

MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS.

The nomination of candidates for the Mayoralty, for the offices of Reeve, and Deputy Reeve, and for the four vacant Councillors' seats, will take place on Monday next. The nominations for the four first mentioned offices will be made in the Court House, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. The candidates for the position of Councillors will be nominated at 12 o'clock noon, at the following places—for the North Ward, in the Court House; for the East Ward, in the Town Hall; for the South Ward, in the School-house; and for the West Ward, in the Senior Girls' School-house. The retiring Councillors are: In the North Ward, Mr Harvey; East Ward, Mr Sayers; South Ward, Mr Hefernan; West Ward, Mr Galbraith.

THE MARKET TO-DAY.—There was a very large outside market to-day, which in view of Christmas was unusually well supplied with all kinds of poultry from the big well fed turkey and goose down to the plump spring chicken. Prices for fat turkeys and geese ranged from 50 cents each to \$1 according to size and quality. A large quantity of apples were also sold. Meat of all kinds was in plentiful supply—indeed there was no lack of everything good wherewith to furnish the Christmas tables.

FEARS FOR THE FUTURE.—In the discussion on the Bill to prevent unlawful drilling, etc., which was read a second time in the House on Wednesday night, the Hon. Mr. McGee again appeared in his favorite character of an "alarmist." He said he believed this to be a very critical period, and he should be sorry to see the country lulled into a false security. In his humble opinion, the next six months would be the most critical six months through which Canada had ever passed. He based this opinion partly on the fact that next year was the Presidential year, when influences would naturally be at work, dangerous to the peace, especially of our border districts.

PROBABLE RECONSTRUCTION.—There are reports in Ottawa that the Ministry will be reconstructed before the re-assembling of Parliament. It is especially weak in the Senate. Hon. Mr. Kenny, Receiver-General, has gone to Halifax. Mr. Archibald and Mr. Chapin still continue without seats. This places the Government in an embarrassing position, which will not much longer be tolerated, as it is now six months since the Government was organized.

ROME.—Notwithstanding the determined attitude of the French Government on the Roman question, the Italian Prime Minister Menabrea adheres to the opinion that Italy, in the course of time, will secure the annexation of Rome by moral force. Popular feeling in Italy runs clearly in another direction, and it is a significant fact that Rattazzi, the late Prime Minister, openly identifies himself on this question with the National party.

COAL OIL LAMPS. The Finest Assortment ever seen, at MR. HORSMAN'S.

THE MINNESOTA AND LAKE SUPERIOR RAILWAY.—Arrangements have been made which promise an early construction of the projected railroad from St. Paul to the western extremity of Lake Superior, distance 150 miles, in a nearly direct line. According to present calculations, seventy-five miles will be completed next year, and the whole by the end of 1869. The people of Minnesota reasonably attach much importance to this enterprise, as tending to complete the railway system of the State by connecting the great channels of trade which follow the direction of the St. Lawrence.

CLOSE OF PARLIAMENT.—The Government announced yesterday that His Excellency would come down to-day at 11 o'clock, and give the Royal assent to the Bills which had passed Parliament, and that Parliament would then adjourn till the 5th of March next. Although Parliament will stand adjourned till the 12th of March, of course, on the advice of Ministers, it may be called earlier or prorogued to a later period.

THE CUNARD LINE.—The Cunard steamers have been withdrawn from the Boston route. The new contract of the Company has relieved it of the necessity of sending its ships to that city, and it does not choose to send them there, because, as Sir E. Cunard says, in a letter which was published by the New York papers, freight cannot be had on as good terms as at New York. The Cunard vessels will cease, also, to call at Halifax; but their place will be supplied by the Inman line.

SERIOUSLY ILL.—The Hon. W. P. Howland is lying seriously ill at his residence in Toronto, from congestion of the liver, and abscess under the arm. He has been laid up for some days.

THE EARTHQUAKE.—The late earthquake seems to have extended from Port Hope, in the West; to Three Rivers and Sackville, N. B., in the east, and as far south as Rome, New York.

To the farmer, mc chanican & laborer: Spend your hard earned money where you can get the most General Groceries for the holidays at the lowest prices. This is at Geo. Wilkinson's, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

The Largest, Cheapest, and Best Assortment of Coal Oil

Parliament of Canada.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Ottawa, Dec. 20. Sir J. A. Macdonald stated that Government, before the adjournment of the House, would allow all the items on the paper, except the first and ninth, to stand over till March. The first was the third reading of the Bill respecting banks, and the ninth was certain resolutions respecting the rates of postage in Canada and Government Savings Banks. It was expected the House would get through with these resolutions and the Bill founded upon them in time to enable His Excellency to come down at 11 to-morrow and give the Royal assent to the measures which had passed Parliament. All the Bills relating to the organization of the departments would stand over till Parliament again met.

The Postal Bill was then brought up, and amended to-day so that in addition to petitions, the votes and proceedings and other papers printed by order of the Legislature of the several Provinces will go free. The deposits in the Post Office Savings Banks will be liable to seizure. When the seventh resolution, respecting postage on newspapers, came up, Mr. Chamberlain moved that it be not concurred in. He thought that revenue derived from newspaper postage was over estimated. The postage on newspapers sent from offices of publication would not amount during the coming year to more than \$60,000.

Sir John A. Macdonald said the resolutions proposed distinct relief to all the Provinces; to Ontario and Quebec a reduction in the rate of both letters and papers, and to the Maritime Provinces on letters. It was necessary also that the Post Office Department should as far as possible be self sustaining. If this source of revenue was removed, it would be impossible for that department to grant facilities in way of opening up new post offices which the progress of the country demanded. Of course, people would like to get their papers free of postage; but Government had in this instance, in the interest of public service, to resist popular feeling.

Mr. McKenzie moved that the 2nd resolution be not now concurred in, but that its further consideration be postponed till the 12th of March next.

The amendment was then negatived. Yeas, 23; Nays, 40.

Mr. Bodwell moved that the Bill be referred back to the Committee in order that the 7th section be struck out and the following substituted—that newspapers printed and published in Canada and sent to regular subscribers in Canada be mailed free.

The motion was then put, when upon a division there appeared—Yeas, 23; Nays 36.

The remainder of the resolutions were concurred in without division. On motion of Sir John A. Macdonald the Bill for the Regulation of the Postal Service, from the Senate, was read a second time and referred to Committee of the Whole, with the resolutions, which were reported with amendments.

THE POSTAL BILL.—The Montreal Daily News says: We have reason to believe that an omission in the Postal Bill is about to be rectified. So long ago as August, 1865, the Post Office Department had in contemplation to allow the transmission by book post, of partly written and partly printed documents, such as Insurance policies, legal writs, commissions, &c. In England this practice has obtained for many years, and it is a fact that such documents can now be sent across the Atlantic at much lower rates than are incurred in transmitting them from Montreal to the next post office. It seems extraordinary that while the framers of the new Postal Bill provided for the cheap transit of seeds, cuttings and bulbous roots," in the mail bags, the interests of Insurance Companies and of the legal profession have been altogether overlooked. We are glad to learn, however, there is a chance of a clause being added to the Bill providing that partly written and partly printed papers shall be sent at the reduced book rates—a provision so obviously reasonable and necessary that the wonder is how it could have escaped the notice of the framers of the Bill.

THE COAL OIL at MR. HORSMAN'S is decidedly the Purest and Best that has ever been sold in Town.—Only 15 Cents per Gallon.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.—Speaking upon this vexed question the New York Herald says:—Lord Stanley insists upon it that the late so-called Confederate States were entitled to the belligerent rights of a separate nationality, and here he stands. Mr. Seward insists that said States were nothing more than a league of insurgents and that they had no shadow of right to any belligerent rights under the law of nations, and there he stands. What, then, is to be done? Clearly, the only alternative left our government is to cut the Gordian knot in the simple Jacksonian ultimatum of indemnity or reprisals—the cash or the Canadas.

A Splendid Assortment of Electro-Plate Ware at HORSMAN'S—Very Cheap.

DIED OF COLD.—The Milton Champion says:—On Thursday evening last a poor woman, who was tramping on Dundas Street, was found dead near Mr. William Perkins'. She had called at Mr. Perkins' a few minutes before, and was very civil in her behavior although she had purchased some whiskey at Munn's Corner a short time before. She had apparently fallen over the fence into the road and perished from the intense cold. Dr. Buck held an inquest on the body and found a letter addressed to Mary Ann Speck, and a pin cushion marked A. S. She was a medium sized woman, and her hair was red.

FROZEN TO DEATH.—The cold night of Wednesday, the 11th inst, every person will remember. In the course of his sojourn with us old King Winter generally claims several victims, and on that night he seized at least one, for the Whitty Chronicle tells of a woman who was found in that frozen condition.

New Advertisements.

CROWDED TO EXCESS.

THE Great Clearing Sale continues to attract an immense number of customers anxious to participate in the

Extraordinary Bargains

being offered. The store is daily crowded to excess, and an immense quantity of Goods have been sold to the entire satisfaction of the purchasers. The sincerity of this sale, when compared with "other sales," will never be questioned by the most skeptical. CALL AT ONCE.

Guelph, 20th Dec, 1867. A. O. BUCHAM.

CHRISTMAS.

THE subscriber, though unfortunately left to battle alone with the trade of Upper Wyndham Street, begs to assure the public that he is determined not to surrender, but will, as usual, keep a full supply of

GENERAL GROCERIES

Wines and Liquors, Crockery, China and Glassware,

Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Tobaccos.

Good Green and Black Teas from 50c. per lb., Green and Ground Coffees. SUGARS—Muscovada, Leaf, Ground and Crushed. First class Cheung and Smoking Tobaccos.

Fruits and Sauces for Christmas & New Year

ALL TO GO OFF CHEAP.

WINES AND LIQUORS

will be sold as low as the Tariff and Excise Laws of the Dominion will permit. Always good value for your money on Upper Wyndham Street.

JAMES MURPHY.

Guelph, 21st December, 1867.

Canada Clothing Store. CLEARING SALE! FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR. No. 40. GUELPH. N. CROFT. Ready-made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Underclothing, &c. At Prime Cost for Cash only. No SECOND PRICES. Call early and secure some of the bargains, as the whole Stock must be sold THIS IS NO HUMBUG. Guelph, Dec. 18th, 1867. Canada Clothing Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

BIRTHS.

BRUCE.—In Guelph, Dec. 20th inst, the wife of Alex. Bruce of twin sons—both doing well.

New Advertisements.

Queen's Book 85 Cents.

NEW supply of the Queen's Book. Price 85c. At DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market. Guelph, 21st Dec, 1867. dw

SHOOTING MATCH!

A SHOOTING MATCH will be held at the Wellington Hotel Range, Rockwood, ON NEW YEAR'S DAY, for Turkeys, Geese, Pigeons, &c. For the Turkeys and Geese shooting will be done against a target at a range of about 300 yards, and the Pigeons will be shot after being let go from a trap. Every arrangement has been made for securing a day's good sport. Refreshments served on the ground free. WM. McHARDY, Wellington Hotel, Rockwood, 21st Dec, 1867. d3w1

MIDWIFERY.

MRS. MORRIS, Midwife. Residence, Essex Street, half way between the Market Square and Holiday's Brewery, first house east of Mr. Minnick's former residence. Guelph, 15th December, 1867. 41m

HAY IN TRUSSES

Constantly on hand. Also Straw for beds. TERMS CASH. JOHN WEST. Guelph, July 22. daw-1f

Insolvent Act of 1864

In the matter of GEO. ALEXANDER, of CHIFFORD, AN INSOLVENT.

THE creditors of the Insolvent are notified that he has made an assignment of his estate and effects under the above Act to me, the undersigned, Official Assignee, and they are required to produce before me, within two months from this date, their claims upon the said estate, under oath, specifying the security they hold, if any, and the value of it; and if none, stating the fact, with vouchers in support of such claims. THOMAS SAUNDERS, Official Assignee. Guelph, 19th December, 1867. ldw2

Four Corners' Hotel, ELIZABETH ROAD.

Gift Books

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Very Cheap, at

Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market.

Illustrated Books

Very Cheap, at

Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market.

Pocket Bibles

VERY CHEAP,

At Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market.

Wesley's Hymns

Very Cheap, at

Day's Bookstore

Opposite the Market.

Church Service

VERY CHEAP, AT

Day's Bookstore

Opposite the Market.

Hymn Books

Very Cheap, at

Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market.

Santa Claus' HEADQUARTERS.

IF YOU WANT TO BUY

Christmas Presents,

And New Year's Gifts,

that will be appreciated, you should call and see my Stock, which is the largest and most varied ever opened out in Guelph, including a large assortment of splendid

FRENCH GOODS

DIRECT FROM PARIS.

I don't intend advertising my CAKES and CONFECTIONERY as from the rapid manner in which they are moving off I find they are very extensively known without it.

Plati & Co's celebrated Oysters arriving daily. Oysters in Shell and Count Oysters shortly expected. H. BERRY. Guelph, 20th December, 1867. dw

A Merry Christmas!

PHOTOGRAPHS!

W. MARSHALL

HAS not time to write an advertisement for Christmas, and will only say that he returns his sincere thanks to his numerous friends for their liberal patronage during the past year.—Everybody is particularly requested to call during the Holidays and leave their orders for Photographs. A large stock of everything required for every size, style and kind of Photograph constantly on hand, at prices to suit the times. WM. MARSHALL, Artist, Day's Block. Guelph, 21st Dec, 1867. dw

Juvenile Books for Boys

Very Cheap, at

Day's Bookstore

Opposite the Market.

Juvenile Books for Girls

Very Cheap,

At Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market.

TOY BOOKS

Washable Books

VERY CHEAP, at

Day's Bookstore

Books for Xmas

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VERY CHEAP, AT

Day's Bookstore,

OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

Ladies' Satchels,

Gents' Satchel's,

Wax Dolls,

Fancy Goods, of every description.

VERY CHEAP, AT

Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market.

DAY BOOKS

LEDGERS

CASH BOOKS

JOURNALS

AT DAY'S

BOOKSTORE,

Opposite the Market.

Guelph, 19th December, 1867. dw

HENRY MULHOLLAND!

THE OFFICE

of Henry Mulholland is removed temporarily to the

READING ROOM OF

ELLIS' HOTEL,

Nearly Opposite the Old Stand.

Guelph, 17th December, 1867. dw

THE RED MILL

THE subscriber having put a steam engine in his Mill, farmers bringing in their Grists can rely on having them ground the same day. Chopping done every day.

FLOUR AND FEED

FOR SALE AT THE MILL.

GROUND PLASTER for sale at the Mill, and also at his Old Stand, near the Railway Crossing. GEORGE BALKWILL. Guelph 19th December, 1867. dw2m

NEW SHOP

SMITH & METCALF

BEG to inform their customers and the public that for the present they have opened a shop in the premises

Two doors North of the Post Office,

next door to Mr. Coffee's Hotel, where they will be prepared, as usual, to supply all articles in their line. The stock saved from the late fire will be sold at reduced prices. SMITH & METCALF. Guelph, 17th December, 1867. dw1f

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO'Y.

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GUELPH AGENCY.

Steam to Liverpool, Londonderry and Glasgow.

Steamship MORAVIAN, Portland to Liverpool, 7th December, 1867.

Tickets to and from the Old Country, Passage Ce tickets to bring friends out. Return Tickets for six months, issued at reduced rates. State ooms secured, and every information given on application. Insurance Policies for the voyage issued at the low rate of \$1 per 1,000 up to 10,000. Apply to

GEORGE A. OXNARD, Agent, G. T. R., Guelph. Guelph, Oct. 21 1867. da

CARD OF THANKS.

THE subscriber begs to acknowledge the payment in full of his claim against the Puslinch Mutual Fire Insurance Company for the loss sustained on the 8th July last, by fire, in the destruction of his dwelling House and contents. Absence from the Township prevented his publicly acknowledging earlier the prompt manner in which the Company paid his claim. JOHN CARTER. Puslinch, 17th December, 1867. w1

DOMINION SALOON,

(LATE GRAND'S SHADES SALOON.)

OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

CHOICE LIQUORS, Cigars, Oysters, &c., &c. Always on hand. Meals furnished at all hours. DENIS BUNYAN. Guelph, December 2, 1867. dawly

DEVON BULL FOR SALE

FOR sale by the subscriber, the Devon Bull "Prince William," 4 years old. He has taken eight premiums at the Provincial and County Shows, and also at the last New York State Fair. He is the best bull of the Devon