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## The Guelph Mercury

DAILY AND WEEKLY.

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McLAGAN AND INNES,  
PUBLISHERS AND PROPRIETORS.

## The EVENING MERCURY

CONTAINING the latest News by Telegraph up to the hour of going to press, is published at 3 o'clock every afternoon (Sunday excepted), and mailed to all parts of the country by the evening mails on the following

TERMS:  
Single copy, one year, \$4. | Single copy, 3 mo's \$1  
6 months 2. | Single do. 1 week 10c.

Copies may also be had of the News boys on the streets, price one penny. Town Subscribers are applied at their residences by our own carriers.

In addition to the Telegraphic News given in the Evening Mercury will be found a vast amount of Local News, interesting articles on all the leading topics of the day. Special care will be taken to give CORRECT MARKET REPORTS. Every Business Man should read it.

## "The Weekly Mercury"

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY.

IS THE LARGEST COUNTRY NEWSPAPER IN THE DOMINION, containing 40 columns of reading matter. Special care is devoted to the WEEKLY MERCURY, and care is taken that none but the best and most select reading appears in its columns. It is the Great Family Paper of Ontario, and the unprecedented additions to its subscription list within the last two years, and the demand still increasing at a certain rate, are proof of its popularity. Our facilities now for getting up a First-Class WEEKLY are unrivalled by even the metropolitan press, and we are determined not to relax our energies.

Letters containing money, properly registered, will be at our risk.

## TO ADVERTISERS.

Business men will find THE EVENING and WEEKLY MERCURY to be unrivalled advertising mediums, as their respective circulations are at an advance of any others in North Western Canada, and is the only means by which extensive settlements can be reached by the judicious advertiser.

Advertising rates are very moderate, and may be learned on application at the Office.

## Book and Job Printing,

Executed on short notice, at reasonable rates, and in the best style of the Art. Having every facility at our command, in this department, we defy competition as to style, quality and price.

McLAGAN & INNES, Publishers.

Office—Macdonnell Street, East of the Golden Lion, Guelph, Ontario.

October 29, 1867. daw-1f.

## Eating House.

C. H. DAVIS

RESPECTFULLY informs the people of Guelph and neighborhood, that he has opened a public

## Eating House and Refreshment Rooms,

A few doors above the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, where will be provided Meals at all seasons, at moderate prices.

## Oysters, Sardines, &c

TO ORDER ON SHORT NOTICE.

An opening for a couple of Boarders.

CHAS. H. DAVIS.

October 22, 1867. sid do 1f

## Cordwood Wanted.

WANTED about 30 cords of good

## GREEN BEECH or MAPLE

Cordwood. Quantities of from 5 cords upwards will be taken. Apply at once to the Mercury Office, Guelph.

Guelph, 5th Nov, 1867. dwtf

## BOOTS & SHOES

At Wholesale Prices.

HAVING a large stock of BOOTS and SHOES, which must be sold during the NEXT TWO MONTHS, I will offer the same during that time at Wholesale Prices. Note prices and be convinced that you will save from 25 to 50 per cent. per pair by buying at the

## Kingston Penitentiary

BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

## Men's Coarse Boots!

FORMER PRICES.—No. 1, \$3.00; No. 2, \$2.75; No. 3, \$2.50.

PRESENT PRICES.—No. 1, \$2.75; No. 2, \$2.50; No. 3, \$2.25.

Boys' Boots from \$1.70; Youths' Boots from \$1.35; Women's Boots from \$1.10.

with a large variety of everything in the line at equally low prices.

Don't forget the place—Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store.

All work warranted.

J. CRIDFORD.

Guelph, 4th November, 1867.

## Farm for Sale or Rent.

FOR sale or to rent that farm, being Lot No. 14, in the 8th Concession, Township of Puslinch, containing of 100 acres, 80 acres of which are cleared and under cultivation. There are on the premises a good Stone House, Frame Barn, with stabling under, a good bearing Orchard, excellent Spring Well, and plenty of water for cattle. For particulars apply on the premises, or if by letter (post-paid) to

THOMAS BAILEY,

Puslinch, Oct. 3, 1867. w3m Aberfoyle P. O.

## Store for Sale

In the Village of Stirton.

A GOOD STORE for general business, with commodious Dwelling House attached, and stable in rear. Also, a BLACKS WITH SHOP with two forges. The shop is 130 x 35 feet; connected with this shop is a good Dwelling House. The buildings are all of frame, and put up within the last three years. These two properties will be sold together or separately for Cash or on Credit. The Post Office is kept on the premises. For terms apply to

LEMON PETERSON, Guelph, or to

JOHN LUXSON, Proprietor, Stirton, P. O. Guelph, August 29, 1867. 738-1f

## GEORGE PALMER

BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Con-

## 1867. NEW FRUIT, 1867.

New London Layer Raisins

New Malaga Layer Raisins

New Select Valencia Raisins

New Seedless Raisins

New Turkey Figs in Layers

New Soft Shelled Almonds

New Hard Shelled Almonds

New Filberts

New Brazil Walnuts

New Lemons, Oranges, &c.

## AT H. WALKER'S

FRUIT DEPOT,

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

Guelph, 20th November, 1867. dw

## MEDICAL HALL,

GUELPH.

## JUST RECEIVED!

At the Medical Hall a large assortment of

## LAMPS, SHADES, WICKS, & C.

—ALSO—

## No. 1 Coal Oil

FOR FAMILY USE.

Perfectly clear and free from smell.

N. HIGINBOTHAM.

Guelph, 20th Nov, 1867. d

## FURS,

FURS, FURS.

WE have opened our stock of FURS, of our own manufacture, which we will sell at LOW PRICES, viz:

Extra Dark Mink.

Royal Ermine,

Siberian Squirrel,

River Mink,

Ladies' Hoods,

And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENT'S MUFFLERS and GLOVES, SLICHT ROBES, &c.

F. GARLAND,

Market Square, GUELPH.

The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs

Guelph, Oct. 31, 1867. 881 w732

## TEAS, TEAS.

A LARGE Lot just received of New Crop

## TEAS,

A SPLENDID ARTICLE,

## AT 75 CENTS,

Equal to any sold at 87 Cents!

E. CARROLL & CO.

No. 2 Day's Block.

Guelph, Nov. 13, 1867. daw1f

## \$20. STAR \$100. SHUTTLE SEWING MACHINE.

Patented May, 1867.

THE Star Shuttle Sewing Machine makes a stitch alike on both sides of material sewed, which will not rip or ravel. Does all kinds of work equally as well as Singer's high-priced machine. Combines simplicity with durability, and is warranted for five years. It is suited alike for the dressmaker, tailor, manufacturer or family.

Mr. J. SPAFFORD, having been appointed General Agent for Ontario, wishes to engage a few good local and travelling agents, to whom good inducements will be offered. For machine, sample of work, or terms, address—

J. E. SPAFFORD,

Puslinch P. O.,

Reference—Rev. E. A. Healy, Stratford P. O., or Box 450, Toronto.

## Cordwood Wanted.

WANTED, 700 cords of good hard wood. Apply at Brown's Wood Yard, Woolwich-st., nearly opposite the Court House, Guelph.

## Evening Mercury.

OFFICE: MACDONNELL STREET.

WEDNESDAY EV'G, NOVEMBER 27.

## GUELPH POST OFFICE.

Arrival and Delivery of Mails.

DELIVERY. CLOSE.

A.M. P.M. A.M. P.M.

Hamilton 8.00 12.30 6.30 4.15

Great Western 8.00 12.30 6.30 4.15

Grand Trunk, west 10.30 3.30 9.30 5.30

Toronto 10.30 6.30 9.30 2.30

Arkelk

Eben Mills, Nassagaweya, Campbellville, Lovellville, Nelson, Wellington Square, Aberfoyle, Freeton, Greensville, Morrison, Puslinch, Stratford, Cots-wood, Eramosa, Spring, Eldra, Fergus, 8.00 1.30 12.30 9.00

Perth, 8.00 1.30 12.30 9.00

Montreal 10.30 6.30 9.30 2.30

Alma, 8.00 1.30 12.30 9.00

Wyndford, 8.00 1.30 12.30 9.00

Grand Trunk, east 10.30 6.30 9.30 2.30

Orangeville, 10.30 6.30 9.30 2.30

Guelph & Toronto, Fergus, Nichol, Arthur, Durham, Mt. Forest, Chatsworth, Cummock, Latona, Egremont, Kenilworth, Sullivan, O. Sound, Orchard, Elora, Alma, Bosworth, Clifford, Neustadt, Glenlyon, Rothsay, Harriston, Parker, Teviotdale, Walkerton, Wyndford, Cotswold, Wildmid, Gourock, 8.00 1.30 12.30 9.00

Berlin, 10.30 3.30 9.30 5.30

Waterloo 10.30 3.30 9.30 5.30

Guelph P. O., Nov. 18, 1867.

## Cattle Fairs.

Elora, 1st Tuesday of every month

New Hamburg, 1st Tuesday of every month

Guelph, 1st Wednesday of every month

Berlin, 1st Tuesday of every month

Elmira, 2nd Monday of every month

Crosshill, 2nd Monday of every month

Waterloo, 2nd Tuesday of every month

## Local News.

### THE "WEEKLY MERCURY,"

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1867.

### 40 COLUMNS.

The latest news by the Atlantic Cable as well as from all parts of the world, is published in the Weekly Mercury. The number for to-morrow (Thursday) morning will be a splendid copy to send to your friends at a distance. It gives, and will continue to give, more reading matter, later and more reliable news, than any other paper in Canada, except the metropolitan journals, and is furnished at the low price of \$1.50 per annum. Now is the time to subscribe and get the paper free for the remainder of the present year. Copies may be had at the office of publication, Macdonnell street, east of Hogg & Chance's dry goods emporium, and at the Bookstores of Messrs Day, Cuthbert and Shewan, at 7 a. m., in time for the English mail.

### OFFICE AND POCKET DIARIES FOR 1868.—A large assortment, very cheap, at Day's bookstore, opposite the market.

### CHURCH OPENING.—The new church in Erin Village, in connection with the Church of England, was opened on Sunday last with appropriate services.

### DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION.—The dramatic and musical association, which we noticed yesterday, already numbers about thirty members. They have meetings twice a week, which are held, in the meantime, in the Orange Hall. A more convenient room will be engaged as soon as possible.

### ANOTHER ACCIDENT.—The afternoon express, due here at 3.30 p. m., struck a woman who was crossing the Grand Trunk track, on Tuesday last, the 26th inst., near Brampton, and either seriously injured or killed her. We have been unable to learn her name, or how it came to pass that she placed herself in such a perilous position.

### SELLING OFF IN MORRISTON.—Messrs. R. B. Morison & Co., Moriston, have determined upon disposing of the balance of their fall and winter stock of Ready-made Clothing at and under cost. They are also laying in a fresh stock of the choicest Groceries and Liquors for the approaching holidays, and are determined to give such bargains to their customers as no store in Guelph or Hamilton can attempt. Advertisement next week.

### FATAL SHOOTING CASE AT SARNIA.—On Sunday afternoon a melancholy case of death by the accidental discharge of a pistol, took place at Sarnia. A man named Finch, a county constable, was endeavoring in the street to arrest a man named Carroll, who resisted the capture. A struggle ensued, when Finch drew his revolver for the purpose of intimidating Carroll. While this fracas was going on a man named Holbrook came up and stood a witness of the struggle, when suddenly Finch's revolver went off, and Holbrook was seen to fall. Blood instantly covered his face and head, and on the poor fellow being lifted, it was found that the ball had entered his cheek and passed out at the back of his head! Of course death was instantaneous. Finch was taken to jail to await the inquest.

## BIBLE SOCIETY.—Our readers will not fail to remember that the annual meeting of the Guelph Branch Bible Society takes place this evening in the Town Hall Chair to be taken at half past seven o'clock.

Nothing at the Police Court this morning, the only arrest made last night being that of a vagrant young scamp, who was lodged in goal and let loose this morning. A longer probation might have been for his benefit, as he is by no means the last annoying boy in Town.

## THE NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY.—A deputation, consisting of Adam Brown, Esq., and other gentlemen, passed thro' Guelph this forenoon en route to the North Riding, where they intend to hold meetings in reference to the Railway. The first meeting will be held to night at Glenallan.

## SPORTING.—Every person who can spare time and has any taste for gunnery is out fowling at present. We saw two fine pheasants this morning that a sportsman brought up from Puslinch, and several gentlemen equipped with fowling pieces left Guelph for Rockwood by the morning train resolved to do terrible destruction among the game with which that section is said to abound.

## NEW STORE IN ROTHSAY.—Mr. F. B. Knowles, lately of Guelph, has just opened a store in Rothsay, and filled with a very large and well selected stock of dry goods, groceries, hardware &c. Having purchased the stock at a very low figure, he will give his customers decided bargains. Our readers, in that section should not fail to call and inspect the goods, for they will find it to their advantage to buy at the store with the red flag.

## WM. STEWART'S GREAT CLEARING SALE.—We direct attention to Mr. Wm. Stewart's advt. in another column, announcing his great annual clearing sale. The stock which is very large and has been carefully assorted, has been greatly reduced, as a glance at the prices of some of the goods enumerated will testify; as there is a genuine clearing sale great bargains will be given. Intending purchasers in town and country should therefore take advantage of this opportunity and call and secure what they want immediately after the sale begins on Saturday first.

## SOIREE AT PUSLINCH PLAINS.—A Soiree will be held in the School House at Arkel, on Thursday evening, the 5th of December. The proceeds are to be appropriated to aid the Section Library, and such a laudable object deserves to be shown marks of particular favor. Even a small sum supplemented by an equal amount, which the department of Education grants, may be the means of bringing much valuable knowledge which might otherwise be unattained, within the range of many in the locality. The Rev. Messrs Torrance, Hogg, Little, Howie and Campbell, and P. Gow, Esq., M.L.A., will deliver addresses on the occasion. Tickets only 25c.

## PENNY READINGS.—In Ottawa, a system of giving a series of penny readings during the winter months has been adopted. The plan is meeting with much success, and the first one, which was held on Friday evening last, was largely attended. The readings are given by prominent citizens, and the selections made from the best authors. The admission is fixed at one penny, just sufficient to pay current expenses, the services of the readers being given gratis. We need scarcely be at the trouble of recommending a treat of the same kind in this town, for even if the readers could be found the audiences would be wanting. Professional readers such as Pope, or even the great Vandenhoff, cannot obtain an auditory of respectable size, much less could an amateur, how good soever might be his intentions. Minstrels, *à hoc genus omne* are all right, but as to readings—well, we "can't see them."

## RESULT OF A CHARIVARI.—A young lad whose name is Thomas Chamberlain, aged about 15 years, was badly wounded in the leg, a few nights ago at a charivari in Guelph township, near Sleeman's brewery. A man named Foster had recently got married, and "the boys" had assembled to serenade him with all the instruments of music which are called into requisition on such occasion, for two or three consecutive nights. On this particular occasion Mr. Foster came out of the house and treated the party in expectation that they would then withdraw. This, however, they did not seem inclined to do when a gun loaded with shot was fired from the window, and the charge as we have related took effect in the boy's leg. Medical aid was procured immediately, but the wounded youth now lies very ill. No arrests have as yet been made.

## GOLD AND SILVER PLATING.—We direct attention to the advertisement of Messrs. A. Howie & Co., Hamilton. This firm are prepared to do all kinds of gold and silver plating in a superior style and at reasonable prices. From an inspection of some of their work, we can fully bear out all that is stated in their advertisement.

## The Hurricane in the West Indies.

Our advices from various parts of the West Indies, giving details of the ravages of the late hurricane in the Caribbean Sea, show that the brief account of the terrible storm first received by telegraph from Havana by no means exaggerated the extent of the calamity. Coming from the Atlantic Ocean, the tornado burst in the first instance, upon the small islands of St. Thomas and Tortola, both of which it swept with terrible fury, working immense destruction of property and life. It then advanced to Porto Rico, devastating the northern part of that island; and it ended its desolating course on the island of Hayti, after laying a portion of the City of San Domingo in ruins. At all these places it made dreadful havoc with the shipping, scores of vessels, including several steamers, having been sunk or broken in pieces. At St. Thomas, it is estimated fully five hundred lives were lost; in Porto Rico over two hundred persons are supposed to have perished; in San Domingo about as many are reported killed as in Porto Rico; and, although the news of the submergence of Tortola during the storm is hardly creditable, yet there can be no doubt that the storm has wrought fearful damage in that island likewise. Altogether, this tornado has been one of the most destructive of those terrible visitations to which the region it traversed is subject.

The following is an extract from a letter addressed to a gentleman in Kingston by an officer of the French steamer Caravelle, giving particulars of the hurricane:—

On the morning of the 23rd of October the wind commenced to blow in slight squalls, which, succeeding each other in great rapidity, increased in violence. In the meantime the storm became more serious, so much so that several vessels ran foul of us, their anchors being broken; in one moment we were surrounded by ten vessels, which one after another capsized. I then thought the Caravelle would have been smashed to atoms. After this the wind suddenly abated, and we saw the calamity which had taken place in the harbor. Unfortunately this proved not to be the end of it. During the lull several boats put off from the vessels which had been least damaged. Among others, one of our boats was manned by four sailors, commanded by M. De Saint Martin, who went to the assistance of the unfortunate shipwrecked, some of whom clung to the sides of their capsized vessels, some held on to the rigging, while others clung to different parts. M. De Saint Martin had succeeded in saving eleven men, when the wind recommenced to blow from a totally opposite point with redoubled force. This upset all the boats containing those who had been previously saved, as well as their rescuers. We had the misfortune to lose M. De Saint Martin and three men; the fourth was saved by a miracle. During this last storm, which lasted one hour and a half, we could not keep our legs, and from the torrents of rain we could not see where we were going. While I write we reckon fifty vessels capsized or sunk, and twenty others went ashore. The number of victims in the harbor is estimated at 400. The town has suffered as much as the harbor. St. Thomas has the appearance of a besieged city. Two hundred bodies were washed ashore and buried by the inhabitants. The steamer Caravelle was much injured, and had been sent to Martinique for repairs. A Spanish ship was in port at the time of the catastrophe and rendered immense service, saving many lives. She managed to withstand the tempest, although she sustained some injury.

## Commercial Bank Charter.

The editorial correspondence of the Hamilton Spectator has the following:—

"The Bill amending the Commercial Bank Charter, and authorizing its amalgamation with any other Bank or Banks has passed its second reading, and been referred to the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce. The Act extends the charter for ninety days beyond the date of the passing of the Act, notwithstanding the suspension during that period of specie payments. The second clause authorizes the Directors by By-law to reduce the amount of the capital stock of the bank from four millions of dollars to such sum as they shall fix in the By-law, such reduction to be in the nominal amount of each share, and it empowers them also to increase by By-law the capital stock to the original amount of four millions by the issue of new stock. This clause provides the means by which this additional capital shall be subscribed and apportioned, and requires that it shall be paid in full within two years. Authority is next given for an amalgamation of the Bank with any other Bank, subject to the decision of any meeting of stockholders that may be convened to take the matter into consideration, and a special authority is given to any other Bank to effect such amalgamation on the same conditions as to the assets of their shareholders. Upon the filing of a formal indenture of union in the office of the Secretary of State for Canada, the two Banks are authorized to carry on business under such name as may be fixed in the indenture, and with all the powers and rights contained in the Acts of Incorporation of both. The Directors are authorized subject to the approval of the shareholders, to remove the principal office of the Bank from Kingston to any other place which may be determined upon. After ample provision for the management of the Amalgamated Bank, the Bill proceeds to provide for the winding up in the event of no amalgamation or revival being effected. In that case it is declared that, at the meeting of the shareholders called for the 17th December next, provision may be made for its winding up, and the liquidation of its liabilities by a deed of assignment to Trustees, who shall be a body corporate under the name of the "Trustees of the Commercial Bank of Canada." The deed of assignment will authorize the Trustees to carry on or compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by the Bank as may be for the beneficial winding up of the same; to sell the real and personal property of the Bank by public or private contract, with power, with the concurrence of the shareholders, to sell and transfer all the estate and effects to any Bank or Banks upon such terms as may be agreed upon; to permit of set off, to refer disputes to arbitration, and to compound claims due to or by