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To the Electors and Ratepayers

OF THE

TOWN OF GUELPH.

After a number of years' services in your council, as well as in the Board of School Trustees, I have resolved, at the desire of many partial friends, to become a candidate for the Mayoralty for the ensuing year.

If the length of the term which I have spent in behalf of the interests of our good town can be a recommendation to your favor, I respectfully urge this claim. After nearly ten years' Municipal life, I think none will deny to me sincerity and fearlessness of purpose in the discharge of public duties, whilst I have ever sought to promote the welfare of the town in every possible way that lay in my power.

As there are many important and new questions affecting the public welfare likely to arise during the coming year, I have determined personally to interchange views with you during the short time left before the election. Amongst the most prominent of the questions, as you are aware, are the following, and which deserve the most anxious consideration:

1. The indebtedness of the town on account of the Municipal Loan Fund.
2. The question of Railway Extension northward.
3. The Union Station.
4. The change in the Municipal and Assessment laws.
5. The new School Law and Central School question.
6. Town Hall enlargement.
7. Increased economy in the expenditure on our roads and sidewalks, and the introduction of a thorough system by which they will be gradually made permanently good.

It is not possible for me in the scope of a brief address like this, to discuss these important matters, but I shall have ample opportunity hereafter to do so. I may briefly here observe that I consider no step should be taken involving the expenditure of any large sum of money with reference to any of these questions without the opinion of the ratepayers being first duly obtained. Our present liabilities are heavy, taxation sufficient, and our future, in a measure, fraught with perplexity. Still, I think, with prudence and judgment, the town of Guelph is bound to flourish, and increase in general prosperity.

Respectfully soliciting your kind support and influence,

I am your obedient servant,

GEORGE S. HEROD.

Guelph, 16th December 1868. dwtf

NEW FLOUR AND FEED STORE

East Market Square, Guelph.

A. GRAHAM & CO.

Have to intimate to the public of Guelph and vicinity that they have opened a NEW FLOUR AND FEED STORE in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Hugh Hogg,

First door East of Bell's Melodeon Factory,

EAST MARKET SQUARE,

where they will keep constantly on hand Flour and Feed of all kinds, of the very best quality. All orders promptly attended to, and goods delivered free of charge in any part of the town.

POTATOES.

On hand, a large consignment of capital potatoes, which we will sell at the lowest possible price. Give us a call.

A. GRAHAM & CO.

Guelph, Nov. 23. d1m

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE

OF

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c., in the Village of Acton.

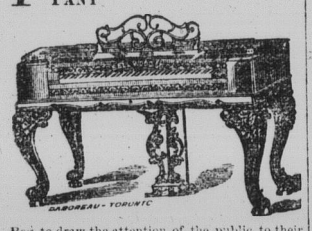
Public notice is hereby given that on WEDNESDAY, 30th December, 1868, at 12 o'clock noon, I will offer for sale by public auction, on the premises, in the village of Acton, in one lot, at so much in the $, the Stock in Trade of the late firm of GEO. LESLIE & CO., of the said village of Acton, Insolvents, consisting of Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Groceries, Hardware and Crockery, which, with certain Household Furniture and Book Debts, are valued at $2,900.

The Store is large and convenient, with a Dwelling House above, and a large garden in the rear. The rent, which is paid up to March next, is only $120 per annum. The Stock and Stock Book may be viewed on the premises up to the day of sale, by application to Malcolm or Donald Kennedy, residents of the village, and a copy o the Stock Book may also be seen at the office of the undersigned.

THOMAS CLARKSON, Officia Assignee.
83 Front Street, Toronto.

Toronto, 14th Dec. dtd-w2

THE GUELPH MELODEON COMPANY



Beg to draw the attention of the public to their Melodeons and Cabinet Organs, which, in the opinion of all competent judges, are the best that are manufactured, and are sold at prices from 10 to 20 per cent. lower than those of any good American maker. We do not make nameless or "metropolitan" Organs, on which we do not put our name, as those nameless instruments are made only for agents, who wish to sell cheap and inferior instruments. We were awarded

THE FIRST PRIZE

on both MELODEONS and CABINET ORGANS at the Provincial Exhibition for 1868, which was open to all the world.

As we **warrant all our Instruments for Five Years,** the public will easily see that it is to their interest to buy from us rather than from an agent of some distant New England firm, whose guarantee amounts simply to nothing, even on Instruments which they consider good enough to put their names on.

LONG CREDIT given to responsible parties, or a liberal discount for cash in full. Usual discount to Clergymen, Churches, Schools, &c.

Factory and Ware-room in the Old Gore Bank Building, East Market Square.

BELL, WOOD & CO., Guelph, Ont.

Guelph, December 18th, 1868. d1w1y

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MANUFACTURER,

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OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET

WEDNESDAY EV'NG, DEC. 23, 1868.

THE HOLIDAY SEASON

A GLANCE AT THE GROCERIES.

"Christmas comes but once a year," and it is a god-send that it comes at all. There are so many days in a twelvemonth to be given up to care, reflection and regret that we may well afford a short holiday season to be devoted exclusively to joy and rejoicing. How it comes to pass that every person becomes good-humored about this time of the year, indulges his own follies and looks more charitably on the follies of others, it were of no use to enquire. The facts are there, and, not as in ordinary cases, so much the *better* for the facts. Every one looks out so that no share of his pleasure shall fall to another, while at the same time he is probably devising some plan which shall augment his neighbour's enjoyment.—Youth projects sleigh-rides and other means of securing happiness, while hosts think over delicacies and other means of administering to comfort. "Every man to his trade," as Sixteen-string Jack observed, when refusing to listen to the exhortations of the chaplain; and about Christmas times not the least important trade seems to be that of GROCER. They are worthy men, these Grocers, and deserving of notice. Good cheer, which contributes in a great degree to make a merry Christmas, consists, we opine, in something good to eat, with a drop of something not indifferent to drink; and these creature comforts, the Grocers, honest men, have been at the pains of importing for our special behoof. The philanthropists of this class in Guelph shall have honourable mention.

Beginning in Upper Wyndham Street, we find that Mr. Massie has got his retail store almost in order. It cannot be said that everything is in its proper place, but no article in the grocery line can be demanded that will not be immediately supplied. The store is a magnificent one, beautifully finished, and crammed full of the best of groceries; and altogether, the customer can scarcely regret that the old Alma Block was burnt, when such a splendid establishment has been erected on its ruins.

Mr. Langdon comes next. He has got a nice store, well filled with the choicest articles in his line. He has scarcely got into full operation yet, but he will soon have a full head of steam on, and his numerous friends will wish him abundant prosperity in his new venture.

Mr. Jas. Murphy is yet on the old corner. A lucky old corner it is, evidently, for Mr. Murphy still has about him the signs of prosperity. His store is amply supplied with all the luxuries of the holiday season. He has good tea, and splendidly flavoured tobaccos, and liquors—well don't make too free with them, that's all. He has potatoes that any Irishman's heart would warm to, and poultry that no doubt were taken prisoners during a raid on a barn, and executed according to the twelfth article of war.

It is almost unnecessary to say that Mr. Rutherford is doing a large business. The number of customers which throng his shop show the estimation in which his goods are held. Go on, ladies and gentlemen, there is enough for you all, and the articles are by no means of inferior quality.

Mr. Hugh Walker is as well prepared as ever to accommodate his patrons with the choicest groceries and liquors. His oysters are also of the very best quality. They are imported direct from Baltimore, and are fresh, well flavoured, and (important consideration) low-priced. We need scarcely add that for fruits in season and out of season Walker's is the house. As fruits and oysters are almost a speciality with him the public know where to find these articles good in quality, and at a reasonable rate.

Mr. Berry has on hand, a novice might suppose, delicacies enough to satisfy the entire population of the Province. He has given up bread baking, and now confines his attention exclusively to the manufacture of cakes, candies and cigars. He employs a large number of hands and every workman has his speciality. Some bake cakes, others ornament them in that style which frequently attracts our admiration when we see them displayed in the window; one manufactures those dear, sweet, useful conversation lozenges with remarkable rapaidity, and two are employed rolling out sugarsticks for the sole purpose of appeasing the babies. Four men are employed in the cigar factory, and the article they turn out is most soothing and fragrant. We speak from experience. There is a magnificent wedding cake that has for some time occupied one of the windows. As nobody seems willing to marry for the purpose of making an opportunity to purchase it, it will be cut to-morrow, and retailed for 30 cents per lb. There are 400 lbs of it.

E. O'Donnell & Co. This is a comparatively new firm having been established last summer, but appearances indicate the transaction of a good business.—There is certainly nothing against them: the situation is good and the look of the store quite attrative. They are well prepared to answer all requirements in their line, and to give satisfaction to all customers not peculiarly inclined to be captious.

Mr. John A. Wood has everything in apple pie order for the holidays. Very strong and well flavoured teas, still stronger liquors, the best of cheese, and several articles in crockery and glassware of which his neighbours do not possess copies. These constitute the staples in a store that is known to be one of the best in town.

Jackson & Hallett have subjected their establishment to alterations that amount almost to a complete renovation. They do a large jobbing business, and they have on hand a surprisingly large stock of liquors. It is their boast to have in their cellar a large quantity of sherry that has attained the mature age of thirteen years. A little of it goes a considerable length. Fruits, lemons, &c., of the best quality, are to be found there in abundance.

Mr. Macklin, of the co-operative store, has a good stock; plenty of fresh canned fruits, plenty of every substantial that is required to add to the hilarity of a merry Christmas. May his shadow never grow less.

Mr. C. Meredith has transferred to the west side of Wyndham st., the taste which he evinced on the east. He has a neat store, with good articles tastefully arranged, and although he will be able to show to better advantage by-and-bye he is now able to answer all the demands of Christmas customers.

G. & A. Hadden are as well off as their neighbours. They have excellent teas and liquors, and consider their fruits worthy of special attention.

George Wilkinson, in addition to the ordinary articles to be found in a grocery store has canned fruits, and the best of oysters in the can, shell or keg. Try Wilkinson's bivalves; they are said to be delicious.

Mr. Massie still keeps the retail store on the corner of Macdonnell and Wyndham streets. It is unnecessary to add more. Mr. Risk is still there, and customers, we are sure, will not grumble.

E. Carroll & Co. are still driving ahead with energy. There is a vast improvement on their establishment since we last gave it a Christmas notice, both as regards accommodation, and the quantity of stock. They are heavy on teas, chests upon chests being piled all around the store. The contents of these are fresh and good, and go off readily. With everything else in the grocery line they are amply supplied, and altogether the establishment looked about as neat, prosperous and healthy as any we visited. Those fond of Labrador herrings can find any quantity of them at No 2. Day's Block.

Mr. Doran still holds out his inducements on the Market Square. He has something to fill the cup which cheers and does not inebriate, and something to put in the cup which cheers and does inebriate, so "you pays your money (a moderate sum) and you takes your choice." His preparations for the holidays are ample, and his goods will prove satisfactory. Just try them, and assure yourselves that our assertions are correct.

Mrs. Robinson, of the Dominion Store, has enlarged her premises since we last noticed her, and now has a first-rate general assortment of groceries and fancy goods. Her stock of toys is large and suited to the dimensions of every purse.

Presuming that jewellery would be in demand for Christmas gifts our jewellers have added largely to their stocks. Mr. Cuthbert makes a very fine display, and his window is well worthy of admiration. Not to mention the large number of costly watches exposed to the best advantage, there are many rare and costly toys, well calculated to gladden the youthful heart at a time when it expects favours. What is useful and beautiful in his line is to be found at Mr. Cuthbert's. Mr. Porte who has lately commenced business in Guelph has a very handsome store, and bids fair to ingratiate himself with the public.—Mr. Savage is as well supplied as usual with clocks, watches, electro plated ware, &c. His stock of silver plate is very extensive, and very valuable, nor is his establishment by any means wanting in those more delicate articles considered suitable for holiday presents.

School Examination.

The pupils attending the Senior Girls' School were examined yesterday by the Local Superintendent, in presence of Messrs. Knowles, McNeil and Bruce, school trustees, who expressed themselves well pleased with the proceedings. There was also present a large attendance of the parents and friends of the scholars. The examination occupied the greater part of the day. The exercises, in addition to the usual branches taught, included music and singing, in which departments, as well as the others, the pupils made a most creditable exhibition. That Miss Walker is a superior teacher, is beyond a doubt, the rapid increase, as well as the progress made in the school, fully attest this assertion. She thoroughly ingrains the rudiments of every department, and the pupils yesterday from the apt, appropriate and prompt replies, showed that they fully understood, and had acquired a thorough knowledge of all the branches taught them. In the languages the examination was particularly interesting. But the greatest proficiency shown was in the fancy knitting and needlework. In this department, which is a comparatively new one, beautiful specimens of the handiwork of these young ladies, who had plied their willing fingers for many a long hour to make such a display, was greatly admired. So also was the drawing. Four prizes had been sent to the school, two from Mr. McNeil, one from Mr. T. J. Day, one from Mr. John Anderson, to be distributed amongst the scholars. They were awarded as follows: Writing, Miss Keables and Miss Heather; Miss J Collins, for needlework, and Miss M Parker for drawing. At the conclusion of the examination Miss Tovel, in the name of the the school, presented Miss Walker with a handsome writing desk, accompanied with the following address:

TO MISS WALKER.

RESPECTED TEACHER.—On behalf of the girls attending the Senior Girls' School it gives me great pleasure upon the present occasion in presenting you with this Writing Desk as a slight token of the respect and esteem we entertain for you as a teacher.

During the brief period you have presided over us our intercourse has been peculiarly pleasant, and our prayer is that you may be long spared to watch over us with that vigilant and careful attention which has characterized you as a teacher in the past.

We are fully sensible of the great responsibility that devolves upon you in teaching us and moulding our minds, as it were, for all eternity. These duties are arduous, and in the performance of them we are also aware that, like all successful teachers, you have to enforce measures which at first appearance seem somewhat hard to our youthful ideas. But we are persuaded that while thus acting you are only doing your duty to our Heavenly Father to those who are the guardian of the school and to us, your young pupils.

Take then this gift, and when you gaze upon it, we trust the remembrance of those who have been greatly benefitted by your instruction will arise in your breast.

In conclusion it is our most earnest wish that the future may be fraught with many happy and profitable days, and that the same reciprocal feeling will exist between us as in the past. Praying that God may reward and bless your labours and crown your efforts amongst us with success, and wishing you the compliments of the present festive season,

We are, dear Teacher,
YOUR LOVING PUPILS.

Miss Walker made a feeling and suitable reply.

The schools have been closed for the holidays, and will be re-opened on the 7th January.

SOUTH WARD SCHOOL.—This school was examined on Friday. The average attendance for the current quarter, has been 73 boys and 43 girls, 116. The following pupils were promoted to the senior schools:—Wm. Simpson, Robt. Emslie, Chas. Burgess, Jas. Currie, George Bloomfield, Welland Marshall, William Sallows. The educational progress and orderly conduct of this school are highly creditable to the teachers, Mr and Miss Ferguson.

WEST WARD SCHOOL.—This school was examined on Monday. Average attendance, 68; promoted to senior schools, J. Sockett, Roland Hewer, Alex. Cross, Alex. Robertson, Elizabeth Dyer, Emeline Potts. This school, under the charge of Mr. J. Hunter, is making favourable progress.

Musical Exhibition by Miss Wightman's Pupils.

The pupils attending Miss Wightman's Boarding and Day School gave a Concert in the Town Hall last night, in presence of their parents, guardians and other friends. The platform and Hall were tastefully decorated with flags, and the scene was greatly enhanced and rendered more interesting by the orderly arrangement of the young ladies, who, all neatly dressed in white, were seated on the platform. The following are the pieces and the names of the pupils who executed them on the piano: Duett—"Edinburgh Quadrilles," Misses F. Wightman and Swinford; duett—"Lucia de Lammermore" the Misses Holliday; duett—"Lucrezia Borgia," Misses Swinford and Hood; trio—"Shells of ocean," Misses Warner, Russell and Howard; duett—"Annie Laurie," Misses Duffield and Hortop; duett—"La Crosse Galop," Misses Smith and Holliday; duett—"Il Corricolo, Galop de Salon," Misses Russell and Holliday; duett—"Clara Polka" Misses Newton and Howard; duett—"Vienna March," Misses Bradley and Holliday; duett—"Stamp Galop," Misses Wightman and Hood. The various pieces were very correctly rendered, and with a freedom and expression in the execution which showed that the pupils had mastered the difficulties of the music, and that great pains and much time had been spent by their teacher in thoroughly grounding them in the principles of the science. Miss Wightman deserves all credit for the abundant proofs of proficiency her pupils displayed, which could not have been attained without the exercise of talent, energy and perseverance on her part, and close attention as well as perseverance in their studies on the part of her scholars. Mrs. Lemon, Miss E. Jones, and Mr. C. Murton also favored the company with some choice pieces, and led in the choruses. At the close of the Concert, the younger portion of the company indulged in a dance, which was kept up with spirit for a few hours. We might also state that previous to the holiday vacation, the pupils presented Miss Wightman with a handsome silver butter cooler, and Miss F. Wightman with several articles of jewellery, as tokens of the respect entertained for them as their teachers, and in appreciation of their unwearied labours in promoting their education.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.

Wednesday 23rd. — Nancy Dolan was charged with vagrancy. She objected strongly to going back to gaol, nevertheless she had to go for 21 days.

Andrew Berry was charged with being drunk and disorderly. He denied the impeachment, and said he was not drunk but crazy, for he could not find work. He was provided with a job for 10 days.

Mary Ann Grey was charged by Wm. Bell with having stolen from his house, on Monday night last, two dresses, a muffler, a mantle, a table cloth and 10 lbs of butter. She had been in his employ from the Friday previous, but on this eventful night she bolted, taking with her the articles enumerated which were afterwards found in her possession. She was sent up for trial.

PRESENTATION AT ROCKWOOD.—On the evening of Tuesday the 22nd instant, the students of the Rockwood Academy waited upon the teachers and presented them with a handsome Malacca and silver mounted cane each, suitably engraved, costing $14.50, together with an address to which the teachers, Messrs. McCaig & McMillan, made suitable replies. The Rev. J. Kilgour, Local Superintendent of Schools, also addressed the meeting, which was composed of the students and a goodly number of ladies and gentlemen from Rockwood. The presentation was made on behalf of the students by Messrs. Charles McLellan and M. M. Campbell. We are sorry we are unable to find room for the address and reply. This mark of the students' appreciation of the labours of Messrs. McCaig & McMillan is well deserved, for they are talented, painstaking and energetic teachers, and they have raised the Rockwood Academy to a first-class position among the schools in the Province.

HOWORTH'S COLOSSAL TABLEAUX.—This panorama opens this evening in the Town Hall. The *Globe*, speaking of it when exhibited in Toronto, says: "The entertainment is no commonplace affair, but is altogether superior to the usual run of travelling exhibitions. The various scenes are executed with high artistic skill. The smallest details have been carefully attended to by the artist, and the truth with which the natural history of Eastern countries is depicted in the various views, is exceedingly interesting and instructive. We have not for some time seen an exhibition so healthy in tone, and so fitted to elevate the thoughts of an audience; and if parents feel at a loss for a proper place to which they may take their children for an evening's entertainment, we advise them to embrace the opportunity now offered by Mr. Howorth."

ELECTION OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—We are requested to state that Mr. John McNeil intends to be a candidate for School Trustee for the West Ward. Mr. McNeil has been an active and efficient member of the Board, and deserves re-election at the hands of the electors of the West Ward.

Mr. Kennedy, the famous Scottish vocalist, was entertained at supper in Washington, a few evenings ago. The chair was occupied by Senator Cameron, of Pennsylvania, and among those present were a number of Congressmen, and leading citizens of Washington.

GUELPH RIFLE ASSOCIATION. — This association has received a grant of $100 from the Government, a like sum having been granted to all affiliated Rifle Associations in the country.

Mr. Swinford denies the report that the New York Central Railroad Company have offered to lease the Great Western Railway of Canada.

BY TELEGRAPH

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The following despatch, dated Constantinople, 21st, is just received, and embraces the latest news from that quarter:—The Sultan has extended the time to three weeks for the departure of Greeks from Constantinople. The Emperor of Russia has authorized Greek vessels, probably those carrying away refugees, to use the Russian flag. Hobart Pasha, the Turkish Admiral, with 7 men-of-war, is blockading Syra, where the Greek steamer Erosis took refuge. Phateadis Bey, the Turkish Minister at Athens, has returned to Constantinople. The Grecian Government is making rapid preparations for war.

American Despatches

San Francisco, 23rd. — Advices from China state that the English fleet reached Nankin on the 8th Nov. On the next day the British Consul, with a guard of marines, called on the Viceroy and demanded full reparation for the insults offered missionaries at Hong Chow. The Viceroy complied with all the demands. The fleet has returned to Shanghae. Lord Scott proceeds to Formosa to adjust the missionary question there. Capt. Dunlop, of H.M.S. *Dove* is duly engaged in surveying the Grand Canal.

Dinner to Mr. C. J. Brydges at Montreal.

The complimentary dinner to Mr. C. J. Brydges' Managing Director of the G.T.R., came off at the St. Lawrence Hall, on Tuesday night. There were one hundred and seventy present. Mayor Workman occupied the chair. None of the members of the Government were present.

In responding to the toast of his health, Mr. Brydges, after thanking the company for the great honour done him in this expression of their confidence, proceeded to refer more particularly to his connection with the Grand Trunk. He was, he said, in no way connected with its original inception or construction. In these there might have been great mistakes, but every man, nevertheless, must admit that the Grand Trunk had been productive of immense advantage to Canada. Without the Grand Trunk Railway, Canada would not have occupied the position she did to-day; and he believed they would all agree with him, that without the continued existence of that Great arterial highway, Canada would never be able to rise to that position which he believed she was destined to fill. He then contrasted the position of the Grand Trunk to-day with what it was seven years ago, when he assumed the management. Only a few months before that period, a commission appointed by the Government had declared the expenses of working the railway, during a period of three years, exceeded its receipts; that its credit was impaired, and the wages of its labourers months in arrears. Scarcely a merchant in Montreal at that time could sell goods to the Company with any feeling of certainty that he would be paid. There was such a feeling of distrust through the country that it seemed a matter almost impossible to be avoided that that great highway should be closed to the commerce of the country. What was the position to-day? It was true they had not been able to pay those suffering shareholders whose money had made this railway and this country what it was, the interest they were fairly entitled to, at any rate they had been able to place the company in a position, where its credit stood as good, he believed, as that of any merchant even in the city of Montreal. In speaking of the abrogation of the Reciprocity Treaty, he said the Grand Trunk was able to come to the aid of the commercial interests of Canada, and to open up for its produce markets which were denied to them on the American frontier. During the year about to close, the Grand Trunk has transferred from the producing portions of this country upwards of 400,000 barrels of flour, its great product to the Maritime Provinces, which used to find a market in the United States. Canada had derived enormous collateral advantage from the existence of the Grand Trunk, to which she has contributed something like one-fifth of the cost of its construction. In return for that expenditure, she had seen the growth of such great cities as Montreal, and her sister city, Toronto; she had seen the value of her lands increased enormously, and had obtained markets for produce. He pointed out that all the expectations which had been anticipated from the organization of the Company in 1862, have been disappointed mainly in consequence of the American war, which in five years had abstracted from the profits of the Grank Trunk no less a sum than one million pounds sterling. The result has been a feeling of dissapointment, almost of exasperation, on the part of the stock and bond holders, and a not unnatural disposition to visit their indignation on the head of the first man they could find. After referring to the slanderous attacks made against him during his absence in England, he read a resolution unanemously adopted on the 23rd of Nov. by the Grand Trunk Board of Directors, composed of men like Baring, Glyn, and Hodgson—than whom none stood higher in the City of London. The resolution was as follows:—"Mr. Brydges having stated that he proposed return to Canada on Thursday, the President moved, seconded by Mr. Kerkman Hodgson, and unanimously resolved—that this Board records its unanimous belief in the honour, integrity and ability of the chief officers in Canada, Messrs. C. J. Brydges to make known this resolution in Canada, as the Board's best adswer to the false and scandalous charges so persistently made. A portion of the press of Canada had found great fault with his appointment as a Commissioner for the construction of the Intercolonial Railroad. He felt he was justified in occupying that position and he would tell them why. If he had consulted entirely his own feelings, his own ease and his own comfort, it would have been easier for him to have stated that his avocations were already sufficiently engrossing to prevent his adding anything to them. But when the position of Intercolonial Commissioner, entirely in every possible way unsought by himself, was tendered to him by the Government—when they told him that their object in asking him to take it was that he should give them whatever benefit his quarter of a century's experience of the construction and working of railways would afford—he felt, as one who had a material interest in the prosperity of Canada, that he was not justified, under the circumstances, in preferring his own ease and comfort to what they were pleased to tell him were considerations of public duty.

Thornton has Planchette. Sale tonight at Shewan's old stand.