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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

MY IMMENSE STOCK

—OF—

DRY GOODS

IS NOW

Open for Inspection.

On account of being delayed in opening until the season is so far advanced, I find that my stock is much too large in all kinds of seasonable goods, consequently I will commence selling at once all such lines, at about

WHOLESALE COST.

Call and judge for yourselves.

G. A. SMITH,

McQUILLAN'S BLOCK,

Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph

Guelph, Nov. 10th, 1874 dw

XMAS and NEW YEAR'S GOODS.

WE REMIND

"SANTA CLAUS"

That our stock of Goods suitable for the holiday season is of

Rare Excellence, Cheapness, and Variety.

WHILE WISHING ALL

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

We would invite their attention to

Bargains in Hardware.

To see is to buy at the popular hardware establishment of

John M. Bond & Co.

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Guelph, December, 1874. do

1874 1875

Christmas and New Year's

Presents and Gifts

Especially selected for the Season, and

Suitable for Every One.

SANTA CLAUS'

HEADQUARTERS

AS USUAL AT

J. HUNTER'S.

The Largest, Most Attractive, Useful and Cheapest Stock of General

Fancy Goods, Dolls and Toys!

Will be found at J. HUNTER'S.

Cheap, Attractive and Useful Presents suitable for Old or Young.

J. HUNTER,

Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods and Bookstore Wyndham street, Guelph.

Dec. 19, 1874 dw

ATTENTION

For large Photographs,

GO TO BURGESS'

For small Photographs,

GO TO BURGESS'

For any kind or style of Photograph

GO TO BURGESS

For Frames of all kinds,

GO TO BURGESS'

If you want a Frame made large or small

GO TO BURGESS'

If you want to save money

GO TO BURGESS'

Guelph, December 19th.

FOR SALE—

TYRCATHLEN LOTS.

The Venerable Archdeacon Palmer has placed in my hands for sale the Lots in his new survey, immediately in rear of his residence and lying on the north side of Grange street. The situation cannot be surpassed in the town—convenient to Market, Post Office, Churches and Schools, commanding a magnificent view of the town and surrounding country. The Lots are of different sizes, and well suited for private dwellings, with a first class soil for gardening.

These Lots on Tyrcathlen Terrace are well suited for genteel residences, and will only be sold to those who will bargain to put up good buildings.

Plans of the Lots can be seen at my office and particulars learned.

Terms very liberal. Purchases made this Fall may remain one balance of purchase money will not commence until 1st April next.

Those Lots which will be pointed out on the ground.

Also, a few Lots lying to the north of Tyrcathlen, on Macdonald's survey, and adjoining the above.

Plans and particulars at

CHARLES DAVIDSON,

Land and General Agent, Town Hall Building, Guelph.

Guelph, Aug. 31, 1874 dwtf

New Advertisements.

WANTED.—A wood turner.—Apply to Levi Cossitt, Nelson Crescent. d2

WANTED, a smart active boy to deliver the morning papers and learn the Book and Stationery business. Apply at J. Anderson's Bookstore. sdtf

TO RENT.—A brick Cottage and Garden, on Grange Street; good well of water.—Apply to Noah Sunley, at the Guelph Nurseries. Possession immediately dc24dtf

HOT AIR FURNACE. — For sale, Mill's $200 Wood Furnace, as good as new—a coal furnace having been substituted. This may be had on reasonable terms. A. Lemon.

Guelph, Sept. 8, 1874. dtf

TOWN OF GUELPH.

All persons having claims against the Corporation will please send in their accounts on or before Monday, 4th January, 1875. JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk.

Guelph, December 22nd, 1874. dtf

TEACHERS WANTED.—An Assistant Master for the High School, Guelph. Also two Teachers to take charge of pupils. First class.—Applications, stating salary and qualifications, to be lodged with the undersigned not later than 26th inst.

ROBERT TORRANCE, Sec. B. E.

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TO THE ELECTORS OF

The East Ward.

GENTLEMEN—

At the request of a large number of you, I have again consented to be a candidate for your suffrages. Should you feel disposed to elect me, I shall continue to do all in my power for the interest of the Ward, consistent with the general interest of the Town.

As it will be impossible for me to interview you personally, I hope you will save me the inconvenience, and yourselves the annoyance of a general canvass.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
DENNIS COFFEE.

Guelph, Dec. 22nd, 1874. dtdw1

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT.

OTTAWA, October 3, 1874.

Authorized Discount on American Invoices until further notice, 9 per cent.

R. S. M. BOUCHETTE,
Commissioner of Customs

n2-dtf

RENAULT, & CIE.

COGNAC

CELEBRATED BRANDIES

(The oldest Bottlers in France.)

Hear what Dr. Sheridan Muspratt, F.R.S.E; M.R.I.A., F.G.S., says:

"Fine Pale Cognac—Renault's or Hennessy's—is often prescribed for invalids with great success."

To be had of all grocers and Italian warehousemen. dc5-6tw-d6w

NELSON CRESCENT

GROCERY.

W. A. Suddaby begs to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and vicinity that he has commenced business in the store lately occupied by R. S. King, opposite the Guelph Sewing Machine Factory, where he has opened up a new and complete stock of Groceries and Provisions.

As all goods have been bought at the lowest figure for cash, they will be sold as cheap as by any other house in Guelph.

He hopes by keeping a good article, and by paying strict attention to business, to merit a share of the public patronage.

Goods delivered to any part of the town.

W. A. SUDDABY.

Guelph, Nov. 9, 1874 do

HOLIDAY GOODS.

FULL LINES

Specially bought in Germany, France and Great Britain.

JOHN MACDONALD & CO.,

TORONTO.

ANNIVERSARY

SERMONS

The Anniversary Sermons of the Methodist Church of Canada Sabbath School (formerly Wesleyan) will be preached in the Church on SABBATH next, the 27th inst. In the morning at half-past 10, by Rev. Mr. Howard, and in the evening at half-past 6, by the Rev. Mr. Lanceley.

THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION will take place on MONDAY EVENING, the 28th inst., for which an interesting programme has been prepared, consisting of singing by the scholars (over 400), Addresses, Dialogues, Recitations, etc.

Parents and friends interested in the Sabbath School are cordially invited to attend.

Tickets, 25 cents.

A. O. RUCHAM, Sec.

Guelph, Dec. 22, 1874. dtd

TO BORROWERS.

Having invested the 28,000 recently advertised, we again have the following amounts, to lend on farm security:

$500	$4000
$600	$4000
$900	$4200
$900	$4250
$800	$2000
$800	$2500

LYON, PETERSON & MACLEAN.

Guelph, July 18, 1874 dw

MEN'S OVERSHOES.

"Would my little Ezra," asked a fond brother, "like to be a missionary, and go and preach to the poor suffering little heathen?"

Tears, bright pearly drops of feeling, glittered on little Ezra's eyes as he muttered: "Naw, I wouldn't; but I'd like to be out there like long enough to put a tin roof on the big lumminix that stuck shoemaker's wax on my seat today. You hear me."

WM. TAWSE & SON'S TRADE MARK.

WOMEN'S WEAR,

Felt Overshoes, plain and fancy,

Canadian Rubber Co's manufacture;

Men's American Boots,

Custom made;

Men's Heavy Felt Carved Boots,

German make.

Wm. Tawse & Son.

East side Wyndham st., Guelph.

Dec. 21, 1874 dwy

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THURSDAY EV'G, DEC 24, 1874

Christmas Time.

The Christmas time is upon us, with its rejoicings and congratulations, good dinners, good cheer, presents and all other things that tend to smooth the rough edges of life, and make it enjoyable. But we should remember that while plenty and even luxury abound, there is still in some quarters wretchedness and want and misery—where no Christmas cheer comes to gladden the hearts of the poor, and where even the barest necessaries of life can hardly be obtained. At such a season, therefore, let us not forget the poor and needy, but bear in mind the injunction of Him whose birth we comemmorate, that the poor we have always with us, and that charity rightly administered will meet with His blessing and reward.

To all our readers we wish a merry Christmas, and every enjoyment which should attend this festive season.

CHRISTMAS.

To-morrow being Christmas no paper will be issued from this office.

Town and County News

XMAS HOLIDAYS.—To-morrow Anderson's Bookstore will be open for the Toronto morning papers.

WESLEYAN CHURCH. — The Rev. J. E. Lanceley will preach to-morrow (Christmas) morning, at 10:30, in the above church.

A HANDSOME XMAS PRESENT.—One of Anderson's cheap Bibles. The largest, finest and cheapest lot of Bibles can be seen at Anderson's.

NEW PARTNERSHIP. — It will be seen that Messrs. Herod and Harvey have dissolved partnership, and that Dr. Herod has taken in as a partner, Mr. John S. Moore, who has had charge of the drug store almost since it opened, and who has made himself very popular by his care and attention to customers.

TICKET CLERKS.—It is the intention of the Grand Trunk authorities to place ticket clerks on passenger trains, to perform the duties of conductors with regard to the issue and sale of tickets, and collection of fares on said trains. This step has been deemed necessary, owing to the present ticket regulations imposing more duties upon conductors than it is possible for them to perform.

DREADFUL ACCIDENT.—At a threshing, on the farm of Mr. W. Bollert of the Township of Ellice, Mrs. Bollert went out in the course of the forenoon, to see how things were getting on, when she became entangled in the gearing of the machine, and before it could be stopped she was crushed and mangled in a horrible manner, and death ensued almost immediately.

EXCITING RUNAWAY.—On Wednesday evening, as a farmer, named John Hurley, was driving a spirited span of horses along in front of the market the animals became frightened and started off at full speed. In turning the corner at the Bank of Commerce the sleigh slid around throwing off Hurley and some barrels. But Hurley retained hold of the reins and the animals dragged him along on the ground as far as the Wellington Hotel, where they were brought to a stand. Hurley was considerably cut on the side of the face, but not seriously injured. The horses and sleigh were uninjured.

LITTELL'S LIVING AGE.—Among the valuable articles contained in the latest numbers of this sterling weekly magazine, are the following:—The Egyptian Book of the Dead; English Fugitive, Songs and Lyrics, Modern Culture, The Mystics of the Fourteenth Century and their Connection with the Reformation, The Shah's Diary in England, Saxon Studies, by Julian Hawthorne, The Austrian Polar Expedition, an Un-named Habit of Language, Contrasts of Ancient and Modern History, by F. W. Newman, A Peep at Mexico, The Exploration of the Arctic Regions, by Aug. Peterman, F. R. G. S.; Guizot, by the author of "Mirabeau," &c., John Stuart Mill's Religious Confession, Mr. Gladstone's "Expostulations" The Empress Eugenie, Sketched by Napoleon III., A Freak of Fortune, an Incident in the Life of Pio Nono, by Margaret Howitt, How a Democracy can Educate Itself, The Possible Resurrection of Poland. With fifty-two numbers, of sixty-four large pages each (aggregating over 3,000 pages a year) the subscription price ($8) is low; or still better, for $10.50 any one of the American $4 Magazines is sent with *The Living Age* for a year, both post-paid. Littell & Gay, Boston, Publishers.

Cant, Gourlay & Co. are about to establish a large foundry in Galt.

The villagers of Teeswater have decided to locate the market on the "Square," which is as near as possible to the centre of the village.

DINNA FORGET.—Anderson has a splendid lot of Ladies and Gent's Dressing Cases, Workboxes, Writing Desks, Ladies' Companions, Paper Machie Goods, Pearl Albums, Instruments. Must be cleared out, and bargains will be given.

Paints, oils, colors, varnishes, glass, etc., of the purest quality. Prices reduced fully one-third at Mr. Horsman's.

A complete lot of children's sleighs just received at McBean's Hardware Store.

Rifles, guns, and gun furniture, selling at half price, at Mr. Horsman's.

Central School Examinations.

In accordance with the order of the Board the examinations of the Public Schools were held on Tuesday in the town. We purpose giving a short account of those held in the Central School on Gordon street. This building contains six schools, taught by four female and two male teachers. On the third flat the primary departments, under Misses Bruce and Maddock, were examined in reading, writing and spelling, and acquitted themselves very well indeed, when we consider that these schools contain nearly two hundred pupils, a number sufficient to fully occupy four teachers.

On descending to the second flat we find Misses McLagan and Holmes engaged with respectively fifty and eighty pupils each. The programme consisted of reading and spelling in the third and second books, writing, grammar, geography, &c., and showed that the pupils had been carefully instructed in each branch. The department of Miss McLagan was particularly worthy of commendation. On the ground floor Messrs. Walker and Anderson have charge of the fourth and third departments. Mr. Anderson's contains over thirty pupils, which is rather below the average number, owing to the illness of its late worthy teacher, Mr. Ferguson. They were examined in the third book reading and spelling, grammar, geography, arithmetic, &c. Their answers reflected credit on their industrious teacher. Mr. Walker examined his pupils in the fourth book reading and spelling, English grammar, parsing and analysis, history, geography, arithmetic to proportion, &c., the visitors expressing themselves highly satisfied with the state of the school. One gratifying feature of these examinations was the unusually large attendance of visitors. We counted upwards of sixty persons in the several class-rooms, including *one trustee*, who had an opportunity of seeing the standing of their children in their respective classes, and whose presence greatly encouraged the teachers.

We may remark that these were real examinations, and not exhibitions, the teachers in general confining themselves to the actual studies of their several departments.

Altogether, the interest taken in the Public Schools, during these examinations is much greater than formerly shown, and the hearty approval of the efforts of the pupils will encourage them to renewed efforts in the future.

SOUTH WARD SCHOOL.

The public examination of the 5th class was held at the same time as the above examinations in the above school room. No visitors were present excepting Mr. J. M. Dunn, and the Inspector, Mr. Torrance. After the examination was concluded the teacher was the recipient of a very handsome lamp and globe accompanied by an appropriate address, signed on behalf of the pupils by H. Dunn, C. Howard, and F. Lees. The teacher, Mr. Simpson, thanked them in feeling and appropriate language. During the year, 60 names have been enrolled on the Class Register; 22 of these have gone into business; 11 have passed to the High School; two have gone to a private school; two to the 4th class; 26 remaining at present on the roll. The recitations of the pupils were excellent, and it is to be regretted that there were not more visitors present. The parents and public by visiting the schools second the efforts of the teachers, and the pupils feel encouraged by this attention.

Guelph Academy Exhibition.

On Wednesday evening the pupils of the Guelph Academy, under the charge of Prof. Fowler, gave an exhibition upon closing for the Christmas and New Year holidays. The attendance was very large, so much so that before the close of the entertainment, standing room could hardly be obtained. The audience was also one of the most intelligent we have seen in the Hall for a long time. The pupils acquitted themselves in a manner which did great credit to their instructor—Mr. Fowler and his assistants—taking into consideration the short time they have had the academy under their charge. The following is the

PROGRAMME:

Dyce W. Saunders opened with the Latin Ode "Ad Pyrrham," which was very fluently rendered, and the Principal gave a metrical translation of the same. "The Battle of Hohenlinden" was, for so small a boy, very well rendered by Albert C. Rae. Then followed an examination of the 1st and 2nd classes in Natural Science, which showed that both pupils and teacher were well acquainted with the subject. An English declamation, entitled "The Combat," was very satisfactorily and frequently given by Phoebe Crooke. An examination of the High School in spelling followed, and the Principal explained that with this class he pursued the practice of requiring them to analyze the words as well as spell them. "Fruchlingslied," a German recitation was well and fluently rendered by Wm. Pipe. "A Trip to the Pictured Rocks," was the title to an essay by J. E. Horsman, which was well read and elicited much applause. The 2nd class in Geography was then examined on the map of Europe, with which they seemed to have a large acquaintance. Then followed the debate on "The Best Form of Government," the Principal acting as President of the Debating Society, which was composed of twenty members of the Academy, and also of all shades of thought. It is impossible to go at length into the discussion which ensued, in which all acquitted themselves in a highly satisfactory manner. The President then announced that they would adjourn until after the holidays.

A vote of thanks to Professar Fowler was moved by Mr. Thomas W. Saunders, seconded by Dr. Brock, was unanimously concurred in, by the audience. After the Principal's reply the company broke up, highly pleased with the evening's exhibition.

For Christmas Presents Mr. Horsman is selling giving away cruet stands, toast racks, and fancy goods of all kinds. Also sleighs, skates, card cases, and a multitude of other things, suitable for presents.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

Germany's Policy Foreshadowed.

The Reciprocity Treaty.

Burglars Arrested.

A Fatal Shooting Affray.

Prominent man Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A Berlin despatch in the *Post* asserts that Herr Mayunhe, the editor and member of the Reichstag, whose release was announced a few days ago, is still in prison. A special telegram from St. Petersburg to the *Times* says the difficulties with the Turcoman tribes in Khiva have been settled. The Altrock Expedition has returned without fighting. The Turcomans voluntarily released thirty prisoners.

VIENNA, Dec. 23.—The *New Free Press* states that documents read in the second session of the Arnim trial explained the policy of Germany in regard to the appointment of a successor to Pope Pius IX.

NEW YORK Dec. 24.—A Washington despatch says remonstrances against the proposed Canadian reciprocity treaty continue to be received. Two were presented yesterday by Mr. Fenton, one from the city authorities of Rochester, and the other from the Board of Trade of Oswego. They were referred to the Committee on Finance.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Wise & Sordheimer's tobacco factory was burnt to-night. Loss, $50,000.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 23.—James Curran, and Jimmie Papes were arrested, supposed to be the notorious bank thieves who have operated in New York and elsewhere. In a shooting affray in Mercer County last night, over a quarrel about a dog, one of the disputants was mortally wounded. The constable who attempted to quell the disturbance was shot and killed, and his brother who then interfered was also killed.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Alfred Macy, member of the Governor's Council, died here today. Nelson Tracey, an employee at Stevens' Mill, at Quinnelburg, Mass., was caught in the machinery and instantly killed to-day.

Large Fire at Fort Erie.

(Special to the Mercury.)

Dec 24.

A large fire occurred in Fort Erie last night between 12 and 4 o'clock, reducing to ashes McLaren's Hotel, Hardison's grocery and dry goods store, Harris' Hotel, Welikemy's Hotel, Gibson's boot and shoe store, H. Wilson's clothing house. The strong wind made useless all attempts to stay the flames, until the whole block was destroyed. Russel's lumber yard had a narrow escape, owing to a change in the wind.

Abortion Case.

(Special to the Mercury.)

Brockville, Dec 24.

Yesterday W. H. Greaves, outside ticket agent for the G. T. R., and Dr. Graham, jun., of this town, were arrested and lodged in jail, bail being refused, on a charge of three unsuccessful attempts of abortion committed on a young lady of this town of a highly respectable family. The lady is, I understand, in a critical condition. A babe about three weeks old was left at the door of a Mrs. O'Brien, last night, by some parties unknown.

W. J. Little's Baking and Confectionery Establishment.

A few days ago Mr. W. J. Little took possession of his splendid new baking and confectionery establishment in the new block on Wyndham street, next door to his old place. The confectionery store has been handsomely and tastefully fitted up with all the necessary cases, shelves and counters required in this business, and to-day they are all loaded with a collection of the choicest cakes, sweetmeats, and every conceivable kind of confectionery. The windows present a fine show. In one we have a magnificent wedding cake, nearly as high as the Tower of Babel, which for design and beauty of finish cannot be surpassed. On either side of it are some very choice cakes, etc., and sweets of all colours, and in all designs. In the other window is a collection of dressed turkeys, fowls, tongues, a splendid cake in imitation of a tower in Paris, jellies, and a whole lot of other delicacies, as the auctioneers says too numerous to mention. The store is lighted with beautiful crystal gasoliers, and altogether it is one of the neatest and tastiest of the kind we have seen.

The baking accommodation is most ample and convenient. Two large ovens have been built in the rear of the store, and close, with the furnaces, are of the most improved kind. Everything for the workmen has been made very comfortable and convenient. In rear of the bakehouse in the basement is a large store room, and off that is the room where all the fine pastry is prepared. Upstairs, in the rear of the main store is a room for storing the bread after being baked, a room for storing the flour, &c. The second floor is not yet finished, but will also be used as a store room.

The whole premises are first-class, and no expense has been spared in fitting them up. Mr. Little deserves great credit for opening such a fine establishment, and we have no doubt he will be well rewarded for his trouble and outlay.

NEW GOODS.—Sankey & Moody's Hymns with Music, Atlas of Scripture Geography, containing 16 maps with questions on each map—suitable for all Sunday Schools; Gladstone's Vatican Decrees with Archbishop Manning's Reply; a Hero and Martyr, by Charles Reade; King of no Land; Christmas Annuals, Christmas Cards, a large and cheap stock; bound volumes of Sunday, at Home and Leisure Hour, at Anderson's bookstore.

The Butchers' Show.

Our butchers to-day (Thursday) make their usual Christmas display of meat, &c. On entering the building we find ourselves literally hemmed in on every side by massive walls of meat, composed of huge carcasses of cattle, sheep and pigs of marvellous fatness, interspersed with an endless variety of turkeys, geese, and chickens.

The first stall is that occupied by Mr. Geo. Hood, which is handsomely decorated with holly from the garden of Mr. D. Allan, and flowers from Mr. N. Sunley's green house. He has seven very fine carcases of beef fed by Messrs. John Laidlaw and Gideon Hood, Guelph Township, and Alex. Loghrin, Eramosa. He has also a fine fatted calf. In mutton Mr. Hood has the wethers fed by himself, which carried off red tickets at the Guelph, Hamilton, London, and Provincial Exhibitions last fall; six Southdowns also fed by himself. The mutton of Southdown sheep is much superior to that of other breeds and sells much more readily. A specimen of Merino mutton labelled "Poor Vermont," is exhibited by way of contrast, and is in reality rather indigestible looking material. A mammoth hog, bred and fed by Mr. Chas. Tuck, Waterloo, and which took the first prize at the fall show, is placed in a conspicuous place, and is the recipient of considerable attention from visitors. The hog weighs 600 pounds. Alongside of this huge porker is the first prize pig at Elora show, which was fed by J. and R. McQueen. Mr. Hood has also six deer and a bear, but on account of limited accommodation, the deer are not hung up. A large collection of turkeys, one pair of which are the finest in the market, and a quantity of geese, ducks, chickens, game &c., complete this list.

Directly opposite in stall No. 2, which is occupied by J. & R. Millar, we come to an immense collection of stuff of every description, calculated to satisfy the most epicurean palate. Their fine display of meat is beatifully decorated with English holly and bunches of Scotch heather in full bloom, which gives it a very fine appearance, while mottoes appropriate to the season of the year are arranged so as to show to good advantage. In beef they have four very choice Hereford heifers and steers, bred and fed by Mr. Geo. Elliott, Paisley Block, and four more of the same breed, fed by Mr. G. B. Hood, of the same place; a mammoth heifer fed by Mr. John Hobson, Paisley Block, and weighing 1,800 lbs.; a very choice heifer fed by Mr. W. S. Armstrong, Eramosa, and six steers and heifers of extra quality purchased a Fergus fat cattle show. Messrs. Millar have thirty-five sheep and lambs including a mammoth merino from Kentucky. Also a large collection of poultry and game, consisting of pheasants, hares, etc., and a lot of their justly celebrated sugar-cured hams and bacon. Part of the above is on exhibition at their shop in Barclay's Block, on Woolwich-street.

Mr. W. Hales has a choice lot of beef although not in such great quantities as some others. He has slaughtered for the occasion two superior cattle from W. West; a cow from Mr. R. Brydon, Paisley Block; two head from J. McCaig, Puslinch; fifteen excellent sheep from C. McDougall, Eramosa, also a quantity of pork, poultry, etc.

J. A. Smart, in Stall No. 4, has a very nice lot of meat, consisting of the carcases of a splendid cow, bought from W. Bruce, Nichol; two steers and one heifer from Mr. Singer, Waterloo; one cow and three steers from Mr. Vance, Waterloo; two heifers and a steer from George Puddy, Guelph. In sheep, he has three very fine animals bought from Mr. O'Donohue, Peel, and eight lambs from J. Hales, Guelph.

Mr. J. T. Waters, in stall No. 7, has a very excellent lot of meat of all kinds, and has his stall very nicely decorated with evergreens, &c. He has cut up Mr. Stone's very fine first prize Hereford heifer, five years old; a short horn heifer three years old, bred and fed by Mr. E. Borton, Pilkington, also five other heifers and two steers fed by the same party. Mr. Waters has also a dozen fine sheep, among which is an extra two year old wether, bred by Mr. George Elliott, Paisley Block, and a Suffolk pig, bought from Mr. W. West, and which took the third prize at the late fat show. He has also a fine deer, besides a lot of poultry, sugar cured hams, lard sausages, &c.

Last, but not least, comes Mr. J. Tyson, in stall No. 8, and he certainly makes a magnificent display, both as regards quality and quantity, while considerable taste is displayed in the manner in which it is decorated. A noticeable feature is two exceedingly fine sheep, which are artistically dressed up with gold heads, and the good wishes of the season expressed in gold letters on their backs. Mr. Tyson has also Mr. John Reading's cow which took the first prize and sweepstakes both at the Central Exhibition and at the recent show of fat stock. She weighs 1400 pounds of dressed beef, and is one of the fattest, if not the fattest beast ever killed in Guelph. He has also a heifer fed by Gilbert Amos, Paisley Block; two cattle bought from Mr McKay, Puslinch, for $120 and two from Mr. P. O'Boyle, Eramosa, for which the same price was paid. A fine calf is also hung up. In sheep, he has two extra ones fed by Mr. George Elliott, and 12 fed by himself. He has a large hog fed by Jas. Simpson, Guelph. A lot of excellent turkeys, including the second prize takers at the show, and numerous geese, ducks and game, make up this excellent collection.

The butchers in other parts of the town have also large and excellent stocks of meat on hand.

Besides the above mentioned there is a large quantity of beef &c., in sleighs outside the market building. On the whole the display is an exceedingly fine one, and well maintains the reputation that Guelph has so long enjoyed for the high quality of her stock and the enterprise and energy of the dealers in this particular line.

Those fine fancy goods and books at Day's Bookstore are selling fast. Day's low prices and splendid stock to select from is attracting large crowds of customers.

Small Hardware Stores are springing up in various parts of the country, promising great things, but as they have all to purchase second hand they cannot possibly sell as cheap as Mr. Horsman, who buys direct from the manufacturers in England and the United States.

The reputation Mr. Horsman has attained and the large business established by him, have been brought about by his keeping at all times the best hardware and selling cheap.