

Tavern and Shop Licenses.

Hon Mr Crooks has introduced a Bill into the Ontario Assembly, for the purpose of amending the Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses. The Bill has had its first and second reading, and will very likely become law.

The Bill provides that no person shall keep spirituous liquors for sale without being duly licensed, except brewers and distillers, and chemists or druggists duly registered as such. The following is the most important clause in the Bill, and one which can not meet with the approbation of Temperance men. Instead of limiting the number of places where liquor is sold, the Bill gives shopkeepers the power to sell in quantities less than a quart, thus increasing the number of houses of retail. The clause reads thus:—

The Council of every city, township, town and incorporated village, and the commissioners of police in cities, may by by-law authorize the granting of certificates to obtain licenses for the sale of spirituous, fermented or other manufactured liquors, in quantities less than one quart in any one shop or place, other than a tavern, inn, ale house beer house, or house of entertainment at any one time, and not to be drunk on the premises.

The fee for licenses will also be very much higher. In cities the Government duty for tavern licenses will be \$30, an increase of \$10; in towns \$25, an increase of \$3; and in townships and incorporated villages \$15, or an increase of \$5. For each tavern license in any territory not under municipal government fifty dollars; and for each shop license in any such territory \$40. These fees are over and above the amount to be imposed by municipalities. Officers will be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor, whose duty it shall be to enforce the observance of the Act; and the council of every county, township, town, incorporated village, and the commissioners of police in each city, shall, immediately after the Act comes in force, and some time in the month of January in each year, thereafter, appoint an officer or officers for the municipality, for the like purpose, and for the observance and enforcement of any by-law of the municipality, with respect to tavern and shop licenses, and shall fix and define the duties, powers, and privileges of the officer or officers so appointed; the remuneration he or they shall receive, and the security to be given for the efficient discharge of the duties of the said office.

Defeat of the Prince Edward Island Ministry.

Private notices received at Ottawa announce the defeat of the Prince Edward Island Ministry. An appeal will be made immediately to the people on the main issue of Confederation. Messrs. Laird and Hargrove, the delegates who have been at Ottawa for some time past, urging upon the Government the importance of the admission of the Island as part and parcel of the Confederated Provinces, left for Charlottetown on Saturday, they having arrived at a basis of agreement with the Dominion Government, for the entrance of the Island into the Confederation.

ENTERPRISING.—Oshawa is certainly one of the most enterprising places in Canada. Its energy seems never to decrease, and its progress is rapid and substantial. The latest projects are the establishment of a store foundry, which will require one hundred men, a sewing machine factory which will increase with the requirements of the business, and will have their first machine ready by June, an organ factory, and a loan and savings company. The result of all this is purchase of lots, erection of buildings, and a rapidly increasing population and business.

CHANGING SIDES.—It is stated that Mr. Cauchon has gone over to the Opposition in the Dominion Parliament. Disappointed ambition is assigned as the cause of this. It is said he aspired to the Lieutenant-Governorship of Quebec, and failing that, to be re-appointed Speaker of the Senate. The Conservatives pretend he is a good riddance. We may expect henceforth to find Mr. Cauchon's caustic talents applied to the criticism of Government measures, in which perhaps they will be most useful; but it is to be feared his accession to their ranks will hardly increase the qualifications of the liberal party to administer a pure government.

THE ASHES OF THE PAST.—Eighteen feet below the level of Cheapside lies Roman London; and deeper even than that is buried the earlier London of those savage chieftains who, long ages ago, bravely confronted the legions of Rome. In nearly all parts of the city there have been discovered tessellated pavements, Roman tombs, lamps, vases, sandals, keys, ornaments, weapons, coins, and statues of ancient Roman gods. So the present has grown up upon the ashes of the past.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES
Robbery of a Bank.

Presentation of Rare Documents.

Small Pox at Salt Lake City.

New York, March 10th.
Professor John Torrey, of the Columbia College, died this evening.

Louisville, March 10th.
The Falls City Tobacco Bank was robbed, since Saturday, of thirteen thousand dollars in bonds and cash.

Philadelphia, March 10th.
At the meeting of the Historical Society to-night Isaac Norris made a formal presentation of the Penn manuscripts, consisting of the original letters, documents, manuscripts, grants, papers, rare books, and pamphlets with reference to the early history of Pennsylvania, and other parts of America.

Salt Lake City, March 10th.
The small-pox is raging to a fearful extent in several towns in San Pete County. Complaint is made that owing to the religious prejudice of the people they are prevented from obtaining proper medical attendance.

LATEST FROM HALIFAX.

Rowing Match Challenge Accepted.

Snow Storm in Halifax Last Night.

(Special to The Mercury).
Halifax, N. S., March 11.—The steamship "Manitoba" arrived from Baltimore this morning. She sails at four this afternoon.

The "Austrian" is making some slight repairs, and sails for Baltimore tomorrow.

The "Niger" has not yet arrived from Newfoundland.

A brisk snow storm occurred here last night, but was much heavier in the country, again impeding trains on the Intercolonial and Annapolis Railways. They are expected to be clear by to-night.

Brown's challenge to Sadler will be accepted; but Sadler wishes to row at Saratoga instead of Halifax.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, March 10.

Mr. Blake called the attention of the House to the other case of privilege which he had intimated he would bring before it, and he felt that the discussion which had already taken place would enable him to abbreviate very much the remarks which he might otherwise have thought it his duty to make. He referred to the Muskoka election case. He recited the circumstances, already well known, under which the exceptional return was made. Mr. Cockburn had polled, as appeared by the return, 652 votes, and Mr. Boulton 509. But certain poll books had been lost, and the returning officer thought he could not, for want of a perfect poll, make a return of either candidate. It appeared, however, that even although all the votes belonging to the divisions where poll books were lost, had been given to Mr. Boulton, Mr. Cockburn would still have a clear majority of 26. He held that the House would not be deciding the election, there was a clear question of law. The facts were as they appeared upon the poll-books, and he quoted the proceedings taken in former cases, some of them having occurred while the head of the present Government led the House, to show that it was quite competent for the House to take action at once towards rectifying the return.

Mr. J. H. Cameron was understood to be in favor of giving Mr. Cockburn his seat.

Sir John Macdonald began by defending the Returning Officer, and closed by accepting Mr. Blake's motion.

The return was amended and Mr. Cockburn was introduced by Messrs. Mackenzie and Dorian, and took his seat.

Mr. Blake availed himself of the opportunity to severely chastise the leader of the Government for the inconsistency of his position to-day with that of Friday, and accused him of having been influenced in his course by the fear of appearing in a minority. He then moved that the returning officer for the district of Muskoka be summoned to the bar of the House to answer for his misconduct. The motion was carried, and the House adjourned at 5 p. m., till three o'clock tomorrow, then to take into consideration the Address.

BIRTHS.

At New Dundee, Wilnot township, on the 21st inst. the wife of Mr. Charles Abbott, of a son.

DIED.

Mary Ann, wife of Mr. James Newthorpe, aged 61 years.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, the 14th inst., from her late residence, back of Palmer's Hill, at 2 p. m. Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend, without further notice.

Mrs. Jane, wife of Mr. William Milne, aged 63 years.

GUELPH.

STEAM DYE WORKS.

Upper Wyndham Street.

The subscribers are now prepared to execute all orders entrusted to their care, in a manner that will gain the commendation of the public in general.

DYEING and SCOURING done in all its branches, from within two to six days. Feathers cleaned, dyed and curled. Kid Gloves cleaned for 10c per pair; dyed at 25c per pair.

N.B.—Mourning done on the shortest notice. All orders sent by express will have prompt attention.

McDONALD & WILDRIDGE.
Guelph, March 5, 1873.

FARM TO SELL OR RENT.

—In Erin Township, 200 acres, being Lots No. 21, on the 3rd line, about one hundred acres, cleared, and nearly free from stumps, with a good frame barn, shed and stable, 2 log houses, and one log barn. The farm is well fenced with cedar rails. There is a good orchard on the place. The land is well watered. It lies about four miles from Hillsdale, and about the same distance from Oshawa. Apply personally, or by letter, post paid, to A. Thomson, Erin village.

New Advertisements.

Co-Operative Store.

ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS

New Cottons.	New Tweeds.
New Prints.	New Lustres.
New Linens.	New Dress Goods.

NEW BOOTS AND SHOES

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.

GUELPH, Feb. 28.

10lbs. best Bright Sugar
FOR \$1.00;

11lbs. good Musc. Sugar
FOR \$1.00;

20lbs. good Currants
FOR \$1.00;

J. E. McELDERRY

2 DAY'S BLOCK.

R. CLAYTON

Having bought the entire stock from the firm under the name of Cret, he is prepared to sell the whole of the stock at a

GREAT SACRIFICE!

EVERYTHING

DRESS GOODS!

CLOTHING,

BLANKETS,

TWEEDS

At HALF-PRICE.

NO DAMAGED GOODS!

Nothing but Seasonable Goods!

Which will be sold at less prices than at any other store in Guelph.

Call and see some of the Goods to be offered at

Clayton's Cash Store

Alma Block, Guelph.

Guelph, March 10, 1873.

GREAT SALE

Of Bankrupt Stock!

The whole stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES

Belonging to the Insolvent Estate of John A. McMillan will be sold at a tremendous sacrifice. The immense stock, amounting to \$2500.

Must be Cleared Out within ONE MONTH!

The greatest Bargains ever offered in Guelph!

Special inducements to retail merchants and jobbers, who desire to secure job lots.

The sale is now going on at the old stand, Wyndham Street.

W. M. McLaren, Assignee.

Guelph, Feb. 22, 1873.

SMOKERS,

FOR A GOOD SMOKE

Use the "Myrtle Navy."

See T. & B. on each plug.

Price so low that all can use it.

CAUTION.—The Brand "MYRTLE NAVY" is registered, and any one who will be prosecuted.

The name TUCKETT & BILLINGS is on each caddy, and T. & B. on each plug.

Hamilton, Feb. 10, 1873.

RAYMOND'S

SEWING MACHINES

Family Sewing Machine (single thread); Hand Lock-Stitch (double thread); No. 1, Foot Power; No. 2, for heavy work; Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

CHARLES RAYMOND,

GUELPH, ONT.

July 12, 1871.

RECEIVED DAILY

BY EXPRESS AT

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Alma Block,

Fresh Codfish.

Haddock.

Mullett,

Flounders,

Herrings,

Salmon Trout,

etc. etc. etc.

Pickard's Fruit Store,

ALMA BLOCK.

Guelph, Feb. 22nd, 1873.

Ministers,

Superintendents,

and Sabbath

School Teachers.

Sabbath School World,

With Dr. Hall's Schemes and Notes of Lessons, 65c a year;

Presbyterian Work,

With J. B. Tyler's Schemes and Notes of Lessons, 65c a year;

Sunday School Times,

With Dr. Ormiston's Schemes and Notes of Lessons.

Every Minister should have one. Every Superintendent should have one. Every Sabbath School Teacher should have one.

Mailed promptly to any address.

ANDERSON'S

Cheap Bookstore.

Opposite the Old English Church, East side

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THE

ROCK CRYSTAL

SPECTACLES

Prescribed by all who have worn them to be superior to any other.

Every Eye can be Sailed.

Call, try, and be convinced.

To be had only

AT J. HUNTER'S.

NEW SUPPLY OF

Chignons, Braids, Coronets, &c.

AT J. HUNTER'S

Beirds, Wool, Fancy Goods, and Toy Store.

Wyndham Street Guelph.

A LARGE

NEW STOCK

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PAPER

Opened Out

DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

GREAT SALE OF BANKRUPT STOCK.

Watches, Jewellery, etc.

R. CRAWFORD

Having bought the Bankrupt Stock of John R. Fort, will commence to sell the same

ON WEDNESDAY MORNING

AT THE OLD STAND.

FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY.

The Greatest Bargains Ever Given

In Watches, Jewellery, and Fancy Goods.

EVERYTHING BELOW COST.

TERMS CASH.

Sale each day from 10 to 4 p. m.

Guelph, March 4, 1873.

ROBERT CRAWFORD,

PRACTICAL

Watch and Clock Maker, Jeweller,

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

BIRD CAGES.

Received, a large and splendid assortment of

BIRD

CAGES

NEW AND HANDSOME DESIGNS.

JOHN M. BOND & Co.,

DIRECT IMPORTERS,
GUELPH.

CO TO

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HE HAS JUST OPENED

15 CASES

—OF—

HATS & CAPS

ALL NEW STYLES.

MEDICAL DISPENSARY.

Just Received, a Large Supply of LUBIN'S

"GRAND TRUNK,"

The most elegant and fashionable Perfume of the day.

PIESSE & LUBIN'S

RIBBON OF BRUGES.

A very fragrant Fumigator

For THE SICK ROOM

MEDICINE SPOONS,

TEA AND DESSERT SPOONS.

A fresh supply at the Medical Dispensary.

G. B. McCullough,

Dispensing Chemist.

Late McCullough & Moore.

GUELPH.

NEW

Boot and Shoe Store.

The subscriber begs to announce to the Public that he has opened a first-class Custom Shop, where he is prepared to

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All kinds of Boots and Shoes on the shortest notice. A neat and good leather guaranteed.

Ladies, Misses and Children's Boots and Shoes made in the neatest style.

Repairing done with neatness and dispatch. Give us one trial and you will be sure to call again.

Remember the Shop—West Market Square next to John Harris's store.

D. TRIM P.

Guelph, Feb. 6th, 1873.

GAS FITTING

—AND—

STEAM FITTING

Done in the best style and most workmanlike manner

AT HOWARD'S

All Kinds of Fittings made to order on the Shortest Notice.

Changing Pipes, &c. or Repairs Done on the shortest notice.

SEED GRAIN FOR SALE.

Farmers and others wanting to buy Seed Grain will find it to their advantage to call

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Before purchasing, and examine his choice stock of Peas, Oats and Barley, which he will sell cheap for cash.

He also pays the highest price for Produce, Wool, Hides and Skins.

Remember the place, Day's old block below the G. T. B. Crossing, next to Mr. T. J. Brill's warehouse, Gordon st. Guelph.

JAS. MERLIHAN.

Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873.

PARKER'S HOTEL,

DIRECTLY—

OPPOSITE the MARKET, GUELPH

First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler.

The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar. He has just fitted up a room where Oysters will be served up at all hours, in the favorite style.

Pickled Salmon, Lobsters, and Sardines.

JAS. MERLIHAN.

Guelph, Feb. 1, 1873.

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The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's Old Block, Guelph.

Plasterers Hair constantly on hand for sale.

MOULTON & BISH,

Guelph April 12, 1873.