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Thomas Ward, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the post office, where he hopes by courtesy, attention and good accommodation to merit a fair share of public patronage.

THOMAS WARD, Proprietor, Guelph, Dec. 11 1872.

New Advertisements.

WANTED—A Cook, Apply to Mrs. Lemon, 17-dit

WANTED—A good general servant in a small family, Apply to R. McGregor & Co., Shoe Store, 17-dit

TO LET—A stone Cottage near the Great Western Railway Station. Apply to John McCrea, or Henry Hamilton, Guelph, March 23, 1874. 17-dit

SERVANT WANTED.—Wanted immediately a good general servant. Apply at once to Mrs. Jas. Innes, 17-dit

WANTED—By a respectable middle aged person, a situation as house-keeper. No objection to the country. Apply at his office, 17-dit

WANTED—A girl to act as Nurse in a household. Must be competent and have good references. Apply to Mrs. Watt, near the Great Western Railway Station, Guelph, 14-dit

DRESSMAKERS WANTED, Four experienced Dressmakers wanted immediately at the Fashionable West End. Apply to Miss Morrison, 17-dit

SEED BARLEY.—Seed Barley for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station, Guelph, Feb. 23, 1874. 17-dit

NOTES STOLEN.—The public are hereby cautioned against receiving any notes payable to J. B. Armstrong & Co. or signed by them, as the same have been stolen from them. J. B. ARMSTRONG & Co. Guelph, Feb. 23, 1874. 17-dit

AUCTION SALE, Household Furniture, The undersigned has been instructed by Mr. J. H. ELLIOTT to sell by auction at his premises, Nottingham Street, Guelph,

On Wednesday, 25th March, At 1 p.m., the following goods: Chest of Drawers, with large mirror, bedstead, commode, hair-seated walnut sofa, chairs, sideboard, table, washstand, glassware, cooking stove with furniture, clock, set of china, set of stoneware, set of glassware, carpets, and a lot of other useful articles. No reserve. Terms Cash.

Parties wishing can inspect the Goods the day before the sale. They are nearly all new, and of the best quality. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer, Guelph, March 21, 1874. 17-dit

NEW Paint Shop, The undersigned begs to inform the people of Guelph and surrounding country that he has opened a new paint shop in Queen Street, next Fenwick's Furniture Shop, and opposite Chalmers' Church. He is now prepared to do all kinds of Painting, Glazing, Graining and Paper Hanging on short notice.

He hopes by strict attention to business, and using none but the best materials to secure a complete and public patronage. All orders whether from town or country promptly attended to. W. HUMPHRIES, Guelph, March 21, 1874. 17-dit

MONEY TO LOAN, ON FARM SECURITY, The undersigned have \$25,000 for investment in Mortgages on Farms, in sums to suit borrowers, with interest at 8 percent., for periods from 5 to 15 years. Early applications requested. LEMON, PETERSON & McLEAN, Guelph, March 18, 1874. 17-dit

PLASTER AND SALT, The subscriber has on hand 500 tons of the best Caledonia and Paris Plaster and Land Salt. Also on hand, seed grain of all kinds. The highest price paid for potatoes and turnips. GEO. BALKWILL, Gordon Street, near the G. T. R. crossing, Guelph, Feb. 23, 1874. 17-dit

TOWN OF GUELPH, NOTICE, All petitions for Road Improvements must be sent in by the first meeting of Council in May, or they will not be considered. JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk, Guelph, March 20, 1874. 17-dit

TOWN OF GUELPH, WANTED, A competent person to take charge of and manage the Water Works, and to attend to the applications for the office will be received until the 2nd day of April. For further instruction, apply at this office. JOHN HARVEY, Clerk, Guelph, March 20, 1874. 17-dit

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP, The partnership between the firm of ROBERT CHANCE and James D. WILLIAMSON of the Town of Guelph, Dry Goods Merchants was dissolved on the fifteenth day of February, 1874, by mutual consent.

All debts due by or to the late firm will be settled by the said James D. WILLIAMSON and all parties indebted to the late firm are requested to pay Mr. WILLIAMSON at once, and save costs. Dated at Guelph, 24th February, 1874. Signed, "JOHN HOGG, THOS. W. SAUNDERS, Executors of the late Robert Chance. m12-112-17

IMPORTANT, SALE OF PIANOS, The Committee appointed to dispose of the Pianos at the Manufactory of

JOSEPH F. RAIBER, WEST MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH, Will offer them at a considerable reduction on cost on reasonable

TERMS OF CREDIT, The stock consists of about

40 30 First-class Instruments! Similar to those shown at the last Central Exhibition, and for which he was awarded the first prize.

They are equal in compass of tone, finish, and durability to the best instruments of any of the celebrated manufacturers, and as such an opportunity seldom occurs, parties in want of pianos would do well to avail themselves of it.

An inspection invited. A competent person will be on the premises, near Mr. John Harris's, who will show the instruments. Guelph, March 18, 1874. 17-dit

Guelph Evening Mercury

MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 23, 1874

Town and County News, It is requested that a large attendance of the members of the Y.M.C.A. be present in the rooms to-night for the election of a General Secretary.

As Dr. Paget was driving into Elora, on Monday, his horse ran away, and broke one shaft, and otherwise damaged his buggy.

ALL READY.—Mr. William Stewart announces to-day the arrival of his spring stock, and those parties wishing good value for their money should not fail to call at his emporium.

THE OUTRAGE.—Dunn, or Sullivan, is not caught yet. A man who was arrested at St. Catharines since our last issue, has turned out not to be the wanted rascal.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Mr. George S. Powell announces the arrival of his spring stock of boots and shoes. This old establishment continues to maintain its former reputation for selling the best articles at the lowest figure. Don't fail to call at Powell's Boot and Shoe Store.

SOMETHING in the shape of a wild beast is frightening nocturnal pedestrians on the mountain at Hamilton. Its component parts, so far as can be discovered, are "two great, glaring, fiery eyes" of terrible aspect, and a noise that is "neither a shriek, howl, nor groan." This description reminds one irresistibly of a great tom-cat in the dark.

WYNDHAM STREET.—On Saturday the corporation workmen were busy clearing Wyndham street of its covering of mud. This was very much required, but we hope the scraping will not be allowed to lie in heaps till the mud dries and goes off in the shape of dust. Our merchants previously complained last summer that this was done, and their stores in consequence filled with dust.

HESPELER.—Messrs. Farr & Co's machinery which was lying at the railway station, bound for Holyoke, Mass., was seized one day by Mr. Jackson, of Berlin, and a constable was kept there for several days, taking charge of the machinery. Mr. S. Randall, a former partner of the firm of Randall, Farr & Co., is indebted to Mr. Jackson, and so Mr. Jackson, laboring under the mistaken idea that S. Randall was still a partner of said firm, seized the machinery. However, they were ultimately obliged to let the machinery go. Farr & Co. claim damages for detention.

ACCIDENT IN FERGUS.—On Saturday the 14th a little boy, aged 7 years, son of Mr. P. Grove, hotel-keeper, Fergus, in attempting to cross St. Andrew's street, was knocked down by a passing team, and the sleigh, together with a outer which was attached to it, passed over the little fellow's legs. He was picked up, taken to his father's residence, and his injuries examined. Wonderful to relate not a bone was broken, but one of his legs, just above the knee, was terribly bruised. In the opinion of the medical attendant the little sufferer will be on his feet again in the course of a fortnight.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.—The Elora News says:—Last Saturday night week Dr. Middleton, of Elora, who had been in Guelph upon business, when in the act of stepping aboard the train was attacked by three ruffianly looking characters, one of whom knocked the stick out of his hands, and before the doctor could recover it, the train left the station and him behind. He made a bee-line for the waiting room, and made the parties there acquainted with what had transpired. The would-be robbers made off and no trace of them could be found. Fortunately a timber train left Guelph a couple of hours later, and the doctor would have been obliged to remain in the County Town until the first train on the following Monday. The doctor at the time of the attempt to rob him had \$50 in his possession, together with a valuable watch.

PUNISHED DRUNK AT HESPELER.—The Waterloo Chronicle says that a few days ago a son of "das Deutsche Faderland" of Preston, who was somewhat overladen and who happened to enter Field's hotel, was accosted by a descendant of Erin's Isle, from Puslinch, with "Hallo—drunk again!" The German retorted warmly, and ultimately concluded to pull off his coat and go for his Hibernian friend. As intemperance formed the topic of conversation, it was discussed and "cussed" and "re-cussed" very deeply. It was carried to such an extent that attempts were made to damage each other's optics. No decision was given, yet it was self-evident that the German was the second best. Still another fight occurred at the same hotel, between two Hibernians of Puslinch, but no one was seriously damaged. The cause of this row seems to have arisen through betting heavily on a horse. Of course a little too much "bangle" helped it on. Mr. Wm. Miles, constable arrested the parties, and the participants of both rows were prosecuted before Justice Karsh.

SUDDEN DEATH.—The wife of David Leppard, of East Gwillimbury, fell from the buggy in front of Dr. Widdifield's office on Sunday, while her husband was tying the horses, and almost instantly expired. She had been troubled with various ailments, including disease of the heart, for some time. Deceased was a young woman, having only been married about 18 months, and was daughter of Mr. James Evans, of the same township.

Wellington Prohibitory League.

The annual meeting of this League was held on Friday, the 20th inst., in the Good Templar's Hall, Fergus; and notwithstanding the terrible condition of the roads there was a pretty good attendance of delegates, and the greatest harmony prevailed; and a strong disposition was manifested to energetically prosecute the work in which the League is engaged—to secure, the total suppression of the liquor traffic. The meeting was opened (Mr. C. Farrow, the President, in the chair) with devotional exercises, prayer being offered by the Rev. E. Barker, of Fergus.

The minutes of the last half yearly meeting of the League were then read by Mr. J. Ryan, of Guelph, one of the Secretaries of the League; who also read a report containing information of the work that had been done in the South Riding by the committee appointed at the half yearly meeting to prosecute the interests of the League in that division. Messrs. Farrow and Cannon gave verbal reports of what had been done in the Centre and North Ridings.

On motion the reports referred to were received and adopted; as was also the financial statement rendered by Mr. J. H. Osborne, of Guelph, Treasurer of the League.

On motion the following gentlemen were appointed officers and council of the league for the ensuing year:— President.—Mr. J. Groom, Guelph. Vice-Presidents.—Rev. J. Howie, Guelph; Messrs. Wm. Hodgkinson, Elora; T. C. Connon, Elora; G. Tough, Fergus; J. Clype, Garrafra. Treasurer.—Mr. J. H. Osborne, Guelph. Secretary.—Mr. J. Ryan, Guelph. Council.—Messrs. Farrow, Townsend and Sprague, of Elora; Wilkie, Colton, Fairley, Hamilton, D. Kriss, E. H. Madock, of Guelph; Simpson and Robertson, of Garrafra; Rev. E. Barker and Messrs. Gordon and Morton, of Fergus; Kitley, of Striton; Galbraith of Morrison; Small, of Gienallan; and Snider, of Acton.

After a lengthy, earnest, harmonious conversation, evidencing the strong determination of the League to vigorously prosecute to a successful issue the great work of Prohibition.

It was resolved, 1st. That the Secretary place himself in communication with each Lodge of Good Templars, Division of the Sons of Temperance, and other temperance organizations in the County, requesting each Lodge, Division, &c., to constitute some of its most intelligent and earnest members a committee for the purpose of more effectively prosecuting the temperance work in their respective neighbourhoods. 2nd. That the following circular be printed and sent by the Secretary to all Ministers of the Gospel and Managers of Sabbath Schools in the County.

(CIRCULAR.) GUELPH, To DEAR SIR.—The Officers and Council of the Wellington Prohibitory League in thus approaching you respectfully submit to you in consideration of the dangers to which the young are exposed from the drinking customs that prevail, and of the influence they may exert on behalf of temperance, the importance of establishing Bands of Hope in connection with the several Sabbath Schools in the County, and trust that you will kindly use your influence towards accomplishing so desirable an object. And they are moreover of the opinion that it would tend to the advancement of Christian sentiment in Sabbath Schools, by employing those teachers only who favour the principles of temperance. Commending these matters to your thoughtful, prayerful consideration, I remain, dear sir, Your obdt. servant, J. RYAN, Sec. W. P. L.

Resolved, that the next meeting of the League be held in Elora, on Tuesday the 28th of July, at 8 o'clock. The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. E. Barker.

A goodly number was at the Drill Shed in the evening to listen to the Rev. Dr. Davidson, of Guelph, who kept them in rapt attention by the eloquent, earnest lecture he delivered, in which he sternly exposed the fallacy of the objections that are raised against a Prohibitory Liquor Law. The audience by their expressions of applause manifested how telling were the arguments the doctor advanced. Such lectures cannot but be productive of much good. The Rev. Messrs. Barker and Mullen, moved and seconded a vote of thanks to Dr. Davidson for his valuable lecture, to which the Dr. responded. After a collection had been taken up the excellent choir who had during the evening sung some beautiful pieces, sang another piece; the Benediction was pronounced, and the meeting closed, all present appearing highly pleased with the whole of the proceedings.

ACCIDENT.—An accident occurred lately in Mr. John McDermott's saw-mill on the 8th concession of Wallace. Mr. Isaac McDermott, son of the proprietor, was adjusting the saw-guides when his foot came in contact with the saw, which entered between the great and second toes and cut nearly the whole length of his foot, and also made one or two smaller wounds in the side of his foot. The saw was moving at so slow a rate of speed that it was stopped. Had the speed been high there is little doubt but Mr. McDermott would have lost his leg, if not his life. Dr. Stewart dressed the wound, and it is doing well.

Mr. J. HENDERSON, of Arthur, has been employed for some time lumbering in the neighborhood of Alcona, Michigan. On the 4th inst., whilst rafting timber, he fell into the water and was drowned. He leaves a wife and family. An Elora contemporary says that Mr. Henderson's is the third death which has occurred in Michigan to men from the neighborhood of Arthur.

SUDDEN DEATH.—A little girl about ten years old, named Purcell, on Wednesday last dropped dead whilst sitting by the fire in her home, in Niagara. The supposed cause was droupy.

THE Orangeville Advertiser says that writs have been served on Mayor McCarthy and Councillor Hewitt, to meet their election to these positions.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

RECEPTION OF WOLSELEY His Reward.

ATLANTIC SAILING TRACKS Great Rise of the Thames.

ANOTHER HOME RULE MAN Gale-Strikers-Ties-Butler—U.S. Finance-Boating.

London, March 21.—General Sir Garnet Wolseley disembarked at Portsmouth this morning, and was expected to reach this city this afternoon. An immense crowd has assembled at Waterloo station to welcome him.

General Wolseley reached this city this afternoon. Upon alighting at Waterloo station he met with a perfect ovation from the dense mass of people who had assembled there.

London, March 21.—In the House of Commons to-day a Bill appropriating four million of dollars for the expenses of the Ashantee expedition passed.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that on Monday next he would ask Government whether it was willing to co-operate with the Government of the United States in fixing sailing tracks for vessels crossing the Atlantic between the two countries.

Mr. Disraeli to-day refused to receive a deputation which came to ask for the release of the Fenians now in goal.

The extraordinary rise in the tide of the Thames yesterday caused great damage along the bank. Lambeth and Betherlithie are inundated, sewers burst and the floors of many houses forced up by water; several children and a number of horses were drowned in these places.

At Wapping the lower stories of houses were filled with water, and business on the wharves suspended. Numerous families were compelled to abandon their houses. At the Woolwich arsenal the fires in the gun factories were extinguished, and the contents of the store sheds floated. Another high rise of the tide is feared to-day, and a temporary embankment has been erected to prevent a repetition of the inundation.

London, March 21.—The Morning Post says it is probable that Gen. Wolseley will be rewarded with the rank of Major-General, and a pension of \$7,500 per annum for two lives.

A despatch from Spain to the London Hour reports that an ammunition wagon lately exploded in Serrano's camp. Fifty men were killed and wounded.

Dublin, March 23.—Mr. O'Donnell, the Home Rule candidate, has been elected to Parliament from Galway.

New York, March 23.—A high gale from the north-west commenced at three o'clock this morning, and still continues. The striking laborers at Jersey city were in conclave last night, and it is feared they intend to make trouble if new men are put on to take their places.

A Binghamton despatch states that a train on the Erie road there ran into a pile of ties which were placed across the track, but fortunately without damage.

A Boston despatch states it is expected that Butler's forces in the Massachusetts Legislature will unite with the Democrats in a final vote for the successor of Sumner.

Scharf, of Pittsburg, offers to row Brown, of Halifax, a five mile scull race, for \$1,000 a-side, anywhere in American waters.

It is stated the Finance Committee to-day will report a new bill providing for an issue of \$104,000,000 in greenbacks, instead of \$82,000,000, and also a provision for free banking.

POLICE COURT. (Before the Police Magistrate.) Monday, March 23.

Ann Crosby was charged with stealing a piece of factory cotton and a dress pattern from James Bolton, Guelph township. Mr. Bolton refused to prosecute, and the case was dismissed.

Wm. Carter, moulder, Guelph, was fined \$1 and costs for disorderly conduct in Thorp's Hotel on Saturday.

The poet Longfellow is in Hamilton. He purposes spending the coming summer in Canada.

Y. M. C. A. J. has been just formed at Paisley, and deep interest is manifested in the organization.

Hon. Isaac Furber, Minister of Customs, has retired from the firm of I. & F. Surpee, hardware merchants, of St. John, N. B.

Last Thursday Mr. Kerr, Inspector of Fisheries, seized 500 yards of gill-net in Burlington Bay, under the Act respecting Fisheries. He also confiscated a quantity of fish caught by persons before they had received their licenses.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT.—At Stoneville, on Saturday night, Elijah Pennoek, Sr., made a murderous assault on Mr. Thos. Dougall, Chief Constable of Stoneville, breaking his jaw, and otherwise seriously injuring him. A suit for debt was pending against Pennoek, who succeeded in evading the regular bailiff, when the process was put into the hands of Mr. Dougall to serve, and on his handing it to Pennoek he was assaulted as described. The interference of Mr. Dougall's friends was all that prevented further violence.

INCENDIARIES AT USBRIDGE.—A startling discovery was made on Saturday morning of combustible materials in the air flue connecting with the furnace of Mr. Goull's residence, Usbridge, and showing by the burnt embers that they had been ignited, but extinguished by the strong draft, otherwise this beautiful and valuable property must have been destroyed. It is generally supposed that the incendiary is the same one who caused the burning of the elevator on the 8th inst.

Ontario Legislature.

March 20. Mr Crooks then moved the resolution extending the time allowed to the Credit Valley Railway, which was carried.

The Bill respecting the railway Subsidy Fund, after a short discussion, was read a second time.

The adjourned debate on the second reading of the Income Franchise Bill was then resumed.

Mr. Rykert explained that in his speech on this Bill on Thursday, he had not intended to raise an objection to the extension of the franchise to mechanics and working-men generally, but only to labourers working for a dollar and a quarter or a dollar and a half per day, and not having a permanent status in the country.

Mr. Bonlbee desired to make a similar correction.

Mr. Meredith said he was theoretically in favour of manhood suffrage.

Mr. Hardy desired to see \$600 per annum fixed for cities, \$500 for towns, and \$400 or \$300 for other municipalities.

Mr. O'Donohue said the Bill would not meet the wants of the working classes.

Mr. Currie was in favour of extending the franchise to many classes not included in the Bill.

The Bill was read a second time. The House then took up Concurrence in the Votes in Supply.

Mr. Rykert moved a resolution expressing regret that the Government had not carried out the intention expressed by the vote on last year, of bringing in a Bill to provide for the payment of original witnesses.

The Attorney-General explained that he had desired to legislate in the direction indicated, but had not found the subject to be attended with unexpected difficulties, and there was a great difference of opinion as to whether the Province or county should bear the expense.

The amendment of Mr. Rykert was put and lost by Yeas 12, Nays 36.

Mr. Gow moved an amendment expressing satisfaction at the explanations of the Government with respect to the payment of witnesses, which was carried by Yeas 35, Nays 14.

Mr. Lauder then moved an amendment to reduce the vote for maintenance of the Central Prison.

Mr. Graham moved in amendment, a resolution declaring that the action of the Government, with regard to the Central Prison, had been actuated by a sincere desire to serve the public interests.

The amendment of Mr. Graham was carried by Yeas 34, Nays 17.

On concurrence, the Immigration vote being moved.

Mr. Bonlbee moved an amendment deprecating the present rate of the public expenditure.

Mr. Hardy moved an amendment expressing a hope that the Government would relax in their efforts to encourage immigration.

After a discussion the House voted on Mr. Hardy's amendment, which was carried without a single "Nay," by 49 Yeas!

Some other items having been concurred in.

Mr. Crooks moved to go again into Committee of Supply.

Mr. Rykert moved as an amendment a resolution in favour of allowing the Municipal Loan Fund money to be applied to the purpose of forming a school fund.

The Attorney-General pointed out that this was a vote of censure on the Government.

Mr. Lauder and Mr. Bonlbee supported the amendment.

After some further discussion, the House divided, and the motion was lost by Yeas 16, Nays 34.

The supplementary estimates passed through Committee of Supply, and concurrence was next taken up.

The Bills relating to the consolidation and amendment of the Public School Law, and the laws respecting the Council of Public Instruction and High Schools, were passed.

A number of Government measures were advanced a stage, and several Bills were read a third time and passed.

Some Private Bills were then read a third time and passed.

The House adjourned at one o'clock, March 12.

At the forenoon sitting the first business was the motion to ratify the Order in Council granting an additional aid of \$97,200 per mile per annum for twenty years (equal to a grant of \$1000 per mile) to the Toronto, Grey, and Owen Sound, between Orangeville and Bruce Sound, and a sum of \$2,000 per mile on the line from Harrison to Teeswater.

Mr. Crooks explained that the Orders in Council were provisional only, and would not take effect if the fund were insufficient.

The motion passed, as did an order granting aid to the Midland Railway.

The Hamilton and North-Western Railway Order in Council was also carried, after a protest from Mr. Cumberland in the interest of the Northern Railway—with which the Hamilton and North-Western will, he argued, be competitive—and an amendment proposed by Mr. Rykert, which was declared to be lost on a division.

The Order granting aid to the Victoria Railway between Lindsay and Bobaygon Road via Fenelon Falls was then agreed to.

At the afternoon session the Supply Bill was introduced, put through its several stages, and passed.

After a discussion upon a point of order raised by Mr. Rykert, the Railway Aid Fund Amendment Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr. McKellar then moved the House into Committee on the Franchise Bill. A long discussion took place, and several amendments were proposed.