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IRON CASTINGS Of all kinds, made to order at CROWE'S IRON WORKS, Norfolk Street, Guelph. 154dw JOHN CROWE, Proprietor.

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J. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M.R.C.V.S., L., H.F.V.M.A., Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, intends continuing the practice of his profession. Orders left at the MERCURY Office, or at H. A. Kirkland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to. Having had great experience in all diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. o19dwy

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W. H. TAYLOR, CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER, GUELPH. The only one this side of Toronto. All work warranted the best. Please send for price list. f26dly

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, Nov. 1, 1872 dy

ROBERT CRAWFORD, PRACTICAL Watch and Clock Maker, Jeweller, Wyndham Street, Guelph. Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Brooches, Rings, &c., Hair Plait and Device Work, Clocks and Time pieces, Jewelry repaired and made to order. Plated Goods in variety. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dwy

J. H. ROMAIN & Co., Successors to Nelles, Romain & Co., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchants, AND SHIPPERS, 26, City National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill. REFERENCES: Sir John Rose, Banker, London, England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., Banker, Montreal; The Marine Company of Chicago; Bankers; Hon John Carling, London, Ontario; Messrs. Gault Bros., Merchants, Montreal; Senator Frank Smith, (Frank Smith & Co.) Toronto; J. Morton Villar, Esq., Perth, Ont. Date of J. M. Millar & Co., Commission Merchants, Chicago; W. D. Watson, Esq., Banker, New York; D. Rutter, Esq., Montreal; Joseph Whitehead, Esq., M. P., Clinton, Ont; Chas. Magill, Esq., M. P., Hamilton, Ontario; T. C. Chisholm, Esq., Toronto; Samuel B. Foote, Esq., Quebec. 1

DOMINION SALOON. FRESH OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE to be had at this saloon. The best Liquors and Cigars always in stock. DENIS BUNYAN, Guelph, Sept. 30, 1872

New Advertisements.

10,000 BUSHELS OF CORN for sale. A. R. DAVIES, Guelph, Mar. 13. dwtf On the Market.

AN APPRENTICE to Watch and Jewellery business wanted at G. D. Pringle's. Wages small, but trade learned thorough. m17--2wd&w

MACHINIST WANTED—To a competent hand, good wages and steady employment will be given. Apply to J. B. ARMSTRONG & CO. Guelph, March 11, 1873. dtf

BOARDERS WANTED — A number of boarders can be accommodated at David Chambers' boarding house, Yarmouth street, near Mr. Raymond's Factory. The house has been recently fitted up. Terms on application. 17-d6

BLACKSMITH AND APPRENTICE WANTED. — Wanted immediately, a Journeyman Blacksmith. A good hand only need apply. Also, an apprentice to the Blacksmith business. Apply at once to Jas. Laing, Morriston. f5dtf

TO LET—With immediate possession, the stone cellars, rooms, offices, and upper story in Brownlow's Buildings, on Douglas street, near the Post Office. Apply to John Horsman, or William Day. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873 dtf

FOR SALE—Lot 71, on Wyndham-Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop Lot. Clear title and immediate possession given. Also, a first-class stone house to rent. Apply to Denis Coffee. Guelph, December 27th, 1872 dtf

HOMESTEAD FOR SALE OR TO RENT.—Part of Lot 5, Div. F., Guelph Township (4 acres) board fence, orchard, barn, root house, out houses, well and pump, 2 log houses. Apply at the law office of the undersigned, in Guelph. mr3d&w1m ROBT MITCHELL.

NEW WESLEYAN CHURCH, GUELPH, TEA MEETING. A Tea Meeting in aid of the erection of a Second Church in Guelph will be held in the Wesleyan Church, on the evening of Thursday, 20th March. Addresses will be delivered by the Revs. Antonio Arright, J. B. Clarkson, of Galt, and resident ministers. Music by the Choir. Tickets 25 cents. Tea will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock. E. H. MADDOCK, Secretary. Guelph, March 18th, 1873. d2

GREAT SALE OF Watches, Jewellery, etc. CONTINUED AT R. CRAWFORD'S OWN STORE. Having to remove the Bankrupt Stock of John R. Porte from his old stand, the great cheap sale of the same will be continued at my own store, Next the Post Office, FOR ONE MONTH LONGER. As the balance of the stock must be cleared out in that time, the goods will be sold at An Immense Sacrifice. Guelph, March 4, 1873. dwlm

IMPORTANT Auction Sale of Household Furniture, &c. The subscriber has received instructions from Arthur White, Esq., to sell at his late residence in the stone house opposite the G. T. R., and facing the Central School, the whole of his household furniture, consisting of the contents of Parlor and Dining Rooms, two Bedrooms, Basement, Summer Kitchen, Hall, &c.; all the Crockery, Glassware, Cutlery, Pictures, Carpets, Bed Clothing, etc. etc. Also, a Rosewood Upright Cottage Piano forte six and a quarter octaves. Parties wishing to inspect the furniture, &c., can do so on Thursday, and on the morning of the sale. As Mr. White has already taken up his residence in Toronto, the auctioneer has received instructions to sell everything in the house without any reserve. Sale On Friday, the 21st inst., AT ONE O'CLOCK, P.M. SHARP. Terms cash. THOS. H. TAYLOR, Guelph, March 17, 1873. d1 Auctioneer.

IRON AND BRASS Castings of all kinds made on short notice at THE GUELPH UNION FOUNDRY. We also keep on hand four qualities of BABBITT METAL. HARLEY & HEATHER. Huskisson Street, Guelph. m14-dw3m

DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE BY AUCTION. — Will be sold by auction at the Market House, Guelph, on TUESDAY, 25th March, at 12 o'clock, noon, a brick dwelling house on Market Street, containing seven rooms, with all necessary outbuildings, well supplied with hard and soft water. Good title and immediate possession. Terms—$300 to be paid at time of sale, and balance in three equal annual instalments, with interest annually on the whole sum remaining unpaid, to be secured by a mortgage on the property. D. KENNEDY, Proprietor. W. St. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. Guelph, March 3, 1873. 10c1

GUELPH MEAT MARKET. STALL NO. 5. The undersigned having entered into partnership as Butchers, beg leave to inform their friends and the public generally that they have taken Stall No. 5, in the Guelph Market, where, by keeping a good supply of Fresh Meat, Poultry, etc, Of the best quality, they hope to receive a share of public patronage. Meat delivered in any part of the town. HALES & SIMPSON. WM. HALES. THOS. SIMPSON. Guelph, March 14, 1873. dw

RAILWAY TIME TABLE — Winter Arrangement—On after Monday, 18th November:

Grand Trunk Railway

Trains leave Guelph as follows:

WEST

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

3:05 a.m; 7:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 4:12 p.m. and 8:33 p.m.

Great Western---Guelph Branch.

Going South—6.50 a.m., 12.35 p.m 1.05 p.m for Hamilton; 4.55 p.m.

Going North—11.45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1.15 p.m. for Clifford; 4.55 p.m. for Fergus; 9.05 p.m. for Fergus.

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THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Brutal Assault---A Man Beaten to Death.

Underwood, March 18.—Last night about 10 o'clock a family named Price, living at Port Bruce, about three miles from here, were attacked as they were getting out of the sleigh on their return home, by five men armed with clubs, and beaten so badly that George Price, an old man, died from the injuries he had received about two hours after. Another named Philip Warner is not expected to survive; besides three others seriously injured. Dr. McKay, of this place, was called in, and dressed the wounds of those living and at once notified the coroner, Dr. Paterson, of Tiverton. Mr. Coulthard, the Reeve, being apprised of what occurred, despatched a constable with a party of men, who secured the perpetrators of the outrage, and they are now awaiting the result of the inquest.

New York, March 18.— Arrived, S. S. *Wisconsin*, from Liverpool.

This morning the bridge crossing a small stream, five miles from St. Charles, was burned. The damage was repaired in three hours, so that trains could pass.

Quite a number of strikers have been arrested at Moberly to-day, and several were arrested yesterday at Lexington Junction, and placed in the Richmond jail. Another train was ditched at St. Charles to-night. The Railroad Co. has offered a reward for the arrest and conviction of the parties engaged in ditching engines, &c.

San Francisco, March 19.—A complete account of the cruise in search of the Steamer *Geo, S. Wright*, confirms the fears entertained from the first—that she has been lost with all on board. Portions of the wreck of the steamer have been seen scattered along the coast hundreds of miles north of Cape Caution, where it is supposed the vessel was lost.

Local and Other Items.

ON Tuesday morning, Mr. George R. Gregg, chief reporter of the *Mail*, died at the Russell House, Ottawa. He had been ill only ten days, the attack being inflammatory rheumatism, which finally attacked his lungs.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED. —A farmer named Alex. Grant, living in the neighborhood of Teeswater, was killed on Monday evening by the falling of a tree he was chopping. When found he was insensible, and remained so till he died, some three hours afterwards.

UNROOFED.—The wind-storm on Saturday night occasioned considerable damage to barns and fences in the vicinity of Guelph. Mr. McGill, of the 6th con., Eramosa, had his barn completely unroofed by the high wind which prevailed. A part of the roof of Mr. Alex. White's barn, Guelph Township, was also blown down.

POLICE COURT.

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

March 19.

Thomas Griffin was charged with stealing one box of cigars from the store of John Gerrard on the morning of the 18th. It seems that he and some others took the shutters off, broke one pane of glass, and extracted the box. A daughter of prosecutor identified the prisoner by his voice. The case was remanded till Saturday for further evidence.

Ontario Legislature.

March 18th.

Attorney-General Mowat moved, "That the House ratify the Order in Council approved by his Excellency the Lieut.-Governor on the 12th day of March, A.D. 1873, with reference to the aid granted to the Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company (already published in the MERCURY.—Carried.

Attorney-General Mowat moved: "That the House ratify the Order in Council approved by His Excellency the Lieut.-Governor on the twelfth day of March, 1872, with reference to aid granted to the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway Co. (also published in a previous issue).—Carried.

Attorney-General Mowat then proposed to move the resolution in reference to the Port Whitby and Port Perry Railway.—Carried.

Hon. Mr. McKellar—The report of the Committee on resolution respecting the Agricultural Farm and College was received.

Hon. Mr. Pardee said that it was not the intention of the Government to proceed this Session with the erection of a training school for idiotic and imbecile children, and he therefore moved that the order for the Bill providing for the establishment of that school be discharged.—Carried.

Hon. Mr. Crooks, in moving the second reading of the Bill to establish a School of Practical Science, said it was not intended to ask for any vote of money for the school, as the institution had been instituted by the late Government, and the sum of $50,000 had originally been voted for the purpose. Read a second time.

The House then went into committee on the Estimates.

Town Council.

Council met in accordance with motion of adjournment, on Tuesday evening. The Mayor in the chair. Present, Messrs. Elliott, Horsman, Hogg, Crowe, Chadwick, Massie, Kennedy, Heffernan, Coffee, McLagan, Howard, Bell, Richard Mitchell and Robert Mitchell.

Moved by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Hogg, That the Council go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the By-law for the remuneration of the Police Magistrate, and the officers of the Corporation. Mr. Crowe in the chair.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Howard, That the blank in the By-law for the remuneration of the Police Magistrate be filled up with the sum of $700.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Heffernan, That the blank be filled up with the sum of $800. Carried on a division.

Mr. Chadwick supported his amendment by paying a just tribute to Mr. Saunder's ability, and clear-headed decisions in the multitude of cases coming before him. No one could object to the increase under the circumstances.

Mr. Massie objected to the amendment. He said that the appeals from the Police Magistrate had been numerous. He did not wish to reflect on his ability, as such appeals—even from the decisions of the most competent man—would continue to be made. If we increase the Police Magistrate's salary, we ought also to raise that of our Clerk and Treasurer. The Police Magistrate is one of the best paid offices of the corporation, considering all he has to do. The Mayor had for years conducted the business of the Police Office long before the appointment of such an official, and he thought the salary now paid was ample.

Mr. Hogg was in favor of paying the Police Magistrate the $800, and would support the amendment.

Mr. Howard said that the Police Magistrate waited upon him, and told him that he had received the promise of every other member of the Council for an increase of salary. He (Mr. Howard) told him that if that was the case he would not stand out against an increase.

Mr. Chadwick said that the population of the town was now 7,140, and, in justice to Mr. Saunders, his salary ought to be raised according to the sliding scale provided.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Robert Mitchell, That the salary of the Market Clerk be increased from $450 to $500. Carried.

Mr. Coffee was opposed to the increase of salary to the Market Clerk, but would support that of the Police Magistrate.

Mr. Massie could not understand how it was that Mr. Coffee was in favor of increasing the salary of one officer and not that of another. The Market Clerk was obliged to be at his post early and late.

Mr. Chadwick and Mr. Elliott regretted that the increase of Mr. King's salary was so small. He was a good officer and deserved all he got. Mr. Elliott said that he would be in favor of increasing the salaries of all the officials.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Robert Mitchell, That the salary of the Chief Constable and Town Inspector be $500.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Heffernan, seconded by Mr. McLagan, That the salary of the Chief Constable be $600. Carried nearly unanimously.

Mr. Heffernan said that the Chief was a most efficient officer, and had always given good satisfaction.

Mr. Elliott said that the Chief Constable was an old officer of the corporation, having occupied the position since 1856. He was a very efficient officer. But the Town Inspector was very remiss in allowing the heaps of lumber, wood and rubbish on the streets of the town. If his salary is increased, it will be with the express understanding that he henceforth perform his duties in this particular more efficiently than heretofore.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Chadwick, That the salary of Mr. Marriott, assistant town officer, be increased to $150.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. ———, That the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer be increased to $900 per annum.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Horsman, That the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer be increased to $1,000. Carried.

Mr. Horsman was in favor of the amendment, as he considered him the most efficient officer we have.

Mr. Howard was perfectly willing that the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer be left at $900, as he had other perquisites.

Mr. Harvey said that he had no other perquisites, excepting the license fee.

Mr. Massie said that the salary of the Clerk and Treasurer at $1,000 was not in keeping with that of the Police Magistrate.

Mr. Massie moved, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that the salary of the Police Clerk be $200.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Heffernan, seconded by Mr. Howard, that the sum be $250. Carried.

The Auditors' salaries were increased $25 each. The Returning-officers to be paid at the rate of $4 per day. The Tax Collector is to paid 10 per cent. on dog tax and statute labor; one and three quarter per cent. if the taxes are under $30,000, and one and a half per cent. if over that amount. Selectors of Jurors $12 each. Tavern Inspector $50 and half the fines.

Mr. Chadwick was in favor of the salary of the Inspector remaining $100, same as last year, without the fines.

Mr. Massie moved, seconded by Mr. Robert Mitchell, that the salary of the Market House Keeper be $350, $50 more than last year. Carried.

Mr. Horsman moved, seconded by Mr. Chadwick, that the salary of the Engine caretaker, lamplighter, &c., be $300. Carried.

Mr. Heffernan was in favor of the salary being raised to $350. Mr. Elliott was not in favor of making any change in the salary. Mr. Hogg thought it would be time enough to increase the salary when the engine caretaker proved his efficiency by lengthened service. Mr. Coffee was not in favor of raising the salary.

The committee rose and reported by-law as filled up, when the committee rose and the Council resumed.

Moved by Mr. Richard Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Chadwick, that the by-law for the remuneration of the Police Magistrate, and officers of the Corporation, be read a third time and passed. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Robert Mitchell, that the Council go into Committee of the Whole on the third reading of the by-law for the purchase of St. George's Square. Mr. Elliott in the chair.

Mr. Massie said that the Committee on Finance were in favor of recommending the acceptance of Dr. Clarke's offer for the sum of $6,250. The ratepayers of Upper Wyndham street to pay the sum of $750 (which he now tendered) and the town to pay the balance of $5,500.

The first section of the by-law reads, that it is desirable to purchase St. George's Square for the improvement of the streets adjacent thereto.

Mr. Chadwick would like to know how the acquisition of the property would improve and widen the street.

Mr. Hogg was in favor of the clause reading, "for the purpose of improving and extending Wyndham street.

Mr. Massie coincided with Mr. Hogg.

The Mayor thought that if the words "to abate a nuisance in the town," were inserted in the clause, it would meet with the approbation of the ratepayers.

Mr. Chadwick did not like such beating around the bush, and wanted to know for what purpose the town wished to acquire the property in question.

Moved by Mr. Hogg, seconded by Mr. Massie, that the first section be amended by adding the words "for the purpose of removing a nuisance now existing at the junction of Wyndham and Quebec streets, and for the purpose of extending and widening such streets."

Mr. Chadwick said that the motion was out of order, as the square was not a nuisance.

Mr. Robert Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Horsman, that the words "for the purpose of a public garden, and the improvement of Wyndham and Quebec streets" be added.

Mr. Coffee would enquire whether the property would require to be fenced, if used for a public garden.

Mr. Howard would support the motion if the words "for a public garden" were omitted.

Mr. Coffee said it would be well to state "for the benefit of the town."

Mr. Heffernan said the words "for the benefit of Wyndham street" would be better.

Mr. Chadwick asked whether the By-law had been prepared by the Town Solicitor.

Mr. Massie said it had been.

The word "leasehold" was ordered to be struck out, and "freehold" inserted, in the first clause. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Robert Mitchell, That the Mayor be, and is hereby authorized, empowered, and required, in the name and under the corporate seal of this corporation, to enter into the purchase of the said land with William Clarke, Esq., the proprietor, at a price of six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars; and that the Treasurer be, and is hereby empowered, to pay to the said William Clarke, Esq., the said purchase money, on obtaining from him a satisfactory conveyance, approved of by the Town Solicitor, or upon payment to the Town Treasurer of the sum of $750 by the ratepayers on Upper Wyndham street.—Carried. Heffernan, Kennedy and Chadwick dissenting. Mr. Howard not voting either way.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Chadwick, That the amount fixed for the purchase of the property be $5,500. No seconder.

Mr. Heffernan, as representative of the South Ward, would support the purchase, provided that the people of upper Wyndham street come down with at least $2,000, or allow themselves to be assessed for the amount.

Mr. Chadwick would not support the purchase of the property by the town funds, at a greater sum than $4,500.

The fourth clause was struck out.

It being past ten o'clock, on motion of Mr. Richard Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Massie, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. Committee rose, and the Mayor took the chair. It was then moved that rule 52 be suspended for two hours. Carried. The Council again resolved itself into Committee of the whole for the further consideration of the by-law. Mr. Elliott in the chair.

The fifth clause was struck out. The sixth clause was similarly dealt with.

Moved by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Crowe, that the sum of $1,750 be the amount received from the ratepayers of upper Wyndham street towards the purchase of the property.—Lost. Messrs. Kennedy, Heffernan, Crowe and Chadwick voting for the motion, the remainder of the members voting against it.

The Committee rose, and reported the by-law as amended. Moved by Mr. Massie, seconded by Mr. Horsman, that the by-law be now read a third time and passed.—Carried.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Crowe, that the by-law be not now read a third time until the property holders of upper Wyndham subscribe and pay the sum of $1,750.—Lost.

Mr. Chadwick charged Mr. Hogg with changing his ideas about the purchase of the property by the town, but he had recently disposed of some interest in the lower part of the town, consequently his opinion was now changed.

Mr. Hogg denied the soft impeachment.

Mr. Heffernan sustained what Mr. Chadwick said in reference to Mr. Hogg's change of opinion anent the purchase of the property. Mr. Hogg's conduct was inconsistent in the extreme, and he could not account for it.

Mr. Elliott thought that the discussion was aside from the business of the meeting, and the personalities indulged in should not be permitted. He admitted that the purchase of St. George's Square would not only be an improvement to the whole town, but a vast improvement to upper Wyndham street. He said that the people of upper Wyndham street should at least pay the sum of $1,500 towards the purchase of St. George's square. Dr. Clarke had purchased the property some short time ago, for the sum of $4,500, and now he asks the town to allow him nearly forty per cent interest for his money. If Dr. Clarke could make more out of St. George's square by erecting a block of stores upon it, he would laugh at the offer of the people of Guelph. He would support Mr. Chadwick's resolution, provided he made the amount named therein $1,500. Failing this he would ask that the by-law be submitted to a vote of the people before its passage. The improvement was strictly of a local character, and the whole town ought not to be called upon to pay for it. He would like to know where the money to pay for the site is to come from? We had to pay the Bank over $1,000 last year, interest upon borrowed money, to carry on the affairs of the town, and now it is proposed to spend over $5,000 for the purchase of a piece of land, for a local improvement—for a public garden on a gravel heap. He would move that the by-law be submitted to the Town Solicitor for his opinion thereon.

Mr. Elliott moved an amendment to the amendment, as follows: That until the property owners interested in the removal of St. George's Church site subscribe or allow themselves to be assessed for the sum of $1,500, the amount promised, the By-Law now before the Council be not read a third time.

Messrs. Chadwick, Crowe, Kennedy and Heffernan supported the amendment, which was lost.

Mr. Massie said that if the idea of long speeches, and the moving of amendments after amendments, was for the purpose of killing time, he would move, at 12 o'clock, for a suspension of the rule to enable the Council to sit for four or five hours longer.

Moved in amendment to the amendment, by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the By-law to acquire a freehold estate, in the property known as St. George's Church Site, &c., be not read a third time until the same has been submitted to the ratepayers for their approval or rejection, by a vote, to be taken thereon in the usual way.—Lost.

Mr. Howard said that the price asked by Dr. Clarke was too high for the property: $5,500 was quite enough for the site. He moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Heffernan, that the By-law do not now pass, but that it be resolved that the Mayor, on behalf of this Corporation, be and is hereby required and empowered to offer Dr. Clarke the sum of $5,500 for the aforesaid property, payment therefor to be made in cash, so soon as a satisfactory conveyance thereof shall be made and approved of by the Town Solicitor, and the sum of $750 shall be paid to the Town Treasurer by subscription or otherwise. Messrs. Chadwick, Howard, Kennedy and Heffernan for, rest of the Council against.—Lost.

Mr. Massie said that he and others had endeavored to get Dr. Clarke to consent to take a lower sum for the property, but he absolutely refused to do so.

A vote was then taken on the motion for the third reading of the By-law, which was carried on the following division:

YEAS—Messrs. Massie, Howard, Horsman, Coffee, Bell, Richard Mitchell, Robt. Mitchell and Hogg—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Chadwick, Heffernan, Kennedy, Elliott, McLagan, Crowe—6.

The Council adjourned at midnight.

Wellington Spring Assizes.

March 18th.

The Court opened at 9.30 this morning, when the case of Roxborough *vs.* Peden *et al* was resumed. The first witness called was

HUGH PEDEN, sworn—I live in Garafraxa, and own the property leased to Roxborough, I only leased the cleared land to plaintiff; the three acres referred to were not cleared when the farm was leased; before I ploughed the three acres I was obliged to skid up between 40 and 50 saw logs which were over the land; no grain was destroyed, but a great number of thistles had to be destroyed before the teams went on; had all the grain on the three acres spread here and there through the logs, after being garnered, about fifty bushels might have been the result; the farm is well watered by a living creek; I made a bee to plough the land; my son mowed no wheat, but he cut thistles.

ROBERT PEDEN, sworn—I know the lot owned by my father; I helped him to log, burn; and fence the three acres in dispute; the fence was seven rails high and locked; a number of saw logs were left upon the land; the land could not produce much of a crop as it was covered with thistles and June grass; there might have been a few spears of wheat on the land.

ROBERT RUSSELL, sworn—I am one of the defendants in this suit; I saw some wheat growing on the three acres referred to the day it was ploughed; there were thistles, burrs, and wild grass growing amongst the wheat; the crop did not promise much of a yield.

LACHLAN MCFADDEN, sworn—I am one of the defendants in this suit, I know the lot in dispute; the three acres were in a hard looking condition to sow grain on when we went to plough it; the land was polluted with thistles and June grass; some logs were lying upon it; there is a spring creek on the land; I swear that the whole spot was covered with thistles.

JOHN DOBBIN, sworn—I know the plaintiff and defendants in this suit: I drew the lease of the property; I am in the habit of drawing documents of this description; Peden asked me if I thought Roxborough could, under the lease, claim those three acres: there is no exemption in the lease, it disposes of the bush and cleared land; I saw no money paid at Couse's tavern; Peden wanted to bind Roxborough to clear these ten acres, but Roxborough would not be bound to do it.

MRS. DOBBIN, sworn—I know Peden and Roxborough; Peden wanted to bind Roxborough to clear the ten acres, saying if he did so that he could have the land; Mr. Turner did not wish Roxborough to bind himself to clear this piece of land.

Mr. Drew on behalf of the defendants, and Mr. Guthrie on behalf of the plaintiff, addressed the jury. His Lordship summed up the case. After an absence of three hours the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff for damages $18.

FERGUSON vs. GREY.—Mr. Guthrie for defendant, who insisted that the case should go on, applied to the judge for a non-suit. Plaintiff then withdrew the case. Mr. Anderson, Q.C., for plaintiff.

SEDUCTION.—This was a suit brought by Henry Foster, of the Township of Puslinch, against Nathan Cross, to recover damages from the defendant for the seduction of his daughter, Bridget Ann Foster. The defendant pled not guilty, denying that he was the father of the child.

Bridget Ann Foster, sworn—I was 20 years of age last February; have known Nathan Cross for over three years; first met him at a party in the country; in April, 1871, I was going from my home to Mr. Doran's, where I was at service, when defendant took advantage of me; he said he would make it all right; he did not speak of marriage; I had a child on the 9th of June last; Nathan Cross is the father of the child; I spoke to him before the child was born telling him my condition; two weeks after the child was born, I asked him to come out and see his young son; he promised to do so, but never came; he offered me no assistance and I asked none; I afterwards