

To the Electors and Ratepayers OF THE TOWN OF GUELPH. After a number of years services in your Council, as well as in the Board of School Trustees, I have resolved, at the desire of many partial friends, to become a candidate for the Mayoralty for the ensuing year.

GUELPH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY. The annual meeting of the above Society will be held at Ellis' Hotel, Guelph, on Wednesday, 13th January, 1869.

NOTICE. In accordance with the provisions of the new Agricultural Act, it will be necessary for all who intend to vote at the Annual Meeting to pay their subscriptions for the ensuing year prior to the 1st of January, 1869.

AUCTIONS SALE OF BOOKS, Every Night, At M. Shewan's Old Stand, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE OF DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c., in the Village of Acton.

CARTER'S (LATE WEBSTER'S) FLOUR & FEED STORE. The subscriber having purchased the entire business of Mr. William Webster, begs to notify the public that he is prepared to sell.

DENIS BUNYAN. FRESH OYSTERS! Of the best quality always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice.

PLANCHETTE. The subscriber has opened a new Butcher Shop on the London Road, near the Guelph Marble Works.

SHEWAN'S OLD STAND. Hundreds of thousands of this the greatest curiosity of the age have been sold in the United States and Canada.

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.

THE BOUND VOLUME FOR 1868 OF THE BRITISH WORKMAN. Infants' Magazine. Children's Friend. Band of Hope. Sunday at Home. Leisure Hour.

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Opposite the Market. Guelph, 28th December.

COTTAGE TO LET. To let a cottage opposite the farm of P. G. W. Esq., M. P., containing four rooms and a cellar, 21 acres attached, splendid garden well stocked with fruit.

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E. HARVEY & CO. No. 1 WHITE GOAL OIL. Of the best quality. Wholesale and Retail.

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NEW BUTCHER SHOP. The subscriber has opened a new Butcher Shop on the London Road, near the Guelph Marble Works.

HARTFORD Fire Insurance Company. Incorporated in 1810. CAPITAL, \$2,000,000. Special Rates for Dwellings and contents for terms of one to three years.

MASSONIC FESTIVAL.

The brethren of Speed Lodge, Guelph, celebrated the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist's Day by a grand Festival in the Masonic Hall last (Tuesday) night. The celebration last year was so successful, and everything connected with it got up into the air, that it was done over by the Masonic fraternity, that public curiosity was this year aroused long ere the eventful day in anticipation of what they would be able to accomplish under more favourable circumstances, and public desire was as strongly manifested to be present, as was shown by the fact that long before the time of the celebration all the tickets issued were sold.

The company began to arrive shortly before eight o'clock, and were conducted by the members of the committee to the reception room. When all were assembled there would not be less than 200 ladies and gentlemen, comprising the beauty and fashion of Guelph and vicinity among whom we noticed many of our leading citizens who are not members of the fraternity.

As Worshipful Master of Speed Lodge, I am called upon to preside upon this occasion, and it is a great honor and pleasure to me to be permitted to preside upon this occasion, and it affords me the greatest, and most unalloyed pleasure, to see so many of our townpeople in our Hall. Although absent from the festivities of our Lodge last year, I take it for granted that the present large assembly may, to some extent, be attributed to the success of the efforts of the brethren on that occasion.

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EXERCISES AT THE SCAFFOLD. HE PROTESTS HIS INNOCENCE. On Tuesday morning at half past ten, Thomas Jones, the Delaware prisoner, underwent the extreme penalty of the law, in front of London gaol, for the murder of his niece on the 11th of June last, in the Township of Delaware.

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TOWN COUNCIL. An adjourned meeting of the Town Council took place last night. Present, the Mayor in the chair, Messrs. Heffernan, Day, Howard, Buckland, Sayers, Hadwick, McCarry, Mays, Mitchell, Harvey and Melvin. The Clerk read the minutes.

Mr. Mitchell read a petition from N. Croft regarding taxes on some property which had passed out of his possession shortly after being assessed. Referred to Finance Committee. Mr. Chadwick presented the report of the Finance Committee.

Mr. Sayers submitted a statement of expenditure by Relief Com. during the year. It was as follows:—For general relief \$480.00; grant to Red River Settlers \$150; Sisters of St. Joseph, amount of account, \$10; total \$640.00. The grant to the Committee for the year was \$620, leaving a balance of \$20.00 unprovided for, which sum they asked to be granted.

SALE OF DRY GOODS. Mr. William Stewart having formed the resolution to retire from the retail business, intends to effect a clearance of his stock by offering it after the 6th of January, at cost, and in many cases at less.

EXECUTION OF JONES THE MURDERER.

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The Nassagaweya Ploughing Match.

SIR—I noticed in your issue of the 10th Dec. a letter written by a person who called himself "Justice," and he quite overshadows the views of your correspondent of the 19th Nov., and says that he has neither intellect, energy or capacity to promote a single scheme and finally finishes off by calling him a dough-head. Well, Mr. Editor, I must say that I had the pleasure if I might so call it of attending the ploughing match in question, and I can safely say that your correspondent's letter known by the name of dough-head was quite correct in every statement made by him, but taking every thing into consideration I must say that it was very ungrateful of him to expose the officials of our Agricultural Society so much as to publish them in a newspaper. But I cannot blame him so much after all when I think of the way and manner in which one of the Judges expressed his opinion in regard to the first class men. He formerly stated that it was not judged according to his opinion. But we will let it go as the old saying is two heads are better than one supposing they are only cabbage heads.

I remain, your truly, E. MORRIS, Agent.

Guelph Temperance Society.

The annual meeting of the Guelph Temperance Society was held in their hall last (Tuesday) night. After the usual opening prayer, the Secretary read the report, from which it appeared that the Society, so far as regards membership and money matters, is in a prosperous condition. A fund has been raised for paying a visiting agent, the Rev. Jas. Howie, who devotes one day in each week to the work. During the past year the weekly meetings have been well attended, and the hope is that they have not been without salutary effect.

Punishment Election.

A number of the leading ratepayers in the Township met at Johnston's Hotel, Aberfoyle, on Monday night, for the purpose of deciding on a fit and proper person to contest the municipality for the office of Reeve, among whom we noticed Messrs. Stirling, M. P., John Clark, sr., Thos. Ellis, Kenneth McKenzie, Samuel Taylor, Duncan McFarlane, Robert McLeod, Peter Grant, jr., Joseph Grant, A. McRobbie, Peter Stewart, Arch. Gillies, and many other leading men of the township. Mr. Ellis moved, seconded by Mr. McKenzie, that the Rev. James McKenzie be nominated for the office of Reeve, and that the Rev. James McKenzie be nominated for the office of Reeve, and that the Rev. James McKenzie be nominated for the office of Reeve.

New Year gifts, pocket bibles, gift books, gentlemen's pocket diaries, albums, ladies' work boxes, writing desks, toy books and other goods in great variety received expressly for New Year. Gifts very cheap at Day's Bookstore.

A couple of gold bracelet clasps were dropped at the Masonic Festival last evening, and the party who picked them up will confer a favour by leaving them with Mr. Crifford.

BALL-ROOM ETIQUETTE OF A MAORI. A correspondent of the Panama Star reports an incident which occurred at a ball in Wellington, New Zealand. The "elite only," says the writer, were present. Among the elite, however, was Mote Kingi, one of the Maori representatives, who is described as a savage who cannot speak English. He moved about scarcely speaking, but at last, seeing a lady with very fine arms which were bare a little above the elbow, he went up to her, and, pointing to her arm, said, "Kaipai, kaipai, fat" (good, good, fat) at the same time snacking his lips.