

ONTARIO
School of Agriculture
—AND—
EXPERIMENTAL FARM
This institution will be open for the reception of pupils on the 1st day of May next, when a preparatory term of one year will be commenced.
The objects of the Institution are:—First, To give a thorough mastery of the practice and theory of husbandry to the young men of the province engaged in agricultural and horticultural pursuits, or intending to engage in such. Second, To conduct experiments tending to the solution of questions of material interest to the Agriculturists of the Province, and to publish the results of the same from time to time.
Until the farm has been systematically laid out and brought into order for the special purposes to which it is to be applied, and until the necessary buildings and offices have been erected, it is not deemed expedient to settle definitely the curriculum of instruction to be given, or the conditions upon which students will be admitted when the institution is in full operation. For some time to come the work of the farm will be mainly confined to the preparation of the fields and buildings for the systematic instruction of pupils; and during the preparatory term the chief aim will be to teach the pupils how to perform the farm work in the best and most profitable manner, coupled with such an amount of scientific knowledge as will enable them clearly to comprehend the results sought to be obtained from each operation, and the scientific facts and principles upon which it is based.
During said term the number of pupils will be limited to the strength that can be profitably employed in the operations of the farm, and this number must necessarily be small at present, (namely, about thirty) a selection will be made, in case more than the required number apply, of such as shall be considered likely to derive the most benefit from the instruction to be given.
The Institution will be strictly non-sectarian, but all pupils—except those who from conscientious scruples formally object to do so—will be required to be regularly present at morning and evening prayers, and also to attend their respective places of worship at least once every Sunday.
The pupils must engage on an average seven hours daily in the work of the farm, farm-yard and garden.
In return for their work they will receive instruction, board, lodging and washing, free of expense, and, in the event of their completing the term, and passing the prescribed examination during the year, to the satisfaction of the Principal and his colleagues, they will each receive at the close of the year the sum of fifty dollars in money.
The qualifications necessary for admission to the Institution for the said Preparatory Term shall be merely those which, under the Provincial School Law, every boy must possess in order to be admitted to a Common School or High School, viz.:—A thorough knowledge of ARITHMETIC—As far as Simple Proportion, inclusive.
ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND COMPOSITION:—Analysis and parsing of sentences; writing a familiar letter; reciting, spelling and dictation.
Outlines of English and Canadian History.
Outlines of General Geography, and Geography of the Dominion of Canada.
A certificate of admission to any High School or College in the British Empire, or a certificate as a duly qualified teacher, will be accepted in lieu of an examination; but special arrangements will be made for the examination of candidates not possessing such certificates.
In addition to the above qualifications the candidate must produce satisfactory certificates of good moral character from a clergyman of the denomination to which the candidate belongs.
He must also enter into an agreement (with his parent and guardians) that he will complete the term of one year, and during that period submit to the rules, and give his whole time to the duties and studies of the Institution.
All applications to be forwarded to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of April next.
H. McCANDLESS, Principal.

NOTICE.
The time for receiving applications is EXTENDED TO THE 25TH INST.
H. McCANDLESS, Principal.
Guelph, April 11, 1874.

JUST RECEIVED
AT
G. B. McCullough's
NEW
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A LARGE SUPPLY OF
"Handy Package Dyes"
In all shades, comprising
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Each package warranted to color one or two pounds of goods.
See sample card in window.
Price 15 cents per package.
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Warranted to remove false hair without injuring the skin.
G. B. McCULLOUGH,
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Next door to J. E. McElderry's and directly opposite John Horeman's.

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SEWING MACHINES
Family Sewing Machine (single thread)
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No. 1, Foot Power,
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Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.
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ROBERT CRAWFORD
Being about to relinquish the retail business, will dispose of his whole stock, consisting of:
Russell Watches,
Waltham Watches,
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At a Great Reduction in Price.
In thanking his friends and the public for their kind patronage in the past, he would be pleased to inform them that he will give them a FINAL BENEFIT as the whole of his valuable stock must be turned into money. Cash and ready gains will be given such as were never before foreseen in Guelph. Store next the post office.
H. CRAWFORD.
Guelph, March 31, 1874.

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For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, of different makes, all at cheap prices. Apply at the Mercury Office.

SPRING CLOTHING
AT THE
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C. E. PEIRCE & CO.
Have now on exhibition one of the Largest Stocks of
READY-MADE CLOTHING
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.
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GUELPH, April 10th, 1874.
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NOW OPENED AT
No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK,
and will be sold Cheap for Cash.
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2 DAY'S BLOCK,
THE NOTED TEA HOUSE.

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With the attention of the Trade to the Superior Quality of Goods now produced at
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OZENGES, all flavors;
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Passenger Accommodation Unsurpassed.
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Cabin 70 to 200 gold, according to steamer, and location of berth.
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Intermediate and Storage as low as any other line.
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FARM TO RENT FOR PASTURE.
To rent, the farm being lot No. 12, 5th con., Puslinch, 100 acres, all in pasture. Possession given immediately. Apply to Mrs. Fitzmorris, Kent street, Guelph. Guelph, April 1, 1874. 4tw

THE CORPORATION OF THE
Town of Guelph,
IN THE
COUNTY OF WELLINGTON.
BY-LAW NO. —
A BY-LAW for the purpose of providing for the erection of a new Town Hall and Market House in the Town of Guelph, and for the issue of Twenty five thousand dollars of Debentures for that purpose.
WHEREAS, it is expedient to erect a new Town Hall and Market House in the Town of Guelph required for the use of the Corporation of the said Town, and on land belonging to the Corporation.
And whereas, it is necessary and expedient for the Corporation of the Town of Guelph to raise by way of loan the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, and to create a debt of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of providing for the amount required in the erection of the said new Town Hall and Market House.
And whereas, it will require an amount of two thousand one hundred and eighty-one dollars to be raised annually by special rate on all taxable property within the municipality of the Town of Guelph for paying the said debt and interest under this By-law.
And whereas, the amount of the whole rateable property of the municipality of the Town of Guelph, irrespective of any future increase thereof, and irrespective of any increase in the nature of tolls, interest or dividends, or returns from the said work; and also, irrespective of any interest from the temporary investment of the sinking fund or principal money to be raised hereunder, or any part thereof, was according to the last revised Assessment Roll \$2,099,100.
And whereas, the existing debt, including debentures issued for Municipal Loan Fund debt of the said municipality is for principal, the sum of one hundred and seventeen thousand seven hundred and nine dollars, and for interest the sum of nine dollars.
And whereas, it is intended to make the said debt repayable in twenty annual instalments, such instalments to be of such amounts that the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest in any year shall be equal to nearly as may be to what is payable for principal and interest during each of the other years of such period, such instalments to be as follows:—

Year.	Principal	Interest.	Total.
1875	\$ 600	\$1,500	\$2,100
1876	500	1,464	2,064
1877	400	1,418	2,018
1878	300	1,369	2,069
1879	200	1,314	2,114
1880	100	1,260	2,160
1881	100	1,206	2,206
1882	100	1,146	2,146
1883	100	1,086	2,186
1884	100	1,020	2,220
1885	100	954	2,154
1886	100	888	2,188
1887	100	824	2,124
1888	100	756	2,156
1889	100	684	2,084
1890	100	606	2,106
1891	100	524	2,024
1892	100	440	2,140
1893	100	354	2,154
1894	100	266	2,226

And whereas, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, by and with the sanction of his Council, hath consented to and approved of this By-law.
And whereas, this By-law hath been duly assented to by the electors of the municipality before the final passing thereof according to law.
And whereas, a copy of this By-law with duplicate hath been duly published according to law.
It is therefore enacted, by the Corporation of the Town of Guelph aforesaid, by the Council thereof, by and with the assent of the electors aforesaid, and the consent and approval of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario in Council, and by virtue of the Acts of Parliament in that behalf, as follows:—
1.—That it shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said town of Guelph for the time being, and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and required to raise by way of loan, from any person or persons, body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same upon the credit of the Debentures hereinafter mentioned the sum of Twenty-five thousand dollars, and to cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the Town of Guelph for the purpose and with the object above recited.
2.—That it shall be lawful for the said Mayor, and he is hereby authorized and required to cause Debentures to be made for such sums of money as may be required, not exceeding in the whole the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, and not less than one hundred dollars each, and to negotiate and dispose of such Debentures, and that the said Debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said Corporation of the Town of Guelph, and signed by the said Mayor, and countersigned by the said Treasurer.
3.—That the said Debentures shall be made payable in twenty years, by instalments as aforesaid, at the office of the Treasurer of the said municipality, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest, which interest shall also be payable at the office of the said Treasurer.
4.—That the said Debentures shall bear interest at and after the rate of six per cent per annum from the date thereof, and the same shall be payable half yearly.
5.—That for the purpose an equal special rate of one and a tenth mills in the dollar shall in addition to all other rates, be raised, levied and collected in each year upon all the rateable property in the said municipality during the continuance of the said Debentures or any of them.
6.—That the proceeds of the said Debentures shall be applied in paying for the erection of the said new Town Hall and Market House, but no person taking the said Debentures or any of them shall be bound to see to the application of the proceeds thereof.
7.—That this By-law shall take effect upon and after the Sixth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.
8.—That the votes of the electors of the said municipality upon this By-law shall be taken on the Fourth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, at the hour of nine o'clock in the forenoon, and at the places hereinafter mentioned, and every place in the municipality at which elections of members of the Council therein are held; and the persons hereinafter named are hereby appointed

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Jobbing will Receive Careful Attention.
THOS WORSWICK,
Guelph, Ont.
Dec. 17, 1873.

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And all kinds of Fancy Goods, stock as usual. All orders promptly attended to.
MRS. WRIGHT
Upper Wyndham St., next to the Wellington Hotel.

RETURNING OFFICERS to take the votes at the said places respectively, that is to say:—
NORTH WARD—Joseph Mimmick.
SOUTH WARD—Thos. W. Cooper.
EAST WARD—Wm. J. Patterson.
WEST WARD—Erwin Newton.
NOTICE.
I, John Harvey, Clerk of the Council, of the Town of Guelph, hereby give notice and state that the foregoing is a true copy of a proposed By-law which will be taken into consideration by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Guelph, after one month from the first publication thereof, in the newspaper known as the Guelph Mercury and Advertiser, published at the Town of Guelph, the date of which publication was the Eleventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, at the hour, day and places in the said By-law fixed for taking the votes of the electors the polls will be held for that purpose.
JOHN HARVEY,
Town Clerk, Guelph.
Guelph, April 11th, 1874.

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Dealers in Gold's and Armstrong's Flour, Graham Flour, Buckwheat Flour, Corn Flour, Cracked Wheat, Oatmeal, and Feed of all kinds.
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Guelph, Feb. 19, 1874.

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Smoking Tobacco
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Beware of Imitations.
Each genuine Plug has
T. & B.
STAMPED UPON IT.
Hamilton, March 12, 1874. dsm

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At I. & J. Andrews'
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OPPOSITE THE MARKET,
CONSISTING OF SLIPPER PATTERNS
Toys, Dolls, and a general stock of
FANCY GOODS.
All of which will be sold at and below cost. Orders received for Hair Jewellery.
I. & J. ANDREWS, dw
Guelph, Jan. 13th, 1874.

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Conveyancers, Land, Loan, Insurance, and General Agents, 4 Day's Block, Guelph, Ont.
In reference to the above, Wm. Hart begs to inform his friends and the public that he has entered into partnership with Mr. Jas. S. Spiers in the above business, and while expressing his grateful acknowledgments to his friends for the past three years, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same.
All business entrusted to us will receive prompt and strict attention.
Deeds, Mortgages, Wills, Leases, etc. etc. neatly and correctly prepared.
Money always on hand in sums to suit borrowers; on mortgages or good property, we will advance the same upon the security. No delay or extravagant charges.
Our list of Town and Farm Property is large and varied, and parties in want of real estate of any kind should call on us before purchasing elsewhere.
Agents for the Commercial Union Assurance Company of London, England.
HART & SPIERS,
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CANADA TRUSTEES,
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AND SHIPPERS,
26, City National Bank Building,
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References: Sir John Rose, banker London, England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., Banker, Montreal; The Mine Company of Chicago, bankers; Hon. J. Carling, London, Ont. Messrs. Gault, Brog, merchants, Montreal. Messrs. F. Smith, Frank Smith & Co., Toronto; J. M. Miller, Esq., Perth, Ont. (late of F. N. Miller & Co., commission merchants Chicago); W. Watson, Esq., banker, New York; D. Butters, Esq., Montreal; J. Whitehead, Esq., M. P., Clinton, Ont.; C. Magill, Esq., M. P., Hamilton, Ont.; F. C. Chisholm, Esq., M. P., Guelph, Ont.; W. C. Toronto.

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A Blacksmith Shop,
Situating on the Gravel Road, Minto Township, Palmerston, half acre of land, good shop, having two fires, an excellent dwelling house, and good stabling. This is a good chance for an industrious man, as there has always been a good country trade done on the premises. The above will be sold on easy terms, or rented for any number of years. Possession given on the first of January, 1874. Apply to the undersigned on the premises, or by letter to
WELLINGTON WILSON,
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Commercial.
Guelph Markets.
Mercury Office, April 16.
Flour, per 100 lbs. 83 00 to 85 50
Fall Wheat, per 100 lbs. 1 35 to 2 05
Treatwell do. 1 35 to 1 95
Spring Wheat (Glasgow) 1 90 to 1 93
Spring Wheat (red chaff) 1 70 to 1 76
Oats do. 1 27 to 1 30
Pens do. 1 09 to 1 05
Butter, new do. 2 20 to 2 30
Hay, per ton 12 00 to 14 00
Straw do. 4 00 to 5 00
Wood, per cord 3 60 to 4 10
Eggs, per dozen 20 to 22
Butter, dairy packed do. 20 to 22
Butter, rolls do. 25 to 35
Potatoes, per 100 lbs. 60 to 80
Apples, per 100 lbs. 60 to 1 00
Dressed Hogs, per cwt. 6 50 to 7 25
Beef, per cwt. 4 00 to 7

Toronto Markets.
Toronto April 15.
Fall Wheat, per bushel \$1 24 to \$1 33
Spring Wheat do. 1 18 to 1 21
Barley do. 1 16 to 1 27
Oats do. 1 40 to 1 48
Pens do. 67 to 69
Dressed Hogs per 100 lbs. 7 50 to 8 35
Butter, lb rolls do. 37 to 38
Butter, per lb do. 30 to 33
Eggs, fresh, per doz. 13 to 14
Apples, per barrel 2 50 to 3 50
Potatoes, per 100 lbs. 60 to 80
Hay, per ton 20 00 to 25 00
Straw do. 14 00 to 16 00

Hamilton Markets.
Hamilton, April 15.
White wheat, per bushel \$1 24 to \$1 25
Treatwell do. 1 20 to 1 22
Red wheat do. 1 15 to 1 17
Spring wheat do. 1 12 to 1 17
Oats do. 1 40 to 1 42
Pens do. 69 to 66
Barley do. 1 20 to 1 30
Corn do. 60 to 65
Buckwheat do. 53 to 55
Clover do. 5 00 to 5 50
Timothy do. 3 90 to 4 00
Butter, fresh, per lb. 38 to 40
Butter, tubed do. 30 to 34
Apples, per bag. 60 to 1 25
Potatoes do. 32 to 1 00

Special Notices.
A NUMEROUS CASES OF
POISONING
Have occurred from the sale to the public of Hypophosphites, containing cyanide without being properly labelled, purchasers of Dr. Wheeler's Compound Elixir of Phosphates and Calceaya are requested not to confound the two preparations, as is frequently done, under the impression that both are of the same medicinal properties. Phosphates are necessary elements of the animal organism, and are absolutely essential to the composition of every solid and fluid of the human body, and are the natural exciting agents of the functions of nutrition and detrital decay, cell formation and the growth of tissues. For supplying the want resulting from mental and muscular exertion there can be no substitute for Phosphates while the system remains chemically constituted as it is. Attributing the effects of strychnine to the action of hypophosphites has led to false deductions and errors in practice, and greatly misled the public as to their true merits.

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