

Apothecaries' Hall!

MARKET SQUARE. JUST received, a large supply of Hagan's Magnolia Balm.

A. B. PETRIE,

Chemist, Market Square. OATS DOWN TO 55 CENTS IN SILVER.

FLOUR DOWN

To \$3.62 in Silver, At WEBSTER'S. Guelph, June 12, 1868.

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing between James Smith and Henry Metcalf, in carrying on the Saddle and Harness business, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

CHEAP Photographs

W. BURGESS BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public of Guelph and surrounding country that having received a large lot of PLATES suitable for

Christmas Presents,

REDUCED PRICES. Parties wishing to make presents of Photographs to their friends should call at once.

PICTURES

of all kinds furnished in the first style of the art. Gallery above John A. Wood's Grocery Store.

TROTTER & GRAHAM,



DENTISTS!

GUELPH and BRAMPTON members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.

Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store

REFERENCES.—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Drs. Clarke, Parker and Herod, Guelph; A. F. Scott Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattullo, M. D.; Rev. Mr. Arnold Brampton. Dr. Barnhart, Warden of Peel; Dr. Hampton, resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital.

TROTTER'S



Canadian Dentifrice

Is recommended by the following first-class Dentists as the best preparation for cleansing, beautifying and preserving the teeth: B. W. Day M. D., L. D. S., Pres. of the Dental Association; W. C. Adams, L. D. S., Toronto; J. O'Donnell, Secretary, Dental Association; L. Lemon, L. D. S., St. Catharines; D. A. Bogart, L. D. S., Hamilton; J. W. Elliott, Toronto.

WATCH LOST.

LOST on Friday evening, between D. Savage's and the Pound Creek, an open-faced plated cylinder watch. Any person leaving it at D. Savage's will be rewarded.

New Catechism FOR THE PEOPLE.

WHO do the Largest Boot and Shoe Business in Guelph? PREST & HEBBURN. Who have the largest and best assorted stock of Boots and Shoes in Guelph? PREST & HEBBURN.

Support Home Manufacture

Remember our Goods are all Warranted. TERMS Cash, and no Second Price. PREST & HEBBURN. Guelph, June 18.

Factory Cheese!

At JOHN A. WOOD'S. SMOKED, Sugar-cured HAMS! At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

BOTTLED ALE AND PORTER

At JOHN A. WOOD'S. SARDINES, LOBSTERS, SALMON and MACKEREL. At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

BISCUITS

ALL KINDS, FRESH. AT JOHN A. WOOD'S. Guelph, June 17th, 1868.

PAINTING, CLAZING, & C.

THOMAS BREADON DOUGLAS-ST., GUELPH, Painter, Glazier, Paper Hanger, & C.

GOOD WORKMANSHIP

And MATERIAL well allow. Shop, - - Douglas Street, Next door north of Wm. Hoover's Livery Stable, and directly opposite Wm. Brownlow's Undertaking Establishment.

DOMINION LIVERY STABLE

GUELPH, ONTARIO. H. MARRIOTT BEGS to inform the citizens of Guelph and the travelling public that he has started a Livery Stable next door to Mr. W. Armstrong's Blacksmith's Shop, Macdonnell Street, where he can supply

PLEASURE WAGGON!

FOR PIC-NICS. Guelph, 10th June. do6m

REUNION

GRAMMAR SCHOOL REUNION ON FRIDAY, 26th INSTANT IN AID OF THE SCHOOL GROUNDS. Particulars hereafter. Guelph, 13th June, 1868

POTATOES!

THE undersigned offers for sale a superior lot of Potatoes of all kinds, to suit the trade, at his Warehouse, No. 3, Gordon Street, Day's Old Block. D. MOULTON. P. S.—Purchasers leaving orders can have their produce delivered at their residence. Guelph, May 11th, 1868.

Second Hand Clothes

SECOND-HAND CLOTHING bought and sold. Clothes made to order for Men and Boys. Farmers' work made up cheap and strong; Clothing Cleaned and Repaired. MARTIN GILL, Upper Wyndham Street, nearly opposite the Wellington Hotel. Guelph, 14th May, 1868.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers having contracts with this office are notified that unless their changes for the EVENING MERCURY are handed in before 12 o'clock, their advertisements cannot be altered until the following day. Advertisements for the WEEKLY MERCURY should be handed in as early as possible on Wednesday morning in order to secure insertion.

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET. TUESDAY EVEN'G, JUNE 23, 1868.

LACROSSE MATCH.—A lacrosse match was played on the Cricket Ground yesterday between the Paris and Guelph Clubs, in which the latter was triumphant. We have not been able to insert a full report to-day, but shall do so to-morrow.

HORSE RACING.—A fifteen mile trot between the horse who won the ten mile match at Chatham, on the Queen's birthday, and one or more of the horses that lately defeated him at Pontiac, is talked of. The stakes are to be, if anything, \$1000 a mile.

INDIGNATION.—A farmer from East Flamboro' took a load of wood to Hamilton on Friday last, and because he did not obtain the price he sought became so indignant that he scattered it along the street—which fit of ill-humor was very agreeable to some parties who wanted wood.

POISONED.—A short time ago Mr. Wm Taylor, of Griesville, and his hired man were poisoned by taking a dose each of sugar of lead in mistake for salts. The latter they conceived had lost their crystalline appearance from exposure to the air; hence the blunder which but for prompt medical aid would have cost them their lives.

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—The Board met last night, but no business was transacted, except the reading of a communication from the Head Master of the Grammar School, recommending the adoption of some means for extending the operations of the school, and to ensure greater efficiency therein.—Referred to School Management Committee.

LIBERAL ACT.—The Trustees of the English Methodist Zion Church, Guelph (coloured), have just leased part of a lot of land on Waterloo street, from John Howitt, sen., Esq., which he has generously leased to them for 99 years at a nominal rent of 25 cents per annum. The Trustees intend to build a church as soon as the necessary funds are collected, and for this purpose they are about to canvas the town to solicit subscriptions. We have no doubt our fellow townsmen will generally respond to the appeal. Mr. Howitt in addition to granting the congregation the lease of the land, has given a donation of \$10 towards the building fund. Mr. Sinclair, the President of the Conference, begs on behalf of the Trustees to return their grateful thanks to Mr. Howitt for his great liberality in this matter.

PIC-NIC.—It is almost unnecessary to remind our readers of the picnic in behalf of the Aged and Orphans under the care of the Sisters of Charity, which will take place to-morrow, near St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph. The Committee have left nothing undone which it was within the compass of their power to perform in order to bring the means of amusement within easy reach of the guests. Placidity of temper and a disposition to enjoy themselves is all that the latter require to bring with them—everything else will be found ready furnished. No doubt there will be a large gathering; the object appeals to the feelings of humanity, and the principles of christianity, and we are sure it will afford pleasure to many of every sect and condition to contribute a mite to the maintenance of those whom the inscrutable decrees of Providence have left to be nursed in the lap of Charity. We believe that there are many, too, who will avail themselves of the generosity of the Great Western Railway, and make an excursion to Guelph to see the town, and enjoy a day's relaxation. We hope that the picnic to-morrow will be as successful as that which was held at the same place and under the same auspices a year ago; and if possible even more so.

TRIPLE WEDDING.—The Evangelist relates that the Rev. Lyman Whiting, D. D., of Dubuque, Iowa, was recently called upon to perform a somewhat novel but deeply interesting service—to join in marriage at one and the same time, three of his own daughters. The scene is described in the western papers as very beautiful, when these three sisters, robed in white, stood side by side before the altar, in the presence of a great concourse of interested spectators, to take upon them those vows which were to last "until death should them part." We are glad to read also the testimony given to the young men, as worthy to be admitted into a minister's family—one who had been honorably distinguished in the war, and his profession, the others, active business men, and all members of the church. The father, performing the service, presented to each of the young couples a copy of the Bible as his best gift, to be used at the family altar. The wishes of many friends, east and west, will attend these young "minister's daughters" for their long life and happiness.

Special Meeting of the Town Council.

A special meeting of the Town Council was held last night. Present, the Mayor in the chair, Dr. Herod, Messrs. Holliday, Hefferman, Massie, Howard, Melvin, Mays, Sayers, McCurry and Harvey. The Mayor read the regulation in virtue of which the meeting had been called, and then requested Mr. Harvey, as one of the signers, to give an explanation of the causes for convening the meeting. Mr. Harvey said he had thought it a disgrace that provision had not been made for the accommodation of the Battalion, when Elora and Fergus was willing to take them. He, among others, had therefore considered it best to bring the matter before the Council, that the men might be provided for.

Dr. Herod felt surprised that Mr. Harvey should be called on for an explanation of the causes which led to the meeting. No person knew these better than his Worship, who knew also the treatment he had received from the very men who would derive most benefit from the presence of the Battalion in town. He would not be understood to dictate, but he thought it would be better if his Worship would give the explanation; and on motion the Mayor left the chair, which was taken by Mr. Holliday.

The Mayor said that the instructions under which the Battalion assembled were given by the Governor General, and signed by the Adjutant-General, that the orders were that the men should meet at the Battalion headquarters, and it was the duty of the Quartermaster to do the best he could for the accommodation of the men while undergoing their eight days' drill. He (the Mayor), as head of the Battalion, had received a telegram from the Adjutant-General, while according to his wishes, hoped he would not find it necessary to exercise such authority. For his own part he would much rather not resort to the billet, yet he did not wish to see the men pay more for bed and board here than they do at other places. The hotel keepers had been called upon, and had agreed to take in 250 of the volunteers at \$3 for the eight days; but since then a meeting of the Licensed Victuallers' Association had been held, and a resolution passed that if \$5 were paid they would accommodate a number more. In other places they are charged only \$2, and a telegram which he received from Elora on Saturday last, stated that the people of that village were willing to take them on these terms. It would be an injustice to the men to bring them to Guelph and charge them \$3 for the time they were here. The Adjutant-General had telegraphed to him that day giving him full power to take the Battalion to Elora if he liked to do so; but he was anxious to avoid any such disgrace to the town, and he felt that to enforce the billet, or to move the volunteers would be equally discreditable.

Mr. Massie said that, with Mr. McCurry, he had visited the hotels on Saturday, and he was sorry to see so little public spirit manifested by most of the proprietors. Mr. Ellis said he could keep 55 men at 25c, and suffer no loss, and if this was the case he (Mr. Massie) would ask if the Council would be justified in granting money to pay the hotel keepers a higher rate? He thought it a pity that in cases of this kind the Council had always to be appealed to, and the question just resolved itself into this: Are the many to be taxed for the benefit of the few [hotel keepers]? They offered to accommodate 5000 people if the Provincial Show were brought here, and now they express their inability to find lodgings for between 300 and 400, but in the former case they would be allowed to make their own charges.

Mr. Melvin said the town was already disgraced, and do what they would now the opprobrium would remain. The difficulties that had already arisen about the quartering of the Volunteers would be known over the North Riding, and it might hereafter be nothing to the advantage of the Town if it wanted any favor from the County Council. People in the country will not separate one class of the population of Guelph from another; they will lump them together, and pronounce the whole deficient in patriotism. The question between the Licensed Victuallers and the remainder of the population they will not understand. The hotel keepers and the parties who would derive the benefit from the Battalion coming here, and they have given it the cold shoulder. In the morning if he had been asked his opinion he most probably would have said, let the Battalion go to Elora, but on mature consideration he thought it would be better for the good name of the town that it should come here.

The Mayor rose to say that the total number reported in the Battalion who would have to take the field if required, exclusive of those who live in town was 335. This was the number therefore for which it was necessary to provide. There was a possibility that all these might not be present, as they were not called out for active service.

Dr. Herod was afraid that the people outside of the town would not blame a particular class for apathy, but would censure the inhabitants without distinction. If any three or four individuals would come forward and offer to board the men, and let arrangements be made for their sleeping in the public buildings he would be willing that the Council should pay the whole expense of their maintenance while they were here, and allow them to take their \$3 home with them; but to vote money to pay the hotel keepers 12c. more than had been offered he would not. In the former course he felt certain he would be sustained by the ratepayers.

Mr. McCurry doubted if the Council had power to vote a sum to supplement what it had been thought the volunteers should pay for bed and board. He considered it was the business of the Colonel to take them to Elora, if the class who ought to accommodate them in Guelph would not do so at a proper charge.

Dr. Herod said that there was an Act in force giving the Council power to grant money. It was passed the session after the Fenian raid. Mr. Hefferman thought it would be teaching the Licensed Victuallers a useful lesson if the Battalion were allowed to go Elora; but he would be willing to vote a sum to keep them in town, and hoped they would not spend money with those who had treated them so indifferently.

Mr. Massie said the hotel keepers should not be all put down in the same category. Messrs. Ellis, Murphy, Oakes and Deady would be willing to take as many as they could accommodate, and he thought it should be seen what these men would do towards boarding the whole Battalion, and then let arrangements be made for their sleeping.

The Mayor then adjourned to meet at nine o'clock this morning to make the necessary arrangements.

Meeting to-day.

The Council met to-day at nine o'clock, and completed arrangements for accommodating the volunteers. They are to be distributed as follows:—T. Ellis takes 50 bed and board, and 100 board; J. O'Connor 20 bed and board, and 30 board; P. Murphy 30 bed and board; J. Miller 70 board, and also provide board for the officers' mess; R. B. Coulson 25 bed and board; Wm. Jones 16 bed and board, and 9 board; T. Lynch 6 bed and board, and 6 board; R. Oakes 30 bed and board, and 20 board. Private individuals and boarding-house-keepers will take the following:—Jas. Hough 4; Mrs. Edwards 6 to board; C. Horning 4; Mrs. Church 5. This gives 196 provided with bed and board. Mr. Alex. Thomson has undertaken to provide bedding for 200, and by this means sufficient accommodation will be provided for all the men. Temporary beds are to be put up in the drill shed sufficient to accommodate this number. The necessary preparations have already been commenced, and by to-morrow everything will be in ship shape order.

JOHN H. CAMERON ON CONFEDERATION.—While in New Brunswick, Hon. John H. Cameron addressed a meeting at St. John, in which after making allusion to his mission to Nova Scotia—in connection with the Orange Institution—he proceeded to notice the subject of Confederation, and expressed the hope and belief that in time the Maritime Provinces would become reconciled to the change, and that in union all would find strength, which was otherwise impossible. Alluding to what he had been told in Nova Scotia to the effect that the next deputation would be to Washington, he said that even these men—the repealers of Nova Scotia—would find it hard to shake off their allegiance to the old flag with all its glorious associations, and bestow it upon the Stars and Stripes. He thought that better acquaintance with each other would remove many difficulties, and stated that in his own experience he had met with very few members of the Canadian Legislature in any way acquainted with this portion of the Dominion.

GREEN PEAS.

A Machine for Shelling Green Peas, with which a child of nine or ten years of age can in a few minutes shell as many Green Peas as will serve twelve persons at dinner.

JOHN HORSMAN, Guelph

The Mayor, Dr. Herod, and Messrs. Melvin and Harvey were appointed Committee to wait on the aforementioned gentlemen, and the Council adjourned for half an hour.

After the lapse of an hour the Committee returned, and the Council resumed. Dr. Herod reported that they had been unable to make any arrangement for quartering all the men. Mr. Ellis was willing to take the matter in hand if one or two more would go in with him, but they had been unable to get any other one to go along with him. In his opinion there was only one course for the Colonel to take, and that was to telegraph to Major Clarke that the Battalion would go to Elora. Such a proceeding would bring everlasting disgrace on Guelph, but it was not due to the inhabitants generally, who were willing to do all in their power to accommodate the volunteers, but it was due to a certain class of men (the tavern keepers).

Mr. Massie was sorry the Committee were obliged to come back with such a report. If it was not that the good name of the town was involved in this matter but he would at once second the proposal made by Dr. Herod, and thus punish in the most effectual way those men whose selfishness were causing them all this trouble. It was strange that the hotel keepers, when it was proposed to bring the exhibition here, were ready to guarantee that they could accommodate 5000 people, and now when volunteers were to be quartered at the County Town—where these men who were ready and willing to defend our homes and save the country from insult and injury, asked for a week's board and lodging, they could not accommodate 385 men. What other conclusion could they come to than that these men were influenced in this matter by a spirit of intense selfishness. If such is the spirit they manifest, then the sooner we take the matter in our own hands the better. He, as a citizen of Guelph, was perfectly willing to pay his proportion of the expense necessary to board and lodge the volunteers.

Mr. Melvin said that if the Battalion was removed from Guelph the people of the town would feel that it was an indelible stain cast on its reputation. Individually, and as a member of this Council, he would contribute his share, or make any effort required to keep them in town. Failing everything else, we can find them accommodation in the Drill Shed. Let the Council find the bedding, it can be sold again at scarcely any loss, and he thought there would be no difficulty in getting Mr. Ellis and another of the hotel keepers, perhaps Mr. Miller, to find them in board.

Dr. Herod said this Licensed Victuallers Association was the greatest curse that ever came to Canada. The great difficulty was that the hotel keepers are all jealous of one another. If old John Therp was alive to-day he would have undertaken the whole thing himself, and put shanties up for them if nothing else could be found. If his ghost could rise to-night it would cry shame on the conduct of these tavern keepers.

Messrs. McCurry and Hefferman did not think it would be any disgrace to the town if the Battalion had to be taken to Elora. The citizens had done all they could, and on the tavern keepers would lie the responsibility.

After some further discussion Mr. Massie moved, seconded by Mr. Melvin, that the members of the Council be a committee to provide accommodation for the Wellington Battalion during the 8 days drill while in Guelph, at \$2 per man for 8 days. In moving it Mr. Massie said he had no fear but that aided by the citizens they could get over the difficulty. The tavern keepers have done all they can against the town, but the inhabitants would let them see that they could cope with them. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Council then adjourned to meet at nine o'clock this morning to make the necessary arrangements.

Explosion of a Fire Engine. The N. Y. Herald says:—minutes past nine o'clock on evening, the fire bells sounded of fire, near the corner of Chatham and the Bowery. Engine No. 1 promptly on the ground, and discovered that the premises, Nery, were on fire. The engine was to work, and the water had been on the burning premises but when a loud explosion was heard the street became almost impassable with steam. From what cause of one who was convenient to us at about the hour stated, it is that engine No. 9 was standing opposite to the pit entrance, in head of steam on at the time playing on the fire at No. 5. As is usual in such cases, a large were collected round the engine all boys, composed principally poor little urchins that most gate round the theatre at night a sudden a loud explosion was volume of steam spread over a moment's silence, and then scene most sickening in its details then discovered that the boiler had exploded. Upon the lay the prostrate bodies of people. Some, however, were not than injured, and some mingled in the crowd. Close to the engine stood lay 4 mangled mutilated in the most fearful The brains of one were dashed sidewalk, the entrails of another, and the face was dreadfully, another had both his legs blown away, and another little black, was run over. The wounded were injured badly all had broken limbs, and it is the majority of them have sustained injuries which may prove About half-past 12 o'clock on night, a boy of fifteen years of name could not be ascertained, city hospital, from the interior he sustained. The explosion led to have resulted from a lack of the boiler, the iron plates become heated, and the cold water being put in, generated a species well as steam, thereby causing sion, which blew the boiler elements, many of which were distance from where the engine An inquest will be held on the of the corner, and inquires as to of the explosion will be made.

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BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening

BY ATLANTIC CABLE London, June 22nd.—The death of the Queen of Madagascar. Ramona Success and General Napier and staff and frod have embarked at Alexandria.

Paris, June 22.—In the Corps last week, while the subsidy for the Trans-Atlantic Steamship was under consideration, it was stated that M. Perine had resigned his position of that line.

Antwerp, June 22.—A mutiny yesterday on the American ship Nerus, while lying in this port, which her officers were severely by the crew and nearly overpowered. The United States steamer derago which was lying near some of her crew to the assistance police, and after a desperate mutiny was suppressed.

The anniversary of the death of the late King of Belgium was solemnly observed with religious and commemorative services by the Archduchess of the Royal family of Belgium.

London, June 22.—In the Commons this evening, Lord presented his agreement in the recommendations made in support by the neutrality commission. It is not possible to any legislation on this subject present session of Parliament. political