

### THE FALL TRADE.

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### Guelph Evening Mercury

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 15.

#### Brantford and Harrisburg Branch Railway.

On Tuesday evening, the 8th inst., a very large and influential meeting, called by a requisition signed by three hundred of the property-holders of the town, met in Brantford, to take into consideration the best means of raising funds to build a Branch Railway from Brantford to Harrisburg. After some preliminaries had been gone through, the following resolution was offered and carried unanimously:—"That a branch of the Great Western Railway from Harrisburg to this town is of the first importance to the interests of Brantford, and this meeting urges the Corporation to make an immediate offer to the Great Western Railway Company to aid in its construction." A second resolution was put and declared carried. It was as follows:—"That it is expedient to provide the necessary means for the construction of the Harrisburg Branch, on the part of the Town of Brantford, by selling sufficient bonds of the Buffalo, Brantford and Goderich Railway Company, held by the Corporation, to provide the required amount." The mover of the resolution detailed the advantages that would arise from having the Branch Railway to Harrisburg instead of to Lynden, and explained his plan for raising funds to carry out the undertaking. He proposed to sell all the bonds held by the town in the Buffalo, Brantford and Goderich Railway, except so many as would pay the interest on the debt due to the Municipal Loan Fund. Considerable discussion ensued as to whether the town could sell the bonds, some contending that it was prohibited from doing so by the Amalgamation Act, others that the ground that no such prohibition was implied. In answer to the question, "Why, if the Branch was so necessary, capitalists of the town did not invest in the scheme?" the reply was made, that no direct dividend was expected to accrue from the outlay, but that the town would be benefitted indirectly. But after all debate, the resolution, as we have said, was carried, and a committee were appointed to wait upon the Council, and urge the subject upon their attention.

#### Members' Seats in the House.

The Ottawa Times of Friday says:—"Already the seats in the House of Commons are being ticketed with the names of their expected occupants. Appropriately enough on the left of the Speaker, the first seat in the first tier is set apart for the Hon. Mr. Howe. This is of course the single desk so long occupied by one or other of the Macdonalds, but for a time at all events it will know them no more. Messrs. Dorian and Holton are assigned their old positions, i. e., second and third seats on the same tier. Next follows Mr. Alexander Mackenzie who shares the second double desk with the Hon. Mr. Huntington. Thus the leader of the Ontario opposition occupies the fourth place, and suggestively enough Mr. Edward Blake's name appears on the second tier immediately behind Mr. Mackenzie. This will be very convenient, in one sense, as Mr. Blake can tug his leader's coat tail when he has an idea to suggest, but still when we reflect on the calibre of the opposition guns from the west, we really think injustice has been done to Mr. Blake in not placing him in the front rank. However, he is in able company, the Hon. Mr. Anglin being placed to his right, and immediately behind the Hon. Mr. Dorian, Mr. Smith, of New Brunswick, and Mr. Macdonald, and another Nova Scotian are ticketed for three seats to the right of Mr. Anglin. Several other seats on the left are ticketed, but we did not examine them particularly.

"The first tier on the right is ticketed as follows: 1st, Sir John A. Macdonald, K.C.B.; 2nd, Hon. Geo. E. Cartier; 3rd, Hon. A. T. Galt; 4th, Hon. S. L. Tilley; 5th, Hon. Mr. Howland; 6th, Hon. Mr. Chauvoeur; 7th, Hon. Mr. Dunkin; 8th, Hon. T. D. McGee; following which we think are Hon. Messrs. Irvine and Rose. Several other seats are ticketed on this side also; and altogether the appearances are that members have already been looking out for their positions. Our readers must remember that we know nothing of the authority by which some of these selections have been made, though others of them we have reason to believe have certainly been at the instance of members themselves. Perhaps some speculative genius, has been amusing himself in "locating" the members of the House; if so, we should not be at all surprised to find that he had been pretty successful.

MINISTERIAL PROGRAMME.—The Ottawa correspondent says:—"It is stated in official circles that the ministerial programme decided on is, that Parliament shall sit only one week before the holidays and then adjourn until February, when the real session will be brought

### The President and the Cabinet.

Intimations grow more frequent and authoritative that the President intends to change his Cabinet. The result of the recent elections is said to have prompted him to this course; and under the same instigation, if he changes it at all, he is expected to make it up wholly from the Democratic party. In Pennsylvania, though the Republicans have lost largely, sufficient returns have been received to indicate that the next Legislature will be Republican. The Democrats have gained probably seven members of the House, which will leave a Republican majority of ten. The Republican majority in the Senate, it is claimed, will be nine, the same as last session. In Ohio, there were two separate classes of questions at stake—those connected with the ordinary biennial election, including the Governor; and the Constitutional amendment, giving the suffrage to the blacks. The amendment has been voted down by probably 50,000 majority. The Governorship is yet in doubt. Some of the Cincinnati papers claim that Trumbull, the Democratic candidate, is elected, while others say Hayes has got in by a small majority. Of the election in Iowa nothing certain is known except that the constitutional amendment, which was also put to the vote in this State, is defeated there as well as in Ohio. These returns, although not complete, show large Democratic gains.

#### Latest about Madoc.

Considerable doubt prevails at present concerning the value and extent of the famous gold region of Madoc. There was a time when the gold excitement was at fever heat, when the impetuous rushed eastward and westward, and in all other directions, concentrating their thoughts on that favoured township, and making it their rendezvous; and even then there were cautious people found who advised their neighbors not to accept too precipitately as truth the various rumours that were in circulation about the riches of this modern Valley of Diamonds. Those who doubted were these at a distance, but this peculiarity has passed away and Thomases are to be found even where they can thrust their hands into the mines. The opinion that gold is not very abundant is nourished by the rumour that the Police force is about to be withdrawn, as if the riches of Madoc were not worth such rigid surveillance; that nine thousand acres of land in Madoc, and two townships adjoining are soon to be sold for taxes, and that stock in the Richardson mine is being offered in Montreal at a very heavy discount. The doubters argue that the whole thing is the offspring of the ingenuity of parties who had lands for sale, and who found men gullible rich and foolish.

The Madoc Mercury attributes these doubts to the tardiness of the owners of the famous mine "to show their faith by their works," and thinks that they have delayed too long to commence operations on a scale commensurate with the expectations of the world. But as they are now moving, the hope is indulged that they have better grounds for making such outlay as they have "than a blind trust in the speculative tendencies of a sufficient number of the public, which would lead to enough gold-mining stock being taken up, to leave in any event a handsome profit for the original speculators." One thing is certain that the enthusiasm about Madoc seems to have subsided very considerably, and it is not at all probable that there will be a large influx of the sanguine to its soil, and that has been demonstrated to beyond doubt rich in the eagerly sought metal.

#### The Abyssinian Captives.

Intelligence received from Aden, dated the 12th inst., states that the latest dates from the captives at Magdala were of July 27, received from Massowah on the 1st inst. At that time they were all well. The rains had commenced. The latest dates from the King's camp at Debra Tabor were of the 11th of July. At that place there was heavy rain. All the captives were pretty well, and were being well treated. The King's conduct towards them was cold and indifferent. The country round about was in a disturbed state. Direct communication between the King's camp and the coast was entirely cut off, and communications were sent via Magdala. There were no letters from the captives.

#### The Hudson Bay Company's Dying Struggle.

The North West of Sept. 21st says:—"The Hudson's Bay Monopoly, which prides itself on being the 'last' of those grand old 'Governing Corporations,' which has been preparing to go down in dignified demise, with its flag at the mast head, like some unfortunate battle ship; or, more classically, like the Pelades set with pristine glory below the horizon of settlement and competition; or, historically, folding its drapery of rat-skins about its body corporate, sink down like poor Cesar at the base of Pompey's statue, and all for the good of the people. This magnificent commercial funeral has been contemplated by the Hudson's Bay Company since the dividends became diminutive. But notwithstanding the desire of the Company to go down with its original claims unimpaired, several little obstacles present themselves that tend to lessen the grandeur of its departure. It is well known to many that the Company, in its grasping spirit to obtain as much of the veritable North Pole and solar system as possible, pushed their employees beyond their territorial limits, and by mistake built Fort Youcon, on the Youcon River, in Russian Possessions. The possessions passed to the United States by the recent transfer. And now by advice we learn that the Company has received another territorial stroke under the same rib of grasping proclivities. The recent surveys of Mr. Armstrong's corps, under the direction of the Surveyor General, have demonstrated that the boundary line at Pembina instead of running at the point heretofore supposed actually crosses the river down two miles further north, thus bringing the Company's Fort at Pembina upon American instead of Hudson's Bay Company's territory.

The Pope is said to have grown visibly aged during the last week.

### The Case of Bishop Colenso.

Cape papers which have come to hand give a detailed report of the judgment given by the Judges in the Supreme Court at Natal on July 31, in the case of the "Bishop of Natal, vs. the Rev. J. H. Willis," the object of the suit being to prevent Mr. Willis, who had been licensed by the Metropolitan Bishop of Cape Town, from officiating without Bishop Colenso's license. The Chief Justice at great length contended that the court had jurisdiction (which had been denied) and that Bishop Colenso, as long as he holds the letters patent, is to all intents and purposes the Bishop of the Anglican Church in Natal, saying, "If the applicant has misbehaved, if he has done any act, or put forward any theological opinion which renders him unfit or incapable of retaining this position, why is he not deprived? Why are his letters patent not cancelled? The same power that created him can unmake him. Mr. Justice Phillips concurred with Mr. Justice Connor, and refused as binding on that Court the principles laid down by Lord Romilly. The bishop's application was refused, and the rule nisi discharged.

Ricciotti Garibaldi, son of the Italian patriot, has just been well received in Edinburgh. People flocked to see him at the Edinburgh Hotel, and he dined with the chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. He is well informed on the Italian question.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTS.—In France, as in Ireland, the scarcity of farm labor promises to be the means of introducing improved methods of work, and especially agricultural machines. M. Leconteux, member of the Agricultural Society of France, lately issued an address to the farmers of the country on the subject of steam ploughs, suggesting a subscription to provide for a thorough series of experiments. The proposal was received with general favor; eight thousand francs were quickly subscribed, and the experiments were to take place near Evry-sur-Seine, on the 20th ult. The leading English manufacturers, Messrs. Howard & Fowler, will be represented in the competition.

SWEENEY IN TROUBLE AGAIN.—Sweeney the ex-Fenian "General," who is a Colonel in the United States army, has been court-martialed for offences of a nameless character, committed at Augusta, Ga. He was found not guilty of the first two charges, but convicted of the third—for sending troops outside of his command to interfere with the civil authorities; and suspended from rank and pay for a period of six months, to be confined within the limits of his command during the same period, and to be reprimanded in a general order. Gen. Pope, in reviewing the proceedings, strongly animadverted on the action of the court in acquitting him of the other charges which were susceptible of proof.

### New Advertisements.

#### STEER STRAYED.

STRAYED from the premises of the subscriber, about the middle of July, a dark red Steer, coming two years old, with white on his forehead, cut in the right ear and has a white belly. Any person returning him to the owner, or giving such information as will lead to his recovery will be suitably rewarded.

WILLIAM HAMILTON,  
Dundas Road, next Mr. Stone's, Guelph T.P.  
Guelph, Oct. 15, 1867. 4w

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Medical Hall,  
167 King Street East, Toronto.  
October 15, 1867. d73 w730 4w

#### DRILL SHED, GUELPH.

#### GRAND CONCERT!

On Wednesday, 23rd Oct. 1867

A GRAND CONCERT will be given in the Drill Shed in aid of the Orphans and Aged in St. Joseph's Hospital, under the care of the

#### SISTERS OF CHARITY.

Able Singers from Hamilton, Toronto and Guelph have been secured for the occasion. Miss HILLARY will make her first appearance in Guelph.

Doors open at 7:30. Concert to commence at 8. Single Tickets, 50c. Family tickets, admitting five, \$1.50.

A Quadrille Band will be in attendance after the Concert.

DENIS NUNAN, Secretary.  
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867. daw td

#### SHEEP STRAYED.

STRAYED from the Subscriber's premises, York Road, near the Victoria Bridge, 4 Sheep, with long tails. Had "R. C." stamped on the side. To any one returning them to the owner, or giving such information as will lead to their recovery, a suitable reward will be given.

ROBERT COCHRANE, Guelph.  
October 14, 1867. d73 w730 3d

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LACROSSE Clubs and Balls for sale at

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Apply to  
GEORGE A. OKNARD,  
Agent, G. T. R., Guelph.  
Guelph, Oct. 15, 1867. daw

#### Horse and Mare Stolen.

STOLEN out of a field adjoining Mr. Henry Roberts' Tavern, York Road, near Guelph, on Sunday night, the 6th inst., a grey mare, mostly white, and a black horse. The mare has a ring-bone on the right hind foot; she is about 12 years old. The horse is about 16 years old, and had a round spot bare of hair on the right fore leg at the knee; his left hind foot was white. Any information which will lead to the arrest of the thief or the recovery of the horses will be handsomely rewarded by the owner at Mr. Roberts' Tavern, York Road.  
ALEX. McLENNAN,  
Guelph, October 14, 1867. d3w730-41

#### BACK AGAIN!

#### MR. C. FERGUSON

THE well-known Blind Performer on the Irish Union Harmonic Pipes will give one of his pleasing CONCERTS in the  
TOWN HALL, GUELPH,  
On Wednesday Evening, Oct. 16th.  
Tickets, 25 Cents. Children half-price. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Concert to commence at 8.  
Guelph, Oct. 14, 1867. d21

#### A Large Stock of New French Fruits

At E. CARROLL & Co's  
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867. No. 2, Day's Block.

#### VOLUNTEER RIFLES ASTRAY

TWO RIFLES belonging to the Guelph Rifle Company have gone astray. It is supposed they were given out to members of what was known as the Home Guard, and not returned. Notice is hereby given that the parties in whose possession they are must return them at once to the undersigned. As they are Government property, any one failing to return them after this notice will be prosecuted according to law.  
GEORGE BRUCE, Jr.,  
Captain, G. R. Co.  
October 12, 1867. d11

#### Servant Wanted.

WANTED a good Female Servant for general house-work. Liberal wages paid. Apply to  
MRS. ALEX. NAIRN, Rockwood,  
Rockwood, G.T.R., Oct. 11. d-4t

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#### MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

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Terms—\$10 per quarter, payable in advance. For particulars apply at residence, Nottingham Street.  
Guelph, Oct. 11, 1867. d-11

#### FRESH LOBSTERS!

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FOR sale a first-class farm, being the North east half of Lot No. 16, 2nd Con. of the Township of "Pittington," containing one hundred acres, with about 30 acres under cultivation, well watered, and good buildings thereon. Terms moderate. For further particulars apply to  
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Fergus, 6th Aug., 1867. 4m

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FOR sale, that well-known farm adjoining Mr. Gideon Hood's, about one mile from the Great Western Station, Guelph. Terms made known by applying to the subscriber.

If not sold by the 10th inst., this farm will be taken out of the market.

JAMES MAYS,  
Guelph, 3rd October, 1867. dwtf

#### Victoria Engine Company.

THERE will be a Special Meeting of the above Company in the Fireman's Hall, on Tuesday Evening, the 15th inst., at quarter-past Seven. A full attendance is requested.

F. B. SKINNER, Secretary.  
Guelph, Oct. 11, 1867. d-4t

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Guelph, 3rd October, 1867. dw

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Guelph, 10th Oct. 1867. dw-ly

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