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DR. BROCK
RESIDENCE
The Stone House opposite Davidson's Old Marble Yard, Elora Road.
Guelph, Oct 19, 1871 dw

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Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec-sts, p stairs, Guelph, Ont.
R. OLIVER, JR. A. H. MACDONALD.
Guelph, Oct 27, 1871 dw

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK
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Guelph, June 8th, 1871 dwtf

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Guelph, 17th August. dw

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Guelph, August 3, 1871 dwly

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

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THE table supplied with all the delicacies of the Season in a first-class manner.
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Guelph, 18th Aug, 1871. dwly

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$120 will buy Lot 29 on " "
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Six Acres and Water Privilege
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$12 per acre will buy Lot 4, in the 8th con., 200 acres, a very excellent lot and well timbered.
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$4 per acre will buy west half of Lot 18 in the 3rd con., 100 acres.

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Railway Time Table

Grand Trunk Railway

Trains leave Guelph as follows:

WEST

4:22 a.m.; 9.50 a.m.; 6 p.m.*; 8:30 p.m.‡.
*To London, Goderich, and Detroit. ‡To Berlin.

EAST

3:15 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:04 a.m.; 3:45 p.m.
The 1.55 p m. and 6.50 p.m trains are cancelled.

Great Western---Guelph Branch

Going South depart at 6.50 a.m., 1.05 p.m, and 4.55 p.m; also by mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1.40 p.m.

Going North, depart at 11 45 a.m, 4.55 p.m., and 9.05 p.m.; also by mixed train every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1 05 p.m. Trains leave Harriston every morning at 10 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1.05 p.m, and in addition a mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 9 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1.40 p.m. The train which passes Guelph going north at 11.45 p m., runs every day to Clifford, arriving there at 3.15 p.m., and a mixed train which passes Guelph every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1.00 p m., reaches Clifford at 5 00 p.m.

Town and County News

TRACT SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Guelph Tract Society will be held this evening in Chalmers' Church at half-past seven.

THE TORONTO TELEGRAPH.—The *Telegraph* comes to hand to-day reduced to a double demy sheet. What's in the wind?

WELLINGTON FIELD BATTERY.—First Lieutenant Nicoll, five non-commissioned officers and five gunners of the Battery, left for Kingston, where they will take a three months' course of instruction at the School of Gunnery.

MONTHLY SOCIAL.—The usual monthly social in connection with the Wesleyan Methodist Church will be held in the basement of the Church to-morrow (Thursday) evening, when after the refreshments there will be recitations, music, &c.,

THE STAR OF THE EAST.—Mr. John Anderson has sent us a copy of this periodical, being the extra number of the Sunday Magazine for Christmas 1871. It consists of most attractive papers by the author of Episodes in an obscure Life, giving his experiences in some of the out of the ways parts of London.

ROSA D'ERINA'S CONCERT.—Rosa D'Erina gives her second and last concert in the Town Hall to-night. Those who heard this distinguished vocalist last week will not fail to attend again, and those who did not should not miss the opportunity. Rosa D'Erina is a true artiste, an accomplished singer, and deserves, as she everywhere receives, large audiences. The reserved seats are all numbered so that any person securing a No. at once will have no difficulty in obtaining it on entering the Hall.

TEA MEETING IN HESPELER.—The anniversary services in connection with the N. C. Methodist Church in Hespeler were held on Sunday last, when sermons were preached by the Rev. Messrs. Caswell and Smith. On Monday evening the annual tea meeting came off, which was well attended. Tea was served in the basement of the church. The pastor, Rev. Wm. Williams, presided, and excellent speeches were given by Rev. Messrs. D Smith, J. B. Muir and Caswell. The singing by the Church choir was greatly admired. The proceedings altogether were of a most pleasant character. Receipts $105.

FIRE IN NEW HAMBURG.—On Monday night, a fire broke out in a brick building, owned and occupied by Mr. John Haftner. The fire was quickly discovered, and the furniture was mostly saved. The flames soon spread to an adjoining frame building, owned and occupied by Mr. Alexander Baird, merchant tailor, whose goods and furniture were mostly saved, though considerably damaged. By great exertions the fire was here stopped. Haftner's loss is about $800; no insurance. Baird's loss is estimated at about $1,000, and insured in the Provincial for the full amount.

BELL'S STEAM SAWMILL IN ERIN. — A subscriber sends us a few lines about a visit he lately paid to Mr. Donald Bell's steam sawmill, on lot 32, 4th concession Erin, who is carrying on the lumber business up there, and who has lately added to his mill a shingle factory. Mr. Bell, with the true characteristics of a business man, started this enterprise so very much needed by the people of this section of the country some two years ago at no inconsiderable expense. Present appearances and past success justify him in saying that he is prepared to accommodate the needy public as no similar institution within miles of him is able to do. Those who contemplate building can, by calling at his mill, as the saying is, "kill two birds with the one shot," as he is able to suit them with any amount of building material, lumber and shingles, at the shortest notice.

GOOD TEMPLARS.—A meeting of the members of the Independent Order of Good Templars, Guelph, was held on Monday evening. After the usual routine business had been gone through, a large number of names were read of parties who wished to become members, and nine new members were initiated, thus showing the prosperous condition of the society. This being the quarterly night, the business of electing officers for the ensuing quarter was gone into with spirit, candidates for office were numerous, for some offices there being as many as 12 candidates. After some keen competition, the following were the officers elected:—Bro. Peter Bish, W. C. T.; Sister Clarke, W. V. T.; Bro C. Cottis, Finan. Sec.; Sister Dollar, Treasurer; Bro Jas. Paterson, Sec.,; Bro. Joshua Kribbs, W. M.; Sister J. Cross, I. G.; Bro. Sutherland, O. G.; Bro Burns, W. R. H. S.; Sister McNaughton, W. L. H. S.; Rev. Bro Wood, W. Chaplain; Sister Thompson, W. D. M.; Sister Kribbs, W. A. S. On Monday next the above officers will be duly installed.

☞ The Toronto, Grey and Bruce line is quite incapable of carrying all the freight offering at the stations. Large quantities of freight are now lying at Orangeville waiting shipment. Under such circumstances the line can bring in very little cordwood.

Book Notices.

ATANTIC MONTHLY.—The February number of this ably conducted and popular magazine, which we have received from the publishers Messrs. J. R. Osgoode & Co., Boston, well sustains the high reputation it has made for itself in the United States and in Canada. We have the second part of Nathaniel Hawthorne's posthumous tale "Septimus Felton"; part second of "A Comedy of Terrors" by James De Mille; part second of "The Diversions of the Echo Club"; part second of "The poet at the breakfast table" by Oliver Wendell Holmes, besides other very readable papers, such as "Jefferson a student of Law," "The Visible and the Invisible in Protection," "The Castleworth Tragedy," Waguer and the pianist Bulow." Then there are short but pithy critiques on recent books, and some interesting gossips by the editor on Art, Music, Science and Politics. For sale at the bookstores in town.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE.—The Leonard Scott Publishing Company have sent us Blackwood's Magazine for January. It is a very attractive number, as may be seen from the list of contents:—Part VI of The Maid of Sker; No. 3 of French Home Life; conclusion of The two Mrs. Scudamores; the Nine Hour Movement; the Desolation of Jerusalem; Cherisphorn; a sailor's narrative of the last voyage of the *Niagara*; the Haunted Eughenio. Blackwood may be had at the Bookstores in town.

DEMOREST'S ILLUSTRATED MONTHLY.—This Family Magazine and Mirror of Fashion retains the great popularity it has so deservedly earned. Besides the fashion plates, patterns, music and many other things which interest the ladies, it gives a good deal of interesting reading matter suitable for the family. Can be had at the bookstores or direct from the publisher.

ILLUSTRATED ANNUAL OF PHRENOLOGY AND PHYSIOGNOMY.—This little work, from the pen of Mr S R Wells, editor of the Phrenological Journal, gives a great deal of useful and valuable information on the subjects. For students and young people it is specially useful as it treats fully of the differences and developement of character. Price 22 cents.

NEW DOMINION MONTHLY.—The February number of this magazine contains many very readable papers, besides some excellent poetry. It has also a very good likeness of the Prince of Wales.

Presentation in Eramosa.

An examination was held in School Section No. 3, Eramosa, on Friday 26th Jan., on the occasion of the teacher, Mr. Weir, leaving to fill a situation in Galt. Mrs. Weir was last year the recipient of a very handsome china tea service from her friends, and at the close of the examination on Friday, Mr. Weir was presented by his pupils with a valuable sofa and chair. Miss Mary Jane Day came forward and read the following address:—

DEAR TEACHER,—It is with feelings of deep regret we hear of your departure from among us, the more so when we think of the many happy days we have spent together, days that can never be recalled. As this is the last time we shall meet together as teacher and pupils, we desire to present you with this sofa and chair as a slight token of our esteem for you, not only as a teacher, but for the zealous and hearty manner in which you have always striven for our good. We part wishing you every success in your future undertakings, and hope our Heavenly Father may long spare you and your amiable partner, she having endeared herself to us by many acts of kindness so cheerfully bestowed. Farewell dear teacher, though absent yet not forgotten. Signed on behalf of the scholars,

MARY JANE DAY, THOMAS DRYDEN,
JANE JONES, JAS. ARMSTRONG.

Mr. Weir made the following reply:

MY DEAR PUPILS,—Your touching address, not to mention the valuable presents which accompany it, has taken me so much by surprise that I feel utterly unable to make a suitable reply. Your handsome testimonial will ever remain with and be cherished by me as a pleasing *souvenir* of by-gone days—days gone by, but not their memories. We have passed many pleasant and, I hope, many profitable hours together, and my earnest wish is that in the future as in the past you will ever strive to prove yourselves worthy of our excellent motto, "Second to none," in everything noble and honorable. Deal gently with my failings, and remember only the good which I have endeavoured to teach, and may it point you onward in the path of duty. I thank you for the kindly manner in which you have referred to Mrs. Weir, who like myself deeply regrets that the ties so long uniting us have been unexpectedly broken. We both wish you Heaven's best blessing, and should we meet but seldom in the future, may we all meet in yon bright realm above. Good bye.

Your loving Teacher,
WM. WEIR.

The Rev. Mr. Archer and others then delivered addresses, each congratulating Mr. Weir on the high efficiency of the pupils, and the uniform good conduct of the children during the examination, and expressing their sorrow at having to part with so valuable a Teacher, one whose place cannot easily be filled, and who has always been such a welcome friend in the family circles in the section. They all joined in wishing him every success, and hope that he and his partner in life may long be spared in their sphere of usefulness. The Rev Mr Archer then closed with prayer, and the school was dismissed.

We heartly re-echo the above opinions of Mr Weir both as a man and as a teacher, and join with all his friends in Eramosa in wishing him every prosperity in Galt, where he has gone to reside. ED. MERCURY.

NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

☞ There were 33 deaths from small-pox in Montreal, last week and the disease is still on the increase.

☞ The Liberal party in the Province of Quebec are already organizing for the Dominion elections.

☞ In the *debris* at Warwick Castle the hilt of the silver-handled sword of the Pretender has just been discovered.

☞ Mr Adam Blake, the well-known ex-Lord Provost of Edinburgh, is writing memoirs of his life and times.

☞ Mr. Cumberland will introduce a bill to make the Chancellor of Toronto University elected by the graduates.

☞ The doctors in Toronto report two or three fresh cases of small-pox, but that the cold weather is holding the disease in check.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

BY TELEGRAPH

Election Difficulty in Chicago

Thiers on the French Evacuation.

The Geneva Conference.

A Failure Predicted.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Ex-Alderman Montgomery was to-day found guilty on an indictment for bribery. The case of Alderman Busse has been taken up and considerable testimony elicited.

Paris, Jan. 30.—President Thiers, in a discussion with Alphonze Rothschilds, on the project for the further evacuation of France by the Germans said, "I would like to see an end of the occupation if we had a stable Government and a settled public opinion, but as it is if the Germans were gone we would have worse. The demagogues and Bonapartists would come forth and in a few days all the calamities of relentless party strife would take place. I will yield, though with regret, to the general desire, for I consider the presence of the Prussians is a guarantee of peace and order."

London, Jan. 30.—The impression prevails here that the Geneva Convention will necessarily disappoint the hopes of its friends, and that in the end it will be a failure. If the Conference should decide in favor of the claims no English Government would accept the result, and no Parliament would vote the money, hence the movement would stop. The argument of the *Times* is that England should demur and claim indirect damages, and if the Government should reject the demurrer she should withdraw from the case. This is not an argument addressed to the Government, but is a Government view put out as a feeler. The Government says, "We cannot acquiesce in a construction which we are determined not to acknowledge, even if proved against us.

Puslinch Agricultural Society.

At the annual meeting of the Township of Puslinch Agricultural Society, held in the Town Hall, Aberfoyle, on Saturday, Jan. 13th, 1872, the following report from the Directors was read by the Secretary and adopted by the meeting:

REPORT.

The Directors, in presenting their report for the past year, congratulate the members on the very flattering position held at present by the Society. The auditors' report shows a handsome balance in favor of the Society, and altho' the extensive drought of the past season has told severely upon this Township, yet we have great reason to be thankful. The wheat crop, especially fall wheat, has been, as regards quantity and yield, much better than we have had for a number of years. Peas have also done well, about an average crop. Oats and barley have been below an average, but those sown on low, moist ground were very good. Hay, owing to the cold weather in the forepart of the season, did not get the requisite start to cope with the after drought, consequently below an average, but of superior quality. Potatoes, although the yield was not so large as in former years, the quality has been excellent. Mangels and carrots have also been below an average. Turnips have been very good, especially when we consider the disadvantages they had to contend with.

The general show, held in the agricultural hall and show grounds on the 3rd of October last, was very successful, every class was well represented, with the exception of working horses. It seems that American gold has induced our farmers to part with their best horses, but by the appearance of the young animals shown, the Township will ere long be up to its former standard of excellence in this class. Along with their report they present a list of members of the Society, with the amount paid by each. They also present a list of all those to whom prizes were awarded, with the name of the animal, article or implement in respect of which the same has been paid. Also a detailed statement of the assets and disbursements of the Society for the past year. All of which is respectfully submitted. THOS. CARTER, President.

The following gentlemen were elected office bearers for the current year. Wm. Nicol, President; Wm. Kerr, Vice-President; Joseph Grant, Sec. & Treasurer.

Directors—Thos. Carter, Duncan McFarland, Allan McIntyre, Andrew Stewart, Wm. Thompson, John Iles jun., Charles Heath, Robert Little, Peter Gilchrist, Samuel Falconbridge and Alex Smith Auditors.

Committee of Management—Duncan Gilchrist, Alex. McCaig, James Scott, John Scott, John Jeffery, Samuel Panabecker, Adam Shaw, John Laing, Malcolm McNaughton.

A vote of thanks was then cordially passed to the retiring President and Auditors, which was duly acknowledged and the meeting adjourned.

JOSEPH GRANT Secretary.

Rockwood Union Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Rockwood Union Agricultural Socity was held at Stovell's Hotel, Rockwood, on Wednesday the 24th inst. The report of the Directors was read, and the follwing officers-bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Joshua Norrish; Vice-President, Alex. Stewart; Secretary and Treasurer, John R. Harris; Directors, Thomas Hughes, John Black, Adam Clarke, Edward Tolton, Hugh Milloy, Mark Sutton, Samuel Moore, Alex. Waldie, David Murray, Allan Ramsay, M. Lyons, Matthew Sweetnam, Charles Austin, Wm. Hempstreet, Stephen Nairn, and John Turner.

The following resolution was unanimously passed:—"That it is the belief of this meeting that an amalgamation with the Eramosa show would be a benefit, if the show be held at Rockwood, and that it be open to the Counties of Wellington and Halton. Joshua Norrish, Henry Pearin, and J. R. Harris were appointed a committee to confer with the Directors of the Eramosa society and to report.

☞ Mr. Blake's bill respecting registry offices will repeal the provision authorizing the Governor in Council to divide counties for registration purposes.

☞ The Prospectus of the Canada Collar Manufacturing Company of Cornwall is published in the morning papers. Capital $200,000. Sir Hugh Allan, President.

Ontario Legislature.

TORONTO, Jan. 30.

Hon Mr Scott said, with respect to the resolution adopted by the House on Wednesday last respecting the honour and integrity of the present Premier of the Government and the ex-Treasurer, it was due to both those hon. gentlemen that the charges made by the hon. member for East Toronto should be withdrawn in the most unqualified manner, or that a committee on the resolution should be struck by the House, in order that those gentlemen might have an opportunity of clearing themselves from the charges made against them. He, therefore, moved: That Messrs Ardagh, Boultbee, Boulter, Fitzsimmons, Pardee, Prince, Clarke (Wellington), Perry and Farewell, do compose the committee to consider the resolution adopted by this House.

Mr. Cameron protested against the proceedings of the hon. gentlemen opposite in this matter. In the first place, the resolution was not the resolution he introduced to the House; it contained a statement different to the statement he had made; it limited the source of enquiry, and the committee struck was one in favor of those who were charged.—This was the first time that he had ever been aware that those accused of corruption or other misconduct were at liberty to decide on the manner in which the accusation should be framed against them, and on the tribunal by which they should be tried. Considering the act of the Government an interference with the rights of the House, and designed for the purpose of stifling enquiry, he declined to proceed with the matter in any shape or way.

Mr. Mackenzie pointed out that the enquiry was made as broad as possible, but it was made specific. That which the hon. gentleman had tried to avoid in making his accusations—namely, to make them specific—the Government had done. The enquiry would be made as full as possible into the questions raised by the hon. gentleman in that extraordinary manner, whereby he sought to insinuate charges against those gentlemen which he declined to put on paper. The enquiry would be conducted as fairly, but as rigidly, as it was possible for Parliamentary proceedings to be. (Hear, hear.)

J. S. Macdonald said when the member for East Toronto stated that he was not prepared to confine the charge, it was right that he should be allowed proper scope for the enquiry. Why did not the Government allow all parties to be brought into the enquiry? He did not believe they would refuse to accede to his hon. friend's desire that it should go further.

Mr. Mackenzie asked how far the honourable gentlemen wished it to go? What names did he wish to be included? If he would mention them they could yet be inserted in the resolution.

Mr. Blake said Mr. Cameron was asked if he charged any other member of the Government than himself and Mr. Wood and he said he did not.

The motion was carried.

Hon. Mr. Blake rose to propose a measure which involved the general principle of Parliamentary management, for which his friends and himself had contended for four years, upon which they went to the country, and which was a chief cause, they believed, for the change which had taken place in the management of the affairs of the country. They, therefore, proposed to the House to pass this Bill, which, if passed, would do what his friends and himself proposed should be done in the last session of the last Parliament, and what they had obtained the assent of the House to in the debate upon the address. In the spirit in which the Bill had been framed, it was proposed not to interfere with the legal effect of the orders in Council passed by the late Government under the Act and therefore only those would be touched that had been issued after the 7th of Dec last, the day on which Parliament met; thus including all the orders in Council except—one relating to the North Grey Railway Company, and the other to the Toronto Junction & Muskoka Railway Company,—which had a comparatively small mileage, and the funds required for which were not large. They did not wish, as these railways had received the formal authentication of orders in Council, to interfere with any legal rights or status they might have obtained, though without referring to the merits of the schemes or condemning the particular grants made to them. He assumed that the principle of that measure had been agreed to by that House, (hear, hear,) under circumstances which rendered that agreement of a most decisive character, because it was on the proposal of an amendment to the Address, when the question was in the form of confidence in the Administration of the day, and many who expressed themselves in favor of the principle of the Bill, and thought Parliament should have the rights which the resolution asserted, yet thought it incumbent upon them, under the circumstances in which they were placed, to vote for the then Government. Now those hon. gentlemen were freed from their difficulty and could vote in accordance with their sentiments and the wishes of their constituents. He therefore anticipated a larger majority in favour of the Bill than that on the former debate.

After speeches by Messrs. J. S. Macdonald, M. C. Cameron, Wood and others, the Speaker put the motion for the second reading of the Bill, and declared it carried without a division.

Hon Mr Blake, in moving the second reading of a Bill to further secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly, said this measure, like the last, embodied one of those principles which they had had the honour of advocating in opposition to gentlemen opposite, and they had taken the earliest opportunity of their accession to those benches to try to add it to the statute-book. The chief clauses are those which provide that hereafter no member of the House can accept any position under Government, or in the gift of the Government or emolument therefor. After a long discussion the motion was carried.

☞ The decision of a Justice of the Peace, in Mansfield, Massachusetts, has in it something novel in jurisprudence. He has decided that it is a criminal offence to expectorate the juice of tobacco upon the floor of a public hall; and he accordingly fined the expectorator one dollar and costs of court. Whether it is an offence by statute or not, we do not know, for they have passed some extraordinary laws in that State, but, if not, the magistrate, we fancy, construed this untidy practice as a public nuisance, and find the offender accordingly.