

The Great Western Railway and its Branches.

Those who have taken the trouble to wade through the very long report of the half yearly meeting of the stockholders of the Great Western Railway, lately held in London, will have been amused by the sharp and acrimonious discussion which took place between some of the leading shareholders present. This discussion was mainly caused by a Mr. Fildes, who, it seems, was at one time a Director but was turned out of the Directorate at a former meeting, and now sought revenge on his old colleagues at the Board, by calling in question the wisdom of their action in reference to their acceptance of some branches of the main line. The main objection was with regard to the Wellington, Grey and Bruce line, which Mr. Fildes says was imperfect in its construction at the time it was taken off the hands of the contractor, and which on this account will entail a much larger expenditure in keeping it up, and in making repairs. This was frankly admitted by the chairman, but he defended the Directors for their action on the ground that had the different sections of the line not been opened for traffic at the time they were, the bonuses granted by the different municipalities would have been lost, and the road would never have been completed. Besides, the Great Western authorities accepted a certain sum from the contractors, and expended it in completing the work after the trains were running. Another objection urged by Mr. Fildes is, that the bonds of the Wellington, Grey & Bruce line were taken by the Great Western Company at the market price, and not at par value which they have now to pay for them. Such terms would never have been accepted by the W. G. & B. Company, and the result would have been that the whole scheme would have been dropped, and the competing line from Toronto would in such an event have been pushed on to completion. Mr. Fildes also argues that if it takes nearly the 70 per cent. which accrues to the Great Western out of the traffic of the line to pay its working expenses now, it will take considerably more by and by, when the work begins to require renewals. But, as a contemporary says, he forgets that even if a small loss were shown in the working of the line for the 70 per cent., it would still be a profitable arrangement for the Great Western, for out of the increased earnings which it brings to the main line, the G. W. R. Company are gradually acquiring the property. He also forgets that if there be increased expenses there will be increased earnings to meet them. The road is yet but partially opened, and the traffic of that portion is yet but partially developed. There is, indeed, even now a good traffic awaiting every mile of the road, but it is as nothing compared with what it will be within the next few years. To those who understand the whole subject, and who are conversant with the early history of this line, and the difficulties which the Company had to surmount in getting it pushed on and completed, section after section, these objections will appear very frivolous. Every person in this section, and along the whole line of the Wellington Grey and Bruce Railway knows that the Great Western, in acquiring the road, got a splendid bargain. It has already more than paid the Great Western Company. The passenger travel and traffic on it is already immense, and when the line is completed to Southampton it will be still larger. It traverses one of the best and most productive sections of this Province, and in a few years be worth millions of dollars to the Great Western Company. Yet in the face of all this Mr. Fildes gets stockholders representing 40,000 shares to censure the Directors for making the agreement they did with the W. G. & B. Company. We must charitably suppose that personal spite and a desire for revenge was at the bottom of a good deal of this opposition, yet it is hard to understand how men would be so foolish as to condemn a line of policy which will ere long bring thousands of dollars to their pocket, and ultimately give them the proprietorship of one of the best paying lines of railway in Canada.

Editorial Items. The Reform banquet will likely be postponed until the 20th inst., on account of the approaching marriage of a lady belonging to the family of one of the guests par excellence of the evening. Letters have been received from Sir George Carter, The Hon. Baronet was, at the time of writing, still under the care of Dr. Johnson, and was somewhat improved. It is understood that the third Judge for Manitoba will be appointed immediately, and it is supposed he will be selected from the bar of the Province of Quebec. The Local Government has advertised that Oakville harbour will be sold by public auction on the 15th. Mr. George Lowe Reid has resigned his position of Chief Engineer of Great Western Railway, and is about to visit the south of Europe for the benefit of his wife's health. He has been retained as consulting engineer of the Company, and will be succeeded in his late office by Mr. John Kennedy, lately Resident Engineer on the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway. Speaking of the San Juan decision, the New York Herald says there can be little doubt that a solid advantage has been gained by the United States and a possession of great value obtained. Canada, on the other hand, has lost a solid advantage and been deprived of a possession of great value. The country will breathe easier in a few more months when the present incompetent Ottawa Government is numbered with the things of the past. THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT.—The Ontario Gazette contains the new ap-

pointments of the members of the Government to the several offices, the same as what we have already given.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—The Lieutenant-Governor, by proclamation, has appointed Thursday, the 14th of November, as a day of general thanksgiving throughout the Province for the late abundant harvest.

Fruit Lessons of the Guelph Exhibition

It is quite evident that the cultivation of Peaches has either not received the attention from the Fruit Growers of the Central District that exists in the Niagara District, or there is a difficulty in the climate or soil around Guelph which is not felt between Lake Erie and Ontario. Out of thirty-four (34) prizes given for pears, twenty were awarded to fruit from Niagara, five to samples from Guelph, four to those from West Flamboro', four came from Dundas, and one from Berlin. In the collections of twelve and of six varieties, the first and second prizes were given to fruit from Niagara, and the third to that grown at Guelph. Yet when we go from the collections of varieties and study the prizes given for the best samples of single varieties, we find Guelph taking the second prize in Bartlett Pears, West Flamboro' the first, and Niagara the third; hence we infer that if the Bartlett Pear at Guelph is superior to that from Niagara, there can be nothing in the climate or soil of Guelph which need prevent her people from raising very fine pears. The best Bartlett, White Doyenne, and Year of Winkfield came from West Flamboro', the best Flemish Beauty from Dundas, the best Buene Clairgeau, Duchesse d'Angouleme, Buene Bose, Belle Lucrative, Seckel and Glout Moreau, came from Niagara.

We noticed that the judges threw out a number of plates of pears because the rule requiring them to be correctly named had not been observed, and from this we are led to the conclusion that sufficient attention has not been yet paid to the pear to enable the grower about Guelph to determine the true name of the variety they are growing, and that it is yet too early in the history of pear culture in that region to decide how well the several sorts will flourish here. We look to such men as Elliott in Guelph, Roy at Berlin, and Caldwell at Galt, to grow with care the several varieties of pear in this district and, giving to their countrymen their experience, establish the pear culture of this region upon a sound and satisfactory basis.

When we come to Pines the prestige of the Niagara District is completely broken, and Guelph and vicinity reigns supreme. In the collection of Pines Guelph took the first and second prizes, and Eramosa the third. In Dessert Pines, Guelph carried off all the prizes, and in cooking Pines the first and second prizes were given to samples from Guelph, and the third to fruit from Eramosa.

In GRAPES grown in the open air the prizes were carried off mainly by samples from Hamilton and Toronto. This fact however by no means proves that fine grapes can not be grown in the open air about Guelph, but that less attention has been given to this fruit, for there were some fine grapes shown by Guelph growers. It can hardly be possible that Guelph is less favorably located for grape growing in the open air than Toronto, hence we infer that more attention given to the selection of suitable varieties, and perhaps just a little more attention to the art of growing them, will enable growers at Guelph to show as fine grapes as can be grown about Toronto.

As for PEACHES, no one expects to see very fine samples raised in open air at Guelph, and therefore it is no matter of surprise to find that the samples of this fruit came from the Niagara District.

In looking over the entire collections of fruit presented at this exhibition one feels well satisfied with the fruit productions of our Province, and feels that if we may not do under our own vine and fig-tree, we may very willingly exchange the fig-tree for the more useful Apple, and be content with the goodly land wherein we dwell.

It is the general belief in Washington that in case Grant is re-elected, Secretary Fish will retire from the Cabinet, and take the English mission in case he wishes it. Harlan of the Chronicle, is named as his successor, in which case Grant's foreign policy will be bold and aggressive, as the most effectual means of keeping himself in office for another term. That the San Domingo project will be renewed may be assumed certain, and also that the cautious foreign policy of Secretary Fish will not be pursued. It is also said the annexation of the Rio Grande, has been under discussion at headquarters, and is warmly urged by some of the most influential rings connected with the government.

It is said that the British Parliament will make it its first business on meeting in February to abolish whipping as a punishment for crime.

AMONG our Merchants in Guelph, there are none perhaps so noted for thorough business enterprise as the celebrated Hardware Merchant, Mr. Geo. Horsman. Every season finds him ready for the particular wants of the time, with the best articles of what ever kind are required, and at the lowest possible prices. Now, at the approach of winter, Coal Oil the clearest, Lamps the finest, Chimneys, Wicks and Burners the best; Coal hard and Coal soft, Fire Grates, Fire Irons, Coal Scuttles, Cinder Sifters, Lanterns, Floor Oil-Cloth, Mats, &c. Tea and Coffee Pots, Cruet Stands, Wringers, Maniclers, Scrubbing Brushes, Shoe Brushes, Stove Brushes, Smoothing and Flating Irons, and every Housekeeper's need can be supplied; and every one knows with what confidence they can go or send to Mr. Horsman's, and depend on getting the best goods at the lowest prices. dw

LOOK AT THIS. ASTONISHING RESULTS FROM Wm. GALLOWAY'S Great Clearing Sale Of Ladies Dress Goods, Shawls, Mantles, Fancy Goods, Millinery, Furs, etc. for the past two weeks. A few Thousand Dollars worth still to be sacrificed. Come Early, and get the Bargains now offered. Clothing for the Million! Wm. Galloway's new business Ready made Clothing, and General Furnishings, Hats, Caps, etc. so far, is a complete success. He has now in store the Largest and Most Complete Stock ever offered in Guelph in Mens', Boys', and Children's Wear. No trouble getting suited. Just come and see the New Goods, and patronize the New Establishment. We can fit in complete suits from four years of age to one hundred, if required. W. G. being determined to make his establishment second to none west of Toronto as a Gentlemen's first-class Furnishing House, a call is respectfully solicited. W. GALLOWAY, Next door to J. M. Bond's Hardware Store Guelph, Oct. 12, 1873. dw1210

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LONDON ALMANAC AND JOSH BILLINGS' FARMER'S ALLMINAX FOR 1873

ANDERSON'S Cheap Book, Stationery and News Depot, OPPOSITE THE MARKET GUELPH Guelph, Oct. 31, 1873 dw

SALE OF LANDS. Under and by virtue of powers of sale, contained in two several mortgages, default having been made in the payment thereof respectively, will be sold BY PUBLIC AUCTION, At the Market House, in the Town of Guelph, On Wednesday, 6th November, 1873, At twelve of the clock, noon, in two parcels, the following valuable freehold property in the County of Wellington:

PARCEL No. 1.—The south westerly eighty acres of Lot No. 12, in the eleventh concession of the Township of Nichol, formerly owned by George Fraser, and now occupied by William and George Wilson. PARCEL No. 2.—The northerly quarter of Lot No. 22, in the second concession of the Township of Garafra, containing fifty acres more or less, formerly owned by John Stewart. TERMS OF SALE.—One tenth of the purchase money to be paid down at the time of sale, and a sufficient sum within ten days thereafter to make one fourth of the purchase money. From one to ten years time will be given for payment of the balance, to suit purchasers. For further particulars, apply to W. S. G. Knowles, Esq., Auctioneer, Guelph, or to CROXTY & CROXTY, Vendors' Solicitors, London, Ont. Oct. 2, 1873. wtd-61 dw

OFFICE DIARIES FOR 1873 A Large Supply, A Good Assortment, CHEAP DAY'S BOOKSTORE. WYNDHAM ST., GUELPH.

DOMINION SALOON. FRESH OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE to be had at this saloon. The best Liquors and Cigars always in stock. DENIS BUNYAN, Guelph, Sept. 30, 1873. dw1210

HURRAH, HURRAH! MONEY FOUND!! IMPORTANT TO ALL!

A Manufacturer's Entire Stock of Dry Goods sent to Guelph to be Disposed of at Prices Regardless of the Cost. Money must be had for these Goods at once.

THE NEW STORE WILL BE

Opened on Monday, 4th of November, When the most unheard of inducements will be presented to purchasers of every description of

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, Within the remembrance of the human family. Nothing but READY MONEY will be accepted in payment of the Tremendous Bargains that ever awaited the Public. A Ten Dollar Bill will purchase as much value at the New Store to be named

CASH As Fifteen Dollars will at any of the Stores now in Guelph.

The New Store "CASH" is the most important and necessary means to create a revolution in the trade of Guelph. The interests of the purchasers of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods must be looked after, and the large profits that are now demanded by Merchants doing business in Guelph must be cut down, and the new store "CASH" will commence to wage war against the now existing combination of storekeeping. On the 4th November look out for the BUSH. Call on the opening day, and fill your purses with gold, silver or bank bills, and depend upon it the new store "CASH" will send you away with a radiant smile on your face that will bring joy into your family circle worth a thousand dollars to you.

Spread the News of the New Store "CASH," and its Wonderful Inducement. Don't Forget. Don't Forget.

Guelph---ALMA BLOCK. WM. KNOWLES, Agent. Guelph, Oct. 28, 1873 dw

No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK. CHOICE NEW VALENTIA RAISINS.

First of the Season. A Large Lot arriving. J. E. McELDERRY, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

FIRST PRIZE BISCUITS JAMES MASSIE, Manufacturer of

CHOICE CONFECTIONERY AND BISCUITS, Alma Block, Guelph.

Invites the attention of the Trade to the Superior Quality of Goods now produced at his Manufactory. Having introduced many new improvements, and employing only first-class workmen, and possessing every facility, he is prepared to supply the trade with a class of goods unsurpassed by any manufacturer, in

LOZENGES all flavors; DROPS, assorted flavors and shapes; GUM and LICORICE DROPS, CONVERSATION LOZENGES, MOULDED SWEETS, new patterns: SODA, SWEET and FRUIT BISCUITS, FRUIT BISCUITS, GINGER NUTS, CHEWING GUM, ROCK CANDY, LICORICE.

A Large Stock of Choice and Favorite Brand Cigars. His Biscuits took the first prize over all others at the London Western Fair this year, the only place where they were entered for competition. All Goods carefully packed and shipped with despatch. Q22dw

Co-Operative Store. REMOVAL OF PERRY'S BANKRUPT STOCK!

GROCERIES, CROCKERY, GLASSWARE. The balance of this Stock has been moved to our own place of business, and are now enabled to offer Special Inducements to all who buy large lines. J. C. MACKLIN & Co. GUELPH, Oct. 29, 1873. dw

BRITISH AND FOREIGN IMPORTING HOUSE, 48 and 50 Yonge Street, TORONTO; AND 196 and 198 McGill Street, MONTREAL.

Full lines of the following goods of this season's importation or manufacture offered to the jobbing trade by the package, or to general merchants in any part of the Dominion. TERMS—CLOSE, and discounts liberal to prompt men.

Celebrated Periscope Spectacles, Musical and Patent Albums, Violins and Accordions, Watches, Waltham and Swiss Clocks, Connecticut and French Old Bull Violin Strings, Bohemian Glass Ware, German Morocco Pocket Books, Flasks, Japanned Trays and Waiters, Walker's and Ely's Gun Caps.

Fancy China Ware, Gossell's Brushes and Soaps, Meerschaum and Briar Pipes, Work boxes and writing desks, Ladies' and Gents' Dressing Cases, Shell and Pearl Card Cases, Jewellery, Gold and Plated, Jewellery, Gold and Jet, Crystal Locking Glass Plate

Fancy Goods generally, the largest stock in the Dominion. ROBT. WILKES Sept. 24, 1873. dw 11

THE MEDICAL HALL GUELPH



Horse Influenza REMEDY!

Farmers, Livery Keepers, and all Owners of Horses affected with the above disease should at once apply to E. Harvey & Co. for their celebrated cure.

Simple, Safe and Reliable. E. HARVEY & Co. Dispensing Chemists. Guelph, Oct. 22, 1873. dw

FLOWER POTS AND SAUCERS, ALL SIZES, at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

NEW DUNDEE MARMALADE AT JOHN A. WOOD'S

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ENGLISH MALT PICKLING VINEGAR at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

BORDEAUX WHITE WINE VINEGAR at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

FRESH GROUND Mace, Nutmegs, Cloves, Ginger, Cinnamon and Piments, at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

PURE GROUND White, Black, and Cayenne Pepper, at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

CEYENNE PODS AND MUSTARD SEED for Pickles, at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

PORTUGAL ONIONS, very fine, at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

BIRDS EYE PEPPER SAUCE and STOUGHTON BITTERS at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

STOVE BRUSHES and DOME BLACK LEAD at JOHN A. WOOD'S.

NEW Sultana Raisins and New Turkey Figs at JOHN A. WOOD'S

WHOLESALE Flour and Feed Store. The undersigned begs to notify the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding country, that they have entered into partnership, and have opened a Flour and Feed Store, in the premises formerly occupied by the late John Stewart, On Macdonnell Street, Where they hope by strict attention to business, and the wants of the public to merit a share of patronage. Flour and Feed of all kinds kept constantly on hand, and delivered to any part of the town free of charge. N.B.—Cash paid for WOOL, SKINS, HIDES & PRODUCE OF ALL KINDS. Goods and produce stored at moderate rates. JAMES HEWER & CO. JAMES HEWER, ISAAC D. SEANTZ, Guelph, Sept. 6, 1873. dw5m-k3w

JOHN SPIERS, Veterinary Surgeon (Member of the Ontario Veterinary College, Hirsch's Union Hotel, Dec 23 GUELPH dw11