

The Vote on the By-law, and the Council.

The vote on the Town Hall By-law has resulted as we anticipated. It was defeated by the small majority of five, which shows how evenly divided was public opinion on the question. It will be seen that in the West and North Wards large majorities were recorded against it, while in the other two Wards proportionately large majorities were recorded in its favour. The struggle, therefore, was between the two sections of the town—the upper against the lower—just as it was when the question of first building the Market House was being discussed years ago. Of course, we have heard a good deal said on both sides about the good of the town in connection with this matter, and about the patriotic and unselfish motives that were made believe were at the bottom of the agitation; but we are fain to believe that behind this too thin covering, self was the great influencing power with many on both sides.

The majority of the Council who forced this new building on the vote of the people have themselves to blame for the defeat of the By-law. Had they, as they first proposed, and as we recommended, submitted a scheme for the extension of the present building, we verily believe it would have carried by a good majority. It is always easier to get the consent of the people to the alteration or extension of an old building than to sanction the construction of a new one. The need for such an extension is freely admitted, it could be done at less expense, and the chief opponents to the erection of a new building have publicly put their signatures to a document, (vide the Mercury of Saturday) that they are not opposed to the expenditure of a reasonable sum in extending the present building and affording increased market accommodation.

Whether the Council will take them at their word, and now bring up the extension scheme, pure and simple, we cannot say, but if they had done that at first, they would have saved the town much agitation, no small quantity of ink and paper, and a good deal of hard feeling which the discussion of the scheme has engendered on both sides.

We hear some talk of an attempt to upset the vote on the By-law on the ground that a number of votes were recorded in the West Ward before the Returning officer was sworn. We do not know what the law is on this point, but according to the dictates of common sense, it would be a very foolish step to take, for it could only end in a repetition of the contest, with more embittered feelings, and in all probability a much larger vote against the scheme. There were also, doubtless, bad votes recorded on both sides, and the same thing would be attempted again were another vote taken. We think, therefore, that the wisest course is to accept the decision as recorded, and if the Council see fit let them now, or at some future time, bring the question of the extension of the present building before the rate-payers, unincumbered with any proposal for a new building.

We regret to see by the proceedings of the Council last night, that the discussion on this question, and the feelings it engendered, provoked language from more than one member which ought not to have been used, and which men occupying the position they do should scorn to employ to each other. The foolish may laugh at such language, but sensible men cannot but grieve and condemn. We have heard many hot debates in the Council in old times, but we never knew the rules of good breeding and Parliamentary usage so ignored as some members did on Monday night. We hope we shall not see our Council room turned into a bear garden, as it is in some other places that we could name, and if it is we shall not spare the rod on the offender, whoever he may be. If these members have no regard for their own reputation, they should at least have some for the character and good name of the Town.

Earl Russell on Foreign Relations.

It has been well known in diplomatic circles that for some time past a feeling of great bitterness has existed between France and Germany, arising out of the late war which humbled France to the dust, and lifted Germany up to the leading position as a military power on the continent of Europe. The terms dictated by the conqueror after the capitulation of Paris were calculated to exasperate a proud though defeated people. The immense sum which the French were compelled to pay by way of indemnification, the forcible annexation of Alsace and Lorraine to the German Empire, and other stipulations, no less galling, were complied with, because protests were useless, and they were in no position to resist their enforcement. But these engendered a feeling of bitterness and hatred on the part of the French people towards their conquerors which was intensified by the recollection of the battles in which they were engaged, and the disastrous and signal defeats they

sustained. Such feelings have not been allayed—on the contrary they seem to be growing stronger—and as France is fast recovering from her reverses, her Government and people begin to put on a bolder front, which Germany by no means likes, and will not tolerate. The enmity existing between these two powers has engaged the attention of foreign powers, who are anxious to throw oil on the troubled waters; and prevent an open rupture. To this purpose Earl Russell in the House of Lords, on Monday, moved for copies of correspondence with these powers, and asked what the course of the British Government would be in the event of a rupture between them. Lord Derby believed that the peace of the immediate future was safe, and he trusted in the influence of time. England, he said, would do everything to maintain peace short of broiling herself in a struggle in which she is not nationally interested. She would faithfully adhere to the engagement of late years. On this assurance the motion was withdrawn.

The venerable Earl also brought up at the same time the Oregon boundary and Fenian raid questions, and took occasion to condemn the Washington Treaty, which he said had lowered the national character, and jeopardized the national interests. He expressed himself in favor of allowing Canada an indemnity for the losses he had sustained by the Fenian raids—an opinion which he said was generally entertained in Britain. Earl Russell in this matter does tardy justice to Canada, and the pity is that when the Washington Treaty was under discussion, he did not press these sentiments on the British Parliament. No one now seeks to deny that Canada was most unjustly dealt with in this matter, as well as in regard to her fisheries, for which we have to thank the pusillanimity of the then Canadian Government and its leader, Sir John Macdonald, who was our Commissioner to Washington, and to whose care we entrusted our interests, which he wantonly sacrificed.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Stratford Beacon says Sir John Macdonald has aged very much since last year. The last six months have made more impression on him than the previous ten years.

An expert employed by the Sanitary Committee of last Parliament, writes to the Times this morning that the whole plan of ventilating the House of Commons had been altered by the late Government, and a large amount of public money utterly wasted.

The vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Wiggins, as Principal of the Institution for the Blind at Brantford, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. J. Howard Hunter, M.A., late of the Grammar School, St. Catharines, who has signified his acceptance of the position.

DIED.

MCKEAGUE—In Guelph, on the 5th inst., Cecelia Flanagan, beloved wife of Mr. Patrick McKague, aged 40 years, leaving a family of eight children.
The funeral will take place from her late residence, Elizabeth street, to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend without further notice.
CUMMINGS—In Pilkington, on the 20th ult., James Cummings, aged 35 years.
GAWY—In Nichol, on the 28th ult., Catherine the beloved wife of Thomas Grey, aged 62 years. The deceased has lived on the same farm in Nichol for nearly 40 years.
HORNEFALDS—In Elora, on the 27th ult., Emily, daughter of Abraham Hornefalds, aged 21 months.
THOMPSON—In Pilkington, near Alma, on the 27th ult., Joseph Thompson, aged 57 years.
MCNE—At Elora, on the 30th ult., W. S. Moore, aged 63 years.
THOMAS—On Monday, 29th inst., at Windsor, Elizabeth, wife of Mr. Elijah Thomas, late of Holford.
CHALMERS—In Nichol, near Cummock, on the 22nd ult., very suddenly, Mr. Thomas Chalmers, aged 52 years.
MITCHELL—In West Garafraxa, on Sunday, 26th ult., Elizabeth Williamson, widow of the late William Mitchell, formerly of Aberdeenshire, Scotland, in the 60th year of her age.
LAMBERT—On the 26th ult., Mr. William Lambert, of the Minto Woollen Mills, aged 57 years.

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Fishing Tackle,
Fishing Tackle,

Bird Cages,
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JOHN HORSMAN'S,
HARDWARE MERCHANT,
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TOWN HALL.
Last April

HERNDON'S
Opera House Company
BRASS BAND AND ORCHESTRA

TUESDAY EVENING, May 5th,
Will be presented the splendid new play of

The Factory Girl
Or, All that Glitters is not Gold.

To conclude with the Laughable Farce of
Contentment vs. Riches.
Admission 35 cents; Reserved seats 50c.
Reserved seats can be secured without extra charge at Anderson's Bookstore, during the day only.
Doors open at 7:15, begins at 8.
Guelph, May 5, 1874

GUELPH BOATING CLUB

The annual meeting of the Guelph Boating Club will be held in Dr. Cowan's Office, on TUESDAY, 5th inst., at 7:30 p.m. E. H. ARMS, Secretary. C. GRUNDY, President. Guelph, May 4, 1874

MAPLE LEAF Base Ball Club.

The monthly meeting of the above Club will be held at the QUEEN'S HOTEL, on Tuesday evening, May 5th, at 8 o'clock, sharp. Full attendance requested. A. WELLS, Sec. Guelph, May 4, 1874

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage bearing date 2nd January, 1874, and made between Denis O'Keefe, of the first part, and R. R. Maurice, of the second part, Mr. W. S. G. Knowles will offer for sale by public auction, at the Town Hall, Guelph, on Wednesday, 11th May next, at 12 o'clock, noon, the south-westerly half of Lot No. 14, in the 9th Con., Puslinch, containing 50 acres, more or less. A year or sixteen months will be allowed for payment of the purchase money.
For further particulars, terms of sale, &c., apply to the undersigned,
MAGILL, LAY & O'CONNOR,
Vendor's Solicitors, Day's Block,
Guelph, April 21, 1874. wtd-ttds

AUCTION SALE

A Double Brick House in the TOWN OF GUELPH.

Mr. W. S. G. Knowles has received instructions from the executors of the late RONNAR CHAMBER, Esq., to sell by public auction on Wednesday, the 6th day of May next, at the Town Hall, Guelph, at 12 o'clock, noon, three certain parcels of land and premises being, firstly, the westerly part of Lot No. 41, on Woolwich street, containing 12 perches, more or less; and secondly, the easterly half of Lot No. 42, on Woolwich street, containing one-eighth of an acre, more or less, together with the excellent DOUBLE BRICK DWELLING erected thereon. Title indisputable.
Terms of sale:—One-half in cash, and the residue in five years, with interest at 8 per cent, to be secured by mortgage upon the property.
For further particulars apply to the Executors, or to
W. S. G. KNOWLES,
Auctioneer,
Guelph, April 21, 1874. wtdced

ORDINATION SERVICES.

Canada Presbyterian Church.
Religious services in connection with the ordination of Mr. Wm. Kay, A. M., as Missionary to Sault Ste. Marie, will be held in the Church of the First Congregation.

On Wednesday Evening, May 6th.
Services to commence at half-past seven, sharp.

The Rev. A. D. Macdonald will preach and ordain. Rev. Mr. Cochran, of Brantford, will address the Missionary. Rev. Mr. McColl, of Hamilton, Rev. Mr. McTavish, of Woodstock, and Rev. Mr. McMillan, of Mount Forest, will also bear the word.
The public are cordially invited.
A collection will be taken up at the close of the service.
Guelph, May 5, 1874. 2td

HORSES WANTED

The North West Mounted Police.
Lieut. Col. FRENCH, Commissioner for the North West Mounted Police, will be

In GUELPH, on the 6th inst., (Fair day) For the purchase of Riding Horses for the above force.
The description of horses required are as follows: From 4 to 7 years old, 14 to 15½ hands high, compact, strong and active. Parties having such horses for sale to apply in the meantime to MR. JOHN WEST, Guelph, May 4th, 1874. 02

AUCTION SALE

Household Furniture, &c.
The underscriber has received instructions to sell at the residence of the late Maurice Armour, Esq., the stone house opposite the G. T. R. and Central School,

On Friday, 6th of May,
the whole of the household furniture, &c., consisting of

PARLOR—Hair covered sofa, hair covered rocking chair, walnut centre table, small do., cane seated chairs, "North's" patent heater, 2 heavy carpets, curtains, &c., &c.
DINING ROOM—Walnut side-board, walnut table, box stove, carpet, chairs, &c.
HALL—Oil cloth (nearly new) stair carpet, and rods do., hall table, lamp, &c.
3 BED ROOMS containing 3 bedsteads, enclosed and open, stands, 2 bureau dressing tables, toilet sets, mattresses, looking glasses, &c.
KITCHEN—2 cooking stoves, cupboard, tables, chairs, crockery, glassware, &c., &c. Also a large number of books.
Sale to commence at one o'clock, sharp. Terms cash.
THOS. H. TAYLOR, Auctioneer.
Guelph, May 5, 1874. 3td

TOWN OF GUELPH TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders for forming and grading a Driving Track on the Central Exhibition Ground; also for silencing and enlarging the Ticket Office, will be received at my office till Thursday, the 14th inst. Plans and Specifications may be seen on and after the 10th inst.
JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, May 4th, 1874. d6w1

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF THEIR EXCELLENCIES

The Earl and Countess of Dufferin.
The Hampton Singers

From the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, will give an entertainment in the Town Hall,
On Friday Evening, 5th of June,
When will be presented

The Slave and Plantation Songs and Sacred Melodies of the South.
No music like that of the Hampton Singers has ever been presented to the Canadian public. Both in Europe and America crowded audiences have testified their interest and delight.
The proceeds of the concert are devoted to the building of the new college at Hampton.
Tickets 50 cents each.
For sale at the stores of T. J. Day and J. Anderson.
Guelph, May 4th, 1874. doaw123m

R. Campbell, L.D.S.
Having recovered from his recent illness, is again prepared to attend to the wants of all who may require his services.
Office at the old stand, Wyndham street, Guelph, April 23rd, 1874. dw

New Advertisements.
GREAT CLEARING SALE
-OF-
FURNITURE
-AT-
MITCHELL & TOVELL'S
Warerooms, next door to the Post Office.
A large assortment of first-class Furniture to be rushed off in the next few weeks, consisting of
Parlor Suites, Bed Room Sets, Dining Room, Hall,
AND ALL OTHER KINDS OF FURNITURE.
Parties may rely on getting cheap bargains. TERMS CASH.
MITCHELL & TOVELL.
Guelph, April 30, 1874.

The Fashionable West End
Per Express DIRECT FROM NEW YORK
3 Cases Latest Straw Goods,
1 Case Buckram and Net Shapes,
6 Cases Sun and Market Hats, latest
WE WILL EXHIBIT TO THE LADIES OF GUELPH
On FRIDAY and SATURDAY, MAY 1st and 2nd,
A full and beautiful representation of all the new approved styles in
TRIMMED GOODS FOR THE SEASON.
Ladies are cordially invited to call and inspect our stock.
A. O. BUCHAM,
Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

FRESH ARRIVALS DAILY!
FRUIT
5000 Coconuts,
100 Boxes Oranges,
50 Boxes Lemons,
10 Barrels Pine Apples,
FOR SALE TO THE TRADE AT CITY PRICES.
HUGH WALKER,
Wyndham-st., Guelph.
Guelph, May 5, 1874.

NOW OPEN
BURR & SKINNERS'
NEW FURNITURE WAREROOMS
To meet the rapid increase in our retail trade, we have leased
The Large New Store lately occupied by
Mr. R. Clayton,
Next to Mr. A. O. Bucham's Fashionable West End Dry Goods Establishment, Upper Wyndham street, Guelph, which is now being fitted with fine new furniture, cheap, consisting of
Parlor Suites, Chamber Sets, Dining Room, Hall, and all kinds of Furniture
Fresh from our Factory, where we have every facility to produce all that is new and stylish, and we invite all to visit our Warerooms, as we will make it their interest to do so, for there are bargains to be had every day.
BURR & SKINNER,
Manufacturers, and Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Furniture

SPRING CLOTHING
AT THE
Elephant Clothing Store.
C. E. PEIRCE & CO.
Have now on exhibition one of the Largest Stocks of
READY-MAD ECLOTHING
For Men and Boy's Wear ever shown in Guelph,
Well Made and Fashionably Cut
And at prices that cannot be beaten, being 25 per cent less than any other place in town.
A Big Stock of Straw and Felt Hats now on hand.
Hepburn's Old Stand, Wyndham-st., Guelph.
C. E. PEIRCE & CO.,
GUELPH, April 10th, 1874. wo

POWELL'S
Boot and Shoe Store
NEW SPRING GOODS
Men's English and American style of
Gaiters and Shoes;
Ladies and Children's
GOAT, KID AND PRUNELLA
Which for style, finish, and durability, will be found superior to any in Guelph.
Particular attention paid to
Custom Work and Repairing.
Remember the Noted Shoe Store,
G. S. POWELL,
West side Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Mar. 20th, 1874. dw.

LIST OF
BASE BALLS
FOR 1874 AT
DAY'S BOOKSTORE.
Ryan No. 1 (professional for 1874) dead white ball
Dead Red
Dead White
Bouncing-Rock
Maple Leaf
Dominion Regulation Star
Red Stocking
Practice
Junior Red and White
Young America
A FULL STOCK OF THE ABOVE AT
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EVERY
STYLE, VARIETY, PRICE,
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HARDWARE
For the Season.
GARDEN SPADES AT BOND'S
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A complete assortment of Hardware of all kinds at BOND'S

John M. Bond & Co.
Hardware Importers, Guelph.
DOMINION BOOT AND SHOE STORE
SPRING STOCK
OR
BOOTS AND SHOES
FOR
Mens', Womens', Misses and Children's Wear.
We meet the demands of the times with the best goods and the lowest prices.
OUR SPECIALTY IS
Custom-made Work
Which is made in all the latest styles. Sale at reasonable prices.
Repairing done as usual.
Remember the House—The Dominion Shoe Store, Day's Block, opposite the Town Hall.
WM. TAWSE & SON.
Guelph, April 23rd, 1874. dw

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HARLEY & HEATHER,
IRON FOUNDERS,
Huskisson street, eastside Market house, Guelph, April 27th, 1874. d8wm