,
Guelph, 30th December, 1867. w-1m

REMOVAL
LEMON & PETERSON
BARRISTERS and Attorneys at Law, Solicitor of Chancery, and Notaries Public.
OFFICE: over the Bank of Commerce, opposite the Market, Guelph.

ERAMOSA BRIDGE.
THE subscribers beg to thank their numerous friends and customers for past favors, and beg to inform them that they will continue the business in all its branches. Having re-fitted their machinery, which is the best in the Dominion, they are prepared to do work better and cheaper than any other establishment in the Province. They keep constantly on hand all kinds of
Sashes, Doors, Blinds, Window Frames!
Mouldings, Dressed Flooring, Sheeting and Shelving.
ALL KINDS OF LUMBER
DRESSED AND UNDRESSED.
constantly on hand. Parties furnishing their own lumber can have it prepared on shorter notice and in better style than at any other establishment in Guelph.
R. & J. S. being practical men of considerable experience, hope by strict attention to business to be able to give the fullest satisfaction to all who may favor them with a call.
Guelph, 19th March, 1868. w-1m—d.w-8
R. & J. STEWART.

Where do you get your Watches,
CLOCKS AND JEWELLERY REPAIRED?

AT SAVAGE'S.
Guelph, February 6, 1868.
ESTABLISHED 1849.

JOHN MACDONALD & CO
TORONTO,
Have now a very
Large and Complete Stock!
To which, throughout the Season,
ADDITIONS WILL BE MADE WEEKLY
JOHN MACDONALD & CO.
Nos. 21 and 23, Wellington Street, and Nos. 25 and 30, Front Street, TORONTO.
No. 108 King Street, Manchester, England.
Toronto, 25th March, 1868. d.w-1m

NEW CLOTHING STORE.
REMOVAL!
JAMEZ CORMACK
BEGS to notify his friends and the public that he has removed to
THE SPLENDID NEW STORE
Next the Hardware Store of JOHN HORSMAN, ESQ.
On hand, a large Stock of first-class
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
CLOTHS AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,
At a Tremendous Reduction
In order to make room for the Spring Stock. ALL ORDERED WORK done up as usual in first-class style. A perfect fit and the best of workmanship guaranteed.
Remember the New Store, Wynham-st., next door to Horsman's.
JAMES CORMACK,
Guelph, 14th February, 1868. dw Wynham-st., Guelph

SELLING OFF!
NO HUMBUG!
All the DRY GOODS unsold at the
RUTHERFORD HOUSE!
WILL BE SOLD AT COST PRICES.
Those wishing great bargains will find it to their advantage to buy from R. RUTHERFORD, as he is going out of the Dry Goods trade.
CHOICE GROCERIES!
His Groceries are super-excellent in quality, and he is determined not to be undersold. Just arrived a fine lot of **DRIED APPLES,** which is prepared to sell very cheap. Also, a large lot of **CLOVER, TIMOTHY and TURNIP SEEDS.**
Guelph 21st March, 1868. daw
R. RUTHERFORD.

Commercial Union Assurance Company
CHIEF OFFICES—19 and 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.
CAPITAL £2,500,000.
Fire Department.
THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscribed capital and Invested Funds.
PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.—The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.
Life Department.
Volunteers assured in this Company, are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the Frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.
Eighty per cent of the Profits of the Whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.
Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.
By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.
MORLAND, WATSON & Co., General Agents for Canada.
FREDERICK COLE, Secretary, Inspector of Agencies—T. C. LIVINGSTON, F. L. S., Upper Canada.
TROTTER & GRAHAM,
Agents for Guelph.
Guelph, April 1st, 1868