

### Notice of Partnership

The undersigned begs to announce that he has taken Mr. John A. Davidson into partnership, and that the style of the firm will be James & Davidson.  
All accounts against the undersigned, either personal or against the office, up to the 1st of January, to be sent immediately.  
JAS. INNES.  
Guelph, Jan'y 1, '74.

### Guelph Evening Mercury

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 12, 1874.

#### Meeting of Parliament.

We understand that the Dominion Parliament will meet on or about the 18th of March.

#### Municipal Loan Fund.

The *Globe* says that the Township of Peel, in this County, has been the first to take advantage of the Act of last session for the readjustment of the Municipal Loan Fund indebtedness. The following are the sums, according to the revised schedules, coming to the several municipalities in the county:—

Amaranth	8,886
Arthur (Township)	14,002
Elora	5,177
Fergus	5,513
Guelph (Township)	15,144
Maryboro'	17,563
Minto	23,940
Mount Forest	5,740
Nichol	5,855
Orangeville	5,166
Peel	20,215

The above sums are inclusive of railway aid grants and capitations allowance. The remaining municipalities of Wellington receive two dollars per head, according to the population under the census of 1871.

Peel Township on Wednesday purchased \$20,000 worth of its debentures in aid of the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway, with the proceeds of the money due to it under the foregoing settlement.

#### The Contest in North Wellington.

We have been informed that Mr. Fahey, the talented editor of the *Guelph Herald*, who intended to contest the Riding in the Liberal Conservative interest, has retired in favor of Mr. Chadwick, the proprietor of that staunch Liberal-Conservative newspaper. As yet we are not in a position to state positively that this is the case, but the rumor comes to us from a reliable source, and we trust it will prove to be a fact. We do not say this to undervalue the talents of Mr. Fahey, but rather because we learn it is Mr. Fahey's wish to remain at his post, where he is doing such good work already in the interests of his party. Mr. Chadwick is a very strong man, and it is said, will be elected by a very large majority, no matter who may be his opponent.

For early and reliable news commend us to that ancient and old-fashioned sheet *The Leader*, from whose editorial columns the above extract is taken. We were in the belief that the Tories of the North Riding had settled their little family matter, when they got Mr. McGowan to throw himself into the breach. But this fresh information from *The Leader* upsets all our calculations. We did hear yesterday that Mr. McGowan had been withdrawn because there was not enough of fight in him to suit his friends, and that that genuine old Irish Tory, Mr. Miller, of Teviotdale, was to take his place. But this must have been only a canard, got up for the purpose of putting the Reformers on a false scent. According to *The Leader*, Mr. Chadwick is after all to be the man, for does not our contemporary say that the rumour comes from a reliable source. This, then, explains the deep interest taken by the *Herald* in the North Riding, and it also explains how our James acted as stool-pigeon to his chief, just to keep the nest warm for him. Of course *The Leader* lets our James down easy, and in dismissing him from his duties as forerunner for Mr. Chadwick consoles him with the reflection that he has got back to his old position. We hope James is satisfied with this left-handed compliment. And then notice how *The Leader* speaks of Mr. Chadwick, who it says is a very strong man and will be elected by a large majority against all comers. We beg to assure our antediluvian friend that he is a very strong man—so strong that he was beaten last month when he ran for Reeve of Guelph—so strong he could not prevail on the Tories of the North Riding to give him the nomination.

We are afraid, however, that *The Leader* has got things slightly mixed. It has got hold of the plan as originally arranged, whereby our James was to go into the North Riding and break ground for Mr. Chadwick, who was expected to get the nomination. That little scheme fell through, however. The Tories would have neither Mr. Chadwick nor his man Friday, but chose to bring out a local man in preference to all outsiders. They saw through the manoeuvre in time and checkmated it by a flank movement. But *The Leader* seems to be oblivious to all this, and with its usual blundering gives out for fact what was only an intention, and which is destined ever to remain as such, leaving to those who concocted the plan the melancholy consolation that it might have become a reality, but it didn't.

The *British Quarterly*.  
The January number of the *British Quarterly Review* (Leonard Scott Publishing, Co. New York) opens with an article on "The Ballad: its Nature and Literary Affinities." It begins by giving the original meaning of the word "a dance song," and showing that the name was subsequently applied to poems of very diverse character.

"Modern Scientific Inquiry and Religious Thought" shows that science and religion can, and often do, go hand in hand.  
It is followed by an essay on "Inductive Theology" which takes the ground that man is so constituted that "he must theorize; he must trace effects to their cause, and argue from the cause to

the effects it will infallibly produce." The main purpose of the article is to show the application of the scientific method of inquiry to a few of the fundamental truths of religion.

"Mind and the Science of Energy" is a dissertation on the connection between physical and psychical phenomena, which really seems to be a consideration of the question "What is Thought?"  
In "Revision of the Text of the New Testament," after briefly presenting the reasons for a revision of the text, the reviewer considers, in some detail, the principles of the two schools of criticism represented by Dr. Tregelles and Dr. Scrivener.

The "Autobiography of John Stuart Mill" does not place before us a very pleasing picture. The poor child, three years old, studying Greek, is certainly a pitiable object. He must have possessed wonderful mental and physical strength, for the precocious brain does not seem to have worn out the body, as so often happens in such cases, and it certainly preserved its vigor to the very last. The impression given is that his life was incomplete—that something was lacking which the reader misses—and one can well believe that the work is, as the reviewer says, "one of the saddest books ever written."

The present number of the *Review* also contains a pleasant account of Henry Thoreau, the poet-naturalist; Masson's "Million and his Times"; Mr. Bright's Return to the Ministry; Note to the Article on Herbert Spencer, No. VI., October, 1873; and the usual notices of Contemporary Literature.

#### Palmerston Correspondence.

John Hills, a farmer on the 3rd concession of Minto, was found dead in his bed on Wednesday morning, 4th inst., from what we can learn the deceased had been in this village the day before, and went home in the evening considerably under the influence of intoxicating liquor. He retired to bed about eleven o'clock, and when some of the family went to awake him in the morning, he was dead. He had lain upon his face, and it was evident that death had resulted from suffocation. An inquest was held by Dr. Cowan, of Harrison, but we have been unable to obtain the exact verdict.

A professional barber has established himself here, at Tilt's Royal Exchange Hotel for the present.

Officers of Star of the North Lodge, No. 219, E. A. O. G. T., for the present quarter, are:—Bro. R. Fraser, W. C. T.; Bro. S. M. A. McDowell, W. V. T.; Bro. S. W. Baker, W. C.; Bro. J. H. Moore, W. F. S.; Bro. J. J. Reid, W. M.; Bro. K. Hilbert, W. I. G.; Bro. G. Thompson, W. O. G.; Bro. J. Forbes, W. A. S.; Bro. S. J. Thompson, W. A. M.; Bro. S. A. Ranton, W. R. H. S.; Bro. A. J. Jameson, W. L. H. S.; Bro. S. Rawton, P. W. C. T.

All the Nevada editors are going mad. There hasn't been a shooting affray for a month.

A certain man has a watch which he says has gained enough to pay for itself in six months.

Johnny assures us that a railroad conductor punches a hole in your ticket to let you pass through.

#### BIRTHS.

MERLIHAN—In Guelph, on the 8th inst., the wife of Mr. James Merlihan, of a daughter.  
CLAYTON—At Guelph, on the 1st inst., the wife of B. Clayton, Esq., of a son.

#### MARRIED.

DUNBAR—Jaco—On Monday, the 10th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Smith, at his residence, Richard A. Dunbar, Esq., to Miss Sarah Jaco, both of Erasmus.

#### DIED.

HANNING—In Puslinch, on the 6th inst., Donald G. Hanning, aged 30 years.  
WARREN—At Guelph, on the 11th inst., Francis Warren, son of Mr. George Warren, aged 7 years and one month.  
BOOTH—At St. Paul, Minn., U.S., on the 10th inst., of consumption, Mr. James S. Booth, brother of Mrs. George Pirie, of Guelph, and late Secretary Metropolitan Police Force, Detroit, in his 32nd year.

#### NEW GOODS.

Electro plated Cruet Stands, elegant patterns.  
Ivory handled Table and Dessert Knives.  
Nickel Silver and Electro-plated Forks to suit.  
Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons.  
Electro-plated Butter Coolers.  
Tea and Coffee Pots.  
Table Napkin Rings.  
Bread Platters and Bread Knives.  
Tea Trays and Waiters.  
Coal Scuttles, Vases and Parolians.  
Fire Irons and Stands.  
Skates, Boys' and Girls' Sleighs, Snow Shovels, S'leigh Bells.  
Also, a large assortment of Lamps, new patterns very cheap. Lamp Glasses, Globes, Shades, Wicks, Burners, etc. etc., at

**JOHN HORSMAN'S,**  
HARDWARE MERCHANT,  
GUELPH.

**AT**  
Day's Bookstore, Guelph

New Valentines,  
Choice Valentines,  
Handsome Valentines,  
Nice Valentines,  
Ugly Valentines,  
All sorts and sizes very cheap,  
WITH ENVELOPES TO MATCH.

**DAY'S BOOKSTORE.**  
See Day's large fine stock before buying.

**DOMINION SALOON**  
AND  
**RESTAURANT.**  
Opposite the Market, Guelph.  
Oysters in their season. First-class accommodation for supper parties.  
GEORGE BOGLES, Proprietor,  
Guelph, Oct. 31, 1873. dly

### THE GUELPH Mercury and Advertiser

The *EVERING MERCURY AND ADVERTISER* is published every Thursday morning. Terms \$4 per annum in advance; credit \$5. Delivered in town, by the week, 10 cents.  
Rates of advertising—First insertion, per nonpareil line, 5 cents; each subsequent insertion 3 cents. Situations Vacant, Situations Wanted, Houses for Sale or to Rent, Board, Cattle Strayed or Stolen, Lost Articles, Specific Articles for Sale, etc., not to exceed five lines in length, 25 cents for each insertion; for the same over 5 lines and up to 10 lines, 50 cents each insertion, cash. If booked 25 per cent. more will be charged.  
Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths charged at the rate of 25 cents for each insertion; funeral notices 25 cents additional.  
Paragraph advertisement, special notices, or advertisements intended as locals, inserted after the reading matter, but not among the 10 lines 50 cents first insertion; for 10 lines 50 cents first insertion, and so on in proportion.  
The *WEEKLY MERCURY AND ADVERTISER* is published every Thursday morning. It has now a GUARANTEED CIRCULATION FIVE TIMES MORE THAN THAT OF ANY OTHER PAPER PUBLISHED IN THIS COUNTY, AND EQUAL TO THAT OF ANY WEEKLY IN CANADA, OUTSIDE OF TORONTO. Terms:—\$1.50 a year in advance; credit \$2.00.

RATES OF ADVERTISING.—For transient advertisements 8 cents per nonpareil line first insertion, and 5 cents per line for each subsequent insertion. Situations Vacant, Situations Wanted, Farms or Houses for Sale or to Rent, Board, Cattle Strayed, Lost Articles, and all advertisements of that class not exceeding 10 lines, solid nonpareil space, 20 cents first insertion, and 25 cents each subsequent insertion, cash at the time. If booked 25 per cent. more will be charged. For any space over ten lines, the rate will be at the same proportion. The average number of words in a 10 line advertisement are 40.

Paragraph advertisements, special notices or advertisements intended as locals, inserted after the reading matter, but not among the 10 lines 50 cents first insertion; for 10 lines, first insertion, and so on in proportion.  
Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths charged at the rate of 25 cents for each insertion; funeral notices 25 cents additional.  
Contracts for the Daily and Weekly separately, or for both, at special rates. Contract advertisements changed often than once a month charged extra.

**SPECIAL NOTICE.**  
All contracts expiring on the 31st Dec. if renewed are subject to our revised rates.

### GUELPH COAL DEPOT

C. Kloepper  
Returns thanks for the liberal orders received since he opened his Coal yard, and begs to state that he will always keep on hand

**HARD and SOFT COAL**  
OF THE BEST QUALITY  
At the Lowest Prices.

Coal delivered in any part of the Town.  
Yard next to Bell's Organ Factory

Orders left at Mr. Horsman's Store will receive prompt attention.  
Guelph, Nov. 18, 1873. C. KLOEPPER, dm

**JUST RECEIVED**  
AT  
G. B. McCullough's  
NEW  
**DRUG STORE**

A LARGE SUPPLY OF  
"Handy Package Dyes"  
In all shades, comprising  
Scarlet, Bismarck, Salmon, Rose, Slate, Blue, Green, Blue, Forest, Maroon, Black, Violet, Garnet, Green, etc.

Each package warranted to color one or more pounds of goods.  
See sample card in window.  
Price 15 cents per package.

**ALSO, THE**  
**Depilatory Powder**  
Warranted to remove false hair without injuring the skin.  
G. B. McCULLOUGH,  
Dispensing Chemist  
No. 3, Day's Block,  
Next door to J. E. McElderry's and directly opposite John Horsman's.

**CATALOGUE**  
—OF—  
**NEW BOOKS.**

Cabinet Portraits, Sketches of Statesmen, 2 25  
Town Geology, by Kingsley, 1 50  
Greater Britain, by Sir C. Dilke, 1 75  
Political Portraits, 1 50  
Over Volcanoes, by Kingsman, 1 25  
Albert N'Yanza, by Sir G. Baker, 1 75  
Inside of Paris During Siege, 1 25  
North and South, 1 00  
Monasteries of the Levant, 2 25  
The Great Lone Land, by Capt. Butler, 1 50  
Foods, 1 75  
Men of the Third Republic, 1 50  
Parisians, by Bulwer Lytton, 1 00

Any of the above forwarded, Post-paid, on receipt of price.

**ANDERSON'S**  
Cheap Bookstore,  
East Side Wyndham-st.,  
Guelph, Ont.

**GARDEN and FLOWER SEEDS**  
Sent by Mail to all parts of the Dominion.

Our Chromo, "THE LITTLE FLO-RISTS," a beautiful Parlor Picture, 17x 22 inches, is sent free to all who favor us with orders to the amount of FIVE DOLLARS.

Send for CATALOGUE, which we mail gratis to all who wish.  
CHASE, BROTHERS & BOWMAN,  
SERENBY,  
Oshawa, Ont.  
Jan. 28, 1874. wdl

### New Advertisements.

### Remnants, Remnants, Remnants.

The Grand Semi-annual Clearing Sale of Remnants commences on Monday morning, 9th inst., at

### THE FASHIONABLE WEST END.

REMNANTS OF PLAIN AND FANCY DRESS GOODS  
REMNANTS OF FRENCH MERINOES.  
REMNANTS OF BLACK LUSTRES  
REMNANTS OF COUBOURGS  
REMNANTS OF TWEEDS  
REMNANTS OF COATINGS  
REMNANTS OF FILLED CLOTHS  
REMNANTS OF FLANNELS  
REMNANTS OF SHIRTINGS  
REMNANTS OF HOLLANDS  
REMNANTS OF TOWELLINGS  
REMNANTS OF TABLE LINENS  
REMNANTS OF PRINTS  
REMNANTS OF TICKINGS, &c.

We will also CLEAR OUT 50 pair of Heavy first-class Blankets at \$3.50 per pair, regular price \$5.

We are determined to SELL OFF every Remnant in the store during the next Two Weeks, the price being only a secondary consideration.

**A. O. BUCHAM,**

Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

UP

We extend the time for receiving payment for Accounts until Saturday, the 21st inst., when all must pay up without fail.

**SHAW & MURTON.**

GUELPH, Feb. 11, 1874.

### "Pay as You Go."

Good Doctrine: first rate; Admirable Philosophy: more good sense and economy in these few words than most people are aware of. If you take a paper, pay as you go—your butcher, baker, tailor, shoemaker, pay as you go. It is a philosopher's stone. We wish it was impressed on some people's hearts with a sledge hammer.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED

A large lot of Ladies', Misses and Children's Prunella's,

—WHICH WILL BE—

SOLD AT THE LOWEST CASH PRICE.

Purchasers will do well to call and examine our stock and prices, before buying elsewhere.

**CUSTOM WORK A SPECIALTY.**

All work made in the latest styles. A perfect fit guaranteed. Customers can have a last kept specially for themselves. Repairing done as usual.  
Remember the House—The Dominion Shoe Store, Day's Block, opposite the Town Hall.

**WM. TAWSE & SON.**

Guelph, Feb. 9, 1874

### Co-Operative Store.

The following Goods have been reduced in price in order to effect a Clearance:

FUR MUFFS,  
FUR SETTS,  
FUR CAPS,  
WINTER JACKETS,  
WINTER SHAWLS,  
WOOL PANTS,  
WOOL VESTS,  
WOOL SHIRTS,  
WOOL DRAWEES,  
WOOL HOODS,  
WOOL CLOUDS,  
WOOL SCARFS,  
WOOL GLOVES,  
WOOL STOCKINGS,  
BED BLANKETS,  
HORSE BLANKETS,  
HEAVY QUILTS,  
HEAVY OVERCOATINGS,  
HEAVY CLOAKINGS,  
MENS' OVERCOATS,  
BOYS' OVERCOATS,  
FELT OVERSHOES,  
FELT GAITERS,  
FELT BALMORALS,  
FELT SLIPPERS,  
PLAIN WINCEYS,  
CHECKED WINCEYS,  
FANCY WINCEYS,

**J. C. MACKLIN & Co.**

GUELPH, Feb. 1874. dw

12lbs. of Good Bright Sugar for \$1.

CHOICE IMPERIAL

New Crop Teas 50c. per lb

**J. E. McELDERRY**

2 DAY'S BLOCK,

THE NOTED TEA HOUSE

### ALL READY

FOR THE

COLD WEATHER

In every Department.

AN

Immense Stock

OF

NEW GOODS

AT

WILLIAM STEWART'S,

Who is now offering some of

The Cheapest Lines

of Goods ever Offer-

ed in this Town.

A fair comparison asked with any House as he feels satisfied that the Goods and prices will well repay the purchaser, as from

10 to 15 Cents can be Saved

On every dollar's worth of Goods bought, a all were bought in the Cheapest Markets, and will be sold at the very closest prices.

DRESS

GOODS

A SPECIALTY.

New Flannels, all qualities;

2500 yards Union Shirting Flannels a 25c., worth 35c.

475 Ladies Beaver and Cloth Jackets cheap.

In the Cloth Department

THE NEWEST

Coatings, Trouserings, and Vestings

and made up to order in the most fashionable styles.

**WM. STEWART,**

Guelph, Oct. 15, 1873.

### VALUABLE FARM PROPERTY

FOR SALE OR TO EXCHANGE.—

The undersigned offers for sale, or to rent the undermentioned property, viz:

First—A valuable improved Farm North of the Durham Road, in the Township of Bentinck, three miles from the Village of Durham, containing about 200 acres, of which about 130 acres are cleared and under fence, with a good patch of Fall Wheat on it. On the premises are a substantial Frame Dwelling; House with good cellar, garden and well, with pump of excellent water. Also, a Frame Barn 60x30, with eighteen feet posts and underground stabling, and a never failing spring in the barn yard for the supply of water to cattle. This is a very eligible property, and well worthy the attention of those who wish to obtain a good farm.

Also—Lot 42, in the 3rd Concession of Bentinck, West of the Garrafrax Road, 100 acres, about 12 acres cleared, with a Frame House on the lot.—The Rocky Saugeen River crosses one corner of this lot, and has a valuable water power on it, capable of driving any machinery.

Also—Lot 25, in the 1st Concession, South of the Durham Road one mile from Fisherton Station, in the Township of Arden. There are about 25 acres cleared and fenced on this lot, with a good new Log House.

The above lands are well situated and timbered with the best kind of hard wood timber, with indispensible titles—the last two being direct grants from the Crown. Possession given 1st April.

For further particulars, &c., apply to the proprietor.

**JOHN KAY,**  
Brass Founder and Fitter, Upper Wyndham Street Guelph.

Guelph, Jan. 7, 1874. 1874-daw

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Fresh Arrival.

NEW GOODS

ARRIVED

**AT J. HUNTER'S**

Wholesale and Retail.

CALL AND SEE

The Largest Stock,  
The Greatest Variety,  
The Best and the Cheapest  
Goods for the Season

Ever exhibited in Guelph

**AT J. HUNTER'S**  
Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods and Toy Store  
dw Wyndham Street Guelph.

**THOS. WORSWICK**

MANUFACTURER OF

**MACHINISTS' TOOLS**

Complete, with best modern attachments.

**STEAM ENGINES**

Of a superior class, with variable cut off. Also cheap Portable and Stationary Engines, the smaller sizes of which are designed for Printing Offices, and others requiring small power.

Jobbing will Receive Careful Attention.

**THOS. WORSWICK,**  
Guelph, Ont.  
d.w.v.

Dec. 17, 1873.