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THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH, renovated and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free combi and other attending. First-class laundry in connection. May 14 dwt J. A. THORP, Proprietor

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New Advertisements.

TWO GENTLEMEN WANTED - As Boarders in a private family. Apply at this office.

TO LET - A house situated on the R. & G. Globe. Apply to Messrs McMillan & O'Connor, Barristers, Guelph.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS - All parties having claims against the Estate of William Brown, undertaker, Guelph, will please send them in to the undersigned, Jan. 4-10. JOHN HORSMAN, Trustee.

TO LET - The large room over the MERCURY OFFICE, formerly used as a Temperance Hall, suitable for an office or for any light manufacturing purpose. Enquire at the Mercury Office.

WANTED - A situation as Engineer to take charge of a Steam Engine in a mill or factory. Satisfactory references. Enquire at Ellis' American Hotel, Guelph.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - The pupils who have been attending Mr. Hutton's School will be taught in the Central School by Mr. Cullen, instead of the South Ward, until the new Teacher is appointed.

FOR SALE - Lot 71, on Wyndham Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop, with a fine view of the city. Also, a first-class stone house, with a large garden. Apply to Dennis Coffey, Guelph, December 27th, 1872.

TAKE NOTICE - The accounts of the late firm of WALKER & CO., of the Guelph, "Aberdeen," are also in my hands for collection. All parties indebted to the said firm are requested to call and settle forthwith, and save costs.

NEW BUTCHER SHOP - The undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hotel's Block, and will supply customers with meat of the best quality, at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. CHAS. FENNEL, Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872.

H. K. MAITLAND, TEACHER OF VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC. Residence, Queen street, opposite the residence of Col. Higginbotham.

AUCTION SALE - There will be sold, without reserve, on Friday the 10th day of January, 1873, at noon, at the Great Western Hotel, in Guelph, pursuant to the power of sale in a chattel mortgage, made by Messrs. Wilson & Gully, two billiard tables made by Riley & May, Toronto, and also a horse, recently purchased from GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Guelph, Dec. 31, 1872.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE - The subscriber being about to remove from Guelph, offers for sale his spacious and handsome family residence, near the Great Western Station. The house and premises can be viewed at any time. THOMAS GOWDY, Guelph, Jan. 8th, 1873.

STORE AND DWELLING FOR SALE OR TO RENT - The subscriber offers for sale or to rent, on reasonable terms, or will rent for a term, a store and dwelling at Bristol, Township of Erin, at present occupied by Mr. Mackintosh, Postmaster there. The store is situated in a good locality, on the Great Road between Guelph and Erin. This is an excellent opening for a party with a limited capital, as a good business can be carried on, and arrangements may be made to continue the Post Office in connection with the store. Particulars apply to AMES MASSE, Guelph, Nov. 5th, 1872.

SOUTH WELLINGTON Agricultural Society. The Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held in the Town Hall, on Wednesday, 15th Jan., in conformity with the Amended Act, at 2 o'clock, p.m., for the election of Officers. The Directors will meet at Ellis' Hotel, at 11 o'clock, a.m. GEO. MURTON, Sec. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1873.

WAGON SHOP AND DWELLING FOR SALE OR TO RENT - Situated in Paisley Block, contains five miles from Guelph. The house contains six rooms, large cellar, and is well finished. The shop is commodious, and is in full operation. A good opportunity for a person wishing to carry on a branch of business. A blacksmith shop in close proximity. The lot contains one quarter of an acre, and is well stocked with fruit trees. Apply on the premises, to W. S. Cowan, or by letter, Guelph, P.O. 121-122-123.

GORDON STREET BAKERY. ESTABLISHED 1832. J. S. Gordon, Proprietor. I have the honor to inform my sincere thanks to my numerous customers for the very liberal patronage he has received, and to beg leave to intimate that he is now building a new Bakery on Gordon street, near the requirements of his steadily increasing business. The Bread, &c., will be delivered by J. Sole, Junr. All orders promptly attended to. Remember the stand - next to P. W. Stewart's, Gordon st., Guelph. Dec. 5, 1872.

WEEK OF PRAYER. JANUARY 5-12, 1873. Union services in observance of the week of prayer will, D.V., be held in this town as follows - Wednesday evening, Jan. 8th, Knox Church; Thursday evening, Jan. 9th, Primitive Methodist Church; Friday evening, Jan. 10th, First Presbyterian Church; Saturday evening, Jan. 11th, Baptist Church. W. P. CLARK, Sec. Ministerial Association, Guelph, Dec. 9, 1872.

JUST RECEIVED. COLBY Clothes Wringer Patent Mangles.

JOHN M. BOND & Co. DIRECT IMPORTERS. GUELPH.

AGENTS WANTED - \$100 per month. For the sale of the best quality of Patent Mangles, &c. Apply to JOHN M. BOND & Co., Guelph, Ont.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE - Winter Arrangement - On after Monday, 18th November.

G and Trunk Railway. Trains leave Guelph as follows: WEST 2:17 a.m.; 9:45 a.m.; 1:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:33 p.m.

EAST 3:05 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 4:13 p.m.; and 8:33 p.m.

Great Western - Guelph Branch. Going South - 6:50 a.m.; 12:35 p.m.; 1:05 p.m.; 4:55 p.m. Going North - 11:45 a.m.; for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m.; for Clifford; 4:55 p.m.; for Fergus; 2:05 p.m.; for Fergus.

GUELPH ACADEMY. Reopens Thursday, Jan. 9th, 1873. PUPILS WANTED. To Mrs. Jas. Webster, Mrs. Dr. Clarke, Col. Hall, Capt. Gordon, N. Higginbotham, M.L., H. J. Vincent, Esq., Thomas W. Saunders, Esq., P.M., Hugh Walker, Esq.

Guelph Evening Mercury. THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 9, 1873.

Local and Other Items. ANDERSON has laid upon our table a book of comicalities, with 500 humorous pictures. Purchase the book, read it, and laugh and giggle at it.

RECEIVED - Mr. J. M. Bond has yesterday applied to the position of a Separate School Trustee, Mr. M. J. Doran having retired.

BIBLE SOCIETY - The annual meeting of the Guelph Branch of the Bible Society will be held in the Wesleyan Church this evening, commencing at half past seven o'clock.

By reference to advertisement it will be seen that the pupils who have been attending Mr. Hutton's School will be taught in the Central School, by Mr. Cullen until the new teacher is appointed.

NARROW ESCAPE - A horse attached to a sleigh, finding himself entangled at the market, this morning, attempted to make off, and would have succeeded had the sleigh not caught upon a short post in the vicinity, where it was firmly held.

FIRE MEETING - The base ball club held their last meeting this season in the Golden Hotel, on Tuesday night, Mr. Goldie, who intends removing to New York city, handed in his resignation as secretary, and Mr. John Coulson was appointed in his place.

FIRE RECORD - The Monroe and Judson blocks, in Oswego, were destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss \$135,000. The works of the Commercial Colliery, New Philadelphia, were burned on the 8th, loss \$20,000. Inveready, The Tarbooth knitting mill, at Troy, N. Y., took fire on the 8th, and property to the amount of \$16,000 was destroyed. Insured.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. The regular weekly meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in their rooms at 25-27, Robert Street, on Thursday evening, at 7 o'clock. It will be quite a number from the Fergus Association at the meeting - and it is expected that the proceedings will be of more than usual interest. The members are of course expected to be out in large numbers - and ladies are specially invited.

MOVEMENT IN HOOPS - The following are one day's purchases of pork, by Mr. J. T. Brill, on our market: 2 hogs, from Mr. Snop, weighing 959 lbs., at \$5.40 per 100 - \$47.95; 5 from E. Lorca, 2,308 lbs., at \$5.40 - \$124.63; 16 from Mr. McDougal, 4,320 lbs., at \$5.25 - \$225.60. Also bought, per W. G. & B. R., 109 hogs, average weight 280 lbs., at \$5.35 per 100. Bought on market, on same day, 120 hogs - all of choice quality.

Guelph Fire Brigade. A meeting of the Fire Brigade was held in the Fireman's Hall, on Monday evening, for the purpose of electing Officers. There was a full attendance. The following are the officers elected: President, J. T. Brill; Secretary, J. T. Brill; Treasurer, J. T. Brill; Steward, J. T. Brill; and W. G. & B. R., 109 hogs, average weight 280 lbs., at \$5.35 per 100. Bought on market, on same day, 120 hogs - all of choice quality.

Albany Live Stock Market. Week Albany, Jan. 5. Beef - The market for the holders of cattle. Opening on Thursday with an advance of from 10 to 15 per cent, it gradually declined, until yesterday, it closed at last week's figures. Most of the holders did not anticipate a brisk trade, and when an opportunity offered on Thursday, eagerly disposed of their cattle at the advance on last week's prices, but those who held on in anticipation of getting a further advance, were not only disappointed but had a large portion of their stock left on their hands. The supply was good, there was scarcely a line to be seen in the market. The only heavy weights offered were a few, and they were not very heavy. There were a few heavy weights offered, but they were not very heavy. There were a few heavy weights offered, but they were not very heavy.

Opening of Ontario Legislature.

Toronto, Jan. 8, 1873. At three o'clock the Lieutenant-Governor proceeded to open the House with the following speech:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: I rejoice that in meeting you again to deliberate on the affairs of the Province I am able to congratulate you on the continued prosperity which the Province has enjoyed during the past year. We have now had six years experience of the working of the great measure of Confederation which the people of Upper Canada frankly accepted at a time when they anticipated much advantage, and I am confident you will agree with me that their expectations have, in a large measure, been realized. In some of its details the Act of Union may have done less than justice to the Province, and incidents to be regretted may have occurred as in the first establishment of all new constitutions, yet the general effect on the local affairs of Ontario has been eminently beneficial.

The administration of our local affairs is now in our own hands, and our revenue has enabled us without taxation, not only to defray all the charges of the Provincial Government, and to afford essential aid to the numerous railway enterprises, and other public works and improvements, but also to accumulate a surplus now amounting to more than four millions of dollars. The policy to be pursued with reference to the surplus will doubtless engage your attention during the present session.

It is my duty to place on a satisfactory footing the debts owing to the Municipal Loan Fund, and at the same time to do justice to the rest of the Province.

I earnestly recommend to your attention such measures for these purposes as may be laid before you. The works on nearly all the railways, to which during the last session you approved of giving aid, have been prosecuted with vigor. Some of these railways have been so far completed that they are now open for traffic, and extended sections of the same are being built by means of your grants secured permanent railway facilities which already exercise a most salutary influence on our industrial interests. The claims of other railways will be presented to you during the present session. I hope you will be able to place on a satisfactory footing the debts owing to the Municipal Loan Fund, and at the same time to do justice to the rest of the Province.

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