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Business Cards.

OLIVER & MACDONALD, Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont. H. OLIVER, JR. (dw) A. H. MACDONALD.

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK, Barrister, Town Hall Buildings, Guelph.

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ROYAL HOTEL LIVERY STABLE. The subscriber begs to notify the public that he has purchased the above livery from Mr Geo. W. Jessop, and will continue the business as heretofore. Having made considerable improvements, he will be able at all times to meet the wants of the travelling public. First-class Teamsters ready at the shortest notice. Guelph, 25th Dec. 1871. W. J. WILSON.

CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL, 18 THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET. Re-fitted in the latest fashion. Five latest styles Pool Tables.

DOMINION SALOON.

Fresh Oysters in every Style. The table supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner. At the Bar will be found the choicest Brands of Liquors and Cigars. DENIS BRYAN, Guelph, Nov. 21, 1871.

SODEN'S PUBLIC CAB. The undersigned having purchased Mr. D. Coffey's splendid Cabs, begs to inform the public that it will be at their service at all times, either by the hour, the day, or any other way, at the most moderate charges. It will attend all the regular trains, also Concerts and Balls, and can be engaged for Marriages or Funerals on the shortest notice. Order states kindly permitted at Mr. Harvey's Drug Store, Parkers' Hotel, and Harvey's Western Hotel. A careful and steady driver always with the Cab. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited. Orders may also be left at the Owner's Grocery Store, Upper Wyndham Street, Oct. 19, 1871. E. SODEN.

DUGNAN'S PUBLIC CAB. The Subscriber begs to inform the people of Guelph that he has purchased a splendid new public cab, which will attend all the regular trains, also Concerts and Balls, and can be engaged for Marriages or Funerals on the shortest notice. Order states kindly permitted at Mr. Harvey's Drug Store, Parkers' Hotel, and Harvey's Western Hotel. A careful and steady driver always with the Cab. A share of public patronage respectfully solicited. Orders may also be left at the Owner's Grocery Store, Upper Wyndham Street, Oct. 19, 1871. E. SODEN.

THE BEST HOTEL IN TOWN. LAMBLE ALWAYS HOLLY.

The rights of the above named hotel are now being sold by the Hon. J. M. Macdonnell, Barrister, at the Court House, Guelph, on the 15th inst. at 12 o'clock. The hotel is situated in the best part of the town, and is well adapted for the reception of travellers. The building is of brick, and is well finished. The furniture is of the best quality, and the kitchen is well equipped. The hotel is now being sold by the Hon. J. M. Macdonnell, Barrister, at the Court House, Guelph, on the 15th inst. at 12 o'clock.

STURDY.

GRANITE AND PAINTS MANAGER. Sole agent for the W. & A. Co. of Guelph, Ont. 1871.

DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Surgeon, Dentist, and Dispensing Doctor. Office, over the Court House, Guelph, Ont. 1871.

W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S., SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH. Office, over the Court House, Guelph, Ont. 1871.

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES. Family Sewing Machines (double thread). Hand Lock Stitches (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. dwty.

PARKER'S HOTEL, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler. The best of JAMES PARKER, Proprietor. Guelph, Feb. 6, 1872. dwy.

PLASTER, PLASTER! Just Received

600 Tons Fresh Ground Plaster! Paris and Calcedonia. Also a large quantity of Land Salt and Seed Grain.

For sale at the Montreal Warehouse, below St. Lawrence Street, Guelph, Feb. 20th, 1872. G. BARKWILL, dwyn.

Advertisements.

TO LET—In a pleasant locality, a sitting room and bed room, suitable for one or two gentlemen. Apply at this office. Guelph, March 12, 1872. dw

LUMBER WANTED. Good Pine, Ash, Butternut, Bass and Cherry. For further particulars apply to BURR & SKINNER, Guelph, March 15, 1872. 34aw-dwim

TANNERY FOR SALE OR TO RENT. The subscriber will either sell or rent his tannery on Surrey Street, Guelph. Possession given on the 1st of March. Apply, on the premises, to JERU CLARKE, Proprietor. Guelph, Jan. 9, 1872. dw

SITUATION AS BOOK-KEEPER. Wanted, a situation as book-keeper by an American gentleman of 20 years experience. Thoroughly competent to keep any kind of books. A situation in a jobbing house or manufactory preferred. Address A. B. at this office. thd

HOUSE AND PARK LOT FOR SALE. Two and a half acres of excellent land with good young orchard, bearing. Land well fenced. Good post-and-rail cottage and stable on the premises, within about one mile of the Market House. Price moderate and terms easy. WM. HART, No. 4, Day's Block.

FIRST-CLASS SAND FOR SALE. The undersigned offers for sale, either at the pit or delivered when required, first-class sand suitable for either Builders or Plasterers. Apply to JOHN FORD, Paisley Block Road. mtdwim

CORN, CORN, CORN, BEST QUALITY. For sale cheap at DAVIS & MURTON'S, Guelph, March 14th, 1872. dw 1

FARM FOR SALE. A farm of 60 acres, in the vicinity of the Town, good land and well watered. Will be sold very cheap, and on good terms of payment. Apply to Wm. Hart, No. 4, Day's Block. 122awim

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN. Convenient to the Great Western station, Lots 2 and 3 being corner Lots well fenced and a good dwelling house on each lot, with stable and pump. For further particulars apply to JAMES MACDONALD on the premises or at this office. Title perfect. Feb. 22nd dw

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. In the matter of JOHN McNEIL, of Guelph, An Insolvent.

I, the undersigned, John Garrett, have been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors are requested to file their claims before me within one month. JOHN GARRETT, Hamilton, 25th Feb. 1872. dw

CLOSING CONCERT. The class in Vocal Music, consisting of 17 ladies and gentlemen of this town, assisted by Mrs. Hall and Miss K. Keating, will close by giving a Grand Concert in the Drill Shed, Guelph, on Tuesday Ev'g. March 19th.

1872, at which time the most popular pieces of the day, some of the finest productions of the celebrated J. B. Thompson and H. D. Dyer, and other favorite compositions will be sung or recited.

Admission: Gent. 1 cent. Children 1 cent. Front seats reserved for Ladies, and 50 cent for a complimentary ticket. Tickets for sale at the Music Store, Guelph, on the 15th inst. at 12 o'clock. Guelph, March 14th, 1872. dw

FOR HAVE TROUBLES, ETC.

Cast Iron Sinks, Iron Well and Cistern Pumps, Lead and Iron Pipes.

CALL AT HOWARD'S, Where you can get the Best Value for your money to be had in Guelph. Guelph, March 15, 1872. dw

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY! To be had on reasonable terms, on security of real property, in sums of \$100 to \$500. Apply to J. W. WATT & CO., Guelph, Dec. 25, 1871. dw

PAINTER, GLAZIER AND PAPER HANGER. All orders promptly attended to. Residence—Two doors above St. Andrew's Church. Guelph, Feb. 26, 1872. dw

EGGS FOR HATCHING. F. STURDY

Is now Booking Eggs from his Imported Poultry. Send stamp for circular.

F. S. having only a small number of hens of each variety, to prevent disappointment he would like to see intending purchasers before he has time to select in their order, which in all cases must be accompanied by the cash. Also state when the eggs will be wanted. Guelph March 6, 1872. dwim

FARMS, FARMS! Several first-class farms for sale in the vicinity of Guelph. Prices moderate and terms easy.

HOUSES, LOTS! A number of Town and Park Lots, with and without houses, in the most eligible localities, some cheap.

MONEY, MONEY! In sums from \$100 to \$500, at the lowest current rates. Charges moderate. Apply to WILLIAM HART, No. 4, Day's Block, Guelph. Guelph, March 1, 1872. dw 2w

NEW BAKERY. The Subscribers beg to notify the people of Guelph that they have started a new Bakery

On Essex Street, one door south of Dr. Keating's.

Where they will always have in stock a supply of bread of the first quality. Having secured the services of Mr. Geo. Watson as baker, they feel assured in giving satisfaction.

Bread and Flour promptly delivered in any part of the town.

They hope by strict attention to business, and making bread of the best quality, to merit a share of public patronage.

A. McPHAIL & Co. Guelph, March 12, 1872. 3nd

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

G-and Trunk Railway
Trains leave Guelph as follows: WEST
4:22 a.m.; 9:50 a.m.; 6 p.m.; 8:30 p.m.; To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin, EAST
8:15 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:04 a.m.; 3:45 p.m. The 1.55 p.m. and 6.50 p.m. trains are cancelled.

Great Western—Guelph Branch
Going South—6:50 a.m.; 1:03 p.m.; 1:00 p.m. for Hamilton; 4:35 p.m.
Going North—11:45 a.m. for Clifflord; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifflord; 4:35 p.m. for Fergus; 9:05 p.m. for Fergus.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

Car has for the present declined to enter into the expenditure necessary for a steam fire engine.

Mr. J. M. DAVIS, the senior proprietor of the Mitchell Advertiser, who laid at death's door for three days, is pronounced out of danger.

A FARMER, living on the Bayfield Road, shot a wolf a few days ago, which had killed one of his sheep. It is a rare thing to see a wolf in that part of the country.

Signer.—Two young gentlemen taking a stroll on the other night in the neighborhood of Dundas, thought they saw a pretty poodle-dog sitting on the road. They went up to catch it, when the brute proved to be a skunk, and saluted them with a broadside of perfume.

A CENTENARIAN.—Mr. Peter Carroll, aged 100 years, died in the Township of Pilkington on Tuesday last. Deceased was a native of the County of Louth, Ireland. Mrs. Carroll, wife of deceased, is six months his senior, and is still hale and hearty.

ACCIDENTS.—Mr. E. Land, Elora, while splitting wood was struck on the left eye with a splinter, and his sight destroyed. Mrs. McGregor, of Douglas, last week slipped on the ice, fell and broke her arm. Mr. George Anderson, of Fergus, fell through a trap door on Wednesday and struck his head on the steps.

GREAT FIRE IN PETROLIA.—On Tuesday evening about eight o'clock a fire broke out in Bole's Great Western Railway Hotel and burnt it to the ground. It also burned a tailor shop, a gentleman's furniture store, J. G. Bole's law office and a billiard hall. The cause of the fire is not known at present.

THE TORONTO MAIL.—We have received the prospectus of this new paper, which is to be started on the first of April. The Mail starts under good auspices, having a capital of \$250,000. It will aim to be the best and most complete in Ontario. Mr. J. B. Thomson has been appointed our local agent for the Mail, and will call on the business men in the Town and County. He will have a very efficient and active agent.

A. M. C. A.—The regular meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association was held in their rooms last (Thursday) evening. The Rev. Mr. McQuinn in the chair. There was a large attendance. The members and guests for the evening were, and brought forth prices. A Committee of twelve were appointed to make the necessary arrangements for an annual convention. Next Thursday evening Mr. W. A. Allen will give an evening "Prayer Meeting" at the Rev. Mr. Russell's.

GRAND FETE.—The Reporter says that the Grand Fete on Wednesday was well attended, but prices were low and sales were slow. The Reporter hopes the cash people will not allow these facts to dash with one another again. It does not injure to let it be most unfair to the Galt Fair, as it is impossible for them to charge the regular fair day, while it is opposed with Guelph to hold its Easter Fair on any day during the week.

CHAMBERS' CHURCH SOCIAL.—The Social in Chambers' Church on Thursday night was well attended, and was a very pleasant affair. The ladies provided excellent refreshment. Mr. Jas. Laidlaw discharged the duties of chairman in a very happy manner. Short and appropriate speeches were given by Rev. Mr. Wardrop, Messrs. Rivton, Guthrie and McLintock, some excellent songs by Miss Dorothy, Miss Wardrop, Miss Johnston and Miss Cossitt and Mr. Jas. Ferguson and Mr. R. S. Brodie amused the company with some admirable readings. Everything passed off well, and all present enjoyed themselves very much.

PROPOSED COUNTY POOR HOUSE.—The Fergus Express says:—A committee, appointed by the County Council of Wellington, at its last session, for the purpose of considering the advisability of erecting a poor house and hospital in this County, met at Dally's Hotel, Elora, on Wednesday last. Six Reeves were present, and considered the question in all its bearings, and unanimously agreed that a suitable site for the establishment of such a building could be found midway between the villages of Elora and Fergus. The Reeves of the different municipalities will be corresponded with, in order to ascertain the amount each municipality pays annually for the support of its poor, and other necessary information will be sought, all of which will be reported to the Wellington County Council at its sitting in June next.

MURPHY, the well-known anti-popey lecturer, has just died in London. It is believed his death was caused by injuries received at the hands of a mob while he was delivering a lecture some time since at Whitehaven.

BY TELEGRAPH

THIS MORNING'S DESPACHES

The Mexican Revolution.

A Chase Convention.

The Erie Railway.

Immense Deficits.

Matamoros, Mexico, March 14.—An official courier, who has just arrived from Tampico, confirms the retaking of Zecate and the complete defeat of the rebels there. Bells are ringing and cannons firing in celebration of the victory.

New York, March 15.—A special despatch from Washington gives the details of the latest convention hatching at the national capital. This gathering will be composed of both Democratic and Republican delegates in the interest of Judge Chase, and will meet at Parkersburg, West Va., on the 18th of April.

An exhibit of the receipts and expenditures of the Erie Railway from 1865 to 1871 show a deficit of fifty-one million dollars. Since Jay Gould has had an interest in the road contingencies have increased from thirty-two thousand to nearly two hundred thousand dollars, the expenses of the general superintendents have increased from one hundred and seventy thousand dollars, the issue of stock has increased from twenty-five million to eighty-six million dollars, of which fifty-one million dollars are covered up in some unknown way on the books. The expenses for agents and clerks have increased from six hundred thousand to one million and six hundred thousand dollars. There is an increase of over four hundred thousand dollars for conductors, baggage men and brakemen, and a proportional increase for the engineers and firemen.

The New Furniture Factory.

We are glad to be able to inform our readers that Messrs. Burr, Skinner & Co. have completed their arrangements for the erection of the new Furniture Factory in Guelph. The work on the building will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit. They have purchased a very suitable lot on Paisley street, opposite the new Stone Foundry of Messrs. Howard & Gray, on which the building will be put up. It will be 75 feet long by 35 feet wide of front, and there will be twelve bays, each bay being 12 feet wide and 35 feet deep. The main building will be two and a half stories in height. Mr. Wm. Peterson is contractor for the masonry, Mr. Little for the carpentry work, and Mr. Sturley for the painting and plumbing. It is expected that the work on the factory will be sufficiently advanced to enable the firm to commence operations about the latter end of June. There will be sufficient room at the start to employ from 20 to 30 men, and calculations have been made for increasing its capacity in proportion to the increase of the business. The factory will be furnished with all the necessary machinery of the latest and best description for turning out the best work in the shortest time, and for economical as far as possible manual labor. There is an excellent opening in Guelph for a factory of this kind, and from what we know of the members of the firm, we have no doubt of the success of the enterprise, and that before long it will be one of the largest and most prosperous manufacturing establishments in the town. The members of the firm are young, active and pushing, and we hope they will meet with all the success their enterprise deserves. An advertisement in another column for lumber shows that they keep business, and that they are anxious to get good stock on hand by the time the factory is ready.

The Credit Valley Railway.

Speaking of this enterprise, and the meeting held by Mr. Laidlaw last week in Fergus, the Fergus Express says:—

"There was a wide difference of opinion at the meeting, and the warmest advocates of the proposed road were the Reeve and other gentlemen from the township of Erin. Gentlemen resident in this neighborhood who appeared inclined to favor the scheme were unanimous in the expression of the opinion that the bonus asked for was too large, and that unless a reduction in the demands of the Company is made, it will be useless to proceed further with the advocacy of the project. Nichol, Elora and Fergus have already contributed largely to the construction of a railroad which is of equal benefit to Pilkington and Garsfrax, townships refusing to contribute one single cent. To ask these willing horses to burden themselves further, to a large extent, for the purpose of benefiting their more cautious neighbors is demanding too much, and we feel sure that, unless a sum far below \$100,000 is asked, Mr. Laidlaw will not succeed in convincing a majority of the people of Centre Wellington that the Credit Valley Railway is either absolutely necessary or even desirable. We are of the opinion, however, that if a moderate bonus is asked, there is sufficient good-will in the locality to ensure its being carried. It cannot be secured without a hard fight but men who passed through the W. G. and B. campaign will be found equal to the task before them. It is nearly altogether a farmers' question and by the owners of the soil must be decided."

The following resolution was passed at the meeting:—

"That this meeting, having heard the statements made by George Laidlaw, Esq. in opinion that the construction of a second road from Fergus and Elora to Toronto is a matter deserving the serious consideration of the freeholders of Centre Wellington."

The Reign of Terror in North Carolina.

We learn from a series of letters from North Carolina to the New York Herald, that a band of robbers, running wild through the woods, are practically at the head of affairs in that state; that the country for miles round is fast becoming depopulated of the white people through fear of the outlaws. The whole matter is but a sequel to the horrors of the Ku Klux Klan outrages, and began as a local feud between a mulatto and the former. It appears that in 1865, a colored man named Lowery and his son were murdered by Ku Klux Klan in Seuffletown, for which a son and brother named Henry Lowery, then only nineteen years of age, swore an oath of revenge, and carried out the same by murdering two white men named Harris and Barnes, who had been charged with the murder of the two Lowerys. The old slave-holding element, in spite of the sympathy of the neighborhood being with young Lowery, resolved to arrest and hang him, for the murder of these two white men. He was therefore arrested and lodged in Whitesville Jail, Columbus County, but managed to escape by firing the grating through in one of the windows, and making off for the woods. This was in 1866; but he was subsequently re-arrested, and again made his escape, this time from Lumberton, a small town on the Lumber River, after which he led the life of a hunted man in the woods, robbing and murdering, sometimes for money, sometimes for revenge, being at the head of a band of distinguished murderers whom he deemed worthy of the leadership. To one person he said he did not kill any body but Ku Klux, and inasmuch as he was not allowed to take it from others. The colored people, who are in a majority in that state sympathize with the Lowery band, on the ground that they kill nobody but those who want to kill them, and that the revenge was deserved by the slave holders, who wanted to hang them before the war. An old woman, called Aunt Phoebe, is represented to describe the treatment received by the colored people at the hands of their masters before the war, and justifies the acts of Lowery, as follows:—

"Massa," she said, "Henry Berry Lowery, ain't gwine to kill nobody but them that wants to kill him. He's just a paying these white people back for killing his old father, brother and cousins. His old mother I knew right well and she says, 'My boys ain't doing right, but I can't help it; I can only jiss pray for 'em. They mean to hang me, and I'm gwine to cry and had this yer kind of life.' Massa, I resimed Aunt Phoebe, 'this used to be a dreadful country for pore niggers. Do you see my teeth up yer Massa?'"

The old woman drew her lip back with her finger and showed the grey hair with a long, red, and dried side.

"My Massa—his name's MacQuinn for MacQuinn—knocked them all out with an oak stick, God knows I worked for him wid all my might; but, you see, he was a keepin' black women and his wife gwine to leave him, he wanted me to say I'd kill the man, and I'd a died first. He shipped me and he put me out at last. He struck me wid a stick over the mouth, and Massa, jess put up yer hand to catch de blood and all de teeth dropped in de palm of my hand. Oh, dis was a hard country, and Henry Berry Lowery's jess de best nigger man I ever see. Massa, he's gwine to kill de kind of dis country."

This band have committed numerous murders. The first great crime succeeding the killing of Brant and Harris was committed in the motive of house robbery upon a highly esteemed old citizen of Adams County, the Sheriff of Landon county, Gen. Kinn. This happy action on the night of January 23, 1863. The next was the cold-blooded murder of a man named Owen C. Norman, an ex-slaveholder and murderer, who had been very overbearing to his slaves, so much so, that he had shot one of them on the spot for calling him a liar, and he is now known to be long in the hands of the rebels, giving long list of murders much of the same kind, too tedious and heart-rending to repeat by this band, most of them for revenge on the Ku-Klux. This terrible catalogue seems almost endless, the cruelty and hatred between the two races being fed and fostered by the political spirit of the parties. This party of outlaws afforded a plausible excuse for some time for the organization of the Ku Klux, and partly after party was organized and despatched through the woods to arrest Lowery and his band. One of these parties killed an innocent negro because he was a Republican, and the Grand Jury, against the protest of Judge Russell, refused to approve of a bill against his party, all of whom were well known. The leader, a man named Malcolm McNeil, afterwards fled to Baltimore, where he is now known to be engaged as a clerk. The judge denounced the action of the jury as outrageous, and issued his warrant, out-lawing every man of the party. These expeditions were really organized by the aggrieved ex-slaveholders in an aggressive movement against the black republicans, as they were called, a negro waiter at a hotel in Lumberton in answer to some inquiries regarding the Ku-Klux said "I say they go up to Seuffletown to hunt Lowery; but I never knew them to go there without killing some innocent person." The whole State is now therefore in a dreadfully disturbed state owing to this murderous gang; and the authorities seem utterly incompetent to rid themselves of the band of robbers.

THEM AND NOW.—Thirty-eight years ago, old Huron tract—embracing Perth, Huron, Middlesex, Bruce, Grey, Simcoe and Lambton—contained 2,594 souls, while the whole Province contained 220,735. Now this old Huron tract has developed a population of 350,000 souls, with an assessed property, including buildings and machinery, of not less than 200,000,000 of the black republicans, and Fullarton eight. The taxes of the two Townships amounted to about \$27 collected, which paid the assessor and the gatherer, and left three pence to meet the various public expenditures of the two municipalities.

Richard Pigott, editor of the Irishman, who was sentenced to undergo three months' imprisonment for a libel on the Chief Justice of the Queen's Bench, during the trial of the Fenian Kelly, has been released from jail, his term having expired. Pigott's friends made a demonstration in his honor upon his release, and he was afterwards entertained at breakfast.

The Toronto Habens Corpus Case.

To the Editor of the Mercury.

Sir,—The Keith case, published yesterday, being of a nature to affect the good understanding which happily exists between Protestants and Catholics throughout the Dominion, allow me to comment briefly on the affair, from a Catholic standpoint.

The Catholic Church has always discountenanced mixed marriages, even while she labors to propagate charity amongst all mankind. The reason is obvious. Marriage is no ordinary relationship, bounded by civil or social duties, but an indissoluble contract formed under the auspices of religion, and cemented by a solemn sacrament. It must exist without a flaw. The convictions of the mind as well as the affections of the heart must strengthen its associations, and perpetuate its obligations. Experience, however, proves that where there are opposing convictions of such a character as religion induces, there cannot be, unless by exception, that unity and stability necessary for its perpetuity and happiness. Consequently, it can never be said that Protestants are ever involved by the Catholic Church into forming such alliances. In case a mixed marriage is sanctioned, or rather tolerated, by the Catholic Church, then by an agreement made before the sacred rite is performed, the contracting parties solemnly bind themselves that the children whom Providence may bless them with, shall be Catholic.

When the children are presented for baptism, a covenant is made with the Church by parents and sponsors, that these children shall be trained up in the doctrine and duties of the Catholic Religion. Nor would the Catholic Church administer this sacrament without the conditions. It is easy to conceive Mr. Editor, that Mrs. Keith alone has jurisdiction, in spiritual, over her children.

Yours truly,
Guelph, Mar. 14, '72. CONCORD.

A Clever and Gallant Feat.

The Quebec Chronicle publishes an interesting report of the rescue of the *Pride of England*, with her cargo of timber, by the steamer *Arctic*, Capt. Robt. Dickey. It will be remembered this was one of the unfortunate fleet of merchantmen caught in the ice of the Lower St. Lawrence, at the end of November, and which it was found necessary at the time to abandon to their fate. After lying in that inhospitable region all winter, and enduring the buffeting of the fierce storms from all points of the compass, with ice all over, below and around her, the staunch ship has been withdrawn from her perilous position, and safely beached at Tadoussac. The enterprise was well conceived, and carried out with rare skill and courage. We believe such a feat was never before performed in the St. Lawrence, and it was no wonder the intelligence created an unbounded stir and excitement in Quebec. The enterprise was well conceived, and carried out with rare skill and courage. We believe such a feat was never before performed in the St. Lawrence, and it was no wonder the intelligence created an unbounded stir and excitement in Quebec. The enterprise was well conceived, and carried out with rare skill and courage. We believe such a feat was never before performed in the St. Lawrence, and it was no wonder the intelligence created an unbounded stir and excitement in Quebec.

Bismarck and his Opponents.

The recent energetic action of Bismarck in religious and educational matters, has completely estranged the Conservative and Ultramontane parties in Prussia, and the King has been greatly interested by the parliamentary utterances of the Chancellor, of which we lately gave an example. Berlin correspondents predict a prolonged contest in the Legislature between the two parties, unless Bismarck makes good his threat to dissolve the Chambers should furious opposition be offered to his measures. The Opposition in the Prussian Chamber is led by Herr Windthorst, Minister of Hanover, and therefore no friend of the Chancellor. He is described as a statesman of considerable ability, and an orator whose speeches "elegant in style and sparkling with epigram, are always listened to with interest." He is also said to be a great favorite at the Court, but he labors under the disadvantage of being an advocate of the "lost cause" of the Hanoverian monarch. But though circumstances may excite warm opposition to the Ministerial policy, it is hardly probable that the Ultramontanes will seriously endanger the power of Bismarck. The national sympathies are Liberal, and from the liberal party the German Chancellor has the most opposition to fear, or the most support to expect, as he elects to rule absolutely or constitutionally.

GALT AND DOON RAILWAY.

The contract for the construction of the Galt and Doon Railway has been let to Mr. John Ferguson, of Galt. The amount of this gentleman's estimate for the line recommended to be adopted provided the necessary funds can be raised, is \$22,573.38. This of course does not include right of way, engineering expenses, etc., which will amount to either four or five thousand dollars.

THE PROPOSED NEW COUNTY.

We find by the Durham Chronicle that Mount Forest has a committee now engaged in circulating a petition to which signatures have to some extent been obtained, praying that the townships of Proton, Egremont and Normandy be taken from Grey and added to certain townships of Wellington, not mentioned, and that the same may be erected into a new County, with Mount Forest as the County seat.