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J. M. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M. B. C. V. S. L., L. 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.

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CHARLES RAYMOND, GUELPH, ONT. July 12, 1871. dwt

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AGENCY OR, Inman Steamship Company, Between New York and Liverpool, leaving New York Thursday and Saturday, Laks Superior Royal Mail Route, Leaving Guelph every Tuesday and Friday. Michigan Central Railway Company, Erie and Delaware Bay Company.

Charles Raymond, Guelph, Ont. July 12, 1871. dwt

New Advertisements.

TWO GENTLEMEN WANTED, Boarders in a private family. Apply at this office. Dec. 10

GOOD GENERAL SERVANT WANTED, Apply at this office. Dec. 10

CORN FOR SALE, For sale, 10,000 bushels of corn. Apply to A. B. DAVIES, On the Market.

WANTED—A Situation as Book-keeper and Accountant. Will write the correspondence and collect accounts, if necessary. By a person of considerable experience. Salary very reasonable. Address J. P. M., box 122, Guelph.

TO LET—The large room over the MERCURY OFFICE, formerly used as a Temperance Hall. Suitable for an office or for any light manufacturing purpose. Inquire at the Mercury Office.

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE, For sale, the Wenzel, Lockman and Howe Sewing Machines, all first class and cheap for cash. Enquire at the Mercury Office.

SHEEP STRAYED—Came on the premises of the subscriber on Tuesday, the 3rd, a sheep. The owner, on proving property and paying expenses, can take them away. DWY, J. W. SMAR, York Road.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A good stonemason or an Apprentice to the Dying and Securing Business. Apply to GOLDIE & CO., Dye Works, Upper Wyndham-st.

CITY WOOD YARD, The subscriber has opened a Wood Yard, next to the new English Church, where he will keep at all times, and for sale, cut and split, and will deliver it in quantities to suit purchasers, in any part of the town. Orders can be left at Mrs. Ferguson's shop, opposite Chalmers' Hotel, or at Hay and Straw kept on hand. THOS. KIRBY, Guelph, Nov. 28, 1872.

Improved Berkshire Boars, WITH PEDIGREES, For the service of sows this season, on the premises of the undersigned. Terms—Cash at time of service. ALLAN SIMPSON, Guelph, Dec. 9th, 1872, d12wif Blacksmith.

FINAL NOTICE, The subscribers being about to dissolve partnership, beg to notify all parties indebted to them that the amount due must be paid to them on or before the 15th inst., as the business of the firm must be settled by that date; otherwise they will have to be paid into court at their own costs. All parties having claims against the firm, will please call and get their money at once. On and after the 15th inst. DWY & STEWART, Guelph, Dec. 9, 1872.

WESLEYAN METHODIST ANNIVERSARY, The Annual Tea Meeting, Will be held in the Lecture Room of the Church on WEDNESDAY EVENING, the 11th inst. Tea served from 6 o'clock, after which AN ADDRESS will be delivered by the Rev. W. S. GRIFFIN, of Toronto. Admission, 25 cents. Guelph, Dec. 9, 1872. dtd

BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE, Two Lots of about four acres, each on Wellington Street, by 105 feet deep, being a portion of the open space between the Curling Rink and Mr. Barclay's property, is for sale. They are very convenient to the centre of the town, and will be sold cheap. For terms, see copy to the undersigned, Town Hall Buildings, Guelph. CHAS. DAVIDSON, n154im

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES, Chalmers' Church, The Anniversary Services in connection with the Opening of Chalmers' Church, will take place on Sabbath First, the 15th inst. When special sermons will be preached on the occasion, by the Rev. Wm. Inglis, of Toronto, and Rev. J. Muir, of Galt. Collections will be taken up on each occasion in aid of the Building Fund.

A SOIREE, Will be held in the Church on MONDAY EVENING, following, the 16th inst. Addresses will be given by the Rev. Walter Inglis, of Ayr, and Rev. Mr. Grant, of Ingersoll. Rev. Mr. McMullen, of Woodstock, and others. The choir, under the able leadership of Mr. W. H. K. Matheson, of Galt, will sing some choice pieces throughout the evening. Tea will commence to be served at six o'clock. Tickets, 25 cents each, to be had of Messrs. G. & A. Hadden, J. Bink, W. Stewart, W. J. Little, and at the Drug and Book Store, Guelph, Dec. 9th, 1872. ad

TOWN HALL, Wednesday & Thursday, Dec. 11 & 12

COOL BURGESS AND HIS CARNIVAL OF NOVELTIES, The Canadian Champion, TWO NIGHTS ONLY, TEN FIRST-CLASS ARTISTES. See Programmes. d1

BUSINESS NOTICE, The undersigned having purchased one of Messrs. Gowdy, Stewart & Co.'s Steam Saw Mills, near Georgetown, on the Grand Trunk Railway, and being about to remove from Guelph, beg to notify all parties indebted to us, either by Note or Book Account, that the same must be settled on or before the 14th December, otherwise they will be positively placed in Court for collection. DOUGLAS & BARNES, Guelph, Nov. 29, 1872. dwt

STORE AND DWELLING FOR SALE, ON THE REGENT, The subscriber offers for sale on reasonable terms, or will rent for a period, the store and dwelling at Bristol, Township of Erin, at present occupied by Mr. Maclellan. Postmaster there. The store is situated in a good location, on the gravel road between Guelph and Erin. This is an excellent opportunity for a party with a limited capital, as a good business can be carried on, and arrangements may be made to continue the Post Office in connection with the store. For particulars apply to JAMES MASSIE, Guelph, Nov. 5th, 1872. daw

GORDON STREET BAKERY, ESTABLISHED 1835. J. SOLE hereby tenders his sincere thanks to his numerous customers for the very liberal patronage he has received, and begs leave to intimate that he is now building a SECOND LARGE OVEN in order to meet the requirements of his steadily increasing business. The Bread, &c., will be delivered by J. Sole, from 6 o'clock promptly attended to. Remember the stand—next to F. W. Stone's store, Gordon st., Guelph. Dec. 5, 1872. dwt

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, 9:05 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, 7 p.m. Going North—11:45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifford; 4:55 p.m. for Fergus; 8:25 p.m. for Fergus.

Guelph Evening Mercury, WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 11, 1872.

Town and County News.

SOCIAL.—A social will be held in Knox Church, on Friday evening, the 13th inst. Tea at 6 o'clock. A pleasant evening may be anticipated.

TEA-MEETING.—Don't forget the tea-meeting in the lecture room of the Wesleyan Church this evening. After tea an address will be delivered by the Rev. W. S. Griffin, of Toronto. A pleasant time may be anticipated.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting of the Teachers' Association, of the First Division of Wellington, will be held in the Central School, Guelph, on Saturday, next the 14th inst. A full attendance of members is requested as business of importance concerning the profession will be introduced at this meeting.

SHEEP FOR KENTUCKY.—Dr. Brown, Eminence, Kentucky, on Tuesday shipped through by Great Western Railway, without transhipment, one hundred ewes and ten rams. Amongst the lot were two pure-bred Cotswold rams, bought from Mr. W. F. Sloan, Leicester, from Mr. Joseph Kirby, of Milton; twenty-four from Mr. John Reading, Guelph Township. The rest were also bought up in the neighborhood of Guelph, and were the best lot that has left the station this season.

COOL BURGESS.—The great "Cool" with his talented Company will make their first appearance to-night in the Town Hall. Their programme is a good one, such as cannot fail to amuse the most fastidious. During their tour east the press has been lavish of their praise of Miss Agnes Sutherland, the Scottish vocalist. In their comments on the versatile talents of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wood, they have been still referring to their specialities as being unequalled. The Richardson Brothers have also a fair share of good report. We may safely predict there will be a full house.

ACCIDENTS AT HARRISTON.—On Friday last an individual named Arnold, while in the act of coupling a car to the engine, got three of the fingers of his left hand destroyed and the hand badly injured. On the same day a newly engaged hand, of the name of Cadwell, at Mr. Stewart's Saw Mill, by some mishap got his left foot in contact with the saw and sustained very severe injuries. The foot got about half way to the knee is badly shattered, and the thigh bone broken; but Dr. Cowan, who was called upon to attend the case, thinks that the fracture can be mended without the necessity of amputation.

COUNTY COURT, Dec. 10. SANDILANDS vs. MOXON.—Action on promissory note, defended. Verdict for plaintiff \$209.32. Mr. Peterson for plaintiff.

COHN vs. SIMON.—Action on promissory note; defended. Verdict for plaintiff \$229.74. Mr. Peterson for plaintiff.

SLEPPEL vs. POTTER.—Action to recover balance due on settlement. Verdict for plaintiff \$122.40. Mr. Guthrie for plaintiff.

SANFORD vs. PERRY.—Case referred to the Judge for arbitration. Mr. A. H. Macdonald for plaintiff.

MATTHEWS vs. G. T. K.—Action brought to recover value of car he sustained. Verdict for plaintiff \$200. It appeared from the statement of plaintiff's counsel that the Company's fences and cattle guards were so defective and insufficient at the time that Mr. Matthews' animals got on the track and were killed by a passing train. The animals were pasturing in his field and got out without his knowledge or consent on the road and so went on the track. The Counsel considered that, as the Company were obliged to have proper fences and cattle guards, that they must be as substantial as that which would be as substantial as actually got on the track at the intersection of the highway and the concession line, owing to defective cattle guards or such other proper guards there to keep cattle off from the Railway, these were insufficient and down; as well as the fence running right angles along the highway; that the case showed the plaintiff had a good right of action; that the facts were believed not disputed by the Company, but they relied on the Law regarding the liability of Railway Companies to excuse or free them from liability and argued. The Counsel for the plaintiff contended that admitting the facts to be as stated, he considered the plaintiff could not sustain the action. Several cases were cited by both counsels. The Judge thought the Company were not liable except as against adjacent owners whose cattle were not in charge, and decided to non-suit the plaintiff. The matters of law will be brought up in term on motion, when the questions will be decided, the Judge noting the facts as stated by the plaintiff. Mr. Peterson stated by plaintiff; Mr. Bell for defendant.

Guelph Christmas Fat Cattle Fair, The great annual Christmas Fat Cattle Fair was held to-day—a most auspicious one as far as weather was concerned—and a large number of most excellent cattle were brought in for disposal by the neighboring farmers. The number of fat cattle at the fair were considerably inferior in point of numbers, but the quality was in no degree below what we have been accustomed to have at this season. A large number of buyers were present, including Mr. Satchell of Ottawa, W. S. Williamson of Brampton, Messrs. Reeves, Booth, T. & C. Flanagan, Rosebush, Dunn Brothers, Scott, Hollin, Kinnear, Conlin, Welsh, Kelly, Windmill, White, Beddingfield, Braunridge, Crawford, Wilson, &c., Toronto; Messrs. Harris, Blake, Muirhead, Plagie, Jones, Pearson, Hines and Spencer, Hamilton; and A. Spiers, Chinguacousy. A very large number of small dealers were present from the large cities and we should imagine that from the comparative scarcity of Christmas cattle, many of them would have experienced difficulty in supplying their wants. This dearth in point of number is entirely attributable to the reaction of the extraordinary dry season we have just passed through, many graziers having had to dispose of their cattle in a half fed condition, and many more being unable to catch them. They have put for feeding purposes in a sufficient advanced stage of maturity to warrant their appearance as competitors for the supply of Christmas beef. The inferior description of cattle fetched from \$4 to \$4.50 per 100 lbs., while the best calves ran on from \$4.50 to \$12, per 100 lbs., the latter figure being only reached by the splendid heifer of Mr. Wm. Whitehead. The great bulk of the well fed cattle readily found purchasers at from \$5 to \$5.50, per 100 lbs. It would be well to son who set state at, it means, so much per 100 lbs; and when for is used it is intended to convey the lump sum.

L. Parkinson, 2 two year olds, 1 for \$70 and 1 at \$6; Edwin Parkinson, 5 head at \$5, also 86 sheep at \$4.75; W. Swanson, 2 yearling steers, 2,255 lbs, at \$5.12; G. Swanson, 2 yearling steers, 2,255 lbs, at \$5.12; A. Starn, 3 head at \$6; Joseph Parkinson, 1 cow for \$98; Thos. B. Lush, 2 head, 3620 lbs, at \$5.25; G. Ellis, 1 heifer for \$60; Robt. Murton, 2 head, 2,940 lbs, at \$5.25; Satchell Bros. have bought 2 ear loads of some of the primest cattle that have ever left the Town Hall. The best of these calves are being Mr. J. S. Armstrong's famous Durham steer, Mr. Geo. Hood's celebrated Hereford steer, Mr. Geo. Radd's superior Devon heifer, also a very fine Galloway heifer from Arthur Jones; also 44 of the choicest porkers that Mr. John Whitehead has secured for the Messrs. Satchell; also about 10 exceedingly fine wethers, 3 and 4 years old, fed by Mr. George Hood; also a lot of wild turkeys; J. T. Waters bought from Mr. Metcalf 2 headers, 2,180 lbs, at \$5.12; 1 do. from Mr. McFarlane, about 1,450 lbs, at \$5.75; 4 two yr old steers from Peter Bathurst, 1,400 lbs, each at \$5; 1 heifer from N. Norrish for \$65; Mr. John Tyson bought 3 head from Wm. Hardy at \$6, from Geo. Fyfe, 1 heifer at \$5, and two steers at \$4.50; Francis Rawson, 3 head, 4,500 lbs, at \$6; Wm. Rawson, 5 head for \$87; P. McNaughton, 1 year of cow for \$170; Jas. Carter, 2 head for \$80; J. McMillan, 1 cow for \$62; Hamilton Laird, two head for \$80; Jas. White, 3 head at \$4.25; W. Roberts, 5 head for \$170; Robt. Aikens, 2 head at \$4.12; Wm. Watson, 2 head for \$67; Robt. Darby, 1 cow for \$44; John Breeze, 1 cow for \$46, and 1 large heavy steer for \$100; H. Wickens, Toronto, bought 7 hd at \$5.25; W. Lush sold 4 hd at \$4.50; John Moore, 8 head at \$4.75; A. Thomson, 2 steers at \$5; Geo. Elliott, Paisley Block, 1 heifer, 1,650 lbs., at \$8, to Messrs Millar & Amos; John Kirby, 1 heifer for \$20; G. Elliott, 1 steer at \$5; R. Elliott, 1 steer at \$5; John Phin, 3 steers, 4,115 lbs., at \$5, also 9 sheep at \$8 each; W. Smith, 4 splendid steers, 6,690 lbs., at \$5; J. Hobson, 3 head for \$155; Walter West sold 1 head for \$202 and 1 for \$65; G. A. Galt bought for C. S. Chisholm, 1 cow at \$16 and 3 at \$5; 1 from Jacob Platz at \$7, 3 from John Amos for \$100, 2 from J. Scroggie for \$60, 3 head from T. Hood for \$115, 1 from Messrs Kay at \$9, also 20 sheep at \$10 each; John Hood, Nichol, 2 cows for \$122.50; Robt. Amos, jr., 1 steer at \$4.12; J. G. Galt, 12 sheep at 5c. per lb.; W. Whitehead, 9 sheep at 5c. per lb., and 6 head at \$5; Jas. Lennie, 8 sheep at 5c. per lb.; John Sherratt, 2 head for \$80; Geo. Eastbrook, 2 ewes, 543 lbs., for \$55; Alex. McQueen, 1 yoke of oxen, at \$5.62; Geo. Quarry, 1 heifer at \$5.25; James Parker, 1 heifer at \$4.75; Peter Bathurst sold 2 head for \$135; R. Ronnelson, Galt, 1 splendid heifer, 1,750 lbs., at \$8; J. Bolton, 4 head at \$4.50, also 2 sheep for \$18; E. Loree, 6 head at \$6; Jas. Wilson, yoke of oxen for \$112; John Grieve, 1 cow, 1,305 lbs., at \$5; A. McIntosh, 7 head at \$3.25; W. P. Tolton, 2 head at \$5.25; B. How, 3 head at \$4.50; John Scroggie, 2 head for \$60; C. Gerow, 4 head at \$5.25; P. McNaughton, 3 head at \$5; C. Head, 2 steers for \$130; W. Tolton, 1 cow at \$5. D. McPhadren, 3 steers for \$217.50.

Centre Riding Fat Cattle Show, This show was held under the auspices of the Central Riding Agricultural Society in Flora on Tuesday, and was quite a success. Besides the prize animals on the ground there were a large number of prime cattle brought in for sale, which fetched good prices, and were readily bought up by the numerous dealers and interested parties. The judges of the prize stock were Messrs George Tolton, Peter Bathurst, and John Hawes. Through the kindness of the Secretary, Mr. John Beattie, we are enabled to give the PRIZE LIST.

Best head Fat Cattle, 96. H. Larter; 2nd, 86. J. & R. McQueen. Fatted Ox, 84. W. B. Toller. Fatted Cow, 84. H. Larter; 2nd, 83. T. Pritchard; 3rd, 82. A. McQueen. Fatted Steer, 84. W. B. Toller; 2nd, 83. F. Murdoch; 3rd, 82. J. & R. Hunter. Fatted Heifer, 81. J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, 82. H. Larter; 3rd, 81. C. A. Muir. Fatted Ewes, 84. G. S. Shaw; 2nd, 83. A. Wilkie; 3rd, 82. William Findlay. Pair Fatted Wethers, 84. James Hayes; 2nd, 83. George S. Shaw. Fatted Hog, 84. J. & R. McQueen; 2nd, 83. Robert Cromar; 3rd, 82. John Street. Pair Fatted Turkeys, 83. Charles Head. Pair Fatted Geese, 83. Charles Head.

It is said that couples of spotted and striped hair are to be the fashion this winter for ladies' coiffures. An elaborate coil of braided hair, like that of a Tabby cat, is displayed by an artist in hair doing business in Canal street, New York.

A Havannah despatch promises an immense sugar crop this year.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Dreadful Gales, Great Destruction Among the Shipping, Fire in New York, Over Twenty Lives Lost.

London, Dec. 10.—The gale continued yesterday, but not with the severity of Sunday. Despatches continue to come to hand bringing intelligence of disasters both on sea and land. The damage in the city is considerable. Six houses were blown down, and forty persons are known to have been injured by the falling buildings. A brig, the name of which has not been ascertained, grounded off the west coast of the Isle of Wight, and every person on board perished.

The barque "Stralsund," from Hamburg for New York, was wrecked on the Kim Ridge ledge, but the crew were all saved.

The gasometer attached to the Royal Arsenal at Woolwich, has been damaged by a gale, and the hospital has been without gas for the past two nights. Communication is very much impeded.

New York, 11th Dec.—Shortly after 11 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the upper part of the Fifth Avenue Hotel, on 23rd street side. Engines were quickly on the spot, and soon at work pouring streams upon the flames, which at mid-night enveloped the whole of 23rd street side. Many guests had retired, or were about retiring, when the alarm sounded, and when the firemen brought hose into the interior of the building, a panic ensued among the more timid of them, who, after making a rush for their trunks, &c., demanded a settlement of their bills and left the house. After the fire had been partly extinguished, the firemen, on going through the rooms in what is known as Cook's left, occupied by laundry women and domestics, were horrified by stumbling upon the remains of human beings which were piled on the floor. Lanterns were immediately procured, when a horrible sight was revealed. On the floor of a room about 12 feet square were found no less than fifteen bodies, all burned beyond recognition. The bodies found were lying near the only window of the room, which burned so that escape by that means was impossible, and the air was so thick with smoke that the firemen were compelled to wait for death. It is supposed that many were burned to death while asleep. The position of some of the charred remains showed that the unfortunate creatures died in great agony. Up to 20 minutes past 2 o'clock twenty-two dead bodies had been recovered, sixteen in one room and six in another, which is probably all. The fire originated in the elevator or staircase leading to the laundry. There were 500 guests in the house, but none are reported injured. The damage by fire and water will not fall short of \$100,000.

Milwaukee, Dec. 10.—Captain Thompson, late of the "Lac la Belle," who was on the propeller "Cuyahoga" during the recent stern on Lake Superior, has arrived here. He says the gale was the worst he ever experienced, and reports the schooner "Middlesex" ashore opposite Round Island, with all hands saved. The schooners "W. P. Brown" and "D. B. Owen," from Duluth, are reported lost with all hands on board. The schooner "A. C. Griswold," from Marquette, is reported lost with all on board. The barges "Jupiter" and "Saturn," on laden, broke loose from the steamer "John A. Dix," and drifted ashore at Whitefish Point. All hands were lost.

The Canadian steamer "Cumberland" is frozen in at Bear Lake, with fifty passengers on board.

Planting of Trees, To the Editor of THE MERCURY. Sir,—I see in your last issue a piece copied from the Canadian Farmer, advising the planting of trees along the highways; but as long as cattle are allowed to run at large, to browse the trees, pigs to root around them, and sheep to rub them, can farmers or others be expected to plant trees. The Ontario Legislature have taken the initiatory steps for the protection of trees by passing an act for their protection. But as soon as the township councils see fit to pass a by-law to prevent cattle from running at large on the roads, or for properly protecting the trees when planted, then will farmers plant, and not till then. The sooner the trees are planted, it is very vexatious to a person, besides the trouble and expense of planting, to have trees destroyed when they are growing, and likely to do well. If the councils find any necessary inducement for the planting of trees, let them allow a day's extra labor to every farmer who gets a certain number of trees to live; and I think in a few years our highways will present a neat and cleaner appearance than at present. Yours truly, Bramosa, Dec. 7, 1872. A. SUNSCHEIN.

ERLES WANTED.—The following notice appears in the "Personal" column of the New York Herald: Wanted, full particulars of the children or descendants of Alexander and William Dallas, Duncan McKeeroll, by his wife, Isabella Dallas, and of John Wilkinson, by his wife Janet Dallas, all of whom are entitled to share in the succession of the late Peter Dallas, of Glasgow, in Scotland—brother of the above named—who died, unmarried and intestate, on 2nd June, 1872. The parties supposed to be the three first named were all natives of Islay, in Scotland, and the families are in North Carolina, and are supposed to be in Canada. Affidavits and evidence of pedigree, authenticated by a British Consul, to be lodged with James Galt, of 98 West Nile Street, Glasgow, the judicial factor of Mr. Dallas' estate.

RAILWAY BY-LAW CARRIED.—The township of Hullett on Tuesday voted on by-law to grant a bonus of \$10,000 to aid the London, Huron and Bruce Railway, in addition to the \$15,000 already granted. The by-law was carried by a majority of seven—five.

The Agricultural Farm and College.

Visit of the Commissioners to Guelph. We stated on Tuesday that the Commissioners appointed by the Hon. Mr. McKellar to examine and report upon the suitability of the different sites for an Agricultural College and Model Farm, visited Guelph on that day for the purpose of examining the farms of Mr. F. W. Stone and Mr. Wm. Hood. They are Mr. John Dunlop, Woodstock; Mr. Robert N. Ball, Niagara; Mr. John Miller, Pickering; Mr. John Dryden, President of the South Agricultural Society. They were accompanied by the Hon. Mr. McKellar, Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Hon. David Christie. After partaking of lunch with the members of the Town Council at the Queen's, the Commissioners, accompanied by Messrs. D. Sturton, M. P., P. Gow, M. P., James Laidlaw, President of the A. R. Agricultural Society, George Marton, Secretary do, George Elliott, James Massie, proceeded to Mr. Hood's farm on the River Speed first, and made a minute and careful examination of the locality, the quality of the soil, &c. They then went to Mr. F. W. Stone's farm and made an equally careful examination of it. They were, however, unable to get through in one day, and were obliged to remain in town over night, and finish their examination next day. Mr. McKellar left for Toronto by the afternoon train, being obliged to return on account of urgent business.

The Town Council, taking advantage of the presence of these gentlemen in town over night, invited them to dinner at the Queen's Hotel. The dinner came off at six o'clock, and besides the guests, there were present nearly all the members of the Town Council, the members of Parliament for the South Riding, several of our leading agriculturists, and a number of our prominent citizens.

Mr. Jas. Massie, Reeve of the Town, occupied the chair, and Mr. John Bond the vice-chair. After a very excellent dinner, served in first class style, had been partaken of, the chairman gave the loyal and patriotic toasts, Dr. Herod and Rev. W. S. Bell replying in brief and appropriate speeches to that of the Army and Navy.

The chairman next gave "The Senate," copying the toast with the name of Hon. David Christie, who briefly responded. "The Commons" followed, which was done justice to by Mr. Sturton. "The Local Legislature" came next, which was responded to by Mr. P. Gow, who said that a good deal of their legislation was outside of politics in building and sustaining asylums and institutions for the unfortunate and destitute. He was glad that the Government in their wisdom had seen fit to decide on having an Agricultural College and Farm, and as far as this locality was concerned, he had no fear that would be the judgment of the gentlemen charged with deciding the matter of location.

The chairman, in complimentary terms, then proposed "the Strangers" who have come from a distance and who are so near to our guests. He remarked that as far as Guelph was concerned, it was a matter to have the Agricultural Farm and College were second to no place in the Province, from its central position, its enterprise, our rich soil and the unrivalled energy and intelligence of our farmers.

Hon. Mr. Christie responded first, and paid a well-deserved tribute to the energy and skill of our agriculturists, and to the great progress which had taken place in agriculture in this section. In proof of this he spoke of the great advance which had taken place since he first knew this section, some 35 years ago. He thought the present Minister of Agriculture took a wise step, in changing the location of the Agricultural Farm. He contended, without casting any reflections on the late Minister of Agriculture, that a great mistake had been committed in fixing the farm at Mimico. The Board of Agriculture had unanimously condemned it, and their opinion had been fully borne out by the different scientific gentlemen who had examined it, and also by his colleagues present. He thought it was a fortunate circumstance that Mr. McKellar had called in the aid of practical farmers that they had been chosen irrespective of political considerations, and he was satisfied that they would give a just and unbiased opinion. He also referred to the pleasing fact that for the first time in the history of our country a practical farmer had been chosen to fill the important office of Minister of Agriculture. He concluded by assuring them that the Commissioners in recommending a site for the Farm would all do their duty fearlessly and well.

Messrs. Miller, Dunlop, Ball and Dryden, also responded by appropriate speeches. They all expressed themselves extremely pleased with this locality and the appearance and quality of the farms visited.

The chairman next gave the "Agricultural interests of Ontario," which was also responded to by Messrs. Laidlaw, Stone and Whitehead.

The chairman then gave the "Commercial and Manufacturing Interests," which was responded to in felicitous speeches by Messrs. Haymond, Allan, McLagan and Hogg.

"The Professionals" came next, ably responded to by Dr. Clarke and Mr. Guthrie.

Mr. Bond proposed "The Mayor and Corporation," which was suitably acknowledged by Messrs. Robertson and Howard. "The Agricultural Association of Ontario" was done justice to by Messrs. Christie, Stone and Marton. "The County Council" elicited responses from Messrs. Laidlaw and Massie. Mr. Sturton gave "The Press" in very complimentary terms, referring with pardonable pride to its rapid progress in Guelph, and to the equally rapid progress in agriculture and all the industrial pursuits in this town and section of country. The toast was responded to by the representatives of THE MERCURY, Herald and Advertiser.

After singing "God Save the Queen," the company, after sending a very pleasant response, broke up at ten o'clock. To-day (Wednesday) the Commissioners finished their examination of Mr. Stone's farm, and then attended the cattle show, where they were astonished to see so many of the finest cattle which were ever exhibited in Canada.

In a recent address, Father Gervasi said: "There are now, harmoniously at work in Italy three principal denominations, namely, the Free Christian Church of Italy, which is the largest of all; the Waldensian Church and the Wesleyan Church. They have altogether 10,000 evangelical congregations, with an average of 20,000 constant hearers."