

THE FALL TRADE.

Now that the Fall Trade has commenced, we have to remind the business men of this section that our facilities for turning out all kinds of JOB PRINTING are unrivalled.

Guelph Evening Mercury

THURSDAY EVEN'G, OCTOBER 3.

Overdrawn Pictures.

The Advertiser strains for an effect, and subjects itself to derision. There can be no objections urged against a writer's using the choicest words and phrases which the platitude, or we might almost say, the redundancy of the English language places at his command, but it is not only foolish, but highly culpable, more especially when the state of society in the locality is the theme, to ignore truth, and substitute a glaring fiction in its stead.

A short time ago we had in the Advertiser a caricature of the destitution in Guelph. In that article the writer said: "There are women in our jail at the present moment—misery-stricken, broken-down remnants of humanity—who but for their utter and irremedial poverty, would in all probability be among our most respectable inhabitants—esteemed and worthy citizens instead of poor, sorrow-bringing failures."

With all due deference to his knowledge, we are firmly of opinion, that we could count upon the fingers of one hand more women than were in jail here at the time the above was penned. We believe, in short, that there were only three or four, and these with one exception were suffering imprisonment not for "irremedial poverty," but for persistent vice, and to be plain, for eccentric irregularities and villainies. Three out of the four, at least, might if they chose to live a life of virtue and labour, have been strangers to the inside of a jail; and the other is a mental imbecility, one of those unfinished beings whom we can scarcely regard as responsible to society for her conduct.

According to the Advertiser the town of Guelph must be the scene of the most fearful destitution and want. We can scarcely credit the tale of suffering and woe which that journal pourtrayed in a late number, but if all be true which it says, it is surely time that measures were resorted to in order to send relief to our starving fellow subjects in that place.

Such then is one result of a picture drawn with no respect to truth, or anything else, but the writer's untamed fancy.

McGee on his Muscles—Fracas in Montreal.

Considerable excitement was occasioned in Great St. James street, Montreal, on Tuesday, by a fracas between Mr. McGee and Mr. Devlin, arising out of another letter published by McGee in the Gazette. In this, McGee makes an odious personal attack on Mr. Penny and Mr. Wilson of the Herald. He also refers to Mr. Devlin, declaring that he had only to go to the Court House for facts, which would have blasted him for ever, both politically and professionally.

South Wellington Agricultural Exhibition.

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

THE SHOW IN THE HALL.

ROOTS, VEGETABLES, &c.

The show of roots and vegetables this year is not so good as last, mainly on account of the very dry season. Last year there were eighty-four entries of potatoes in all classes; this year there are not much over twenty. Some of the samples were, considering all the circumstances, very good. Mr. D. McFarlane had some fine pink eyes. Mr. J. West took two first prizes for two lots of fine quality. There was also a falling off in turnips, but the specimens shown by Messrs. J. Parkinson, J. W. Armstrong, Chas. Head and John Moore, were large and well grown. The display of carrots was fully equal to last year, and as usual some of our leading amateurs in town, such as Messrs. Baker and Allan showed very fine samples, but some of the competitors from the country, as Messrs. J. Parkinson, T. McCrae and Robt. Beattie, were nearly up to them in the lots they exhibited.

GRAIN AND SEEDS.

The show of fall wheat was about the same as last year. In spring wheat there were 12 entries, being fewer than last year. Erin, as usual, came out well in this class, Messrs. Archibald and Hugh McMillan taking each a first prize for spring. The quality and color of the grain is better this year, and the samples shown were well cleaned. The barley shown by Messrs. John Moore and Evan McDonald were excellent samples. The display of peas, especially of the marrow-fat variety, was much better this year, and all the samples shown were creditable to the growers.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

As usual the table on which the butter was placed was a great point of attraction. Although in quality it keeps up to the old standard, yet in quantity this year there was a great falling off. Last year there were 40 entries of salt, and 50 of fresh butter. At the show this year there were only 15 entries of salt, and 25 of fresh. Still it was no easy task for the judges to award the prizes. Where all was so good, so well made, and so tastefully done up, it required patient investigation and no small amount of skill to determine. Mrs. Thos Waters came off first victor in salt, and Miss Margaret White who took the second prize at last show, for fresh, was awarded the first prize this year. On the whole, we think the display of butter was fully equal to any we have had at a county show, and shows that in this important department the wives and daughters of the farmers in the South Riding have lost none of the skill and taste which marked their efforts in other days. The cheese was divided this year into common and factory made. In the former class, Mrs. John Johnston took the first prize for a very nice sample. Mr. E. A. Harland has a most creditable display of cheese made at his factory, which for color, quality and firmness is equal to the best factory made cheese in Canada.

LADIES' WORK.

The ladies' work was shown to good advantage on the platform and on the east side of the hall. Many of the specimens display wonderful patience, and great skill and taste. The samples of crochet work, such as those shown by Miss Parkinson and Miss White were greatly admired. So also were several specimens of fancy netting and needle work. The raised worsted and bead work, however, excelled any yet shown. The specimen of bead work, representing the Royal Arms, by Mrs. G. B. Fraser, is the finest of the kind we ever saw. Nothing could be nearer perfection—the exact shading of the colours and the correct formation of all the parts. The raised worsted work of the Misses Murton is also beautiful. Nature is skilfully depicted, and the different colours are very artistically blended. The quilts were as usual, numerous and well-made. There were also some very pretty counterpanes, chief among which we might mention that shown by Miss J. Armstrong, and Mrs. Hassan. Mrs. Donald Clark showed some very neat and nicely knitted socks and mittens.

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

The show of woollens was superior to anything we have had in Guelph. A pair of blankets exhibited by Mr. John Amos, and woven by Mr. Gibson, were greatly admired. The texture of the fabric, the fineness of the thread, and the excellent finish were clearly observable. They were in every respect equal to the best blankets produced by the Dundas factory. Mrs. Donald Clark showed a very fine pair of blankets, not filled. There was an excellent selection of colored flannel and fully cloth, which were creditable both to the spinner and to the weaver. Mr. John Hewer was the only exhibitor of leather. His colored sheepskins, which have attained a provincial reputation, were equal to any samples of previous years. His common upper leather was also superior. Mr. Joseph McGarr showed a large and excellent assortment of fine and common twines and plough lines. They are excellent specimens of manufactures, and fully as good as are made at any of the largest rope works. He also showed a sample of curled hair for mattresses.

respect, excellence of material, fineness of finish, and taste in mounting, it eclipses anything in the carriage line ever turned out in Guelph, and we venture to say it cannot be beat in Toronto or Hamilton. The buglies and pleasure sleighs, also exhibited by Mr. Armstrong, worthily sustain the credit of the Excelsior works, which have now attained a Provincial fame. Only one set of harness was shown, that made by Mr. Wm. Matthews, of Erin village. It is a very handsome set, well made and tastefully mounted. Mr. Geo. A. Bruce showed a strong, well made and very neatly finished wagon. There was not a very extensive show of implements. There were three iron and three wooden ploughs all of them by first-class makers. Messrs. Kirkland & Millington showed two of their excellent straw cutters.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Some of the articles not included in any class deserve notice. Mr. Alfred A. Baker showed quite a curiosity, it being a nice, sizeable table, made from the first tree cut down on what is now the site of the good town of Guelph, on the 27th April, 1827. This relic tells its own story, and is a valuable and interesting memento of that eventful day, when the first chapter in the history of Guelph was opened. Messrs. Bell, Wood & Co. had two of their fine, full-sized and well finished melodeons, which gained so much credit at the late Provincial Exhibition. Messrs. Mills and Melvin exhibited two stoves—the "Guard of Honor." They are a new and favorite pattern, and embrace many valuable improvements which have only to be known to be appreciated. The larger one has an apparatus fixed at the back, by which a supply of hot water can always be obtained. This is a very important matter in a house, and on this account alone, to say nothing of the other improvements in the oven, the "Guard of Honor" will, we doubt not, soon take the place of the cooking stoves at present in use. Messrs. Mills & Melvin believe are the only makers of this stove in Canada. They also show two agricultural furnaces, which in many respects are far superior to the old-fashioned ones. Being mounted on wheels they can easily be moved about. Several nice sets of hot water were shown by Messrs. A. Gillies and D. Coffie, which are well made and well finished. A lot of well-executed photographs are shown by Mr. T. Smith, and do credit to his taste and skill. Close beside them is a specimen of ornamental sign painting by Mr. T. Breardon, of Gouck & Breardon. It is a beautiful piece of work, and one knows not which to admire most—the skill displayed in the lettering, or in the different rich colors in which the work is done. The coat-of-arms is beautifully executed. Mrs. Balkwill exhibits some tastefully made baskets and ornaments in cones. They are very neatly made. A bureau made by Mr. Geo. Bruce, senr., is a beautiful specimen of cabinet work. It is made of solid maple and walnut, and the carving, inlaid work and finish shows great skill, and must have taken a long time in finishing.

GRAIN.

Best fall wheat, J. Atkinson; 2nd, R. Matthews; 3rd, Thos. Botterell. Best spg. wheat, Fyfe, Arch McMillan; 2nd, J. S. Armstrong; 3rd, R. Barber. Best spring wheat any other kind, H. McMillan; 2nd, Joseph McGarr; 3rd, Chas. Head. Best barley, six pined, John Moore; 2nd, E. McDonald; 3rd, Geo. Rudd. Best small peas, Donald Clark; 2nd, Samuel Taylor; 3rd, Wm. Whitelaw. Best marrowfat do, Geo. Atkinson; 2nd, Wm. Benham, junr.; 3rd, Adam Dunn. Best Canadian or black oats, Geo. Darby; 2nd, John Amos. Best other kind of oats, Wm. Benham, jr.; 2nd, Henry Larter; 3rd S. Kerr.

SEEDS.

Best bushel timothy seed, Wm. Tolton; 2nd, John Tolton. Best bushel flax seed, Wm. Whitelaw; 2nd, Wm. Benham, junr.

ROOTS, &c.

Best bushel pink-eyed potatoes, Duncan McFarlane; 2nd, C. G. Cockburn. Best bushel white potatoes, John West; 2nd, John O'Brien. Best bushel of any other kind, John West; 2nd, Adam Dunn. Best dozen swedish turnips, Joseph Parkinson; 2nd, Chas. Head; 3rd, James Grahame. Best dozen other turnips, J. W. Armstrong; 2nd, John Moore; 3rd, W. West. Best dozen mangold wurzel, F. W. Stone. Best dozen carrots, A. A. Baker; 2nd, David Allan; 3rd, Joseph Parkinson. Best dozen field carrots, D. Watt; 2nd, Thos. McCrae, 3rd Robt. Beattie. Best dozen parsnips, Wm. Benham, senr.; 2nd A. A. Baker, 3rd David Allan. Best dozen blood beets, G. Elliott; 2nd E. Tolton, 3rd D. Allan. Best dozen white onions, Wm. Benham, senr.; 2nd Geo. Elliott. Best dozen red onions, A. A. Baker; 2nd John Wilson. Best dozen yellow onions, D. Allan; 2nd A. A. Baker. Best dozen potato onions, John Wilson; 2nd Joseph McGarr. Best three cabbages, Geo. Elliott; 2nd K. McKenzie, 3rd Robt. Wharton. Best dozen winter apples, D. Stirton; 2nd L. Harland; 3rd Jas. Bolton. Best dozen tall apples, Henlock Young; 2nd D. Allan; 3rd Wm. Phin. Best collection of apples, Joseph Parkinson; 2nd L. Parkinson. Best dozen plums, yellow or green, David Allan; 2nd Chas. Davidson. Best dozen plums, red, David Allan; 2nd A. A. Baker. Best melon, Wm. Sorby; 2nd A. A. Baker. Best half bushel Indian corn, K. McKenzie; 2nd Jas. Anderson. Best 10 lbs maple sugar, J. S. Armstrong.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Best 56 lbs of butter, fit for exportation, T. Waters; 2nd, P. McGregor; 3rd, D. Stirton; 4th, Joseph Parkinson. Best 10 lbs butter, for immediate use, moderately salted, Alex. White; 2nd, R. Barber; 3rd, D. Stirton; 4th, P. McGregor. Best cheese, not less than 12 lbs, John Johnston; 2nd, C. G. Cockburn; 3rd, John Res. Best factory cheese, not less than 50 lbs, E. A. Harland. Best loaf of bread, not less than 4 lbs, C. G. Cockburn; 2nd, Thomas Kough.

LADIES' WORK.

Best specimen of crochet work, J. Parkinson; 2nd, Alex. White. Best fancy netting, J. Parkinson; 2nd, D. McFarlane. Best ornamental needle work, L. Harland; 2nd, Geo. Harvey. Best specimen of worsted work, Mrs. G. B. Fraser; 2nd, J. W. Armstrong. Best quilt in piece work, R. Barber; 2nd, J. S. Armstrong; 3rd, J. Res. Best quilt in S. Armstrong; 2nd, James Hassan; 3rd, T. Carter. Best pair of woollen socks, J. West; 2nd, Donald Clark. Best pair of woollen mittens, Donald Clark; 2nd, J. S. Armstrong.

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

Best pair blankets, filled, John Amos; 2nd, Wm. Hood; 3rd, D. Clark. Best pair blankets, not filled, D. Clark; 2nd, John Johnston; 3rd, Wm. Hood. Best 10 yards white flannel, D. Clark; 2nd, Geo. Fyfe. Best 10 yards colored flannel, A. McIntosh; 2nd, John O'Brien. Best 10 yards fully cloth J. Johnston; 2nd, J. S. Armstrong; 3rd H. Dunfield.

HARNESS.

Best set of carriage harness Wm. Mathew. Best side of upper leather, John Hewer. Best collection of colored sheepskins, John Hewer.

IMPLEMENTS AND CARRIAGES.

Best wagon, G. A. Bruce; 2nd, Lyons; 3rd, John Hewart; 4th, J. B.

Best cutter, J. B. Armstrong. Best iron plough, Wm. Stephenson; 2nd, George McInnes. Best wood plough, Geo. McInnes; 2nd, C. Thain. Best straw cutter, horse-power, Kirkland & Millington. Best hand straw cutter, Kirkland & Millington. Best gearifer or horse hoe, Lyons & Sagers; 2nd, C. Thain. Best pair heavy harrows, Geo. McInnes. Best turnip cutter, C. Thain. Best fanning mill, James Phelan. Best set of horse shoes, A. Gillies; 2nd, D. Coffie; 3rd, Chas. Thain.

The Queen is said to be greatly pleased with the notices which the first volume of "The Early Years of the Prince Consort" has attracted. The publishers have collected by her order, all the reviews of the work, and forwarded them, bound in a huge volume, to Her Majesty for perusal.

BIRTHS.

McMILLAN—In Erin, on the 30th ult., the wife of Mr. John F. McMillan, of a son.

DEATHS.

WEBB—In Erin, on the 3rd inst., the wife of Mr. John Webb, senr., in the 74th year of her age. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend the funeral on Saturday, the 5th inst., at 2 o'clock, p. m.

New Advertisements.

COTTAGE WANTED.

WITH six or seven rooms, and good commodious yard room. The West End of the Town preferred. Address with particulars as to rent, &c. BOX D, Guelph P. O.

October 3, 1867. 6-6c

FARM FOR SALE.

FOR sale, that well-known farm adjoining Mr. Gideon Hood's, about one mile from the Great Western Station, Guelph. Terms made known by applying to the subscriber.

If not sold by the 10th inst., this farm will be taken out of the market. JAMES MAYES, dwtf

Guelph, 3rd October, 1867.

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JUST RECEIVED those celebrated

XXX BALTIMORE OYSTERS!

At GEORGE WILKINSON'S, Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.

Guelph, 10th Sept., 1867. (4)

WANTED.

WANTED a few good SEWING GIRLS. Also a few Apprentices. A. A. GARLAND, Hatler and Furrier, Market Square, Guelph, Oct. 2nd. dt

CORDWOOD

IMPORTANT to the FARMERS

Near ACTON, ROCKWOOD, GUELPH, SHANTZ, BRESLAU, and BERLIN.

CORDWOOD in quantities from Five Corda upwards will be received at the above stations, or anywhere along the track of the G. T. R., at greatly advanced prices. Payment.

CASH ON DELIVERY

or as soon as wood is in a shape to measure.

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Good Steady Choppers will always find constant employment. Apply to

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Melodeon and Cabinet Organ

FACTORY.

BELL, WOOD, & CO.

WOULD intimate to the public of the Dominion that they manufacture

Melodeons and Cabinet Organs!

superior to any on the continent, at prices as low as those of any other good maker. They defy competition and challenge comparison.

At the Provincial Show in Kingston their Instruments took THE SECOND PRIZE against six competitors.

All of the firm are Practical Melodeon Makers.

Mr. Wood has worked as head tuner for the best factories of Canada and the United States. His tuning has invariably taken THE FIRST PRIZE wherever exhibited. Their Melodeons are all Piano styled, being more firm and durable than the portable style.

All instruments are warranted for five years.—Perfect satisfaction guaranteed. Illustrated Catalogues containing testimonials from a great number of celebrated musicians sent free on application.

First-class PIANOS for Sale.

Factory and Ware-rooms, East Market Square, Guelph.

WM. BELL, R. B. WOOD, R. W. BELL, R. McLEOD, Guelph, 3rd October, 1867.

FARM FOR SALE.

FOR sale, an excellent farm in Erinosa, with a good stone house and other buildings thereon. For full particulars apply to

BLAIR & GUTHRIE, Solicitors, Guelph, September 10, 1867.

FRESH OYSTERS

Wholesale and Retail, at the

FRUIT DEPOT,

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

HIGH WALKER

New Advertisements.

FALL IMPORTATIONS!

W. M. STEWART

HAS NOW OPENED A LARGE AND SPLENDID STOCK OF

Fall and Winter Dry Goods!

In Fancy Dress Goods, in all the new styles and textures. Winceys, Flains and Fancy Flannels, Blankets, Cottons, Prints, &c.

FANCY MANTLE CLOTHS,

Water-proof Cloakings, New Mixtures, Velveteens and Whittneys, Hosiery and Gloves. Large choice of COLLARS and CUFFS in Linen and paper. A large variety of Jet Bugle Trimming, Mantle Ornaments, &c.

Purchasers may rely on getting the Cheapest and Best Goods. All Departments will be found complete.

WILLIAM STEWART.

Guelph, 3rd October, 1867.

GRAND

SHOW OF NEW GOODS

AT THE

GUELPH CLOTH HALL!

A. THOMSON & CO.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR

Fall and Winter Importations!

which for STYLE, TEXTURE and DURABILITY, are equal to any House in the trade. As we give our undivided attention to

Cloths, Ready-made Clothing, Hats,

COATS, TIES, SHIRTS AND DRAWERS,

we can offer to the public excellent value in the above. Special care given to Ordered Work.

Guelph, 25th September, 1867. dt-tr

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS

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GEORGE JEFFREY

Has much pleasure in announcing the arrival of his

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WHICH WILL BE FOUND ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE IN CANADA. HE WOULD PARTICULARLY DIRECT ATTENTION TO A FEW DEPARTMENTS:

SILKS, Black and Coloured.

REPS, PRINCESS' CLOTHS, MANTLE CLOTHS, Some things Quite New.

And every other description of Goods will be shown as they appear in the Market.

GEORGE JEFFREY.

Guelph, September 21, 1867. dt

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A FEW REASONS THAT MAKE IT SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHERS.

1st—It proves itself a reliable time-keeper beyond all question.

2nd—The RUSSELL WATCH being made on correct and scientific principles, it must follow as a natural consequence that it will keep time.

3rd—Each part of which the RUSSELL WATCH is composed is a reflex of the perfect machine by which, under skilful direction, it is produced.

4th—Truth is the essential of each part.

5th—Uniformity and conformity must therefore characterize the several parts in fulfilling the purpose for which they are made and brought together.

6th—Reproduction, as regards watch work, is simply an application of the principle that "things which are equal to the same things are equal to one another," and if there is any merit, the RUSSELL WATCH possesses that merit to a demonstration.

7th—The greatest variety of price, quality and size, that confidence and perfection will admit, afforded by the RUSSELL WATCH.

8th—The RUSSELL WATCH stands pre-eminently above all competitors for public favor and patronage.

9th—Proofs of the foregoing—the universal testimony of all Watchmakers who have sold, and the positive statements of the thousands in Europe, the United States and Canada, who have worn the RUSSELL WATCH.

TESTIMONIAL.

To Robert Cuthbert, Watchmaker, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

If Society was as perfect in its organization, and was as obedient to the dictates of truth as the RUSSELL WATCH I bought from you is in indicating time, evil would be swallowed up in good, and happiness would become monotonous.

G. RENNIE, Guelph

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ROBERT CUTHBERT,

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Has always on hand a large variety of the celebrated RUSSELL WATCHES. His stock of Clocks,