

pay for his clothes. Witness changed a \$5 bill with Bergin the hack driver, receiving a \$1 and a \$4 bill, the latter of which witness gave to prisoner. The \$4 produced is like it.

John Bergin confirmed the elder Fuller's testimony, adding that when the latter gave him the bill, he told him "not to fool it away." The bill produced looked like the one he gave prisoner. Prisoner paid witness \$2 before his father charged the bill. That was for money owing. Prisoner owed witness more money now.

His Worship said that there was not sufficient evidence to send the prisoner to trial, and he must therefore dismiss the case. He was sorry prosecutor had lost his money, but there was no proof whatever that prisoner had taken it. The prisoner was then discharged.

FOR HOUSE CLEANING.

USE THE FRENCH Patent Paint Powder

For Cleaning and Preserving in their first freshness your painted walls, doors, furniture, etc.

Use the French Patent Paint Powder For cleaning your Marbles, Looking Glasses, Windows, etc.

Use the French Patent Paint Powder For cleaning your Varished Room Papers, Oil Paintings, Maps, etc.

Use the French Patent Paint Powder For taking off inkstains, grease, or dirt from anything which is painted or varnished. Ask for directions.

JOHN HORSMAN, Hardware Merchant, August 29, 1873

Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 5, 1873 The Royal Commission. FIRST DAY.

The first sitting of the Royal Commission, appointed to enquire into the charges made against the Government, was held on Thursday, in the Railway Committee Room, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa. At 12 o'clock the Commissioners entered and took their seats. Judge Day, the President, then called upon Mr. Saylor Vankoughnet to read the Commission, which was done, the Commissioners and audience meantime standing. The press was largely represented, but the number of spectators was less than might have been anticipated, not above fifty persons altogether being present.

Soon after the proceedings had commenced Sir John A. Macdonald entered the room, accompanied by Hon. Mr. Campbell. The only other member of the Government present was Hon. Mr. Langvin. The Chairman ordered Lucius Seth Huntington to be called, but no answer was returned. Mr. Henry Starnes was thereupon called and sworn according to the form usually adopted in Courts of Law. Mr. W. Hutchinson, official stenographer, was also sworn to faithfulness in reporting the evidence that might be offered. The examination of witnesses was then proceeded with, Commissioner Day, as chairman, putting all questions. Mr. Starnes produced the "sealed packet," and on Mr. Abbott's stating that the papers were in the same condition as when he received them, the package contained three enclosures—one addressed to Sir Hugh Allan, one to Mr. McMullen, and one to Mr. Starnes; originally handed to Starnes by Sir Hugh Allan, in the presence of Mr. McMullen; Starnes has no knowledge of their contents.

The contents of the enclosures were not made public. Mr. Starnes proceeded to say that he had no knowledge of the sale of the Pacific charter. He was a member of Sir George Cartier's election committee, and knew of money being obtained for election purposes. Sir George said he would not run his election with railway means, and directed Starnes to call on Sir Hugh Allan for money to aid in the election, as he was a man of large means. Money for the election was placed in the bank of which I am President, and drawn by cheque; I have lost the receipt given for Sir Hugh's subscription; I have knowledge of the two letters of Sir George Cartier's alluded to, but do not know where they are now; I have no knowledge of any bargain for money advanced by Sir Hugh; there were more receipts than one; I cannot say what amount Sir Hugh subscribed; the Committee of which I was a member attempted to control elections outside of Montreal; between \$60,000 and \$70,000 were placed with me for election purposes.

Sir Francis Hincks was placed on the stand, and made a long statement, very much to the same effect as his public letter. Mr. Andrew Allan and Mr. Bellefeuille were also examined, which closed the list of witnesses for the day, and the Commission adjourned.

An Independent Journal.

Our Toronto correspondence last night contained the information that, on the advent of a Reform Government to power, the Globe will cease to be a party organ, and will review politics from an independent point of view. This course is in imitation of the stand taken by the New York Tribune. In so far as the Reform party is concerned, the gain will be equal to the loss. The Globe is a powerful aid to the party, but it is not less a weight on its shoulders, for a too powerful ally is sometimes as dangerous as an enemy. The leaders of a party cannot afford to be made responsible for the opinions of any journal; nor can they afford to appear as being under its dictation. We do not believe that at any time Messrs. Mackenzie and Blake have been really in such a position, but it has been made to appear so by the falsehoods of the Tory press and leaders, and the independent action of the Globe will at once relieve them from this. If this promised independence be honestly carried out, it will introduce a new feature, and we hope a good one, into Canadian politics.

CROSSBILLS.—A NARROW ESCAPE.—On Friday last, 29th ult., Mr. Wm. Oakley, while drawing in wheat and stacking it outside Mr. Eggleston's barn, was in the act of climbing up on a load of wheat which was standing at the stack, and took hold of the rope on the front end of the wagon rack, holding the line when it broke, and fell backward on the team. The shock fright ran away, throwing him through the

whiplashes in front of the wheels. The forewheel rolled over his breast, and he sprang or passed underneath the wagon before the hind wheel reached him. Some rails were lying on the ground at the spot, and it would seem that he fell in such a position that they saved him from being crushed to death by the wheel, which he undoubtedly would otherwise have been, as the load was a heavy one.

BY TELEGRAPH. Monopoly Defeated.

Fires. San Francisco, Sept. 4.—Election returns indicate the defeat of the monopoly throughout the State.

Milwaukee, Sept. 4.—Special to the Sentinel from Oshkosh, Wis., says that a fire destroyed a block of buildings and several saloons on High-street. The fire originated at 143 High-street, and owing to a heavy wind which prevailed the burning cinders were carried half-a-mile to the stable of W. B. Filker, which was destroyed. The loss is heavy.

Atchison, Kansas, Sept. 4.—The Massosott House, in this city, a famous stopping-place in old days of travel across the continent by stage, was burned last night.

Hagerstown, Md., Sept. 4.—Antietam Paper Mills, two miles east of here, were burned. Loss \$90,000.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE — Grand Trunk Railway

Trains leave Guelph as follows: 2:17 a.m.; 9:45 a.m.; 1:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:33 p.m. To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin, EAST

Great Western—Guelph Branch. Going South—6:50 a.m.; 11:45 a.m.; 1:05 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Going North—12:00 a.m. for Southampton and 1:40 p.m. for Palmerston; 6:50 p.m. for Fergus; 8:15 p.m. for Harrison.

FOR SALE — Allendale Cottage and Lands—the property of the late Richard Jackson, Esq., containing about 20 acres of land, about a third of it being well wooded with handsome shade trees, balance chiefly meadow, on which there is a convenient dwelling house containing dining room, sitting room, 4 bedrooms, kitchen, parlor and washhouse, with stable, coach-house, and sheds, having a good garden with some choice fruit trees. This property is situated on the Waterloo Road two miles from the Market, and is most pleasantly situated in the vicinity of Guelph, and is well worthy the attention of parties desiring to purchase in this neighborhood. Price and terms liberal, and will be made known on application to CHAS. DAVIDSON, Town Hall Buildings, Guelph. s3-dw3m

BELTS, BELTS.

At J. HUNTER'S

29 dozen BELTS of the most fashionable kind from 20 cents up.

Chignons, Braids, Coronets, Switches, Combs and Fancy Hair Pins.

ALL KINDS OF BERLIN and OTHER WOOLS

Slippers, Cushions, and General Fancy Goods.

SMALL WARES AND TOYS

AT J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods, and Toy Store, d Wyndham Street Guelph.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Residence for Sale. That very desirable property situated on Paisley street, near the Western Station, consisting of White Brick two story dwelling house, with four bed-rooms, front and back parlor, dining room and kitchen, with large soft water cistern, also two large dry cellars. The land is approximately two and a half acres, well stocked with fruit trees in full bearing. For terms, &c., apply to Guelph, July 30, 1873. D. SAVAGE, dw

EXCURSION TO SOUTHAMPTON

Tuesday, Sept. 9th, 1873.

A Special Train

Will leave Galt at 4:20 a.m., Preston 5:00, Hespler 5:15, Guelph 5:35, Elora 5:55, Fergus 6:15, Alton 6:35, Goderich 6:50, Drayton 7:00, Moorehead 7:10, Palmerston 7:35. Returning will LEAVE Southampton at 6 p.m. Fare for the Round Trip: From Galt and Stations north to Guelph, inclusive, \$1.25 From Elora and Stations north to Palmerston, inclusive, \$1.00

The Boat "Seymour"

Will in all probability be on hand on arrival of train at Southampton to take Excursionists for short trips upon the Lake at a moderate charge. Excursion Tickets will be good only on the Excursion train. Passengers paying on the cars will be charged full fare. Tickets can be purchased at the Company's Ticket Offices on the two days previous. W. TIPPIN, Div. Sept. Fergus, Aug. 29th, 1873. Gen. Eupt. W. K. MUIR, d

MONEY TO LEND.

On farm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. Apply to FRED. BISCOE, Barrister, &c. Guelph. April 4 '73.-dwf.

FARM FOR SALE — Being west half of Lot 25, 3rd concession Erasmos, 100 acres—75 cleared and in a good state of cultivation, 17 acres of good hardwood timber. The whole is well fenced; good log house, two barns, one stable and the other 24x70, stable and root house. A good well and cistern, also a living spring. An orchard of bearing trees, a mill race, a school, a school and a church, all within a mile of the farm. Terms liberal. Apply to Jas. Armstrong, on the premises, Spadina P.O. s3-dw3m

The Reason Why.

The reason why the magnificent Retail Grocery Establishments in the Alma Block and on Lower Wyndham Street, belonging to John A. Wood, are so very popular with the intelligent public:— Because the Goods are all of the best quality. Because the Prices are invariably the lowest. Because the Clerks are courteous and obliging. Because the Stock is the largest to select from. Because the goods are always clean. Because the Weights and Measures are always correct. Because, in fact, the proprietor understands his business, desires to please his customers, makes good use of his capital, and buys for cash in the best markets, and always deals liberally with those who honor his stores with their custom.— These and many other weighty reasons have contributed very largely to make the name of John A. Wood, as connected with the Grocery trade of Guelph, so well known, and his stores so very popular.

CATALOGUE OF NEW MUSIC

Instrumental. 30th Wellington Ride..... price 30c Tom Bowling..... price 25c Gaselle Galop..... price 35c U & I Galop..... price 50c Dufferin Galop..... price 50c Dufferin Quadrilles..... price 50c Piccadilly Galop..... price 50c Patchwork Waltz..... price 75c

Songs.

The Pilot..... price 25c Her Little Bed is Empty..... price 35c A Cup of Cold Water (a great Temperance song)..... price 40c Baby's Tress of Golden Hair..... price 25c The Old Musician and his Harp..... price 35c Barney's Courtship..... price 35c

The Clandeboye Galop.

upwards of 600 have been sold.

ANDERSON'S Cheap Bookstore,

St. George's Square, East side Wyndham-st. GUELPH.

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS

AT WILLIAM STEWART'S.

Invoices received of the following

NEW FALL GOODS

WHICH WE WILL Show in a Few Days

2 cases French Flowers,

1 case Feathers,

1 " Ladies New Felt Hats

1 " Lace Goods,

1 " Josephine Kid Gloves

1 " New Ribbons,

4 cases New Dress Goods,

1 case Furs,

2 cases Gent's Hats,

2 " Braces, Collars & Shirts

2 " L. W. Underclothing

2 " English & Sco. Tweeds

8 " Assorted Dry Goods.

The above Goods have all been selected personally by Mr. Stewart, so will be found worthy of attention.

Don't buy until you see them

WM. STEWART.

Guelph, Aug. 26, 1873. dw

New Advertisements.

Co-Operative Store.

The Stock of Fall and Winter Clothing

(formerly owned by Mr. Galloway)

WILL BE SOLD AT THE FIRST COST.

Men's Wool Pants \$2.50, former price \$4.00

" Vests 1.50, " 2.25

" Coats 5.00, " 7.25

" Suits 10.00, " 15.00

Boys' Wool Suits 6.00, " 8.50

The Stock of Hats and Caps

From Seaforth will be sold for one half the usual retail prices.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co. GUELPH, Sept. 5, 1873. dw

ALL ALIVE FOR THE FALL CAMPAIGN

AT THE FASHIONABLE WEST END!

NEW GOODS COMING FAST

Every Department Well Organized for Business! We are determined to TAKE THE LEAD this Season.

The Various Departments of our stock will contain

UNPARALLELED ATTRACTIONS

The Ladies of Guelph and surrounding country are cordially invited to visit the Fashionable West End.

A. O. BUCHAM, Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment Guelph, Sept. 4, 1873. dw

New Clothing Store.

THE ELEPHANT ARRIVES

On Wednesday, Sept. 3rd.

C. E. PEIRCE & CO.

Have great pleasure in stating that they have secured those splendid premises at present occupied by Hepburn & Co., and will open them about the 3rd of September with an entirely new stock of

READY-MADE CLOTHING

and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.

These Goods will be offered at such prices as will make them be sold.

Mechanics and Farmers, wait for the New Store—You will save Money.

Further particulars in a few days. C. E. PEIRCE & Co. GUELPH, Aug. 1873. dw

Another Lot of CHOICE

Bacon and Hams

ARRIVED TO-DAY

J. E. McELDERRY

2 DAY'S BLOCK.

THE NOTED TEA HOUSE.

The First New Goods OF THE SEASON.

OPENING TO-DAY

AT THE LION!

29 CASES! DIRECT FROM BRITAIN,

By the steamer PRORHICIAN, of the Alliance, from Liverpool to Montreal.

CHANCE & WILLIAMSON. Guelph, Aug. 16, 1873. dw

TOWN OF GUELPH.

Debentures for Sale.

Offers will be received by the Treasurer of the Town of Guelph,

Up to Monday, 15th Sept., 1873

For the purchase of the following debentures to be issued under authority of By-Law No. 236, a copy of which will be furnished to any person requiring the same, and offers to be accepted "Offers for Debentures." Interest, 6 per cent, payable by coupons, 30th June, and 31st December, in each year.

Table with 2 columns: Amount and Date. \$ 500 redeemable 31st December, 1874; \$ 600 " " " 1875; \$ 700 " " " 1876; \$ 800 " " " 1877; \$ 900 " " " 1878; \$ 1000 " " " 1879; \$ 1100 " " " 1880; \$ 1200 " " " 1881; \$ 1300 " " " 1882; \$ 1400 " " " 1883; \$ 1500 " " " 1884; \$ 1600 " " " 1885; \$ 1700 " " " 1886; \$ 1800 " " " 1887; \$ 1900 " " " 1888; \$ 2000 " " " 1889; \$ 2100 " " " 1890; \$ 2200 " " " 1891; \$ 2300 " " " 1892; \$ 2400 " " " 1893; \$ 2500 " " " 1894.

JOHN HARVEY, Treasurer. Guelph, Sept. 1st, 1873.

GREAT CLEARING SALE

Books, Stationery, Wall Paper, Pictures, Frames, Fancy Goods, etc.

PASHLEY'S

BOOKSTORE, Day's Block.

Call early as the sale will only be continued for a limited time, closing on or before the 20th inst.

SCHOOL BOOKS,

DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

ALL THE

Readers, Algebras, Geometries, Arithmetics, Grammars.

Books on Philosophy, Books on Drawing, Books on Agriculture, Books on Mechanics, Books on Botany, Books on Anatomy, Books on Greek, Books on Latin, Books on Grammar, Books on French. Splendid value in Drawing Books.

Day's 5c. Copy Book

THE BEST VALUE IN TOWN.

Day's stock is LARGE, and his prices are LOW.

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE

No. 1 COAL OIL.

If you want to get the best White Coal Oil leave your orders at orders at Petrie's Drug Store. Oil sent to any part of the town.

Dye Stuffs,

Dye Stuffs!

A very large stock of carefully selected Dye Stuffs just received.

All colors guaranteed.

OIL, OIL, OIL.

Threshing Machine Oil

— a very superior quality kept constantly on hand. Give it a trial.

PAINTS AND OILS

A large stock will be sold very low.

Leeches, Leeches!

Medical men and Others can always get Leeches of the best quality by sending them to Petrie's Drug Store.

Orders by mail or telegraph promptly attended to.

Remember the place,

Petrie's New Drug Store

Nearly opposite the old store.

YOUNG LADIES SCHOOL.

MRS. WINSTANLEY

Intending to open her school for Young Ladies on Monday, 1st September, in Brownlow's Buildings, Douglas Street. Terms on application at Mrs. Winstanley's Fancy Store, Upper Wyndham-st., Guelph, August 14th, 1873. dw