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## Business Cards.

**OLIVER & MACDONALD,**  
Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont.

**FREDERICK BISCOE,** Barrister and Attorney at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c. Office, corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets. dw

**STEPHEN BOULT,** Architect, Contractor and Builder. Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec street, Guelph. dw

**CARVER & HATHERLY,** Contractors. Well Sinks and General Jobbers. Excavations of all kinds undertaken by the day or job. Residence, Liverpool St., near Ryan's ashery. dw

**THORP'S HOTEL,** Guelph, remodelled and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free omnibus to and from all trains. First-class lobby in connection with the Hotel. May 14th JAS. A. THORP, Proprietor

**WILLIAM J. PATERSON,**  
Official Assignee for the County of Wellington.

Office—Opposite Town Hall, Guelph. dw

**JOHN KIRKHAM,**  
Silver Plater and Brass Finisher

All orders promptly attended to. Shop—opposite Chalmers' Church, Quebec street, Guelph. dw

**LEMON & PATERSON,**  
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public.

Office—Brownlow's New Buildings, near the Registry Office.

**A. LEMON, H. W. PATERSON,**  
CHAS. LEMON, County Crown Attorney

**GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,**  
Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law,  
Solicitors in Chancery,

GUELPH, ONTARIO.

WATERLOO, J. WATT, W. O. CUTTEN, Guelph, March 1, 1873. dw

**O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL,**  
IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET

Refitted in the latest fashion. First class style Billiard Tables. dw

**W. H. TAYLOR,**  
CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER,  
GUELPH.

Only one this side of Toronto. All work warranted the best. Please send price list. dw

**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, dw

**DOMINION SALOON,**  
GUELPH.

**FRESH OYSTERS**  
IN EVERY STYLE  
to be had at this saloon. The best Liquors and Cigars always in stock. DENIS BUNYAN, dw

**F. STURDY,**  
House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter

GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER.  
Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. dw

**IRON CASTINGS**  
Of all kinds, made to order at

**GROVE'S IRON WORKS,**  
Norfolk Street, Guelph.

15th JOHN GROVE, Proprietor

**IRON AND BRASS**  
Castings of all kinds made on short notice at

**THE GUELPH UNION FOUNDRY**  
We also keep on hand four qualities of

**BABBITT METAL.**  
HARLEY & HEATHER,  
Huskisson Street, Guelph. dw

**J. M. MARRIOTT,**  
Veterinary Surgeon,  
H. C. V. S., L. H. V. M. A.

Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, intends continuing the practice of his profession. Office left at the Mercury Office, or at H. A. Kirkland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to. dw

Having had great experience in all diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. dw

**PRIZE DENTISTRY.**  
DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL

Licentiate of Dental Surgery. Established 1845. Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

Residence opposite Mr. Booth's Factory. Street. Teeth extracted without pain. References, Drs. Clarke, Tuck, McGulley, Herod, McGregor, and Cowan. Guelph. Drs. Buchanan and Phillips, Toronto. Drs. Elliot, & Meyers, Dentists Toronto. dw

**W. M. POSTER, D. D. S.,**  
SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.

Office over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts., Guelph. Mr. Nitron Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the relief of tooth-ache and for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable. References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod, Clarke, Tuck, McGulley, Herod, and McGregor, Guelph; W. R. Graham, Dentist, Brampton. dw

## New Advertisements.

**ROOMS TO LET.**—To let, two rooms and a back kitchen. Apply at this office. dw

**10,000 BUSHELS OF CORN** for sale. A. R. DAVIES, Guelph, Mar. 13. dw

**SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE.**—For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, different makes, all new, cheap for cash. Apply at the Mercury Office. dw

**WANTED.**—A man and wife for a farm in Howick. The man must have a knowledge of farm work, and his WIFE must be a good cook and washer. Application to be made to Wm. Wilke, Guelph. M31-dw

**BUILDING SITE FOR SALE.**—In town, well cultivated, well fenced, 4 1/2 acres, spring creek running across, 60 assorted fruit trees, frame stable, &c. Terms easy. For particulars, apply to Robt. Mitchell, No. 1, Day's Block. dw

**BLACKSMITH AND APPRENTICE** WANTED. Wanted immediately a Journeyman Blacksmith. A good hand only need apply. Also, an apprentice to the Blacksmith business. Apply at once to J. A. Laidlaw, Morrison. dw

**TO LET.**—With immediate possession, the stone cellars, rooms, offices, and upper story in Brownlow's Buildings, on Douglas street, near the Post Office. Apply to John Horwood, or William Day, Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dw

**HOMESTEAD FOR SALE OR TO RENT.**—Part of Lot 5, Div. F., Guelph Township (4 acres) board fence, orchard, barn, roof house, out houses, well, pump, 2 log houses. Apply at the law office of the undersigned, in Guelph. m3rd-dw

**REMOVAL OF OFFICES.**  
**Lemon & Peterson**  
Have removed their offices to Brownlow's new buildings, near the Registry Office, Douglas street. Guelph, March 2nd, 1873. dw

**MAPLE LEAF BASE BALL CLUB.**  
A meeting of the Members of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club will be held at THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, on THURSDAY EVENING, April 1st, at half-past 7 o'clock, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. JOHN COLSON, Sec. Guelph, March 29th, 1873. dw

**HAY FOR SALE.**  
From 40 to 50 tons of hay for sale, by the ton or load. Will be sold on the farm and it can be weighed on the scales at Wilson's corner. Apply to JOHN LAIDLAW, JAMES LAIDLAW, Paisley Block. dw

**DR. BROCK,**  
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE  
Directly opposite Chalmers' Church, Quebec street, Guelph.

Dr. Brock having returned from the South, will attend to all professional cases as usual.

**DESIRABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.**  
—Consisting of 14 acres of excellent land, with good road and cottage, stable, &c. within one mile of Guelph Market House. This offers a good chance for market gardeners, or others desiring a few acres in a retired locality close to market. Will be sold cheap. Title perfect. Apply to Messrs. Spicers, 4 Day's Block, Guelph. 24-2nd-dw

**TEA MEETING.**  
A Tea Meeting in aid of the British Methodist Episcopal Church, will be held in the TOWN HALL, on THURSDAY EVENING, April 3rd.

Addresses will be given by the Rev. Seth D. W. Smith, of Halifax, N. S.; Rev. Messrs. W. S. Ball, George Woods, J. F. Metzger, and Robert Johnston, the pastor in charge. Doors open at 7. Tickets 25c. Guelph, April 1, 1873. dw

**PLUGHS.**  
Just received, a quantity of the celebrated

**Gray Ploughs,**  
From Scotland, manufactured by Gray & Uddington, near Glasgow;

**THE PORTER, ONTARIO & VICTOR**  
Steel board Ploughs; also some cheap Cast Iron Ploughs on hand. Prices from \$7.50 to \$30.

A good assortment of Stoves and Tinware for sale cheap.

**W. HEATHER,**  
Corner Westwick-st. and Erasmus Road Guelph, 2nd April, 1873. dw

**50 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE**  
IN PUSLINCH.

Northwest Quarter of Lot 27, Con. 1, 9 miles from Guelph, 2 from Morrison or Aberfoyle, and 1/2 from Brock Road; comfortable house, and large log barn and stables. Will be sold cheap, and on liberal terms of payment, or town property will be taken in exchange. Apply through Guelph Post Office, box 10, or to Messrs. Hart & Spicers, Guelph. m3rd-dw

**HOSIERY.**  
We have in stock

**10,621 DOZENS!**  
Full range of Sizes.  
Full range of Qualities.  
Full range of Prices.

**JOHN MACDONALD & CO.,**  
TORONTO.

**NORTH WELLINGTON**  
REFORM MEETING.

A meeting of the Members of the Reform Association of this City will be held

**AT COLLISON'S HALL,**  
HARRISTON,  
On Friday, the 4th April.

At 1 o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of considering the measure to be adopted to resist the protest against Col. Hinbottom's election. ALEX. MEIKLEJOHN, Sec. dw

**FREDERICK STURDY,**  
GUELPH, ONT., CANADA.

Is now prepared to supply

**Eggs for Hatching**  
From his FIRST PRIZE and IMPORTED BIRDS, of the following varieties:

Dark and Light Brahma, Partridge and White Game, White and Black Spanish, Black Red Game, Spangled Gold and Silver Hamburgs, Grey Dorkings, Bona and Aylesbury Ducks.

A few birds for sale at reasonable prices. Guelph, Mar. 1873. dw

## RAILWAY TIME TABLE—Winter Arrangement—On after Monday, 18th 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.; 8:35 p.m.  
To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin.

**EAST**  
8:05 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; 4:55 p.m.  
Going North—11:45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifford; 4:56 p.m. for Fergus; 8:05 p.m. for Fergus.

**NEW AND SEASONABLE GOODS,**  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

**NEW BUCKWHEAT FLOUR,**  
ILLINOIS WHITE CORNMEAL,  
ILLINOIS RYE FLOUR,  
ST. LOUIS HOMOINY,  
NEW PRUNES,  
DRIED APPLES,  
WHITE BEANS,  
PEARL BARLEY,  
POT BARLEY,  
PATNA & ARRACAN RICE

Canned Peaches, Tomatoes, Corn, Peas and Cherries.

**At John A. Wood's,**  
Alma Block and Lower Wyndham-street,  
Guelph, March 26, 1873. dw

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TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 1, 1873.

## Town and County News.

**New Spring Goods.**—The Lion roars. Chance & Williamson have received an immense stock of new spring goods. Call and see.

A meeting of the members of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club, will be held this evening, at the Queen's Hotel at 7:30 o'clock.

**GEORGE ALBERT MASON** has resumed his professional calling, and is making the times lively for the tavern-keepers of Toronto. He talks of coming to Guelph about the middle of this month.

**PREMIUM OF \$200.**—The publishers of the *Canadian Monthly* offer the above reward, for the best story submitted to them—the scene to be laid in Canada, and the characters to be Canadian.

**REV. W. MORLEY FENSON.**—Our readers will please remember that this gentleman will deliver his famous lecture on the Huguenots, in the Wesleyan Church here, this (Tuesday) evening. Twenty-five cents will be the charge for admission.

**MAPLE SUGAR.**—Although there has been no new sugar offered for sale here yet, nevertheless many of the farmers are busily engaged in its manufacture. A few hundred gallons of maple molasses would fetch a fancy price in Guelph just now.

**REPAIRING.**—The Primitive Methodist Church here having been closed during the time it has been undergoing repairs, will be re-opened for divine worship on Sabbath next, 6th April. A social and lecture will be held on the 10th. Rev. J. Guttery, of Toronto, will deliver his celebrated lecture on the great philanthropist—the late George Peabody. For further particulars see posters.

**NEW ORLEANS MINSTRELS.**—This Minstrel troupe appeared, for the second time, last night, before a Guelph audience. The hall was comfortably filled. We cannot say that the performance was up to the expectation of all, but many were pleased. The cornet playing of Messrs. Benjamin and Gorton was very superior, and quite a treat. The feats of contortion by Mr. Wentworth were very good, but nothing beyond what might have been expected. Maud Stanley sang sweetly and well, and evidently gave satisfaction. We have heard many better minstrel troupes years ago. Nearly all travelling troupes make the mistake of playing acceptably before a metropolitan audience, and cutting the programme short in towns and villages. There are those in the latter places who appreciate the best efforts put forth as well as those in the former, and the sooner the New Orleans Minstrels, and other kindred troupes, are made aware of the fact, the less cause their will be for complaint in future.

**GRABBING SEATS IN RAILWAY CARS.**—Who that has travelled by cars in latter days has not been a witness many times of the swinish disposition of certain people who do not understand what belongs to good manners, and never care for anybody but themselves? An exchange takes off this class of persons very appropriately as follows:—"It would be amusing were it not unpleasant, to witness the dispositions of many selfish people on railroad trains to 'grab' all the seats they can, and the transaction has become a serious nuisance. We admit, of course, the right of an individual to look out for his own interests, but selfishness is a multi-talented case it is conceded to be detrimental to the community. For a man and his wife, when other passengers are being forced from cars, looking for accommodations, to turn the back of a seat and put a couple of valises in such a position as to give the idea that they belong to persons who have taken the places, and will be back in a few minutes, is without any figure of speech a fraud, of which respectable people ought to be ashamed.

## Local and Other Items.

**A DISGRACEFUL FIGHT** took place in a saloon in St. Catharines last Friday night in which a man had one of his ears bitten off.

The New Dominion Rowing Club, of Toronto, have decided to offer \$1,000 in prizes towards a grand international regatta, to be held about the 1st of June.

A **SHIP CARPENTER** named Demers fell from a new vessel in Gantim's ship-yard, Montreal, on Monday, and broke his neck. He died in ten minutes. He leaves a family in destitute circumstances.

**COLLISION ON THE WESTERN.**—A collision occurred on the G.W.R. at the St. Catharines station on Monday morning between an express and a freight train. Several cars were smashed and thrown off the track, but nobody was hurt.

The members of the Commission of the Free Church General Assembly have agreed to nominate Dr. Duff as Moderator of the General Assembly in May next. Dr. Samuel Miller, Glasgow, who has been nominated on a previous occasion, has declined to accept the office.

The *London Lancet* lately published a case of a man who for nine days followed his occupation with a needle fixed in his heart. On the ninth day a surgical operation was performed and the needle extracted. The patient recovered without exhibiting any unfavorable symptom.

**WHAT AN OLD FASHIONED WINTER MEANS.**—Doctor, chilblains, red nose, cold in the head, frosted potatoes, aggravation of the misery of rising in the mornings, slippery pavements, falls, fractures, coals up, horses down, melting snow, impassable streets, wet feet, pump frozen, pipes burst, plumber, subscriptions, unfavorable returns by Registrars, Generals.—Punch.

**NO CHANCE.**—The St. Catharines Journal says: "Our town is appalled at the prospect of having to 'ante-up' \$165,000 to the Loan Fund. They talk about 'financial ruin,' the 'incubus,' 'municipal insolvency,' and other horrifying results; but it is cheering to observe that cocktails, oysters and tobacco are consumed at the old rate, and that prices in that line are up to the usual quotations.

**ANOTHER FIRE IN MONTREAL.**—A fire broke out on Monday morning in McDonnell's Block, Craig Street, Montreal, but was put out at four a.m., after gutting O'Reilly's photograph premises. Strange to say, this is the fifth fire in this building since 1873. Suspicion is now excited that they are the work of an incendiary. McDonnell charges O'Reilly with causing the last fire, which an optician in the building named Ross states he believes McDonnell is not insured, but is about commencing to tear down his block to build the Montreal Opera House. The whole affair looks dark. After paying the losses the insurance companies backed out from taking risks on it, and for this reason the building is uninsured.

**SEAL HUNTING.**—The *London Spectator* contains the following description of the cruel method of taking the seals; The seal-hunters rendezvous near Jan Meyen (72° or 72° north latitude), the nearest place for seals, about the third week in March, when the baby seals are just born. The harpooner chooses a place where a number of young seals are lying, and harpoons the mothers directly they come to see after them; this makes the mothers shy, and induces them to keep at a distance, and the baby seals are abandoned. It is horrible to see the young ones trying to suck the carcasses of their mothers, their eyes starting out of their sockets, looking the very picture of famine. They crawl over and over and over them until quite red with blood, poking their heads in their mouths, wondering why they are not getting their usual food, uttering painful cries the while. The noise they make is something dreadful. If one could imagine himself surrounded by four or five hundred thousand human babies all crying at the pitch of their voices, he would have some idea of it. Their cry is very like an infant's. These motherless seals collect into lots of five or six, and crawl about the ice, their heads fast becoming the biggest part of their bodies, searching to find the nourishment they stand so much in need of. Such cruelty is gruesome, and worse than unnecessary, destructive of the very harvest the harpooners seek. Three weeks later the babies would be independent of their mothers, and their skins, if they were to be killed, worth more than the shilling which those of the poor, starved baby now fetch. The horrible indifference of man to the sufferings of the lower animals is one of the vilest of his vices.

**RUSSIA IN THE EAST.**—In the debate on the address to Her Majesty's speech on the recent opening of the British Parliament, Mr. Disraeli thus spoke in reference to the encroachments of Russia:—"Sir, we do not look with any jealousy upon the natural development of the Russian Empire. Russia is an inland country of immense size, with a very sparse population, producing little food for human beings, and raw material of inestimable price. It follows from such a natural combination of affairs that Russia must force her way to those waters which can alone allow her to communicate with the rest of the world, carry food to their populations, and raw materials to their manufactures. And the policy of Russia as it has proceeded now for two centuries, so far as it has been a systematic attempt to gain this access to the waters of the world, is a natural and inevitable policy, and one which, I believe, cannot and ought not to be successfully resisted. (Hear, hear) Its development has occasioned many political circumstances which many of us may deplore. It has cost gallant Sweden some of its provinces; it has cost the Empire of Turkey many of its provinces; but so far the policy of Russia has been confined to their manufactures. And its inevitable development, England should view it without jealousy and without fear."

## THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

**The Situation in Spain.**  
**Capture and Destruction of the Town of Berga.**

**An Hospital and Several Convents Destroyed.**

**Atrocities of the Carlist Bands**

**Great Excitement in Barcelona**

**A Father Murders his own Son**

**Alarming Spread of the New Life Destroyer.**

**Four Surveyors Murdered by the Cherokee Indians.**

**The Bodies Found Buried in the Sand.**

**Fears Entertained for Safety of two other Surveyors.**

Madrid, March 31.—Despatches from Barcelona say the situation in that city is grave. Intelligence has reached there that the town of Berga, which was captured by Carlists on Friday, has been destroyed by fire by the insurgents, who, before applying the torch, saturated a number of buildings with petroleum.

The news of the burning of the town creates great excitement in Barcelona. At the time the last despatches were forwarded from that city, the populace were assembling in the streets in large crowds, and disorders were feared. The authorities were making every effort to allay excitement and prevent disturbance of the peace. Reprisals were threatened by the clergy, and a number of known Carlist sympathizers.

Berga contained an hospital and several convents, and had over 6,000 of a population.

Boston, March 31.—A man named S. Marsh, living in Carleton, was arrested to-day, charged with murdering his own son, in September, 1871, by throwing him from Fitchburg Railroad Bridge. He was taken to the station house, when he confessed the deed and manner in which it was done.

Louisville, Ky., April 1.—The Cerebro spinal meningitis prevails to an alarming extent in some localities of the State. Many deaths are reported at Carrollton, Owensboro, between Green and in Ballard County, in the latter place.

Circuit Court was adjourned on account of the prevalence of disease.

Leavenworth, April 1.—The *Commercial* has intelligence from private sources of the murder, in cold blood, by the Cherokee Indians, of Mr. Deming and three other Government surveyors, 120 miles south-west of Arkansas city, on the 25th of March. The men had gone a mile and a half from the camp, and their bodies were found by their comrades buried in the sand. Two others of the same party, with provision train, have not been heard from for some time, and fears are entertained for their safety.

New York, April 1.—The employees of the gas companies made arrangements last evening for a strike, should the companies not concede their demand for eight hours, and following rates: Stokers \$30 per week, and helpers \$3 per day.

**A MAN ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.**—A sad accident occurred at Paris on Monday morning, whereby a man named Joseph Beck, in the employ of Messrs. Dickson, Benning & Co., tobacco manufacturers, was instantly killed. A wagon containing a hoghead of tobacco led, weighing some eighteen hundred pounds, was being driven into the factory yard; the horse being unable to draw it, Mr. Benning and the deceased went behind to assist in pushing, when the deceased slipped and fell, and the hoghead rolled off, striking him on the head, literally crushing it to a jelly. He leaves a wife and two children to mourn his loss. Mr. Benning really fancying himself the Opposition leader; but he (Mr. Wood) certainly thought that Mr. Cameron was quite able to discharge the duties of that position, even without the aid of such a wondrous lieutenant, who had on the present occasion gloriously immortalized himself by a literary effort that would be read with admiring interest and wonder by succeeding generations, although perhaps the present generation would not know which to appreciate it or its author the most. The House roared during the delivery of Mr. Wood's sarcastic remarks, the poor M. P. P. for Leeds looked and felt so mortified at these powerful truths and the hilarious amusement they provoked, that one could scarcely refrain from being sympathetic with the gentleman under the "roasting" he received. But all sympathy vanished when the hon. member rose and betrayed so unmistakably the depth of his mortification and spiteful anger, and said he should be sorry to be associated in any way with the member for South Brant, a statement that was received with shouts of indignation by the Ministerialists, which were immediately changed into shouts of laughter as Mr. Wood rose, and in imitable tones of piteous wailing beseeched the hon. member, "Oh, spare me, spare me!" "Yes, I will spare you," says the member for Leeds, in a tone of the most condescending patronage, that made the House more uproariously still with laughter, amidst such poor Macdonald subsided, disgusted, mortified, mercilessly pummeled and ridiculed. So excited was he, that during an appeal by an honorable member to the Speaker, on a point of order, he actually fancied himself that functionary, and gave forth an oracular deliverance on the point raised, at which the House only laughed with greater fervor than ever.

Taking a retrospect of the session just ended, one cannot but come to the con-

## Toronto Correspondence.

Like the rest of the Province, Toronto experienced the severe snow storm of Tuesday night and Wednesday last, and on Thursday morning the citizens awoke to find themselves plodding through an accumulation of snow to the depth of about a foot. It is rarely as ill wind that blows nobody good, for the streets on Thursday literally swarmed with boyish snow shovellers, who quickly made their little pile of ten cent pieces, for cleaning the pavements of the householders. It has been raining all day to-day (Saturday), and the snow has almost entirely disappeared again.

Parliament has at length been prorogued, and members must indeed rejoice at the relief from further attendance in discharging the arduous duties of a long session. The closing ceremonies to-day were devoid of any great interest. The paucity of members, especially those belonging to the Opposition, was remarkable, while the attendance of the fair sex was extremely limited. The gentlemen's gallery was not over crowded. Doubtless, however, the fact of the prorogation taking place on Saturday, combined with the rainy character of the day, conspired to make the proceedings of a tamer and less brilliant nature than is usual at such state ceremonies. As you are aware, Mr. McKellar made, on Thursday evening, his promised statement with reference to the so-called Elgin Fraud. The House was very crowded in every part, some ladies occupying seats even on the floor of the House proper. Mr. McKellar told such a plain, unvarnished tale, that it could not fail to carry conviction to every unprejudiced auditor, and fully accounted for the loud applause both of the M. P.'s as well as that from the strangers' gallery, which greeted the conclusion of his speech. The *Mail* has returned to the charge with all its former violence, and introduces a new actor on the boards, a Mr. Bruce King, a nephew of Rev. Mr. King, with whom it seems he has quarrelled, and who professes to be able to make some important revelations in reference to the "Frauds," demanding \$100 from the *Mail* as the price thereof. We will all, of course, await further developments with much interest. As an instance of the *Mail's* unquestioned accuracy in public matters may be cited the charge made in a recent article against the Hon. Peter Gow, of having secured the appointment of a relative to the Secretaryship of Immigration, whereas, the real fact of the matter is that Mr. Gow never heard of the gentleman in question till his attention was called to the *Mail's* article by one of the editors of that paper, and did not even know his name until a day or so subsequently, when he came in contact with him through transacting business with the department. I understand that the name of the gentleman alluded to is Mr. Spence, and he hails from Mount Forest. When the question of Immigration was before the House the other evening, instead of giving the Government a generous support in the matter, the Opposition manifested a most contracted, narrow, party spirit, and Mr. Herbert S. Macdonald amused the House by introducing the following bunkum motion:—

"This House earnestly trusts that the Government will use its utmost endeavours to promote immigration to this Province during the ensuing season, and that it will, while exercising all due and proper economy, not fail to impress upon its agents the advisability of exerting themselves to the utmost in the discharge of their duties; and of informing all intending immigrants of the prosperity of this Province, and of the whole Dominion of Canada, and of the fact that in this country they may come to enjoy all the privileges of British subjects, and perfect freedom in religious worship, and will live under laws which afford ample protection to life, liberty and property."

Mr. Prince suggested that the mover should add, "and pursuit of happiness." (Laughter.) Mr. E. B. Wood twitted the member for Leeds that he was continually fancying himself the Opposition leader; but he (Mr. Wood) certainly thought that Mr. Cameron was quite able to discharge the duties of that position, even without the aid of such a wondrous lieutenant, who had on the present occasion gloriously immortalized himself by a literary effort that would be read with admiring interest and wonder by succeeding generations, although perhaps the present generation would not know which to appreciate it or its author the most. The House roared during the delivery of Mr. Wood's sarcastic remarks, the poor M. P. P. for Leeds looked and felt so mortified at these powerful truths and the hilarious amusement they provoked, that one could scarcely refrain from being sympathetic with the gentleman under the "roasting" he received. But all sympathy vanished when the hon. member rose and betrayed so unmistakably the depth of his mortification and spiteful anger, and said he should be sorry to be associated in any way with the member for South Brant, a statement that was received with shouts of indignation by the Ministerialists, which were immediately changed into shouts of laughter as Mr. Wood rose, and in imitable tones of piteous wailing beseeched the hon. member, "Oh, spare me, spare me!" "Yes, I will spare you," says the member for Leeds, in a tone of the most condescending patronage, that made the House more uproariously still with laughter, amidst such poor Macdonald subsided, disgusted, mortified, mercilessly pummeled and ridiculed. So excited was he, that during an appeal by an honorable member to the Speaker, on a point of order, he actually fancied himself that functionary, and gave forth an oracular deliverance on the point raised, at which the House only laughed with greater fervor than ever.

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