

To Business Men.
The circulation of the Mercury and Advertiser being nearly five times that of any other paper published in the County of Wellington, business men and others would study their own interests by advertising in the Mercury and Advertiser.

Guelph Evening Mercury
WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 4, 1874

The Credit Valley Railway.
A private Bill relating to this Company is now before Parliament, and contains two clauses of interest to the people of this county. Section two of the Bill makes legal, valid, and binding the bonus by laws passed by the counties of Wellington, Waterloo, and Oxford. Section three legalizes in like manner the agreement entered into by the Company with the County of Wellington, to expend the proceeds of the debentures of the County on work done in the construction of the railway from the junction point near Bell's fountain, or the forks of the river Credit, and Elora or Salem, and between Alton and Orangeville, *pro rata* per mile over the whole mileage of the said lines between the said respective points on the certificate of the chief engineer, in the manner provided for in the act of incorporation of the company, and providing that no portion of the proceeds of the said debentures shall be paid out by the trustees for the construction of any other portion of the railway, or for any other purpose whatsoever.

The passing of this Act will do away with one of the strongest objections we had to the granting of the Credit Valley bonus, namely, that there was no security that the bonus would be spent upon the construction of the railway within the limits of the County. We are glad to see that the Company have taken steps to set this doubt at rest; whilst the fact of their thinking it necessary to do so shows that the objection taken by myself, and others on this point, was well founded. It was thought that the County Council might ultimately have to apply for an Act of this kind; all the better, then, that the railway company have forestalled any possibility of the sort.

The Legislature.
On Monday Mr. Boulton moved a resolution, declaring that neither the Ministers of the Crown, the Speaker of the House, nor any County official should interfere in Dominion elections. He argued at some length against official interference in elections. The Hon. Mr. Mowat pointed out that the introduction of local politics into Dominion elections by the adversaries of the Local Government had rendered it imperatively necessary that the Ministers should defend their policy before the country. It would be too much to expect that they should remain silent, without even the privilege of replying to the misrepresentations and charges brought against them. It had been the effort of the Reform party to confine the discussions at the late election to Dominion affairs, but they had been disappointed. After a prolonged debate the motion was lost, 25 voting for, and 46 against it.

On Tuesday, the Committee on the Bill introduced for the purpose of reuniting the North and South Ridings of Huron for registration purposes reported unfavourably as to the object of the Bill, whereupon Mr. Gibson moved that the report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to declare the preamble proved. He referred to the arbitrary separation of the county by the former Government, and to the several steps taken to obtain a revocation of that measure. It was not with him a personal matter, and he only brought it forward in the discharge of his duty as a member for the North Riding. The motion was carried. The House then went into Committee on the Assessment Bill. Hon. Mr. Mowat proposed to retain the original clause 71, which provided for leaving the equalization of assessments in the hands of County Councils, with power on the part of those assessed to appeal to the County Judge. The clause was accordingly retained. The Ballot and Liquor Bills were then considered in Committee.

The Experimental Farm.
Report of the Government Commission.
The report of the Commission appointed by the Government to inquire and report with reference to the management of the Experimental Farm, near Guelph, has been published. It is a long document, which we are unable to give to-day, but may say after a hasty perusal of it that it appears to be carefully drawn up and comprehensive. The objects of the Institution are clearly stated. The Farm for practical work is divided into five distinct departments, with full details of what should be done in each of them. Then follow the rules for the admission of pupils, the nature of the instruction they are to receive, and their hours of labour and study defined. There are also directions for the government of the Farm, the number of principal and subordinate officers are stated, and their duties specified. We shall give the whole or part of the report to-morrow.

March Cattle Fair.
There was a fair turn out of cattle at the fair, some of them very good, but held mostly at prices higher than dealers cared to pay for them. The balance was but middling in quality, and there was not much demand for them. There were a lot of cows, but sales were not brisk. Quite a number of oxen were on the ground, some of which were sold at good figures. The highest price for stock that we heard of was \$4.87 per 100 lbs., and the lowest \$3. The ruling rate would be from \$9.50 to \$9.75. The following are a few sales:—
W. Sloan, 3 head for \$109.50; S. Scott, 1 cow for \$93; G. T. Boulding, 6 head for \$249; M. Metcalf, 3 head, \$141; A. McCormick, 2 head, \$68; J. Woodhouse, yoke of oxen, \$105; A. Wilson, yoke of oxen at 4 cts. per lb.; R. Skerrett, 2 cows, \$65; J. M. Barclay, 7 head for \$300; W. Friendship, 2 head, \$105; S. McCuen, 1 cow, \$37; G. Newstead, 2 head, \$87; D. Day, 6 head, \$250; W. Duffield, 3 head, \$85; R. Gold, 4 head, \$135; R. McCurdy, yoke oxen, \$130; S. Dawson, 2 head, \$120, and yoke of oxen, \$125; W. F. McWilliams, 1 cow, \$50; Robert Cochrane, one bull for \$72; John Bruce, 1 cow for \$33; Geo. Davis, 2 steers at \$4 per 100; Mr. Place, 2 head, \$4.37 per 100 weight; 2,800 lbs.; M. Sweetnam, 1 bull, at \$3.50 per 100; 2 heifers for \$80; Sam Ramsay, 2 head, for \$73; D. Kelleher, 1 heifer for \$48; A. Burns, 1 cow for \$38; A. Rallinger, 3 head for \$96; Robert Johnston, 3 head for \$150.

DIED.
THOMAS—Suddenly, in Nassagaways, on the 23rd ult., Mary Jane, the beloved wife of Freeman G. Thomas, and daughter of Ephraim Moore, Esq., Esquingess, aged 25 years and 6 months—deeply regretted. Milton Champion please copy.
CHAMBERS—At the residence of his son, George Chambers, Minto, on the 1st inst. Wm. Chambers, aged 73 years.
MORRISON—In Clifford, on the 28th ult., W. G. Morrison, F.L.S., late Township Clerk of Minto, aged about 45 years.

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GREAT SALE
—OF—
Short-Horn Cattle, Cotswold Sheep, and Berkshire Pigs.

The executors of the late JOHN SNELL will sell at public auction, without reserve, at Willow Lodge farm, Edmonton, Ont., four sales from Brampton G. A. R.
On Wednesday, April 8, 1874.
The entire Willow Lodge herd of short-horns, comprising about 60 head, including the noted premium bull, "Imported British Barony" (no other premium bull, 3 and 3 years old, all the show cows and heifers which composed the herd which has won the 1st prize for 2 years past, and the provincial Fair for two years past. About thirty of the cows and heifers will be in calf to British Baron. There will also be sold one-half the famous flock of

COTSWOLDS,
Which have taken the Flock Prize at the Guelph Central Fair for three years in succession, including all the yearling sheep on the farm, 30 ewes and 20 rams, an extra good lot, bred by first-class imported rams, and from ewes imported or bred from imported stock, the fine imported ewes which took the 1st prize at the Royal Show in England last year, a number of ewes with lambs, or having lambs by their side.
Also the entire herd of BERKSHIRE, including a number of imported sows, a premium imported boar, and a few young boars and sows.
TERMS—All sums under \$100, cash; over that amount seven months' credit on approved notes, bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable at the Merchants' Bank, Brampton. A discount at the rate of 2 per cent per annum allowed on all sums over \$100.
Free conveyances from Brampton on the morning of the sale. Lunch at 11 a.m. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock sharp. Catalogues sent on application to

JOHN SNELL & SONS,
Edmonton, Ont.

AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK.
—W. S. G. Knowles has been instructed by G. T. Boulding to sell by public auction on the premises, Lot No. 14, concession 1, Pilkington, on Friday, March 13th, 1874, at 10 o'clock, the following Farm Stock and Implements: 1 mare in foal 1 year old, mare 1 year old, span matched carriage horse, 3 years old, superior grade horse in calf, 2 four years old, 1 five, 1 six and 1 seven years old; 1 heifer in calf 3 years old, 4 heifers in calf 2 years old, 7 calves, 7 calves, 4 sheep, 1 thoroughbred Leicester Ram (bearing), 1 implement—1 double-gear horse reaper (Potter's make), cultivator, nearly new roller, horse rake, sculler, turnip drill, 2 Fricker plows, iron plow (McClelland), sets of 4 bull harrows (1 set nearly new), stone boat, 2 lumber wagons, Democrat nearly new, high top carriage, set of plow harness, turnip cutter, large glass cupboard, large cooking stove, and other articles too numerous to mention. No reserve, as the proprietor has rented his farm. Terms—\$5 and under, cash; over that amount credit will be given till the 1st of April, 1874, on approved notes.
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK.
—The following valuable farm stock and implements, the property of Alexander Currie, will be sold by public auction on Lot No. 13, 4th Concession, Township of Erie, on Saturday, March 16, 1874—1 span of aged horses, 1 aged horse in foal, 1 French Rover, 1 span of two year old mares from Netherby, 1 span of yearling colts from Netherby, 1 span of spring colts (well bred), 2 cows in calf, 3 farrow cows, 1 yoke of steers 4 years old, 1 thoroughbred bull, 2 years old, 1 yoke of steers one year old, 4 calves, 2 single buggies, 2 wooden long-s, 2 wooden harrows, 1 sculler, 1 set of plow harness, 1 mowing machine (nearly new), 1 box stove (nearly new) sawing machine, and other articles too numerous to mention. TERMS—\$5 and under, cash; over that amount ten months' credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock sharp.
Erin, March 2, 1874. w2
J. E. GIBBS, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK.
—Mr. James Dickson having rented his farm has instructed W. S. G. Knowles to sell by public auction on the premises, Lot 10, con. 2, Pashish, on Monday, March 16, 1874, at 12 o'clock noon, the following valuable property: 1 span of aged horses, 1 French Rover, 1 span of two year old mares, 1 yoke of steers 4 years old, 1 thoroughbred bull, 2 years old, 1 yoke of steers one year old, 4 calves, 2 single buggies, 2 wooden long-s, 2 wooden harrows, 1 sculler, 1 set of plow harness, 1 mowing machine (nearly new), 1 box stove (nearly new) sawing machine, and other articles too numerous to mention. TERMS—\$5 and under, cash; over that amount ten months' credit will be given on furnishing approved joint notes. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock sharp.
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer.
Pashish, March 2, 1874. w2

AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.
—The undersigned has received instructions to sell by public auction on the premises of Mr. James Wilson, Wilson's Corners, Paisley Block, Guelph Township, 2 sales from Guelph, on Wednesday, March 18, at 10 o'clock, the following property: 1 span of Heavy Horses, 1 yearling colt, 1 two year old and 1 yearling heifer, 1 yearling steer, 13 well bred ewes and 15 lambs, 2 wagons, 2 sleighs, 1 cutter, 1 mowing machine, 2 plows, 1 double mouldboard plough, 1 set of harrows, 1 cultivator, horse hoe and turnip drill, (nearly new roller, stone boat, combined reaper and mower), fanning mill, turnip cutter, 3 sheep racks, double and single harness, plough harness, a circular furnace, kitchen stove, grain cradle, saw bar, scythes, forks, logging chain, and other articles too numerous to mention. Also a large quantity of hay. TERMS—\$10 and under, cash; over that amount 9 months' credit on approved joint notes, except as to the above mentioned for cash.
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer.
Guelph, March 1, 74. w2

AUCTION SALE OF THOROUGH-BRED AND GRADE STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, &c.
—Mr. Wm. F. Tolson, having rented his farm has instructed W. S. G. Knowles to sell by public auction on the premises, Lot 21, 6th Concession, Erin, on Friday, March 27, at 12 o'clock, the whole of his valuable thoroughbred and grade cattle, horses, Cotswold and Leicester sheep, implements, &c., as follows: 1 span of horses two years old, stallion, by Mr. Buckland's imported horse Briton, 1 thoroughbred Durham cow in calf, 2 heifers 2 years old, 2 heifer calves, 1 bull two years old, and 1 nearly two years old 2 Berkshire pigs. Grade, 3 cows in calf, 1 farrow cow, 1 two year old heifer in calf, 2 calves, 2 ewes, 2 ewe lambs, sheep—13 ewes, 3 ram lambs, 2 ewe lambs. Implements—Lumber wagon, covered buggy, sleigh, mowing machine, cultivator, 2 ploughs, (McClelland and Porter's) 2 pair harrows, 1 horse hoe, land roller, turnip cutter, horse drill, horse and hand rakes, fanning mill, ox-scoop, scow-shovel, for 1/2 bushels, seed hopper, horse fork with pulleys attached, sugar kettle, grain bags, double and single harness, neck yoke, whiff-trees, stone boat, wheelbarrow, hay and wood racks, and a lot of articles too numerous to mention; also a quantity of turnips.
TERMS—\$10 and under, cash; over \$10, amount 10 months' credit on approved notes, or 7 per cent discount for cash.
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer.
Erin, March 3, 1874. w2

AUCTION SALE OF FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.
—Mr. Thos. Ingram has been instructed by Patrick Maloney to sell by public auction on Lot No. 11, Concession 8, Pashish, 4 miles from Guelph, on the Brock Road, on Monday, March 23, 1874, at 12 o'clock, the following valuable property: 1 mare 2 years old, 1 horse 3 years old, 1 aged pony, 10 cows in calf, 1 Durham bull two years old, 4 yearling calves, 1 bull two years old, and 4 spring calves, 23 ewes in lamb, 1 Cotswold ewe, 2 breeding ewes in lamb, 8 store pigs, 1 waggon, sleigh, buggy, cutter, buffalo robe, wheelbarrow, cutting box, fanning mill, grain cradle, fork, horse shoe, plough, 2 pair of harness, sugar kettle, set of double and single harness, hay rack, grind stone, turnip slicer, kitchen table, some chairs, and a quantity of other articles too numerous to mention. No reserve, as the proprietor is leaving the farm. TERMS:—\$5 and under, cash; over that amount 9 months' credit on approved notes, except as to the above mentioned for cash.
THOMAS INGRAM, Auctioneer.
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