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New Advertisements.

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HOUSE TO LET. To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office. Guelph, Dec. 3rd, 1873. ddt.

NOTICE. Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station. Guelph, Nov. 7, 1873. d&wtf.

BERKSHIRE BOAR. The pure Berkshire Boar owned by the subscriber will serve sows this season. Terms \$1 cash; credit \$1.50.
ALLAN SIMPSON, Guelph, Dec. 3, 1873. 2dwtf Blacksmith.

TOWN HALL, MONDAY, DEC. 8th. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

NEW GOODS AT JNO. A. WOOD'S

5 boxes Lemons,
5 kegs Grapes,
100 boxes New Figs,
100 boxes Table Raisins,
100 dozen Carling's Ale,
100 dozen Sleeman's Ale,
100 dozen Bass,
100 dozen Tenants',
100 dozen Young's,
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BY TELEGRAPH.

The Drowned Passengers.
Help for the Survivors.
A Great Fire near Harrisburg.
Death of a Bishop.
Crisis in Madrid.
Spanish Pride Hurt.
Cooling Down in Cuba.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 7.—The machine shop connected with the extensive Bessemer Steel Works at Baldwin, 3 miles east of here, was burned to-day.

New York, Dec. 8.—Bishop Armistead, of Wisconsin, died at St. Luke's Hospital yesterday. He entered the hospital on Thursday last for surgical treatment. After an operation was performed, he sank rapidly.

A London special to-day gives news from Madrid. It says a Cabinet crisis is imminent. Great indignation is manifested at Grant's Message and Castelar's alleged pandering to the United States.

The Times despatch from Carthagena says that the blockading squadron, except the *Saragossa*, has returned to the harbor.

A Washington special says it has been generally understood here for more than a week that however the negotiations with Spain should terminate, Siskiel's stay in Madrid would be very brief. No late communications with the Spanish Government have passed through his hands, and none would, should he remain in Madrid. The following private despatch was received in Washington yesterday from Havana:—"The Home Government has telegraphed from Madrid a peremptory order for the immediate surrender of the Virginias, threatening, if these instructions are not observed, to look upon the Spanish malcontents in Cuba as insurgents, and treat them accordingly.

Havana, Dec. 5, via Key West, Dec. 6.—The city continues quiet. The feeling on the question of the delivery of the Virginias has undergone considerable change since yesterday. Many Spaniards are now in favour of the immediate and quiet delivery of the vessel to the United States, as the contrary course would place them in open rebellion against Spain. Zulenta, President, Casino Espanola, informed an American that the Virginias will be delivered quietly.

County Council.

The following is the remainder of Saturday's proceedings:—
THE NEW COUNTY SCHEME.
In the discussion on Mr. Robb's resolution to petition the Legislature against a division of the county.—
Mr. Roberts asked why not leave the matter with the Legislature, as it was now.
Mr. Stevenson said that the Legislature would take it for granted that the change was unanimously desired if there were petitions for and none against it.
Mr. Sutherland said that Mount Forest presented a petition to the Legislature asking for a division of the county, which would undoubtedly have been carried into effect had not the Premier stated that the Government were about to bring in a general scheme for the readjustment of municipal boundaries. Arthur, Minto, Luther, Proton, Normandy, and Egremont were the six townships which it was proposed to form into a new county. It was unreasonable to pass such a resolution as Mr. Robb's, when the matter was in the hands of the Government.

Mr. Leslie said that the township of Normanby and Egremont would willingly throw in their lot with the county of Wellington, so high was their opinion of it.

Mr. Stevenson said they wanted to get in and then get out. (Laughter.) The motion was carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.
The report of this committee was presented. The committee had examined the reports of the Commissioners on grants made to improve the roads and bridges in the county, with the vouchers, and presented the following condensed statement thereof:—Amaranth, second and tenth lines, \$400 granted and expended; Arthur and Luther town-line, \$345 balance from 1872, expended; Armstrong and Minto county line, \$100 granted and expended, (not paid); Arthur centre side road, \$286.75, balance from 1872, expended; East Garafraxa tenth side road, \$100 granted and expended; Luther, seventh concession line, \$450 granted and expended; Arthur and Egremont county line, \$150 granted and expended; East Garafraxa and Luther town line, \$100 granted and expended; Erin and Caledon county line, \$150, no report; Peel and Maryboro, town line, balance \$24.25 from 1872, \$25 expended; Peel centre side road, \$39 balance, expended; West Garafraxa, a bridge over Grand River, \$500 balance, no report; Erin second line, \$50 granted 1871, expended.

The report was adopted on motion of Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Laidlaw.

SCHOOL REPORTS.
Mr. Howard moved, seconded by Mr. Broadfoot, that the amounts granted by the Council at its June session to the County High Schools be paid for the year 1873. Carried.

COUNTY ROADS.
The report of the committee on county roads was brought up by Mr. Leslie. It recommended the adoption of the Warden's report on bridges, so far as regards what has been done, and recommenced his suggestions to the consideration of the committee's successors. The junction to Bosworth road commissioners' report is referred to the consideration of the committee's successors. A statement of the expenditure on county roads is given, of which the following is an abstract: omitting the certificates—Guelph and Dundas Road, \$680; Glenallan Road, \$772; Arthur and Mount Forest Road, \$907; Junction to Bosworth, \$950; Guelph to Fergus, \$540; Fergus to Douglas, \$498; Fergus county line, \$623; Guelph and Erin to Erin line, \$546; Erin and Esquering, \$706; Guelph and Erin Road in Erin, \$285; Bosworth to Teviotdale \$350; Teviotdale to Clifford, \$768, showing a total expenditure of \$7,598, of which \$454 was for commissions' services. The commissioners on the county road from Teviotdale to Clifford built a new bridge over the Maitland river in Harriston at a cost of \$1,096. It was recommended that any unexpended balance of \$80 per mile on any of the county roads should remain at the credit of such roads until next season. The deputy reeve of Peel and Maryboro were compelled to build a small bridge on that town line at a cost of \$38.50, payment of which by the county is recommended. \$100 is to be paid the Warden for his boundary line bridges service; and the commissioners are to be paid for 26 days at the usual rate.

The report was adopted on motion of Messrs. Leslie and Macmillan.

COUNTY PROPERTY.
The report of the Committee on County Property, brought up by Mr. Massie, was read. It stated that the alterations to the office of the clerk of the court had been carried out, at a total cost of \$1,536.25; also the alterations and repairs to the solicitor's office, with vault in the office of the master in chancery, at a total cost of \$547. Several accounts were recommended for payment. The appointment of Mr. Leblanc, Lingwood as caretaker was recommended. The committee think that payment of the accounts of John Hall, \$26, and Guelph Gas Company, \$3, be refused. A suggestion was made in reference to rooms rented by Mr. T. W. Cooper. \$15 was due for rent by the late Battalion Band, which is now broken up. Patent wire for clothes lines for the jail was recommended; also that the sum of \$35 be paid to them for expenses.

On motion of Messrs. Massie and Stevenson, the report was adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Mr. Leslie brought up the report of the Finance Committee. It recommended that the petition of the Division Court clerks be granted. A number of accounts were recommended for payment. The committee considered that the accounts of the township clerks of Erin and Nichol in reference to voters' list belonged properly to those municipalities; and they could not recommend any action in reference to the account of Mr. A. D. Fordyce.

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THE GROUPING CLAUSES.
Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr.

By Telegram.

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BUNNELL broke into the office of H. Barnard's Woodyard, Hamilton, on Friday last, and after using nearly a pound of powder in blowing open the safe (one of Taylor's) they found—Two Dollars!

The proceedings of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance closed on Friday. The Order is in a most flourishing condition. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Spicer of the Grand Trunk Railway, for entailing the saloons on that line to be closed.

A TORNAO in the town of Malvern, 40 miles south of Memphis and destroyed a number of houses and wounded several men.

The steamer Flamingo was run down at sea recently by a British man-of-war and sunk; all on board were saved.

Several persons have been seriously injured in Montreal by masses of ice and snow which fell from the roofs during the late thaw.

Mr. M. M. Elliott has received the appointment of Postmaster of Brampton last office, in place of K. Chisholm, Esq., who resigned.

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A.O. BUCHAN announces in to-day's paper that he will commence a grand clearing sale of dress goods to-morrow (Tuesday) morning. Mr. Buchan is generally well prepared to back up his advertisement with a first class stock of goods. We doubt not this sale will attract many purchasers.

HESPELER C. P. C.—A tea meeting in aid of the Parsonage Fund is announced for Tuesday, Dec. 16th, to be held in the Canada Presbyterian Church, Hespeler. Evs. Messrs. Dickie, Berlin, Wardrop, Guelph; and W. Williams, Hespeler, are to be the speakers, and Professor Jones of Galt, is to lend his able musical services.

MUSIC OF MANY LANDS.—We remind our readers of M'lie Rosa D'Erina's musical entertainment in the Town Hall to-night. It is altogether an unique one, and has been spoken of in the highest terms by the English and American press. We give a specimen from the London Times:—"Rosa D'Erina has won all hearts by her exquisite rendering of the delightful music of her native land. She is truly marvellous in her repertoire of 'music from many lands.'"

MISS DE MONTFORD's closing entertainment on Saturday night was witnessed by a densely-crowded audience. Her wonderful manifestations of mesmeric power towards the close of the entertainment caused an animated excitement not often manifested, which found vent in a torrent of cheering. In one of the experiments Miss de Montford strongly excited religious and devotional feelings in some subjects, and intense grief in others. The result was extremely touching, and a real pathos and fervor was shown by the mesmerised subjects which a Rose or a Garrick would find it hard to equal. Great fun was caused also by a political discussion, in which a good Grit was caused to imagine himself Sir John A. Macdonald—much to his disgust when he became himself again. We are glad to learn that Miss de Montford will visit Guelph again in the spring.

THE LATEST CARTOON.—Some persons thought that Grit's cartoons would lose interest with the termination of the exciting political events which are now a matter of history, and which have furnished such a plentitude of subjects for the appreciative pencil of the cartoonist. The last few sketches which appeared, however, completely disprove this idea, and show that if Grit continues to show as keen and delicately humorous an appreciation of political matters as he now does, he will become as much a Canadian institution as Punch is an English institution. These remarks are suggested by our usual early copy from Mr. John Anderson, containing "The Liberal Programme, or the Era of Purification." Messrs. Mackenzie, Blake and Wood are hard at work "housecleaning," and George Brown is lighting them with a torch constructed from a copy of the *Globe*. The fun lies greatly in the attitudes and "character" of the figures; and for these we refer our readers to the cartoon itself.

BRECHENOVE.—On Tuesday, Dec. 16th, there is to be a tea-meeting in the Primitive Methodist Church, near Frelton. Tea at six. Mr. Thos. Bain, M.P., takes the chair. Speeches and music, the latter by the Guelph choir, are on the programme.

Captain M. Barrett, of the barge Guiding Star, with his crew of seven men, arrived at Port Egan on Saturday afternoon in a yawl boat, with their feet badly frozen. They left the barge about nine miles out, disabled in the late gale, taken with 24,000 bushels of wheat from Milwaukee to Sarnia.

The Tammany General Committee has denounced the action of the Democratic Congressmen whose record was not clear in regard to back pay.

Mr. Brydges is said to be in treaty for an independent steamship service from Portland to Liverpool.

Accident at Salem.

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An important Church and State struggle is about to culminate in Germany. The position assumed by the Emperor is different from that of Henry VIII, of England, in that the latter not only broke loose from the Pope, but meddled to some extent with doctrine, while the Emperor merely constitutes himself the protector of the clergy against their own bishops. The bishops, who were at one time largely restrained by common law, have gradually been securing to themselves absolute power over the clergy by appointing curates, during pleasure and not permanently, thus depriving them of the rights which attached properly to their positions as parish priests. This form of aggression on the rights of the clergy, as a class, has gone we believe much further in Europe than in Canada, and has been the cause of the more rapid working of Reform movements within the Church of Rome there than here. Of course the men appointed by the German bishops to the parishes of their dioceses are those whom they think least likely to rebel against episcopal power. The Emperor has simply decided that all priests who are found in charge of parishes on the first of May next will be regarded as permanently appointed, and will be maintained in such position so long as they fulfil their duties properly.—Witness.

There is trouble a-head of the Quebec Ministry. The debate on the Address developed a strong opposition, and the Government were unmercifully questioned by Mr. Joly in regard to the withdrawal of Messrs. Chauveau and Beaudin from the Ministry. Mr. Joly also stated that he was prepared to prove a case of abuse of power on the part of the Local Government, in connection with the Crown Lands, as had been brought home to the Ministry at Ottawa. The debate lasted till 12.30, when the Opposition desired to press a vote, but after some discussion, and at the request of the Premier, an adjournment was agreed to until Tuesday.

BUNNELL broke into the office of H. Barnard's Woodyard, Hamilton, on Friday last, and after using nearly a pound of powder in blowing open the safe (one of Taylor's) they found—Two Dollars!

The proceedings of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance closed on Friday. The Order is in a most flourishing condition. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Spicer of the Grand Trunk Railway, for entailing the saloons on that line to be closed.

A TORNAO in the town of Malvern, 40 miles south of Memphis and destroyed a number of houses and wounded several men.

The steamer Flamingo was run down at sea recently by a British man-of-war and sunk; all on board were saved.

Several persons have been seriously injured in Montreal by masses of ice and snow which fell from the roofs during the late thaw.

Mr. M. M. Elliott has received the appointment of Postmaster of Brampton last office, in place of K. Chisholm, Esq., who resigned.

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Examination for Admission to High School.

An examination of candidates for admission to the High School, Guelph, will be held (D.V.) at the High School, beginning on Wednesday, 7th January, 1874, at 9 o'clock, a.m.
Candidates must notify the undersigned not later than 15th December of their intention to present themselves for examination.
ROBERT TORRANCE, Inspector Public Schools, Guelph. Guelph, 29th Nov. 1873. d3w2

Notice to Creditors.

Pursuant to an order of the Court of Chancery made in the matter of the estate of Henry Clinton Kaye, and in a cause Kaye against McLennan and others, the creditors of Henry Clinton Kaye, late of the Village of Harriston, in the County of Wellington, deceased, who died in or about the month of April, 1873, are on or before the third day of January, 1874, to send by post prepaid, to Messrs. Guthrie, Watt & Cutten, of Guelph, the solicitors for Amelia Keith Kaye, the administratrix of the estate of the deceased, their christian and surnames, addresses, and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the securities (if any) held by them, or in default thereof they will be pre-emptorily excluded from the benefit of the said order. Every creditor holding any security is to produce the same before me as my chambers, at the said Town of Guelph, on the tenth of January, 1874, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudication on the claims.
Dated this 29th day of November, A.D. 1873.
J. WATSON HALL, Master of Guelph.
GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Solicitors for administratrix.

Accident at Salem.

Special to The Mercury per Dominion Line.
SALEM, Dec. 6.
This afternoon as Tommy, son of Mr. D. Findlay, was attempting to get in the hind end of a wagon, his foot caught in the wheel, and the bone was broken.

Hon. Mr. Smith at Dorchester.

Hon. Mr. Smith, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, in his speech at Dorchester, N. B., where he went for re-election, said it had been stated that the former Opposition had been hungry office-seekers. Experience did not show it. Mr. Mackenzie wished Mr. Blake to take the leadership, who evinced great reluctance to enter the Cabinet at all. Mr. Smith spoke most admirably of the high moral and great intellectual qualities of Mr. Blake, whose large private business—as the head of a law firm with five partners, and employing thirty clerks—would not permit him to accept a department. They had finally prevailed on him to take a seat, and he had agreed to give his great talents to the country without any pecuniary return. Mr. Huntington had declined a seat; Mr. Holt had declined it, because he was not particularly anxious, so there was not much of a grab for office. He deplored that the present Administration would inaugurate a general system of turning out office holders, and added—When the Government was a party in power, they made a large number of appointments, and increased the salaries of other office-holders. In one department the expenses were thereby increased some \$90,000 per annum, equal to the increase of the debt of the country some \$4,000,000. We cancelled about 100 appointments, and others will be considered. The Government will act prudently with respect to turning out supporters of the late Government. Except the Government office-holders who are violent partisans, I am decidedly adverse to the principle of turning them out at a change in Administration.

Palmer, of St. John.

PALMER, of St. John, at the nomination that city last week, was closely cornered by Mr. Joseph Lawrence, who said that he (Palmer) owed his seat to him; that he was elected with Mr. Burpee as an independent, but that his first act on entering the House was to second the address in the interest of Sir John's Government. He charged Palmer with having secured the votes of his constituents by false pretences, and the position he had taken with regard to the scandal charges was not in accordance with the views of those who elected him. The return of Mr. Burpee and Mr. de V. by acclamation proved his consciousness. Mr. Palmer was in honor bound either to resign his seat or declare his intention to give the present Government a fair support. Sir John's voluble apologist had not a word to offer in reply. He is a dead duck, politically, so far as his present constituency is concerned.—London Advertiser.

THE Vienna Exhibition building is not to be demolished.

County Council.

The following is the remainder of Saturday's proceedings:—
THE NEW COUNTY SCHEME.
In the discussion on Mr. Robb's resolution to petition the Legislature against a division of the county.—
Mr. Roberts asked why not leave the matter with the Legislature, as it was now.
Mr. Stevenson said that the Legislature would take it for granted that the change was unanimously desired if there were petitions for and none against it.
Mr. Sutherland said that Mount Forest presented a petition to the Legislature asking for a division of the county, which would undoubtedly have been carried into effect had not the Premier stated that the Government were about to bring in a general scheme for the readjustment of municipal boundaries. Arthur, Minto, Luther, Proton, Normandy, and Egremont were the six townships which it was proposed to form into a new county. It was unreasonable to pass such a resolution as Mr. Robb's, when the matter was in the hands of the Government.

Mr. Leslie said that the township of Normanby and Egremont would willingly throw in their lot with the county of Wellington, so high was their opinion of it.

Mr. Stevenson said they wanted to get in and then get out. (Laughter.) The motion was carried.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.
The report of this committee was presented. The committee had examined the reports of the Commissioners on grants made to improve the roads and bridges in the county, with the vouchers, and presented the following condensed statement thereof:—Amaranth, second and tenth lines, \$400 granted and expended; Arthur and Luther town-line, \$345 balance from 1872, expended; Armstrong and Minto county line, \$100 granted and expended, (not paid); Arthur centre side road, \$286.75, balance from 1872, expended; East Garafraxa tenth side road, \$100 granted and expended; Luther, seventh concession line, \$450 granted and expended; Arthur and Egremont county line, \$150 granted and expended; East Garafraxa and Luther town line, \$100 granted and expended; Erin and Caledon county line, \$150, no report; Peel and Maryboro, town line, balance \$24.25 from 1872, \$25 expended; Peel centre side road, \$39 balance, expended; West Garafraxa, a bridge over Grand River, \$500 balance, no report; Erin second line, \$50 granted 1871, expended.

The report was adopted on motion of Mr. Darby, seconded by Mr. Laidlaw.

SCHOOL REPORTS.
Mr. Howard moved, seconded by Mr. Broadfoot, that the amounts granted by the Council at its June session to the County High Schools be paid for the year 1873. Carried.

COUNTY ROADS.
The report of the committee on county roads was brought up by Mr. Leslie. It recommended the adoption of the Warden's report on bridges, so far as regards what