

Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET SATURDAY EV'NG, DEC. 12TH, 1868.

THE BRITISH MINISTRY.

The prophecy that Mr. Gladstone would not be able to form a ministry has not been fulfilled. The hopes of one party and the fears of another, however, rendered the prediction not altogether idle.

Earl Russell is Lord Privy Seal. It was perhaps to be expected that he should have a place out of regard for his long connection with the Liberals, and his former services, if not for the chances of the good he may yet effect.

The Recent Elections in Scotland. In no part of the kingdom have the elections gone so decisively on one side as in Scotland. Seat after seat has been lost by the Conservatives.

Shooting Match. The pigeon match announced to take place at Mr. G. Black's tavern came off yesterday (Friday). There were twenty competitors.

The late Mr. Dow of Montreal, who made a fortune by making "Dour's Ale," has given large sums to the House of Industry, the General Hospital and other public charities.

NEW MEDICAL TREATMENT.—The exhaustive treatment, as it is called, is the rage just now. A party is put into an airtight box, the head alone being outside.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

COULSON HOUSE, GUELPH, Dec. 11th, 1868. D. Brown, Montreal; A. Anderson, Fergus; B. Hammond, Scaforth; James Whyte, A. Whyte, Wm. Whyte, Arlham; G. W. Rud, Paisley; H. Stoddard, Paisley; D. F. James, Goderich; S. L. Dobbie, Fergus; J. G. Dawson, Montreal; W. F. Cummerford, Paris.

SKATES.

Skates, skate straps, skate gimlets, skate screws, a large variety of skates suitable for ladies and gentlemen, quite cheap, at

JOHN HORSMAY'S, Hardware Merchant, Guelph

BIRTHS.

MORRELL.—At Paisley Block, Guelph Township, on the 7th inst., the wife of Mr. H. Morrell, of a son.

DIED.

McCAIG.—In Paisley on the 10th inst., Mr. Alex. McCaig, a native of Kintyre, Argyshire, Scotland, aged 80 years.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

The subscriber begs to intimate to the public that he will remain one month longer in Guelph, for the purpose of selling his farm and leasing his hotel.

APARTMENTS WANTED.

A gentleman wishes to get two furnished rooms with separate meals in a private family where no other boarders are kept.

LAST NOTICE.

Having placed my books in the hand of A. A. BAKER, Esq., all accounts remain unpaid.

TOWNSHIP OF GUELPH MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Annual Meeting of the Members of this Company takes place on Saturday, the 2nd day of January, 1869.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY'S

The Annual Meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the County of Wellington will be held at Blyth's Hotel, Malden, on

Saturday, the 2nd January,

At 2 o'clock, p.m., for the election of office-bearers and other business.

Undertakers!

Having bought out Mr. Nathan Tovell's Hearse, Horses, &c., we have 15 first class hearses to business to gain a share of public patronage.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds

From the Locket to Life Size,

Equal as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion.—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Photograph to themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices.

Rooms: Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-St.

WILLIAM BURGESS. Guelph, December 12. dw

Portrait Painting.

D. C. BELL, Portrait and Landscape Painter, Has taken rooms in DAY'S BLOCK, where he will be happy to execute Likenesses of all who may favor him with their commands.

PORTRAITS

In Oil Colours, painted from life. PHOTOGRAPHS, AMBROTYPES, DAGUERROTYPES and MINATURES of all kinds copied and enlarged to LIFE SIZE.

FLAGS & BANNERS PAINTED

Lessons given in DRAWING and PAINTING. Inspection of Specimens respectfully invited. Guelph, Nov. 17, 1868. daw 1m

Large Assortment.

Next Door to the Alma Block

OPENING OUT

GROCERIES, LIQUORS AND CROCKERY, GLASSWARE, ETC.,

Next Door to the Alma Block

ARCHIBALD McKEAND,

(Successor to John W. Murton). Banking and Exchange OFFICE, No. 9, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, uncurrent Money and Specie bought and sold at best rates.

5-20 Bonds bought and sold at a slight advance on New York rates.

Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the London and New York Steamship Company, fortnightly Line between New York and London.

Tickets via the Michigan Central R. R., and the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana R. R., for all points West and South, Royal Mail Line to Montreal and intermediate ports.

Agent for the Kewshaw & Edwards' celebrated Fire and Burglar Proof Safes. Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 1y

MASON & HAMLIN

CABINET AND METROPOLITAN ORGANS,

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Illustrated Catalogues, with full description and prices of the various styles of instruments sent free to any applicant. Canvassing Agents Wanted.

W. WARNER CLARKE,

Guelph, Dec. 13. daw 1f Market Square, Guelph

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS FRUIT

At WALKER'S, this year's Crop, 1868.

CROWN LAYER RAISINS, LONDON LAYER RAISINS, WEST END LAYER RAISINS, SULTANA RAISINS, VALENTIA RAISINS, SEEDLESS RAISINS,

CURRENTS, new and large; Turkey Figs in layers, very large; Dates, German and French Prunes.

HUGH WALKER,

Guelph, Dec. 12. dw Fruit Depot, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

AUCTIONSALE PROVIDE FOR THE LONG WINTER EVENINGS!

The long evenings are upon us, when the laboring man, mechanic, &c., can devote their leisure hours to the improvement of themselves and families by procuring and reading

GOOD BOOKS!

At DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market, will be found

BOOKS entertaining and useful, BOOKS amusing and instructive, BOOKS of Travel and Adventure, BOOKS suited to every condition, BOOKS welcomed in every Family, BOOKS of History and Biography, BOOKS elegantly printed and bound, BOOKS good, new and cheap, BOOKS for Christmas and New Year's, BOOKS your certain fortune,

At extremely low prices for CASH ONLY, at DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market, Guelph, Dec. 11. daw 1f

APPRENTICE WANTED.

Wanted at THE MERCANTILE OFFICE an apprentice to the Printing business. A stout, active lad, possessing a good English education, 15 or 16 years of age, from the country preferred. Apply at once. Guelph, 3rd December.

BOARDING. BOARDING.

A few respectable boarders can be accommodated with comfortable boarding on reasonable terms. Apply to MRS. BLOOMFIELD, in rear of Baker Wright's. Guelph, December 7. daw 1f

New Advertisements.

G. B. FRASER'S CHRISTMAS AND NEW-YEAR'S

GIFT SALE!

WILL BEGIN on MONDAY, DECEMBER 14.

\$40,000 worth of Dry Goods to be Disposed of. CHOICE OF EVERYTHING IN THE STORE!

A GIFT FOR EVERY PURCHASE OF ONE DOLLAR and Upwards,

Consisting of Fine Gift Scarf Pins, Jet Earrings and Brooches, Combs, Brushes, Needle Cases, Cluny Ties, Cluny Collars, Worked Muslin Sets, Ribbon Ties, Clouds, Crinolines, Gloves, Stockings, Socks, India Rubber Braces, Breakfast Shawls, Chest Protectors, Hoods, Muffs, Damask Covers, Piano Covers, Table Cloths, Table Napkins, Tidies, Antimacassars, Buffalo Robes, &c., &c., or

FIVE PER CENT. DISCOUNT WILL BE RETURNED IN CASH ON PURCHASES OF ONE DOLLAR AND UPWARDS.

A PRIZE OF A SILK DRESS OR A SUIT OF CLOTHES

Will be given to the LARGEST CASH BUYER DURING THE SALE, in addition to the GIFT awarded at the time of purchase.

The GIFTS will be given away Pro-Rata, so as not to cause disappointment to either large or small buyers.

The party who receives the PRIZE will confer a favor on the Montreal Warehouse by an acknowledgment through the public press.

G. B. FRASER,

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Kentish Filberts, English Walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Chestnuts, Soft and Hard Shelled Almonds, New Turkey Figs, Desert Raisins, French Prunes.

At JOHN A. WOOD'S, Wyndham Street, Guelph November 31st. dw

THE WATCH FACTORY AT WALTHAM, MASS.

Every sixth minute in the working day a finished watch movement is the average production of the above Factory. Yet, at this enormous rate of manufacture, the Company can but barely supply the demand. They have already produced

HALF A MILLION OF WATCHES, most of which are now in the pockets of the people, testifying to their superior merits as time-keepers. They are now almost exclusively used on

ALL THE LEADING RAILWAYS. Where they are found to run with perfect accuracy, in spite of the constant jar, which so much affects ordinary watches.

SHIP CAPTAINS and other officers, who are frequently absent on long voyages, prefer THE AMERICAN WATCH to any other, as they are not perceptibly affected by change of climate, and do not require frequent regulating. The story of the twenty-five dollar "Eilers" watch that was carried five years by a soldier in the Army of the Potomac, and that varied ONE MINUTE AND A HALF IN THAT TIME, WITHOUT CARE OR CLEANING, could hardly be told of any other watch of the price that ever was made.

TO LUMBERMEN these watches are of great value, not being liable to stop or get out of repair during their months of absence in the woods. They are admirably ADAPTED FOR PRESENTATION,

as the movements are not only reliable, but the cases in gold are rich and handsome and of guaranteed fineness. Thousands of these watches are now worn in Canada—every day they are becoming more popular. Very soon they will be the only watches sold in any quantity in the Dominion. Buyers should always require the guarantee of the Company with each watch, to avoid being imposed upon by spurious Swiss imitations. These watches may be ordered through any Jeweller in the Dominion in gold or silver cases, for ladies or gentlemen; or in districts where there are no watch-makers, we supply them to general merchants by the dozen. To the wearer they are the cheapest watches in the world!

ROBBINS & APPLETON, General Agents, New York. ROBERT WILKES, Wholesale Agent for Canada, Toronto and Montreal.

RUTHERFORD HOUSE

JUST ARRIVED

Direct from Labrador, 50 Bbls Prime Labrador Herring, 50 half do do do, 15 Bbls Corned Labrador Cod Fish, highly recommended for table use, 50 qtls. Dry Cod Fish.

ROBT. RUTHERFORD.

Guelph, November 18th. dw

IMPERIAL

Fire Insurance Company OF LONDON. (Established 1863.)

HEAD OFFICES.—1 Old Broad Street, and 16 Pall Mall, London

GENERAL AGENCY FOR CANADA.—24 St. Sacrament Street, Montreal.

Subscribed and Invested Capital and Reserved Fund £1,965,000 STERLING. Funds invested in Canada—\$165,600

INSURANCE against loss by fire effected on the most favorable terms, and losses promptly paid without reference to the Board in London. No charge made for policies or endorsements.

RISTOUL BROS, General Agents, 24 St. Sacrament Street. JOHN DORSEY, Inspector.

JOHN H. BOND, Agent, Guelph.

Guelph, 14th Nov. dw

THE Equitable Life Assurance Society

OF THE UNITED STATES. Head Office, 92 Broadway, New York.

W. O. BUCHANAN, 81 Great St. James-St., Montreal, General Agent for the Dominion of Canada.

COLIN SEWELL, M. D., Examining Physician, Dr. H. L. MACDONNELL, Consulting GEORGE MACREA, Solicitor, BANK OF MONTREAL, Bankers.

The rapid advance of the Society to the very front rank among American Life Insurance Companies, the unprecedented amount of its New Business for the year, the large accumulation of its Seven Millions of Dollars, already invested in the most reliable securities, form, collectively, a legitimate subject for unforgotten congratulation by the Managers of the Society to every policy-holder, and an assurance to the public that it has been carefully and successfully managed. The rank of THE EQUITABLE among all American Companies, as to New Business done since its organization, stands as follows:—In 1860 it was the ninth; in 1861 the eighth; in 1862 and 1863 the seventh; in 1864 and 1865 the sixth; in 1866 the fourth; in 1867 (fiscal year) the second.

Insurances effected on the most favorable terms by GEO. MURTON, Agent for Guelph. Guelph, December 4th. dit