

Business Cards.

MEDICAL CO-PARTNERSHIP. We, the undersigned, have entered into partnership for the practice of the Medical profession under the style and firm of Keating & McDonald.

REMOVAL OF SURGERY. DR. HEROD Has removed his Surgery to the rooms above the Guelph Drug Store, where he may be found from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

DUNBAR, MERRITT & BISCOE, Barristers and Attorneys at Law Solicitors in Chancery, etc.

OLIVER & MACDONALD, Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c.

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.

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HOTEL CARD. The Right Man in the Right Place.

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.

W. M. FOSTER, L.D.S., SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.

PRIZE DENTISTRY. DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Licentiate of the Dental Surgery.

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New Advertisements.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—At the Cash Store, a few first-class Tailor-cases. Apply to R. Clayton.

HOUSE TO LET—To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office.

BRACELET FOUND—Found on the night of the St. Andrew's Celebration, on the stairs of the town hall, a gold bracelet. The owner can have it by applying at this office.

NOTICE—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station.

BERKSHIRE BOAR—The pure Berkshire Boar owned by the subscriber will serve sows this season.

TOWN RESIDENCE FOR SALE. The subscribers offer for sale a desirable residence, within ten minutes walk of the market.

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D. O'CONNOR, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN Guelph, March 1, 1871.

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NEW GOODS AT

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- 5 boxes Lemons, 5 kegs Grapes, 100 boxes New Figs, 100 boxes Table Raisins, 100 dozen Carling's Ale, 100 dozen Sleeman's Ale, 100 dozen Bass, 100 dozen Tenant's, 100 dozen Young's, 100 dozen Guinness' Porter, 100 dozen Bloods', 1 case Real Scotch Ling, 2 cases Koillor's Marmalade, 100 Prime Stilton Cheese

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JNO. A. WOOD'S Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 5, 1873

Town and County News

BASE BALL MEETING TO-NIGHT at the Queen's. See advertisement.

MR. GEORGE LAIDLAW, the irrepressible railway man, feasted the County Council last night in the Queen's Hotel.

WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE.—Mr. Henry Hatch authorizes us to state that he will not be candidate for any municipal office this year.

FINNAN HADDIES.—Mr. J. E. McElderry has just received a box of prime Finnan Haddies, which he is selling cheap. Call and get one.

MR. JAS. STIRTON is to-day the recipient of a complimentary supper at Feather's Hotel, Clifford, upon the occasion of his leaving that village to take up his residence in Guelph.

We are pleased to see that a much-needed increase has been made in fees to jurymen. At the County Council on Friday, these were increased to \$1.50 per day, for both grand and petit jurors, with 10c mileage for the double journey.

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THE GREAT GALE.

Wholesale Destruction of Property.

The terrible gale on Thursday morning has been the cause of immense damage to property all over the country. It continued with slightly abated force during the day, but the greatest amount of destruction was done in the morning.

The damage done in Toronto is estimated at about \$50,000. Among other casualties the following are recorded:—About 200 yards of the boundary wall of the new Central Prison was blown down. Subsequently the walls of the dormitory on the south side of the prison fell, and a number of the upper tier of cells were injured.

Part of the roof of the northern dormitory, and the roofs were also carried off two frame shops. Other injuries of a minor character were sustained by different buildings connected with the institution. It is roughly estimated that the total damage to the Prison and its appurtenances amounts to \$10,000 or \$15,000, or even more.

Three of the turrets surrounding the tower of Bay Street C. P. Church were blown down. The tower of St. Michael's Cathedral was injured. Two of the stone statues were blown down and fell through the roof. A great many windows in the building were smashed, and the adjacent fences damaged to some extent.

The people of the Gould street Presbyterian Church was so badly damaged, that for some time, in expectation of its falling, policemen were keeping people from passing near the building. It was noticed at one time to be swaying considerably, and it now in such a condition that it will have to be taken down. Fearing its fall, the family residing in the house next to the church on the leeward side of it hastily removed.

The steeples of Knox Church was also observed to be trembling ominously, but escaped damage. At the Parliament Buildings a chimney on the eastern side was blown down at six o'clock, and crashed through the roof into a small apartment above the Speaker's room, and adjoining the Reporter's room. At the time this occurred the Attorney-General and Mrs. Mowat were sleeping in the room, being in temporary occupancy of it while some repairs are being made to their residence. They had a very narrow escape from being injured, but not killed. Another chimney on the western wing of the buildings was blown down and smashed the roof and ceiling but did not come through.

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County Council.

The Council met at two o'clock, the Warden in the chair, all present but Mr. Michie.

The report of the Elora and Saugeen road was read by the Warden, and referred to the committee on county roads. The reports of the Reeve and Deputy Reeve of East Garafraxa on the expenditure of a grant to cut a road through the hill on the tenth side-road; also the report of the Reeve and Deputy Reeve of Amaranth on the expenditure of grants on the second and tenth lines of said township, and a report from the Reeve of Amaranth on a grant to construct a bridge on the county line between Wellington and Simcoe, were read and referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

The following reports were read and referred to the committee on county roads:—Report of the Commissioners of that portion of the Elora [and] Saugeen road in the Township of Minto; the report of the Fergus and Douglas Road Commissioners; of the Erin and Esqueping Commissioners; of the Commissioners of the Elora and Saugeen road between Bosworth and Teviotdale; two reports of the Commissioners of the Elora and Saugeen road, from the junction to Bosworth; report of the Guelph and Dundas Road Commissioners; report of the Commissioners of the Guelph and Erin road to the township line of Erin; of the Guelph and Fergus Road Commissioners; of the Glenallan Road Commissioners.

THE CREDIT VALLEY RAILWAY. Mr. McCarthy (Orangeville) brought up the question of the Credit Valley Railway. He said that the President of the railway, Mr. George Laidlaw, was present, he believed somewhat in the character of a missionary of peace, to see if the council and the company could not be brought to an agreement on the matter in dispute. He (Mr. McCarthy) knew something of what law costs were and thought it desirable that some arrangement should be made to save litigation. It was a mere technical point upon which the two were at variance; the real issue was on the question of the County Solicitor was not. He would therefore move, without further remarks, that Mr. Laidlaw be allowed to address the council on the subject.

Permission having been given. Mr. Laidlaw said that the company were exceedingly anxious to avoid the expenses of litigation, for they had little enough money without squandering it in law suits. They were anxious also to carry out the building of their railway in a conciliatory and friendly spirit, so that it would be felt that they were working for the benefit and by the consent of the people. When the legal proceedings were initiated, the company were advised that the suit would not be pressed to a final issue, because the question was so clear as against the County Council. The company therefore engaged counsel, but took no definite action until the present court was in session. They then obtained a rule nisi, but it was not intended to serve it until all reasonable means of conciliation had been exhausted. Since he was here before they had been steadily prosecuting the work between Toronto and a point south of Cheltenham, and from Halton eastward. They had sixty miles of fencing bought and paid for; had no outstanding accounts, but paid every month; and did not intend to take any money from the municipal trustees until the beginning of next year. If this By-law was submitted, and the ratepayers consented to it, the Company would be in a position to ask the Government for the portion of the subsidy from the forks of the river Credit into the heart of the county; they would also be able to purchase the material this winter for laying on the road next fall. He hoped that the true interests of the people would be considered in this matter, and that no jealousies would be allowed to prevent their taxing themselves for the improvement of the municipality, and that they would be saved all the trouble and cost which a lawsuit would involve.

Mr. McCarthy said that following up the remarks of Mr. Laidlaw, he had a motion to propose—that the By-law should be submitted again to the ratepayers. The tract of country affected by it was the finest sections in the county, and should have railway facilities. He moved, seconded by Mr. MacMillan,—That the resolution passed by this council on the 20th day of September, 1873, to the effect that the By-law granting aid to the Credit Valley be read a second time this day six months and the same is hereby rescinded. And that the said By-law granting aid to the said Company by giving \$15,000 by way of bonus, and to issue debentures therefor, and to authorize the levying of a special rate for the payment of debentures and interest be now read a second time, and that the clerk of the council be authorized to advertise the same according to law.

Mr. Gibson said he had an amendment to propose. He moved, seconded by Mr. Bery,—That the By-law for granting aid to the Credit Valley Railway be not now read a second time, it having been disposed of at a former meeting of this Council and since then the Company has applied for, and a rule granted, to have the question argued before the Court of Queen's Bench; and, the County Solicitor having given his opinion that it was doubtful if the By-law as submitted to the Council was in accord with the spirit and intent of the charter granted to the Company, this Council is of opinion that it should be left to the said court to decide as to whether the By-law is legal or not.

An objection was taken to the resolution, that it was a double one, and to the amendment, that it was in preamble form; but the Warden overruled the objections; remarking that in case of the amendment the preamble was not before but behind the motion. (Laughter.) Mr. MacMillan (Erin), said the question was whether the Council had legal power to vote the by-law down at the time.

Mr. Massie said the by-law was rejected because the solicitor said it was not in accordance with the spirit and intent of the charter of the company, and the Council did not wish to place themselves

in a false position. He pointed out that although the county was threatened with immediate legal proceedings at the last session, nothing had been done until a few days ago, and as the sittings of the Court of Chancery ended on Saturday, it was impossible now for the County Solicitor to reply to have the matter disposed of. If the company had thought their case a strong one, they would have taken action at an earlier period. The litigation was not going to be such an extensive matter; the County Solicitor had assured him that it would not exceed \$300 or \$250. The matter had been left to the Court of Chancery, and they should allow the court to say whether the by-law was legal or not; that was better than paying \$700 or \$800 for the cost of submitting the by-law, and then perhaps have to apply to the Legislature to legalize the by-law. The proceeding had been taken merely to intimidate the Council.

Mr. McCarthy reminded the Reeve of Guelph that the matter was before the Court of Queen's Bench, not the Court of Chancery, and twisted him with the mistake. The Company had lost no time in taking proceedings. As to the cost of the litigation, he was satisfied it would be nearer \$500 or \$600 than \$250. Did they ever know a lawyer who did not say at the commencement of a suit that the costs would be a mere trifle? (Applause and laughter.) He spoke of the canvassing there had been against this by-law, and said they had had Mr. Massie on one concession line, and his man on another, and Mr. Higginbotham on another, and Mr. Stirton all over. (Laughter.) It was now only desired to have the matter fairly tested before the ratepayers.

Mr. Massie said he did not pretend to know as much of law as his learned friend, and his mistake was excusable. He vindicated his right as a private individual to take an active part in opposition to the Credit Valley scheme, and said Mr. McCarthy had no right to bring the matter up in this discussion, as it was quite irrelevant. He went into the township at the request of the people, and had as much right to do this as the Elora men had to canvass in favour of the by-law.

Mr. Gibson said this by-law only clipped a little piece off the former one; and if it failed, they would clip a little piece more off and try again; and would just go on clipping. (Laughter.) The amendment was put to a vote, and the numbers stood eighteen for and eighteen against. The Warden gave his casting vote against the amendment, and declared it lost, amid great cheering and much laughter. The motion was then put, with the same result. Yeas and nays were called for, as follows:—Yeas—Messrs. Wm. Dawson, Buschlin, Jas. Golden, H. Hamilton, P. Hanson, W. B. Jolly, William Leslie, T. McManus, J. McGowan, M. McCarthy, D. McMillan, W. Nicol, W. H. Ogden, T. S. Patterson, J. Prain, J. Robb, Wm. Stevenson, and W. S. Sutherland.

Nays—Messrs. J. Berry, J. Broadfoot, J. Brohm, F. J. Chadwick, G.A. Darby, Wm. Field, T. Flahiv, Wm. Gibson, Thos. Hamilton, Wm. Henderson, Geo. Howard, Robt. Kilgour, J. Laidlaw, J. Massie, J. Mitchell, A. McKiejohn, J. Rea, and H. Roberts.

The by-law was then read a first time, and the Council adjourned until ten o'clock on Friday morning.

The New Church Formed.

Quite a large number of Protestant Episcopal clergymen and laymen met in New York, on Tuesday last, in response to the call of Bishop Cummins. After a few preliminaries, a committee brought in a report, which declared that those present organized themselves into a Church, to be called the Reform Episcopal Church. The following declaration of principles is the basis on which the church is formed:

I. The Reformed Episcopal Church, holding "the faith once delivered into the saints," declares its belief in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the Word of God, and the sole rule of faith and practice; in the creed commonly called the Apostles' Creed; in the divine institution of the Sacrament of Baptism and the Lord's Supper; and in the doctrines of grace substantially as they are set forth in the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion.

II. This Church recognizes and adheres to episcopacy, not as divine right, but as a very ancient and desirable form of church polity.

III. The Church, retaining a liturgy which shall not be imperative or repressive of freedom in prayer, accepts the Book of Common Prayer as it was revised, proposed and recommended for use by the general Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, A. D. 1785, reserving full liberty to alter, abridge, enlarge and amend the same, as may seem most conducive to the edification of the people, "provided that the substance of faith be kept entire."

IV. This Church condemns and rejects the following erroneous and strange doctrines as contrary to God's word: First.—That the Church of Christ exists only in one order or form of ecclesiastical polity. Second.—That Christian ministers are priests in another sense than that in which all believers are a "royal priesthood."

Third.—That the Lord's table is an altar on which an oblation of the Body and Blood of Christ is offered anew to the Father.

Fourth.—That the presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper is a presence in the elements of bread and wine.

Fifth.—That Regeneration is inseparably connected with Baptism. This declaration was unanimously adopted, the Church declared to be duly organized, and Bishop Cummins made its Presiding Bishop.

COLLISION BETWEEN TWO FREIGHT TRAINS.—Oshawa, Dec. 4: There was a collision between two freight trains at this station at an early hour this morning, one train going east, the other west. They were both running at good speed at the time. All hands jumped off and only one man was slightly injured, but there was a general smash-up amongst the cars, and a quantity of merchant's goods was destroyed.

The largest and finest lot of Catholic prayers in ivory, morocco, calf, and plain bindings to be had cheap at Anderson's Bookstore.

Base Ball Club.

A meeting of the members of the above Club will be held at the QUEEN'S HOTEL, on FRIDAY EVENING, at 7.30 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

W. A. BOYLESS, President. Guelph, Dec. 4th, 1873.

Y. M. C. A. The Ladies' Committee for the Building Fund of the Young Men's Christian Association have decided holding their Bazaar on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 23rd and 24th of December, the two days before Christmas. Contributions will be gladly received, and can be left with the undersigned.

M. J. HIGGINBOTHAM, Guelph, Nov. 1873. dd Secretary.

TOWN HALL, MONDAY, DEC. 5th. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

The Great Lyric Star

M'LE ROSA D'ERINA

Erin's Prima Donna, in her Charming Musical Entertainments.

The Choicest Gleanings from the Music of Many Lands.

Admission 25 cents; Reserved Seats 50c. Reserved seats secured at Day's. Doors open at 7.30; commence at 8.15.

HORSE SHOEING. McKenzie's Shoeing Forge.

The subscriber having long seen the want of a first-class Shoeing Forge in Guelph, has opened one

ON WOOLWICH ST., Next to Chase's Carriage and Waggon Works.

Having had ten years' experience at this branch of the business, and being determined to give it his whole time and attention, he hopes by doing good work to secure a share of public patronage.

D. MCKENZIE, Guelph, Dec. 3rd, 1873. 442

IN reference to the above I beg to state that Mr. D. McKenzie has had charge of my shoeing for the past two years, and can highly recommend him to the public as a man who thoroughly understands his business. Give him a call! CALEB CHASE Dec. 3, 1873

TOWN HALL, THREE NIGHTS COMMENCING THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4th

THE Most Powerful Mesmerist

In the World, Annie De Montford

AN EXTRAORDINARY WOMAN.—The entertainment given at the Town Hall last night by Miss De Montford was an excellent one of its kind. The audience were greatly pleased with it, and gave free expression to the mirth and astonishment caused by the experiments. Miss De Montford is a woman of fine physique, with a face expressive of great power of will, and she shows a quiet self-possession and dignity which at once commands the respect of her audience. Her performances are fully equal to those of any male mesmerist we have seen. Mesmerism, like phrenology, is one of those things which has been greatly discredited by the charlatans and impostors who have taken it up merely as a money-making experiment; yet there is something exceedingly mysterious and wonderful in the power exercised by the biologist or mesmerist over his or her subjects. Miss De Montford is a genuine and powerful biologist, and several persons who were disbelievers in mesmerism came away entirely convinced. The mesmerised persons, one of whom was our friend John Griffiths, were made to go through performances as laughable as those of any first-class comic actors. Their good nature in volunteering to become "subjects" was the means of affording a capital entertainment to the audience, and they will no doubt remember that some of the wisest of men have ere now been as completely under the influence of a woman's "fascination" as they were last night. Miss De Montford continues her entertainment to-night and to-morrow, and we predict full houses for her.

For particulars, see bills and newspaper notices. Admission 25 cents; Reserved seats 50c. Guelph, Nov. 29, 1873. 6d

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