

Guelph Evening Mercury

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BOYS WANTED.

Wanted, several smart, active boys to sell the EVENING MERCURY. Several boys are now making from one to two dollars a week. Apply at once at this Office.

MODERATION IN VICTORY.—It is a trite proverb, that "to the victors belong the spoils," but it is one that as frequently at least as any other finds a verification. Conquerors have in all ages claimed the right of enjoying the fruits of their triumphs, and who could say they nay. The world has produced but few like Cincinnatus who achieved victory for his country and then refused the rewards she would gratefully have bestowed. But does not the revolution in Spain promise instances of singular moderation on the part of powerful men? To overturn one despotism is often the easier part of the work which lies before a revolution, the prevention of the establishment of another being by far the more difficult task. The Roundheads beheaded Charles I, but Cromwell at the head of the formidable engine called a military force made himself supreme, and for a number of years swayed a sceptre of iron. The French revolution deprived poor King Louis of his head also, but here again the army stepped in and its favourite became, not a monarch with limited, but an Emperor with absolute power. In spite of assertions to the contrary, history does repeat itself, and it would not have been surprising had the Spanish revolution taken a similar turn, and some one of the Generals possessed of more ability or intrigue than his fellows raised himself to power on the ruins of the Bourbon dynasty. But it appears that nothing of the kind is to be attempted, and that the "sovereign people" are to be allowed the privilege of selecting their own form of government, and choosing whom they shall follow. This indeed is moderation which is seldom found under the circumstances and which we would have looked for least of all perhaps in Spain. Herein lies undoubted proof that it was not their own personal aggrandizement but their country's welfare which formed the mainspring of the actions of Prim, Serrano and others. Very probably the Spaniards will have a monarchy, with the father of the present king of Portugal at its head.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.—On Thursday the Atlantic cable conveyed its announcement of the previous day, that the Alabama claims were to be referred to the Emperor of Russia, and informed us that the King of Prussia was the arbitrator who had been agreed upon. The Americans are tired of the question and wish to have it settled, but there was a time when Mr. Seward was in earnest in his expressions, they would scarcely have been satisfied to refer the question to Prussia. The Emperor of Russia might make a very good judge, but it is probable that the Alabama claims are fully as well understood at the Prussian Court as at the Russian, and the connexion between the Royal Families of England and Prussia will not have the slightest tendency to cause a partial decision. It is to be hoped that the matter will be speedily adjusted, and when it is settled the respect of both nations for the arbitrator, if not for each other, will prevent any person of consequence complaining, even if his idea of what was right in the premises has not been exactly met. There is a class in the States that it is safe to presume would not be satisfied with the arbitration of any power on the question; they are those who are troubled with Anglophobia, but all others will rejoice that there is one bone of contention less, one less cause of ill will and jealousy between two countries which above all others should cultivate amicable relations. England is willing to give the Americans as their own, and all the Americans should be satisfied therewith.

THE G. W. TRAINS.—The Galt Reporter says:—"The arrangement of trains on the Galt Branch, which went into operation on Monday last is one that we trust will not be continued for any length of time. It is the very worst arrangement for us, regarding the mails, that has ever been made. It virtually gives us but one mail each way per day." The hope expressed in the above paragraph is heartily reiterated in Guelph, not so much on account of the mails, we believe, as because of the early hour—that is, early for winter mornings—at which the train starts. Indeed so vexatious is it, and such an incubus did the announcement of the change of time become on the minds of business men, that the subject was talked of in an informal way at the meeting of the Board of Trade on Tuesday night, and the conclusion was ultimately reached, that to have trains start earlier in the morning and arrive later at night in winter than in summer was running contrary to nature. But it must be remembered, that while the change is disadvantageous to the Branch it is a boon to the Main Line, and it is perhaps as difficult now as when the old man started with his ass for the market to please everybody.

The Queen of Madagascar has presented the government of the United States with several heavy silk mixed fabrics for a table cloth or bed spread, and a silver-plated coffee urn of rather inferior quality. The government will suitably acknowledge the compliment.

Miss Rye's Girls.

Probably before this date the philanthropic Miss Rye is on her way to Canada with another batch of servant girls. The lady no doubt means well, and where the intention is good it behoves us to be lenient when the results of actions are not altogether what it is desirable they should be. Miss Rye has evidently a passion for bettering the worldly condition of some of her countrywomen, and herein she acts nobly, but it might not be too much to expect that she would have a little consideration also for the country to which she brings her emigrants. A letter in the London Standard shows how some of the last hundred were selected, and if the statements be true (which it is very probable they are) it is evident that how much sower the girls may gain by the change, Canada will gain little unless their trip across the ocean renovate their characters. Every person who knows anything of Canada is aware that female domestic servants are in demand, but not of that stamp which one of Miss Rye's former draft showed herself to be, when she ran away from her situation, having considerably diminished the wardrobe of her mistress. This plain fact will give force to the following remarks of the writer in the journal we have already mentioned. He says:—"As regards the opinions formed of the women by the ship's officers and passengers, I will briefly say that black sheep appeared in the flock even before the debarkation at Point Levi, and this will not appear surprising to those who are acquainted with the mode in which the party was got together. I have before me a copy of the proceedings of one of the boards of guardians to whom Miss Rye applied for a batch of workhouse girls, and her request was complied with on the following grounds:—"One of the guardians thought it would be a good riddance of women with whom the house was overcrowded; it would be unwise to choose out girls who were known to be honest, industrious and worthy; there was not the slightest difficulty in getting good situations for them where girls like those selected in the list for emigration would be refused. Another guardian thought it would be a saving to the ratepayers to ship them, as one of those selected had already cost the board for keeping and clothing, £150. Another said the selected ones might work if they liked, but were too idle to get situations; while yet another guardian, who has also the honor of being the mayor of the town, opposed the sending of girls trained in their schools, who generally turned out good servants, but would support the sending of those that continually hung on their hands."

Seasonable Advice.

The New York Sun has the following: Within thirty days from to-day there will be many deaths which might be prevented by warmer clothing. Many a fatal case of dysentery is caused by the want of a woollen undershirt, or an extra blanket at night. The sudden changes of temperature which occur at this season of the year are very trying to the constitution. People with weak lungs quickly feel the effect of them. Frequently the thermometer falls many degrees within a few hours. Not only the feeble, but robust and strong persons suffer from such variations of temperature. When the weather grows cold rapidly, the pores of the skin are suddenly closed, and the result is frequently a bad cold, which may hold on all winter, and terminate in consumption, or a fatal attack of dysentery, or that dreadful disease, the typhoid fever. If the day seems ever so warm and bright, it is much safer to wear plenty of underclothing at this season. In the evenings the dew falls, and it grows chilly very suddenly. At all times, even when it feels the warmest, one experiences the difference which is so marked between the autumn atmosphere and that of summer. There is something more than the mere difference in the temperature; it may be the electricity. An occasional fire in a room dries the wall and purifies the atmosphere. A little timely attention to all these things would prevent a great deal of the disease and suffering which are among the ills to which humanity is liable. There are many ready-made coffins at the cabinet shops and undertakers—little short tiny coffins—which are going to be filled up soon by little children, some of them as sweet beautiful little children as anybody's but your own; and just to think of it, these coffins might be left empty, and the little children might be left in their homes to play, and frolic, and make those homes bright, if only warm shoes and stockings, which would keep their feet dry and warm cloths and soft woollen blankets were more plenty. Do not bother yourself to hunt up a missionary. Be sure that whenever you send a pair of warm shoes to a needy little child, a good honest missionary, though you do not see him, always travels inside of them. In warming feet and warming bodies, it warms your own heart to do this.

AGRICULTURAL RETURNS OF GREAT BRITAIN.—The official reports of the agricultural condition of England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland have just been completed and published. From these papers it appears that in the whole kingdom of Great Britain there were 3,933,924 acres under wheat in 1868, against 3,629,728 in 1867. Under barley there was less than in the former year—2,337,037 acres this year against 2,431,801 in 1867. Under oats there was an increase—4,452,090 acres in 1868, and 4,409,809 in 1867. The total acreage of oats under wheat, barley and oats was 10,723,021 in 1867, against 10,471,484 in 1867. The number of acres devoted to the cultivation of potatoes in 1868 was 1,549,106, against 1,493,769 in 1867. In the entire kingdom there are 9,036,506 cattle, 35,508,423 sheep, and 3,166,300 pigs. The number of cattle and sheep have greatly increased since last year; the number of pigs has decreased 23 per cent. The population of the United Kingdom in 1868 was 30,157,473, and in 1867 29,309,845. The population of Ireland in 1868 set down at 5,832,343, and of Great Britain 24,325,130.

FORMIDABLE IRON CLAD.—The most powerful ship in the British navy, the Inconstant, is rapidly approaching completion, and will be ready for sea early next year. She is a remarkable ship. With lines nearly as fine as the best built yacht, and engines which are to develop six thousand indicated horse power, it is believed she will attain a speed far beyond that of the finest frigate ever launched. She will also carry the most formidable armament yet afloat, having on her main deck an armament of twelve and a half ton guns, (which is the most powerful yet afloat in a sea-going ship), and on her upper deck, half a dozen seven-ton guns for chasing and distant firing. At the sale of Fitz Greene Halleck's Library, a scrap-book, consisting of a number of Edward Everett, Edgar A. Fos and others, was sold at \$55.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury. MADRID, 22nd.—The Central Provisional Junta held its last session yesterday when resolutions were adopted urging the abolition of capital punishment, the removal of convict prisons from Spain to Africa and the Philippine Islands, and the formation of volunteer rifle associations throughout the country. After recommending all the local provisional juntas to follow their example, the Central Junta dissolved. LONDON, 22nd.—The Prince and Princess of Wales arrived at Brighton. The Queen of Spain is expected to join them at that place.

American Despatches

The Wards sell their Boat. Springfield, Mass., Oct. 22.—Both the St. John and Ward crews left here today for their homes. The Wards sold their boat for \$150 dollars to raise money to pay their expenses home. So it is reported.

Election in West Virginia.

Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 22.—Returns from ten towns show largely increased vote gains thus far in favour of the Democrats. The vote in this city is not yet counted. Two wards show a small Republican majority. The Republicans claim to have carried the State and elected all their Congress men by a reduced majority; while the Democrats are equally sanguine of having gained sufficient to carry the State by 2,000 majority. The result cannot be stated to-night.

Sinking of the Shore of one of the Sandwich Islands.

New York, Oct. 23.—The reported subsidence of the south-eastern shore of the Island of Hawaii is confirmed. The Rev. Mr. Coan states that the subsidence is plainly shown by trees which were once on dry land being now in the sea, and rocky islets once five or six feet out of water being now submerged. The World's special says:—"It is now learned that a proposition was made by the British Government to refer the claims to the King of Prussia, but it does not appear that the proposition has yet been accepted by the United States Government. The Herald says:—"An artificial stringency has been produced in money which threatens to lead to most serious results. A prominent firm on Broad Street, for the purpose of breaking the stock market, reported last Tuesday to the effect of locking up some \$8,000,000 or \$9,000,000 greenbacks by procuring a loan at one of the Banks on collaterals. The money thus obtained they deposited in other Banks and by drawing their checks against the amount and having their certified succeeded in withdrawing near \$10,000,000 of currency from circulation. They failed in their main object, however. Stocks refused to go down as far as they wished. Yesterday \$3,500,000 more were put under lock and key. The effect was immediately felt in the tightness of money. Unless the other Banks come to the assistance of the distressed to day, there is danger of serious financial crash."

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

FRIDAY 23rd.—Denis Coffee was charged with selling liquor without license. The license of the late proprietor of the "Wellington Hotel" was transferred to him, but this mode of procedure appears to be illegal, as there is a by-law which says that the old license must be cancelled and a new one issued. Defendant was fined \$20 and costs. Rev. Dr. McCosh, late of Belfast Ireland, has arrived at Princeton, and was received with demonstrations of a hearty welcome. He will be inaugurated as President of the College on Tuesday next with impressive ceremonies.

MARRIAGES.

GREEN-ZIMMERMAN.—At Wyndham on the 21st inst. by the Rev. S. Jones Esq. Mr. Jas Green, of Listowel, to Miss Susan Zimmerman, of Wexford, and late of Acton. REYNOLDS-BELL.—In the Wesleyan Church, Mount Forest, on the 7th inst., by the Rev. S. Jones Esq. Mr. James Bell, of the township of Minto, to Miss Jane Asplin, both of the township of Marlborough.

DIED.

LINDSAY.—At Guelph, on the 22nd inst., Mr. James Lindsay, Hotel keeper, aged 45 years. Deceased was a native of Forfar, Scotland. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Saturday) at 3 o'clock p. m. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend. LAUDER.—In Durham, on the 6th inst., Thomas Dixon Lauder, Esq., eldest son of Rev. William Lauder, of Newcastle, Cumberland, England, and grandson of the late James Hastings Hall, Glenworth, Scotland, aged 78 years.

New Advertisements.

Wrapping Paper for Sale. FOR SALE at the Evening Mercury Office, a large lot of old Newspapers, in good condition for wrapping paper. Apply at the office. Guelph, October 23.

Rooms Wanted.

Wanted to Rent, two or three Rooms suitable for dwelling, in a central part of the Town. Apply at the Mercury Office. Guelph, October 23. dtf

CAUTION.

I HEREBY caution all persons against becoming holders of a Promissory Note for \$120, made by me in favor of John Scawlin, dated 1st of September, as the consideration for the same is wanting. THOMAS LINDSAY, Guelph Tp. Guelph, October 23rd, 1868. dt2-w3t

MONEY FOUND.

FOUND on Tuesday, on the Market Square, a small sum of money. The owner, on proving property and paying expenses, can have it by applying at Mr. D. Molton's Tannery. Guelph, Oct. 22. dt2

Artillery Compy, Attention.

A FULL ATTENDANCE of the Guelph Garrison Artillery Company is requested on Friday evening next, at the usual hour, to receive pouches and cross-belts for inspection. WILLIAM DAVY, Capt. Guelph, Oct. 22. dt2

WANTED, an Active Lad.

Guelph, October 19th. AT CUTHBERT'S.

SPEEDVALE MILLS.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned having purchased the Speedvale Mills from Mr. James Goldie, will always pay the highest Market price for Wheat at his Mills. At the sale of Fitz Greene Halleck's Library, a scrap-book, consisting of a number of Edward Everett, Edgar A. Fos and others, was sold at \$55. JOHN PIPE, Guelph, Oct. 14. dtw 1m

HAIR DRESSING.

MRS. E. HILLEY, of Galt, begs to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding townships that she is ready to do all kinds of Hair Dressing on the shortest notice. Also hair washed, Residues, Upper Wyndham Street, four doors above Mr. James Murphy's grocery store. Guelph, Oct. 14. dt2

Morrison Hotel for Sale

THE subscriber offers for sale, or to rent, the well known Morrison Hotel, on the Guelph and Dundas Road, in the Village of Morrison. This is a rare chance for investment, as the House is well established and long and favourably known to the local and travelling public. For session given on the 5th day of January, 1869, or sooner if arrangements can be made with the present lessee. The subscriber prefers selling—Terms liberal. Apply (if by letter postpaid) to DONALD McPHERSON, Proprietor, Morrison, Oct. 22. dt2w4 Fushish P. O.

Great Western Railway

Change of Time Table. ON AND AFTER MONDAY, 19th OCTOBER, 1868, Trains will be timed to LEAVE Guelph as under:— LEAVE GUELPH. ARRIVE GUELPH. 6:25, A. M. 11:45, A. M. 5:10, P. M. 9:30, P. M.

CARD TO THE PUBLIC.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that on and after this date his business will be conducted strictly on the CASH SYSTEM. No credit will be given to any one. The undersigned hopes by carrying out the above system to be enabled to give his numerous customers Goods at a lower price than they can be bought for elsewhere. He begs to acknowledge past favors, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit a still greater share of their patronage. T. J. DAY, Bookseller, Opposite the Market. Guelph, 13th October. dtw

LAMPS, LAMPS!

JUST OPENED OUT AT PETRIE'S DRUG STORE. Old Post Office Building, Wyndham-St. A Large Assortment of COAL OIL LAMPS, of all sizes and kinds, will be sold CHEAP.

No. 1 COAL OIL.

A supply of No. 1 COAL OIL KEPT CONSTANTLY ON HAND. A. B. PETRIE, Druggist. Guelph, September 25th. dtw

TOBACCOS

BUY YOUR TOBACCOS AT WILKINSON'S

PIPES, CIGARS, &c.

Briar Root and Fancy Pipes, Pipe Stems, Choice Cigars. GEO. WILKINSON. Guelph, October 19. dtw

GRAND CONCERT

THE Second Annual CONCERT in aid of the Orphans and Aged Poor under the care of the Sisters in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, will be held in the Drill Shed, Wednesday Evening, 28th October. Several distinguished Singers from Buffalo, Toronto and Hamilton will be present. TICKETS 50c. Children half-price. The Orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. Vale, will accompany the choruses. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock. Vale's Quadrille Band will be in attendance. G. D. NUNAN, Secretary. dtw1

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL overdue accounts must be settled by the 1st November, otherwise they will be put in suit for collection. ROBERT BUTHERFORD. Guelph, October 7th. dtw-d4

New Advertisements.

Chains, Brooches & Ear-Rings

The Leading Feature AT R. CUTHBERT'S. Watch and Jewellery Store, Wyndham-St., to-morrow, Saturday, 24th inst.

WILL BE BLACK GOODS.

Chains, Brooches and Ear-Rings. Guelph, October 23rd. dtw

HEADQUARTERS.

The Montreal Boot and Shoe Store

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. WYNDHAM-ST. - - - GUELPH

JOHN McNEIL

Is Ahead of all Competitors in the Boot and Shoe Line. Large Stock of Boots & Shoes. MY Stock of Boots and Shoes in every department is now very large and complete. Special attention has been given to the selection and manufacture of Ladies' and Gents' Walking Boots; which for style, durability and first-class finish cannot be equalled in the County. REMEMBER—The only Boots and Shoes made by hand are to be found at the Montreal Boot and Shoe Store. Ask for genuine home hand-made Boots and Shoes. Cheaper than any house in the trade for cash only. All work warranted. Country Merchants supplied at Montreal prices. JOHN McNEIL. Guelph, 22nd October. dtw Montreal Boot and Shoe Store Wyndham-st.

E. O'DONNELL & CO.

GUELPH, ONT. Ping Suey Tea, BEST \$1.00 Best Oolong, 75c. Best Moyune, 87 1/2 Best Japan, 65. Choice Young Hyson, 80 Best Black, 68. Young Hyson Teas, 50c. Good Plug Chewing Tobacco at 20c per lb. At E. O'DONNELL & CO'S. Wyndham Street, Guelph, October 20th. dtw

FAMILY SUPPLY STORE.

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S

WILL BE FOUND THE FOLLOWING NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED.

Crosse & Blackwell's Goods. Oriental Pickles, West India Pickles, Hot India Pickles, Mangoes, Olives, Calves Foot, Anchovy Paste, Bolognese Paste, Dundee Marmalade, L. & P. Worcester Sauce, Hanch's Sauce, Mushroom Ketchup, Bengal Chutney, India Curry Powder, Cayenne Pepper, Durban Mustard, Black Currant Jelly, Red Currant Jelly, Bottled Fruits.

Harland's Cheese, Parson's Shilton Cheese, Ingersoll Factory Cheese, Honey (combs), Guinness Dublin Porter, Toronto Bottled Ale, Edinburgh do, Hay's Scotch do, Windsor, Toronto and Guelph Old Rye, Martell's Brandy, Hennessy's do, Otard's do, Champagne, Sherry Wine, Port do, Ginger do, Claret do, Ginger Brandy, Cherry do.

John Bull Bitters, Stoughton Bitters, Pepper Sauce, Ginger Nuts, Abernethy Biscuits, Arrowroot, Wine, Soda, Victoria, Oyster Crackers, Sultana, Lemon Biscuits, Farina, Corn Starch, Java Coffee, Mocha Coffee, Laguyra, Rice, Orange Pekoe Tea, English Breakfast, Souffles, Young Hyson, Gunpowder Teas.

Woodenware, Glassware, Willow Goods, Crockery, China and Stoneware, Consisting of articles required and in daily use by every Family. No Store in Guelph has so good an assortment, and the prices are as low as quality will permit; therefore, GO TO JOHN A. WOOD'S FOR YOUR GROCERIES. Guelph, 17th October. YOU WILL BE SURE TO BE SATISFIED. dtw

WELLINGTON BOOT and SHOE MANUFACTORY.

Wyndham Street, Guelph, the old Post Office Block. JOHN A. McMILLAN has received the first instalment of an Immense Stock of LADIES' GENTS' MISSES' and CHILDREN'S Rubber Overshoes and Boots—the very best article produced, and the most beautiful styles, which he has at Montreal Wholesale Prices. Call and See the CHEAPEST Goods ever offered in the Town of Guelph. Remember, the Cheapest and Best Boots and Shoes in the County of Wellington, all home manufactured, are to be got at the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory, Wyndham Street, Guelph. J. A. McMILLAN, Proprietor. Guelph, 10 Oct. dtw Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory, Wyndham-st, Guelph.