

# Guelph Evening Mercury

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PRICE ONE PENNY

### 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 Keeling & Macdonald.  
**THOS. AUGMULY KEELING,**  
M. D., M. B. C. S., England  
A. A. MACDONALD,  
M. B., L.R.C.P. Edin., and L.R.C.S. Edin.  
Guelph, July 1st, 1873.

**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. Entrance on Cork street. After 6 p.m. at his residence on York street. dw

**D. BROOK.**  
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE  
Directly opposite Chalmers' Church, Quebec street, Guelph.  
Dr. Brook having returned from the South will attend to all professional calls as usual.

**FREDERICK BISCOE,** Architect, Contractor and Builder, Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec street, Guelph. dw

**FREDERICK BISCOE,** Barrister and Attorney at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c. Guelph. Office, corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets. dw

**OLIVER & MACDONALD,** Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont. dw

**GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN.** Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.  
GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN.  
Guelph, March 1, 1871. dw

**LEMON & PETERSON.** Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public.  
Office—Brownlow's New Buildings, near the Registry Office.  
A. LEMON, H. W. PETERSON,  
CHAS. LEMON, J. County Crown Attorneys.

**ROBERT CRAWFORD.** PRACTICAL Watch and Clock Maker, Jeweller, Wyndham Street, Guelph.  
Gold and Silver Work, Chains, Brooches, Rings, &c. Hair Jewellery and Device Work, Clocks and Timepiece Jewellery repaired and made to order. Goods in variety. Guelph, Feb. 1873. dw

**NEW CAR.** The subscriber begs to announce to the citizens of Guelph that he has just purchased a carriage and is prepared to carry persons to and from any place in town at the usual charges. He has also a large quantity of harness, extra harness, &c. He hopes by strict attention to receive a share of public patronage. Orders can be left at Dr. Herod's Drug Store or at his residence, next door to the Primitive Methodist parsonage. JOHN EWING, Guelph, July 15, 1873. dw

**NEW COAL YARD.**  
The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of  
**Hard and Soft Coal**  
At moderate prices. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to. GEO. MURTON, Guelph. dw

**STUDY,** House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter  
GRAINER and PAPER-HANGER.  
Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. 127 dw

**WILLIAM J. PATERSON,** Official Assignee for the County of Wellington.  
Office—Opposite Town Hall, Guelph. dw

**IRON CASTINGS**  
Of all kinds, made to order at  
**CROWE'S IRON WORKS,** Norfolk Street, Guelph.  
JOHN CROWE, Proprietor

**MONEY TO LEND.**  
On firm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. Apply to  
**GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,** Barristers, &c. Guelph.  
April 17, 1873. dw

**MONEY TO LEND.**  
I am willing to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned.  
**GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,** Barristers, &c. Guelph.  
April 23, 1873. dw

**E. A. A. GRANGE,** Veterinary Surgeon  
Graduate Ontario Veterinary College.  
Office—No. 6, DAY'S BLOCK, UPPER ST. All calls at night will be attended to by call at the office.  
S.B.—Horses bought and sold on commission. May 17, 73. dw

**PRIZE DENTISTRY.**  
**DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL**  
Licentiate of Dental Surgery.  
Established 1858. Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham Street, Guelph.  
Residence opposite Mr. Bonin's Factory, 127 Wyndham Street, Guelph.  
S.B.—Street, South of the Wellington Hotel, Guelph. Dr. Campbell, Dr. Herod, Dr. McGreggor, and Dr. McQuinn, Guelph. Dr. Campbell, Dr. Herod, Dr. McGreggor, and Dr. McQuinn, Guelph. Dr. Campbell, Dr. Herod, Dr. McGreggor, and Dr. McQuinn, Guelph. Dr. Campbell, Dr. Herod, Dr. McGreggor, and Dr. McQuinn, Guelph. dw

**W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S.,** SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.  
Office over E. Herod's Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonald Streets, Guelph.  
N.B.—Nirox Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the relief of tooth-ache, which is perfectly safe and reliable.  
References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod, Clark, Mack, McGreggor, and Dr. McQuinn, Guelph; W. G. Graham, Dentist, Brampton. dw

### New Advertisements.

**TO LET** A large two-story Stone Building in the centre of the Town, suitable for manufacturing purposes. Apply to Robert W. Guelph. dw

**WANTED** A young man for Guelph Clothing and Gen'l. Furnishing trade. Apply by letter, to box 435, Hamilton, Ont. August 1, 1873. dw

**COTTAGE OR HOUSE WANTED**—To rent on or before Sept. 1, containing six or eight rooms; ten minutes' walk from the market; West Ward preferred. Apply to George Murray, junr., at Shaw & Murton's. dw

**SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE.** For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, different makers, all new, cheap to cash. Apply at the Mercury Office. dw

**W. H. TAYLOR,** CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER, GUELPH.  
The only one this side of Toronto. All work warranted the best. Please send for price list. dw

**GUELPH ACADEMY.** Reopens Monday, August 11th. Particular attention to English branches. Terms on application. JOHN MARTIN, Guelph, July 26, 1873. dw

**PAISLEY STREET** Grocery No. 1. **ROBERT S. KING** Begs to announce to the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding country that he has opened out in the store lately occupied by Mrs. F. W. Galt, Paisley street, opposite the Guelph Sewing Machine Factory, where he intends keeping a nice assortment of Groceries which will be sold at prices equal to any in town. The public generally are cordially invited to call and examine my stock and prices. R. S. KING, Guelph, Aug. 5, 1873. dw

**TOWN HALL,** ONE NIGHT ONLY. **THIS EVENING!** LINDLEY COMBINATION!

**Four Shows in One** Lindley Theatre Company, Lindley Opera Company, Lindley Acrobatic Company, Freeman Family Brass Band.

**RIP VAN WINKLE;** and the Furore of Miami, the Indian Queen.

**GUELPH** Central Exhibition. Tickets will be received by the undersigned for the privilege of Erecting Refreshment Booths on the Exhibition grounds for the forthcoming Show.

**SPLENDID CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT.** Residence for Sale.

**Claudeboye Galop,** Composed and dedicated by special permission to Her Excellency the Countess of Dufferin.

**FOR SALE** At Anderson's Bookstore.

**AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.** The property of David Kennedy, Esq., Woodville Street, Guelph, opposite the Court House. — W. S. G. Knowles will offer for sale by public auction on the premises, by order of D. Kennedy, Esq., who is leaving Guelph for Europe, the whole of his valuable household furniture and effects, on THURSDAY, the 14th of AUGUST inst., at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon. For particulars and terms, see catalogue. The property may be viewed in the day preceding the sale. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer, Guelph, Aug. 5, 1873. dw

**LIMESTONE** Quarry and Kilns for Sale.

**200 ACRE FARM FOR SALE.** Within two miles of good market and railway at Ferris. 100 acres cleared, 45 clear of stumps, balance newly chopped. A good log house and stable on land. Excellent. Price \$5,000. The whole or 100 acres can be bought. Also, 100 acres, 7 miles from Ferris, 15 acres cleared; balance good hardwood. The very best description of soil; new log house terms easy. Apply to J. W. G. Arzuff-Ferris.

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**Town and County News.** The Wesleyan church in Orangeville has not bell—the only church bell in that town.

**THE ACTON FIRE.**—We learn that Mr. McKee's loss by the late fire is \$7,000; in store on Friday, and broke his neck. Mrs. Burrows' loss is about \$1,000, and is fully covered by insurance.

**Good Work.**—A man named Alexander Spears, of Galdon, ordered 17 acres of fall wheat in two days, on the farm of Mr. John Carson, of Melmor. Who can beat that?

**Mr. Thomas Wood,** for many years a resident of Elora, Ontario, left here with his family for old England last Wednesday morning. By Mr. Wood's departure Elora loses one of her most distinguished citizens, and the Reform party an enthusiastic adherent.

**THE Maple Leaf** will have an opportunity of regaining their lost laurels on Monday, as our readers will notice from our basal columns. Considerable interest is felt amongst the public generally as to the result of Monday's match, which amongst base ball players is the most intense.

**THE LINDLEY TROUPE** are here again to-day. They play "Hip Van Winkle" and the farce of "Miami, the Indian Queen," to-night in the Town Hall. Judging by their former reception, they will have a good house.

**SHEEP KILLED.**—On Tuesday night, last week, Mr. Wm. Turner, town line Arthur and Minto, had three fine sheep killed and one badly bitten by dogs. A night or two afterwards another farmer in the same neighborhood caught a dog in the act of killing one of his sheep, and followed the dog home to his owner's residence.

A petition, with nearly two hundred signatures appended to it, was forwarded to His Excellency the Governor General from Elora, praying him not to prorogue Parliament until it has had opportunity of dealing with the Hamilton charges against Mr. Government.

**THE ROYAL YEDDO JAPS.**—The Town Hall was densely crowded last night with folks who had been attracted by the spectacle which preceded those famous performers, the Yeddo Japs. The entertainment was a first-class one, and the feats so unparalleled that we believe our readers will thank us for a more extended notice than we have room for to-day. We shall therefore endeavor to find room for a description of some of the feats on Monday.

**SOCIAL AT SUNNYSIDE.**—On Monday evening last, a grand social was given at the residence and grounds of Mr. Davidson, Sunnyside, to defray the furnishing expenses, &c., in connection with the new vestry of St. Andrew's church. An admission fee of 25 cents, taken at the gate, will include the first table of the evening. The first table was served soon after seven o'clock; and at a quarter to eleven half a dozen stragglers sat down to yet more tea and confectionery. Lawrence's Silver Cornet Band were engaged for the evening, and played with their usual fine quality. The affair was a pecuniary success, realizing between \$25 and \$30.

**Lecture and Pic-nic at Elora.** Thursday last was the anniversary of the Sunday-school of Chalmers' Church, Elora. The day's proceedings began with a picnic in the grove behind Mr. Gibbons' house, with their parents and friends assembled, in number about 150. Ample provision was made for the entertainment of all, and a pleasant day was spent in the programme of singing under the leadership of Mr. McWhirter.

At half-past seven the assembly gathered in the church to hear a lecture on "Canada" by the Rev. Mr. Wardrope, of Guelph. Rev. Mr. Middlemiss, minister of the church, presided, and there was a good audience. The lecturer professed his subject by some general remarks on the feeling of patriotism and love of country, so inherent amongst nearly all races of mankind. He proceeded to consider the question of why Canada should exist under a separate nationality; and next gave a description of the inexhaustible resources of our country, its producing capacity and vast natural wealth. A review was then given of the progress we had made during the last generation, especially in agriculture, mechanics, commerce, and the various branches of industry; and in conclusion the lecturer put before his hearers the duty incumbent upon Canadians, living as they did at the formative period of a country, by their own hands to lay the foundation of elevating the social, intellectual, and moral tone of the nation.

At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks was given to Mr. Wardrope, on the motion of George Barron, Esq., and the Rev. Mr. McGreggor. The collection taken up in aid of Chalmers' Church was a liberal one.

**THE Non-Whist.**—Mr. G. M. Yeomans, late of Mount Forest, has pitched his tent near Dundas, on Rat creek, Manitoba. Mr. John Smith, formerly of Pilkington, who left with Mr. Yeomans, has retained the Hudson Bay farm at White Horse plains, twenty-five miles from Port Garry.

### Local and Other Items.

**STREET PROWLING** under the auspices of the British Young Men's Christian Association has been kept up for several weeks back.

**BUILDING OPERATIONS** in Berlin continue with unabated vigor, new structures springing up in every direction until the whole town is dotted with them.

**A LABOURER** on the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway fell from a wagon at Fordwich on Friday, and broke his neck. An inquest will be held to-day.

**CLEVER CAPTIVE.**—As No. 8 Express was coming east from Windsor, Conductor Wallace in charge "twiggid" two very suspicious looking persons in the smoking car, playing cards. He had his eye on them, and "smelt a mice." In a short time after he noticed they induced some of the passengers to play a game, and when they had a pile of about \$125 on the table one of the men in question grabbed the money and jumped off the train near Belle River. Conductor Wallace at once stopped the train, backed up to where the thief jumped off, and with the assistance of one or two passengers, succeeded in capturing him. The money was all recovered. Conductor Wallace deserves great praise for being so prompt in this case. *London Free Press.*

**THE GEORGEWICK FIRE.**—We take the following additional particulars of this catastrophe from a Georgetown paper, the *Haltian Herald*. We regret to notice that Messrs. Douglass & Bannerman, formerly of Guelph, are amongst the sufferers. On Tuesday morning last about 2 o'clock, a fire broke out in the wood sheds of the Grand Trunk, at the station, supposed to have originated from a passing train. The alarm was quickly spread and in a short time the fire-engine and most of the town were at the scene of conflagration. The shed at the time contained about 500 cords of sawed hard wood which was completely destroyed, together with the Georgetown store house. About 50,000 feet of lumber belonging to Messrs. Douglass & Bannerman, 100 square of shingles, belonging to Mr. Cook, a car load of bran belonging to Mr. Ross and several other things around the station. The loss is estimated at about \$100,000. On Messrs. Douglass & Bannerman's Mr. Ross's and Mr. Cook's property there was no insurance, but the Grand Trunk property was insured. Had the wind been in the opposite direction the fire would have been most fearful as it would have taken the freight house, Barber Bros. storeroom, and a large lot of lumber, wool, &c.

**Town Council.** There were present at the special meeting of the Council on Friday night the Mayor, Messrs. Howard, Kennedy, Richard, Mitchell, McLagan, Crowe, Massie, Davidson, Hogg and Coffey.

**MR. DAVIDSON** presented a petition from the representatives of the East Ward, asking for an additional appropriation of \$200 towards street improvements. It stated that Elizabeth street had been partly graded, but was still in an unsafe state; that in Duke street, south of the railway, the water tables had been cleared out and formed; on Mary street, and from Woolwich street to Priory street, the sidewalk had been repaired; Cross street had been graded; Richardson street and Toronto street, partly graded; Surrey and other streets had still to be completed. Mary and Surrey streets required more work, especially as the latter was a ward street with considerable traffic thereon; Grand, Margaret and Hooper streets required a considerable amount; Duke street needed an expenditure of \$100, to enable persons building to have access to their houses; Elizabeth street required grading, as its state was dangerous.

The petitions were referred to the Finance Committee.

**ASSESSMENT BY-LAW.** The Council then went into Committee on the By-law for fixing the rate of assessment for the current year. Mr. Kennedy in the chair.

Mr. Massie moved, and Mr. McLagan seconded, that the assessment be 13 cents in the dollar. This was carried. Mr. Davidson moved that it be 12 cents, but had no second.

The assessment was then appraised as follows:—County rate at three mills; public schools five mills; redemption and interest of debentures and general purposes, seven mills.

The Council resumed, and the blanks in the By-law were reported filled up without amendment.

Mr. Richard Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Hogg, that the By-law be now read a third time, numbered 235, and passed.—Carried.

**Council then adjourned.**

**Rifle Match with Galt.** Yesterday six gentlemen arrived from Galt about noon, to shoot a friendly rifle match with six Guelph residents, whose names are given below. They were promptly received and driven out to the range, where the shooting came off during the afternoon. Guelph winning by 90 points. The competitors then returned to town, and after a meal together at the Royal, and a stroll round town, the visitors drove home again. The shooting of Mr. Hallwell, of the Guelph team, was not so good as usual, in consequence of Mr. Hogg's account he met with last week, when he was thrown from a colt and struck in the breast with its hoof, causing him a painful remembrance of the occurrence at every shot yesterday:—

GUELPH.	200 yds	100 yds	50 yds	Total
J. Hooper	15	16	16	47
Dr. Macdonald	15	16	16	47
G. A. Bruce	14	16	14	44
J. Hazleton	15	15	16	46
J. Crowe	14	15	11	40
G. Balkwill	10	11	11	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>242</b>

GALT.	200 yds	100 yds	50 yds	Total
Mr. Elliott	15	17	13	45
Mr. Hogg	16	16	9	39
Mr. Evans	13	14	15	42
Mr. Cowan	11	14	13	38
Mr. Clarke	15	17	10	42
Mr. Stoddard	10	13	8	31
<b>Total</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>237</b>

**RUNNING MATCH.**—A running match took place on Monday on Ketchum's Driving Park, Orangeville, between Wallace's B. H. Turcotte, and Witters B. L. "Tonahstone," for a purse of \$30. The race, though won by "Turcotte" in two straight heats, was nevertheless closely contested. A large number of spectators witnessed the race.

### BY TELEGRAPH.

#### THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHS

**Gladstone.**

**Attempted Assassination.**

**Cholera.**

**Spain.**

**Terrible Steamboat Accident.**

**Buffalo Races.**

**Boat Race Settled.**

**Strike.**

**London, Aug. 8.**—The London journals this morning announce that Lord Fred. Charles Cavendish and Sir Arthur Wellesley Peir will assist Mr. Gladstone in administering the duties of the Chancellor of Exchequer. It is probable that Sir John Duke Coleridge will be appointed Master of the Rolls, Sir George Jessel, Attorney-General, and Mr. Henry James, Solicitor-General. Mr. Wm. P. Adams, has been appointed Commissioner of Works and Buildings in place of Mr. Ayrton, who has resigned.

Nearly all the large cotton mills of Rochdale are closed in consequence of a strike of the operatives.

**Madrid, Aug. 8.**—Valencia has unconditionally surrendered, and General Camponos now occupies the city. The submission of Cartagena is expected to follow immediately.

**Trieste, August 8.**—An attempt was made to assassinate Prince Nicholas, the Hospodar of Montenegro. The Prince was severely wounded in the face.

**Fredricksburg, August 8.**—The steamer *Wawassett*, running on the Potomac River between Washington and Curritman, took fire to-day at Chatham Landing, and was destroyed. Between forty and fifty lives are lost. Six bodies were found up to two o'clock, three white ladies, one child, and two coloured children.

**Washington, August 8.**—Doc. Kenney, bar keeper of the steamer *Wawassett*, reports that she left here at six o'clock this morning on her regular weekly trip to Cove River with 117 registered passengers and a large cargo of freight for River landings. Just before reaching Chattowin's Landing on the Virginia side, fire was discovered in the hold. The hose was attached immediately but before the men could reach it the conflagration had become general, as the fire had been burning for some time. Fire had been smouldering it is supposed for some hours and upon opening the hatches it burst forth with great fury, driving the men from the hold and completely baffling all attempts to subdue it. In an instant the wildest confusion prevailed on the vessel, the passengers becoming panic stricken and frantic with fear, very few having presence of mind sufficient to take care of themselves. The steamer was immediately headed for the Virginia shore and in a few minutes ran aground about two hundred yards from shore. At this time the flames had spread with fearful rapidity and in the excitement many jumped overboard. Several of them jumped into the water before the steamer struck. She was provided with two small boats and in the frenzy of the moment one of these was thrown overboard and lost, by passengers who uncontrolled were endeavouring to launch her. Captain Wood, of the ill-fated steamer, and his assistants are said to have used every effort to control passengers, but without avail, and but for this disobedience of orders many more of them would have been saved. The vessel was well provided with life preservers, but in the panic it seems that none of the passengers secured them. Over forty passengers were drowned. But five or six bodies had been recovered when Kenney left the scene. A few weeks ago the *Wawassett* was thoroughly overhauled and repaired. She was regarded as an excellent River boat and her boilers and machinery were in first class order.

**Buffalo, August 8.**—To-day's trotting was one of the most exciting and brilliant contests that has ever been known to come off here. The track was in splendid condition, and fully 20,000 persons were present. In the 2:24 race ten horses entered and eight started. Snaie won one heat, St. James another, and Glosset the others' winning the race. Time, 2:24, 2:33, 2:23. In the 2:30 race ten horses entered, six started. St. James was the winner, Lady Banker next best. Time, 2:27, 2:26, 2:26, 2:24.

The cable proposed to be laid direct to the coast of New Hampshire, will now be landed on the coast of Newfoundland.

**New York, August 8.**—Articles of agreement for a boat race have been drawn up and signed by John A. Biglia of New York, and George Brown, of Halifax, for \$1,000 a side, the race to be rowed at Halifax on August 28th.

The Government has received no official communication from Great Britain relative to the Manitoba difficulty, and therefore, contrary to report, has taken no action whatever in the premises.

**MYSTERIOUS DEATH.**—An inquest was held on the body of a woman who was found dead in her house, near Whitfield township of Mulmur, on the 18th ult., by Dr. Armstrong and a jury. The deceased was a widow named Ann Cornell, and lived alone. She had been seen going about as usual a few days previous, and on Friday morning a neighbor on calling at her house found her dead. The body presented the appearance of strangulation. It was stated that deceased was subject to some kind of fits. A verdict of death from natural cause was rendered.

### A Sensation at the Police Court

#### CHARGE OF INDECENT ASSAULT.

Saturday, August 9.

Lot Roe, barkeeper at Parker's Hotel, was charged before G. Elliot, Esq., J. P., and the Mayor, with committing an indecent assault upon Barbara Waugh, of Galt. The facts of the case are shown by the following evidence. The complainant is a tall, hard-featured woman of between 30 and 40 years, respectively dressed. She gave her evidence with quietness and composure, never raising her voice above an ordinary tone; the only signs of agitation being an occasional quivering of the lips.

Barbara Waugh stated that she was at Parker's Hotel on the night of Thursday last, in company with Mr. John Fraser. She felt ill in the afternoon, and got worse towards evening. She retired to her own bedroom at about eleven o'clock. Mr. Fraser knew that witness was sick, and visited her room three times during the night to see if she needed anything, and if she wanted better. The candle was lit every time that he came. She had been once to tell him that she was no better. Defendant came in to witness' room about daybreak. When she saw him she ordered him back. He said if the old man was allowed to come in there he would come. He then came up to the bed and seized her by the arms, holding her down. She told him to go out of there, or she would knock out his brains. He swore that he would kick her out of the house in the morning, and would tell that the old man had slept with her all night. He offered her \$4, and she understood it was for an improper purpose. She told him again to go away, and he shortly afterwards left. About ten minutes afterwards, as soon as she felt able to move, she went to seek Mr. Fraser, and told him what had happened. She could not find him at first. She distinctly identified prisoner as the man who came into her bedroom.

Cross-examined.—Prisoner was about five minutes in her room. Mr. Fraser had left her room about half an hour previously. Did not remember prisoner telling her subsequently to get out of the house. Prisoner was partly dressed when she came to her room. She did not shout or cry when prisoner laid his hands upon her, but tried to shake him off. She was partly sitting up at the time, and prisoner pushed her down and tried to get into the bed. Rose that morning about eleven o'clock, and after sitting a while came over to the police court to see the Mayor, in order to bring this charge, and saw the Clerk of the Police Court.

John L. Fraser—Was at Parker's hotel on Thursday night with Barbara Waugh. She was sick, and took good care. She retired at 11 or so, still sick. Witness occupied a room almost opposite, and told her if she became worse to let him know. She did let him know. He put on his pants and vest, and went to her room. He lighted his candle, and gave her a glass of water. Found her candle burning. Bathed her forehead and felt her pulse. She seemed weak and low. He went again to see how she was, and found her no better. Felt rather alarmed about her, and went again at about four o'clock. Found her a little better, and went back to his own room and got into bed. A while afterwards, Mr. Waugh came to his room, seeming much agitated. She went to another room previously by mistake. She told him that defendant had been in her room, and threatened to force her. Witness told her to go back to her room and let him sleep awhile, and he would see about it. Subsequently he asked witness up to their sitting room, and asked for the bill after some conversation. Defendant said it was \$2, and witness said he thought it too much. He then asked prisoner what he was doing in the lady's room, and he replied, "I was doing no harm; you were there."

Witness said he had a right to be there to wait upon her, as she was ill. Defendant admitted that he had been in the room, but denied any indecent conduct. After a few more words had passed, he became wrathful, and got up and shook his fist in Mrs. Waugh's face. Refused to pay the bill, and the language of the two was left there in consequence. Witness came over at about eleven o'clock to the Police Court.—Mrs. Waugh is a professional fortune-teller and I travel with her as her protector. She is a widow. We occasionally go from town to town. We live in Galt. She does sewing and fancy work. I live in Glenmorris, and am a distant relative of hers. I work on clocks and watches.

At the conclusion of the evidence Mr. McMillan came in, pleading he sent for by the prisoner.

The prisoner pleading Not Guilty, and the Magistrate committed him for trial.

Mr. McMillan applied for an order for bail on behalf of the prisoner, which after some discussion was granted; him self in \$200, and two sureties in \$200 each.

The offence being an indictable one, no evidence for the defence could be brought before the Bench. In fairness to Roe, therefore, we give his version of the case, which is that Fraser had been in the woman's room all night, and left it when he heard Roe moving about nearby; that Roe went into the room because he suspected something wrong, was only there a few minutes, and did not go near the bed; and that the information would not have been laid against him if it were not for the dispute as to the bill.

### Fires in Woodstock.

#### Special Despatch to the Evening Mercury.

Woodstock, Aug. 9.

Anent the annual muster of the 22nd Battalion, the good people of Ingersoll have decided to supplement the pay of the men by one dollar each if the camp