

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury
(BY ATLANTIC CABLE.)

The Harvest.

The harvest is ended, and although no exact statement of the results can yet be given still as the yield is no longer contingent on the weather and, as it has in almost every locality been tested by threshing there is a possibility of approximating pretty closely to the truth. Hope and doubt have alternately preponderated in the mind of the farmer, and indeed of every serious person, almost since the grain showed itself above ground in the spring. It is comforting to know that the former emotion is the one which remains, that if there is not the immense harvest returns which were once, not without reason, expected, there is enough, that if they will not make people rich, they will at least keep them far above want. These remarks are general, or perhaps we should say provincial in their application; what we have further to add we ask to be considered as applying more immediately to our own county.

To begin with Fall Wheat, a pretty large area was sown, and the yield has been abundant. The unfortunate Soules variety has in some places suffered rather severely from the midge, but to other kinds nothing detrimental occurred. From the present movement of farmers to obtain seed it would appear that even less than formerly of Soules wheat will be sown this year, and indeed so uncertain is the crop that it is not at all improbable, that in the course of a few years the variety will have been almost, if not entirely, lost sight of. The yield of midge-proof, &c., has, however, verified almost the anticipations of the most sanguine. In no instance have we heard of the return being less than twenty bushels to the acre, and many boast of having thirty or thirty-five.

The spring wheat has realized more than was expected from it, when the long period of drought and of unprecedented hot weather stunted its growth and forced it forward to maturity with injurious haste. It was not to be supposed that the grain on either light sandy, or very heavy clay soil would escape material injury; it did suffer badly, but perhaps even in the reaping of it the gloomiest forebodings of the proprietors were not realized, and they found themselves a little better off than they had expected. The early sown wheat suffered most from the midge, the late most from the drought, but taken all in all the crop does not appear to be much, if any, below an average. We hear of localities where twenty bushels to the acre reward the toils of the agriculturist, while in others there are no more than six, and a very common return is ten or twelve. When allowance is made for all accidents to which grain is subject from its first appearance above ground until it is ready to be cut down, an average of ten or twelve bushels to the acre is all that can reasonably be reckoned on.

The oat crop as a general thing was very light. It is a grain that stands heat and drought much worse even than wheat. There are exceptional cases that we have heard of in which the yield would have been large for the most auspicious season. One farmer told us that he had cut the best oats this year that ever grew on his farm, and we learn that in some localities in the north eastern part of the county the yield is from twenty to thirty bushels an acre. In the north western and southern portions, on the contrary, the crop will not turn out more than half what it would have done under favorable circumstances.

Peas were more injured than any other grain. They were the first to show the effects of the terrible heat. The straw lost its natural color completely and assumed a bright yellow color, while the pods shrivelled, and sank down on the peas before they were half grown. They are in consequence very small, and when such is the case the yield must be light. In a few localities ten bushels to the acre are counted upon, and in others people will consider themselves not so badly off if they get back their seed.

Barley is also rather light, but as might be anticipated from the bright weather which prevailed during harvest the colour is in most instances very fine. No better barley could be grown than some from Eramosa which we saw offered on the market a short time ago.

Roots will not be what they have been other years. Potatoes in general never had a chance to grow in the proper season, but it is believed that those planted late have been considerably benefited by the recent rains. Some places to the north-east were visited with showers when we had thought but a brazen sky, and consequently in the article of potatoes they are somewhat better off than we who occupy a more southerly situation. On the whole the season will be abundant. The turnip crop is also a partial failure, altho' some have been able to raise fields of excellent ones. The fly injured some of them in spring, and the weather which succeeded was particularly adverse to their growth. Carrots are middling.

After all we congratulate ourselves that we are about as well off as the inhabitants of other sections of the country, and that, as we said at the beginning, if there be not groaning granaries they will be moderately filled, and there will be no lack of sustenance for man or beast.

London, Sept. 1.—John Bright published this morning an address to the voters of Birmingham, in which he repeats his desire for such an extension of the elective franchise as will call into exercise more of the enlightened intelligence of the country. He denounces the principle of the three cornered constituencies as applied to Birmingham. He believes that disestablishment and disendowment of the Irish Church would strengthen both the cause of Christianity and the constitution of the country. Mr. Bright closes by announcing himself a champion of the principles above set forth, and offers himself as a candidate for re-election to the House of Commons at the approaching general election.

Manchester, Sept. 1.—Murphy, the anti-Catholic agitator, was arrested and held in bonds to keep the peace. Being unable to give the necessary securities, he was sent to goal, where he now remains.

London, Sept. 1.—The English cricketers sail from Liverpool to-morrow in the steamer City of Baltimore, to play a series of five international matches against the United States and Canadian cricketers.

Cork, Sept. 1.—All the men arrested on suspicion of taking part in the Tipperary disturbances have been discharged, no evidence having been elicited sufficient to justify their further detention. Mr. Scully is suffering severely from his injuries, and his physicians report that his condition is growing worse.

London, Sept. 1.—The inquest on the bodies of some of the victims of the Abergeile railway accident, was resumed to-day. The railway officials reserved their evidence. The son of the station master at Abergeile testified that the danger signals were properly displayed before the collision. It is reported that the body of one of the dead has been recognized as that of Bayard Clarke, an American.

American Despatches.

New York, Sept. 2nd.—World's special Washington despatch says that about a month ago it was discovered that extensive frauds had been committed by the blank agent of the Post Office Department, at Buffalo, in furnishing blanks, twice, &c., to the various post offices, supposed to amount to about \$200,000. The manner of committing the frauds was as follows: A postmaster made a requisition on the blank agent for a quantity of blanks, twice, &c., the order was partially filled, and the full amount charged to the postmaster, the requisition being filed as a voucher, and the agent receiving payment in auditing his accounts for the full amount charged. This system has been in operation since 1860, and it is now discovered that the frauds amount to over \$500,000. It is understood that the rascal was first discovered at Detroit.

New York, Sept. 2.—The Tribune this morning sums up the Vermont election as follows: Election in Vermont has resulted in a glorious Union victory. Returns received in this office up to 4 o'clock this morning show a Republican gain over last year of from 7,000 to 10,000.

BIRTHS.

STEWART.—At Guelph, on the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. John Stewart, of a son.
WOOD.—At Luther, on the 27th ult., the wife of Mr. Charles Wood, of a daughter.
MCDONNELL.—At Luther, on the 28th ult., the wife of Hugh McDonnell, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BOYLE.—KIRKLEY.—At Hespeler, on the 29th ult., by the Rev. Mr. Hill, Mr. Andrew Boyle, of Wilhemnia Kirkley, both of Eden Mills, Ontario.

Local and Miscellaneous

OATS DOWN TO FIFTY CENTS.

FLOUR DOWN TO \$3.50.

AT WEBSTER'S Market Square, Guelph, 2nd Sept.

WELLINGTON HUNT.

WANTED immediately, a Steady Young Man to look after the Wellington Fox Hounds. For particulars apply to F. GRANGE, ESQ. Guelph, September 1st.

TO PRINTERS.

WANTED immediately, at the Mercury Office, Guelph, a first-class Printer who can make himself generally useful at the case and job-work. Constant employment given. Also, a stout, active lad who has been at the business two or three years. A good opportunity of learning the business in all its branches. Apply at once. McLAGAN & INNES, Mercury Office, Guelph.

NO MONOPOLY

PETRIE'S Drug STORE,

Old Post Office, Wyndham Street.

DYE STUFFS!

BEING determined to maintain my reputation for keeping

THE BEST DYE STUFFS IN GUELPH,

Have this year devoted a greater amount of time and care to their selection and preparation than ever. My stock will now be found complete, and all parcels bought from me will have no difficulty in making colors required, and of the

Very FINEST SHADE.

A. P. B. would call particular attention to his BRIGHT SCARLET DYE, which has given universal satisfaction during the past two years, and pronounced by all parties superior to any they have ever used before. Remember the Old Post Office Buildings. A. B. PETRIE, Chemist, Guelph, September 1st.

OATS, OATS.

OATS can be purchased from the subscriber for 62 1/2 CENTS PER BUSHEL at his store, West Market Square. ALEX. CRICHTON, Guelph, 19th August.

New Advertisements.

Anglo-American Hotel FOR SALE.

THIS HOTEL is the only first-class building that lies on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway between Toronto and London. It is 130 feet long by 45 feet in width, 3 stories high, and of cut stone; 12 and 11 feet high between ceilings; cellar full size of building, 30 feet deep. Also stone kitchen 40 x 24, with a cistern that holds over 1000 barrels of water. It is situated in the best business part of the town, and is directly opposite the proposed site of the new Union Passenger Station of the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways. It is the only first class building in the town that is capable of doing a first-class business. The hall runs through the centre of the main building; the rooms are well ventilated and none in the house dark. The furniture is nearly new, having been purchased only four years ago, and will be sold at a valuation. There is a stone stable, capable of affording accommodation for 100 horses; well arranged and runs through to back street.

Likewise there is a farm of 90 acres of the best land in the county, and the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. Three barns and feeding stable and log house are on the farm. Also a runnel, a spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of board and new. The farm is laid out in ten acre fields. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at a valuation.

Also, there is in connection with the hotel a Livery Stable, one of the best in Ontario, of fifteen horses, doing the only first-class business in town and indisputably surpassing all others. As the proprietor is retiring from business he offers to the public a property, the advantages of which are seldom enjoyed by one man in business. The whole will be sold without reserve within three months, either the business separately, or the whole property as may be agreed upon to suit the purchaser.

TERMS.—For the hotel property, half cash down will be required, the remainder to be paid in six yearly instalments, or ten per cent allowed off the second half, if paid at time of sale. JAMES O'NEILL, Proprietor, Guelph, Aug. 29.

CLEARING SALE

OF AN IMMENSE STOCK OF

WALL PAPER,

AT

Day's Bookstore,

OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

The balance of our Stock of PAPER HANGINGS will be sold at COST to make room for our Spring stock.

Now is the time to buy; sooner than keep it over till next Spring we will sell at First Cost.

A large lot on hand. Call early and select good patterns, at

DAYS BOOKSTORE,

Opposite the Market, Guelph, Aug. 22.

JUST RECEIVED!

AN IMMENSE STOCK OF

CONCERTINAS

CHEAP.

At Clark's Music Store.

Several NEW PIANOS.

Inspection invited. SHEET MUSIC IN GREAT VARIETY.

At CLARK'S MUSIC STORE, Market Square, Guelph.

Guelph, Aug. 29, 1868.

MEDICAL HALL!



Ontario, Guelph, Wyndham Street.

E. HARVEY & CO.

Just received, a fresh supply of

MINCASEA

For the successful rearing of infants.

This article is prepared under medical supervision, and supported by the Scientific and Theoretical Institutions of Great Britain, France, &c., and is the only preparation manufactured for this purpose.

Cocoa Nut Oil Soda Soap

For imparting a Beautiful Whiteness and Softness to the Skin.

CAMPBELL'S

Quinine Wine!

A large supply just received.

E. HARVEY & CO., Cor. Wyndham & Macdonnell-Sts. Guelph.

New Advertisements.

FALL IMPORTATIONS.

1868.

KERR, BROWN AND MACKENZIE,

HAMILTON,

Big leave to inform the Trade that they are now receiving and opening their

Fall Importations of DRY GOODS,

And will have their Stock complete early in September. Their assortment of

Canadian Woollens, Cotton Goods and Hosiery

IS LARGE. A FULL STOCK OF

Teas, Sugars, Coffees and General Groceries

ALWAYS ON HAND.

Hamilton, September 2.

Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory,

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

ENCOURAGE HOME MANUFACTURE!

A Few Facts to the People of Wellington to Consider:

1st.—Is it good policy to buy imported BOOTS and SHOES, when you can get home made work for less money.

2nd.—Is it wise to keep hundreds of people at work in Hamilton, Toronto, Kingston or Montreal, making your Boots and Shoes.

3rd.—Would it not be much better to have those work-people living in Guelph, and spending their money here?

Every person can answer the above to suit his own fancy, but remember at the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory you can get

Home made Boots, a better article than any Imported Work, for less money. Call and See.

The Cheapest and best Boots in the County are to be had at the WELLINGTON BOOT and SHOE MANUFACTORY, Wyndham Street, Guelph, the "Old Post Office Block."

JOHN A. McMILLAN,

Guelph, 1st September. Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

JUST RECEIVING, AT

JAMES CORMACK'S

A BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT OF

Gentlemen's Ties & Collars, in the newest Styles,

SIZES COMPLETE. Also, all the LEADING STYLES in

ENGLISH FELT & SILK HATS.

WITH A LARGE STOCK OF

Canadian & American Hats & Caps

JAMES CORMACK,

Guelph, 26th Aug. 1868. Wyndham-st. Guelph.

FRESH

TEAS!

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TEAS!

CROP '67 and '68.

REFORD & DILLON

ARE now receiving direct from London, Eng'd, their FALL SUPPLIES of New Season Teas, comprising—

TWANKAYS, YOUNG HYSONS, IMPERIALS, GUNPOWDERS,

Col'd & Uncol'd JAPANS CONGOU, SOUCHONGS, PEKOES.

Also, 100 Hhd's Choice Barbadoes and Cuba Sugars,

With a well selected assortment of GENERAL GROCERIES, all of which they offer to the trade LOW. REFORD & DILLON, Toronto, September 1, 1868. 12 and 14, Wellington Street, Toronto.

Another Lot of those Delicious

Pine Apples

At H. BERRY'S.

SPLENDID DATES

At H. BERRY'S.

FINE

ORANGES & LEMONS

At H. BERRY'S.

REAL

Maple Sugar

At H. BERRY'S.

Guelph, May 30 1868.

STATIONERY

FANCY GOODS.

At W. J. McCURRY'S

OFFICE LAW STATIONERY and Fancy Goods Store, opposite the English Church, Wyndham Street GUELPH.

Will be found a good assortment of Standard Theological Works, Biographies, Travels, Works on Arts and Sciences, Architecture, Engraving and Agriculture, Works on the Horse, Cattle, Sheep and Dog. A large stock of the SCHOOL BOOKS in general use always on hand, and sold cheap. The Trade supplied at Publishers' Prices. In Classical Works, the stock will be found equal to any in Ontario. A great variety of Music Books and Sheet Music. A large stock of Family School Pocket BIBLES, School and Pocket Testaments, Wesleyan and other Hymn Books. All the Standard Works of the British Poets. Law and Office Stationery, a complete assortment of Envelopes and writing materials. Great variety of Gift and other Moulding for Picture Frames, &c. Looking Glass plate made, and pictures promptly mounted, at the smallest advance on price of moulding. A very large stock of FANCY GOODS. Over 2,000 Berlin Wool Patterns, at less than half the usual selling price. A very large stock of Italian and other Violin Strings, Bows, Accordions and Concertinas. English and American hall paper, bordering and decorations, which for variety, low prices and beauty of pattern cannot be excelled in Canada. As the above stock is imported direct from the manufacturing houses of Great Britain, France and the United States. Bookbinding and Paper Ruling done on the premises at very moderate rates. Guelph, June 24.

FRIEND,

WHERE can I get good, sound first-class

Bacon,

Hams and

Shoulders?

AT WILKINSON'S

He has the best in town. The largest, cheapest and best assortment of

BRIAR ROOT AND

FANCY PIPES

IS AT

GEO. WILKINSON.

Guelph, August 3.

Special Notice

TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.

E. CARROLL & CO.

BEG to notify that they are now receiving a large lot of NEW CROP

TEAS

which they intend to sell cheaper than any house in Guelph. Examine OUR PRICES and judge for yourselves.

Young Hyson per lb. 75c. worth \$1.00

Old Hyson " 50 " 0.75

Gunpowder " 87 1.00

Japau " 62 0.75

Congou " 50 " 0.62

Souchong " 62 0.75

And all other Goods equally low at

No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK.

Guelph, August 12.

GOOD

Pure CIDER VINEGAR

25 cents per gallon,

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

NEW AND OLD

FACTORY AND DAIRY CHEESE,

Wholesale and Retail,

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Good Young Hyson Tea, 50c

Good Congou Tea, - - 50c

At John A. Wood's.

Fresh ROASTED JAVA COFFEE

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

SILVER AT PAR AND NO MONOPOLY.

THE Undersigned has come to the conclusion to deal as usual by taking silver at par, hoping thereby to squash the discount business, as in other places of note. All kinds of FRESH MEAT always on hand in Butcher Stall No. 2, Guelph Market. JOHN TYSON, Butcher, Guelph, August 28.