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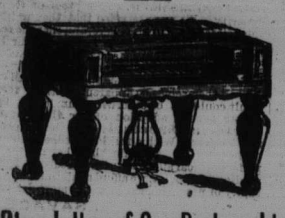
Guelph Melodeon Co'y.



Dissolution of Co- Partnership

The Co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name of BELL, WOOD & CO., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

WM. BELL
R. B. WOOD
ROBERT BELL
ROBERT McLEOD.

JOHN RUDD, Witness.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

BELL BROTHERS, of the late firm, assume all liabilities, and all notes and accounts are to be paid to them at the old stand, East Market Square.
Guelph 15th April, 1869. w3

BELL BRO'S

The senior partners of the above firm st ll continue to manufacture

MELODEONS & CABINET ORGANS

In the old stand, under the name of W. BELL & Co.

Though the late firm received two First Prizes at the last Provincial Exhibition we were determined to make a still better instrument, and with that end in view secured the services of some of PRINCE & CO'S best workmen, including a tuner who is undoubtedly the best in Canada. We therefore confidently affirm that our instruments are much superior to any made elsewhere in Canada, and at least equal to any made in the United States.

Pianos and Melodeons Tuned and Repaired.

☞ All our instruments warranted for 5 years and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. Send for our catalogue.

Address, W. BELL & CO.
Guelph, April 30, 1869. daw

THE MEDICAL HALL.

TICK

KILLER

USE HARVEY'S TICK KILLER FOR SHEEP.

PREPARED BY

E. HARVEY & CO.,
Chemists and Druggists.

Guelph, 10th June, dw

TAYLOR & MINTY,
BANKERS,
EXCHANGE AND STOCK BROKERS

Agents of the United States Lloyds, &c.

OFFICE—C[illegible] of James and King-sts.,

HAMILTON, ONT.

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Gold and Silver Coin and uncurrent Money bought and sold.

Interest allowed on cash deposits.

Liberal advances made upon Consignments to the United States.

Collections receive the most prompt attention.

Loans negotiated.

GEORGE TAYLOR,
Late Manager of the Bank of B.N. Am., Hamilton
FRANCIS MINTY,
Late of the Bank of Montreal, Hamilton
Hamilton, 14th June dwly

LUMBER YARD.

Upper Wyndham-st, Guelph.

OLD FACE IN THE OLD PLACE.

The subscriber begs to inform the public that he has commenced the lumber business in the old stand occupied by GOWDY & STEWART,

Opposite the Alma Block, Guelph

Where all kinds of Lumber will be kept constantly on hand. Bills cut to order on short notice.

Also, Water Lime and Calsine Plaster, and Flour and Feed

at all kinds cheap for cash as usual. By strict attention to business, he trusts to share a part of public patronage

FRANCIS SMALL.
Guelph, April 3, 1869. dwly

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OF LONDON.
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JOHN M. BOND, Agent, Guelph.
Guelph, 14th Nov dw

PETRIE'S
INSECT POWDER.

If you want to save your

PLANTS AND BUSHES!

from destruction by Insects use Petrie's Insect Powder, prepared expressly for that purpose by

A. B. PETRIE, Chemist,

Corbet's Block, Guelph.

Full directions enclosed.

Guelph, June daw f

SPECIAL NOTICE

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds

From the Locket to Life Size

Equal, as regards finish and life-like appearance to any that can be obtained in the Dominion.—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices.

Rooms: Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-St.

WILLIAM BURGESS.
Guelph December 12. dw

MUSIC CLASS.

MR. BAGLEY'S

Music Class will be opened

ON THURSDAY, THE 8th OF JULY

Mr. Bagley will teach the following instruments

FLUTE
PICCOLO
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GUITAR
VIOLIN
CORNET

And all Brass Instruments.

☞ Theory of Music in all its branches.

GEORGE BAGLEY,
St. George's Square, rear of English Church
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No. 2 Day's Block, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

FARMERS will constantly find on hand a supply of

Ale or Beer in any Size Casks

Also, Bottled Ale and Porter.

Guelph, 8th May. dw E. CARROLL & CO

R. TROTTER
(Late Trotter & Graham.)

DENTIST, - GUELPH.

OFFICE—Over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts.

REFERENCE—A successful practice of fifteen years.

N. B.—The public will please not expect the subscriber to compete for, advertise, or expose "Prize Dentistry," as that is a means of advertising condemned by all Dental Societies, and adopted by few, if any, first-class Dentists.

Guelph, 29th April, 1868. dw

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber, in returning thanks to his friends and the public generally, for the liberal patronage bestowed on him during the past eight years, begs to announce that he has rented **Stall No. 4, Guelph Market,** where he will always keep on hand a choice assortment

FRESH AND SALT MEAT

of all kinds, which he will sell at the lowest possible prices.

JOHN TYSON, Butcher.
Guelph, May 8, 1869. daw tf

Evening Mercury.

FRIDAY EV'NG, JULY 16, 1869.

Town and County Items.

CONGREGATIONAL S. S. PIC-NIC.—The annual pic-nic of the Congregational Church Sabbath School will be held on the afternoon of Tuesday next, in Mr. Robert Thompson's grove, where it was such a success last year.

A FALSE REPORT.—There has been a rumor in circulation to the effect, that No. 9 Co'y, Hollin, was dissatisfied with the rations and the rules of the Camp.—The orderly-corporal and orderly-serg't both inform us that the report is entirely without foundation.

INSPECTION POSTPONED.—In consequence of the storm last night which disarranged everything about the camp the inspection was postponed from 10 a. m., till 2 p. m., Lieut.-Col. Taylor, D. A. A. G. arrived by the 9.45 train this morning, but the Adjutant-Gen. is not now expected.

SALEM MILLS.—The Elora papers inform us that Mr. C. Whitlaw, who has occupied the Elora mills for the last five years, has leased the Salem mills from Messrs. Wissler for the same term. Mr. Whitlaw has taken his manager Mr. Gay into partnership with him, and the new firm will be known as Whitlaw & Gay.

FIRE IN HARRISTON.—We regret to state that the store of Mr. Watson, who recently removed from Elora to Harriston, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday evening. Mr. Watson closed the store and came down to Elora to see his family, and it appears that about the time he arrived here the fire broke out. There was not much of the stock saved nor much insurance.

CLEARING SALE AT THE GOLDEN LION.—We call attention to the great clearing sale at the Golden Lion, where the whole of the summer stock will be sold at actual cost price. This is a splendid chance for securing dry goods at the cheapest rates. The clearing sales at the Golden Lion are always something to look to, but this one now announced is the best of any.

GUELPH BUILDING AND SAVINGS' SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Guelph Building and Saving's Society was held on the 12th inst., Geo. Elliott, Esq., President, in the chair. The annual report stated that the funds of the Society were in such a condition as to require no more calls upon the members, there being a surplus of about $1,000 on hand. The total assets are $37,002 60, and the liabilities $35,800. The Directors were authorized to sell all matured securities, with a view to the final closing of the Society's business at an early date. A sum of $200 was voted to the President and $200 to the Secretary, as a token of the Society's appreciation of their services. The Directors appointed were Messrs. Grange, Elliott, Higinbotham, Hazelton, Loghrin, Sandilands, Hadden, Fergusson, Logan and Dow. At a subsequent meeting, George Elliott, Esq., was re-elected President, and E. Newton, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer.

ANOTHER STORM,—On Thursday night we had another of those violent thunder storms which have been of such frequent occurrence this summer. In town the water ran in rivers, floated away crossings, and flooded cellars. Mr. Garland had a quantity of furs wetted in his cellar, and a dog that was in it was drowned. On the camp ground matters were still worse, for though the tents turned the rain as it fell overhead, it could not keep out that which ran in streams along the ground. In a few minutes the water was in some places from eight inches to a foot in depth, and of course there was no rest, under canvas, to be thought of for the remainder of the night. The men waded about for a while, and then some of them went over to the Station and got in empty cars. Mr. Brodie opened the Station House to others, a few came down to town, while some remained at the tents and did the best they could. Upon the whole it was the most disagreeable night the Volunteers have yet spent.

FESTIVAL TO THE VOLUNTEERS TO-NIGHT.—Several ladies in town have with a most commendable spirit arranged to give the volunteers now in camp a strawberry festival to-night, which is their last under canvass. For this purpose they are to-day soliciting subscriptions in money or refreshments, and we have no doubt the appeal will be liberally responded to. The men will be supplied with stawberries, cakes &c., and in order to raise sufficient funds to pay all expenses the public will be charged 10 cents admission to the camp ground. The Battalion Band will be present during the festival, and play some of their best airs. They request us to say that parties willing to contribute cream, cakes or money, may leave the same either at Mr. Berry's or at Mr. Brodie's, Great Western Station, any time before seven o'clock this evening. We trust there will be an abundant supply of good things for the brave fellows, and that the public will largely patronise the Festival.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.

FRIDAY, July 16th.

Clay Pleads Guilty of Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses.

"Dr." Clay was brought up this morning under charges of obtaining money under false pretences from Henry Hudson, Mrs. James Dow, of Nichol, and Jas. Hassan, of Waterloo, in the early part of April last.

Elspet Dow, wife of James Dow, Nichol, sworn, said—Identified the prisoner, and said that prisoner got 50cts, from her some time in the early part of April; prisoner called and said he was going round getting subscriptions to build a New Connexion Church in Guelph; I gave him 50 cents; did not converse much with him; he represented he was authorized to collect money, and that he was appointed by the committee to go round and take up collections to help build the church; he had a subscription list with him, or what purported to be one; don't remember how it was headed; saw Mr. Hudson's name on it; there were apparently a good many names on it; he stayed some time in the house; don't belong to the New Connexion Church; am a member of the Free Church; never saw prisoner before that; prisoner gave his name as Dr. McNichol; that his father lived in Puslinch Plains. He said the church was to be erected on the land given by Mr Howitt, in Guelph. Prisoner said he had studied for a doctor; understood from him that he was living with his father, as he invited me to his father's house. Mr Hudson lives near where we do. As far as I can remember, he came to our house about the first week in April; understood prisoner to say that he had been at Hudson's collecting money, and saw his name on the list, with the sum of 25 cents written opposite; he stayed at Hudson's all night. Am quite sure prisoner did not call as far back as January or February.

Henry Hudson, of Nichol: Prisoner is the man who came to my house to solicit money to build a church; he came on foot; said he was collecting for a new Methodist Church in Guelph; said to witness he came out for that purpose; prisoner said they had chosen him for that purpose; he asked if he could stop all night; I said he could; this was before I gave him the money; he stayed all night; next morning I gave him 25 cents, and my wife gave him 25 cents; he had a little book with him, which he showed me; he put my name in it, after asking me what it was; he asked me to direct me to some place; I directed him to Mr. John Green's and to Mr. James Dow's, and others on the line; He gave his name as George McMicken, and that his father lived in Puslinch Plains; thinks he came some time in February, but can't say as I am not sure; as Mrs. Dow says he came in April it might be my mistake about the date; can't say whether he called at my son's, but understand he was there; saw him coming from that direction; he stated to me that the congregation were then preaching in the Court House.

Mrs. Helen Hudson, sworn: Lives in Nichol; am wife of Andrew Hudson, who is son of Henry Hudson, the last witness; know the prisoner; was at my house I think on the first Thursday after the Elora fair, seeking assistance to build a church, I think, in Guelph; told him my husband was not at home and I could not give him anything; he wanted to stay all night, but I told him I could not keep him; it was evening when he came; he came down again next morning to see if my husband would give him anything, but he had left before he came.

James T. Nichols, sworn: Know the prisoner, who goes by the name of Geo. Clay; know his father, who formerly lived in Puslinch. There was no Methodist congregation had preaching in the Court House last April. The congregation there is called Chalmers' Church (Presbyterian). Don't know of any Methodist church being built or to be built in Guelph. Saw prisoner about the beginning of April in Guelph; asked him what he was doing; he said he was studying medicine. Asked me this morning how many charges there were against him; said I did not know; asked me what I thought he should do; said I could not advise him; said he thought he would plead guilty.

On the charge being read over to the prisoner he pleaded guilty to obtaining money from Henry Hudson.

James Hassan, sworn: Live in Waterloo, within 500 yards of this county; saw the prisoner at my house last spring, some time in April; he stated he came to collect money to build a church; he read from a paper the name and place, but I did not hear distinctly; I understood it was in Guelph, as he said he resided in Guelph; I gave him 50 cents; he gave his name as Dr. Clay, and said he was a veterinary surgeon, and had been thro' the American war; he mentioned the names of the committee for whom he was collecting; prisoner had a book, but I did not put my name in it.

Chief Constable Kelly, sworn: Know the prisoner; caused him to be arrested in Toronto; went there for him on Monday; he asked me the cause of his arrest; told him the cause coming from the gaol; he denied it; I told him the particular cases when coming from the police station to the cars [illegible] asked what would [illegible] I did not kn[illegible] make [illegible] he was guilty of getting money, and was sorry for it on account of his wife; he said it was some converted Jews that got him into the scrape.

The prisoner also pleaded guilty to this charge.

The case of Mr. Dow against the prisoner was not closed, owing to the absence of one of the witnesses.

The prisoner was then committed on the two first charges, and he was remanded till Tuesday on four other charges, which will then be investigated, namely, obtaining 25 cents from Joseph Howe, 25c from Andrew Kline, 25c from Josesh Kline, all of Waterloo, and 25c from Herron Hudson, of Nichol. By that time other charges will very likely be found out against the prisoner.

The prisoner in pleading guilty, feigned great sorrow for his offences, and said he had been brought into trouble by those converted Jews. He offered to pay back all the money he had thus fraudulently obtained.

☞ The Czar interdicts a Sorosis at St. Petersburg.

Court-Martial.

It is to be regretted that cause has been found to bring to Court Martial one of the non-commissioned officers of the Battalion, since it assembled for the annual drill. The particulars are as follows: On the morning of the 13th, the bread which was supplied to the Battalion not being of a very desirable quality was condemned (accidents to baking will occur in such variable weather), and it was sometime before a fresh supply could be obtained. Some of the men, not having a proper understanding of matters, became impatient at the delay and threatened to proceed to town to obtain a breakfast. Sergeant Henry Hamilton, of No. 10 Company attempted to fall in his men for that purpose. Col. Higinbotham was called out and ordered the Sergeant to his tent, where he remained until the afternoon of Thursday, when he was brought before the Court Martial. The Court was composed as follows: President, Capt. Pearce (No. 5, Co'y.), Lieut. Inglis (No. 1 Co'y.), Lieut. Brown (No. 10 Co'y.), Ensign Allingham (No. 8 Co'y.), and Ensign Grey (No. 9 Co'y). After mature deliberation, the Court found the prisoner guilty of insubordination, and condemned him to be reduced to the ranks. The finding of the Court was confirmed by the Lieut.-Col. Accordingly on the Battalion's assembling at the close of the afternoon drill, awaiting dismissal, the prisoner was brought up in charge of a sergeant, his stripes stripped off by the Sergeant-Major, and he was ordered to join the ranks of his Company.

THE SUICIDE IN WATERLOO.—A despatch from Waterloo to the Hamilton *Times* gives us the following particulars regarding the suicide of Capt. Cain's wife mentioned in Thursday's *Mercury*: About 9 o'clock on Thursday morning, the wife of Mr. Jas. Cain, of this place, committed suicide by shooting herself through the heart with a revolver, falling back upon the bed and expired immediately. Mr. Cain was just outside the house mending a fence, and his daughter were returning from a neighbour's house and was opposite the gate when the report was heard. The mind of the deceased has been unsettled for some time, being worse during some periods of the year. Though not generally left alone, yet this morning but a few minutes sufficed to enable her to perpetrate the deed.

LION TAMER KILLED.—A report comes from Michigan that Charles White, the lion tamer, travelling with Thayer's menagerie, was actually eaten by the lions, while making them perform in their den, at a town in that state, a short time since. There is a probability that the person mentioned as having been eaten is the same who visited Guelph last fall in charge of the lions belonging to Thayer's circus, and at that time there was more than one individual prophesied that the surly old lion which jumped through the hoops with such surly grace, and snapped his teeth at the keeper as he went out of the cage, "would settle his hash for him some day." The beautiful lioness "Rose" was as docile and kindly as a lapdog, but old "Leo" could not help being and looking savage.

NICHOL INSURANCE COMPANY.—From the *Express* we learn that this Company held their annual meeting on the 7th inst., and in presenting the tenth annual report had pleasure in stating that three consecutive years had passed without any loss having been sustained by fire. One hundred and seventy-eight policies, including renewals, have been recorded during the past year—covering property to the amount of $200,160.—There are 385 policies now in force, covering property to the amount of $395,720. The available premium notes amount to $7,944,76. and the balance at credit of the Company is $402,79. A portion, however of this balance (85.32) is represented by promissory notes, &c.

THE HORSE SHOE FALL—The Niagara correspondent of the Hamilton *Spectator* says: The announcement of the breaking away of the Horse Shoe Fall is creating something of a sensation in the fashionable circles here. The facts are that about thirty feet of that part of the cove where the green water is seen nearest Goat Island, has caved in, and it is estimated by competent geologists that about eighty to one hundred tons of rock have fallen. This now gives the shoe more of a triangular appearance. It is very evident that Niagara is yearly receding, but this is probably the greatest change that has taken place within the recollection of the present generation.

IMMIGRANTS.—The total number of immigrants that arrived at Toronto for the first half of the year 1868 was 13,516. Of these 1,574 stayed in Canada, and 11,942 went to the States. During the corresponding half of the year 1869 the total arrivals amounted to 19,308, of whom 5,038 remained in Canada, and 14,270 passed through. The increase of immigrants staying in Canada was 3,464, and of those going to the States 2,328. The total increase in the arrivals for both Canada and the States is 5,972.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES.

LONDON, July 15.—The Bank of England to day made another reduction in minium rate of interest of ½ per cent. The rate is now 3 per cent.

The *Times* in an article on the Cuban question says:—"The progress of Spain towards an enlightened, commercial policy, will soon become a necessity, and with more of the liberal tariff system it will be difficult for her home produce to compete with American, and she will be unable any longer to monopolize the markets of the Antilles. Under these circumstances, Cuba will become useless to Spain, and pride alone can lead her to hold on to the dominion which is disputed in the teeth of the best Spanish troops. Gen. Prim and other statesmen are convinced that the separation of Cuba is only a question of time. National honour prevents Spain from taking such steps as long as insurrection prevails, but when the island is pacified, the national dictates of reason ought to be listened to. Cuba is valuable; Spain wants cash, and a purchaser is at hand. Should the island be canvassed, a plebeiscitum would result in favour of annexation to the United States. The only serious question is, can the Americans at this moment afford the purchase money. It is for the advantage of both hemispheres that each should follow its own course untrammelled by the interference of the other."

At the International Rifle Match, on Wimbledon commons, the riflemen of Scotland were victorious.

PARIS, 15—The French journals comment severely on the prorogation of the Corps Législatif before verification of the elections was completed. The Government is accused of closing the Chambers with the design of stifling discussion.—The session will probably be resumed on the 20th of August.

LONDON, 15—In the House of Commons this evening, the Irish Church Bill, as amended in the House of Lords, came up for consideration. Mr. Gladstone, on rising, was greeted with loud cheers by the Liberals, and derisive shouts from the Tories. He said that in respect to the amendments which had been made to the Bill, the Government proposed to restore the preamble and date of the disestablishment, as they appeared in the original Bill. They should agree to the amendment relating to curates' annuities, and to the protection of annuitants, with some modification, but all other amendments they would oppose with the single exception of the grant of half a million pounds in lieu of private annuities made in 1660.

Mr. Disraeli followed. He said that although the abstract principles of the Bill had been repeatedly discussed, there had been little discussion on the details of its provision. He hoped that the amendments made in the House of Lords would receive the calm consideration of the Commons.

Mr Gladstone then moved that the House disagree to the preamble as amended. He thought concurrent endowment, which the Lords had in view, a very differene scheme from that of Pitt, who had in contemplation an established Catholic church side by side with a disestablished church, and under State control Concurrent endowment, as now understood, was totally opposed to the principles of the Bill, and was of such a character as to be entirely opposed to the spirit of the time. If the House could be induced to agree to it, it was certain that the country, especially to large constituencies, would never sanction it. He strongly advocated the appropriation of the surplus funds as originally proposed, with a proviso reserving to Parliament control over them.

Mr. Disraeli thought the House ought to agree to the amended preamble. He asserted that the House of Lords did not desire any reservation of surplus for purposes of concurrent endowment, and rediculed the plan for its appropriation.—He hoped the House would prevent such a waste of public funds, and not allow them to be dealt with in this loose and vague manner.

The motion was carried by a vote of 246 against 222; majority for Government 124.

NEWS ITEMS.

☞ A Pittsfield farmer claims a kind of potato "just fifteen minutes earlier than the Early Rose."

☞ A new Jewish Synagogue is building in London, to which Baron Rothschild contributes $120,000.

☞ A fine calf, the property of Mr. A. Dyce, of Garafraxa, was killed by lightning during the storm on Sunday.

☞ The Council of the village of Mount Forest granted $50 to assist in defraying the expenses of the volunteers to Guelph.

☞ The Montreal Telegraph Comp'y completed their line from Mitchell to Listowel on Tuesday, and their office is now open for business.

☞ Reports read at the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons now in session in Montreal, showed upwards of $1,000 devoted to charitable purposes during the past session.

☞ A young lady of San Francisco was insulted, when alone on the street the other evening, by a vile fellow; but instead of screaming or fainting, she simply broke his head with a cobble stone.

☞ Jamaica, taking the hint from the mother country, is now asking for disestablishment, an opportunity for which is offered by the expiration at the close of the present year of the Clergy Act relating to that Island.

☞ In consequence of the disagreements between the various national societies in Quebec, as to which should take precedence in presenting an address to His Excellency the Governor General, on his visit to that city, refused to accept any of them.

☞ The dinner given by the Quebec Board of Trade and citizens to Sir John Young came off on Thursday with great *eclat*. It was one of the most brilliant and successful public entertainments which has ever taken place in the ancient Capitol.

☞ The total number of Poles who are now in exile in the mines, in consequence of the last insurrection, is 140,000 among whom are 6 bishops, 3 prelates, and 218 priests; 97 clergymen have either perished on the field or been executed by order of court martial; and that about 200 more have been sentenced to imprisonment for various periods.