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First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler. The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar. He has just fitted up a room where Oysters will be served up at all hours, in the favorite styles. Pickled Salmon Lobsters and Sardines.

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Thomas Ward, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the post office, where he hopes by courtesy, attention and good accommodation to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars, &c., constantly on hand. A good hostler always in attendance. Roomer the spot—next door to the post office. THOMAS WARD, Proprietor. Guelph, Dec. 11 1872.

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The subscribers are prepared to furnish Lime in quantities to suit purchasers at the Kilns on the York Road, Guelph. Also, constantly on hand first-class Bricks and Tiles, at their residence, Liverpool-st., Guelph. PEARSON & SON. Guelph, March 31, 1874. 3m

PLASTER AND SALT. The subscriber has on hand 500 tons of the best Caledonia and Paris Plaster and Lead Salt. Also on hand, seed grain of all kinds. The highest price paid for potatoes and turnips. GEO. BALKWILL. Gordon street, near the G. T. R. crossing, Guelph, Feb. 25, 1874. 3m&dw

New Advertisements.

WANTED—A Cook. Apply to Mrs. Lemon. 17-dw

BOARDS WANTED—Two young gentlemen in a private family. First-class accommodations. Apply at this office. April 8, 1874. 3t

SEED BARLEY.—Seed Barley for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station. Guelph, Feb. 28, 1874. d&wtf.

HOUSE WANTED—About the 1st of May, containing 5 or 6 rooms—one with garden attached preferred. Apply to R. F., Box 5, Guelph. dt

CARRIAGE WOODWORKER WANTED.—Apply at once to J. B. AUSTIN & CO., Guelph Excelsior Carriage Works. Guelph, April 7, 1874. d&wtf

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY. In unlimited supply on good Farm and Town Security. Lowest rates and most moderate charges. HART & SEIBERS, Guelph, April 1, 1874. d&wtv Day's Block.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FARM SECURITY. The undersigned have \$25,000 for investment in Mortgages on Farms, in sums to suit borrowers, with interest at 6 per cent., for periods from 5 to 15 years. Early applications requested. LEMON, PETERSON & McLEAN, Guelph, March 18, 1874. d&wtf

FOR SALE.—Horse, Harness, Waggon, and Carriage. Apply to John McCrear. M66

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TOWN OF GUELPH. Tenders will be received at the Town Clerk's Office, on or before **Thursday, the 16th inst.** —FOR— **Excavating and Grading** For the new Railway Station at per cubic yard, according to plans and specifications. JOHN HARVEY, Guelph, April 10th, 1874. 6d Clerk.

TO BUILDERS. Tenders will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock on Saturday, the 15th day of April, inst., for the erection of a White Brick Dwelling House on the Erasmoss Hill. Tenders may be for the whole contract, or for the separate trades. Plans and specifications can be seen at my office, Brownlow's Buildings, on and after Monday next. VICTOR STEWART, Guelph, April 9, 1874. 43t Architect.

TOWN HALL. — **FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 10th** Last Night but One of **HERNDON'S Opera House Company.** BRASS BAND AND ORCHESTRA! Benefit of the Brilliant Young Actress Mrs T. J. Herndon. The Great Emotional Society Play of **EAST LYNNE** Or, The Elopement. To conclude with the screaming farce, entitled **THE IRISH LION.** Admission 35 cents; Reserved seats, 50c; Reserved seats secured 75 cents—to be had during the day only at Anderson's bookstore. Doors open at 7. Begins at 8. Guelph, April 10, 1874.

LEWING'S FAMILY WASHER AND WRINGER COMBINED. The Best, Cheapest, Simplest, and Most Complete Machine yet offered to the public. The subscribers announce that they have secured the sole right to sell the above machine in Guelph, Erasmoss, and Erin townships, and solicit a trial of the machine. The machines have given entire satisfaction wherever used. All orders addressed to Everton P.O., O. will be promptly attended to. A. TOLTON, T. NICHOL, Guelph, April 1, 1874. d&wtf

SPLENDID CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT. 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 bedrooms, front and back parlors, dining room and kitchen, with large soft water cistern, also two large dry cellars. The land comprises two-thirds of an acre, well stocked with fruit trees in full bearing. For terms, etc., apply to L. SAVAGE, Guelph, March 27th, 1874. dw

REMOVAL. J. Kay, Brass Founder, Has removed for a few months in rear of Mr. Smith's Feed Store, Upper Wyndham street. Guelph, April 8, 1874. d2m

WAR, WAR!! NO SURRENDER!! NO MONOPOLY!! If you want your hair cut in the best style **Go to Bryan's Hair Cutting Saloon** Next to the Temperance Hall. Hair Cutting, 10c.; Shaving, Shaving and Dyeing on the lowest terms, and in the best manner. M66

MONEY TO LEND. In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned. GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, April, 1874. d&wtf Guelph

Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 10, 1874.

Town and County News

Messrs. Geo. Ranall & Co., of Waterloo, have greatly enlarged their distillery.

Messrs. George & Matthew Beatty are fitting up Ash, Mair & Co's foundry, and will soon commence work.

THE LIGHTNING EXPRESS.—A complete outfit is being procured for the lightning express which the Grand Trunk will run during the coming season, to commence about the 18th inst.

FIRE AT CUMMINSVILLE.—A fire broke out on Thursday in the house of Mr. John Harris about a quarter of a mile from this village, almost completely destroying the roof. The furniture was also very much damaged. Damage about \$100.

In view of the anticipated changes in the tariff, the importers and wholesale merchants all over the country are removing goods from bond; in consequence large sums have recently been withdrawn from the banks.

ESCAPEE.—Young Buchan, who lives near Elora, on the gravel road, and who was sent to the Lunatic Asylum last fall, escaped from that institution and walked all the way from Toronto, reaching home on Monday night. He says he is quite sane again.

ROCKWOOD SPRING SHOW.—The Spring Show of the Township of Erasmoss Agricultural Society will be held at Rockwood on Tuesday, April 21st, when a large amount in prizes will be given for Stallions and Bulls. Several special prizes will be given.

FARM SOLD IN ERIN.—Mr. John McKinnon's farm, lots 18 and 19 on the 3rd con. of Erin, was sold on Thursday last to Mr. Henry Reed, of Glanford, for \$8,500. It contains 200 acres of good land, 140 cleared. Stone dwelling house, frame barn and sheds, orchards, &c., on the premises.

SUDDEN DEATH BY SALEM.—Mrs. Finlay, wife of Mr. John Finlay, of Port Elgin, dropped dead about eleven on Thursday morning in her mother-in-law's house. She was, apparently, in good health a few minutes before she fell. Dr. Griffith was summoned at once but life was extinct before he arrived. The deceased was a daughter of the Rev. John Duff, of Nichol. She leaves five children in mourn for her loss. The cause of her death is supposed to be apoplexy.

PERSONAL.—The friends of Mr. W. H. Lowry, of this Town, will be pleased to learn that he has passed his final examination in medicine at Trinity College, Toronto, and was awarded the Trinity gold medal, having made the highest number of marks in the final branches. Last year Mr. Lowry was equally successful, having received a certificate of honor in the primary examination.

Y. M. C. A. SOCIAL.—A very successful social was given by the Young Men's Christian Association to a good audience last evening. Dr. McGuire occupied the chair, and conducted the exercises, which comprised an excellent essay by Mr. Hall on "The Difficulties of Life," recitations by Messrs. Alchin and Anderson, and singing by Messrs. Alchin, Crowe, Jones and Anderson. Mrs. Bussale, President, presided. At an interval in the proceedings, refreshments were passed around. The proceedings were closed by Rev. W. S. Ball. The President announced that the final vote for the new Secretary would be taken on the 23rd inst.

RIP VAN WINKLE.—A crowded house witnessed the play of Rip Van Winkle in the Town Hall last night by the Herndon Opera Company. The character of the unfortunate Rip was personated by Mr. Herndon, and well did he act the part, often receiving the well deserved praise of the house in the form of hearty cheers, while Mrs. Herndon in the character of Gretchen, Rip's wife, was equally honoured with a due share of applause. Mr. and Mrs. Herndon were ably sustained throughout by other members of the company, who acted their several parts in a most satisfactory manner. In fact the drama could not have been set off to more advantage. To-night the beautiful and exciting drama of "East Lynne, or the Elopement," will be presented—to conclude with the "Irish Lion." This bill will no doubt draw a large audience.

LARGE SALE OF PURE BRED STOCK.—The sale of the "Willow Lodge" herds and flocks by the executors of the late John Snell, at Edmonton on Wednesday, was attended by a large and influential assemblage of leading stock breeders and dealers from all parts of Canada and the United States. All the animals offered were in first-rate condition, and the building was exceedingly spirited. Some of the finest cows were bought by breeders from Iowa and other western States. A cow calved in April, 1866, fetched \$1,225; heifer calved in May, 1873, \$1,005, other heifers ranged from \$780 to \$800, and this spring's calves averaged about \$230 each. Simon Beattie bought the bull "British Baron" for \$1000, calved 1869. The other bulls ranged from \$300 to \$100 each. The Hon. Geo. Brown bought a number of heifers. The sheep sold well. "King of Troy" going to Simon Beattie at \$200, and the pen of five prize animals to John Collard, Mr. Tensdale, Grandville, and George Davis, Brantford, at prices ranging from \$160 to \$230 each. The ewes and sharings averaged about \$60. The imported Berkshire boar, "Sir Heber Humfrey," was knocked down to Mr. Adam Rankin, Mammoth, Illinois, at the handsome figure of \$245, and the imported sow "Lady Gloster," to J. R. Craig, at \$300. Forty-five females, average \$355, \$16,005; four bulls, average \$418, \$17,680. The entire proceeds of the sale amounted to nearly \$22,000.

Town Council.

THE TOWN HALL AND MARKET BY-LAW. A special meeting of the Council was held last evening for the purpose of introducing a by-law for the erection of a new town hall and market, in accordance with the resolution passed at the regular meeting on Monday evening. The Mayor occupied the chair, and all the members were present except Messrs. Hall, Howard and Robertson. Mr. Elliott moved the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Petrie:—"That leave be granted to the mover to introduce a by-law to raise \$25,000 for the issue of debentures for the erection of a new town hall and market, and that the same be read a first and second time." Mr. Raymond differed very greatly from the projectors of this by-law in regard to the site, and while he believed in submitting every question of this kind to the people, he was in favor of putting the money where it would be the greatest amount of good. He thought a more favorable site should be procured. Mr. Elliott had always advocated that the ratemakers should be posted on every subject of assessment, and the introduction of this by-law was merely a means of bringing the matter before the ratemakers, as it had been fully discussed in the Council. Mr. Crowe thought the site chosen was not a suitable one, and the influence brought to bear by the working classes who might be interested in the work might carry the by-law, and deprive the town of a hall away from the railway. Mr. Elliott said that a ratemayer who was assessed for \$300 would have to pay only 33 cents per year, or one and one-tenth of a mill, and if the by-law was carried, no money would be required until 1875. The resolution was carried and the by-law read a first time. Mr. Elliott moved the Council into Committee for the second reading, Mr. Petrie in the chair. After supplying the blanks, the Committee rose, and Mr. Elliott informed the Council that he had written to the Attorney-General with reference to the power vested in the Town to carry on this work, and found that a petition would have to be presented to the Lieutenant-Governor, for leave to increase the Town indebtedness for the purpose of carrying out the undertaking. He then read the following petition:— To the Honourable John Crawford Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario in Council. The petition of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Guelph respectfully represents. That for some years the necessity of a large public hall and increased market accommodation has been much felt, and has been desired by the inhabitants. Your petitioners in order to meet the aforesaid wants procured plans for the erection of the needed buildings, and are desirous to proceed forthwith with the work. Your petitioners are indebted to the Municipal Loan Fund, which by the act of settlement, amounts to the sum of \$46,669.31 for which sum they have executed, and delivered their debentures according to law, redeemable in twelve years. The total indebtedness of the Town of Guelph is \$117,709 in which sum is included the Municipal Loan Fund debentures; and the Town owes no arrears for principal or interest on any of its indebtedness; the value of property on the assessment roll for 1873 is \$2,069,100, and the rate levied for that year was 11 cents on the dollar, which rate included school rates. Your petitioners pray that the sanction of your Excellency in Council may be given to the passing of a By-law, to raise by the issue of debentures, redeemable pro rata in twenty years, the sum of \$25,000 to accomplish the object above stated. And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray. Mr. Elliott moved, seconded by Mr. Hall, that the petition be signed by the Mayor, countersigned by the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the corporation, and forwarded to the office of the Attorney-General. Instructions were given the Clerk to have the by-law published in the Mercury, and the meeting then adjourned.

The Reporter says that the Credit Valley Railway engineers have been busy running lines in and around Galt this week, and next week they propose to locate the line from Campbellville through to Galt.

A verdict has been returned against the Earl with \$500 damages, for libelling a Mrs. Letitia Davis as being a party in a disreputable disturbance that it was alleged had occurred at her house.

A large quantity of hewn timber has been got out in the neighborhood of Listowel, during the past season, and is now being shipped on the W. G. & B. Railway.

"No wonder," says the New York Advertiser, with that "commercial" acumen for which it is distinguished, "no wonder elsewhere all go to Canada. It is the only country on this continent they can find Tor-to-fo."

June Edmonds, whose name has so strongly associated with the phenomena called Spiritualism, is dead.

The Nova Scotia Government has resolved to subsidize railway companies building western extensions in that Province to the extent of \$6,000 per mile, and eastern extensions \$5,000 per mile.

On Saturday last Mr. John Edgar got his leg broken while cutting timber on the farm of Mr. John Woods in Luther by a log rolling back. In the same township, on the Wednesday previous, a young man named Galbraith got a leg broken, and a son of Archibald Martin was severely though not dangerously injured at a raising.

The Welland Canal was opened on Saturday.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

The Carlist War.

R. R. Committee Investigation

Politics at the Hub.

Damage to the S. S. Polaris.

Terrific Boiler Explosion in Glasgow.

Bayonne, April 9.—The Carlist Junta here has received despatches to the effect that, at a Council of War, Marshal Serrano's plan for forcing the defiles of Somorostro was decided to be utterly impracticable.

New York, April 10.—Weather stormy, heavy wind.

The trial of Duncan Templeton for shooting his wife begins next Monday.

The bond holders of Walkill railroad have decided to appoint a committee to investigate the recent over issue of \$100,000 in bonds.

A Boston special says:—If it be true as reported that Dawes is to be made Secretary of the Treasury on conditions that his supporters go for Hoar for Senator, this arrangement does not positively ensure the latter's election, as Butler's men are very angry and declare that they will not support Hoar in any event, and may endeavor to effect a union with the Democrats or Adams. Dawes telegraphed from Washington yesterday, that not the slightest change will be made here.

A St. John's, N. F., special dated yesterday, says:—The steamer Tigress of the Polaris expedition, in whale fishing exploded her boiler. Two engineers and 20 of the crew were killed. The ship is under sail for St. John's.

Tweed has been remanded by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction to the General Hospital ward.

New York, April 10.—After yesterday's vote in the House the papers here treat inflation as a foregone conclusion so far as Congress is concerned. The inflationists express confidence that the President will sign the Bill under consideration.

London, April 9.—The trial of Jean Lue for perjury began to-day.

Three thousand colliers are on strike in Somersetshire.

Glasgow, April 9.—The steam boiler of a factory in Hamilton, near Glasgow, exploded yesterday with terrible effect. A large portion of the boiler was driven several hundred feet through the air and crashed into a school house full of children; three children were instantly killed and thirty are reported more or less injured.

The Riel Excitement.

Sir John Macdonald was present in the House during the afternoon on Thursday, but was again absent in the evening when Riel's case was resumed. The other Opposition leaders were also absent. The public interest in the proceedings have evidently slackened, and although the galleries were well filled, there was little crowding. Riel's failure to appear has dissipated all expectation that he will take his seat.

It is generally believed that he is hiding somewhere in or about Hull village, on the Lower Canada side of the Ottawa river. The rumour which was current on Wednesday that he intends to give himself up to the Quebec authorities is repeated with some show of probability.

Court of Chancery. April 9.

RISK vs. SLEEMAN.—This suit was brought to set aside a chattel mortgage from Denis Bunyan to the defendant, made to secure an old debt owing by Bunyan, and the price of a stock of also supplied to him by the defendant at the time. The ground of objection to the mortgage was that it gave to the defendant a preference over the other creditors of Bunyan, and that under the Insolvent-Debtors' Act, it was therefore void. The case lasted all day yesterday, and part of the day before, and a large number of witnesses were examined on both sides. Judgment was reserved, to be delivered in Toronto. Attorney-General Mowat, Q.C., Thomas Hodgins, Q.C., and Mr. Paterson for plaintiff; Mr. Guthrie and Mr. Watt for defendant.

FATHER AND SON CHARGED WITH FRAUD.—A young man named Willie Rodden, was committed for trial on Wednesday at Toronto, on a charge of fraudulently obtaining a mortgage from his grandfather for \$4,000, and his father, V. H. Rodden, was placed in the dock the next day, charged with having obtained, under false pretences, the sum of \$3,000 from his father-in-law, Edw. Wright. Part of the evidence was taken, when the case was remanded till Wednesday next. The prisoner was allowed out on bail, himself in \$2,000 and two sureties of \$1,000 each. It is an ugly question this, showing how father and son entered into a combination to relieve an old man eighty years of age of all his property.

Judge Ramsay has quashed the finding of the coroner's jury, charging Brydges with the manslaughter of a man named P. Cauchon, killed at the Grand Trunk crossing, in the Quebec district, on the ground that the indictment was laid for the non-commission of acts which he was not bound by law to perform. The decision was confirmed by Judge Sanborn, who, however, held that Brydges was guilty of moral wrong in failing to fulfil his promises.

A number of salt water seamen, who purpose engaging on the lakes for the summer season, passed through St. Catharines on Sunday evening.

Dominion Parliament.

Ottawa, April 9.

A very large number of petitions in favour of a prohibitory liquor law were presented.

Amongst the new bills introduced, was one by Mr. Charlton to prevent cruelty to animals carried by railway.

In answer to questions by Mr. DeCosmos, the Premier declined, in the absence of a complete survey, to state when the western section of the Pacific Railway would be commenced. It was the intention of the Government to construct a telegraph line from Esquimaux to Nanaimo, when the route of the railroad was decided upon.

Dr. Orton then moved for a Committee to enquire into the condition of the agricultural interest, which he alleged to be in need of protection against foreign importations of grain. He entered into a somewhat lengthy statement in support of his motion.

Mr. Mackenzie would not oppose the motion, but could tell the hon. gentleman that the legislation he proposed had been suggested many times before, and he could assure him it would be of no benefit to the farmer if it were passed.

Mr. Sturton declined to act on the Committee. Other Committees for the same purpose had proved abortive, and this one would have the same result; he was opposed to it altogether.

Mr. Masson suggested the addition of two names of Quebec members who were accordingly placed on the Committee.

Mr. Smith (Peel) ridiculed the selection of a committee of doctors and lawyers to perform a duty, it must be assumed, the farmers were not competent to undertake for themselves.

Mr. Young, in a vigorous speech, exposed the fallacy of the motion that a country exporting an enormous surplus of agricultural produce should need a protective tariff on cereals. The result of the attempt to exclude foreign grain would be to destroy our carrying trade, and only pave the way for claims from all other interests to protection, by which the agriculturist would lose ten times more than they would gain by any legislation in their own favour.

Mr. McKay Wright supported the motion.

Mr. Davies agreed with the member for Waterloo, and strongly opposed the protectionist theories of the mover of the resolution.

Mr. Gordon, in a very able speech, alluded to the fact that a very large portion of our grain imports pass through the country and pay freights. He was, as the representative of an agricultural country, opposed to all such legislation as the mover of the resolution desired to see enacted.

Dr. Brown gave some statistics showing the large trade done in his section in exports of farm stock and produce to the States. The true policy was to induce the Americans to take off their duties, not to put duties on ourselves.

A case regarding the Committee as a sort of beneficiary of the professional gentry who had taken pity on the poor farmers.

Mr. Chisholm supported the motion.

Mr. Biggar thought the farmers would feel aggrieved if they did not get the Committee, and hoped it would be appointed.

Mr. White (East Hastings) asserted on hearsay authority that the Finance Minister had declared the Government to be willing to put a duty on foreign grain.

Mr. Cartwright gave an emphatic denial to any such story.

Mr. Blain advocated protection in the interest of the growers of coarse grain.

Mr. Kerr did not know that the farmers had any grievances, but thought the Committee would do no harm.

Mr. Jones (Halifax), if the mover succeeded in his object, would be disposed to ask for a bounty to Nova Scotia fishermen.

Mr. Walker showed that we did not raise coarse grain enough to keep all the establishments for their consumption in the Dominion running.

Mr. McCallum supported the Committee, which was then agreed to.

At the evening sitting, the House resumed the examination of the Attorney-General of Manitoba, who attended, according to order, at the Bar. The first part of the questions put by Mr. Oimmet, for which the reader must refer to the full Parliamentary report, was to show that for some time subsequent to Mr. Clarke's arrival in Manitoba and anterior to the legal proceedings taken against Riel, he (Mr. Clarke) had been fully aware of Riel's movements. He admitted having visited Riel at his own house in order to dissuade the latter from becoming a candidate. Mr. Clarke himself desired to stand for Provencher. He acknowledged that they had come to an arrangement about the election, and that he (Mr. Clarke) had once offered to fight Riel at ten paces because Riel was "impertinent." It also came out that the person who applied for the warrant against Riel was one of the Grand Jury who found the indictment against him. He declared that he had not set the law in motion on receipt of a telegram from Ottawa, and would have treated such a telegram, if received, with contempt.

A great deal of time was lost in discussing points of order, and some of the answers did not disclose facts very creditable to the witness. In the course of the enquiry it was elicited that a threatening anonymous letter had been sent to Mr. Clarke, warning him that his life was in danger if he persisted in his course with regard to Riel. He was at length allowed to withdraw, and the order of the day for Riel's attendance in his place was read. No response being given Detective Hamilton was called to the bar, and examined. He gave evidence to the effect that he done all in his power, but unsuccessfully, to arrest Riel.

Constable McVety was also called, and gave similar evidence. On his withdrawing.

Mr. Mackenzie moved the adjournment of the House.

Mr. Bowell asked whether, in view of the facts elicited from the evidence taken, it was the intention of the Government to take any steps with reference to the seat of Riel in that House.

Mr. Mackenzie said whatever course they took they should not take the matter out of the hands of the member for North Hastings, who had pledged himself to follow up the evidence with a motion.

Mr. Bowell argued that from English precedents the duty devolved on the Government to move in the matter, but in the absence of such motion on their part