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Business Cards.

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK, Barrister, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary, &c., Town Hall Buildings, Guelph. dw

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

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GEORGE PALMER, Barrister and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer. Office, over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store. Entrance on Macdonnell street. dw

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Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law,

Solicitors in Chancery,

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ROYAL HOTEL LIVERY STABLE.
The subscriber begs to notify the public that he has purchased the above livery from Mr Geo. W. Jessop, and will continue the business as heretofore. Having made considerable improvements, he will be able at all times to meet the wants of the travelling public. First-class Turnouts ready at the shortest notice.
Guelph, 6th Dec. dtf W. J. WILSON.

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The table supplied with all the delicacies of the Season in a first-class manner.
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First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler.
The best of Liquors and Cigars at the bar.
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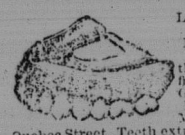

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NEW BAKERY.

The Subscribers beg to notify the people of Guelph that they have started a new Bakery

On Essex Street, one door south of Dr. Keating's,

where they will always have in stock a supply of bread of the first quality.
Having secured the services of Mr. George Watson as baker, they feel assured in giving satisfaction.
Bread and Flour promptly delivered in any part of the town.
They hope by strict attention to business, and making bread of the best quality, to merit a share of public patronage.
A. McPHAIL & Co.
Guelph, March 12 1872 3md

New Advertisements.

FAMILY CARRIAGE FOR SALE.—Apply to R. S. Brodie, MERCURY office, Guelph. dwtf

SERVANT WANTED.—Wanted immediately, a good active servant. Apply at this office. 16d

BOARD.—A few respectable gentlemen boarders can be accommodated at Mrs. Campbell's Waterloo Street, near the Gas Works. Tu6d

40 ACRES of GOOD PASTURE in TOWN TO RENT. RIVER upon one side of it. Apply at the Law Office of the undersigned.
May 8, 1872 dtf ROBT. MITCHELL.

SHEEP LOST—About three weeks ago; 12 in number; principally last year's lambs, and one oldish ewe with black mark on face, with lamb at foot. The finder will be liberally rewarded on application to Robert Cochrane, York Road. m4dwtf

WOOLEN RAGS, CARD, OR YARN WASTE.—Best cash price paid.
Apply to SMITH & WILBY,
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THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH, remodelled and newly furnished. Good accomodation for commercial travellers. Free omnibus to and from all trains. First-class Livery in connection.
May 11 dwtf JAS. A. THORP, Proprietor.

TO LET—25 acres of excellent land in the Town of Guelph, near Mr. Stevenson's nursery, with nice new house, barn, 4 stall stable, orchard of 100 bearing trees, root house, &c. A never-failing spring creek runs through the lot. Apply to Hart & Speirs, 4 Day's Block, Guelph.

FIRST-CLASS SAND FOR SALE.
The undersigned offers for sale, either at the Pit, or delivered, when required, first-class Sand suitable for either Builders or Plasterers. Apply to John Ford, Paisley Block Road. m10dwtw

BAND INSTRUMENTS FOR SALE.
An E Flat Cornet and B Flat Bass (silver, plated) Brass Snare Drum (all new, formerly used in Lacrosse Corps) Band. Apply to
R. SAVAGE,
Guelph, May 1st, 1872. dtf Guelph

TO MASONS.—Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a Stone Barn 40 x 60, on his Farm, York Road. Tenders received until the 25th of May. Plans and Specifications can be seen on the premises, or on application to Robt. Cochrane, York Road. m9dtd

TANNERY FOR SALE or to RENT
The subscriber will either sell or rent his Tannery, on Surrey Street, Guelph. Possession given on the 1st of March. Apply, on the premises, to JEHU CLARKE Proprietor
Guelph Jan 9 1872 dw

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.
In the matter of JOHN THORN, an Insolvent.
The entire Estate and effects of the Insolvent, real and personal, will be sold in one lot, for a gross price, on Wednesday, the 15th day of May, 1872, at Twelve o'clock noon, at the Great Western Hotel, in Guelph, by Auction. Terms Cash.
EDWIN NEWTON,
Assignee of Insolvent.
Guelph, May 1st, 1872. 14td

TO CONTRACTORS.

North Wellington Registry Office.

Tenders are invited for the Mason, Bricklayer, Carpenter, Plastering and Iron Work for the erection of the New Registry Office in the Village of Arthur, according to the Government plans and specifications to be seen at the County Treasurer's Office, Guelph.
Tenders to be sent in to the undersigned on or before the 1st June.
The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
JAMES MASSIE,
Chairman Co. Property Committee.
Guelph, May 13, 1872 dwd
Fergus 'News Record,' and Mount Forest Examiner' please copy.

HART & SPEIRS,

Conveyancers, Land, Loan, Insurance and General Agents,

4 Day's Block, Guelph.

In reference to the above, Wm. Hart begs to inform his friends and the public that he has entered into partnership with Mr. Jas. S. Speirs, in the above business, and while expressing his grateful acknowledgments for the liberal share of patronage bestowed upon him for the past three years, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same to the new firm.
All business entrusted to us will receive prompt and strict attention.
Deeds, Mortgages, Wills, Leases, &c., &c., neatly and correctly prepared.
MONEY always on hand in sums to suit borrowers, on mortgages or good personal security. No delay or extravagant charges.
Our list of Town and Farm Property is large and varied, and parties in want of real estate of any kind should call on us before purchasing elsewhere.
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Several valuable farms and town property for sale on easy terms.
$6,500 to invest on first-class security.
Parties requiring or desiring to invest money will find it to their advantage to give us a call. Charges moderate.
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May 14, 1872 dw

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Celebrated Ointment.

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OR ALTERATIVE PILLS, confirmed by sixty years experience to be one of the best medicines ever compounded for purifying the blood, and assisting Nature in her operations. Hence they are useful in Scrofula, Scorbutic Complaints, Glandular Swellings, particularly those of the Neck, &c. They form a mild and superior Family Aperient, which may be taken at times without confinement or change of diet. Sold in boxes at 1s 1½d, 2s 9d, 4s 6d, 11s and 22s each.
Sold by the Proprietors,
BEACH & BARNICOTT,
At their Dispensary, Bridport, and by all respectable Medicine Vendors. dawy

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Cash Income over $1,000 per day

Investments over $1,250,000,
Affording with the uncalled capital of $875,000 a

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Claims paid for Deaths since commencement	$800,000
Annual income	400,000
Sums assured nearly	10,000,000

The strong financial position of this Company, and its

Moderate Rates

Render it one whose advantages are not surpassed by any other, and explains the fact that it stands at the head of all the Life Companies in Canada.
Forms of Application, Detailed Reports and Tables of Rates may be obtained at any of the Company's offices or agencies.

A. G. RAMSAY,
Manager.

F. W. STONE, Agent at Guelph.
March 2, 1872. 3md

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TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 14, 1872

Local and Other Items.

THE Guelph *Herald* admits that it finds it impossible to be consistent. Just like Toryism.

A LITTLE boy, son of Charles Hillman, Tilsonburg, was drowned in a mill pond on Sunday.

THE men in C. & R. Gurney's stove foundry, Toronto, have signed a paper agreeing to work ten hours.

OUR old friend of the St. Thomas *Home Journal* has introduced steam into his printing office. May the *Home Journal* go on and prosper.

BOW BELLS AND YOUNG LADY'S JOURNAL.—Mr. T. J. Day has sent us the May numbers of these magazines. Copies to be had at Day's Bookstore.

G. B. U. N. H. L.—A meeting of the above society will be held to-night in their rooms at 8 p.m. As matters of interest will be brought before the meeting, a large attendance is requested.

BOW BELLS AND YOUNG LADY'S JOURNAL.—Mr. Anderson has sent us the May numbers of these magazines. Copies for sale at his bookstore. Also Chambers's Journal.

WOOL.—The first purchase of this season's clip of wool on this market was made to-day—16 fleeces at 47 cts per lb. This looks like inaugurating a high price for the season's clip, whereat wool-growers will greatly rejoice.

BIG PRICE FOR A BULL.—Mr. G. W. Jessop, Consular Agent, informs us that to-day he granted a certificate for the shipment of the fine five year old Hereford bull "Sir Charles" which Mr. F. W. Stone sold to Mr. T. L. Miller, of Chicago, for $1,000 in gold.

THE Hamilton *Spectator* is informed that some person in the Village of Freelton fired a gun through the window of a private residence. Whether it was done with murderous intent or only to frighten the inmates, does not appear, but in whichever way it may be viewed it was a gross outrage.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY IN CLIFFORD.—There are to be great rejoicing in Clifford on the Queen's Birthday. The inhabitants have already raised $200 towards defraying the expenses. There will be races, games, and other amusements, and at night a grand concert of vocal and instrumental music, in which the Band will take part.

AUCTION SALE.—T. H. Taylor & Co's. store is crowded nightly and the stock is being rapidly reduced. There is no bogus bidding; every article put up is sold at what it will bring. Those of our readers who want bargains in Dry Goods, Groceries, Boot and Shoes, Liquors, etc., had better hurry up. The sale will continue every evening until the whole is disposed of.

EDWARD MAYES, an old veteran, died at his residence, Luther, on the 27th ult. He was long in the British army, served under General Brock at the Battle of Queenston Heights, and afterwards fought in the West Indies. He emigrated to Canada in the year 1832, and took an active part in quelling the Rebellion of 1837.

THE following founders and machinists in Hamilton have locked out their employees: Messrs. Barrows, Stewart and Milne, (malleable iron works); Copp Bros., E. & C. Gurney, James Stewart & Co., Turnbull & Co., D. Moore & Co., stove founders; A. Howie, and T. & F. Notley. The carpenters, joiners, stone and brick masons have ceased work. The Wanzer Sewing Machine Works are also stopped.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY—BASE BALL MATCH—GUELPH VS TORONTO.—The "Dauntless" Club of Toronto having accepted the invitation of the "Guelph Maple Leaf" Club for a friendly game at base ball. The match will come off on the 24th inst., on the grounds of the latter near the Great Western Station. We have no doubt the friends of the "Champions" will muster in strong force to see the "form" they will present as indicative of their skill in the expected contests of the coming season.

INSURANCE AGENTS.—The card of Messrs. Jessop and Corbet, who have lately bought out Mr. Higinbotham's insurance and agency business, will be found in another column. They represent several first class insurance and loan companies. They have fitted up a very convenient office, next the Ontario Bank, and are now prepared to take risks and loan money on the most favourable terms. We feel sure they will do a large business, and wish them every success.

NEW FIRM.—We call attention to the Card of Messrs. Hart and Speirs, who have entered into partnership in the Insurance and General Agency business. Mr. Hart since he commenced business has been well and favourably known as a reliable and energetic agent. Mr. Speirs has also had a long experience in the agency line, and together we have no doubt they will continue to do a large and increasing business.

PLAYING ON THE RAILWAY TRACK.—We are glad to observe that the School Board last night instructed the teachers to prevent, as far as possible, the pupils of the Central School from indulging in the dangerous practice of playing on the railway track. Mr. Knowles mentioned that the switchman in that vicinity had only that day rescued a boy from a perilous position while engaged in playing about the track, and pointed out that the Fair Ground, when not otherwise occupied, formed a suitable play-ground for the youngsters to pursue their pleasure.

THE CONCERT TO-NIGHT.—We would remind our readers of Mr. Galletly's Concert this evening. The programme, as will be seen by advertisement in another column, contains some of the choicest Scotch, English and Irish songs. Mr. Galletly is a first class vocalist, and Prof. Jones, of Galt, who will assist him, is acknowleged to be one of the first singers of the day. His Concert in Galt on Friday night was largely attended, and those who were present say his singing was magnificent. Of Miss Gerrie's singing we need not speak, for she is very popular in Guelph. We expect to see a large audience in the Hall to-night.

School Board.

The regular meeting of the School Board took place on Monday evening, Mr. Newton in the chair. Present Messrs. Keating, Kennedy, Knowles, Inglis, Armstrong, Stevenson, Harvey and Dr. McGuire.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Secretary read a communication from Miss Henderson stating that she had suspended one of her scholars owing to the child's mother having taken her from the school while undergoing punishment; from Mr. Davidson asking that his boy be allowed to remain at Mr. Cullen's school, especially with a view to improve his handwriting; from Miss Goodeve stating that one of her pupils was not present at the examination, but was competent to be promoted; from Mr. Biscoe demanding payment of an account held by the assignees of J. B. Thornton's estate; from Mr. Vickers asking the Board to allow his son to enter the Central School, he having been expelled from the Separate School; from Mr. Cullen explaining the cause of his absence from school, which he states as having been a severe pain in the head and swelling in the face.

On motion it was resolved to notify those petitioning for changes of pupils that the Board did not deem it advisable to make exceptional cases of any pupil, as it would cause considerable confusion. The other matters were referred.

Moved by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Armstrong that the communication from Mr. Clowe, with reference to his absence, be referred to a Special Committee consisting of Messrs. Keating, Knowles and Inglis, to report at next meeting. Carried.

Mr. Knowles read the report of the School Property Committee, to the effect that they had advertised for tenders for erecting a fence around the Central School ground, and had received two applications, viz: from Messrs. J. & J. Hall and E. H. Maddock, the latter offering to do the work at $3.33 per rod, and recommended that his tender be accepted; also that some arrangements be made for performing the work of caretaker of the schools during the summer months; also recommending several improvements in the school property. On motion the report was received and adopted.

Dr. McGuire drew the attention of the Board to the over-crowded state of the schools. Miss McNaughton had 70, and Miss McLagan had 91 present on Monday, which was far too many for the accommodation provided, and was very injurious to the health of the children.

The Secretary read the Superintendent's report of the attendance at the schools for April, showing the total number on the roll to be 861—402 boys, and 459 girls.

Mr. Knowles moved, seconded by Dr. Keating, that the teachers in the Central School be instructed and required to prevent the children from going on the railway track during the time they are under their care. Carried.

The report of the Principal of the High School for the month of April was read, showing the attendance to have been 56—boys 49, girls 7.

The Board then adjourned.

BY TELEGRAPH

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Break in the Erie Canal.

South American News.

Fires in the States.

Albany, May 14.—The break in the canal at Big Nose is more serious than at first reported. Three hundred feet of twelve feet average depth was carried away. Six hundred men and 300 teams are at work and it is expected it will be repaired by the 26th. A breach occurred last night on the 6 mile level, carrying away 50 feet by 20 in depth, near Connor's bridge.

Lisbon, May 13.—South American news to the 23rd April says:—A change has taken place in the Brazilian cabinet. The ministers of justice, war and agriculture have resigned. Azen has succeeded to the ministry of justice, Itauna to that of agriculture, Jurquera to that of war, and Castro has become minister of marine.

It rained steadily for a fortnight and San Paulo railway is again interrupted and badly damaged by land slides.

London, May 13.—Miss Clara Louisa Kellogg made on Saturday night her appearence since her return to England at Drury Lane as Linda.

Paris, May 13.—Reports received from Carlist sources state that the insurgents have occupied Bilboa, and have entered Biscay, and that the Carlists claim to be masters of the three Basque provinces. An important engagement is expected at Biscay.

Milwaukee, May 13.—A fire at Wabashawa, Minn., to-day, destroyed an elevator belonging to Holmes, Kellogg & Co.

Kingston, N. Y., May 13.—A fire on the Shawangunk mountains at Port Ben burned over a space of two miles in width, destroying 500 cords of wood and an immense quantity of timber. It is hoped it may soon be checked.

Chicago, May 13.—A private telegram announces the arrival at Marquette, Mich., of two propellers from Chicago; first vessels through the Sault canal this season.

New York, May 14.—A disastrous fire has been raging in the woods of Long Island during the past two weeks destroying much valuable timber and cord wood. Many fires have been started by incendiaries.

Shelter Island has been completely burned over.

A Scranton, Pa., special to the *Times* says that the woods in all directions are burning with fearful rapidity.

Honest Joe on the Practical Politician.

The following is Mr. Rymal's reply to Mr. McDougall's on the Washington Treaty bill. Honest Joe handles the practical politician without gloves.—Mr. Rymal said the hon. member for Lanark, long ere Ministers themselves were led to adopt this Treaty, had come to the conclusion that it was just the thing Canada desired, and he presumed Ministers themselves had drawn their inspiration and formed their opinion from that of the hon. gentleman. He (Mr Rymal) was somewhat amused when he heard the hon. member speak of the leaders of the Reform party. He took frequent occasion to refer to a gentleman not now in the House, and not now in the political field, but once leader of the Reform party, as swaying the destinies of that party. For himself he (Mr. Rymal) could say, without being liable to contradiction, that he pinned his faith to no man's coat-tail; that he formed his own opinions, and gave expression to them when he thought it necessary, and carried out his convictions in this House by giving his vote in accordance with them. But he remembered the time when among the subservient followers of that gentleman none was more subservient than the member for North Lanark. (Hear, hear.) He it was who warmed the member for Lanark into political life and gave him a place in the Canadian Parliament, and it was through his influence that the hon. gentleman ever occupied a prominent place in the Reform party, as it was only through the influence of the hon. gentleman opposite whose ways of abduction and seduction were wonderful, (laughter) that he was seduced from the party, and then he turned to sting the man who had warmed him into existence. (Hear, hear.) He proceeded to refer in a humorous strain to the proceedings at the reform meeting at Galt where he had met Mr. McDougall. He (Mr Rymal) was sometimes amused at the somersaults the hon. gentleman from Lanark had performed. As specimens of lofty tumbling and changing hand-over-hand-presto-vidco—the hon. member was unparalleled (great laughter.) To prove his sincerity to his present friends across the floor, this session, he lost no opportunity of attacking those who once worked with him, and every utterance that he gave to this House, looking across the floor to the Minister of Justice, if not in words it was as plain as if he had uttered it in words, was, "Whistle and I'll come to you my lad." (Roars of laughter.) Last session if his old master had wanted him he had only to say "Will you no' come back again?" (Laughter.) The hon. member had referred to the great things he had done at the meeting in Waterloo; but although he had spoken until the shades of evening were gathering around and he thought there would be no chance to reply, two of his (Mr Rymal's) friends took about ten minutes each, and if ever Russian or Cossack was skinned, it was the "practical politician" on that occasion. (Laughter and applause.) The subservient Reformer of other days was the subservient tool of the Tories to-day. He (Mr Rymal) had not intended to say one word on this subject this evening, and would not if the member for Lanark had not endeavoured to cast the stigma of cowardice on him. So far as that was concerned, the House would bear him out in saying that although he (Mr Rymal) was not aggressive or in the habit of treading on any man's toes, still he suffered no man to trade on his toes with impunity. (Cheers.)

The Canadian Butter Trade.

To the Editor of the MERCURY.

SIR—It is not more than ten years since French butter has been considered an important article of commerce in the London market. The reason it occupies such an important position is mainly on account of the manner in which it is handled, and in our opinion their method is exceeding beneficial to the farmer, shipper, provision merchant and retailer, and what is more essential still, it pleases the consumer. In most of the principal towns in Normandy, in France, there is a day appointed in each week for a butter market, and on those occasions the buyers meets the sellers, and from 25,000 lbs. to 50,000 lbs. will change hands in lots of 6 lbs. to 30 lbs. each, which are brought in by the farmers' wives. The buyer goes and makes his selections at the prevailing price for that day, he then puts his purchases into wicker baskets, holding about 200 lbs. each, and takes it home. The next day it is kneaded or worked by machinery, which is simply a perfect process of washing in clear spring water, to get the butter milk and other impurities thoroughly extracted. It is next salted at the rate of 5 lbs. of salt to 200 lbs. of butter, and again washed so as to liquify the salt, and put into firkins. This butter for instance will be brought first hand on Monday, the following Monday it will be in the London market, and invariably sold out by Wednesday.

We will take the Cork market as an example of the Irish method of manipulation. The farmers bring the butter into the market in quantities of from one to twenty firkins each. In some weeks there will be 12,000 firkins in the market alone. This butter is bought before being classed. There are about 5 inspectors who class the butter, and it is graded into six different qualities. By this method the buyer is apt to lose unless he is a good judge, and will probably have first, second and third class butter when he only wants first. When the butter is graded the firkin is branded with an iron, and the quality inscribed on it. No butter is allowed to go out of Cork harbor unless it bears the Cork harbor scribe on the firkin. Thus English buyers are very safe in ordering whatever quality of Irish butter they require at the prevailing price of the agents in Cork, being sure to get the quality they order. If this system were adopted in Canada, it would be of the greatest benefit, and would induce our dairymen to make a better article than they do at present, but with the present mode of manipulation, an English buyer would not be safe in ordering any quantity at such and such quotations from our buyers here.

The Dutch system is very inferior to the foregoing methods and would be no criterion for Canadians to go by. Their butter is an inferior article, not having the body that Irish or French butter has. This is in consequence of the low marshy pastures which are flooded over by the sea at certain seasons of the year, giving it a fishy taste, giving 50 per cent. of their butter especially during the winter season. Each dairyman makes about 50lbs. or 100lbs. per week, and brings it into market at once, after which it is immediately shipped by steamers going to London twice a week, carrying from 3,000 to 6,000 casks each. This butter is consumed within a week of shipment.

The above I have copied from the *Canada Casket*, and now take the liberty of giving you a few remarks of my own on the best mode of preparing Canadian butter for the foreign market.

Canadian butter should rank A 1 in the English market instead of No. 4, as at present. 50,000 firkins sold on an average last season at 60s. which should have brought 90s., if properly handled, which is a dead loss to Canada of $135,000, besides giving a bad reputation to our Dominion and butter interests. The proper way for the farmer is to have a good airy cellar; give the milk its proper time; churn the cream twice a week; put 6lb of salt and 1 oz. of salt petre to every cwt. of butter; work this well through the butter; then have a new firkin, made of white-ash or oak, properly soaked; put a cloth in the bottom of the firkin; pack the butter tight and keep it properly protected from the air and when full put a cloth on the top with ½lb of salt and a little pickle; head it up and don't keep it too long before selling. Our butter is better than it was ten years back; but we are behind our neighbors across the lines yet, but if the farmers' wives and daughters of this Dominion are true to themselves and country, they will come off victorious in this particular. Store packed butter will not sell for as much as the dairy packed. If you give it your proper attention, pack it yourselves, bring it to the market, and get your cash for it the same as for your wheat, etc., you will get the benefit yourselves.

yours truly,
J. T. BRILL,
Butter Merchant, Guelph, Ont.

POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders Esq., P. M.

May 13.

Patrick Kelly for being drunk and disorderly on Inkermann Street on Sunday was fined $1 and costs.

PAID BY THE HOUR.—According to notices distributed last week, the leading factories and shops, as well as builders and carpenters in town will hereafter pay their men by the hour. This arrangement appears to give satisfaction to both employer and employee.

The Kincardine *Reporter* says the influx of population into that town is so great there is not an empty house to be obtained, and there is need of a large number of new dwellings.

THE Wesleyan Methodist Church at Farmersville was struck by lightning on Saturday, and slightly damaged.

An association in Winnipeg has been formed for the purpose of supplying information and aid to immigrants.