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PETRIE'S
Furniture Cream!
Producing, with half the usual labor, a most
BRILLIANT POLISH
On all kinds of Cabinet & French Polished Furniture, Varinshed and Japanese articles of every description.

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DEALS OF EXCHANGE, uncurrent Money and Specie bought and sold at best rates.
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Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the London and New York Steamship Company, fortnightly Line between New York and London.
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Agent for the Kershaw & Edwards' celebrated Fire and Burglar Proof Safes.
Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 19

New Crop Teas!
FRESH TEAS.

1000 Half Chests
NEW CROP TEAS
The subscribers are now receiving a large and well selected stock of NEW CROP TEAS (of which they beg to call the attention of the trade), comprising
Young Hysons and Hysons
Hyson Twankays
Twankays
Imperials
Gunpowders
Souchongs
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Colored Japans
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REFORD & DILLON.
Toronto, 31st March. daw

BEST AND MOST FASHIONABLE
HAIR CUTTING

MORGAN'S BARBER SHOP
St. George's Square, Guelph.

MONEY TO LEND.
The undersigned are requested to obtain Farm Securities for several thousand dollars, to be lent at moderate interest.
LEMON & PETERSON,
Barristers, Solicitors, etc.
Guelph Dec. 9th, 1868. daw

BILLIARDS
GREAT EXCITEMENT.
Billiard Hall Refitted
New Style Tables
Exhibition Twice a Week

AT O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL.
Guelph, 29th February. daw

CARETAKER WANTED.
Applications will be received by the undersigned up till TUESDAY the 20th instant, for the situation of caretaker of all the public schools in town, including the Grammar School. His duty will be to scrub each school-room once a month, sweep each school-room once a day, and keep them perfectly clean, cutting the wood, lighting the fires, and such other duties as may be found necessary. All utensils necessary to perform the work of cleaning to be provided by the board.
Salary \$250 a year, with house rent and firewood.
ROBT. TORRANCE, Secretary.
Guelph, 13th April. daw

DOMINION SALOON
FRESH OYSTERS!
Of the best quality always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice; also for sale by the keg or cart. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry." LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 3 p. m.
DENIS BUNYAN
Guelph, 17th October

To the Trade.

700 BOXES CHEESE OF
Extra Quality.

PING SUEY & MOYUNE
YOUNG HYSON.
ex Prussian.)
Guelph, March 2

JAMES MASSIE & CO.
Guelph, March 2

MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH.



No. 1
COAL OIL
ONLY
40c. per gallon
AT THE MEDICAL HALL.

E. HARVEY & CO.
Chemists and Druggists,
Guelph, April 7. daw

REMOVAL OF
GARLAND'S
Hat and Cap Store.

Hats, Caps, Furs, &c.,
In all the latest and most fashionable styles and colors, which will be sold very cheap.
Being a practical hatter, he thoroughly understands the wants of customers, and invites the public to call and see his goods, as he can sell them at a better price at a cheaper price than they can get elsewhere.
The highest price paid for fur hats.
Guelph, March 15, 1869. daw

PRIZE DENTISTRY.

DR. R. CAMPBELL,
OFFICE next door to the Advertiser's Office, Wyndham street, Guelph.
References:—Drs. Clarke & Orton, McGuire, Herod and McGregor and Cowan, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan & Phillips, Toronto; Drs. Elliott and Meyers, Dentists, Toronto. Teeth extracted without pain.
Guelph, 13th Jan 1869 daw

HARTFORD
Fire Insurance Company
Of Hartford Conn
INCORPORATED IN 1810. - CAPITAL, \$2,000,000
Special Rates for Dwellings and contents for terms of one to three years.
E. MORRIS, Agent.
Guelph, December 21. daw

Evening Mercury.
TUESDAY EV'G, APRIL 20, 1869.

Local and Miscellaneous

Mr. T. J. Day has received Godey's Lady's Book and Frank Leslie's Magazine for May.
Kerosene oil sells in Guelph at 35c. a gallon, by the five gallons, and 40c. by the single gallon. The prices in London are much higher. The *Prototype* asks, "how is that?"
Easter Day was celebrated at Madrid by the administration of the Holy Communion to as many as fifty Spanish Protestants. The telegram says that such an occurrence has not taken place in Spain since the time of Philip II.

WELLINGTON, GREY AND BRUCE RAILWAY.—Messrs. Hildout & Reid, engineers, and Mr. D. Robertson, contractor, arrived at Coulson's Hotel last night, and left this morning for Elora. Active operations will be at once commenced on the railway between Guelph and that village.
A young man named Hay the other day in Cook's Hotel, Hamilton, mistook the upper landing of a stairway for the door of the room in which he was desirous of going, and fell head foremost the entire declivity of the stairway and received such injuries that he died shortly after.

DR. LIVINGSTONE HEARD FROM.—Accounts which went to prove the safety of the Rev. Dr. Livingstone, the celebrated African traveller, respecting whose fate much uncertainty has prevailed recently, have just been received. It is reported that he is at Livingstonia on the East African coast, in January last, for England. He would go overland to Cairo, Egypt.

FALL OF AN EMBANKMENT.—Last night as a freight train was coming to Guelph, a large mass of earth fell from the embankment at Trener's Hill, about a mile east below the station just as the train was passing, and knocked one of the cars, in which was a horse, completely off the trucks and on to the side of the track. The animal was not at all hurt, and the car was brought to the station. No damage was done to the track. It is probable that the heavy rain of yesterday loosened the frost in the embankment, and caused the fall of the earth.

FIRE IN MITCHELL.—A large and destructive fire on Sunday morning about three o'clock broke out in McQuade's grocery, rapidly spreading east and west, destroying Mr. Geo. Barnett's grocery and liquor store; Geo. Blitt's furniture and stove warehouse, Stephen's building; Mr. Porter's dry goods store and Town Clerk's office; Sinclair's hardware store, and part of the large brick building owned by E. Miller, of Hibert, and occupied by Messrs. Peterson & Huston. All parties were partly insured excepting Mr. Millar, his policy having expired a few days previous.

THE FLOOD AT STRATFORD.—Stratford, on Sunday night, was visited with the most terrific rain-storm known for years. The lightning was incessant, and the thunder deafening. The river Aron was swollen to such an extent that it carried away a part of A. Argo's mill-dam, besides a large quantity of cord-wood down the river. Alex. Scrimger's planing-mill also and about twenty cords carried away. For a time the bridge across the river was in danger, but by the exertions of the people, the floating logs were removed, and the bridge saved. Mr. Argo's loss will be heavy.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL INSPECTION.—The Guelph Grammar School was visited by the Inspector on Monday. He came quite unexpectedly, so that none of the trustees or parents were present. The pupils of the School were examined in Greek, Latin, French, Euclid, Algebra, and English Grammar and Composition, with most satisfactory results. The following pupils having passed the entrance examinations to which they were subjected by Mr. McKenzie were admitted as legally qualified pupils, viz: Armstrong, McDonald, Grey, Prost, Hutton, Verney, McEwen, Parker & Co., Cochrane, Kosh, dy, McCrester, McKenzie, Jackson, and Barclay. We learn that the average attendance at the Grammar School is now nearly sixty but few more pupils can be admitted.

PAUPER CHILDREN EMIGRATION.—Miss Iye has a new scheme of emigration in hand in addition to that of aiding adult women to gain Canadian soil. The proposition is to transport to the large towns of Canada and the Western States, female children of from five to ten years of age, who are either orphans, or have been deserted by their parents for five years; and foundlings. It appears that Miss Iye is in treaty for some property at Niagara, which she proposes to call the "Western Wanderers' Home." Many promises of aid have been given from this side, and not less than twenty-five promises to adopt and bring up children brought out has been made.—Money is sought for in England, and \$1,000 is thought to be necessary in order to commence the enterprise. The plan seems to include the idea of moving the uncared for young before they have been brought into demoralizing contact. If the same plan was to be carried out in the case of boys, a considerable and useful addition to labour in the country would shortly result.

THE FLOOD AT DUNDAS.—A heavy rain took place at Dundas, about five o'clock on Monday morning by the breaking away of some of the upper dams in Flamboeur, occasioned by the heavy rain last night. The dam at Crossland & Brown's woollen mills, at the head of Dundas, broke away, tearing a portion of the mill and damaging some of the machinery. A great many fences are torn away in the upper part of the town, and a number of houses flooded. One dwelling house was carried away from its foundation. A small bridge at Gartshore's foundry, and a small bridge below the cotton factory were carried away. Considerable damage was also done around the foundry and cotton factory.—The flood in town has abated a little, but the water is very high yet. Late accounts by people from Flamboeur say the water is getting higher there. A portion of Clark & Langtry's woollen mills, at Bullock's Corners, was forced away, and has destroyed a good deal of machinery. The loss occasioned by the flood is not yet known, but it is said to be very heavy.

Town Council.
The regular meeting of the Council was held on Monday night—the Mayor in the chair. Absent, Messrs. Holliday and Bayers.

The clerk reported that a special election had been held for the North Ward, and that Mr. Robert Mitchell had been elected to serve as Councillor for the residue of the current year.
Mr. Mitchell accordingly subscribed to the necessary declaration of office, and took his seat.

The clerk read a circular addressed to the Mayor from the Hon. John Carling, Minister of Agriculture, in reference to the subject of emigration, a copy of which appeared in the Mercury a few days since.

Also a circular from Mr. H. W. Crace and Mr. W. F. Lynn, London, England, in reference to obtaining information regarding the employment of agricultural labourers and others wishing to emigrate.
Both these circulars were referred to the clerk, to make the necessary communications.
Mr. McCurry presented petition of Jas. Perry, Rockwood, stating that lot 692, Oxford street, Guelph, owned by him, was occupied by one Knox, in 1863, who was assessed for the taxes on it, and consequently petitioner did not trouble himself about it. The said lot is now advertised for sale, but had the collector been prompt in the collection of the taxes, Knox would have had to pay, and the lot would not now be advertised for sale; and prays that the taxes for 1863 be refunded. Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr. Mitchell presented a petition from John A. Wood, asking permission to lay a crossing from Alma Block to Colonel Hewat's. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

The clerk read the auditors' report, stating that they had examined the accounts of the late Treasurer, and found them correct. Report received.

Mr. Goldie read petition from James Mays and others for a plank walk on west side of Elora road, commencing at London road and extending to the Catholic glebe, with a crossing to connect with gravel walk on opposite side. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Mr. Heffernan read petition of John Harris, jr., who is about to rebuild his place on Norfolk street, destroyed by fire in January last, praying for permission to excavate to the width of twelve feet in front of the same for the purpose of building an airy and well level sidewalk and plank it over according to directions of Council. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Also from Michael Pigott, concerning taxes for 1867 on lot 22, McLaugh's survey, West Ward, which have been paid, but returned as unpaid and asking Council to notify Treasurer to this effect. Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr. Howard presented the petition of Charles Raymond and others, for Council to put down a side-walk along south-westerly side of Norfolk street, between Paisley and Cork streets. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Mr. Robertson read report of the Fire and Water Committee, stating that after consideration and investigation they recommended a division of labor between the caretakers of the Market House and the Engine House and hose department—former to receive a salary of \$300, with free house, firewood and light; the latter \$250, with similar privileges; that \$20 be paid the present caretaker of the engine for the three months ending 31st March, and that Wm. Edwards be appointed Market House keeper. Not being able to arrange with present engine caretaker, they recommended that Clerk be instructed to advertise for applicants for the office.

The report of the Special Committee appointed to prepare an address and procure a suitable testimonial for Mr. Hough, was read by Mr. Howard. They reported that the address was prepared, and that they had procured a tea-service of plate at a cost of \$30, which they recommended be paid, and that the present on adjournment of Council.
Adopted.

Council went into Committee of the whole on Fire and Water Committee report.—Mr. McCurry in the chair, and after a brief discussion the report was adopted.

Mr. McCurry wished the attention of the Town Inspector to be called to the nuisance existing in Day's Block, which was a source of great annoyance not only to the Mayor, but to passers-by.
The Mayor stated that he had instructed the Clerk to call a meeting of the Board of Health on Tuesday, and hoped the Inspector would also attend.

Mr. Chadwick moved, seconded by Mr. Heffernan, that the members of the Finance Committee do form a Court of Revision—first sitting to be held on Tuesday the 18th day of May next.—Carried.

Mr. Robert Mitchell was appointed a member of all the committees of which Mr. Harvey was a member, and the Council adjourned.

An English farm servant, for whom Mr. J. A. Donaldson, emigration agent, procured a situation, on a farm near Bradford, writes, thanking Mr. Donaldson for his kindness. He says the situation is an excellent one, and that he is much better treated than in England. He speaks highly of the farms he has seen, and pronounces some of them equal to many English farms.
Magazines for April at Cuthbert's Bookstore.

Presentation to James Hough, Esq.
Immediately after the adjournment of the Town Council on Monday night—the members of that body being present, with the Mayor in the chair—the latter presented Mr. Hough with the following engraved address and a silver plate service, on behalf of the Corporation of the town:

To JAMES HOUGH, Esq., late Clerk and Treasurer of the Town of Guelph.
Respected Sir—The Municipal Corporation of the Town of Guelph desire to express their regret at your resignation of the offices of Town Clerk and Treasurer of the said town, after having discharged the onerous duties pertaining thereto for more than eighteen years, and dating from the incorporation of the town.

More especially would we offer you our most profound sympathy in your late sad family bereavement, which deprived you of your son's valuable assistance, and which has been in a great measure the cause of your resignation.

It is our pleasing duty to ask your acceptance of the accompanying Service of Plate, as a testimonial of the high esteem in which you are held by the community, and as a slight acknowledgment of your long and valuable services to this municipality.

In conclusion, we trust you may long be spared to discharge the duties of the other important public offices filled by you, and that in the future as in the past you will continue to take a deep interest in the prosperity of the town of Guelph.
GEO. S. HEROD, Mayor.

Mr. Hough read the following reply: To His Worship the Mayor, and the Municipal Council of the Town of Guelph.

GENTLEMEN.—The approbation of the Divine Being and the approval of his own conscience, by every right-minded man, will be held in the highest esteem; next in his estimation will be the good opinions of his fellow men. I receive this, your address, not only as an expression of your good opinion, but of your sincere regret at my resignation, and profound sympathy for me in my late bereavement; also as an unequivocal evidence of the respect you entertain for me, and the appreciation of my services to the municipality.

I accept the accompanying handsome Service of Plate as a substantial testimonial of the esteem in which I am held by yourselves and the community, and as a gift worthy of the municipality, at the hands of gentlemen who, from their high position, intelligence, and long acquaintance with me, are so well qualified to judge of my real character as a public officer, and although I shall regard it as a memorial associated with the mournful event which was the cause of my resignation, yet I shall ever prize it as more precious than its metal, and of far greater value than its cost.

By the cultivation of forethought, diligence and punctuality, I have endeavored to discharge the duties of Town Clerk with efficiency and acceptability.

With respect to the Treasurership, I have always felt it to be a sacred trust. I have never suffered any part of the town funds to be diverted from their legitimate purpose; nor from their investment as I have ever derived the benefit of a cent.

In bidding you adieu, I beg to assure you of my best wishes for your welfare and happiness, and for the increasing prosperity of the town of Guelph, and that I shall still feel an interest in the proceedings of the council, with which I have been so long identified.

Thanking you for your expressions of esteem, I remain, gentlemen,
Respectfully yours,
JAMES HOUGH.
Guelph, 19th April, 1869.

The service is a very handsome one consisting of six pieces—an urn, tea and coffee pots, sugar and cream bowls, with a tray, on which is the following inscription:—Presented by the Municipality of the Town of Guelph to James Hough, Esquire, for valuable services as Clerk and Treasurer for eighteen years. April 9th, 1869. On the other pieces the initials "J. H." are engraved, and all are chased very gracefully and with fine effect. The plate is from the establishment of Messrs. J. G. Joseph & Co., King street east, Toronto, and bears testimony to the good taste and skill of the makers and designers.

Wellington Spring Assizes.
COURT HOUSE, GUELPH, April 19.
MASSE vs. MILLS.—Verdict for plaintiff for \$135. No defence. Mr. Guthrie for plaintiff.

PENDELTON vs. HAYES.—Ejectment. (Gamble by Palmer agent for plaintiff; J. F. Cross for defendant. Verdict with costs for the present.

SOPER vs. MCARTHUR.—Action to try question of disputed boundary as to rear line of farms of parties on lot 4, 1st con., Erie. Verdict for plaintiff and \$10 damages. Guthrie for plaintiff; Mr. O'Reilly, Q. C., and Messrs. Lemon & Peterson for defendants.

THE FLOOD IN WATERLOO.
We received the following despatch last night from Waterloo:—
Waterloo, April 19.
Nearly all the dams on the course of the Grand River are giving out to-day. St. Jacobs, Breslau, Waterloo, Bridgeport, and Hollin are reported as gone; others are expected to go this afternoon. Two bridges, one house, sidewalks and fences, in this place, have yielded to the flood. A man named Henderson, at Hollin, in endeavouring to save his dam, was carried away with his flood-gates, and drowned. Large quantities of provisions &c., stored in cellars, are destroyed. In fact a very heavy loss will be sustained in this section of country.

Valedictory Social.
(Communicated.)

A very pleasant social gathering took place last (Monday) evening in the lecture room of the Congregational Church, in this town, as a leave-taking of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Thomson, who on the eve of removal to Hamilton. The entertainment was pleasant, and managed by the young ladies of the congregation with which Mr. and Mrs. Thomson have been connected during their residence in Guelph.

Much taste was displayed in the decoration of the lecture room, which was ornamented with evergreen wreaths, festoons of fancy paper work, and brilliantly lighted up, and presented a very lively appearance. A sumptuous tea was provided, to which a large company sat down. After tea, the Church Choir performed a piece of sacred music, when the pastor, Rev. W. F. Clarke, in a few happy and well chosen remarks, explained the nature of the gathering, and referred in a very feeling manner to the anticipated departure of their guests. He said that while it was in itself to be regretted, the occasion must not be made funeral, for our friends were, it was to be hoped making a change for the better, and one that they all trusted would be conducive to their future interests.—Then they were not going very far away, and would now and then be glad to escape from the heat and dust of the "ambitious city" to which they were removing, and where could they rusticate better than at Guelph? It was awkward to speak in praise of parties in their presence, but he could assure Mr. and Mrs. Thomson that they were held in very high esteem—that when absent they would not be forgotten, thought lost to sight they would be dear to memory, and they would be followed by the good wishes and prayers of those they left behind them. He must be allowed to say that not only in the private relations of life, but in a public way Mr. Thomson had earned the esteem and regard of his fellow-townsmen. He had been a public-spirited citizen, and in his removal, Guelph would sustain a great loss. He was ever ready to do all in his power to promote the general interests of the place; moreover, his efforts for the revival and promotion of the temperance cause had laid the town under great obligation, for much despised as the temperance movement was, it was intimately associated with our true prosperity. This social and everything connected with it had been extemporised, and only at the eleventh hour the happy thought had occurred to somebody of presenting a photographic album to be filled exclusively with *carte de visites* of their Guelph friends; this he had much pleasure in now presenting, and on handing over the gift, he should make the strange request that it might at once be handed back again, and left here a week or two to give opportunity to fill it with photographs.

Mr. Clarke then handed the Album to Mr. Thomson, remarking that as the presentation was wholly unexpected, it would not be surprising if Mr. T. did not feel able to respond on the moment, except in the briefest manner.

Mr. Thomson, on receiving the present, was evidently much affected, and said he would merely on his own behalf and that of his dear wife, say, "Thank you," and after a little when he had time to collect himself, would endeavor to say a few words in reply. After another piece by the choir Rev. W. S. Ball gave a short address, expressing his concurrence in what Mr. Clarke had said, and his hope that when Mr. Thomson had made his fortune in Hamilton and was ready to retire on his income, he would make choice of Guelph as the place where he would spend his old age.

Mr. Thomson then in a very neat speech acknowledged the kindness of his Guelph friends, assured the assemblage that he was quite taken by surprise at the warmth of esteem and good will expressed toward himself and his; that he esteemed the good opinion of others; and had striven to win it by upright and honorable conduct, and it was a great satisfaction to find now that he was about to leave Guelph, that he had not striven in vain. He was especially grateful for the unexpected album presentation, it would remind him and his dear wife of those they would always be glad to see at their home in Hamilton the familiar faces of their Guelph friends.

The young people then sang, "When shall we meet again, meet'er to sever," after which prayer was offered by the pastor, in which Mr. and Mrs. Thomson and family were affectionately and earnestly commended to the Divine care and blessing.

A vote of thanks was then moved to the young ladies by A. Thomson, Esq., seconded by E. R. Martin, Esq., and carried by acclamation. Thus ended one of the pleasantest affairs of the sort in which it has ever been our lot to participate.

Mr. Thomson and family leave Guelph with the sincere regrets and best wishes of all who know them.

American Despatches
New York, 20th.—For several weeks Cubans in this city have been quietly but assiduously working to stir their brother revolutionists in the field by the shipment of men and munitions of war. Volunteering is going on very rapidly but very quietly, and recruits are promptly forwarded in small detachments to Cuba. Very recently a full battery of field artillery was despatched, and information has been received of its safe arrival.

The *Herald's* Washington special says: It is stated that the President has sent a gentleman to Cuba, on a secret mission, his object being to obtain full and important reports of the ability and strength of the contending forces, and the chances for and against the success of the rebellion. He will make his report accordingly to the President, and on his statement will probably depend the action to be taken by our government.

The *World's* Washington special says the Foreign Relations Committee have before them a list of 637 summary executions said to have been made by the Spanish authorities on the Island of Cuba within the last three and a half months. The list is to be most diligently scanned, first to see if it is entirely correct, and second, to see if any Americans are included in it.

The chief of police at Toronto has given instructions to the police to summons all persons riding on the sidewalks there on the velociped.

A MARCH OUT.—Should the weather prove fine to-morrow evening, Volunteer Companies 1 and 2 intend to have a march, accompanied by the band.