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## Business & Ad.

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Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.  
Office—Over Harvey's Drug Store, Guelph, March 4, 1874.

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Barrister, Attorney, Solicitor, Notary Public, etc.  
Office—Corner of Wyndham & Quebec Streets, Guelph, June 3, 1874. d&wt

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BARRISTER AT LAW.  
OFFICE—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, Guelph, June 3, 1874. d&wt

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**STEPHEN BOLT, Architect, Contractor and Builder, Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the sale and the public. The Factory is on Quebec Street, Guelph.**

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

**F. STURDY**  
House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter  
GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER.  
Shop opposite the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

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

**M. P. DELOUCHE**  
WIRE WORKER,  
Pearl Street, off King Street. Every description of wire work made to order at the lowest terms. Any orders left at W. H. Murray's fruit depot, Wyndham Street, will be thankfully received and promptly attended to. Terms strictly cash. dw

**RIE'S BILLIARD HALL**  
In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market.  
The room has just been refitted in splendid style, the tables reduced in size, and everything done to make it a first-class Billiard Hall. Nov. 3rd. 1873. do

**WM. NELSON**  
Clothes Cleaner and Renovator  
All clothing entrusted to his care will be cleaned and renovated to the satisfaction of his customers. He also has a Laundry in connection. He returns thanks for past patronage, and trusts he will continue to receive the support of the public generally. Residence Devonshire Street, Guelph, April 29, 1874. dsm

**D. R. COLLINGE**  
M.D., Edinburgh, and M.R.C.S., England having assisted Dr. Clarke in his Practice during the last twelve months, has now commenced Practice on his own account at the house formerly occupied by Dr. Herod, Quebec Street East, Guelph. dwsm

**DOMINION SALOON AND RESTAURANT**  
Opposite the Market, Guelph.  
The proprietor begs to notify his friends that he has just received a large quantity of the above saloons and bottles, keeping none but first-class liquors and cigars to receive a share of public patronage.  
Orders in their season. First-class accommodation for supper parties.  
M. DEADY, Proprietor. dw

**W. M. FOSTER, D.D.S.**  
Surgeon Dentist, Guelph.  
Office over R. Harvey & Co's. Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham & Macdonnell Streets, Guelph.  
Extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable. References kindly permitted to Dr. Herod, McGuire, Keating, Cowan, and Mr. Gregor, Guelph.

**R. CAMPBELL, L.D.S.**  
Having recovered from his recent illness, is again prepared to attend to the wants of all who may require his services.  
Office at the old stand, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**Brass Castings**  
MADE TO ORDER BY  
**HARLEY & HEATHER,**  
IRON FOUNDERS,  
Huskisson Street, east side Market house Guelph, April 27th, 1874. dwsm

**"MONEY TO BE MADE."**  
The subscriber is authorized to let the store and premises, in the village of Eden Mills, lately occupied by Samuel Meadows. These premises are of stone, large and well suited for a general store. The village is situated in the centre of a flourishing farming district. Terms moderate. Apply to Lemon, Peterson & MoLean, Solicitors, Guelph, and to J. A. PATERSON, Township Clerk, Eden Mills. dw

**MONEY TO LEND.**  
In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitors fees or commission charged.  
Apply to Guthrie, Watt & Cutten, April 11, 1874. dw

## New Advertisements.

**SERVANT WANTED**—Wanted, a good general servant girl for the country. Apply to Thomas Adie, Hatley Block, or call at the Mercury Office at 12 o'clock on Saturday. 130widst

**PASTURE TO LET.**  
Apply to J. Simpson, near the Great Western Station, Guelph. dw

**STONE SHOP TO RENT.**—In the Town of Guelph, well adapted for any kind of manufacturing business. Apply at the Mercury Office. 137-dwt

**SITUATION WANTED.**—By a middle aged lady as housekeeper or assistant in a small family. Address L.A. Guelph. June 16, 1874. dt

**FOUR EXPERIENCED DRESS-MAKERS** wanted immediately at the Fashionable West End. Apply to Miss Morrison. O. BUCHANAN. 30-dt

**ICE CREAM AND COOL DRINKS**  
—AT—  
Mrs. WINSTANLEY'S Grocery Store, south side of the Dundas Bridge, Guelph. Guelph, June 6th, 1874. dsm

**NOTICE.**  
After the 1st of July the Watch and Jewellery Stores of Guelph will close at six o'clock instead of seven as formerly. S. SAVAGE, R. CHAPMAN, G. D. FAIRBANKS. Guelph, June 25, 1874. dw

**NOTICE**  
The partnership heretofore existing between Hearn & Kennedy has been dissolved by mutual consent. Persons having claims against the late firm are requested to send in their accounts to either of the undersigned forthwith.  
WILLIAM HEARN, ALBERT KENNEDY, Guelph, June 24, 1874. dw

**ORGAN, nearly new,**  
WITH FIVE STOPS,  
WILL BE SOLD CHEAP FOR CASH  
Apply at Day's Bookstore. Guelph, June 4th, 1874. wdlm

**BRICKS FOR SALE.**  
The subscriber is prepared to supply Builders and other with any quantity of first-class Red or White Bricks, delivered at the Station in Guelph. Apply to Dennis Coffee or Thomas Ward, Victoria Hotel, Guelph. HENRY DAVIDSON. dw

**COW STRAYED.**—Strayed from Allan's Mills, on Wednesday, the 24th inst., a middling sized cow, with white and red spots, horns standing out, star in forehead, and black around the mouth, tail white and cropped straight across, in addition to collar and giving milk. Was last seen at Stone's farm (Kerr's old farm, Brock Road) on Thursday morning. Any one returning her to me, or giving such information as will lead to her recovery will be suitably rewarded. J. D. ALLAN. Guelph, June 29, 1874. dw

**DRAGHT HORSE FOR SALE.**  
A dark brown gelding rising 6 years old, stands 17 hands high, warranted sound. Apply to E. A. A. GRANGER, V.S., 26-6a Union Hotel, Guelph. dw

**BOATS TO LET.**  
The subscriber has on hand a number of boats to let by the hour or day. Apply at the boat house above the Dundas Bridge. P. KRIBBS. Guelph, June 8, 1874. dw

**THE CORNER STONE**  
OF THE NEW  
**Wesleyan Methodist Church**  
On the Corner of Dublin and Suffolk Streets, will be laid, with appropriate ceremonies, by JAMES HOUGH, Esq.,  
On Thursday, July 9th,  
at 4:30 p.m., when an address will be delivered by the REV. W. H. POOLEY, of Toronto. The public are invited.

**ON the same evening, the Young People's Aid Society, will give a STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL IN THE DRILL SHED.**  
Proceeds to aid the Building Fund of the New Church. dw

**LECTURE.**  
"Bismarck and the Church"  
—BY—  
Rev. Louis Jouin, S.J.,  
In St. Bartholomew's Church, on Sunday, July 5th, at 7:30 p.m.  
Admission 25 cents.  
The proceeds of the Lecture to meet the extra expenses of the retaining wall, and the opening of a new road to the Catholic Cemetery. Guelph, June 27th, 1874. dd

**NOTICE.**  
The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned as Flour and Feed Dealers, Guelph, has been dissolved by mutual consent.  
R. W. ROBERTSON, S. ROBERTSON.

**THE Business will be carried on as usual by the undersigned.**  
R. W. ROBERTSON. dw

**MONEY TO LOAN**  
ON FARM SECURITY.  
The undersigned have \$25,000 for investment in Mortgages on Farms, in sums to suit borrowers, with interest at 6 percent, for periods from 5 to 15 years.  
Early applications requested.  
LEMON, PETERSON & MACLEAN. dw

**SPORTS, READ THIS!**  
Turkish Ounguent  
Prevents Whiskers or Mustaches on the smoothest faces. Does not injure the skin. Sent postage paid, and closely sealed, for 25 cents.  
GREENFIELD & CO., 137-139 Wm. Box 220, Toronto, O.

**INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.**  
In the matter of Herbert Folwell Tuck, an Insolvent.  
In pursuance of an order of the Judge of the County Court of the County of Wellington, I will offer for sale at my office, in the Town of Guelph, all the remaining debts of the Insolvent, a list of which is open to inspection at my office, on FRIDAY, the 26th day of June, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon.  
W. J. PATERSON, Assignee. Guelph, 4th June, 1874. dw

**THE above sale has been postponed till FRIDAY next, at two o'clock, when the sale will be without reserve.**  
W. J. PATERSON, Assignee. dw

**Collingwood, according to the Bulletin, is in sad need of a park.**

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**Town and County News**  
**STOCK SOLD.**—Mr. Wm. Whitelaw the other day sold three very fine thoroughbred bull calves and a thoroughbred heifer to Mr. Roberts, of Iowa, Ill., for a good price.

**QUEEN'S PLATE.**—The Queen's Plate was run for in Hamilton on the 1st, and was won by "Swallow" in 2:51, she taking the lead from the first.

**ACCIDENT.**—On Tuesday, as two young men were returning from Aton with their teams, they were racing and managed to run foul of each other. One of whom had a bad spill, the upper strings of his rig coming on top of him. He will recover shortly.

**HORSE KILLED.**—A valuable colt owned by Mr. J. B. Coates, of Aton, was killed the other day by a passing train, east of that station. He got out of the pasture, which is along side the track, but the train caught him before he had a chance to return.

**BABY BURIED.**—On Saturday last a son of Mr. John Montgomery Gardner, got his face and hand badly burned by the falling of a ball dipped in coal oil, which was ignited, thrown, and fell on his face. Dr. McGuire is attending him, and he is doing as well as might be expected.

**THE RESULT OF A SPOON.**—A man named McMaster, a spinner from Hespeler, got into a scuffle in a tavern on Macdonnell Street on Wednesday evening about five o'clock, and the result was that his leg was broken and his ankle dislocated. Dr. Cowan was called and set the limb, and the patient was taken home late in the evening. At last accounts he was doing well, although the injury is very severe.

**RUNAWAY IN FEROCIOUS.**—A serious accident occurred on Tuesday. As a young team of horses were starting on the street they were startled by a fire-cracker going off, and ran away. A man named Scott, of Luther, who tried to stop them, was struck on the head by the tongue of the wagon and knocked down, the horses trampling on him, and the wheels passing over his body. His leg is a very bad one, and his name is also hurt.

**SERENADE.**—The Mercury Office today was honored by a serenade from the splendid Band of the Perth Battalion, while on their return to camp from Stratford, where they were on Dominion Day. They chanted with a couple of airs, which they played in first-class style. The Mercury staff thanks them for the compliment and congratulates them on their handsome appearance, and on their marked efficiency as musicians.

**JULY FAIR.**—The fair to-day was not very largely attended, owing partly to the season and partly to the change of day in holding the fair. There were more cattle on the ground than was expected. Stock in good condition fetched from \$4 to \$4.75 per 100 lbs. A good number of sheep were on the ground, and sold from \$25 to \$40 according to quality. Working cattle fetched from \$80 to \$100. The fair on the whole was better than might be expected at this season of the year.

**STYLISH RIG.**—We noticed yesterday that Mr. A. H. Megaffin drove out in his new carriage, built by J. B. Armstrong & Co. It is a splendid rig, and one of the best we have seen in this part of the country. The rigging, &c. is perfect of the kind, and the whole gets the greatest credit on the builders. The harness was made by J. A. Tovell, is also gold-plated, and is superior to any we have seen at our exhibitions. Mr. Megaffin is doing a large business in the book trade throughout Ontario, which gives assurance that the rig was made in one of the leading business men in town.

**Pic-Nic.**—The children of the North Ward School had a fine picnic on Monday, 29th ult., in Mr. J. Robertson's bush. They turned out to the number of one hundred, and the printers with a couple of months' supply of provisions with them. The Misses Smith and Mr. Anderson were there, and judging from the way they romped and played with the young folks they enjoyed themselves as much as the children, and we all know how they relish such a gathering. I need scarcely say that the whole got up a most delightful picnic. The children were all well, and the provisions were all good. One novelty, however, I might mention, viz., the "races," which, by-the-by, are becoming rather popular, in which boys and girls all joined. One race was for a ball—won by a boy; another for a piece of money, in which two girls came in for a share; another for nuts, &c. The children assembled at two o'clock p.m., provisions were served about four, and the picnic was over about eight o'clock, all very highly pleased.—Con.

**REPORT TO THE MOUNTED POLICE.**—A letter from Emerson, Manitoba, to the Daily Despatch, of the 24th ult., says that during a tremendous storm of thunder and lightning the three hundred horses of the Canadian Mounted Police, which recently passed through St. Paul from Canada, impeded, running over tents, men and officers, and against or over wagons or any obstacles in the way of their wild flight. Many men were injured and many of the horses lost or disabled. The wounded were immediately cared for by the surgeons, whose tent was held in its place by six strong men.

The robins are destroying nearly all the cherries in the locality of St. Catharines. None but fruit growers have any idea of the immense amount of damage that these birds are capable of doing, and it is becoming a serious question whether the good they accomplish early in the spring is not much more than balanced by their subsequent havoc among cherries, strawberries, grapes, and the finer varieties of summer apples, all of which they are very fond of.

A fire at Aurora, on Monday afternoon, consumed a building consisting of the Roadmaster's storehouse, section men's tool house and carpenter's shop, together with all the contents.

**COLLINGWOOD, according to the Bulletin, is in sad need of a park.**

## DOMINION DAY.

**Grand Celebration in Guelph.**  
Games, Review, Base Ball, Fireworks, &c.

The eighth anniversary of Dominion Day was celebrated on the First in this town with a fervor and eclat unprecedented in any previous celebrations of this birthday of our fair Dominion. The day broke bright and clear, the sun shone with more than his accustomed brightness, but the heat was tempered by a nice breeze. The only drawback was the dust, which was everywhere, and which sometimes rendered out-door movements uncomfortable. From early morning flags, gay with all colors, floated from many of our public buildings and from the tops of private houses, and the early stir on the streets gave signs of a busy day.

People from all parts of the country began early to gather into town. The leading roads were alive with vehicles, and many an one who could not afford to ride might be seen trudging along for the great centre of attraction. The early train from Galt and Berlin brought down a large number of people, and the later trains on the Grand Trunk from east and west, as well as the noon train from the south on the Great Western, brought their full quota of pleasure-seekers. The excursion train from Southampton was composed of 16 cars all filled. Altogether there was a large crowd of people than we ever before saw collected in Guelph, and we are happy to say that with one or two exceptions all were quiet and orderly, and spent the holiday in a rational and profitable manner.

We proceed to give an account of the amusements as they came off in their order.

**THE GAMES.**  
Took place on the Fair Grounds at ten o'clock, and nothing occurred to mar the enjoyment. Considerable annoyance was occasioned, however, by the crowd pressing in upon the players. The amusements were under the management of Messrs. Deady, Horning and Keeling, who deserve credit for the way in which they were carried on. Lawrence's Band furnished excellent music. The following is the list of successful competitors in the several games:—

Standing jump, O. Biggar, \$5; 2nd, W. Caswell, \$3.  
Three standing jumps, W. Caswell, \$6; 2nd, O. Biggar, \$3.  
Standing high jump, W. Caswell, \$5; 2nd, C. Pirie, \$3.  
Running jump, C. Biggar, \$6; 2nd, P. Keeler, \$4.  
Running high jump, John Corning, \$6; 2nd, J. O'Gee, \$4.  
Running hop, step and jump, John Corning, \$6; 2nd, P. Keeler, \$4.  
Throwing stone, M. Caraher, \$6; 2nd, W. McKeehan, \$4.  
Throwing heavy hammer, P. Caraher, \$6; 2nd, Cutler, \$4.  
Catching juggler, P. Keeler, \$4.  
Throwing base ball, W. Spalding, \$13 yards, best throw ever made here, \$5; 2nd, W. Armstrong, 105 yards 2 feet, \$3; Catching greased pig, Thos. Wood, 100 yards foot race, O. Biggar, \$5; 2nd, Jas. Spalding, \$3.  
200 yards foot race, C. Biggar, \$6; 2nd, H. Martin, \$4.  
400 yards foot race, J. H. Fram, \$6; 2nd, E. V. Seelos, \$4.  
100 yards foot race for boys under 14 years, Jas. Quirk, \$4; 2nd, Sheady, \$2.  
100 yards sack race, Jas. Spalding, \$5; 2nd, John Spalding, \$3.  
Quite a number attempted to climb the greased pole, but none were successful in getting to the top.

**CRICKET MATCH—BELIN VS. GUELPH.**  
The Berlin cricketers played a match with an eleven from the Guelph Club in the forenoon. Wickets were not pitched until about ten o'clock, and the game was finished at noon. The Guelph players obtained a victory over the visitors by eighteen runs, as seen by the following score:—

GUELPH.		BELIN.	
Henry, run out	18	Cook, b Wells	15
Wells, b Jeffrey	12	Wells, b Henry	2
McConkey, b O'Connell	12	J. C. Falls, b Henry	2
Greenhall, b Cook	3	Scully, b Henry	0
McCall, b Cook	3	C. Sharpe, b Cook	0
C. Sharpe, b Cook	3	Rowe, b Henry	2
Knowles, b Cook	3	Chalmers, stumped out, b Henry	0
Evatt, run out	0	Hartman, b Henry	1
Gomally, b Cook	0	Hespeler, b Henry	1
A. Sharpe, b Cook	0	Jaffray, b Henry	3
W. M. Morrill, not out	17	J. P. Falls, not out	3
Byes, 3, leg byes 4, wides 3	13	Hyes, 0, leg byes 4, wides 3	13
	61		61

**THE MILITARY DISPLAY.**  
In honour of the Day Col. Clarke, commanding the Brigade now in camp, gave orders for a full muster of the men at half-past ten o'clock. After going through some movements on the ground, the Brigade was formed in marching column, and proceeded by the Wellington Battery, took up this line of march for the town. They marched down Woodwich and Wyndham streets, along Macdonnell Street, turned into the Market Square at the station, and formed in extended column along the Square. The Battery was posted on the right. Next to it were the three Infantry Battalions—the Brien, Waterloo and Perth—and on the extreme left the 80th Wellington Rifles. The strolling dust along a portion of the route was very annoying to the men, and sticking as it did to their uniforms detracted very much from their appearance, still they looked well, and the marching—considering all the circumstances, and that many of them were new recruits—was on the whole very good. When the men were formed in open column, two deep, they filled the whole Square from east to west. Here an immense crowd was collected, the troops being lined by them on either side, while thousands gathered on the open ground in front, filled all the market buildings, got on to the tops of houses and verandahs, and took possession of every good point of observation. Including the military there must have been close on 7000 people on the Square. At twelve o'clock the cannon of the Battery fired a salute of 21 guns, and the Brigade fired a feu de joie. The firing

especially the last two rounds, was remarkably well done, and the quickness with which the men of the Battery handled their guns was also the theme of praise. The men then presented arms, and at the call of Col. Clarke, gave three rousing ring cheers for our gracious Queen, while the Band played the National Anthem. The men were then formed in marching column, and left the ground in the same order as they came, going up Norfolk Street to the camp. The display was the whole a most attractive one, and was the largest gathering of volunteers which ever assembled in our good town. After dinner the men were allowed a half-holiday, of which most of them took advantage.

**BASE BALL—BOSTON VS. GUELPH.**  
One of the principal features of the day was the base ball match between the Red Stockings, of Boston, and the Maple Leaf, of Guelph. The game was advertised for half-past two o'clock, and as soon as the volunteer review and games were over in town, at noon, the crowd began to move towards the grounds of the Maple Leaf Club, near the G. W. R. station. Before two o'clock the grand stand was crowded, and almost every available place on the field was taken up, and by the time play commenced the number in attendance could not have been less than eight thousand. The fences were lined with spectators, while all the elevated positions in the vicinity of the grounds were taken advantage of by those who preferred outside tickets. The immense mass of people presented an imposing spectacle, and the alternation of the red coats of the soldiers and the ordinary clothing of the civilians was a very pleasing feature. The crowd was very orderly, and not one serious disagreement occurred. Previous to the game the players on both sides stood in a group for their photographs.

The game was called at 2:42 with the Boston to the bat. Barnes, after letting three balls pass, made a splendid dizzy catch, making two bases. White hit, making; two bases and driving Barnes home. Spalding made a hit to first base, driving White out on third. McVey was put out on a fly by left field.

McVey made a hit to third and retired on first. In the first inning of the Maple Leafs T. Smith made first base by a muffed ball to short-stop, and second base on a passed ball. Keel made a splendid fair foul, making his first base. Jones was put out on a fly to short-stop. W. Smith made two bases hit. T. Smith went out between bases on a strike by Jones. Sunley then went in and drove W. Smith out on a hit to short-stop.

The Boston then went in for hard batting on the second innings, and scored four runs; the Maple Leafs scoring two runs and Spence each touching the home plate.

The third innings for Boston and Guelph resulted in a whitewash on both sides.

In the fourth innings by hard batting six of the Boston came in. Near the end of this inning O'Rourke caused the Maple Leafs to score on a third base, but was finally put out by Myers, who touched him on hearing the base. Of the Maple Leaf, Jones alone touched the home plate, the others being put out in one, two three order.

The fifth innings for the Boston resulted in one run, Hall being the lucky man to break the goose-egg. The Maple Leafs were put out in one, two, three order.

The sixth and seventh innings resulted in a whitewash for Guelph, while the Boston scored five.

In the eighth and ninth innings the Boston added three to their score, while our boys just broke the goose-egg, and thus ended an exciting game.

We noticed some very fine fielding on the part of the visitors, and some good catches by our own boys. Among them we much remark a splendid one-hand catch by Emery, of the Maple Leaf, on left field, which was warmly applauded.

**MAPLE LEAF**  
T. Smith, s. s. 1 3 1  
Keel, 2b. 1 2 1  
Jones, c. 1 2 1  
W. Smith, p. 0 0 5  
Sunley, f. 1 0 0  
Evatt, 1. b. 0 0 2  
Spence, 3rd b. 1 0 3  
Myders, c. 0 0 3  
Morrill, 1b. 1 1 2

**BOSTON**  
Barnes, 2b. 1 3 0  
White, c. 2 5 4  
Harman, 1b. 1 1 2  
McVey, f. 3 3 5  
O'Rourke, 3b. 3 4 4  
O'Rourke, 3b. 1 1 0  
H. Wright, of. 1 0 1  
Hall, f. 5 1 5  
Schaffer, 3b. 3 1 2

**RUNS EACH INNINGS.**  
Boston 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
Maple Leaf 0 3 1 0 0 0 0 2 6

**Umpire, Mr. Moore; Scorer, M. Thayer.**

**The Camp.**  
Thursday, July 2.

Elsewhere we give the programme of proceedings in camp on Wednesday. The men returned to camp at night in a very orderly manner, for which they deserve great credit. Today there was squad drill in the morning, battalion drill in the forenoon, and there will be brigade drill in the afternoon on the race course. Col. Taylor, D. A. G., will be present. To-day three companies of the Perth Battalion went out to the range for rifle practice. The balance will go out in the afternoon.

**Something about Roads and Bridges.**  
To the Editor of the Mercury.  
DEAR SIR,—Permit me through your valuable paper to make a few remarks, not concerning cows running at large, or about street crossings with Corporation or Chancery seals on top, and bottom sides. This is out of my line. But it is about our public roads and streets. Now, Sir, I mean a good deal of grumbling about the way our present overseer does the work of the roads, and would as much as would clear out the ditches in my humble opinion he has done wonders, taking into consideration the small amount appropriated for that road. Let the electors of the ward not blame the man who is doing his best to please everybody. There is also some would-be economist grumbling about the men breaking the large stones that are hauled with the gravel on to our streets, at one dollar per day. Well, Sir, I must say, and any right thinking man will agree with me, that this is the best way to make a good solid road, unless it is paved. What do you think of that? I like to have done to save this extraordinary outlay of one dollar per day for two men? They would have a team hired at three dollars per day, and also two men at one dollar and twenty-five cents per day for each man, to pick up the stones and haul them away to the gravel pit, where they were first taken out, and to have them in the way for the next year, and cart them out again and then back to the same place to save the expense of breaking them. Is this economy? I should think not.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for the space you allowed me, I remain yours, &c.  
A. RUSTYBAY OF THE EAST WARD, Guelph, July 1, 1874.

**Pushkin Farmers' Club.**  
The regular monthly meeting of the Pushkin Farmers' Club was held in the Town Hall, Aberfoyle, on Saturday last, and was well attended, showing that the farming community is fully alive to the benefit derived from social intercourse of this nature—the stake of the wife-hands as to its failure, notwithstanding. The subjects for discussion was "the mixed farming the best system to pursue?" Robt. Beattie, Esq., leading. The subject was ably handled by the speaker, who showed that farmers especially in this section do not pay attention to mixed farming essential to success, and in order to keep up the fertility of the soil more rocks crops must be raised; that the failure of our fall wheat is mainly attributable to impoverished soil rather than to the change of the seasons. The next meeting of the club will be held in the same place on Saturday 26th September next. The subjects for discussion will be—The best means of supplying agricultural labourers, Mr. Glennie to lead; also, the best mode of feeding cattle for beef, and to consider the prospects of the beef markets, Mr. McFarlane to lead.

**POPULATION OF THE EARTH.**—From a paper on this subject we extract the following table, giving the inhabitants of the five grand divisions of the globe:  
Europe 390,530,000  
Asia 795,220,000  
Africa 208,300,000  
America and the West Indies 84,542,000  
Australia and Polynesia 4,425,000  
1,394,030,000

**COLLISION.**—As the excursion train on the W. & B. Railway was about starting from the station, the engine ran into a freight train that was standing partly on the main line and partly on the switch. One freight car was thrown off, and the engine of the excursion train very slightly injured. The excursion train was delayed about half an hour by the accident.