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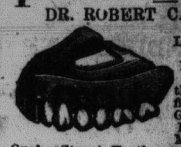
GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, GUELPH, ONTARIO. GUTHRIE, J WATT, W H CUTTEN. Guelph, March 1, 1871 dwy

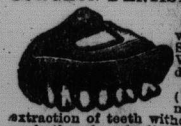
F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter, GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. f57 dw

JOHN KIRKHAM, Silver Plater and Brass Finisher. All orders promptly attended to. Shop—opposite Chalmer's Church, Quebec street, Guelph dwy

NEW COAL YARD. The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of Hard and Soft Coal At moderate prices. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to. GEO MURTON, Guelph, Nov. 1, 1872 dy

J. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M.R.C.V.S., L., H.F.V.M.A., Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, intends continuing the practice of his profession. Orders left at the MERCURY Office, or at H. A. Kirkland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to. Having had great experience in all diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. Guelph, Oct. 19, 1872. dwtf

PRIZE DENTISTRY. DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL  Licentiate of Dental Surgery, Established 1864. Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph. Residence opposite Mr. Boult's Factory Quebec Street. Teeth extracted without pain. References, Drs. Clarke, Tuck, McGuire, Herod, McGregor, and Cowan, Guelph. Drs. Buchanan and Philips, Toronto Drs. Elliot, & Meyers, Dentists Toronto. dw

W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S., SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.  Office over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts. Guelph. ☞ Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable. References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod, Clarke, Tuck, McGuire, Keating, Cowan and McGregor, Guelph; W. K. Graham, Dentist, Brampton. dw

GAS FITTING —AND— STEAM FITTING Done in the best style and most workmanlike manner AT HOWARD'S *All Kinds of Fixtures made to order on the Shortest Notice.* Changing Pipes, &c. or Repairs Done on the shortest notice. (dw

NELLES, ROMAIN & CO., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchant AND SHIPPERS, 34 South Clinton St., Chicago, Ill. REFERENCES: Sir John Rose, Banker, London, England; P. W. Thomas, Esq., Banker, Montreal; The Marine Company of Chicago, Bankers; Hon John Carling, (London), Ontario; Messrs. Gault Bros., Merchants, Montreal; Senator Frank Smith, (Frank Smith & Co.) Toronto; J. Morton Millar, Esq., Perth, Ont. (late of J. M. Millar & Co., Commission Merchants Chicago); Walter Watson, Esq., Banker, New York; D. Butters, Esq., Montreal; Joseph Whitehead, Esq. M. P., Elmira, Ont; Chas. Magill, Esq., M. P. Hamilton, Ontario; T. C. Chisholm, Esq. Toronto; Samuel B. Foote, Esq., Quebec.

New Advertisements.

TWO GENTLEMEN WANTED — As Boarders in a private family. Apply at this office. 103tf

TO LET — The large room over the MERCURY OFFICE, formerly used as a Temperance Hall. Suitable for an office or for any light manufacturing purpose. Enquire at the Mercury Office. n4d

EDUCATIONAL. MRS. BUDD Begs to announce that her School and Music Classes will re-open on MONDAY, Jan. 6th, 1873. j2-dw

NOTICE! DR. BROCK has placed his accounts in the hands of Messrs. Hart & Spince, who are empowered to collect the same and give receipts therefore. All parties owing will please call at their office, No. 4, Day's Block, and settle at once. DR. L. BROCK. Guelph, Dec. 24th, 1872. 12d-3w

NEW BUTCHER SHOP. The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hatch's Block, and will supply customers with meat of the best quality, at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. CHAS. FENNELL. Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872. dw

FOR SALE—Lot 71, on Wyndham-Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop Lot. Clear title and immediate possession given. Also, a first-class stone house to rent. Apply to Denis Coffee. Guelph, December 27th, 1872 dtf

TO THE FREE AND INDEPENDENT ELECTORS OF THE WEST WARD. The undersigned has been requested by a number of influential ratepayers to offer himself for the Office of Councillor. He would therefore respectfully solicit the suffrages of the Voters at the ensuing election. JOHN TYSON. Dec. 21st, 1872. d11 Guelph.

AUCTION SALE. There will be sold without reserve, on Friday, the 10th day of January, 1873, at noon, at the Great Western Hotel, in Guelph, pursuant to the power of sale in a chattel mortgage, made by Messrs. Bilton & Gully, two billiard tables made by Riley & May, Toronto, and also a brown horse. Terms Cash. GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Guelph, Dec. 31. 1872 dtd

RAGS AND WASTE PAPER. Wanted, and must be had by the 1st of January, Fifty Tons of Waste Paper, old Newspapers, old Pamphlets, or Waste Paper of any kind for which the highest price in cash in the Dominion will be paid, at the Rag and Waste Paper Depot, corner of King and Queen street. Address "RAGS or WASTE PAPER," 216 and 218 King Street West. Will receive from 1lb. to 10,000lbs. D. MURPHY, Hamilton Dec. 14, 1872 dy

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. The firm of Oliver, Macdonald & Osler, Barristers Attorneys and Solicitors, carrying on business at Guelph and Fergus, is hereby dissolved by mutual consent. All liabilities of the firm will be paid by Messrs. Oliver & Macdonald, to whom all debts due the firm are to be paid. R. OLIVER, A. H. MACDONALD, Witness: EDWARD OSLER. THOS. A. W. GORDON. Dated at Guelph, 30th Nov., 1872. dwtf

WANTED— A FEW FIRST-CLASS Cabinet Makers; Also, a quantity of Oak and Birch, or Cherry Lumber, Sized to order. BURR & SKINNER. Guelph, Dec. 31, 1872 d6w4

CURLIANA. CURLING RINK NOW OPEN Tickets to be had of CHAS. DAVIDSON, Secretary Also, a SKATING CARNIVAL Every Friday Evening until further notice. ADMISSION—15 cents each. Children of members or ticket holders admitted to the rink on Saturdays, from 9 to 1, p.m., free of charge. CHAS. DAVIDSON, Secretary. Guelph, Jan. 2, 1873 d8t

WEEK OF PRAYER. JANUARY 5—12, 1873. Union services in observance of the week of prayer will, D.V., be held in this town as follows:— Monday evening, Jan. 6th St. Andrew's Church, 7:30. Tuesday evening, Jan. 7th, Congregational Church, 7:30. Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 8th, Knox Church, 2. Wednesday evening, Jan. 8th, Primitive Methodist Church, 7;30. Thursday evening, Jan. 9th, Annual Meeting Bible Society, Wesleyan Methodist Church, 7:30. Friday evening, Jan. 10th, First Presbyterian Church, 7,30. Saturday evening, Jan. 11, Baptist Church, 7:30. W. F. CLARKE, Sec. Ministerial Association. Guelph, Dec. 31, 1872. 1wdtd

RE-OPENING OF SCHOOLS. The High and Public Schools, Guelph, will re-open On Tuesday, 7th January next. The examination of pupils applying for admission to the High School, will be held in the Council Chamber, Guelph, on Monday, 13th January, 1873, beginning at 9 o'clock, forenoon. It is particularly requested that all candidates be forward at the time specified. ROBT. TORRANCE. Guelph, Dec. 28, 1872. dew1

STORE AND DWELLING FOR SALE OR TO RENT. The subscriber offers for sale on reasonable terms, or will rent for a period, the store and dwelling at Bristol, Township of Erin, at present occupied by Mr Macfadzean, Postmaster there. The store is situated in a good locality, on the gravel road between Guelph and Erin. This is an excellent opening for a party with a limited capital, as a good business can be carried on, and arrangements may be made to continue the Post Office in connection with the store. For particulars apply to JAMES MASSIE Guelph. Nov. 5th, 1872. daw

HOTEL CARD. *The Right Man in the Right Place.* THOMAS WARD, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the Post Office, where he hopes by courtesy, attention, and good accommodation, to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars, &c., constantly on hand. A good hostler always in attendance. Remember the spot—next door to the Post Office. THOMAS WARD, (Late of Crown Hotel), Proprietor. Guelph, Dec. 19th, 1872. dawly

RAILWAY TIME TABLE — Winter Arrangement—On after Monday, 16th November:

Grand Trunk Railway

Trains leave Guelph as follows:

WEST

2:17 a.m.; 9.45 a.m.; 1:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.;* 8:33 p m†.

*To London, Goderich, and Detroit. †To Berlin.

EAST

3:05 a.m; 7:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 4:12 p.m. and 8:35 p.m.

Great Western---Guelph Branch.

Going South—6.50 a.m., 12.35 p.m 1.05 p. m for Hamilton; 4.35 p.m.

Going North—11.45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1.15 p.m. for Clifford; 4.55 p.m. for Fergus; 9.05 p.m. for Fergus.

GUELPH ACADEMY. Re-opens Thursday, Jan. 9th, 1873. REFERENCES KINDLY PERMITTED To Mrs. Jas. Webster, Mrs. Dr. Clarke, Col. Hall, Capt. Gordon, N. Higinbotham, M.P., John Horsman, Esq., John Mickle, Esq., H. J. Vincent, Esq., Thomas W. Saunders, Esq., P.M., Hugh Walker, Esq. j2-d1m

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FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 3, 1873

Town and County News.

MR. PETRIE having purchased Mr. John R. Porte's stock of confectionery, is determined to clear the whole out in three days, to make room for his stock of drugs which he is about to remove to that store. See advt. to-morrow.

WEST WARD.—Mr. George Murton requests us to say that he is a candidate for Councillor for the West Ward, and if elected will do all he can for the interests of the Ward and Town. He, however will not make any canvass, but leaves the matter to the judgment and discretion of the ratepayers.

MOVEMENTS IN PORK—Mr. J. T. Brill has this week shipped 1 car load of hogs average weight, 375 lbs.; 3 car loads to Montreal, average weight 230 lbs. He has also received, per Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railway from the north, five car loads. The supply of hogs keeps up.

PROMPT PAYMENT.—On Wednesday the Township Council of Nassagaweya transmitted to Chief Constable Kelly the reword offered by that corporation for the apprehension of Emmanuel Kemp, now lying in jail awaiting his trial for rape committed in that township last summer. Chief Constable Kelly is well entitled to the reward, and the Township Council deserve credit for their prompt payment of it.

BUSINESS CHANGES.— We learn that Mr. Thomas Gowdy has purchased the Limehouse property, recently sold to Mr. W. Sharp, one of the partners in the former firm of Messrs. Gowdy, Stewart & Co., and intends carrying it on in all its branches. The late firm have also sold the "Confederation" Mill, near Milton, to Mr. Samuel Cox, of Nassagaweya, for $44,000; also their "Grove" Mill to Messrs. Douglas & Bannerman, late of Guelph, for $40,000.

ORDINATION.—On the 18th ult., the Presbytery of Guelph in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church ordained and inducted the Rev. D. McLennan to the pastoral oversight of the associated congregations of South Luther and Amaranth. In the afternoon of the same day a social gathering was held in the church in South Luther which was quite a success, the proceeds amounting to about $50. The whole of the services were of a most interesting character.

THE MEAFORD NEWS.—We have received the first copy of a new paper bearing the above name, and published by Mr. Wm. McCarter, for a long time one of the employees in THE MERCURY Office. It is a neat little sheet, well printed and well got up; and we have no doubt, under Mr. McCarter's careful management, will become a permanent institution in the thriving village of Meaford. We wish the publisher all success in his new venture.

CHANCE & WILLIAMSON'S GREAT SALE, as announced by us to begin on Thursday, 2nd January, will not commence till to-morrow (Saturday), the 4th inst. The bankrupt stock, being large, is just coming forward. The rush at the Lion is immense at the present time, every spare moment, early and late, being employed marking the stock down to cost and under. Everything indicates that this will be the greatest sale ever known in Guelph.

Y. M. C. A.—The regular weekly meeting was held last night, the President, Dr. McGuire, in the chair. Being the first meeting of the year it was turned into a devotional one, several members taking part. Next Thursday there will be several members of the Fergus Y. M. C. A. present, and it is hoped there will be a large meeting to welcome them. The members invite all friends to the Sunday morning and evening prayer meetings in the association's room. The morning meeting commences at a quarter past nine to ten, and the evening meeting after the churches come out, for about an hour.

FELL INTO A WELL.—Yesterday (Thursday) a steer belonging to Messrs. Hearn & Cochrane, drovers, fell into a well 12 feet deep, on a vacant lot below the Drill Shed, belonging to Widow Oliver, York Road. The steer, after a confinement of upwards of three hours, was liberated through the exertions of the Messrs. Birmingham, whose well sinking crane was found very useful in the emergency. The steer was unhurt, and scampered off gaily as soon as he reached *terra firma*. A dealer, who was examining the animal with a view to purchase, made an almost miraculous escape from a simultaneous disappearance with the steer. The spot is a very dangerous one, especially when covered with snow, as was the case at the time of the accident.

NEW CARRIAGE WHEEL FACTORY IN GUELPH.—We have pleasure in announcing that another factory has been started in Guelph. Messrs. R. R. Dalgliesh & Co. have commenced to manufacture all kinds of carriage, buggy and waggon wheels. Such a manufactory will be a great convenience and a positive gain to carriage and waggon makers. The wheels will be made by those engaged exclusively in the business, who can thus turn them out quicker and better than those who are for the most part engaged in other departments of the business. The workmen employed by Messrs. Dalgliesh & Co. are thoroughly experienced, and as they use none but the best and most carefully seasoned wood, their work is first-class. We trust those engaged in the trade, both in town and country, will give them their patronage, and that their factory, which is opposite the Agricultural Works, near the Eramosa Bridge, will soon be too small for their rapidly growing business.

Local and Other Items.

NEW Presbyterian Churches have been opened at Markham and Cookstown.

THE Rev. Dr. Punshon will lecture in Galt on the 14th inst.

IN the death of the late Andrew Mathieson, North Dumfries has lost another of its earliest pioneers, and one of its most respected inhabitants.

ON Wednesday, while Robert Weddel, a respectable farmer near Queensville, was killing a beef on his own farm, he fell dead. It is supposed that he was afflicted with disease of the heart.

M. DE LESSEPS, it is reported, designs to cut a ship canal through the Isthmus of Corinth, opening a way from the Gulf of Lepanto to the Gulf of Egina, and making Morea an island.

MRS. Lincoln has given to the Rev. Dr. Miner, of Belvidere, Illinois, the bible which the colored people of the South presented to the President a short time before his death.

THE final meeting of the Reform Banquet Committee was held in Toronto on Thursday. Arrangements are now about concluded. Information received shows that the Music Hall will be none too large to accommodate those intending to be present.

Professor Huxley has been chosen Lord Rector of Aberdeen University, as successor to Mr. Grant Duff, M. P. for Elgin Burghs, and as opposed to the Marquis of Huntly. The numerical majority was fifty-four.

ON New Year's day, in St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton, his Lordship Bishop Farrell presented the band of the St. Patrick's Society with a handsome banner, as a mark of his appreciation towards them. The banner was executed at Lyons, France, and is an excellent piece of workmanship.

BURGLARY IN GALT. — We learn from the *Reporter* that on Saturday night a burglar got into Mr. T. McMillan's seed store, but bagged only $3. He then made for Mr. Hood's grocery store, but could find no money. He broke a pane of glass in the cellar window, by which about 300 bushels of potatoes were frozen. The burglar has not been caught.

The quiet progress of a wedding in a Connecticut village church, recently, was interrupted by an amusing incident. In repeating the words, "If you know of any just cause," &c., the minister looked straight at a nervous young man directly in front of him. The fellow sprang up with much haste and trepidation and blurted out: "Oh, no, bless me! not the slightest objection, sir."

MR. FORD, the well known Baltimore manager, is emulous of the fame of the good fairies among the poor children of that city. He gave on Christmas Day a bright and showy performance for their special behoof, and added after the play innumerable presents for the little people whose eyes he had feasted gratis. This was one of the biggest Christmas trees on record.

BADLY FROST BIT.—The Fergus *News Record* says: On Thursday, the 26th ult, Mrs. John Blakely, of Luther, gave birth to a son, and a few hours afterwards both mother and son took convulsions of the most violent character at the same instant. An old woman named Mrs. Farrel, who was acting as nurse, sent Mrs. Blakely's eldest daughter, aged 5 years, to a neighbor's, to get some one to go for Dr. Henderson. While wading through the snow the child got her hands badly frozen, blisters raising on them twice as big as her hands. The Dr. was summoned with all possible haste. The mother came round but the child died. By good treatment the girl will regain the use of her hands.

PRESENTATION TO REV. DEAN BOOMER.—The *Reporter* says that the presentation of the Silver Plate to Dean Boomer, made on behalf of the inhabitants and clergymen of Galt, on the occasion of the removal of the Dean from Galt to London, took place at the town hall, on Thursday evening, the 26th Dec. The occasion was a happy one in some respects, although the Dean's removal is sincerely felt by all those who assembled to do him honor. The plate consisted of a salver, large water pitcher, two very beautiful drinking cups, and ladles were purchased in Toronto. They were very chaste and elegant. The salver bore the following inscription: "Presented to the Very Rev. E. Boomer, D.D., Dean of Huron, on his removal to London, by the inhabitants of Galt, Ontario, as an expression of their high esteem for his character and work in his residence among them of three and a half years, A.D. 1872."

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Escape of Convicts.

Another Rail Road Accident.

Large Fire in Chicago.

Billiard Game.

Horse Disease in Denver.

The Labour Question.

Benefit Concert in France.

The Late New York Fire.

Six More Bodies Found.

Murder in Springfield.

London, Jan. 2.—The Russian Government has, with the greatest [illegible] communicated to the Government of Great Britain its plans for the campaign in Central Asia, and offered to allow British officers to accompany the troops in their operations.

Hundreds of agricultural laborers are out of employment because the farmers refuse to pay the wages they demand, and they are preparing to emigrate to Brazil.

The band of the Garde Republique, which took part in the jubilee services in Boston, have obtained leave from the French war ministers to give a grand concert in aid of the Boston fire victims at the cirque of the Champ Elysee.

James L. Watson, a native of Savannah, Ga., and Benj. Crowder, an Englishman, have been tried at D'Ebrugin, Hungary, and the former has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for remarks not considered complimentary to the Emperor of Austria, and the latter to three months for resisting arrest on the same occasion.

Auburn, Jan. 2—This afternoon seven convicts succeeded in making their escape from the state prison by digging a hole through the wall.

Cincinnati, Jan. 2. — The eastward bound passenger train, on the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafyette Railway, ran into an engine, 15 miles from Indianoplis, this morning. The fireman of the passenger train was instantly killed, and a number of passengers severely bruised.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—The works of the North Western Fertilizing Co., at Ainsworth, Ill., were burned yesterday. Loss $170,000. Heavy gale prevailing here.

New York, Jan. 2.—The billiard game for the diamond cue and championship of American, between Maurice Daly and Cyrille Dion, both of New York, for 1500 points on a four pocket table, took place this evening. On the 71st innings the string showed, Dion 1406, Daly 1490, the game was called by the referree on account of a mistake in the count, and all bets were declared off. The game will be played a week from tonight.

Denver, Colorado, Jan. 3.—The horse disease is raging in Denver and in various other sections of the territory.

New York, Jan. 2.—Yesterday the men engaged in excavating the ruins of the Centre-street fire discovered five bodies, which were subsequently identified as those of Margaret and Mary Donohue, Charlotte Bell, Margaret Bell and Bridget McGrath.

The remains of a young boy, named Bivens, were exhumed from the ruins of the Centre-street fire this morning.

Cincinnati, Jan. 2.—At Springfield, on Tuesday night, a woman named Nancy Harrington was murdered by her husband, and her son was terribly mutilated, his skull being crushed with an axe. It is supposed the husband was intoxicated at the time.

The Late Accident at Widder.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

AILSA CRAIG, Jan. 2.

Yesterday afternoon No. 6 Express ran off the track one hundred yards east of the large iron bridge, which crosses the Sauble near Widder. The engine tore up the bridge fearfully, and the coaches following came with a sudden crash into the *debris*, the first coach telescoping the baggage car, and instantly killing Mr. Douglas, the baggage-man, and Wilkes, a brakesman. The second coach and Pullman car remained on the track. No passengers were hurt.

The accident is supposed to have been caused by the trailing wheel of the engine getting off the track.

Driver Schryer whistled "on brakes," reversed and jumped as the engine struck the bridge. He is slightly injured.

The bridge is completely blocked with the wreck, and the track cannot be cleared till this afternoon.

THE INQUEST.

Special to THE MERCURY.

Parkhill, Dec. 3.—A coroner's inquest was held here yesterday before Dr. Caw, coroner of this place, on the bodies of James Douglas and Charles Wilkes, the unfortunate men who were killed at the late railway accident near Widder. The following is the verdict:—"That the deceased James Douglas and Charles Wilkes came to their death on the 1st day of January, 1873, from the effects of the cars of the Great Western Railway being thrown off the track, and we further find that no blame is to be attached to the Great Western Railway Company or their employees, and we further find that the said James Douglas was in the employ of the said Great Western Railway Company at the time of his death, and we further find that the said Charles Wilkes was not in the employ of the said Great Western Railway Company at the time of his death, and we further find that the said Charles Wilkes was in the employ of the Great Western Railway Company at the time of his death, and we further find that the said Charles Wilkes was in the employ of the said