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Eating House.

C. H. DAVIS. RESPECTFULLY informs the people of Guelph and neighborhood, that he has opened a public

Eating House and Refreshment Rooms, A few doors above the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, where will be provided Meals at all reasonable hours, at moderate prices.

Oysters, Sardines, &c TO ORDER ON SHORT NOTICE.

An opening for a couple of Boarders.

CHAS. H. DAVIS. sid do 1f

NEW FRUIT!

For CHRISTMAS and NEW YEARS.

Crop of 1867.

New Layer Raisins, New Bunch Muscat Raisins, New Prime Valencia Raisins, New Seedless Raisins, New Putras Currants, New Choice Turkey Figs, New Soft Shelled Almonds, New Walnuts and Filberts, New Brazil Nuts, New Canned Fruits, New Candied Lemon, Orange and Citron Peel.

A new stock of General Groceries, Crockery, China and Glassware, now complete in every department.

GEORGE WILKINSON. Next door to Telegraph and Express Office. Guelph, 27th November, 1867. daw-1f

Valuable Building Lots for Sale

IN EVERTON.

THE subscriber offers for sale, cheap for cash, two valuable building lots in the Village of Everton, being No. 132 and No. 133, as laid out on the map made by Wm. Hoskins, Esq., P.E.S.—There are two-fifths of an acre of land in the two lots, and being close to the Disciples' Meeting House, and in a central part of the Village, form excellent sites for building on. For terms apply at the Mercury Office, or (by letter post-paid) to DUNCAN ROBERTSON, Everton P.O. Guelph, Nov. 19th, 1867. wt

COLT STRAYED.

STRAYED from the premises of the subscriber, on Wednesday the 27th, a roan two year old filly, in good condition, both hind feet white, also high fore foot, mane light colored. The mane is badly matted with burrs. She was bought at Mr. John West's sale, and he bought her from Mr. John Howitt, who bred her. Any one returning her to the owner, or giving such information at this office as will lead to her recovery, will be suitably rewarded.

JOHN W. ARMSTRONG, Lot 27, 1st Concession, Eramosa. Guelph, 29th Nov, 1867. dsw1

The Wizard Soap

W. F. FOX & CO.

HAVE commenced to manufacture the celebrated Wizard Soap in Guelph. It is superior to any other.

SOAP for all kinds of WASHING

IT REMOVES STAINS, PAINT, GREASE OR TAR.

Does not injure the hands, takes less labor, and gives the clothes a better appearance.

Sold at one-third the price of any soap of equal quality in the market—14 lbs. for 50 cents. Orders sent to

Business Education!

THE importance of a thorough Business Education is pressing itself upon the attention of commercial circles more and more every day, and its advantages are perhaps more emphatically shown by nothing more than by the vast ground on which it places the fully trained clerk above the imperfectly trained one, when looking for a situation.

THE BRITISH AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COLLEGE has in full operation such a course of instruction as to give it practical fitness to do the work proposed.

An important characteristic of this Institution is its naturally organized actual business system, whereby the College is made a type or model not only of an extensive business house, but even of a large trading community. Another distinctive feature of this College is that it attempts no extraneous teaching. Its work is clear, and to the accomplishment of that work every effort is directed. Just as the University and Grammar Schools must be separate institutions, so the Commercial College and the Elementary School must be distinct. Common sense and experience alike show that such a combination is not compatible with efficiency.

The time required to complete the full course varies considerably, according to the attendance, attention and ability of each student. Young men however are earnestly advised against the injurious practice of hurrying through the course from the mistaken idea that they will thus be gainers by the saving of money in the item of board. Infinitely more advantageous would it be to the student, since his full course of tuition is already paid for, to incur the comparatively small additional expense of a few weeks board in order to make himself completely master of the course; and thus, by a small present outlay, qualify himself for some lucrative situation. The readiness that such haste entails is highly detrimental, not only to the student himself, but also to the College where he graduates; and, besides, it brings opprobrium on Commercial Colleges generally. The common practice, therefore, of holding out this crowding system as an inducement to students is most deceptive and highly reprehensible.

We were again awarded the First Prize at the late Provincial Exhibition, Kingston, for the best specimen of Business Penmanship, and an Extra Prize for our system of Writing.

For Penmanship, Circulars, &c., address—

MUSGROVE & WRIGHT, October 12, 1867. daw-1f TORONTO

TEAS. TEAS.

A LARGE Lot just received of New Crop

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Equal to any sold at 57 1/2 Cents!

A SPLENDID ARTICLE,

Equal to any sold at 57 1/2 Cents!

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:..... MACDONNELL STREET.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 3.

GUELPH POST OFFICE.

Arrival and Delivery of Mails.

Table with columns: DELIVERY, CLOSE, A.M., P.M., A.M., P.M. Lists arrival and delivery times for Hamilton, Grand Western, Grand Trunk, West, Toronto, etc.

Monday, Wed'y & Friday, 11.30 P.M. 12.30

Adjourned Inquest.

The adjourned inquest on the case of the boy, Thomas Chamberlain, was resumed last (Monday) night. Geo. Hough had been deputed by the Coroner to examine the premises and draw out a plan of the house. The latter he explained to the jury, and gave a verbal description of the house. He found two panes of glass broken, one on the right hand upper corner, and the other immediately below it. The latter he took out, it was in three pieces, and the edges were indented. The blind was also produced, it was torn or cut, and one or two small holes in it.

Mrs. Reeves was the second witness called. Mrs. Joseph Foster told her on Saturday that she had been sick about the previous day. The noise on Monday night was much louder than on Friday night—it was a great and dismal noise. She had no conversation with Foster regarding the shooting, but he said that he would have a warrant out for the apprehension of those engaged in the charivari for breaking into his house, and at the same time he had a gun in his hand.

Foster was at this time in her house. These were the chief points in her evidence that had not been set forth repeatedly by previous witnesses.

Wm. Atkinson was examined, but revealed nothing new.

George Foster (nephew of Joseph Foster) was next called. He had helped to remove his uncle's furniture, on Tuesday 26th ult., into Eramosa, Foster giving as a reason for wishing to remove, that he was afraid they would burn the house about him.

Dr. Orton, jun., visited the boy, Chamberlain, and found gunshot wounds extending from the middle of the right thigh down to the ankle, on the outside of the leg. By probing the wounds he found that the shot entered in a direction sloping downwards—the probe forming an acute angle with the leg. He prescribed for him such remedies as he considered proper on that occasion, and at intervals until Wednesday morning, when he saw symptoms of mortification. He gave instructions as to the position of the limb and sent down a lotion. This was the last time he saw him alive. He had heard Dr. Clarke's evidence and corroborated it.

The evidence of George Foster, son of Joseph Foster, was considered as of very great importance, and it was resolved to postpone further enquiry until Tuesday evening, in order that he might be present. It is understood that he is in Eramosa.

Garafra Township Council.

The Council met on the 23rd ult., members all present; the Reeve in the chair. The amended report of the Auditors was received and ordered to be engrossed on the minutes. The following is the report: Gentlemen, In consequence of an error of twenty-seven dollars and ten cents, which we had no means of detecting, having been discovered in the accounts showing the amount of arrears of taxes deducted by order of Council, the balance remaining in the hands of the Treasurer will now be only \$1443.02c, instead of \$1470.12c, as stated in stated in our report of 16th April, 1867. We have further to report to you that, from statements made by the Treasurer and Clerk, there remains a balance of \$17.07 still unaccounted for by the Collector. Jas. Inlay and Andrew Semple, Auditors. Moved by Mr. Hamilton, sec. by Mr. Piper, that Leonard Short be refunded on account of having ordered to pay tax for Andrew Blair's batch, and that the Collector enforce the same from the said Blair. It was ordered that \$2 be refunded to Henry Lamb, and \$1 to Morris Cook, on account of having been erroneously assessed for dogs. Moved by Mr. Hamilton, sec. by Mr. McLellan, that the Auditors be paid each the sum of \$4 for their services; and for extra service each \$4, and that the Reeve give an order for the year 1867, as it is shown by assessment: to David Lindsay, \$1.58; A. Mulloy, \$1.36; Joseph Scalfie, \$1.48; Jas. Hutchinson, \$1.00; Wm. Clarke, \$1.70; Wm. Wilton, \$1.10; M. McFadyen, \$1; J.S. Black, \$1. The Reeve was allowed two dollars sent by him to the General Hospital for the sick boy, Kearney. On motion of Mr. Hamilton, sec. by Mr. McLellan, the Treasurer was instructed to pay Jno. and Wm. McDermott \$10.07, arrears of taxes for the year 1867, as it is shown by County Treasurer's certificate that the same has been settled by him. Moved by Mr. Hunter, sec. by Mr. McLellan, that the following claims for damage to sheep by dogs be paid out of the proper funds, and the Reeve give an order for the same.—John Tibbet, \$12, costs \$1.50; Thos. Madill, \$5, costs \$1.50; Arch Brown \$32.50, costs \$1.30; John Tolton, \$60.00, costs \$1.50; L. Simpson, \$12, costs \$1.50; Rich. Conely, \$16, costs \$1.50; Alex. Ferrier, \$4, costs \$1.—The above parties having presented satisfactory certificates signed by two Justices of the Peace. On motion, leave was granted to introduce a by-law granting \$30,000 to the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway, with a promise that in the event of the said by-law being approved of by the ratepayers the Council shall have power to grant \$10,000 to the Orangeville Tramway, should they consider it expedient. The Council then resolved into committee of the whole to fill up the by-law for taking stock in the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway. The Reeve was authorized to settle with Judge Macdonald according to his offer. Moved and seconded, that each of the Commissioners be paid the sum of \$11 for their services for the year 1867, and the Deputy Reeve give an order for the same. The Council then adjourned until Saturday, 30th November, to meet at Rutledge's.

Cattle Fairs.

Flora, 1st Tuesday of every month. New Hamburg, 1st Tuesday of each month. Guelph, 1st Wednesday of every month. Berlin, 1st Thursday of every month. Clinton, 2nd Monday of every month. Crosshill, 2nd Monday of every month. Waterloo, 2nd Tuesday of every month. Guelph P. O., Nov. 18, 1867.

Local News.

TRAINS OFF.—Travellers will notice that the 6.45 p.m. train east, and the 2.45 a.m. train west, on the Grand Trunk have been stopped since Saturday last.

GUELPH CURLING CLUB.—The annual meeting of the above Club will be held on Wednesday evening the 4th, in the Town Hall, for the election of skips and office-bearers, and for the transaction of other business.

A LARGE RAT.—A correspondent of the London Advertiser says an enormous rat was killed on lot 24, 2nd concession of Delaware, last Monday. It measured 23 inches from the point of the nose to the tip of the tail, and its weight was nearly four pounds.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—The proprietors of the Guelph Mercury announce that they will commence with the year 1868, another new and interesting story, which will be alone worth the subscription of the paper; it is entitled "The Maiden's Choice." The Mercury is far ahead of any of its town contemporaries, and it is well worthy of the extensive patronage which has been bestowed upon it. We wish the proprietors, Messrs. McLagan & Innes continued success, for by the enterprise they have shown they certainly deserve it.—Brantford Expositor.

THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY.—The December number of this talented and popular magazine contains the conclusion of Dr. Holmes's "Guardian Angel." Minor Elizabethan Dramatists, by E. P. Whipple; Among the Workers in Silver, by James Parton; Literature as an Art, by T. W. Higginson; A Young Desperado, by J. K. Medbery; A Visit to the Balaic Islands, by Bayard Taylor; A Mysterious Personage, by John Neal;—and six other stories, essays and poems. The publishers publish a most attractive prospectus for 1868. Charles Dickens will furnish an original story entitled "George Silverman's Explanation," to run through three or four numbers. Dr. L. I. Hayes, the Arctic voyager, will contribute a series of papers on "Life in Greenland and the Arctic Regions," similar in character to "Doctor Moltke." James Parton will continue to furnish articles on cities of the United States, with prominent Industrial and other topics. An article on "Pittsburg," will appear in the January number. Bayard Taylor, who is now in Europe, will contribute regular papers on "Out-of-the-way corners of the Old World." Two excellent Serial Stories will be commenced in the January number. In addition to these, Emerson, Hale, Whipple, Read, Sillman, Longfellow, Holmes, Mrs. Stowe and other able writers will contribute to its pages. The Atlantic Monthly is published by Ticknor & Fields, Boston, at four dollars a year. It and their favorite "juvenile monthly," "Our Young Folks," are sent together for five dollars.

BURGULARIES NEAR BRANTFORD.—The Expositor tells of a burglary which was attempted in the house of a Mr. McVicar, residing between Brantford and Paris, on Tuesday last week. The robber had entered the house, when the noise he made woke Mrs. McVicar; she alarmed her spouse, but the robber made his exit by the window before he could be caught. It is thought he had an accomplice outside, and they fired some shots as they departed to deter pursuit. Another house not far from Mr. McVicar's was attempted the night previous, but a dog inside kept things safe.

HONORABLY ACQUITTED.—The Dundas Banner says that at the last meeting of the Beverly Township Council Mr. Wallace McDonald, Clerk of that Township, who had been charged with making use of his office as Clerk for the benefit of the conservative party, by not returning the roll for 1867 in time to be made use of at the elections, has been entirely exonerated. We understand that Mr. McDonald returned the roll at the time he usually returned it in former years, and that he had no instructions from the Council to act otherwise.

The Rest White Coal Oil

Can now be had at MR. HORSMAN'S

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

The President's Message.

New York, Dec. 3.—The following is a summary of the President's Message:—

The President opens by saying that the continuous disorganization of the nation, to which he has so often called the attention of Congress, is yet a subject of profound and patriotic concern. It is to him a source of profound regret in complying with the obligation imposed upon him by the constitution, to give Congress from time to time information of the state of the union, he is unable to communicate any definite adjustment satisfactory to the American people of the questions which, since the close