

SUBSCRIPTION ACCOUNTS.

We are now sending out our accounts to all subscribers in arrears. We want them to settle FORTHWITH, without any more delay.

NOTICE.

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

THE TICHBORNE CASE.

The Claimant Withdraws his Case. He is Arrested For Perjury.

The celebrated Tichborne case was brought to a sudden and most unexpected termination this morning. Upon the opening of the court, the counsel for the claimant to the Tichborne estate announced that their client had decided, in view of the action of the jury on Monday in saying they had heard sufficient evidence whereon to base a verdict, to withdraw his case before the court.

After this announcement of the counsel for the plaintiff, the counsel for the defendant Lord Chief Justice Bovill to issue a warrant for the arrest of the claimant on a charge of perjury, and to fix his bail at £50,000. The petition was granted, and a Bench warrant was issued for his arrest.

The claimant was not present at the session of the court this morning, and it is believed he has fled from the city.

LATER.—The claimant to the Tichborne estate did not, as was first supposed this morning, leave London immediately upon his decision to withdraw his case. Shortly after the issue of the warrant for his arrest by Lord Chief Justice Bovill, he was taken into custody by the police and conveyed to Newgate.

The Railway Meeting.

Last (Wednesday) night a meeting was held in the Queen's for the purpose of appointing a delegation to proceed to Erin to attend the meeting held there to-day, in the interest of the Credit Valley Railway, by Mr. George Laidlaw. The meeting was well attended, many of our leading citizens being present. Mr. Massie was appointed chairman and Mr. Guthrie secretary.

After a long and friendly discussion on the whole subject, the following resolution was passed: Moved by Mr. Melvin, seconded by Mr. Raymond, "That the chairman be instructed to request the Mayor to call a special meeting of the Town Council for an hour tomorrow forenoon, to consider the project of a railway from Guelph to Orangeville and Collingwood, and give expression to their views regarding it."

Moved by Mr. Higginbotham, seconded by Mr. Worswick, "That Messrs. Massie, Storton, Hogg, Mills and McLagan be a deputation to go to Erin to-morrow."

Mr. Winger and Mr. Hupel, of Elmira, were present, and urged on the meeting the propriety of sending a deputation to Berlin to-day to the meeting of those from the surrounding municipalities who are favorable to the building of a railway from Waterloo Village to Drayton. They represented that the people of Elmira would rather have railway connection with Guelph, and thought a scheme might be got up and carried out for the construction of a railway from Guelph through Elmira, Woolwich, Wellesley and Mornington.

On motion of Mr. Melvin, it was carried that the Mayor, Messrs. Howard, Goude and Chas. Davidson be appointed to attend the conference to be held at Berlin to-day.

EDITORIAL NEWS.

The Metropolitan hotel in Toronto is being cleared out by the Mad proprietors, and a gang of workmen are at work. Blackburn has not yet returned from New York. The prospectus will be issued in a few days.

Gen. Brownlow telegraphs from Calcutta that the Northern Howling chiefs have submitted, bringing peace offerings and bidding themselves to peace with their usual oaths and ceremonies, and all their captives have been recovered.

The tunnel under the Detroit river is progressing at the rate of five feet per diem, including the construction of the masonry. A layer of quicksand, discharging continually five gallons per minute, has caused much delay, and some large boulders have been met with rendering it necessary to use gunpowder to remove them. Operations will soon be commenced on the Canada side; but it is feared the total cost of the works will be much higher than was expected.

A DISPATCH from Rome states that when Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia was in that city recently on his way to Egypt, he declared that in case France made an attack upon Italy, the latter would be defended by Germany. This report is probably correct.

Nassagaweya Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment on Monday the 26th day of Feb. Members all present. The Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. On motion it was ordered that the sum of \$17.75 be paid to Dr. Winn for medical attendance on Widow Job's family, Patrick Waters and Samuel Servey, poor and indigent persons. On motion the report of the Inspector of Taverns was received and read, which stated that he had visited the several taverns and found them provided with the necessary accommodation required by statute and the by-law, and recommending the occupants thereof as fit and proper persons to receive certificates for licenses. The applicants being present with their bondsmen, and after executing the required bond received their certificates for licenses, viz: John Coote, Farmers Arms; Michael Easterbrook, Campbellville Inn; Michael Lyons, Huttonville Hotel; Henry Stinson, Ontario Hotel; Lewis Scram, Town-line Inn. On motion S. R. Lister was re-appointed to collect all arrears of taxes available. On motion a by-law was introduced and passed the several readings, for the re-nomination of the Council adjourned to meet on the second Monday in April next, as a Court of Revision and Appeal, and for other Township business. JAMES EASTMAN, Township Clerk.

BY TELEGRAPH THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

A Great Fire in Cincinnati.

Recall of the Spanish Minister at Washington.

Cincinnati, March 7.—Last night a fire broke out among steamers at the wharf, totally destroying the following, with their cargoes:—Champion, Argosy, St. Charles, Kate Robinson, Major Anderson and Abeona, also seriously damaging an immense New Orleans wharf boat, which may yet be destroyed. It is impossible at this hour to ascertain the loss, which will be heavy. The fire is still raging, but is not likely to extend beyond the boats mentioned above, as other threatened boats have been removed.

Madison, Wis., March 7.—A Bill passed in the Senate yesterday, prohibiting the purchase, or receiving in store, grain by any other weight or measure than at the standard provided by law.

Washington, March 7.—Senator Roberts, the Spanish Minister, has been recalled. The certainty of the event has been for some time whispered in administration circles, but the Government now has authentic notice of it, and has also an intimation that the successor likely to be sent out is so completely a tool of the Marplot Sogasta, and has used such expressions towards the United States, that the question of receiving him demands grave consideration. We certainly seem entering upon a period of decidedly cool relations with Spain.

Special Meeting of Town Council.

A special meeting of the Town Council convened by the Mayor was held this morning at 9 o'clock. Present, the Mayor, Messrs. Massie, Hogg, Kennedy, Snider, Stewart, Crowe, McMillan, Bruce, Howard, Robertson, Stevenson.

The Clerk read applications from Mrs. Atkinson and James Hoban for shop licenses. Referred to the Inspector. Moved by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Howard, that this Council view with approval the project of a Railway from Guelph to Orangeville and thence to Collingwood, connecting this town with the waters of the Georgian Bay, and that this Council will use every legitimate means in its power to promote the enterprise. Carried.

The Turnberry By-law.

We have received a despatch from Wingham, announcing that the Turnberry By-law, granting a bonus to the Narrow Gauge Railway was on Wednesday defeated by a majority of 140. This with the defeat of the Wingham By-law is a grievous blow to the Narrow Gaugers, whose fortunes now are at a rather low ebb.

Fire in Drayton.

Special despatch to the Mercury. March 7.—Last night a fire broke out in the residence of Mr. J. Longman, formerly owned by Dr. Tuck. The fire originated in the chimney or stovepipe. The contents of the house were nearly all saved, together with the kitchen adjoining the house. This was effected by the activity of the village people. The building, with its contents, was insured in the Waterloo Mutual for \$1,000.

The preparations for the Boston June Jubilee are still going on at a tremendous rate. The Executive Committee meets regularly every Wednesday evening. As for chorus, the only difficulty will be that there is a prospect of too much of it. Over \$15,000 worth of season tickets have already been sold. Wilcox & Coare building for the occasion the most enormous organ ever erected in this country. "It is to be played," we are told, "by means of electric communication between the keyboard at the conductor's stand and the organist's seat at the rear extremity of the stage." The information is not quite so definite as we could desire; for we are left in doubt as to who or what is to play, the conductor of his stand, the organist or his seat; or whether the whole thing is to be done by electricity.

BIRTHS.

WILKIE.—At Guelph, on the 5th inst., the wife of Mr. Wilkie, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

SMITH—JOHNSON.—The residence of Mr. E. Humphreys, Guelph, on the 6th inst., by the Rev. Geo. Pugh, to Mr. John Smith, of Guelph, and Miss Sara Johnson, of Guelph.

DEATHS.

BLACK.—At Guelph, on the 5th inst., Isabel Annos, wife of Mr. William Black, aged 31 years. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Friday) at 2 p.m., and the interment will be made in the Presbyterian Cemetery.

CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED IN 1847. Cash paid over \$1,000 per day. Invested over \$1,250,000. Awaiting the unallotted capital of \$75,000. Security of over \$2,000,000. For the exclusive protection of Assurers. Claims paid for Deaths since commencement \$800,000. Annual Income over 400,000. Surplus Assured nearly \$10,000,000. The strong financial position of this Company and its.

MODERATE RATES.

Reader it is on whose advantages are not surpassed by any other, and explain the fact that it stands at the head of all the Life Companies in Canada. Detailed Reports and Tables of Rates may be obtained at any of the Company's offices or agencies. A. G. RAMSAY, Manager, Guelph, 2nd.

A bachelor editor, who had a pretty unmarried sister, lately wrote to another editor similarly circumstanced, "Please exchange."

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 ear 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 loose no time in procuring one at Mr. John Horsman's, Hardware Merchant of this town.

ELEGANT PRESENTATION BOOKS.

AT ANDERSON'S BOUND VOLUMES.

Sunday at Home FOR 1871; Leisure Hour FOR 1871; Quiver FOR 1871; Good Words FOR 1871; Sunday Magazine FOR 1871; Family Treasury FOR 1871; Good Words for the Young FOR 1871; Chamber's Journal FOR 1871; ANDERSON'S Cheap Book, Stationery, and News Depot Opposite the Market, 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 28 dw11 THOS. W. TAYLOR, Auctioneer.

NEW BOOKS.

Day's Bookstore. Bonar's Light and Truth The Gospels The Lesser Epistles Bonar's Family Sermons Bonar's Old and New Bonar's A Stranger Here Bonar's Catechism of the Scottish Reformation Bonar's Story of Grace Bonar's Night of Weeping Bonar's Eternal Day Bonar's Morning of Joy Bonar's God's Ways of Holiness Bonar's Hymns of Faith and Hope

SIX CASES NEW BOOKS Just Opened.

DAY'S BOOKSTORE, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

New Advertisements.

Great Excitement in the Boot and Shoe Trade.

PREST'S GREAT CLEARING SALE STILL GOING ON! THE Subscriber begs to thank his friends and the public for their patronage during his Great Clearing Sale, and would inform them that he will continue it.

THIRTY DAYS LONGER AT COST AND UNDER.

Don't forget the place—Next door to Day's Bookstore. Guelph, Mar. 5, 1872. dw11 F. PREST, West side Wyndham Street.

REMNANTS ALL SOLD! STOCKTAKING OVER!

PILES OF NEW SPRING GOODS WILL BE FORWARDED IN A FEW DAYS!

LOOK OUT FOR THEM. A. O. BUCHAM Fashionable West End Dry Goods Store, Alma Block.

Guelph, March 6th, 1872. dwy

ASH WEDNESDAY!

FRESH HADDOCK FRESH CODFISH FRESH FLOUNDERS FRESH SEA HERRINGS FRESH LAKE HERRINGS FRESH SALMON TROUT FRESH WHITE FISH FRESH PERCH OYSTERS---XXX, J. C. L'S, AND SELECTS. FINNAN HADDIES. HUGH WALKER, Wyndham-st.

THE STOCK OF PRESERVES, JELLIES, AND CANNED FRUITS.

Generally run low in every household at this season of the year. JOHN A. WOOD, Is prepared to supply the deficiency, having in stock the largest and best assortment ever shown in Guelph.

CANNED GOODS JAMS.

Strawberries Raspberries Blackberries White Cherries Red Cherries Pears Plums Peaches Pine Apples Quinces Rhubarb Pippins String Beans Sweet Corn Tomatoes Green Peas Green Gage Apricot Strawberry Raspberry Red Currant Black Currant Damson Gooseberry Orange Marmalade Lemon do JELLIES Red Currant Black Calves Foot Lemon and Orange

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S Fire, Marine and Life INSURANCE.

Provincial, Lancashire and Phoenix. Canada Landed Credit Comp'y Lower rates than any Loan Co. in Ontario. JOHN McCREA, Agent, 37ces over Bank of Commerce Buildings, Guelph, Guelph, Nov 28th, 1871. dw11

THE Lancashire Insurance Company.

Capital £2,000,000 Sterling Head office for Ontario Northwest Corner of King and Church Streets, Toronto. General Agents, S. C. DUNCAN-CLARK & Co. Manager, WM CAMPBELL Agent at Guelph, Guelph, JOHN McCREA

ICE CREEPERS.

For Heels of Shoes!

JUST THE THING FOR SLIPPERY SIDEWALKS. Price Very Low JOHN M. BOND & Co's. GUELPH. Guelph, Feb. 19, 1871. JOHN HUNTER'S, Branch of Mme. Demore's, N.Y. EMPORUM OF FASHION. Madame Demore's celebrated full sized PATTERNS For Ladies, Misses and Children's GARMENTS OF ALL KINDS. THE GARDNER SEWING MACHINE. First Prize at Central Fair, and everywhere else. Acknowledged by all to be the best and most reliable. CHIGNONS, BRAIDS, SWITCHES, General Fancy Goods, Small Wares, JEWELLERY and TOYS. JOHN HUNTER. Guelph, Feb. 20, 1872. dw

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after SATURDAY, the 24th of FEBRUARY, G. B. FRASER'S Stock will be offered in lots to suit purchasers, at less than the goods can now be manufactured.

BARGAINS, BARGAINS, BARGAINS. Whoever wants Bargains should go to FRASER'S GREAT SALE. All in want of DRY GOODS and GROCERIES will save money by buying at FRASER'S. FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF GOODS TO BE SOLD OFF WITHOUT RESERVE!!! It will pay Merchants, Farmers, Hotel Keepers, and all in want of House Furnishings, to travel 40 miles to make a selection from Fraser's Extensive Stock. The Goods will be Marked in Plain Figures, and No Second Price. A number of extra substantial being engaged for the occasion, and all customers will receive every attention. Who here will be opened at 8 a.m., and closed at 6 p.m. All orders for cash will be filled. FRASER'S, Guelph. TERMS OF SALE.—Under \$50, cash; over \$50 three months credit; over \$100 five per cent discount for cash. FRASER. Feb. 20, 1872.

R. CRAWFORD, WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER.

Next the Post Office. Having resolved to go into the manufacture of WATCHES AND JEWELLERY Exclusively, I will sell my cash present stock of Watches, Clocks, Jewellery, &c.

BARGAINS WILL BE GIVEN.

Until the whole stock is sold off. The Jobbing Business will be carried on as a fullier extent than ever. Observe the address— NEXT THE POST OFFICE, GUELPH, ONT. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1872. dw

NEW MILLINERY SHOW ROOMS.

MISS ELLIS. Begs to inform the public that she has just received a fresh lot of MILLINERY GOODS. In all the latest styles, and respectfully solicits an early call. One door east of the Royal Hotel. Guelph, Oct. 3, 1871. dw