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 Guelph, 23rd November.

Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET
 FRIDAY EVENING, NOV. 27, 1868.

Matters in France.

The Emperor Napoleon is bending all the machinery of his strong, centralized Government to the repression of every movement of the Liberals. We have had grumbings and mutterings from Paris for the last year or two, in some respects suggesting the premonitions of an earthquake. It is certain that they have reached the Emperor. He has been twenty years ruler of France, and Liberty is no nearer than when he became Emperor. A Government which trembles at the pasquinades of M. Rochefort, and which answers the Liberal victory in Spain by the prosecution of newspapers, rests upon a very uncertain foundation. The brilliant abilities and glorious achievements of the first Napoleon may still be remembered with a feeling of national pride, for if he were a tyrant his tyranny purchased glory, and the yoke of such a hero sat easy. But what return do the people receive for wearing the fetters of the schemer who now fills the throne? As individuals, as a nation the people of France endure unmitigated thralldom with no grounds whatever for deceiving themselves into the belief that oppression is more than compensated by the dazzling grandeur or occasional munificence of the oppressor. Louis Napoleon reigns, and the people suffer for his personal behoof and the continuation of his dynasty. How long this state of things will continue cannot easily be surmised, but it would not be at all surprising if the seed of one, whose relationship to the Bonapartes is doubted, should be cut off from what he has been taught to look upon as his inheritance, and France once more indulge her taste for Republican Government.

Affairs in Spain.

The condition of affairs in Spain is thus sketched by Mr. Russell of the London Times: There are the murmurs that assail my ear as I watch the undercurrent of opinion among a certain class of Spanish Liberals. To all outward appearance nothing is more pleasing or more edifying than the unanimity of political parties. Everybody for himself is the rule, and so long as the government has anything to give, it can satisfy most, if not all men. Still there are who are doomed to ask in vain; and there are others who, whatever they may get never tire of asking for more. Political exiles are coming in from distant countries by hundreds; they find all places filled up, they find access to the fountain-head blocked up, the fountain itself exhausted. I know of poor petitioners, men of education and with large families, who have been sent off with a seven-rails ticket and forbidden to take up a basket and work in the trenches. Among these no wonder discontent recruits its forces. There is a spirit in the democratic party. Its former leaders Ribero, Martos, Salmeron, go in with the government through thick and thin, and make a profession of anti-Republican principles. But Republicanism is gaining ground, nevertheless, and is the only party that can thrive under any leaders, or even dispense with leaders altogether. The government its friends have been sobered down by experience; they find it difficult to work out their original programme.

The *Imparcial*, a paper which has always been looked upon as the organ of some of the members of the Provisional Government comes out with a leading article headed, "The Government is afraid," and challenges the Government to prove the contrary. It shows how fear alone prevented the Government issuing a decree for the establishment of freedom of worship; how fear hindered the abolition of differential duties, the reform of the tariff, the promulgation of free trade. In every branch of administration, in every measure connected with public order and security, the journal denounces the same pusillanimity on the part of the Government.

THE WAR IN JAPAN.—The mysterious empire of Japan has hitherto had two emperors, one temporal, the other spiritual. The former went by the title of the Tycoon, while the latter was dignified by the appellation of the Mikado. For some time past there has been civil war in Japan, the opposing parties being headed by the two rulers. The battles bloody that it might be supposed they were sometimes more obstinate and would be, and since the outbreak of the contest a large number of men have been slain. But intelligence has arrived that the struggle is about over; the spiritual ruler, who has only now attained his majority, has carried his point and been crowned Emperor, the Tycoonate having been abolished. The Tycoon submits gracefully, and has notified the representatives of foreign nations that the entire administration is in the hands of his successful rival. The war against the most powerful of the Northern Daimios, Aizu, is still progressing, but the young Mikado seems to be on the point of complete victory.

A reward of \$320 is offered for the arrest of the thief who stole, on the 27th ult., a two year old filly, belonging to Mr. John Haskett, of London township. Mr. Haskett is evidently down on horse-stealing.

WHICH SHALL IT BE?—The Spaniards appear inclined to rush from one extreme of government to another. Having acquired their liberty they seem to be at a loss what to do with it. Monarchy in a more lenient and modified form than they had previously experienced it seemed at first to suit their inclinations, but we are informed that more recently the advocates of republican institutions are gaining ground, and that the idea of a Federal Republic is meeting with increased favour. The lovers of Monarchy did not strike the iron when it was hot; probably it was impossible for them to do so, as it was no easy matter to pitch upon a person likely to accept the throne, and fill it with acceptance to the people. Consequently it is not unlikely that republicanism, the usual sequel of a grand revolution, will follow in Spain as in other countries. Britons are not much disposed to reverence or recommend such a form of government in any case, but there are a number of reasons why it is peculiarly unsuitable to the present condition of Spain and the Spaniards. The gentle but firm guiding hand of a limited monarchy would assuredly direct most speedily to order, prosperity and content.

LOCAL ITEMS.

ST. ANDREW'S CELEBRATION.—The Committee of Arrangements will meet in the Town Hall this [Friday] evening at half-past seven o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Orniston will conduct (D.V.) the services at the annual missionary meeting of Mr. Torrance's congregation, on Monday next, Nov. 30th, beginning at one o'clock in the afternoon.

THE NEW DOMINION MONTHLY.—The December number of this Canadian Magazine has been received from the publishers, John Dougall & Son, Montreal. The frontispiece, "Dorcas," is a very nice engraving, and contains a significant hint for those blessed with an abundance of this world's goods. The reading matter is as usual of varied character, but all pure in tone, and calculated to improve the morals. The price of the periodical is \$1 per year.

CANADA ZION CHURCH.—The annual conference of the English Wesleyan Methodist Zion Church of Canada met in the Wesleyan Zion Church, Chady Grove, Chatham Township, Co. of Kent, on Oct. 15th ult. The Conference was organized by singing and prayer by the Rev. J. J. Sinclair, the President. Mr. John R. Alexander, acted as Secretary pro tem. The Roll was called, when it was found that five members were absent, and that two had died in the course of the Conference year. The proceedings were conducted with the utmost harmony; an Elder was ordained, and Isaac Taylor was appointed to the Guelph and Brantford mission. The Conference adjourned to meet in the Church at Shady Grove on the first Saturday in September, 1869.

RUNNING THE MACHINE CHEAP.—The *Advertiser* pays a high tribute to the value and accuracy of our reports by copying verbatim a special despatch giving the particulars of the proceedings of the Central Reform Committee, which met at Fergus on Wednesday, and which despatch was printed in our weekly edition on Wednesday night. It is base ingratitude to lay our columns under contribution in this manner, and then call us all sorts of bad names. The public will see that we, like other folks, have our mission, and no unimportant portion of it is to provide intelligence for the *Advertiser*. It neither had the courage nor enterprise to send a reporter to the meeting, but in the most impudent manner possible purloins our report, and dishes it up to its few readers as original. This is another sample of the enterprise, of which we used to hear so much from our "straddle the fence" cotemporary. Verily the mighty have fallen.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

COULSON HOUSE,

GUELPH, Nov. 27.
 Wm. Head, Galt; C. F. Scott, Toronto; W. Mowat, Montreal; John Pervis, Fergus; W. Mulray, Troy, N. Y.; A. F. Waterson, Miss E. Waterson, Brantford; A. Robertson, St. Marys; C. Kauffmann, J. B. Stephenson, Montreal; Wm. Allan, Walbrass, Ind.; Henry E. Clark, Toronto; John C. Tangney and wife, P. Tangney, M. Tangney, Miss Tangney, Fergus; Miss Barret, Galt; James Bowman, Durham; John Stafford, Owen Sound; Rev. H. Curry, James Fowler, Mount Forest; P. Smith, Durham.

MARRIAGES.

KING—SCOTT.—At Guelph, on the 25th Nov., by the Rev. John Hogg, Mr. George King, farmer, to Miss Jane Scott, both of Puslinch.

DIED.

WILSON.—In Hamilton, on the 25th Nov., John Combe Wilson, Esq., aged 51 years. His remains will be interred in the Guelph Union Cemetery, on Saturday, the 28th inst. The funeral will proceed from the residence of Mr. F. Maroon at 10 a. m. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend without further notice.

New Advertisements.

YOUNG MAN WANTED.
 Wanted, a steady, active young man, accustomed to the care of a horse, and willing to make himself generally useful. Apply at this office, Guelph, Nov. 27, 1868. do tf

CANADIAN ALMANAC
 FOR 1869,
 Only 12 Cents, at

DAY'S BOOKSTORE,
 Opposite the Market.

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TAILOER WANTED.
 Wanted, a tailor for a country store. Must be a good cutter, and be able to conduct the custom business. Apply on TUESDAY, 1st Dec., from 11 till 2 p. m., to Thomas Whitehead, at Hogg's Dry Goods store. Guelph, Nov. 23. do

HOOKS, ATTENTION.

A GENERAL MEETING

Of the members of the late Hook and Ladder Company will be held at NICHOLS' COURT HOUSE HOTEL,
 On TUESDAY EV'G, 1st DEC.,
 At half-past 7 o'clock, when all the members are particularly requested to bring in all Clothing, &c., belonging to the Company.

WILLIAM SUNLEY, Secretary.
 Guelph, Nov. 27. do td

WILLIAM C. BAINE, ACCOUNTANT.

Special attention paid to the opening, balancing and closing of Books.

Intricate and disputed Partnership accounts arranged.

OFFICE.—At Messrs. C. & A. SHARPE'S, MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH.

Guelph, Nov. 26. do 5w

GREAT

AUCTIONS SALE

—OF—

BOOKS

&c. &c. &c.

TO-MORROW NIGHT!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH.

At M. Shewan's Old Stand,

WYNDHAM STREET.

Guelph, Nov. 27. do

POCKET DIARIES

FOR 1869,

At prices from 15 cents to \$2.00. A large supply at

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Opposite the Market.

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CUTHBERT'S.

Guelph, 26th November. do

SALT AND CORN.

Just Received by the subscribers and arriving

1000 Barrels Coderich Salt,
 5000 Bushels No. 1 Corn,

Which they are prepared to sell at LOW RATES to the Trade.

Guelph, Nov. 23. do 2w

JOHN A. WOOD'S,

Wyndham Street.

Guelph October 31st. do

PORTRAIT PAINTING.

D. C. BELL,

Portrait and Landscape Painter,

Has taken rooms in DAY'S BLOCK, where he will be happy to execute Likenesses of all who may favor him with their commands.

PORTRAITS

In Oil Colours, painted from life. PHOTOGRAPHS, AMBROTYPES, DAGUERROTYPES and MINATURES of all kinds copied and enlarged to LIFE SIZE.

Flags & Banners Painted

Inspection of Specimens respectfully invited.

Guelph, Nov. 17, 1868. do 1m

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A. GRAHAM & CO.

Have to intimate to the public of Guelph and vicinity that they have opened a NEW FLOUR AND FEED STORE in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Hugh Hogg,

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where they will keep constantly on hand Flour and Feed of all kinds, of the very best quality. All orders promptly attended to, and goods delivered free of charge in any part of the town.

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A large supply always on hand. Goods delivered free of charge in any part of the town.

Guelph, Nov. 24. do 1t

NEW GOODS.

D. SAVAGE

Is now opening his Fall Stock, which is unusual large and attractive.

CAKE BASKETS, CRUETS
 BUTTER COOLERS, SUGAR BOWLS
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 FLOWER VASES.

PURE SILVER SPOONS ELECTRO-PLATED SPOONS.

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REAL JET SETS

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All of which will be offered at Montreal and Toronto prices.

Guelph, 14th Nov. do

ST. ANDREW'S DAY

1868. 1868.

CELEBRATION.

GUELPH ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY will celebrate THE DAY by a grand

PROMENADE CONCERT,

IN THE TOWN HALL,

On Monday Ev'g, November 30,

To be followed by

Parlor Entertainments and a Ball.

REFRESHMENTS will be served during the interval of the Concert.

Gentlemen's tickets \$1; Ladies' ticket 50c, which may be procured at the bar of the Castle Garden Saloon, at the Bookstore, and of the members of Committee.

SUPPER will be provided by Mr. Miller, of the Castle Garden Saloon, at 25 cents each.

Guelph November 25. do-w1

FRESH ARRIVALS.

500 dozen Turnip Baskets.

50 dozen Corn Brooms.

12 " Fancy Corn Whisks.

20 " Spruce Pails.

5 " Stable Pails.

" Toy Pails.

Cases Telegraph Matches.

5 Cases Parlor Matches.

12 dozen Butter Spoons, Cards, &c.

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Another Lot of of those Delicious

Oranges,
 Lemons,
 Sweet Potatoes,
 Pea Nuts,
 Chestnuts, &c.,

Will be sold to the Trade at LOW PRICES for Cash.

HUGH WALKER,

Guelph, Nov. 25. dw

BUSINESS STILL GOOD

AT THE

BRADFORD HOUSE

DRESS GOODS!

Another LARGE ARRIVAL at 12 1/2 Cents, worth DOUBLE the Money.

JACKETS! JACKETS!

Jackets at Panic Prices. Astrachan Jackets, Sealskin Jackets, Whitney, Black and Coloured. Petersburg, Black and Coloured, and an immense variety of

FANCY JACKETS, COMMENCING AT \$1.00.

Table Linen and Sheetings.

The BRADFORD HOUSE is still a Household Word amongst Housekeepers, for cheap Furnishings of every description. CALL AND EXAMINE.

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For stylish BONNETS go to the BRADFORD HOUSE. For CHEAP HATS go to the BRADFORD HOUSE. The best assortment of FEATHERS, FLOWERS, MILLINERY TRIMMINGS, &c., is to be found at the BRADFORD HOUSE.

PHILIP BISH

Wyndham Street, Guelph, November 23. daw 1t

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE,

OLD POST OFFICE BLOCK.

A Very Superior Article

COAL OIL!

NOW ON HAND,

AT PETRIE'S

Drug Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

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Finnan Haddie,
 Smoked Salmon,
 Yarmouth Bloaters,
 Fresh Lobsters.

AT GEO. WILKINSON'S.

LABRADOR HERRINGS,

Lake Huron Herring,
 New Scaled Herrings,
 Codfish and Haddock

AT GEO. WILKINSON'S.

PLATT & CO'S

Cheapsake Bay

BALTIMORE OYSTERS,

At Geo. Wilkinson's.

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