Guelph Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EV'G, DEC. 19, 1874.

The Agricultural College Committee.

This Committee have decided not to take any more evidence, and we think, on good grounds, for the almost universal conclusion come to days ago, by all who read the evidence is that McCandless knocked the bottom out of his case by his own evidence, nor has he been able to sustain a single charge made by him against any of the officers. The *Globe* says that the Committee describe the evidence as of "a frivolous character, consisting chiefly of gossip and petty scandals amongst the former officials and employees;" and echo the sensible and universal conclusion of all decent people, that "it is not in the public interest to pursue the enquiry further." They find that injurious dissensions and insubordination occurred in the College while under McCandless's management, and declare that the Government were fully justified in dispensing with McCandless' services. They finally express the opinion that the present condition of the management is satisfactory.

Their report will be presented to the House to-day, and on Monday, when it is published, we shall have something more to say on the subject.

The Rykert Case.

It is greatly to be regretted that the House did not see fit formally to register its unqualified condemnation of Mr. Rykert's corrupt acts, and to expell him. We cannot see why that could not have been done, even although the evidence was not printed. This is the only reason given by the *Globe*, and to our mind, it is not at all satisfactory. That evidence was published day by day, members read it daily as it appeared, and they have the result of the Committee's labours in the report, which was sufficient to warrant them in taking action, in recording in proper shape their condemnation of Mr. Rykert, and in expelling him from the House. True, the session may close soon, when the present Legislature passes out of existence, so that Mr. Rykert will have no opportunity of acting as a representative. But the House had a duty, nevertheless, to perform which in justice to the electors of Lincoln, and to the people at large, should have been done before they are dismissed. Public morality demanded that they should have left on record their sense of Mr. Rykert's corrupt practices, even though he never sat another hour in a Legislature hall.

It is not at all likely that he will be re-elected, even though he should have the effrontery to put himself forward as a candidate. He leaves the House with the taint of corruption on him, and he may well thank his stars that he has been so leniently dealt with by the Government. Had he any member of it in the same dishonourable position, he would not have let him so easily off. But there is one comfort, we have heard the last of Mr. Rykert as a public man.

NORTH BRANT.—At a convention of the Reformers of North Brant, held at Cainsville on Thursday, Mr. Hugh Finlayson was chosen as the Reform candidate for that constituency, in the Local Legislature.

Several petitions have been sent to the Dominion Government praying for a commutation of the sentence of death passed upon Ambrose Lepine. Among those petitions is one from Manitoba with 1,800 signatures, headed by Bishop Tache.

The incorporation of Palmerston takes effect on the first of January, and the village is to be annexed to Wellington for parliamentary as well as municipal purposes. The bill giving effect to the erection of Listowel as a town has passed the Legislature.

The Perth Reform papers are highly satisfied with the nomination of Mr. D. D. Hay as the candidate for the North Riding of that County. He is well qualified for the position, being well informed, a ready speaker, a good debater, and a man full of energy and action. We trust he will accept the nomination.

FUNNY DESCRIPTION OF A HORSE.—About the year 1481, Julian Berners, sister of Richard, Lord Berners, wrote three English treatises on hunting, hawking, and heraldry. From an edition of this book, printed by Wynken de Worde, in 1496, we take the following extracts: "The propryties of a good horse—A good horse shoulde have fifteen good propryties and condycions; that is, to wyte, three of a man, three of a woman, three of a foxe, three of a haare, and three of an asse. Of a man, boled, prowde and hardyo; of a woman, fayre breasted, fayre of heere, and easy to move; of a foxe, a fayre taylle, short eers, with a good trotte; of a harre, a grete eye, a dry heed, and well rennying; of an asse, a bygge chynn, a flat legge, and a good hoof."—*Merry England, its Sports and Pastimes. By Lord W. Lennox.*

CHRISTMAS ANNUALS.—The Bent Bow (Quiver); Paths of Peace (Sunday Magazine); King of No Land (Tinsley); Dead Tryst (Routledge's); Belgravia Annual; Spirit Circle (Bow Bells); Good Cheer (Good Words). A really splendid lot of Christmas Annuals, at Anderson's bookstore.

An inquest was held on the 15th inst., by Dr. Middleton, on the body of Murdoch Smith, of Garafraxa, who had died very suddenly the previous day. He had been complaining of his throat for some time before but no serious results were anticipated until on the day mentioned, when he suddenly expired while attempting to swallow a teaspoonful of weak brandy and water. The jury returned a verdict that he had come to his death from inflamation of the throat.

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CHRISTMAS

Electro plated Cruet Stands, elegant patterns.
Ivory handled Table, Dessert and Pocket Knives.
Nickel Silver and Electro plated Forks to suit.
Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons.
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Fire Irons and Stands.
Skates, Sleighs for Boys and Girls.
Snow Shovels, Sleigh Bells.
English Whips, Bird Cages.
Also a large assortment of Lamps, new patterns, very cheap; Lamp Glasses, Globes, Shades, Wicks, Burners, etc., etc., at

JOHN HORSMAN'S,
HARDWARE MERCHANT,
GUELPH.

FOR SALE.

Building Stone by Tender.

Sealed Tenders will be received up to noon of the 23rd instant, by the Directors of the Guelph Gas Company, for the building stone lying on and adjacent to their premises. Further particulars learned on application to the Company's Manager,
J. C. McLAGAN, Secretary.
Guelph, Dec. 11th, 1874. d4t

CHALMER'S CHURCH

Anniversary Services.

Services will be conducted by

Rev. Wm. Cochrane, M.A.,

Of Brantford, morning and evening,

On Sabbath, 20th inst.

In the afternoon, at three o'clock, Mr. Cochrane will address the Sabbath school children, to which the parents and all interested are invited to be present.

ON MONDAY EVENING, following, a

TEA MEETING

Will be held, at which several Prominent Clergymen will deliver addresses.
Tea served in the basement, commencing at 6 o'clock.
Choice selections of music will be given by the choir, under the leadership of Mr. Maitland.
Tickets 25 cents. To be had at the stores of Messrs. John Risk, G. & A. Hadden, John Hunter, A. B. Petrie, Wm. Stewart, W. J. Little, and Mrs. Wright, and from the Committee.
Guelph, Dec. 9, 1874 w

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Christmas and New Year's

Presents and Gifts

Especially selected for the Season, and

Suitable for Every One.

SANTA CLAUS'

HEADQUARTERS

AS USUAL AT

J. HUNTER'S.

The Largest, Most Attractive, Useful and Cheapest Stock of General

Fancy Goods, Dolls and Toys!

Will be found at J. HUNTER'S.

Cheap, Attractive and Useful Presents suitable for Old or Young.

J. HUNTER,
Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods and Bookstore
Wyndham street, Guelph.
Dec. 19, 1874 dw

SANTA CLAUS'

HEADQUARTERS.

At MRS. WRIGHT'S

DOMINION STORE

Will be found a large assortment of

TOYS, DOLLS,

and other goods, suitable for holidays, which will be sold very cheap.

Wools and all kinds of Fancy Goods

constantly on hand.

Stamping done on the shortest notice.

ATTENTION

For large Photographs,
GO TO BURGESS'

For small Photographs,
GO TO BURGESS'

For any kind or style of Photograph
GO TO BURGESS'

For Frames of all kinds,
GO TO BURGESS'

If you want a Frame made large or small
GO TO BURGESS'

If you want to save money
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Guelph, December 19th.

GRAND CHRISTMAS CLEARING SALE

—AT—

The FASHIONABLE WEST END!

A. O. BUCHAM

Will commence to-morrow (Tuesday) morning, a Grand Christmas Clearing Sale of

Silks, Furs, Fancy Woollen Goods, Millinery, Dress Goods, etc.

and having determined to effect an extra clearance of these Goods previous to Christmas they will be offered at prices which cannot fail to attract attention.

For appropriate Christmas Presents and Cheap Goods visit the Fashionable West End during the next two weeks.

A. O. BUCHAM,
Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle and Millinery Establishment.

WILLIAM STEWART

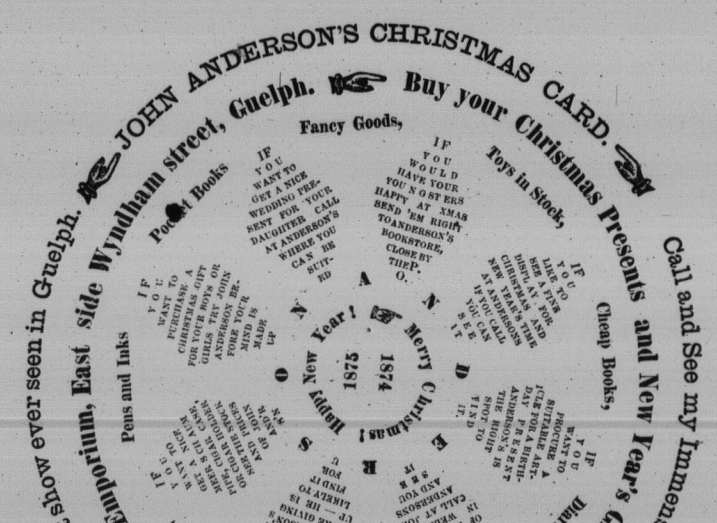
Is now Selling at Greatly Reduced Prices, Dress

Goods, Millinery, Shawls and Mantles; Blankets, Sheetings,

Counterpanes and Furs

AT AN IMMENSE REDUCTION.

WILLIAM STEWART.



XMAS and NEW YEAR'S GOODS.

WE REMIND

"SANTA CLAUS"

That our stock of Goods suitable for the holiday season is of

Rare Excellence, Cheapness, and Variety.

WHILE WISHING ALL

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

We would invite their attention to

Bargains in Hardware.

To see is to buy at the popular hardware establishment of

John M. Bond & Co.

Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, December, 1874. do

REMEMBER

R. CRAWFORD

—IS—

SELLING OFF

HIS WHOLE STOCK OF

WATCHES, CLOCKS,

AND JEWELRY

At such prices as will cause an entire clearance.

Look out for Bargains

For Christmas and New Year's Presents.

Store next the Post Office.
Dec. 7, 1874. dw

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OYSTERS

AT

JOHN A. WOOD'S.

PORK CUTTINGS FOR SALE
AT THE
Guelph Packing House, opposite the G. T. R Passenger Depot.
Guelph, Oct. 22, 1874. dwtf

New Advertisements.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL.

SHAW & MURTON

Just Received, a choice selection of

FUR CAPS

Astrakan Lamb
South Sea Seal
Baltic Seal - -
IN ALL THE Latest Styles

Otter Band with Seal Top
Mink Band with Seal Top
Beaver Band with Seal Top

Shaw & Murton,
GUELPH, Dec. 18, 1874 MERCHANT TAILORS

FOR THE HOLIDAYS

NEW GOODS

AT

THE NOTED TEA STORE.

New Raisins,
Prime New Currants,
Choice New Prunes,

Choice New Almonds and Filberts,

Lemon, Orange and Citron Peel, Essences and Extracts of all kinds cheap.

A Small Lot of Choice Sugar cured Hams.

J. E. McELDERRY

2 DAY'S BLOCK.

NEW FRUITS, NEW FRUITS,

At John A. Wood's.

FINEST LAYER TABLE RAISINS,
LOOSE MUSCATEL do
NEW SEEDLESS do
NEW SULTANA do
NEW VALENCIA do
VOSTIZZA CURRANTS
PATRAS CURRANTS
PATRAS CURRANTS
Growth 1872 and 1873
NEW FIGS
FRENCH PLUMS,
PRUNES,
JORDAN ALMONDS,
SOFT SHELL ALMONDS
WALNUTS (ENGLISH)
FILBERTS
BRAZILS,
CANDIED LEMON,
ORANGE and CITRON PEEL.

I offer the above Goods of better quality, and at lower prices than can be had at any other store in Guelph.

JOHN A. WOOD,
Alma Block and Lower Wyndham-st., Guelph. dw2w

I now show one of the Finest Stocks of Goods, suited for Christmas presents, and at prices that will readily sell them. The Choicest Goods bought for cash, very low, and will be rushed off cheap.

Books, and all kinds of Fine Fancy Goods, at your own prices, at Day's Bookstore.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

WM. NOBLE,

Opposite the Market, Guelph

NEXT TO HAT STORE.

Great Bargains for One Month!

Bound to Reduce His Stock

I am also prepared to make all ordered work, in the neatest style and of the best material, no misfits. All sorts of little boys' work will be kept on hand. Repairing done on the shortest notice.

A Large Stock of Ladies Slippers

Velvet and Croquet, suitable for Christmas Presents.

WM. NOBLE.
Guelph, Dec. 9, 1874. d6wtf

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CELEBRATED BRANDIES

(The oldest Bottlers in France.)

Hear what Dr. Sheridan Muspratt, F.R.S.E; M.R.I.A., F.G.S., says:
"Fine Pale Cognac—Renault's or Hennessy's—is often prescribed for invalids with great success."

To be had of all grocers and Italian warehousemen. dc5-6tw-d6w

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The subscriber having opened a machine shop in town, is prepared to do

ALL KINDS OF JOBBING

In a first-class manner.
Shafting, Pulleys, Hangers, Saw Arbours, etc., made to order.
Millwrighting & repairing engines, factory machinery, sewing machines, etc., promptly attended to and a good job guaranteed.
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N. STOVEL.
Guelph, Nov. 17, 1874. do

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Family and Pastry Flour, and all kinds of Feed delivered in any part of the Town.

R. W. ROBERTSON,
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