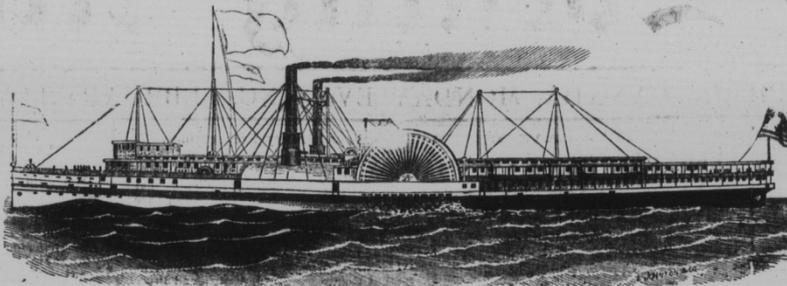


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### COAL OIL ELEVEN CENTS BY THE BARREL.

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Guelph, 8th February, 1868.

## JOHN HORSMAN.

### Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET  
MONDAY EVENING, FEB. 10, 1868.

#### Condition and Prospects of the British Ministry.

The London correspondent of the New York Times discussing the prospects of the Government in view of the early opening of Parliament, says:—No wonder if Mr Disraeli is passing an anxious time. Upon him mainly rests the burden of finding a path for the Ministry out of the thicket in which they are entangled. Half the time there is practically no Premier, Lord Derby being too ill to be consulted. At this moment he is again, for the fiftieth time, confined to a room in his house at Knowsley, unable to give that attention to public affairs which they greatly stand in need of. Lord Stanley is really the only working and thoroughly able colleague Mr Disraeli has to depend upon. Mr Gathorne Hardy, the Home Secretary, is well enough in his place—he is not an overgrown baby, as his predecessor (Mr Walpole) was, but still he has no opinions on great questions worth saying thank you for. The Duke of Buckingham is Secretary for the Colonies—a dual makeshift; Sir Jno Pakington is Secretary of War—a very impulsive, indiscreet, and even dangerous man, for if the Cabinet happens to have a secret which it is very necessary to keep close, and Sir John blabs it. You may remember his ludicrous revelation about the "ten minutes" reform bill as an instance. Sir Stafford Northcote (Indian Secretary) is a keen man, but the business of his own department must be amply sufficient to occupy all his time. The Lord President of the Council is the Duke of Marlborough, of whom the kindest thing that one can say is that nature denied him the qualifications which would have enabled him to fill even an inferior post with average respectability. Then we have in the Cabinet the Duke of Richmond, the Duke of Montrose, the Earl of Malmesbury—three noblemen and nothing more. Now, what is a clever man like Mr Disraeli to make out of such material as this? Well may he talk of educating his party when the leaders consist of aristocratic noodles who would not have been able to earn their salt if they had been put to any occupation in which competition entered. Therefore, I repeat, the ordering of the policy of the Ministry rests chiefly with Mr Disraeli—and Mr Disraeli governs England, so long as the House of Commons chooses to let him.

#### THE EASTERN QUESTION.

There seems to have been, of late, a great change in the aspect of the Eastern Question. For some time England, France and Austria have declared themselves very strongly in favour of preserving unimpaired the territory of the Sultan, and against the revolutionary tendencies of the Christian provinces. More recently, Prussia has been prevailed upon to associate itself with this policy, by issuing a threatening note against the Prince of Serbia. Russia, thus left alone, is now reported to have likewise made some concessions, and to have issued a protest against the armaments of Serbia. For the present, this secures to the Turks a new lease of power in Europe.

#### ONTARIO.—An exchange speaking of the prosperity of this part of the Dominion, says: In very many respects Upper Canada is highly favored.—Among other reasons for thankfulness we have plenty of wholesome food, and there are not many in this Province who have to go hungry to sleep. But this is far from being the case throughout the world. We hear of terrible destitution in the Southern States—from India the cry of distress reaches us, owing to the failure of the rice crops; in Old London, while we write, nearly a million souls are living solely upon public and private charity. And people are dying by thousands for want of bread in Tunis. Of Nova Scotia our readers are already informed. And the British Consul in Finland appeals for aid for the people of that country. Moss, the bark of trees, and pea straw, are being eagerly devoured; the long and dreary Finnish winter has set in, and the cries of the starving women and children are described as truly heartrending. Let Canadians tempted to repine at their lot be rather thankful that they are, comparatively speaking, so happily circumstanced.

#### AFFAIRS IN MEXICO.—

Senor Romero in a private letter to a friend in New York, dated Jan. 6, says:—Congress is quietly at work. The outbreak at Yucatan will soon be subdued. President Juarez has not yet recognized his Cabinet. Mr. Lerdo de Tejada will, however, remain at the head of it. General Diaz is expected in this city after a few days, and he may go into the Cabinet. We have found several of Maximilian's secret papers and are examining them and publishing portions of the same. We may yet find his correspondence with Napoleon, which I think will interest the world. Nothing has been decided about the Mexican Legation at Washington.

#### POST OFFICE APPOINTMENT.—

The Montreal Gazette says: We have the following further explanations of some recent promotions in the Post Office Department. The Post Office Act of this Session having provided for the establishment of a Savings Bank in connection with that Department, Mr J.C. Stewart, of the Secretary's branch was appointed to the charge of it, with the title of Superintendent. Mr Stewart has, we learn, been connected with the Post Office Department for the last thirteen years, and has won a high character for himself as a public officer of ability and merit. There is every reason to believe that his appointment to this important office will give general satisfaction.

#### RESIGNATION OF THE U. S. MINISTER TO ENGLAND.—

There seems to be no doubt that Mr. Charles F. Adams, United States Minister to England, has tendered his resignation to the President. This determination on his part, it is said, has had no connection whatever with his official relations, but was superinduced exclusively by a natural desire to return to his home and to the care of his long neglected private interests. The story that Secretary Seward has received the appointment of Minister to Great Britain is without the least foundation.

#### STATUTES OF CANADA.—

We have received from the office of Routine & Records Part I of the Statutes of Canada for 1867. Four insane persons were burned to death by the burning of the Genesee Lunatic asylum on Thursday.

#### THE EMPRESS CHARLOTTE.—

A Brussels letter to a Paris paper contains intelligence which will create a profound emotion on account of the painful circumstances connected with it. The Empress Charlotte was a few days back informed by their Majesties King and Queen of the Belgians of the shooting catastrophe of Queretaro. The first movement of the Empress was to utter a cry of anguish, which was immediately followed by a flood of tears. Then, resuming all the former character, her Majesty became calm; she observed that for some time past she had suspected that a great calamity must have taken place. She at once requested mourning provided for her. The Queen of the Belgians has since remained constantly with her sister-in-law, who supports this cruel trial thus far without injury to her health.

#### MEDICINAL QUALITIES OF SULPHUR.—

A Dr. Dewar, of Scotland, has been recently experimenting with sulphur as medicine, and he finds it to possess many virtues as a curative and sanative agent. In cases of fever, diphtheria, and lung diseases, several cures have been effected. The mode adopted is, the fumigation constantly or a revival of the air of the room occupied by the patient. It has also been successfully applied in the treatment of cattle in the diseases of the rinderpest, pleuro-pneumonia by daily fumigating the stables occupied. The doctor recommends a constant taint of the sulphur in sick-rooms, both as a cure to the invalid and as an almost certain protector of the attendants against the infection of disease. It is also adapted to the purification of the air of crowded apartments, such as schoolrooms &c.

#### COAL OIL.

Another supply of No. 1 Coal Oil at 15 cents per gallon, and Tin Cans of any size with patent tops and spouts; also another supply of the new Burners, at John Horsman's.

#### WANTED.

TWO young men of steady habits. Apply at the Mercury office. Guelph, 5th February, 1868.

#### Wool, Hide and Leather DEPOT.

No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street. Guelph, July 31, 1867. (d.w. D. MOLTON)

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#### Day's Bookstore.

Pickwick Papers,  
Oliver Twist,  
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Nicholas Nickleby,  
Dombey and Son,  
Great Expectations,  
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Sketches by Boz,  
Hard Times.

Each complete in one Volume.—  
Price 25 cents each, by mail, post-paid for 30 cents.  
AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE,  
Opposite the Market  
Guelph, 6th February, 1868.

#### FRENCH'S

### Condition POWDER,

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### HEAVES

Thick and Broken Wind,  
Coughs, Colds, Inflammation of the Lungs,

And all Diseases which affect the wind of Horses.

#### A. B. PETRIE

Chemist and Druggist, Apothecaries' Hall, Market Square, Guelph. Guelph, 29th Jan. 1868.

#### G. A. D. C.

The Guelph Amateur Dramatic Club intend giving another of their popular entertainments in the TOWN HALL.

On Wednesday, 19th Feb.,  
When the celebrated Tragedy, in Five Acts, entitled

### BARBAROSSA!

By John Brown, D. D. will be produced for the first time in Canada. To conclude with the second Part of

### THE HAPPY MAN

Tick 15 25c. Reserved seats 50c.  
M. ARMOUR, Manager.  
Mr. VALE, Leader of Orchestra.  
Guelph, 4th Feb. 1868.

#### ALLAN'S

### Barber SHOP.

IN THE BASEMENT OF

#### Castle Garden SALOON,

West Market Square.

#### SHAVING, HAIR CUTTING, SHAMPOONING, and HAIR COLOURING.

Done in First-Class Style.  
Making and doing up Curis for Ladies.  
Guelph, February, 6th. 41m

#### SPEED LODGE NO. 180.

A. F. & A. M.



THE next regular meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the old Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY EVENING, February 11th, at half past seven. By order,  
JOHN CRIDFORD, Secretary.  
Guelph, 7th February, 1868.

#### Guelph Garrison Battery

### ATTENTION!

A FULL MUSTER of the above Company is ordered on TUESDAY EVENING FIRST, at half past 7 p. m., as the Company is to be inspected on Friday following.  
J. A. BARCLAY, Capt.  
Guelph, Feb. 8, 1868.

### New Advertisements.

The Fruit Depot.

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### ORANGES and LEMONS

Just received, Wholesale and Retail, at  
**HUGH WALI ER'S**  
Guelph, 10th February, 1868. dw Wyndham Street, Guelph.

### Where do you get your Watches, CLOCKS AND JEWELLERY REPAIRED?

AT SAVAGE'S.

### PUBLIC REQUEST.

#### A. O. BUCHAM

REQUESTS public attention to the fact that Dry Goods men never quarrel over their profits; they are not large enough to make a fuss about. Nevertheless, their desire to do business is all the same, and A. O. B. would take this opportunity of strongly recommending the peaceable inhabitants of this town to visit his Establishment in order to secure the Best Choice, and most Durable Bargains in Dry Goods and Wearing Apparel of every description. On hand new, and selling at the latest market quotations, a Superior

### Lot of Grey and White Cottons,

Goods that are not surpassed in value at the present time. NEW CLOUDS JUST OPENED, 37 CENTS EACH.

#### A. O. BUCHAM.

Guelph, Feb. 8, 1868.

#### Insolvent Act of 1864.

IN THE MATTER OF THOMAS M. GRIER, AN INSOLVENT.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, BY virtue of the PROVISIONS OF STATUTE, I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the Assignee of the Estate of the above-named Insolvent, under the provisions of the above Act. I shall offer for sale at the Town Hall, in the Village of Morriston, in the said County,

### Saturday, 11th April, 1868

at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, all the right, title and interest of the said Insolvent, in that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Village of Morriston, Township of English, County of Wellington, Province of Ontario, composed of Village Lot number Eight, on the East side of Queen Street, in Donald McEdward's Survey, in the Village of Morriston, bounded and bounded as is described in a deed from John M. Schenker and wife to the said Insolvent, made the 23rd February, 1867, with Dwelling House, Barn, Stable and outbuildings thereon, and a good garden, with wo-tiths of an acre.

### OYSTERS

Received daily by Express. Wholesale and Retail.  
**GEORGE WILKINSON.**  
Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.  
Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868. dw tr

#### Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.

CHURCH-ST. - - - GUELPH.

MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D. V.) on the 6th of January. Vacancies for two or three boarders.

M. WIGHTMAN