

Guelph Mercury

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GUELPH ONT., CANADA, SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 20, 1869.

PRICE ONE PENNY

HAMILTON DYE WORKS,

Two doors from the Royal Hotel. Established 1856.

Silks, Satins, Merinos, Damasks, Moreen Table Covers, &c., &c., dyed and finished. British and Foreign Shawls cleaned and pressed, Kid Gloves cleaned, Feathers cleaned, dyed and curled.

JAMES CONNER, Hamilton.

Orders left at J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wool and Fancy Goods Store, Wyndham-st., will receive prompt attention. For price list and further information apply to

J. HUNTER, Guelph, 8th Feb. dw Agent for Guelph

NEW AUCTION ROOMS.

GEO. LESLIE,

Auctioneer and Commission Merchant.

No. 3 Day's Block, Guelph, (Next door to Carroll's Grocery Store).

Every attention paid to Sales of Merchandise, Household Furniture and Farm Stock.

Prompt and careful returns made of all sales.

References:—Jas. Massie, Esq., Guelph; Messrs. C. & J. Symon, Auctioneers, Guelph; Messrs. Barclay & Co., Geo. Townshend; R. Leslie, Esq., Bank of B. N. A., London; David Arnott, Esq., Toronto.

GREAT WESTERN HOTEL.

JOHN HEWER, Proprietor.

The subscriber having lately leased the above Hotel, would respectfully inform his friends and the travelling public generally that he has thoroughly renovated and furnished the premises throughout, and is also making other improvements which will render its accommodation for guests second to none in town. The table will always be supplied with the choicest market affords, and the bar with pure liquors and the best brands of cigars. Nothing will be left undone to ensure the comfort of all who may favor him with their patronage. Extensive stabling attached, capable of accommodating 200 horses. An attentive hostler always in attendance. Stages to all parts of the country call at this hotel daily.

Guelph, 9th February. dw

Undertakers!

MITCHELL & TOVELL

Having bought out Mr. Nathan Tovell's business, we hope by strict attention to business to gain a share of public patronage. We will have

A full assortment of Coffins always on hand.

Funerals furnished if required. Carpenter work done as usual. Premises, a few doors north of Post Office, and next D. Guthrie's Law Office, Douglas Street, Guelph.

JOHN MITCHELL, NATHAN TOVELL, Jr. Guelph, December 1 dw

R. J. JEANNERET,

FROM ENGLAND.

Established in London, Ont. 1842 and in Guelph 1862.

WORKING WATCHMAKER

AND JEWELER

DAY'S BLOCK,

Opposite the Mark Guelph.

Just received a choice variety of Cheap Goods suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Particular attention paid to repairing of Watches, Clocks and Jewellery.

Guelph, December 17th. dw

INSOLVENT ACT of 1864

ISAAC BUCHANAN, PETER T BUCHANAN and ANDREW BINNEY,

PLAINTIFFS.

R. H. HUDGIN,

DEFENDANT.

A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT is issued in this case. GEO. J. GRANGE, Sheriff, Co. Wellington Guelph, Feb. 12, 1869. dw

THE OLD ESTABLISHED SADDLERY SHOP.

The subscriber in returning thanks to the public for the patronage bestowed on the late firm of Galbraith & Beattie, would beg to say that he is carrying on the business in all its branches at the old stand, West Market Square, Guelph, and hopes by strict attention to business, and moderate charges, to merit a share of public support. As he intends using only the best of stock, and employing none but first-class workmen, the public may depend on getting a good article. He will always keep on hand, and make to order, the newest and best styles of

Harness, Saddles, Bridles, Martingales,

And a large assortment of Trunks, Valises, WHIPS, HORSE BLANKETS, CURRY COMBS, MANE COMBS, CARDS, SPURS, WHIP Lashes—all kinds

For Cleaning Harness, and all other articles connected with his business.

A liberal discount made for cash. All kinds of repairing done with neatness and dispatch.

GEORGE DEATIE, West Market Square January 19. dw

INSOLVENT ACT of 1864 & 1865

In the matter of George Leslie, late of the village of Acton, an insolvent.

The creditors of the insolvent are notified to meet at my office, No. 2 Front Street, Toronto, on the 17th day of February instant, at one o'clock p.m., for the public examination of the insolvent, and the ordering of his estate generally. And the said insolvent is hereby notified to attend the said meeting.

Dated at Toronto this second day of February, 1869. 1214 THOMAS CLARSON, Off. Assignee

SITUATION WANTED.

Wanted by a young man a situation as Book-keeper in any business place in town or country. Would be willing to take charge of a commission business, and make himself generally useful in any capacity. Good references. Apply at the Mercury Office, Guelph.

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INSOLVENT ACT of 1864 & 1865.

In the matter of GEORGE LESLIE, late of the Village of Acton, An Insolvent.

A Dividend Sheet has been prepared, subject to objection, until the fourth day of March next.

THOMAS CLARSON, Official Assignee. Toronto, 11th Feb. d12

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds.

From the Locket to Life Size

Equal, as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion.—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices.

Rooms:—Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-St.

WILLIAM BURGESS, Guelph December 12. dw

JUST IN.

GUTHRIE'S CELEBRATED

Hoop Skirts

In all the Latest and most Approved Styles.

including the

New PANNIER Skirt

Which is a general favorite.

THIS IS BEYOND ALL COMPARISON

THE CHEAPEST LOT OF SKIRTS EVER SHOWN

IN GUELPH.

The attention of every lady is requested.

A. O. BUCHANAN, Guelph, Jan. 17. d

1869. Wholesale. 1869.

Wellington Boot & Shoe Manufactory

WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH.

JOHN A. McMILLAN

Has much pleasure in intimating to the Trade that he is now prepared to supply at the

Lowest Wholesale Prices Boots and Shoes of every Description, Style, and Variety.

All Manufactured by himself in Guelph. Dealers are requested to call and examine my stock and prices, and they will find a much better article than any Imported Work, and their price as low as the lowest. Terms Liberal.

WANTED, a number of good Journey-men to work on Ladies' Kid, Goat, Prunella and Canvas Gaiters, in connection with the McKay Sewing Machine.

LEATHER WANTED.

The whole of the present stock of Boots and Shoes, Rubbers and Moccasins, will be sold cheaper than any man can sell imported work.—This is no humbug. Call and see, and remember the spots—Guelph, Pergus and Innes.

JOHN A. McMILLAN, Bootmaker for the Millton Guelph, 4th January, 1869. dw

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EXTRA DARK HINK ROYAL EMBLEM SIBERIAN SQUIRREL RIVER HINK LADIES' HOODS

And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENTS' MITTENS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.

The highest price paid for Raw Furs.

F. CARLAND, Market Square, Guelph, 2d Nov. dw

SAP BUCKETS.

1,000 Dozen SAP BUCKETS.

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, Feb. 16. dw

BILLARD HALL

Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,

GUELPH, ONT.

Four New Phelan Standard American tables.

W. O'CONNOR, Proprietor. Guelph, June 24. do

Evening Mercury.

SATURDAY EV'NG, FEB. 20, 1869.

NOTICES OF THE PRESS.

The Guelph Mercury establishment has at length arrived at the dignity of steam printing. The presser, now driven by a steam engine. This looks like progress of a substantial kind.

—Galt Reformer.

THE GUELPH MERCURY—daily and weekly—is now printed on a steam press. We are glad to note this enterprise of its proprietors, and the prosperity attending their labors. Go on and increase, say we—Newmarket Era.

THE GUELPH MERCURY seems determined, not merely to sustain its high rank as a local paper, but is resolved to surpass its former efforts, and keep up with the progress of the age, by substituting steam for hand power. —Milton Champion.

The Guelph Mercury is now printed on a steam press, and the paper generally shows proof of the energy of its proprietors. It is one of the best of the country dailies, and we are glad to learn that its business is so steadily increasing as to render such outlay necessary. —Globe.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—Our enterprising contemporary, the Guelph Mercury, is now printed by steam. The proprietors state that the business of their office has increased to such an extent as to render this improvement a necessity. We trust they may long be able to say the same. The Mercury is a well conducted sheet, and deserves the patronage it receives. —Galt Reporter.

We congratulate our friends of the Guelph Mercury on the success which has attended their efforts in the publishing of their daily paper. Their increased circulation and business has necessitated their procuring the aid of steam. The paper has always been one of the best conducted in the Dominion, and we are not surprised at their success. —Thorold Patriot.

The Guelph Mercury announces the arrival of a new era in its existence—the time having come with it when it is compelled to use steam as a motive power.—When the present proprietors took charge, the circulation was 318; but they anticipate that before the present winter is over it will reach 4,000 copies. The Mercury has well earned the enviable position to which it has attained.—Stratford Beacon.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—The publishers of the Guelph Mercury announce that, owing to the pressure of business and their daily increasing circulation, they have been forced to secure the powerful aid of steam to drive their presses. The proprietors, Messrs. McLagan & Innes, publish a live newspaper, and will merit the support of the public. We are glad to hear of their success; may they continue to prosper. —Berlin Telegraph.

STEAM PRINTING PRESS FOR GUELPH.—The proprietors of the Mercury announce that they are about getting a steam engine to drive their printing presses. The large circulation of the paper and great increase in job work obliges them to make this investment. We are always pleased to hear of the prosperity of our brethren of the press. The Mercury is a first rate paper for news, but a little too Gritty in politics. —Elora Times.

The Guelph Mercury announced in its evening edition the arrival of their new steam engine. This is the first steam engine used in a printing office in Guelph, and is another proof of the energy and enterprise which characterizes the proprietors of the Mercury. The weekly edition of that journal has increased its circulation from 318 subscribers in 1862, to nearly 4,000 in 1869, a very rapid increase indeed for a country paper. —Elmira Maple Leaf.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—The enterprising publishers of the Guelph Mercury have lately purchased a steam engine to drive their printing presses. It is surprising what industry and energy, combined with a certain amount of tact, will do to build up a business. Some years ago the Mercury was a losing speculation, but ever since it has entered into the hands of Messrs. McLagan & Innes, it has made steady progress, till now it stands unrivalled by any office in Canada outside of the cities. —Waterloo Chronicle.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—We are pleased to learn that the energy which has so far distinguished the conduct of this sprightly little daily has at last culminated in the addition to the establishment of steam power. The Mercury office is one of the best conducted and efficient in the country; and now that its enterprising proprietors are able to despatch its largely increased business by the aid of steam, we feel sure that the prosperity of the past will only serve as a slight anticipation of future success. We wish for our confreres continued and still greater satisfaction with the result of their energy and pluck. —Cobourg World.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—There are few Canadian newspapers which have made greater, or more deserved progress than the Guelph Mercury, and it gives us pleasure to record the fact that its utility has been so well acknowledged by the public, as to warrant its proprietors in driving their presses by steam.—Their business has grown steadily and healthily, just because they were up to the times, and were fully alive to the requirements of a good newspaper.—Long may they and the Mercury flourish. Sure we are that if McLagan & Innes never make a mistake, it will assuredly never run up to the boiling over point.—Elora Express.

A ruffian who recently committed a rape on a young Jersey woman, was brought up in New York on Tuesday, before Recorder Hackett, who said that his crime demanded a sentence of twenty years' imprisonment, but as the poor creature whom he had violated requested that the criminal might be compelled to marry her, the Recorder permitted him to go free on fulfilling that condition. The Recorder then married them on the spot, and told the fellow that if he didn't treat the girl well, the sentence of twenty years would yet be inflicted.

The young ladies down east complain that the gentlemen are so poor that they can't pay their addresses.

LOCAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The Emperor Francis Joseph has reinstated some of Kossuth's Generals in the Austro-Hungarian army.

The Boston Traveller laments the spread of infidelity in the large towns and cities of Massachusetts.

Eight of the British iron-clads—only three of which are completely covered with iron—cost \$15,311,565—an average of \$1,913,945 each.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch says that when the railroad is completed "the Pacific Ocean will become virtually an American lake."

CHALMERS' CHURCH.—The Rev. Mr. Inglis, of Toronto, will preach in the Court House, to-morrow, forenoon and evening. Service at 11 o'clock, a.m., and at half-past 6 p.m.

VAMOOSE.—Mr. Timothy Modeland has left Elora, and it is said, gone to the United States. He omitted to bid farewell to a number of people. The editor of the Times will mourn his absence to the tune of some ten or twelve dollars.

Past week, says the Reporter, a speculator from Guelph took away from Kincardine a drove of about one hundred young hogs, which he had purchased in the neighborhood, and for which he paid an average price of \$3 per hundred live weight.

Sir Thomas More, for a long time, having only daughters, his wife prayed earnestly that she might have a boy; at last they had a boy, when he grew up proved but simple. "Thou pray'dst so long for a boy," said Sir Thomas to his wife, "that at last thou hast got one who will be a boy as long as he lives."

THE BALLOT.—The County Council of Peterboro', one of the most conservative municipal corporations in Ontario, has adopted the ballot in the election of its Warden. Open voting created acrimonious feelings in the Council, and also interfered with the independence of members, and ballot has been resorted to as a remedy.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.—The newly elected Board of Agriculture, or more properly, Council of the Agricultural Association (the Board having been altered by the late Act) will hold its first meeting for organization in Toronto on Wednesday next. The business to be transacted is considerable and will, it is expected, necessitate a session of two or three days' duration.

The Mayor of New York, Mr. A. Oakley Hall, is bidding high for the Fenian vote. At a public meeting a few nights since he indignantly asked, "Shall the American nation maintain the supremacy of its citizens against the injustice and audacious domination of England?" Mr. Hall is a son of an Englishman, although born in New York. He understands how to pander to the popular clamor.

The steamers City of Paris and Russia left New York on the 10th for a race across the Atlantic. The matter was kept quiet, and it did not leak out until just before they started that there was going to be a trial of speed. A despatch from Queenstown states that the City of Paris arrived there at five o'clock yesterday morning, and the Russia an hour and a half later, showing that the contest was a close one. The trip was made from port to port in less than nine days.

FIRE IN NORVAL.—On the morning of the 10th inst., the large frame house owned and occupied by Mr. James R. Switzer, of Norval, was destroyed by fire. It is supposed the fire originated in some boxes, which were kept in a barrel in the shed. The furniture was partly saved, but, as is usually the case, was badly injured while being removed. We understand that the inhabitants of Norval and vicinity have kindly offered to rebuild the house, but Mr. Switzer declines to accept the generous offer.

ANOTHER OLD SETTLER GONE.—Death is making sad havoc at present among both old and young in our community. Our obituary yesterday contained the notice of the death of Mrs. Hefferman, wife of the late Thomas Hefferman, Esq., for many years well and widely known as a leading merchant in Guelph. Mrs. Hefferman was in poor health for some time, but was only a few days before her death that her complaint assumed a fatal character. She leaves a numerous circle of relatives and friends to lament her demise.

A DOLEFUL PICTURE.—The parliamentary correspondent of the Nouveau Monde gives a very bad picture of the morals and manners in Quebec, from which we extract the following:—"In Quebec, the houses of prostitution are numberless, and the streets are encumbered with their inhabitants. From three o'clock in the afternoon until late at night a shameless crowd insult peaceful and honest people. At street corners noisy loafers insult respectable females who cannot go out alone at the approach of night. There are associations of bullies collected from the lowest ranks of society always ready to give their services to any body who will pay them most. Candidates at elections hire these gangs, which control public meetings, intimidate the citizens, and cause riots. Everybody who has heard of the innumerable robberies, murders, and assaults committed every year in this city; and it is notorious that the police are inefficient, too timid, or are the accomplices of these cut-throats."

STARVATION IN ENGLAND.—On January 23rd, an inquiry was held at the Folio House Tavern, Cubitt Town, Isle of Dogs, by Mr. Humphreys, respecting the death from alleged starvation of Catherine Spence, aged 34 years, and her male child which expired on Thursday week. Upon the jury going to view the bodies of the deceased, they found them lying upon the floor in a top back room, the bed in which the deceased woman and child had died was composed of rags, and there were no bed clothes upon it. A small box placed upon a broken chair, had served as a table. Upon it lay a tract, entitled "The Goodness of God." The deceased, they found them lying upon the floor in a top back room, the bed in which the deceased woman and child had died was composed of rags, and there were no bed clothes upon it. A small box placed upon a broken chair, had served as a table. Upon it lay a tract, entitled "The Goodness of God." 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