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DAVIDSON & CHADWICK HAVE FOR SALE In the Town of Guelph

Six Acres and Water Privilege on the River Speed, fronting on the Edinburgh Road, well adapted for a mill or factory.

SPELLING.—The Waterloo Chronicle gives the report of the Board of Examiners for that County. With regard to spelling, the Board says:—Very few of those who failed were really good spellers.

LUTHER \$15 per acre will buy Lot 3, in the 7th con., 200 acres, next lot to Gordon's steam saw mill.

AMARANTH \$4 per acre will buy west half of Lot 18 in the 3rd con., 100 acres.

TOWN HALL BUILDINGS GUELPH. DAVIDSON & CHADWICK.

Guelph Evening Mercury SATURDAY EVENING, JAN. 6, 1872

Town and County News On the windy Saturday a new Episcopal Church going up at Joyce's Corners, Luther, was blown over. The frame will easily be put to rights again.

THE Annual Meeting of the West Garafraca Agricultural Society will be held at Hannah's Hotel Douglas, on Monday next, at 1 o'clock, p. m.

ALMOST A FIRE IN ELORA.—On Saturday night the chimney in Fraser's grist mill took fire. It was easily got out, however, and this fine property saved.

CURLING MATCH.—A curling match played on Wednesday afternoon at Galt, between the Ayr and Elora Clubs, resulted in the victory for Elora by 18 shots.

NORTH RIDING AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the North Riding Agricultural Society will be held in the Village of Harriston, on Wednesday, the 17th inst.

PRESENTATION.—On New Year's day Mr. Quirk, the most popular conductor on the Great Western Railway, was presented by Mr. J. Saunders, of Guelph, with one of his handsomely carved canes.

BEVERLY ELECTION.—For Reeve, Mr. Clement was returned; for Deputy-Reeve, Messrs John Bennett and Thomas McQueen; and for Councillors, Messrs Jas Smith and Wm Mezier.

TORONTO ASSIZES.—At the Assizes in Toronto, which opened on Monday, there are five cases of murder, one of arson, one of bigamy and two of perjury, besides about 20 other criminal ones.

FIRE IN DURHAM.—Between 10 and 11 o'clock on Wednesday night, the pump factory of Messrs McConnell & Nelles, of this village was discovered to be on fire, but by timely assistance it was extinguished without doing much damage.

DRAYTON.—The Elora Times says:—The little village of Drayton is making great strides since the Railway was opened, already there has been quite a number of new stores opened and others in prospect.

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Elora Correspondence. Elora was all alive on Monday, but the contest was for the position of Councillor. Although nominated, the retiring Reeve declared that he was not a candidate for re-election to that position, and Hugh Hamilton, Esq., may be said to have walked the course.

PEEL.—Peel elected her Reeve, Sinclair Sutherland, (by acclamation) at the nomination, and the following gentlemen were the successful contestants for the remaining seats in the Council at the polls on Monday: Thomas McManus and John McJowan, Deputy Reeves, and J Barrett, and William Brown, Councillors.

NICHOL.—Nichol avoided a contest this year, and exhibited her confidence in the old Council, by electing every member at the nomination.

PIKINGTON.—In this Township a great deal of interest was felt with respect to the Reeveship, although the result plainly showed that the old incumbent of the office still retain the confidence of a very large majority of the ratepayers.

THE Prussian War Office authorities maintain a very threatening military attitude towards the people resident in the portions of the hostaged territory of France, where ordered and murderous assaults are alleged to have been committed on German soldiers during the army of occupation. It is said, indeed, the Emperor William's officers will enforce the *lex talionis* of the war code against French prisoners, whether the individuals are guilty or not.

A CURIOUS FISH.—Prof Agassiz's has written to a friend, giving some of the results of his voyage of discovery. He tells the story of a fish that builds its nest in the drifting Gulf weed, and sends its eggs about in such a cradle, as may well be indeed; but Prof Agassiz's observations reveal stranger facts than these, and we are told that the odd fish has a fin like a hand, and walks rather than swims. The eminent name of this evan is needed to entitle his curious relation to the credence which it must now receive from the world.

SANDFIELD'S FATE.—The Woodstock Sentinel says:—With the Combination dies, politically, John Sandfield. That gentleman in '67 had the choice of forming a Reform Administration and securing the united support of that party; or the other alternative of consorting with the Conservatives and betraying his old friends, to whom he owed his political existence. He chose the latter and has now entered upon the reward of his treachery. Already his late followers have repudiated him and installed Mr Cameron as the leader of the new Opposition. Poor Sandfield! despised and rejected by Reformers, forsaken and deserted by Conservatives, there is none left to do him honor. Let such a fate be a beacon of warning to all political renegades.

THE BURNING OF CHICAGO FELT AT SEA BY A QUEBEC SHIP.—It is possible that some portion of the wealth of Chicago that melted into thin air on the 9th of October was seen again before it reached ultimate dispersion. A paper recently read before the Royal Geological Society of Dublin stated that Capt. Edwards, of the ship Neptune, in a message from Quebec to Liverpool, found his vessel enveloped in the smoke and ashes, as he believes, of the burnt city. His report of the facts certainly indicates plausible occasion for his belief.

ON the 12th of Oct, at sea, in lat. 46 degrees N., long 35 degrees W., at about p. m., wind blowing strong from W., he observed a dense cloud of fog arise on the western horizon, which gradually came up with the vessel, and so continued until midnight. From that coming up with the ship until clearing off, there prevailed a very strong smell of burning wood; both the captain and crew felt their eyes irritated by the smoke, and the decks were strewn with the dust. At the time the ship was more than 2,000 miles from Chicago.