

Who is Responsible?  
The large deficit announced by the Finance Minister in his Budget speech, and the consequent necessity for increasing the revenue by \$3,000,000 additional taxation, affords the Tory press a text for attacking the present Ministry and bringing against them the usual charges of recklessness and extravagance. As the increase is almost entirely due to the carrying out of the policy of their predecessors, these charges are extremely absurd and illogical. To Sir John's Ministry belongs whatever credit or discredit may attach to the large increase in official salaries which took place last year, the expenditure necessary in connection with Manitoba and the Northwest and other large items. We do not propose to argue that the late Government was to blame in the matter; in fact we do not see how any Government could well have acted otherwise as regards the majority of the items—but the factious nature of an Opposition which attacks policy which they upheld when in power, is a feature which is not to be commended. Sir John A. Macdonald, is very apparent.—Toronto National.

THE WELSH FUSILIERS AND THEIR NEW CASHMERE GOAT.—Describing the review at Windsor, on Monday, the correspondent of the daily News remarked that the Fusiliers seemed to have presented to the regiment by the Queen. Three privates were laboring hard to induce him to walk respectfully from the front of the regiment to the bands, but he hung back and persevered in his perversity in spite of blows and coaxings, while one man held him from the front, another stroked his long white hair, and a third tickled his ears. The goat was, however, as impervious to coaxing as he had been to thwacking, and, gaining boldness, butted vigorously at the skirts of the patient Welshman. As it would never do that a royal review should be delayed by a goat—Cashmere though his pedigree might be—the men without further ado, seized him firmly by the horns, and dragged him ignominiously over the grass into the centre of the block of musketeers.

The working men who voted for the Tories at the general election in Britain are already beginning to regret that step. The late Government was prepared to deal with the Master and Servant Conspiracy and Criminal Law Amendment Act, both Sir Henry James and Sir William Harcourt having specially undertaken at least two of these questions. But now it is stated, a Royal Commission will be appointed to consider the first matter just as though no commission had ever inquired into it before, and obtained eleven volumes of evidence. If a Government with a majority of fifty does not think itself strong enough to deal with a question like this in the full flush of youthful vigor, what is it fit for?

The United States Commission to make an exploratory survey with a view to locating a line for a canal across the isthmus of Panama, has been pushing the work vigorously. It would appear from the determined manner in which the American Government have set to work to find a practicable route for a ship canal between the Caribbean Sea and the Pacific Ocean that they are bent upon accomplishing the undertaking, if it is at all practicable.

In the island of Goa, near Bombay, there is a tree called "sorrow tree," because it only flourishes in the night. At sunset no flowers are to be seen; and yet, half an hour later, it is quite full of them. They yield a sweet smell, but the sun no sooner begins to shine on them than some fall off and others close up, and thus it continues flowering in the night during the whole year.

RECIPROCITY.—We have the best authority for saying that the delegates who recently went to Washington have succeeded in accomplishing the main objects of their mission. Negotiations are still going on, and a report of the result will soon be laid before the House. It is understood that manufactured articles of a certain class are to be put on the Free List of both countries. This does not look like Free Trade, it is true, but then our manufacturers in Hamilton, Oshawa, and other manufacturing places, will have an opportunity of underselling our United States friends, even in their own country. We have heard of several manufacturing firms in Ontario, who, in view of Reciprocal Trade relations, intend to ship a large number of Canadian Sewing Machines to the United States. We hope their venture will prove successful.—Walker's Telescope.

BEARFAST.—Epps's Cocoa.—GRATUIT and COMFORTING.—By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a deliciously flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctor's bills.—Civil Service Gazette. Made simply with boiling water or milk. Each packet is labelled—"James Epps & Co., Homoeopathic Chemists, London."

Commercial.	
Guelph Markets.	
Market Office, April 2.	
Flour, per 100 lbs.	\$3.50 to \$3.75
Wheat, per 100 lbs.	2.00 to 2.15
Barley, do.	1.50 to 1.65
Oats, do.	1.20 to 1.35
Peas, do.	1.40 to 1.55
Beans, do.	1.60 to 1.75
Hay, per ton	12.00 to 16.00
Straw, do.	3.00 to 4.00
Wood, per cord	4.00 to 4.50
Eggs, per dozen	10 to 11
Butter, fancy packed	21 to 22
Butter, rolls	24 to 25
Potatoes, per 100 lbs.	60 to 65
Apples, per bushel	60 to 65
Dressed Hogs, per cwt.	6.50 to 7.25
Beef, per cwt.	4.00 to 7.50

Toronto Markets.	
Toronto, April 27.	
Wheat, per bushel	\$1.30 to \$1.35
Spring Wheat, do.	1.25 to 1.30
Barley, do.	1.35 to 1.40
Oats, do.	1.40 to 1.45
Peas, do.	1.50 to 1.55
Beans, do.	1.60 to 1.65
Hay, per ton	12.00 to 16.00
Straw, do.	3.00 to 4.00

Hamilton Markets.	
Hamilton, April 27.	
Wheat, per bushel	\$1.25 to \$1.30
Spring Wheat, do.	1.20 to 1.25
Barley, do.	1.30 to 1.35
Oats, do.	1.40 to 1.45
Peas, do.	1.50 to 1.55
Beans, do.	1.60 to 1.65
Hay, per ton	12.00 to 16.00
Straw, do.	3.00 to 4.00

London Medical Institute.  
This institution is established for the most successful treatment of all diseases pertaining to surgery and medicine. In every instance are all medicines rejected, be they vegetable or mineral, that are capable of producing mischief, or incompatible with organic tissue, such as mercury, lead, zinc, etc.; contending that every character of disease, if curable at all, will yield to those agents which are mild in nature and capable of neutralizing and rendering harmless that morbid matter in the circulation which engenders and supports disease. The remedies employed are less depressing to the vital powers, more in harmony with the efforts of nature, and attended with better success, than the generally adopted system of medicine. They are prepared upon scientific principles perfected by time, study and research, for the special cure of all lingering chronic diseases, some of the most important and serious of which we here mention, and in which our treatment has proved to be signally successful, viz: All diseases of the lungs, throat, heart, and chest, asthma, catarrh, bronchitis, all diseases of the nerves; atrophy, curvature and other diseases of the spine; convulsions, cramps, and spasms, goitre, or enlarged neck, epilepsy, disease of the mind, melancholia, etc., consumption in its first and second stages, dyspepsia, and all diseases of the stomach, liver, kidneys, etc., scrofula, and all other skin diseases, tumors, and morbid growths, ulcers, foul and indolent sores. Cancers are effectually cured without the use of a knife, and hernia ruptures with or without an operation. Other diseases of a grave nature might be given, but it is quite unnecessary. Special attention will be given to female complaints in all their forms, and to all great bearers. Every disease of the eye and ear successfully treated, and every operation in ophthalmic and aural surgery performed upon those principles that the science of the Old and New World has shown to be the most successful, as demonstrated in the largest ophthalmic and aural hospitals, institutes, and infirmaries in Germany, France, England, and the United States. Cross eyes will be straightened with very little pain. Cataracts will be removed with or without cutting. Inflammation and ulceration of the eye are speedily and permanently cured. Inflammatory eyelids are often cause of serious inflammation by rubbing the lash upon the eye. Sight has been restored that from this cause had been lost for many years. Out-turning eyelids are at once cured and original beauty restored to the face. Granulated lids thickened along the edges, or in a state of adhesion readily cured. Also watering of the eyes.

The institution is in possession of every facility and original means of successful treatment. Efficacious agents or remedies are imported per order, and kept on hand fresh and pure, so that they may be locally and effectual for the alleviation and cure of all diseases. Added to these means a comprehensive knowledge of medical science obtained by an extensive practice on the part of the physicians in attendance, need furnish no wonder to the public that so many doubtful and dangerous diseases are permanently cured, when as a last resort, the patient visits the Institute. Consumption is treated upon an entirely new and very successful system.

The Institute is open to the poor on Mondays and Fridays, from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. All letters of consultation addressed to the Principal, all others addressed to the Managing Director. Consultation free.

M. F. McTAGGART, M.D., Principal.  
J. J. HALL, M.D., Chief Surgeon.  
C. G. EAST, M.D., Consulting Physician.  
C. B. SLATER, Esq., Managing Director.

IMPORTANT  
SALE OF PIANOS  
The Committee appointed to dispose of the Pianos at the Manufacture of  
JOSEPH F. RAINER,  
WEST MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH,  
Will offer them at a considerable reduction on cost on reasonable  
TERMS OF CREDIT.  
The stock consists of about  
40  
First-class Instruments!  
Similar to those shown at the last Central Exhibition, and for which he was awarded the first prize.

WOODLAND NURSERIES.  
New and Beautiful PLANTS  
Green House, Foliage, Window and Bedding Plants.  
The undersigned are prepared to supply healthy flowering plants at low prices. Having facilities to grow a large quantity of plants, we are in a position to fill a want that was felt in Guelph. All our stock has been selected with care, embracing many  
New and Beautiful Plants.  
Novelties of merit will be added to our stock as they appear.

Vegetable Plants  
Cabbage, Cauliflower, Celery, Tomatoes, Asparagus, &c., &c.  
Strawberry Plants at low rates by the 100 or 1000.  
A FEW THOUSAND WELL GROWN Apple, Pear and Plum Trees at lowest market rates. All orders entrusted to them will be executed with fidelity and dispatch. Nurseries owned of St. Joseph's Hospital.  
Guelph, April 16, '74 dw Guelph, Ont.  
WEST END  
BAKERY.  
The Subscriber in returning thanks to his numerous customers for their past patronage begs to announce that he is now prepared to meet the increasing demands of his customers, and would respectfully solicit a share of public patronage.  
FRESH BREAD, BUNS, &c.  
DELIVERED DAILY.  
Wedding Cakes, etc., made to order.  
APPRENTICE WANTED.  
A. J. SETHTER.  
Elora Road, Guelph, April 8, 1874. dw

THE GUELPH Mercury and Advertiser  
The EVENING MERCURY AND ADVERTISER is published every afternoon. Terms \$4 per annum in advance; credit \$5. Delivered to town, by the week 10 cents.  
Rates of advertising—first insertion, per nonpareil line, 3 cents; each subsequent insertion 2 cents. Situations Vacant, Situations Wanted, Houses for Sale or to Rent, Board, Cattle Stolen 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, each. 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 advertisements, special notices, or advertisements intended for local insertion after the reading matter, but not among the notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths, charged at the rate of 25 cents for each insertion; for the same over 5 lines and up to 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 10 cents per line for each insertion; 5 cents per line for each subsequent insertion. Situations Vacant, Situations Wanted, Farms or Houses for Sale or to Rent, Board, Cattle Stolen, Lost Articles, and all advertisements of that class not exceeding 10 lines, solid nonpareil space, 50 cents first insertion, and 25 cents each subsequent insertion, each 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 is 40.  
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SPECIAL NOTICE.  
All contracts expiring on the 31st Dec. are renewed are subject to our revised rates.  
Mrs. Wilson's MYSTIC PILLS  
Cure LEUCORRHOEA (or Whites) PAINFUL MENSTRUATION, OBSTRUCTION OF THE UTERUS, GRAVEL, GOUT, RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, and all diseases known as Female Weakness. They are prepared with the greatest care, under the personal supervision of a physician who has made female diseases a special study for many years, and they are a medicine on which  
MARRIED LADIES can depend "in the hour and time of need" as an unfailing  
FEMALE REGULATOR.  
Sold by all druggists everywhere. Price, one box \$1; six boxes \$5; sent by mail free of postage securely sealed from observation. For full particulars write for our pamphlet, which we will send in a sealed envelope to any address on receipt of post stamp to pay return postage. Address all letters for pamphlets or pills to WILLIAM GRAY & CO., Windsor, Ont.  
Sold in Guelph by E. Harcourt, and all druggists everywhere. Northrup & Lyman, Toronto, and J. Winer, Hamilton, Wholesale Agents.

JUST RECEIVED,  
A CHOICE ASSORTMENT  
—OF—  
BIRD CAGES  
—AND—  
THOUSANDS ARE USING THE  
MYRTLE NAVY  
Smoking Tobacco  
AND ARE SATISFIED.  
Beware of Imitations.  
Each genuine Plug has  
T. & B.  
STAMPED UPON IT.  
Hamilton, March 12, 187 dw  
SPLendid CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT.  
Residence for Sale.  
That very desirable property situated on Paisley street, near the Western Station, consisting of White Brick two storey dwelling house, with four bedrooms, front and back parlors, dining room and kitchen, with large soft water cistern, also two large dry cellars. The land comprises two thirds of an acre, well stocked with fruit trees in full bearing. For terms, etc., apply to  
Guelph, March 27th, 1874. dw  
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, and small size, which are designed for Printing Offices, and others requiring small power.  
Jobbing will Receive Careful Attention.  
THOS. WORSWICK,  
Guelph, Ont. dw  
W. NELSON,  
Clothes Cleaner and Renovator  
All clothing entrusted to his care will be cleaned and renovated to the satisfaction of his customers. He also has a Laundry in connection. He returns thanks for past patronage, and trusts he will continue to receive the support of the public generally. Residence Devonshire street, Guelph, April 20, 1874. dw

J. E. McELDERRY,  
2 Day's Block, Guelph.  
THE NOTED TEA HOUSE  
J. E. McElderry has great pleasure in announcing to his numerous customers and the public generally that having purchased a large stock of  
NEW CROP TEAS  
BEFORE THE DUTY WAS IMPOSED  
He is now prepared to sell them as good and cheap Tea as ever.  
A large lot of New Clover and Timothy on hand.  
New Turnip and Carrot Seed expected in a few days.  
J. E. McElderry,  
2 Day's Block, Guelph  
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G. D. FRINGLE,  
Watchmaker, Guelph.  
Has received one more dozen of those RUSSELL LEVER WATCHES made expressly for him, and with his name engraved on dome.  
Price \$28.00,---warranted three years.  
These are the best Watches made for the money.  
Guelph, April 8, 1874 wly

JOHN HORSMAN  
OF GUELPH,  
Respectfully calls attention to his unrivalled stock  
HARDWARE, OILS, PAINTS, COLORS  
Varnishes, Window Glass, etc.,  
—COMPRISING—  
2500 Kegs of Superior Cut Nails,  
1000 Boxes of Window Glass,  
50 Tons of Hinges,  
20 Casks of Putty,  
AN IMMENSE ASSORTMENT OF  
Spades, Shovels, Forks, Rakes,  
Also, 3000 Cases and Casks of Locks, Latches, Hinges, Butts, Screws, Bolts, and everything else required in building either houses, barns or sheds.  
TOOLS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS—a most perfect assortment  
BAR IRON, STEEL, ANVILS, VICES, ETC.  
Credit given to Farmers who are building.  
JOHN HORSMAN,  
The Oldest, Largest and Cheapest Hardware Establishment in the County.

SPRING HARDWARE.  
LOW PRICES!  
EXCELLENT QUALITY!  
IMMENSE ASSORTMENT!  
In the following Goods:  
Spades and Shovels, Manure Forks, Garden and Hay Rakes, Garden and Turnip Hoes, Plough Lines and Plough Line Rope, The Champion Pioneer Horse Poke, Whitewash and other Brushes.  
BUILDING HARDWARE  
Paints, Oils and Colours, Hardware of all kinds.  
Call and see us, as we are confident that we can offer superior inducements.  
J. NO. M. BOND & CO.  
Head Quarters for Hardware, Guelph.  
JAMES HAZELTON'S  
CABINET & CHAIR ESTABLISHMENT  
Stone House, with Chair on Roof, Wyndham-st., Guelph.  
An immense stock of Baby Carriage ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$25.00 just arrived at JAMES HAZELTON'S Wholesale and Retail FURNITURE EMPORIUM. Set of Parlor Furniture in Rep, Hair Cloth, etc., Bedrooms sets in Walnut, Ash, Chestnut, Painted, etc., etc.  
Sofas, Tete, Lounges, Hair, Cane and Wood seat Chairs, Looking Glasses, Side Boards, Book Cases, Extension and other Tables, Bureaus, Mattresses, etc., in great variety at the Stone House with the Chair on the Roof, Wyndham street, opposite Massie's, Alma Block.  
Guelph, Mar. 24th, 1874 dw

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, and small size, which are designed for Printing Offices, and others requiring small power.  
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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.  
GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.  
Trains leave Guelph as follows:  
—WEST—  
2:47 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.  
8:05 a.m.; 8:10 a.m.; 11 a.m.; 4:12 p.m.; and 8:55 p.m.  
—EAST—  
GREAT WESTERN—GUELPH BRANCH  
Going south—6:40 a.m.; 1 p.m.; 2:30 p.m.; and 4:15 p.m.  
Going north—11:55 a.m. for Southampton; mixed 1:40 p.m. for Palmerston; 6 p.m. for Hartsville; 9:30 p.m. for Forges.  
LONDON, QUEBEC AND MONTREAL  
1874  
Temperley Line  
Composed of the following, and other first-class Iron Steamships:  
St. Lawrence, Thames, Scotland, Severn, Delta.  
The first steamer of this Line is intended to be dispatched  
From London  
For QUEBEC and MONTREAL  
On Wednesday, 15th April, (to be followed at intervals of ten days during the season, and from  
Quebec for London about 7th May  
Through tickets, from all points west, at Reduced Rates. Certificates issued to persons desirous of bringing out their friends. Through bills of lading issued on the continent and in London for all parts of Canada and in the United States to Detroit, Milwaukee, Chicago, and other points in the west. For freight or passage, apply to Temperley, Carter & Darke, 21 Billeter st., London; Ross & Co., Quebec; David Shaw Montreal; CHAS. DAVIDSON, Town Hall Buildings, Guelph, a13dw

ALLAN  
Steamship Line  
GUELPH AGENCY  
Prepaid passage certificates issued.  
Berths and outward tickets secured at best rates.  
G. A. OXNARD,  
G. T. R. Agent.  
1 NMAN LINE  
—OF—  
STEAMERS  
BETWEEN  
New York and Liverpool  
Consisting of Sixteen of the Best Equipped and fastest steamships in the world, Sailing from New York every Thursday and Saturday.  
Rates of passage as low as any first-class Line.  
Tickets for Liverpool, Londonderry, Cork, and Glasgow, and passages to and from New York for 12 months to bring out passengers, issued by H. D. MOREHOUSE, Exchange Office.  
LSO, Agent for the  
Michigan Central and Erie Railroad  
Passengers booked to all points in the United States.  
MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH.  
ANCHOR LINE.  
Steamers from New York every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.  
Passenger Accommodation Unsurpassed.  
Rates of passage from Suspension Bridge or Buffalo  
To Glasgow, Liverpool or Londonderry, Queenstown or Belfast.  
Cabin 270 to 295 gold, according to steamer, and location of berth.  
Return tickets issued at reduced rates. Intermediate and Steerage as low as any other line.  
For passage or further information apply to Henderson Brothers, 7 Bowling Green, New York, or their Agent, 125-6mWJ. BRYCE, Express Agent, Guelph

J. H. ROMAIN & CO.,  
Successors to Nelles, Romain & Co.,  
CANADA HOUSE,  
General Commission Merchants.  
26, City National Bank Building,  
Chicago, Ill.  
References: Sir John Rose, banker London; England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., banker Montreal; The Marine Company of Chicago, bankers; Hon J. Carling, London; Ont. Messrs Gault Bros., merchants, Montreal; Senator F. Smith (Frank Smith & Co.) Toronto; J. M. Miller, Esq., Perth, Ont. (late o M. Miller & Co., commission merchants Chicago); W. Watson, Esq., banker, New York; D. Butters, Esq., Montreal; J. White head, Esq., M. P., Clinton, Ont.; C. McGill Esq., M. P., Hamilton, Ont.; T. C. Chalmers Esq., M. P., Toronto.  
RAYMOND'S  
SEWING MACHINES  
Family Sewing Machine (single thread Hand Lock Stitch (double thread "No. 1, Foot Power," "No. 2, for heavy work," "No. 3, for light work," etc.) Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.  
CHARLES RAYMOND,  
GUELPH, ONTARIO.

HART & SPIERS,  
Conveyancers, Land, Loan, Insurance, and General Agents, 4 Day's Block, Guelph.  
In reference to the above, Wm. Hart begs to inform his friends and the public that he has entered into partnership with Mr. Jas. S. Spiers in the above business, and while expressing his grateful acknowledgments for the liberal share of patronage bestowed upon him for the past three years, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same to the new firm.  
All business entrusted to us will receive prompt and strict attention.  
Deaths, Mortgages, Wills, Leases, etc., etc., neatly and correctly prepared.  
Money always on hand in sums to suit borrowers, on mortgages or good personal security. No delay or extravagant charges. Our list of Town and Farm Property is large and varied, and parties in want of real estate of any kind should call on us before purchasing elsewhere.  
Agents for the Commercial Union Assurance Company of London, England.  
HART & SPIERS,  
4 Day's Block, Guelph, Ont.  
PLASTER AND SALT.  
The subscriber has on hand 500 tons of the best Calcutta and Paris Plaster and Land Salt. Also hand, seed grain of all kinds. The highest price paid for potatoes and turnips.  
GEO. BALKWILL,  
Gordon street, Guelph, Ont.  
Guelph, Feb. 25, 1874. smdw