

Guelph Evening Mercury

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MONDAY EVEG, JAN. 18TH, 1869

CENTRE WELLINGTON

NOMINATION TO-DAY.

JAMES ROSS, ESQ., ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION.

(Special Despatch to Guelph Mercury.)

FRANCIS, JAN. 18.

The nomination for a representative for Centre Wellington, vacant by the untimely death of the lamented Dr. Parker, was held at Fergus to-day. There was not a very large attendance of the electors present.

Mr. James Ross was proposed by Hugh Milloy, Esq., of Erin, seconded by Lazarus Parkinson, Esq., of Eramosa. No other candidate being proposed Mr. Ross was declared duly elected.

The Proposed Zollverein.

The London Free Press—the most erratic journal in the Dominion—the Guelph Advertiser excepted) and as changeable in its opinions as a weathercock,—comes forward to the support of Mr. Greeley and the Chicago Tribune in their endeavours to bring about the negotiations for a treaty of free trade between this country and the States. The Free Press sneers at what it terms the unwise policy of Canadians in refusing to enter into the Zollverein scheme, and tries to make out that it would be for our interest to coincide with the white-coated philosopher's views in this matter.

Now let us see what we have to gain by the adoption of a Zollverein. In the first place, the duties, which in Canada average 15 per cent., and on the other side of the lines 57 per cent., would have to be equalised, and of course on one side there would have to be an increase, and in the other a decrease, in order to bring about an equitable understanding. Now, the rate in Canada would have to be raised according to the numerical ratio of the people of the two countries, which would, in the process of equalization, bring up the equalised rate to over fifty per cent. The merest tyro in political economy can see at a glance that for Canada to consent to any such arrangement would be an act of gross folly, for in doing so we would be but taking upon our shoulders nearly the same weight of taxation as bears down upon the industrial and commercial classes of the American population. And then, what guarantee have we that manufacturers would increase in our midst, if we make our rate of taxation as high as it is in the Republic? Surely there would be no object for the development and encouragement of industries in our midst, were we to consent to any such thing as that advocated by a few Americans and the Free Press. Were such a thing feasible, it would have been mooted long ago. Our fisheries are of immense value to us, and we are asked to give them up, with the use of our canals and rivers; and in return the States will take just exactly the same things as they take now—only at a less cost to themselves. As pointed out in a former article, the whole plan is a dodge to bring about annexation; and as such, we must decline the kind offices of our American friends. They revenged themselves for fancied slights by abrogating the Reciprocity Treaty, and now they must take the unlooked for consequences to themselves. When they are ready to propose a scheme equitable and honourable to both countries, it will be time enough to discuss the question of free commercial intercourse between the two countries.

Our market clerk is doing his best to look comfortable, but it is quite evident that the scarcity of dimes is affecting his good nature. The only article that is making its appearance (and that is only limited) is pork, which meets with ready sale at \$8 to \$8.75 per 100 lbs, according to quality. I observe that there is a slight mistake in my last about the price of firewood. Instead of \$2.75 it should be \$2.50 per cord. This is the highest figure I have known. Several sales were made lately at \$2.50, but these are exceptional cases. Yesterday we had some stir in the election of School Trustees. Messrs. D. Ferguson, C. Crab, How and Mackay were elected after a sharp contest. The river is free from ice, and the lake is as innocent of the same as it is in the month of July. The salt works are working to their utmost capacity, and building is going on briskly.—The last of the six prisoners arrested as being accessory to the murder of Molady and wife, last June, was discharged on his own recognizance to the amount of \$2,000, on the 6th inst., so that now the only prisoners in goal for the murder are those who were first arrested, viz., N. Melady and J. Donovan. Yesterday, while Thos. Stephenson, constable, was bringing a

A slight shock of earthquake was felt in St. John, at a quarter past two on Saturday morning. It lasted three-quarters of a minute, and during that time the vibrations were quite perceptible.

Town Council.

A meeting of the retiring Council was held this (Monday) morning at half past ten—the Mayor in the chair. Members all present. The Mayor read a letter from Mr. J. Worthington, Collector of Inland Revenue, referring him to the following provision of the Act 31st Vic., Cap. 50, Sec. 13, intituled, "An Act to increase the excise duty on spirits, to impose an excise duty on refined petroleum, and to provide for the inspection thereof." The letter further stated that if this municipality had adopted any local regulation for this purpose, a copy of such regulation be sent to the Commissioner.

Mr. James Hough, Secretary-Treasurer of the Guelph Cemetery, sent in the following financial report for the year 1868: To balance of 1867, \$5; sale of lots and single graves, \$218.20; burial fees, \$138.70. Total amount, \$361.95. By Cemetery-keeper's salary \$260; allowance for firewood, \$25; repairs, \$3.25; Cemetery Committee, \$30; Sec'y-Treasurer, \$30. Balance, \$23.70.

On motion of Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. McCurry, the report was adopted. Moved by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Sayers, that H. W. Peterson, Esq., be re-appointed Grammar School Trustee for 1868.—Carried.

Mr. Harvey presented the report of the Fire and Water Committee, stating that contracts had been made with Alex. Ferguson and James Armstrong for the construction and putting down of two single water tanks, and recommending that the same be accepted. Report adopted, and Council adjourned for a few minutes; on resuming business, a vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor, N. Higinbotham, Esq., for his able and courteous conduct in the chair during the past year, was moved by Mr. Buckland, seconded by Mr. McCurry.—Mr. Mitchell in the chair.

The Mayor returned thanks for the compliment, and the Council adjourned.

THE NEW COUNCIL.

A meeting of the members of the new Town Council took place at noon to-day. The clerk reported the election of Dr. Herod as Mayor for the present year; and the Doctor having taken the oath of office, took the chair. The clerk further reported the election of Mr. Mitchell as Reeve, and Messrs. McCurry and Goldie as Deputy Mayors; and these gentlemen having signed the necessary declaration of qualification and oath of office before the Mayor, took their seats.

The following new members was also sworn in, viz: Messrs. Holliday, Allan, J. A. Wood, and G. A. Bruce. Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Holliday, that Mr. W. S. G. Knowles be appointed an auditor for the current year.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Allan, that Messrs. Mitchell, Harvey, Sayers, Buckland, Holliday and the mover, be a special committee to strike standing committees for the year and report this evening. Council adjourned till 7.30 p. m.

The Provincial Secretary has introduced into the House a bill to amend the Assessment law. It is a long and important measure, and cannot possibly be considered this session. It must go over, with the School bills, to the next meeting of the legislature. In the meantime, these bills being in print, the public will have an opportunity of canvassing their several provisions. The result, there is reason to believe, will be more satisfactory than if the bills were pressed on now without that full consideration which is necessary to ripe and beneficial legislation.

BIRTHS. CROWE—At Guelph, on the 15th inst., the wife of Mr. John Crowe, of a daughter. GOW—At Fergus on the 10th inst., the wife of Mr. Robt Gow of a son. BLACK—At Garafaxa on the 7th inst., the wife of Mr. James Black of a daughter.

MARRIAGES. McQUEEN—SMALL—On the 8th inst., by the Rev. G. Smeill, Mr. Hugh McQueen of Nisichewy, youngest daughter of the late William Small, Esq., of Garafaxa.

New Advertisements.

LAND PLASTER. PARIS and CALEDONIAN PLASTER at the Montreal Produce Store, at the old stand below the railway crossing. Guelph, Jan 17. dwww GEO BALKWELL.

GEORGE P. ROWELL & CO'S. AMERICAN Newspaper Directory

Containing Accurate Lists of all the Newspapers and Periodicals published in the United States and Territories, and the Dominion of Canada, and British Colonies in North America; together with a Description of the Towns and Cities in which they are Published.

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GREAT POWERS. Are always present in small squabbles.

PREST & HEPBURN. In the leather war now going on between their opponents on the south side of Wyndham-st.

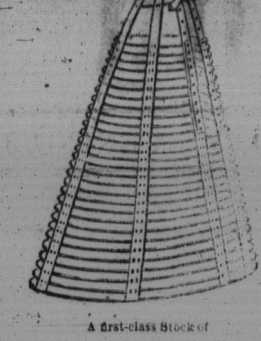
WE do not believe in both and banquets, but deal with facts and leave the verdict in the hands of the intelligent people of Wellington. We are prepared to prove, and we positively affirm, notwithstanding blowing and puffing which has become the order of the day, that PREST & HEPBURN, Wyndham Street, Guelph, manufacture more.

BOOTS AND SHOES. And employ double the number of Workmen of any other establishment in the County of Wellington. We invite the public to call and look through our factory, and they will be convinced that we are telling the truth, and nothing but the truth.

A great deal has been said for and against machine-made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us, that the less machinery used in manufacturing Boots and Shoes the better. All our staple Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted to be superior to any machine made Goods. We have now on hand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest. Remember that all our work is warranted, and no second price. Repairs done as usual.

PREST & HEPBURN. Guelph, 2nd November. dw

JUST IN. OYSTERS



BY MEASURE. Bring Your Bôwis and Pails And get them filled with OYSTERS at WALKER'S, and save the price of cans and canning.

HUGH WALKER. Guelph, Jan. 15. do 11

TEA MEETING

The Annual Tea Meeting will be held On Monday Evening, Jan. 18, Commencing at 6 o'clock. After tea addresses by several speakers, and appropriate music by the Church Choir may be expected.

Tickets, 25 Cents. May be had at the stores of Messrs. A. Thompson & Co., J. McNeil, and at the door. Guelph, Jan 12. do w1

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.

The subscriber has opened a new Butcher Shop on the London Road, near the Guelph Marble Works, where he is prepared to sell Beef, Mutton, Pork and Lamb as cheap as it can be bought in the market. The subscriber respectfully requests a share of public patronage.

Guelph, Dec. 23. dw1n B. B. PIESANT

GUTHAN'S CELEBRATED Hoop Skirts

In all the Latest and most Approved Styles. Infoline 11.

New PANNIER skirt

Which is a general favorite. THIS IS BEYOND ALL COMPARISON.

THE CHEAPEST LOT OF SKIRTS EVER SHOWN

IN GUELPH. The attention of every lady is requested.

A. O. BUCHAM. Guelph, Jan. 17. d

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Alterations now going on. Carpenters at work.

AT SHEWAN'S OLD STAND

Intending to conclude the business of SHEWAN'S OLD STAND, and will in a few days present to the reading public a new and complete assortment of Books in every department of Literature. THE SHEWAN STAND, Guelph, 16th January.

J. B. THORNTON.

RUTHERFORD HOUSE.

GREAT CLEARING SALE OF DRY GOODS BY AUCTION

THE LARGE AND VARIED STOCK OF DRY GOODS AND READY-MADE CLOTHING TO BE SOLD WITHOUT RESERVE.

Sale to commence on Wednesday 20th of January

And to continue till the whole is sold. This is no humbug, but a genuine sale, for the Goods MUST BE DISPOSED OF.

All parties indebted to the subscriber, either by note or book account, or otherwise, will please call and settle the same on or before the month of March, 1869.

ROBERT RUTHERFORD. Guelph, January 16. dw

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

The subscriber begs to inform his patrons and the public that during his absence in Scotland his business will be carried on as usual. Parties requiring work will please call at his shop, Market Square, where all orders will receive prompt attention.

Guelph, 6th Jan. dw1f JAS. BARCLAY.

SILVER CREEK BREWERY.

Farmers and others having empty barrels in their possession belonging to the Silver Creek Brewery will please return them at once, as any kept an unnecessary time after being emptied will be charged.

Guelph, Nov. 29. GEO. SLEEMAN dw 11

APPRENTICE WANTED.

Wanted at Tps. Mercer's 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. Apprenticeship for 3rd December.

BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES.

MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D.V.) on the 4th of January, 1869. Guelph, 24th December. d

FOR SALE.

A commodious and well finished Stone Cottage. Situated in the South Ward, adjoining the premises of H. W. Peterson, Esq. The House contains rooms and kitchen. There is a good garden with a number of fruit trees in bearing condition. The property will be sold cheap.

THE COMING PROSPECTUS.

PRIZE DENTISTRY. DR. R. CAMPBELL. OFFICE next door to the Advertiser's office, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

References.—Drs. Clarke & Orton, McGuire, Herod and McCurry, and Cowan, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan, Dentists, Toronto. Teeth extracted without pain. Guelph, 13th Jan, 1869. dw

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A supply of that celebrated Chinese Skin Powder

AT PETRIE'S. Drug Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

100,000 COPIES SOLD OF THE JUBILEE.

Every Choir and Singing School should have them, for they will be sure of giving satisfaction. Price of each, \$1.38. Sent post-paid. A liberal discount made on quantities. O. DITSON & CO., Publishers, 277 Washington Street, Boston. C. H. DITSON & CO., 711 Broadway, New York.

VALUABLE and DESIRABLE DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE

That eligible and commodious Stone Dwelling House and Lot, containing nearly half an acre of ground, with large Stables and out-houses complete, the residence of the late Dr. Parker, situated on the corner of Market and Dublin Streets.—This property is but a short distance from the Market and business part of the Town, and is an admirable location as a dwelling for a professional or business man. The above property will be sold on easy terms, which may be known by applying to

GEORGE ELLIOTT, or N. HIGINBOTHAM, Guelph, Jan. 2. dw1n Executors.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

The Executors of the late Dr. Parker have placed the Medical Accounts of the said Estate in the hands of Mr. R. MEREDITH for collection, who is authorized to grant receipts for the same. He will be found at the store of Messrs. C. & T. Meredith, west side of Wyndham Street, a few doors below the Old Post Office. All accounts not paid by 1st February next will be put in suit in the Division Court.

GEORGE ELLIOTT, N. HIGINBOTHAM, EDWARD BLAIR, Guelph, Jan. dw1n Executors.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The subscriber has to intimate that during his absence in England all orders left at the shop will be promptly attended to as usual. Parties indebted to him will please call at his house and settle as early as possible.

W. H. JACOMB. Guelph, 6th Jan. dw2

New Advertisement.

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"The Moon shines still, though little dogs bark at it."

MASON & HAMLIN

CABINET AND METROPOLITAN ORGANS

Continue to arrive, in great variety. AT CLARKE'S MUSIC STORE.

WHAT'S IN A NAME? COME AND SEE. W. WARNER CLARKE, Guelph, January 16. dw 11 Market Square, Guelph.

ATTENTION, PROMPTNESS, DESPATCH.

ENGLISH MAGAZINES FOR JANUARY TO LAND AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

OPPOSITE THE MARKET HOUSE, GUELPH. Bow Bells English Woman's Belgravia Cassell's World of Fashion English Mechanic Boys' Own Young English Woman's Sunday at Home Leisure Hour Good Words

Sunday Magazine London Journal The Quiver Good Words for the Young London Society Cornhill Argosy Young Ladies' Journal Beeton's Annual Belgravia Journal Xmas No. Chambers' Journal

I can supply any MAGAZINE OR NEWSPAPER published on short notice. Leave me your Order for what you require in the New Paper or Magazine line. Then you will be sure to receive them early, with promptness and despatch. My facilities for furnishing the above are very complete. You have the privilege of discontinuing by giving six weeks' notice for British and one week for American.

T. J. DAY, Bookseller, opposite the Market, Guelph. Guelph, Jan. 15.

Retiring from the Retail Trade.

ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD OUT.

WM. STEWART,

In returning thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal patronage bestowed on him for the last thirteen years, respectfully intimates his intention of retiring from the Retail Business.

In order to facilitate the entire clearance of Stock, he will on WEDNESDAY, 6th JANUARY, commence the GREAT SALE, when Goods will be offered at Cost, and in many cases under. The public should take advantage of this rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at the Lowest Prices ever offered in Guelph. The reputation of the Stock being so well known for extra quality, and being composed of New and Fashionable Goods, all may rely on extraordinary Bargains.

On and after the 2nd of January the Books will be closed, and during the sale Goods will be sold only FOR CASH.

N. B.—This is no clap-trap sale, as the subscriber is positively retiring.

WILLIAM STEWART. Wyndham Street, Guelph } Dec. 30th, 1868. dw

1869. Wholesale. 1869. 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 Portrait of 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. Guelph December 12. dw

MONEY TO LEND.

The undersigned are requested to obtain Farm Securities for several thousand dollars, to be lent at moderate interest.

LEMON & PETERSON, Farmers, Solicitors, &c. Guelph Dec. 6th, 1868. dw 11