

Business Cards.

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HOTEL CARD, The Right Man in the Right Place.
W. M. FOSTER, D.D.S., Surgeon Dentist, Guelph.

New Advertisements.

WANTED - A stout, active lad, accustomed to the use of horses. JOHN M. BOND & Co., Guelph.
TO RENT - A nice Cottage, in the best part of the Town. Hard and soft water on the premises.
SITUATION WANTED - By a middle aged lady as housekeeper or assistant in a small family. Address L.A., Guelph.
FOUR EXPERIENCED DRESS-MAKERS wanted immediately at the fashionable West End. Apply to Miss Morrison. A. O. BUCHANAN, 29-31-33-35.
DRAUGHT HORSE FOR SALE. A dark brown gelding rising 6 years old, stands 17 hands high, warranted sound. Apply to E. A. A. GRANGE, V.S., 26-24, Union Hotel, Guelph.
NOTICE. After the 1st of July the Watch and Jewellery Stores of Guelph will close at six o'clock instead of seven as formerly. B. SAYORS, B. CHAWWORTH, G. D. FRINGOLE, Guelph, June 25, 1874.
NOTICE. St. Andrew's Church. Owing to the alterations now being completed as expected, service will be held in the Court House for the next two Sabbaths. Service to commence at the usual hour. By order, W.M. J. PATERSON, Sec. Treas. Guelph, 26th June, 1874.
NOTICE. The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned Flour and Feed Dealers, Guelph, has been dissolved by mutual consent. R. W. ROBERTSON, S. ROBERTSON.
THE Business will be carried on as usual by the undersigned. R. W. ROBERTSON, Guelph, June 25th, 1874.
WESLEYAN CHURCH Strawberry Festival. The Ladies of the Wesleyan Church will hold their annual Strawberry Festival in the Drill Shed, On Friday Ev'g, June 26th. There will be an abundance of Strawberry Pie, Ice Cream, Temperance Drinks, etc. Vale's Band will be present. Admission, Ten Cents. Guelph, June 25, 1874.
GUELPH Monthly Cattle Fair. In consequence of Dominion Day falling on Wednesday, the 1st of July, the Fair is POSTPONED TO THURSDAY, 2ND OF JULY. JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk. Guelph, June 25th, 1874.
BOATS TO LET. The subscriber has on hand a number of boats to let by the hour or day. Apply at the boat house above the Dundas Bridge. P. KRIBBS, Guelph, June 8, 1874.
ICE CREAM AND COOL DRINKS. Mrs. WINSTANLEY'S Grocery Store, south side of the Dundas Bridge, Guelph, June 25th, 1874.
DR. COLLINGE, (M.D., Edinburgh, and M.R.C.S., England) having assisted Dr. Clarke in his Practice during the last twelve months, has now commenced Practice on his own account at the house formerly occupied by Dr. Herod, Quebec Street East, Guelph. Guelph, May 27, 1874.
NOTICE. The partnership heretofore existing between Hart and Kennedy has been dissolved by mutual consent. Persons having claims against the late firm are requested to send in their accounts to either of the undersigned forthwith. WILLIAM HEARN, ALBERT KENNEDY, Guelph, June 24, 1874.
ORGAN, nearly new, WITH FIVE STOPS, WILL BE SOLD CHEAP FOR CASH. Apply at Day's Bookstore. Guelph, June 4th, 1874.
M. P. DELOUCHE, WIRE WORKER, Pearl street, off King street. Every description of wire work made to order at the lowest terms. Any orders left at W. H. Mercer's seed store, Market Square, or at R. Murray's fruit depot, Wyndham street, will be thankfully received and promptly attended to. Terms strictly cash. Guelph, June 15, 1874.
MONEY TO BE MADE. The subscriber is authorized to let the store and premises, in the village of Eden Mills, lately occupied by Samuel Meadows, well situated for a general store. The village is situated in the centre of a flourishing farming district. Terms moderate. Apply to Lemon, Peterson & McLean, Solicitors, Guelph, and to J. A. DAVIDSON, Township Clerk, Eden Mills, May 27, 1874.
NEW Confectionery Establishment. The subscriber having rented the store lately occupied by G. B. McCullough as a Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Sts. has fitted it up for Confectionery, with a commodious.
Ice Cream Parlor in the Rear, Where he intends carrying on the above line in all its branches, and hopes by strict attention to business, and keeping a good stock always on hand, to merit a due portion of the public patronage. A supply of Ice Cream and Soda Water, and a variety of BISCUITS, BUNS, CAKES, CANDIES, etc. always on hand.
Bride and other Cakes made to order. JOHN SUTTON, Guelph, June 25, 1874.

GUELPH GAS COMPANY. TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to SATURDAY, the 27th inst., at 6 o'clock, p.m., for the excavation and filling up of about 600 lineal yards pipe drains. Particulars can be learned on application to Mr. Yule, at the Gas Works. J. C. McLAGAN, Sec. Guelph Gas Comp'y Guelph, June 22nd, 1874.

GUELPH GAS COMPANY. TENDERS.

Will be received by the undersigned until MONDAY, the 29th inst., at 6 o'clock, p.m., for work necessary in the erection of Stone buildings for Offices on the said Company's premises. Plans and specifications may be seen, and other information may be obtained on application to the Manager at the Works. The Directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. J. C. McLAGAN, Sec. Guelph, June 23rd, 1874.

Guelph Evening Mercury

FRIDAY EVEN'G, JUNE 26, 1874

DR. M. F. McTAGGART, Principal of the London Medical Institute and Infirmary, will be at the Wellington Hotel, Guelph, on Friday 3rd July, to Monday the 6th July and monthly thereafter. Diseases of lungs, liver, spine, eye and ear, rupture, cancers, &c. successfully treated.

Town and County News

The Harrison Tribune advocates a political picnic in Minto in September.

The Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario will hold its summer meeting in the Town Hall, Owen Sound, on Thursday and Friday, the 2nd and 3rd of July.

STRAWBERRIES.—The ladies of the First Wesleyan Church have provided for a grand strawberry festival at the Drill Shed this evening. There will no doubt be a large crowd in attendance.

PERSONAL.—Mr. W. G. Kidd, formerly principal of the Fergus Public School, has been appointed a member of the Board of Examiners for Kingston, his two colleagues in the Board being Professors Mowat and Dupuis of Queen's College.

FISHING.—A. G. Markle, of the Royal Hotel, Harriston, accompanied by R. Cunningham, of Clifford, had a big time fishing last week. They succeeded in catching, with hook and line in two days, 750 fine speckled trout, weighing from half a pound to a pound and a quarter each.

FOR BRITAIN.—Mr. John Mackenzie, of the Express Office, son of Mr. Alex. Mackenzie, left today for New York, from whence he sails on Tuesday for Glasgow by the Bolivia, of the Archor Line. He goes to see friends at home, and have a room over and Scotland. Mr. J. Watson Hall and Mrs. Hayward leave Guelph to-morrow, and sail by the same steamer as Mr. Mackenzie does.

A CONTEST OF ENGINES.—There was a keen competition in Orangeville on Wednesday between two steam fire engines, one from Sibley, of New York, and the other from Hyslop & Donald, Chatham. The latter kept up the steadiest and largest stream, throwing water some fifteen to twenty feet further than the Sibley, and using some ten pounds less steam. Deputations from Owen Sound, Mount Forest and Newmarket were present. At the stopping of the Chatham engine, which ran the longest stretch, three cheers were given for the great success of Canadian machinery.

THE COMING COMET.—A new comet is announced. At present the celestial visitor is scarcely visible to the naked eye; but it is approaching the earth and will quickly become a conspicuous object in the heavens. On the 3rd of August it will have attained its greatest apparent luminosity, although it will appear very bright during the months of July and August, when it will be seen in the western sky. Just now it can be found almost equidistant from the north star and the constellation of Ursa Major (commonly known as the Dipper). If an equilateral triangle be constructed having for its base a line between the two stars Polaris and Alpha Ursa Major, the subtending angle will fall nearly upon the new comet.

EXAMINATION OF MISS McLAGAN'S SCHOOL.—According to announcement the public examination of the second form was held on Thursday afternoon in the Central School. The attendance of the parents of the children was much larger than is usual on these occasions in Guelph, and the presence of the School Inspector, the Head Master of the High School, and all the teachers of the Central School, must have pleased Miss McLagan and her pupils. I had the pleasure of hearing two of the most difficult subjects, Geography and English Grammar, and was really surprised at the correctness and readiness of the answers. The Inspector of Schools, Rev. H. Torrance, at the close expressed himself as highly gratified at the state of the school, and complimented the accomplished teacher, Miss McLagan, upon the success of her scholars. The monopoly of the studies was agreeably relieved by songs and recitations.

One day last week a professional gambler went into a faro room in Chicago to play an engagement with the tiger. He commenced playing, lost, won, lost again, continued playing, and finally, at the end of fifty hours, he ceased playing, being then out of pocket to the amount of \$11,900. During this session of fifty hours the game was unbroken. The gambler never slept for a moment, never stopped to eat a meal, but carried the whole time long entries through without rest, cessation or refreshment.

Local and Other Items.

The County Gaol at Milton does not contain a single prisoner.

HEAVY YIELD OF WOOL.—James Russell, of Richmond Hill, recently sold in Toronto forty-one fleeces of wool, weighing 476 lbs., or an average of 11 1/2 lbs. to the fleece. Of the lot, ten fleeces averaged 14 1/2 lbs.

BARN DESTROYED.—Peter McDonald, on lot 1, con. 15, township of Grey, had his barn struck by lightning on Thursday afternoon and burned to the ground with its contents. Loss not known. Insured for \$400.

SOUTHERN EXTENSION.—We learn that Mr. E. N. King, late of the Galt Station of the Great Western, goes up the Southern extension of the Wellington, Grey & Bruce line at an early day to open the stations on that road previous to the public opening on the 1st of July.

THE COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.—The privilege of voting for members of this Council is confined by law to "Teachers in the Public and Separate Schools." Those who are not in active service in the Schools at the time of the list being made up and corrected, that is, say between 15th June and 14th July, are not entitled to vote.

THE STORM IN WATERLOO.—On Thursday afternoon the gale worked mischief in Waterloo. Trees and fences were levelled, and the telegraph wires put out of working order. It is also stated that some barns were roofed west of the town. It is feared that the fall wheat and rye have been damaged considerably.

LOCKJAW.—A daughter of Thos. Martin, of Donegal, while preparing some wood one day last week to kindle a fire, cut her large toe slightly with an axe. She almost immediately swooned, and symptoms of lock-jaw appeared. Dr. Hutcheon, of Millbank, was called in and amputated the toe, and the girl, although in a critical condition, will likely recover.

IMPROVEMENT ON THE W. G. & B. R.—It is reported that an express train between Southampton and Hamilton is about to be put on this road. The new wharf at Southampton enables steamers to land from Lake Superior to call there at all hours, and will thus make the route via this line the shortest one between Hamilton and the various ports on Lake Superior. A large portion of the trade with the North-West will then naturally probably pass over this road in time.

ACCIDENT.—On Sunday last, as two young ladies named Neb, mother and daughter, were returning from church near Bamberg, in Wellesley Township, their horse made a sudden start of speed, throwing them backwards out of the conveyance. Both ladies are very stout, the elder one especially, and the consequences of the fall were serious. Dr. Walden was sent for and he found that the elder woman had four ribs broken, and the other one three, besides lesser bruises. Both are doing as well as could be expected.

THE RECENT GALES.—At Bathurst, N. B., on Thursday morning there was a violent hail storm which cracked several houses. The gale of last week resulted in the loss of thirty-two lives along the eastern coast of New Brunswick, nineteen being fishermen. Four barques and nine schooners were stranded and about thirty fishing boats wrecked, besides the wholesale destruction of nets. The latter will be a serious loss, as the salmon were unusually abundant, and large catches were being made.

SOMETHING NEW IN WOOL MANUFACTURE.—Mr. J. J. Thompson, of Galt Woolen Factory, has shown the Reporter a new material which has lately been brought to the surface in the "woollen" business, and which bids fair to some extent to reduce the demand for wool in these factories. This material is simply lanitalo hair, which can be obtained in almost any quantity. In appearance it does not look unlike wool, and it is said to work up with the ordinary wool. Mr. Thompson is at present making up some cloth with this material, and is confident that a capital class of work can be turned out with it. The price of the hair at the present time is much below that of wool.

THE PACIFIC RAILWAY.—The Globe understands that it is the intention of the Government to lose no time in commencing negotiations with the North West Territory. A line will, as speedily as possible, be located from Thunder Bay to the small lakes, probably Lac des Milles Lacs, which, when constructed, will greatly facilitate transportation over the Fort Garry route, and form a section in the road that is ultimately to connect Fort Garry and Thunder Bay. It has already been announced by the Premier that the road from Pembina to Fort Garry will be put under contract as soon as the bondholders of the American line are able to proceed with the construction of that road, so as to connect our line with their system.

A COSTLY ROW.—As a wedding party were leaving Fergus for Garrafraxa recently, they were stopped on the road by a young man named Hammill, who had placed a long pole across his wagon. The affair caused great annoyance, but nothing was said. On the following Sunday a young man named Jordan saw Hammill at church, and upbraiding him for his conduct on the former occasion challenged him to fight. Hammill declined, but Jordan continued his upbraiding until the young man, as enraged, picked up a large stone and threw it at Jordan, striking him in the mouth and knocking out three of his teeth. Jordan entered an action for damages, and Hammill's father, fearing serious consequences, put into the hands of Mr. Drew of Elora, \$200 damages and \$20 as costs. This served to stop further proceedings, and may be satisfaction to Mr. Hammill, Sr., although the amount was unusually large.

It is said that the Premier will not leave Ottawa, as reported, for some time to come.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

The Famine Subsided.

Reciprocity Treaty Condemned

An Illustration of Morbid Impulse.

The Ohio Miners' Strike.

The Beecher-Tilton Scandal.

Calcutta, June 25.—The distress arising from the famine has been stayed everywhere, and the hopes of the people are reviving.

New York, June 25.—A Williamsport dispatch states that the officers of the National Lumber Association yesterday debated, at considerable length, the Reciprocity Treaty with Canada. The debate lasted three hours, and finally a resolution condemning the Reciprocity as antagonistic to the lumber interests was unanimously passed.

Montgomery, Ala., June 25.—Two weeks ago Mrs. Cook, of Blount County, missed her three children, the oldest only six years of age. Search was made, and they were found drowned in a well. Mrs. Cook went crazy, and two or three days ago escaped from her attendants and drowned herself in the same well.

Columbus, O., June 25.—Reports from Straitsville, O., say that last night a number of union miners captured several men who had agreed to resume work, and placing ropes around the necks of three of them threw the opposite end over the limb of a tree, compelling the men to disclose the conversation between themselves and the operators under threat of hanging. It is thought it may yet be necessary to call out the militia to suppress and prevent further demonstrations of this character.

London, June 26.—The Bill for the regulation of Public Worship has passed the House of Lords.

It is now stated that the meeting of the Brussels Congress on International Law will take place. Great Britain has apparently waived her objections. The action of France in the matter is still unknown.

Paris, June 25.—La Liberte says that after the debate has been voted, President MacMahon will recommend that the Assembly confer upon him the power of dissolving it, and then adjourn.

New York, June 26.—The case of police commissioners Gardiner and Charlick for violation of the election laws last fall, causes a great sensation, and is the principle topic of comment in the morning papers. The violation of the election laws of which they are found guilty was a technical one in not giving notice to an inspector before removing him. The offense is legally a misdemeanor, and the penalty, a fine, or imprisonment one year, or both, in discretion of court. A motion in arrest of judgment has been made.

Tilton's letter on the Beecher scandal is the universal topic of conversation, and this morning draws out comments from the papers that ignored it entirely yesterday. The Tribune thinks Tilton has made a mistake, even if all he claims be true. The Sun says he should have told more or held his tongue altogether, but that the whole story must now come out, as silence on the part of Beecher is no longer possible. Shearman, clerk of the Plymouth Church, is reported as saying to an interviewer that he had full confidence in the entire innocence of Beecher, that Tilton's letter contained no definite charge against him, and that the extract from it which appears to be Beecher's confession was capable of two constructions, and might when the full document was published be found consistent with his innocence. Other members of the Plymouth Church are less hopeful of a favourable result for the pastor, and doubt whether he will ever preach in the church again.

Sale of the Mitchell Estate Property. The sale by auction of the residue of the property belonging to the Mitchell Estate took place on Thursday on the ground. There was a good attendance, the bidding was kept up with considerable spirit, and every lot offered was sold. Mr. W. S. G. Knowles conducted the sale with his usual ability. Among the purchasers were Messrs. Chadwick, Guthrie, Thorp, Deady, Cochrane, Thompson, Mann, Inglis, Melvin, &c. The property of 5 1/2 acres over the Erasmoss hill was sold to Mr. John Robertson for \$1,575. Dr. McGuire bought the two storey stone house next Robertson's Foundry for \$1,900. The property on Macdonnell street, next the Templars Hall, and occupied as a barber shop, was sold to Rev. Wm. Mitchell for \$800, and the lot on which Thorp's stable stands, was sold to Mr. Thorp for \$605. Two quarter acre lots on the east side of the new Hospital ground on Delhi street, were sold to Mr. Chadwick for \$400, and two beside them to Rev. Wm. Mitchell for \$422. Two timbered lots fetched \$400 and \$405, one being sold to Mr. Thorp, and one to Mr. T. J. Chubb. The small lots from 1 to 3 acres ranged in price from \$50 to \$200 according to situation and proximity to the town, and the 2 acre lots from \$200 to \$400. The sale was on the whole quite a success, and generally good prices were realized.

It is said that Edward Oscar Bickford again covets defeat at West Toronto in the Local election.

Presentations.

This (Friday) morning the pupils of French and German classes in connection with the Senior Girls' School presented Mr. Brunner, on the occasion of his retirement from the position of French and German teacher, which he had filled with great ability for the last three years, with a beautiful bronze Inlaid, with pen and pencil cases, &c., as a mark of the esteem in which he is held by them, and of their appreciation of his valuable services as their teacher. The presentation was accompanied by the following address, read by Miss Pirie, the presentation being made by Miss Torrance:—

TO M. BRUNNER.

DEAR SIR,—As this may be the last time that we shall be permitted to meet in the capacity of teacher and pupils, we cannot allow the occasion to pass without expressing our gratitude for all your kindness to us, and our appreciation of your constant and unremitting efforts to further our advancement. Please accept this Inlaid as a slight token of our regard, and be assured that though absent from us, you will not be forgotten.

Wishing you abundant success in your new sphere of labor, and every happiness in your new home,

We remain, your pupils,

ADA PIRIE, ALMIRA WILKINSON, LIZZIE TORRANCE.

In behalf of the French and German classes.

Mr. Brunner made a suitable reply, thanking them for their handsome present, and expressing the great satisfaction he always had with the application, diligence and progress of the pupils of that school; pointing out the importance of the languages they had been engaged in studying, and urging them to prosecute these studies, and stating that by perseverance they would become accomplished speakers and translators of the respective languages. He also dwelt upon the privileges the young ladies had in having the valuable services of Miss Walker and Miss Thorpe to conduct their studies, and spoke of the courtesy and kindness he had uniformly received from the Board of Education.

The Rev. Mr. Torrance, the Inspector, who was present, followed with a few remarks, expressive of his regret at the severance of Mr. Brunner's connection with the school, and of his high estimate of his character, ability and success as a teacher.

We understand that Mr. Brunner goes to Toronto, to fill the position of French and German Master in the Upper Canada College.

The South Ward Crossings.

To the Editor of the Mercury.

SIR,—In your issue of yesterday I perceive an anonymous letter referring to the nuisance arising from permitting cows to run at large, and also to two certain street crossings on the Waterloo road, one leading to the residence of our worthy citizen Mr. Cormack, and the other to that of Mr. J. Watson Hall.

* Being a resident of that Ward myself I of course feel a deep interest in anything calculated to improve the streets and crossings there.

With respect to the allusion made to the cows, I can readily agree, but at the same time I certainly object to the propriety or taste of calling in question the right to construct the crossing. I admit that there are those so evil disposed as to attribute Mr. Cormack's crossing to the liberality of Mr. D. Coffee, chairman of the road and bridge committee, and indeed some have gone so far as to say that Mr. Cormack was thus specially favoured because he has a vote in the East Ward. Now anybody knowing Mr. Coffee must be satisfied that he would not be actuated by any motives of this kind.

As to the crossing leading to the residence of Mr. Hall, little objection should be made as that gentleman, in giving his valuable services gratuitously to the town. Surely under these circumstances he has a right to get a crossing or to make such improvements as he may deem necessary about his own premises irrespective of Mr. McTague or of any one else.

His remarks as to the placing of the Corporation seals on those crossings are very uncalculated for, and to say the least improper.

He brings before the public the fact that the Corporation seal was placed on the top part of Mr. Cormack's whilst on the one leading to the Council's residence it was placed under. Does he not know that this is as it should be? Would he have us infer that Mr. Hall would be so blind as to place the seal on a conspicuous part of his own crossing, that Mr. McTague and others living on the street might charge him with selfishness? A knowledge which might possibly on some future occasion be the means of depriving him of a few votes.

PSHAW! will people ever have sense and stop their bickerings and let such small matters pass unnoted. I emphatically object to the finding fault with certain members of our Town Council when they are honestly doing the best they can to help themselves and occasionally the town in general. Yours, &c.

A LEVER OF PEACE.

Guelph, June 26th, 1874.

TO BE BUILT.—The Great Western Company intend during the present summer, we are informed, to re-build most of the bridges on their line between Guelph and Harrisburg. Some of these bridges on the Galt branch have stood for 20 years, and still look sound.

A WOULD-BE MURDERER ARRESTED.—In Hamilton on Thursday, Henry Lewis, formerly an engineer on the Little Miami Railroad, State of Ohio, was arrested by a Cincinnati detective on a charge of misplacing a switch on the road in December last, and injuring about twenty persons. He has been hunted ever since, but the detectives could never get near enough to capture him. The case will be an interesting one, as the action was prompted by a desire on the part of the engineers of the road to injure the officials, who had acted contrary to the workmen's wishes.

On the farm of Mr. George Leeson, on the 8th con. Malahide, Elgin Co., may be seen a large Maltese cat with five white kittens. What makes the matter more remarkable is the fact that this cat has had several litters, all of which have been of the usual color of that breed of cats.