

## Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET

SATURDAY EV'NG, DEC. 19TH, 1898.

NOTICE.—Hereafter local editorial business notices will be charged at the rate of ten cents per line in every edition of the Mercury.

### Centre Wellington.

#### MR. BROWN DECLINES THE NOMINATION.

We find the following in the *Weekly Globe* of Friday, in reference to the nomination tendered to Hon. Mr. Brown by the Reformers of the Centre Riding of Wellington. No doubt we shall have a more formal announcement from Mr. Brown, of his declining to be a candidate, but in the meantime we must accept the statement contained in the following paragraph as coming from Mr. Brown himself, else it would not have appeared in the *Globe*.

"The meeting of delegates, from the various municipalities of the Centre Riding of Wellington, assembled at Fergus on Monday last, to select a candidate for the representation of the Riding in the Commons, in the place rendered vacant by the demise of Dr. Parker. The Hon. George Brown was unanimously nominated, but he declined to be a candidate. As yet the Conservatives have no one forward."

### THE NORTH-WEST.

The London *Canadian News*, from which we glean most of our information regarding the progress of negotiations for the transfer of the North West Territory to Canada, conveys the intelligence that a despatch has been received by the Hudson's Bay Company from the Colonial Minister, in which the views of the Imperial Government on the subject are set forth. The terms, which are said to be the Government ultimatum, bear somewhat of a resemblance to those mentioned in the Bill brought before the British Parliament last summer. The Company are to surrender to the Imperial Government all territorial rights to the entire property, but are to retain their existing trading posts, with a reservation of land around each, (the number of acres is not stated) and receive a proportion of the proceeds of land sales, and of the royalty on gold mines. There is no difference between these terms and those proposed some time ago, further than that the arbitrary demands of the Company are likely to be somewhat modified. The language is indefinite, but it seeks to convey this idea. The land to be secured to them around each of their trading posts is now defined as a "reasonable reservation," whereas it was previously a large number of acres. But at all events, it seems pretty certain that whenever a bargain is concluded, the best sites for towns and villages will be left in possession of the Company. The minimum price of the land under this new protocol is fixed at one shilling per acre, and as realized, is to be divided. Formerly the total monetary demand of the Company from lands and mines was set down at a million sterling, but now power is reserved to commute the amounts from these sources upon payment by the Canadian Government of a sum of money not exceeding a quarter of a million sterling. In the event of these terms being rejected, an immediate demand will be made upon the Company to organize a government for the territory which shall be adequate for the protection of the inhabitants; and to do this effectually, will require an expenditure of £25,000 a year. These may seem hard terms to the monopolists, but they have had their day, and made a good thing of it. A quarter of a million to buy them out of every place but their trading posts, would be a good investment by our Government, which could then offer some millions of acres of splendid lands to those who had the energy to till them.

### TURKEY AND GREECE.

Trouble threatens between Turkey and the foolishly heroic little country, Greece. The latter has been provoking the Sultan for a long time by giving aid and comfort to the Cretan insurgents, whom all the powers of Turkey have been unable to crush. Exasperated with the conduct of the Greeks, the Sultan sent them an ultimatum, in which he requires the disbandment of volunteers in Greece, and prohibition of further volunteering; the dismantling of vessels conveying supplies to Crete; restoration to the island of Cretan refugees; punishment of persons who assaulted a Turkish officer, and a conforming with the terms of all treaties.

The latest intelligence is that the Greeks rejected the terms. This is precisely what might be expected, for although Greece is not the country it was in the days of Xerxes, it is said that the modern Greeks are very fond of remembering that they are sprung from ancestors who performed wonders in the military line. The Sultan scowls and threatens vengeance, but Greece is the ward of three great powers, and can, perhaps, afford to be saucy. At all events, while she is their particular care, Turkey will not be allowed to annihilate her. Their intervention may yet prevent hostilities.

### Mr. Greeley on Duties.

Mr. Greeley paid a visit to the Corn Exchange in Montreal, and in reply to a question by the President of the Association, if he thought it fair, that when the Eastern States wanted better flour than could be produced from the wheat of the Western States manufacturers had to pay a duty of \$1.20 per barrel in addition to freight and charges, made answer as follows: That it certainly would be very pleasant for the 2,000,000 of people inhabiting the north-eastern portion of the country to receive lumber, and flour of Canada without duty, but the New England States from only a small part of the country, which contained over 30,000,000 of people, and the interests of the whole country had to be considered. The New England people were largely engaged in manufacturing, and were supported by a high tariff. Western States purchased these manufactures at a high price than they would have to pay but for this tariff, and it would not be fair to them to allow these manufacturers to import their supplies of lumber, flour, &c. free of duty. His idea was, that something like the German Zollverein ought to be agreed to between the United States and Canada, having no custom houses on the border, and dividing duties collected on the cost proportionate. This would save much trouble, and give a great impetus to trade and manufactures in Canada. They were determined to pay their debt, principal and interest, and would soon resume specie payments, but even then, and always, there would be a considerable difference between the cost of living and manufacturing here and in the United States, which would give Canada a great advantage. If she had free trade with the States she would be able to import largely of American produce and manufacture them for export. Mr. Greeley took a very encouraging view of the mineral and other national wealth of Canada, and the great future that lay before this country, and his remarks were throughout received with deep attention.

**WILD CHERRY BALM.**—The memory of Dr. Wistar is embalmed in the hearts of thousands whom his *Balm of Wild Cherry* has cured of coughs, colds, consumption, or some other form of Pulmonary disease. It is now over forty years since this preparation was brought before the public, and yet the demand for it is constantly increasing.

**CAPTURE OF WHISKEY.**—Mr. Inspector Davis, assisted by officers Renzie and Nicholas, of the Inland Revenue service, captured at Orangeville on the 18th inst., eight barrels of the spirits recently stolen from the bonded warehouse and traced to Anderson's distillery near Fergus.

It is expected that the Mayor, Reeve and Deputy-Reeve, of Galt will be re-elected by acclamation.

### SKATES.

Skates, skate straps, skate gimlets, skate screws, a large variety of skates suitable for ladies and gentlemen, quite cheap, at

**JOHN HORSMANN'S,**  
Hardware Merchant, Guelph.

### New Advertisements.

#### ELECTION OF MAYOR FOR 1899.

#### TOWN OF GUELPH

THE VOTE AND INTEREST OF the Electors are respectfully solicited in favor of

#### MR. ROBT. MELVIN

FOR MAYOR.

TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND OTHERS.

The thanks of the undersigned will be bestowed on the Gentlemen who borrowed the undated Books from their Library, if they will return the same forthwith.—Adam's Election, *McMillan on Costs*, Vol. 5 and 6 U. C. L. J. (n.s.), 24 Q. B. U. C. L. J. (n.s.) 1896.

LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers.

Guelph, Dec. 19. d2

#### ASPEED LODGE, No. 180.

An Emergency Meeting of this Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 22nd, at half-past 7 o'clock.

JOHN CRIDFORD, Secretary.

Guelph, Dec. 17. d3

#### OPENING NOTICE.

#### The GUELPH BAKERY

Upper Wyndham Street.

H. BERRY in taking this opportunity of thanking his numerous customers for the very liberal patronage bestowed on him, begs to intimate that owing to the rapid increase of his Wholesale Confectionery business, he has disposed of his bread business to ARCHIBALD GILCHRIST, who he has great pleasure in recommending, and who, he is confident, will do his utmost to give satisfaction to all who may patronize him.

#### A. GILCHRIST

Has much pleasure in informing the public that he has opened the Store

#### NEXT DOOR TO M. SODEN'S,

Where he hopes by strict personal attention to business, and keeping a first-class article, to merit the share of public patronage so long bestowed on his predecessor.

ARCHIBALD GILCHRIST,

Fancy Bread, Biscuit & Cake Baker.

Guelph, Dec. 19.

#### BOOKS FOR

#### CHRISTMAS

Presents.

Just received, a Large Stock of

#### BOOKS

Suitable for Christmas Presents. A Splendid Stock of

Juvenile Books

Pocket Bibles

Gift Books

Illustrated Books

Good Books

You are sure to get what you want in the above lines at

#### DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

Opposite the Market.

Guelph, Dec. 19. d4

## R. RAE & CO.

IMPORTERS OF

### China, Crockery, Glassware, AND FANCY GOODS. ALMA BLOCK, GUELPH, ONT.

HAVING purchased of Messrs. JAMES MASSIE & CO. their stock of Crockery and Glassware, imported this Fall, and rented the large and commodious premises adjoining their wholesale Grocery Store in the New Alma Block, we propose carrying on a large and exclusively Wholesale business in the above line.

From the facilities we possess in a practical knowledge of the business, and by buying for cash in the best markets of England, France, Germany and America, we are prepared to offer our Goods at prices that will compete favorably with any House in the Province.

Guelph is a specially central point, offering facilities for the transmission of Goods in all directions. Under such circumstances we have confidence in soliciting an examination of our stock before purchases are made elsewhere, confident that we can offer inducements unsurpassed in the Trade. We are now opening

#### 500 Crates of Granite and Common Ware, And 300 packages of Glassware, China & Fancy Goods

Comprising a complete assortment in these lines.

Prompt attention given to all orders, and all Goods carefully packed by experienced warehousemen.

Guelph, 19 December. d1w-w1

## R. RAE & CO.

### The Sale of Cloths, Clothing, AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,

STILL GOING ON

#### AT JAMES CORMACK'S, MERCHANT TAILOR, No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

now on hand the Largest, Best Assorted and

#### Cheapest Stock of Goods in the Province,

Being purchased by and the Clothing manufactured under, the personal superintendence of the subscriber, he can with confidence recommend them to his numerous customers and the public. Another lot of these FINE

#### BEAVER OVERCOATS

Just made. Will arrive in a few days.

#### ANOTHER LOT OF THOSE CHEAP SHIRTS AND DRAWERS

For which there has been such a run. Keep up the demand, and I will keep up the supply at as low prices as can be bought at cost or under.

Guelph, December 19th. d4

## JAMES CORMACK.

### ARRIVED

#### The First Lot this Season

#### FRESH HADDOCK

#### FRESH LOBSTERS, in the Shell

ANOTHER LOT OF THOSE VERY

#### Superior Haddies

#### PIATT & CO'S

#### BALTIMORE OYSTERS

SELECT, ARRIVING DAILY.

#### SOLD TO THE TRADE AT HAMILTON AND TORONTO PRICES.

#### GEORGE WILKINSON,

Guelph, 18th December. d4

SOLE AGENT FOR GUELPH.

#### R. J. JEANNERET,

From England.

Established in London, Ont. 1842 and in Guelph 1863.)

#### WORKING WATCHMAKER

AND JEWELER

#### DAYS BLOCK,

Opposite the Market Guelph.

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

Guelph, December 17th. d4w

#### AUCTIONS SALE

OF

#### BOOKS,

TO-NIGHT,

At M. Shewan's Old Stand,

Wyndham St., Guelph.

J. B. THORNTON, Manager of Sale d4w tf

Guelph Dec. 8, 1898.

#### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

The undersigned begs to intimate to the public that he will remain one month longer in Guelph, for the purpose of selling his farm and leasing his hotel. If the farm is not sold by the end of that time it will be let on shares.

JAMES O'NEIL

Guelph, Dec. 11. d4w 1m

#### THE GUELPH MELODEON COMPANY

PANY

From England.

Established in London, Ont. 1842 and in Guelph 1863.)

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AND JEWELER

#### DAYS BLOCK,

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

Guelph, December 17th. d4w

#### THE FIRST PRIZE

on both MELODEONS and CABINET ORGANS at the Provincial Exhibition for 1898, which was open to all the world.

As we want all our instruments for Five Years, the public will easily see that it is to their interest to buy from us rather than from an agent of some distant New England firm, whose guarantee amounts simply to nothing, even on instruments which they consider good enough to put their names on.

LONGCREDIT given to responsible parties, or a liberal discount for cash in full. Usual discount to Clergymen, Churches, Schools, &c.

Factory and Warehouse in the Old Gore Bank Building, East Market Square.

BELL, WOOD & CO., Guelph, Ont.

Guelph, December 18th, 1898. d1w1

#### MONEY TO LEND.

The undersigned are requested to obtain Farm Securities for several thousand dollars, to be lent at moderate interest.

LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers, Solicitors, &c.

Guelph, Dec. 9th, 1898. d1w1

## Distinguished Arrivals

AT

### A. O. BUCHAM'S.

An Immense Stock of CLOTHS, in every color, from Three York Shillings up. Another lot of the celebrated

## "GRECIAN BEND."

THE

### AMERICAN "FELT SKIRTS,"

Something quite new for Ladies and Misses.

DRESS AND JACKET BUTTONS, a splendid lot just in. BREAKFAST SHAWLS for \$1 and \$1.25, worth nearly double the money. DUNDAS COTTONS at 10c. 11c. 12c. An extra heavy article, 1 yard wide, 14c.

BLANKETS—On hand, 200 pair extra heavy Canada Blankets, from \$2.50 up, well adapted to meet the wants of the people during the cold weather.

### LADIES OF GUELPH!

Visit our establishment during the coming week. We are now opening up and showing an immense stock of New Goods suited for the present season, at remarkable prices. Call and see.

### A. O. BUCHAM.

Wyndham St., Guelph, December 19. d4

## CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

### Beautiful Jewellery!

When you buy your Christmas Presents,

DO NOT FORGET TO CALL AND SEE

## D. SAVAGE'S

Beautiful Stock of Jewellery.

Wyndham Street, Guelph, 18th December. d4

## B. L. S.

Lately with Messrs. James Massie & Co., and formerly with W. J. Brown & Co., has opened out a large stock of

## Groceries, Wines and Liquors

DINNER and TEA SETS, GLASSWARE, &c.

Call and judge for yourselves as to quality and price, at the Store.

### Next Door to THE ALMA BLOCK, Guelph.

#### LANGDON

FOR WINES and LIQUORS.

#### LANGDON

For the best Smoking and Chewing Tobacco.

#### LANGDON

FOR TEAS.

#### LANGDON

For the Best Assortment of CROCKERY.

#### LANGDON

FOR SUGARS.

For a splendid stock of GLASSWARE

JUST RECEIVED, 300 Bbls. SALT; 100 Bbls and 1/2 bbls. Lake Huron FISH; 50 bbls. Labrador HERRING.

Guelph, 16th December. d4w

### Christmas and New Year's Gifts.

For Christmas and New Year's Presents go to

## JOHN R. PORTE'S

JEWELLERY AND FANCY STORE.

Next door to Mr. Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham Street.

The following choice articles will be found in Stock:

Ladies' Companions

Ladies' Work Boxes

Ladies' & Gents' Writing Desks

Chessmen, Chess, Draught and Cribbage Boards, Inkstands, Book Slides, Vases, Parian Figures, &c.

### WATCHES, CLOCKS & JEWELLERY

Of every description, and at all prices, to suit purchasers. A LIBERAL DISCOUNT ALLOWED DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

Guelph, 17th December. d4

## JOHN R. PORTE.

#### BOARDING. BOARDING.

A few respectable boarders can be accommodated with comfortable boarding on reasonable terms. Apply to MRS. BLOOMFIELD, in residence of Baker Wright's.

Guelph, December 7. d2w

#### DEYEING DAILY.

The subscriber, having purchased the most complete recipe for a Hair Dye ever invented, turning red or grey hair to a most beautiful dark brown or black, invites all

To give him a call. Resuscitation guaranteed to perfection.

J. MIMMACK, Hair Dresser.

FURTHERMORE, read, the subscriber also intimates to the public that he has in good working order one of the best machines in the Dominion viz Grinding all kinds of Cutlery, Razors, Knives, Scissors, &c. Charges moderate, and WORK WELL DONE.

JOSEPH MIMMACK, Hair Dresser, Guelph, December 4. d4w Next Post Office.

#### FACTORY FOR SALE OR LEASE

A good factory for sale or to let. Apply to S. BOULT, Quebec-St., Guelph. November 19. d4w 1f