

SPRING DRY GOODS

THE subscribers are daily receiving and opening out their importations of SPRING DRY GOODS, and will be ready on WEDNESDAY NEXT, 17th INSTANT, To show a complete and well assorted Stock at LOW PRICES.

Also, this season's CANADIAN TWEEDS, and DUNDAS COTTONS, at manufacturers' prices.

THOMSON, BIRKETT & BELL Hamilton, 12th March.

Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE MACDONNELL STREET MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 15, 1869.

Job Printing of every description executed cheaply and promptly at the Mercury Steam Printing House, Macdonnell Street, Guelph.

The Reform Press in Ontario.

Referring to an article which appeared in the Globe on the Reform press of province, the London Advertiser says:—The Opposition or Reform papers of Ontario are everywhere the most largely circulated. Compare the Globe and Leader, the Hamilton Times and Spectator, the Guelph Mercury and its local rival, the St. Thomas Home Journal and the Dispatch, the London Advertiser and Free Press—and the truthfulness of this statement is at once apparent.

As will be seen by advertisement, our St. Patrick's Society will give a dinner at the Anglo-American hotel on Wednesday evening next; when we hope to see a large gathering not only of Irishmen and their descendants, but all other nationalities.

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SOCIAL IN STEWARTTOWN.

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THE STORM AND THE TRAINS.—The high wind on Sunday drifted the snow into the cuttings on the railroad, and blocked up the track, greatly delaying the trains to day. The Great Western came in on time. On the Grand Trunk the morning mail going east stuck between London and St. Marys, and was cancelled. The morning mail going west made the distance from Toronto to Acton about the usual time, but between Acton and Rockwood it met with heavy drifts, and after leaving Rockwood got off the track a little west of that village.

PRESENTATION.—After the complimentary concert to Miss Fraser on Thursday night last, the committee waited on Miss Borton and Mr. Young, of Hamilton, and Mr. O'Connor, on behalf of Miss Fraser, presented them each with a very handsome work entitled, "Ballad Poetry of Ireland," as a slight mark of esteem, and to prove to them their services, on this as well as on former occasions, have been highly appreciated by the good people of Guelph.

On Wednesday night last nineteen sleigh loads of hogs reached Goderich from Bruce. The Signal says they numbered some 450 in all, and "a more disreputable lot of lantern-jawed, pinched-up, long-legged animals was never seen in that section. Several of them died of asphyxiation on the way down."

There is an old saying that a calm general precedes a storm; and we might add that a calm just as often succeeds a storm—taking the proceedings at our Police Court as an example. No cases have come before the Police Magistrate since Wednesday last till this morning, when a petty assault case was heard.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Town Council will be held this evening.

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TOWN OF GUELPH.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

James Hough, Treasurer, in Account with the Corporation of the Town of Guelph for the year 1868.

Table with columns: Dr. (Jan. 1, 1869), To balance of 1867, Tavern Licenses, Store and other Licenses, Interest on Preston debentures, Clergy Reserve Fund, Market fees, Butchers' stall rents, Town Hall, Fair Ground, Office rent, Market Lamentation, Police fines, Common School fees, Legislative grant, Assessment collected for 1867, Non-resident taxes, Back rents, Donation Royal Insurance Co., Pound fines, Hack rents, London & Liverpool, Grammar School, By paid for sheep destroyed by dogs, Common Schools, Grammar, Separate, Relief, Fire and Water, Roads general account, Do., four Wards \$150 each, Board of Health, Drill shed, Int on debentures, Reimbursement of do., County rate, Tree planting, Collector's Commission for 1867, Printing and stationery, Market House, Insurance on Market buildings and Drill shed, Reimbursement on houses, Amount of Non-resident Land Taxes refunded, and law costs thereon, Solicitor's account, Queen's Birthday celebration, Night watch, Railway deputations and expenses, Volunteers' battalion drill, Watering streets, Police Magistrate, Town Clerk and Treasurer, Police Clerks, Chief Constable, Assistant, Market Clerk, Market Housekeeper and Lamp lighter, Tavern Inspector, Assessors, Auditors, Returning Officers, Grant to Nova Scotia fishermen, Maps of the town for Registry office and Committee room, Discount on bills payable, Silver, Selecting Jurors, Expenses of a lunatic, Books for, and expenses of Police, Miscellaneous payments, Balance.

Audited and found correct, JAMES HOUGH, W. S. G. KNOWLES, R. MEREDITH, Auditors. Town Treasurer. February 29th, 1869.

CARD.

JAMES MESSIE'S CO. having disposed of all their Retail Grocery business in the Alma Block and Day's Block, I beg to inform you that I have purchased their long established Family Grocery Business, No. 1, Day's Block, so successfully carried on under my management.

By keeping the very best class of Goods at the lowest possible prices, and by close personal attention to the business, I hope to receive the continued favours of all old customers, with an increased patronage from the general public. JOHN RISK. Guelph, 16th March.

Fruit & Vegetables

Green Peas Green Corn Fresh Tomatoes Fresh Peaches Fresh Cherries Fresh Pine Apples. Also a quantity of good American WHITE BEANS. HUGH WALKER. Guelph, March 12. Fruit Depot, Wyndham St.

ERIN GO BRAGH. SECOND HAND BOOKS.

1869. PART OF A GENTLEMAN'S LIBRARY

THE ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY of Guelph, will celebrate THE DAY by a Public Dinner At the Anglo-American Hotel, On Wednesday, 17th Inst. Dinner at half-past 7 o'clock. Tickets \$1. May be had of the Committee and at the Bookstore's.

60 Portraits of American & English Star Actors, in Character. Including Mr and Mrs. Charles Kean, Edwin Forrest, Edwin Booth, Panny Kéthalé, the Poles, Mrs. Mowat, and others.

PICTORIAL HISTORY OF ENGLAND In 4 Vols, up to 1750. Harper's Gazetteer, Barnes' Notes, Dick's Works, and 150 other Works. For Cheap Books go to

BLACKSMITH SHOP FOR SALE OR TO LET. A Blacksmith stand in the village of Ospringe, 12 miles from Guelph, on the Erin Gravel Road, with half an acre of land, good buildings and well fenced. For further information apply to the undersigned, or at the Mercury Office, Guelph. WM. HEASMAN, Blacksmith.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.—All parties indebted to the subscriber, either by note or book account, will please call and settle at once to save cost. WILLIAM HEASMAN, Blacksmith, Ospringe, Feb. 24.

BLACKSMITH'S SHOP TO SELL ORIENT IN ERAMOSIA. A Blacksmith Shop, with dwelling house attached, to sell or rent on Lot 27, 4th Con., Erinosa, near Ontario Post Office. A good business has been done on the premises the last two years. Possession can be had on the 1st of March next. Apply to George Duffield on the east half of Lot 25, 4th Con., Erinosa. Guelph, Feb. 17.

FACTORY FOR SALE OR LEASE. A good Factory for sale or to let. Apply to S. BOULT, Quebec-st., Guelph, Guelph, Novem 19, 1868.

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SPRING IMPORTATIONS.

NEW GOODS.

301 Cases and Bales at the Golden Lion. Now arrived at the BONDED WAREHOUSE, 301 Cases, comprising all of the

Newest Styles and Designs in Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, And bought by our MR. CHANCE, with great care, in the FIRST BRITISH MARKETS, and direct from the Manufacturers, all of which will be opened out, and on inspection at our store here in the course of a week or so.

Our Business will be Conducted Strictly on the One-Price Principle HOGG AND CHANCE. Guelph, March 2, 1869. daw tf

CARD. SHAW & MURTON, in returning thanks for the very liberal patronage bestowed on them while partners of the late firm of A. Thomson & Co., beg to intimate that they have purchased Mr. Thomson's share of the stock, and intend carrying on the Merchant Tailor business as heretofore in the Guelph Cloth Hall, where they will devote their whole time and attention to keeping up a large and well assorted stock of Cloths, Ready-made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Ties, Collars, &c. Mr. Shaw having, during a residence of fifteen years in Guelph, made full proof of his ability as a Cutter, intends as heretofore to pay particular attention to Ordered Work, and parties leaving their measure can rely on as good a fit as in any house in the Dominion. By punctuality in business and moderate charges they hope not only to retain all the old customers of the late firm, but also to meet with increased patronage from the general public. Guelph, March 11. SAMUEL SHAW GEORGE MURTON, Jr.

No. 2, 2000 Sap Buckets No. 2, At E. CARROLL & CO'S, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph.

No. 2, 1000 Bbls SALT, No. 2, At E. CARROLL & CO'S, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph.

No. 2, 1000 Bags SALT, No. 2, At E. CARROLL & CO'S, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph.

No. 2, Tons Paris and Caledonia PLASTER, No. 2, At E. CARROLL & CO'S, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph.

No. 2, CLOVER & TIMOTHY SEED No. 2, At E. CARROLL & CO'S, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph. Guelph, March 4, 1869. daw tf

JUST RECEIVED, THE NEWEST STYLES OF HATS & CAPS AT THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL, WYNDHAM STREET. SHAW & MURTON. Guelph, March 4, 1869. daw tf

J. & D. MARTIN'S

New Grocery!

Next door to Petrie's Drug Store. Wyndham Street, Guelph, 10th Mar. h.