

THE ALABAMA QUESTION.

A special from the Washington correspondence of the New York Herald on Friday says:—The morning mail brought the text of note written by Granville to Shenck, in reference to the Alabama case. It does not differ materially from the despatch indicating its tenor, telegraphed from London, but is written in the elaborate diplomatic phraseology characteristic of the communications of the British Foreign Ministers. The point of the note is virtually what was expressed by the Queen in the Speech from the Throne. This is clothed by profuse assurances of the friendship entertained by the English for America. Regret is felt at the existence of any misunderstanding and the expression of an earnest wish that some means may be found to reconcile the difficulty, and enable the two countries to proceed with the arbitration. This note is accompanied with most voluminous extracts from English and Continental newspapers, commenting upon the treaty.

EDITORIAL ITEMS.

The organs in Ottawa contradict the report that Sir F. Hincks is to run for North Middlesex.

The steam dredge for the Dominion Government, which has been constructed on the Clyde, is completed. It is intended for use on the St. Lawrence.

Mr. LARKIN, Barrister of Toronto, has been appointed immigration agent to Ireland by the Dominion Government, in the place of Mr. J. G. Moylan.

The Brockville Recorder says there are fools in the world of various classes, and probably Mathew Crooks Cameron stands head and shoulders above all others as an educated fool. His conduct on the Wood-Blake slander being proof of his right and title to wear the fool's cap.

A TELEGRAM from London states that although the appointment of Lord Northbrook to the Viceroyship of India was pronounced premature, there is little doubt it will ultimately be made, and that the Marquis of Lansdowne will probably succeed him as Under Secretary of State for War.

THE PROVINCIAL TREASURER.—In the Lower Provinces Mr. Mackenzie is highly respected. The Halifax Chronicle says:—"Hon. Mr. Mackenzie has received, we observe, the unanimous nomination of West Middlesex for the next House of Commons. He will serve any constituency which has the honor of electing him with unsurpassed fidelity and ability."

The London correspondent of the New York Herald telegraphs that two German army corps have been ordered to be in readiness; and he assigns the cause of this action to the unsettled condition of political affairs at Paris and Versailles. There is a probability of a change of Government in France at any moment, and Germany claims the right of judging as to how far any new Government which might succeed the present one would be willing or able to carry out the terms of the treaty of peace.

Mr. CLARKE, member for Centre Wellington, proposed and succeeded in carrying an amendment to the Credit Valley Bill which, while admitting the "grouping" system, provides that, unless twenty freeholders in any township proposed to be included in the group, petition that such municipality be so included, the County Council cannot force it into the proposed division. This prevents any township being unnecessarily compelled to vote unless at least twenty of its freeholders are favorable to the scheme.

It may be that the next session of the Ecumenical Council will be held in Austrian dominions; but, even if it is, there is no further possibility that the Pope will leave Rome, as it was reported he would, in that event. It is now said that the Pontiff will be present at the Council by proxy, and though this need not make his departure from the Holy City impossible, it renders it highly improbable. The convocation will be invested with a certain pathetic interest to all good Catholics by the apparent necessity for its being held on other than Roman soil.

The Proton Committee. The Proton Committee met on Saturday morning. Mr. McKellar was called, and made the same statement he made in the House with reference to the interview with Mr. Lewis. Mr. Lewis was also examined. He contradicted himself frequently, but declared he had no instruction whatever directly or indirectly, with any member of the Government except the conversation he had with Mr. McKellar, which was as stated by him (Mr. McKellar). His examination related merely to his coming from Houghton Centre meeting Oliver at Ingersoll and Kerr at Hamilton and McKellar at Toronto. He will be examined on Monday with reference to the statements he made in Proton.

TRADE AT SAENIA.—The Observer says: The business of the Sarnia Branch of the Great Western Railway has been increasing very rapidly of late. This is partly owing to the accession of traffic and travel consequent on the opening of the Port Huron and Lake Michigan Railway, and partly to the fact that this port has been found to be an excellent point for landing the gravel used in manufacturing

on the Georgian Bay, to be sent eastward by rail for the supply of Stratroy, London and all other important places in the Western Peninsula. To such extent, in short, has the business of the road increased of late, that the Company find themselves very much hampered for room to do there business satisfactorily, and are under the necessity of adopting measures to procure more yard accommodation than they now possess.

The river and Frith of Tay, in Scotland, overflowed their banks on Saturday night, and the whole level country between Dundee and Perth is flooded and much property destroyed.

BIRTHS.

MORTON—At Fergus, on the 19th inst, the wife of Mr. James Morton, photographer, of a son.

MARRIED.

BLACKWELL—STEPHENS—On the 15th inst, by the Rev. C. E. Thomson, Mr. John Blackwell, of Peel Township, to Miss Susan Stephens, of Guelph.

DIED.

FISHER—In Hamilton, on the 19th inst, Zabella, wife of Mr. George Fisher, formerly of Elora.

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RECEIVED AT ANDERSON'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market.

NEW BOOKS

- The Scots Worthies, A Cloud of Witnesses, Twenty Years Ago, Walks in Canaan, Thomas Chalmers' Biography, Rev. John Caird's Sermons, The Shepherd and His Flock, The Fifty Years Struggle, Hymns of Faith and Hope, Days and Nights in the East, H. Vol. of Little Folks, Sunday School World.

AT ANDERSON'S Cheap Book, Stationery, and News Depot, Opposite the Market.

GUELPH

GRAND VOCAL and INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT!

A Grand Vocal and Instrumental Concert will be given in the TOWN HALL, On Wednesday, 28th Feb'y.

Lawrence's Silver Cornet Band Assisted by several First-class Amateurs, as well as others from a distance, who have kindly volunteered their services.

The proceeds of the Concert are to be devoted to paying off the balance due on the New Union purchased last fall. The patronage of the public is solicited. The concert will be conducted by Mr. T. H. TAYLOR.

Price of admission to all parts of the Hall, 25 cents. Front seats reserved for Ladies and Gentlemen accompanying them. Doors open at 7:30; concert to commence at 8 o'clock sharp.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. In the matter of FRANCIS VALLARY, of Fergus, an Insolvent.

Sale of Bankrupt Stock. Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Friday, the 23rd of March, next, for the stock in trade of the above named insolvent, consisting of Boots, Shoes, Leather, Lamps, Sewing Machine, &c. &c. at— in the S.

NEW MILLINERY SHOW ROOMS. MISS ELLIS. Bees to inform the public that she has just received a fresh lot of

MILLINERY GOODS. In all the latest styles, and respectfully solicits an early call. L. S. One door east of the Royal Hotel. Guelph, Oct. 5, 1871.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMENDMENTS THERE TO. In the matter of GEORGE HOW and EDWARD HOW, individually as well as Co-partners trading under the name, style and firm of HOW & BROTHER, Insolvents.

The Creditors of the Insolvents are notified that a meeting will be held at my office, No. 29 Toronto Street, in the City of Toronto, on MONDAY, the 4th day of March, next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of advising the Assignee on the state of the estate and effects of the Insolvents, real and personal, in one lot, and the ordering of the affairs of the estate. W. T. McCREA, Assignee. Dated at Toronto, this 17th day of February, A.D. 1872.

COAL OIL AT WHOLESALE Superior Quality and Cheap At John Horsman's.

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THE GARDNER SEWING MACHINE First Prize at Central Fair, and everywhere else. Acknowledged by all to be the best and most reliable.

CHIGNONS, BRAIDS, SWITCHES, General Fancy Goods, Small Wares, JEWELRY and TOYS.

JOHN HUNTER, Guelph, Feb. 20, 1872

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after SATURDAY, the 24th of FEBRUARY, G. B. FRASER'S Stock will be offered in lots to suit purchasers, at less than the Goods can now be manufactured. BARGAINS, BARGAINS, BARGAINS. All in want of DRY GOODS and CROCKERIES will save money by buying at FRASER'S. FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF GOODS TO BE SOLD OFF WITHOUT RESERVE!!! It will pay Merchants, Farmers, Hotel Keepers, and all in want of House Furnishings, to travel 50 miles to make a selection from Fraser's Extensive Stock. The Goods will be Marked in Plain Figures, and No Second Price. A number of extra salesmen being engaged for the expected rush, customers will receive every attention. The stock will be opened at 8 a.m. and closed at 6 p.m. All are invited to come early, and partake of the Great Bargains at G. B. FRASER'S, Guelph. TERMS OF SALE.—Under \$50, cash; over \$50 three months credit; or 5 per cent discount for cash. G. B. FRASER, Proprietor.

R. CRAWFORD, MANUFACTURER WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER, Next the Post Office.

Having resolved to go into the manufacture of WATCHES and JEWELLERY

EXCLUSIVELY. I will sell for CASH the present stock of Watches, Clocks, Jewellery, &c.

BARGAINS WILL BE GIVEN Until the whole stock is sold off.

The Jobbing Business will be carried on to a fuller extent than ever. Observe the address— NEXT THE POST OFFICE, GUELPH, ONT.

PLASTER, PLASTER! Just received

600 Tons Fresh Ground Plaster! Paris and Calcutta. Also a large quantity of Land Salt and Seed Grain. For sale at the Montreal Warehouse, below the Railway Crossing. G. BALAWILL, Guelph, Feb. 20th, 1872

New Advertisements. GREAT CLEARING SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES

The Subscriber having decided to remove from Guelph, begs to intimate to the public that before closing his business here, he will sell off the balance of his Stock of BOOTS AND SHOES AT COST PRICE!

The Great Sale will commence on THURSDAY, the 6th of FEBRUARY, and CONTINUE FOR 30 DAYS

During which time the whole of his stock, which comprises a good assortment of New and Fresh Goods, will be offered at actual cost price for cash, and cash only. This is a Genuine Clearing Sale, and the public may depend upon getting FIRST-CLASS BARGAINS!

N. B.—All parties indebted to the Subscriber, either by Note or Book Account, are respectfully requested to settle them AT ONCE, as after the 20th inst., all accounts unsettled will be placed in the hands of A. A. Baker, Esq., for collection.

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GUELPH CLOTH HALL SPRING ARRIVALS SHAW & MURTON HAVE JUST RECEIVED THEIR FIRST INSTALMENT OF NEW HATS NEW CAPS NEW SCARFS NEW TIES NEW COLLARS

AT THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL. SHAW & MURTON. Guelph, Feb. 19, 1872.

THE STOCK OF PRESERVES, JELLIES, AND CANNED FRUITS, Generally run low in every household at this season of the year.

JOHN A. WOOD, is prepared to supply the deficiency, having in stock the largest and best assortment ever shown in Guelph.

- CANNED GOODS: Strawberries, Raspberries, Blackberries, White Cherries, Red Cherries, Pears, Plums, Peaches, Pine Apples, Quinces, Rhubarb, Pippins, String Beans, Sweet Corn, Tomatoes, Green Peas.
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- JELLIES: Red Currant, Black, Calves Foot, Lemon and Orange.

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S ASH WEDNESDAY!

- FRESH HADDOCK, FRESH CODFISH, FRESH FLOUNDERS, FRESH SEA HERRINGS, FRESH LAKE HERRINGS, FRESH SALMON TROUT, FRESH WHITE FISH, FRESH PERCH.

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Fire, Marine and Life INSURANCE Provincial, Lancashire and Phoenix. Canada Landed Credit Com'ry Lower rates than any Loan Co. in Ontario. JOHN McCREA, Agent. Office over Bank of Commerce Buildings, Guelph, Guelph, Nov 28th, 1871.

N. HIGINBOTHAM, Real Estate and General Agent, GUELPH. Loans Negotiated.

The Hamilton Provident and Loan Society. Head Office, Hamilton, Ont.

To the Owners of Real Estate who want to borrow money, the above Institution offers facilities and advantages which can be obtained from no other Company or Private Lender in the Province. Merchants, Mechanics, Professional men, or others who desire to become owners of their business premises or private dwellings, will find an easy method of so doing by applying to this Society.

The following valuable properties are offered on the most favorable terms:

- No. 15. A Splendid Farm in Peel, County of York, containing 100 acres, 75 acres cleared, and in good cultivation. The balance covered with hardwood, and watered by a good spring creek; brick house and log barn; situated two miles from a Railway Station, and 1 1/2 miles from a Gravel Road. Terms easy.
- No. 16. Park Lots in the Town of Guelph, containing together 5 acres of good land, well adapted for a market-garden. The greater portion of the purchase money can remain unpaid.
- No. 17. THAT large three storey Stone Building with five lots of Land, known as the old Burrow's Hotel, well adapted for manufacturing purposes, being conveniently situated near the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railway Stations. Terms easy.
- No. 18. A BARGAIN. 900 ACRES in the Township of Proton, County of Grey, in the immediate vicinity of the Toronto, Grey and Bruce R. R. Will be sold cheap. Also, 700 acres in the Township of Minto, Co. Wellington.
- No. 19. THAT excellent farm situated on the Grand River, within 2 miles of the village of Fergus, consisting of 300 acres, 220 cleared, the balance in good hardwood. The farm is well fenced; with a plentiful supply of water. The buildings consist of one roughcast dwelling house, two workmen's houses, bank barn with stables and root house under the same, all in good condition. There is also an excellent orchard with trees in full bearing. This is, without exception, one of the finest farms in the County of Wellington, and well adapted for stock raising. Terms easy.
- No. 20. 176 1/2 ACRES in the Township of Saugeen, County of Bruce, about 2 miles from the thriving village of Port Elgin, an important station on the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway; 30 acres cleared, the balance covered with hemlock and hardwood, with a log house, and double log barn. There is also a good water privilege on Snake Creek, with 14 feet head.
- No. 21. FARM for Sale, two miles from Guelph, fronting Elora Gravel Road, 109 acres, 8 acres free from stumps, well fenced, 4 acres seeded down with timothy and clover. Superior two storey stone dwelling, with lawn and orchard. Commodious barn and outbuildings.
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. A. H. R. KENNEDY'S Flour and Feed Store. Call and leave your orders with A. H. R. KENNEDY if you want the best Flour, Potatoes and Feed

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