

which my Government will ask you to vote can be granted without inconvenience to the people.
Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons: Many of the subjects I have enumerated are of the greatest importance. It is with full confidence in your patriotism and wisdom that I commend them to your consideration. I trust that a gracious Providence may guide your counsels in whatever way may best promote the happiness of the people of Canada and the welfare of the Empire at large.

Guelph Evening Mercury

THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 6, 1873.

The Agricultural Farm and College.

Hon. Mr. McKellar has given notice of motion, that on Friday (tomorrow) he will move that the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to consider the following resolution: "That careful examination has been made during the past year with respect to the lands acquired by the Province in the Township of Mimico for the purpose of an Agricultural Farm and College, and that such examinations were made as well by practical and scientific persons, competent to judge of the adaptability of these lands for the purpose intended, and that such persons have in their reports pronounced against the adaptability or fitness of such lands, and have recommended that the said Agricultural Farm and College be not established on said lands. That instead of the said lands the farm of Mr. F. W. Stone, near the town of Guelph, containing five hundred and fifty acres of land, can be acquired, and the said farm is altogether suitable for the heretofore mentioned purposes. That it is expedient to purchase the said farm for an amount not to exceed the sum of seventy thousand dollars, and that such money be paid out of money to be hereafter voted by the Legislature in respect of the said Agricultural Farm and College."

Reform Convention in Bowmanville.

HON. E. B. WOOD NOMINATED FOR WEST BRANT.

A convention of the Reformers of West Durham was held at Bowmanville, on Tuesday, to consider matters connected with the representation of that riding in the Dominion Parliament. Having been returned for South Bruce and West Durham, at the last general Parliamentary election, Mr. Blake left the Reformers of the latter constituency to decide which he would represent. The convention decided that Mr. Blake should sit for South Bruce, and unanimously nominated the Hon. E. B. Wood as a candidate for West Durham. Mr. Wood has accepted the nomination, and will resign his seat for South Bruce, in the Local Legislature, as soon as it is necessary for him to do so, thus rendering a new election necessary in that constituency to fill his unexpired term of three years. The Hamilton Times says, that there are several gentlemen in the Reform ranks of South Bruce who would acquire themselves well in the Local Legislature, but we know of no one among them all better qualified to represent South Bruce in the Assembly than Mr. A. S. Hardy, barrister of Brantford. He is a gentleman of high intellectual ability, well educated, a native of that riding, a sound and reliable Reformer, well known to every man throughout the constituency, a good speaker, a skilled debater, thoroughly acquainted with the politics of the country and with all exceedingly popular. If nominated, his election is absolutely sure, and we are inclined to think he would be returned by acclamation. No Tory would venture to take the field against him.

The Fire at Listowel.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

Listowel, March 5th. A fire broke out in Donnelly's store this morning at 7 a. m., and consumed the whole block on the corner of Wallace and Main streets. The following buildings, &c., were burned:—Commencing at Wallace street, H. Schneider, stores and furniture, loss \$2,800, insured for \$1,500; D. D. Campbell, loss \$1,000, building, also stock, insured \$800 on building; J. T. Donnelly, stock \$1,500, insured for \$2,500; Dr. Philip, building \$1,800, insured for \$1,200; G. M. Ward, stock \$1,800, insured for \$600; Freeman, Nixon & Co., dry goods, drugs and groceries, insured for \$2,000; Livingston, drug and general store and buildings, \$4,000, insured for \$4,700, goods partly saved; J. A. Hacking, drug store and buildings, and post office, \$5,000, insured for \$2,800; R. Martin, buildings \$1,200, insured for \$800; J. Thompson, stock of groceries, liquors, dry goods, &c., \$6,000, insured for \$2,500, goods partly saved.

We find the following advertisement in a Montreal paper:—

REV. EDMUND WOOD desires to know how to use a claim against his church for which he is in no way responsible, but which must be paid at once. He will give as security his gold watch, rings and seals.

We are curious to learn to what Church Mr. Wood belongs, as the above is an eloquent commentary on the generality of its members. When a debt of \$85 can only be met by the parson pawn his watch, it is about time that business he suspended in that church. It is sheer waste of time to continue to preach to such people. They are evidently beyond redemption, and the parson had better keep his watch and look out for a more generous body of parishioners. The mystery will ever be why they did not strip him of his watch and rings. They are certainly mean enough to steal.—Kingston Whig.

Census of the County of Wellington.

(Continued.)

LUTHER.—Population 1,772, 813 families, 349 males, 223 females, males married 265, female do. 288, 13 widowers, 28 widows, children and unmarried 671 males, 527 females. Total area, 93,450 acres, number of houses 313. Religion—90 Baptists, 296 Catholics, 70 Christian Conference, 493 Church of England, 9 Congregational, 269 Wesleyan Methodists, 14 Primitive do., 5 New Connection do., 294 Canada Presbyterians, 296 Presbyterians with Church of Scotland, 4 other denominations, 11 no religion. Origin—495 English, 7 French, 29 Germans, 912 Irish, 329 Scotch. Birthplace—163 England, 334 Ireland, 138 Scotland, 1 New Brunswick, 7 Nova Scotia, 1,107 Ontario, 15 Quebec, 1 France, 6 United States.

AMARANTH.—Population, 1,943, families 324, males 1,006, females 937, males married 291, females do. 289, 12 widowers, 29 widows, children and unmarried 793 males, females do. 619. Total area 66,261 acres. No. of houses 324. Religion—9 Baptists, 5 Free Will do., 52 Catholics, 7 Christian Conference, 564 Church of England, 11 Congregational, 114 Wesleyan Methodist, 71 Episcopal do., 552 Primitive do., 143 Canada Presbyterian, 414 Presbyterian with Church of Scotland, 3 Reformed do., 2 Unitarian, 5 no religion. Origin—561 English, 3 Lawrence, 1867 Irish, 110 Scotch, 12 other origins. Birthplace—166 England, 316 Ireland, 47 Scotland, 2 New Brunswick, 1354 Ontario, 16 Quebec, 5 Germany, 33 United States, 4 not given.

Total population of South Riding in 1861, 21,417, in 1871 23,431, Centre Wellington 1861, 16,826, in 1871 21,118, North Wellington 1861, 10,957, in 1871, 18,740. Total population of County of Wellington in 1871, 49,200, total population in 1871, 63,289: increase in ten years 14,089.

GENERAL RETURNS.—The total area of land and inland waters in the four Provinces is 224,129,395 acres, or 350,188 square miles, or more than the British Isles, France, Holland, and Belgium put together. This, of course, does not include the Canadian portion of the Great Lakes or the mouth and Gulf of St. Lawrence, the Bay of Fundy, &c., which would make up 121,921 additional square miles.

The total population of Ontario in 1871 was, according to these returns, 1,620,851, of whom there were 36,329 more males than females. In 1811 the entire population of this Province was 77,000, which by 1841 had increased to 465,357, in 1851 to 952,004; and in 1861 to 1,396,091. The total population of Quebec in 1871 is given at 1,191,516, with the sexes nearly equal. In 1851 it was 890,261, and in 1861 1,110,664.

In 1871 there were 286,018 inhabited houses in Ontario, 9,239 uninhabited, and 4,094 being built. In 1851 there were 154,502 inhabited; 1,860 vacant; and 861 in the course of being built. In 20 years, then, the inhabited houses in Ontario have nearly doubled, the vacant ones were six-fold as numerous, and those in course of being built at the latter date five times as many.

When we come to look at different places in Ontario we shall see how great has been the progress and how curious the changes in twenty years. In 1851 Toronto had a population of 30,775. In 1871 it had risen to 56,692. London had 7,935 in 1851 and 15,829 in 1871. Hamilton at the former date had 11,112, and at the latter date 26,716, while Ottawa had risen from 7,935 to 21,545, fully 300 per cent. In the County of Bruce in 1851 there were only 2,837 inhabitants. In 1871 there were 40,515, or nearly 1,600 per cent. In Grey there were in 1851 23,217, and in 1871 59,395, or nearly 300 per cent. In Simcoe, with 18 townships, there were 27,163 in 1871, with 15 townships, there were 57,318.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH PRINCE EDWARD, FAVORABLE.—We learn from Ottawa that the negotiations between Prince Edward Island delegates and the Dominion Cabinet, have been so far satisfactory that it is probable a bill will be introduced by the latter before the close of the present session, for the admission of the Island into the Confederation. The Provincial Legislature of the Island is to be prorogued in order to submit the terms of Confederation to the people.



HE HAS JUST OPENED 15 CASES

HATS & CAPS ALL NEW STYLES.

MEDICAL DISPENSARY. Just Received, a Large Supply of LUBIN'S "GRAND TRUNK," The most elegant and fashionable Perfume of the day.

PESSE & LUBIN'S RIBBON OF BRUGES. A very fragrant Perfumage FOR THE SICK ROOM

MEDICINE SPOONS, TEA AND DESSERT SPOONS. A fresh supply at the Medical Dispensary. G. B. McCullough, Dispensing Chemist. (Gate McCullough & Moore.) GUELPH. Feb. 27, 1873.

New Advertisements.

Co-Operative Store.

ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS

New Cottons, New Prints, New Linens, New Tweeds, New Lustres, New Dress Goods.

NEW BOOTS AND SHOES OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co. GUELPH, Feb. 28.

GREAT SALE OF BANKRUPT STOCK!

The whole stock of BOOTS AND SHOES

Belonging to the Insolvent Estate of John A. McMillan will be sold at a tremendous sacrifice. The immense stock, amounting to \$8,000.

Must be Cleared Out within ONE MONTH!

The greatest Bargains ever offered in Guelph!

Special inducements to retail merchants and jobbers, who desire to secure job lots.

The sale is now going on at the old stand, Wyndham Street. W.M. McLaren, Assignee. Guelph, Feb. 22, 1873.

RECEIVED TO-DAY

PER EXPRESS

2 Barrels Fresh SEA HERRINGS

J. E. McELDERRY 2 DAY'S BLOCK.

NOTICE.

All parties indebted to Shaw & Murton are requested to settle their accounts on or before the 10th of March, 1873, to save Division Court expenses. SHAW & MURTON. GUELPH, Feb. 25, 1873.

BUSY STOCKTAKING AT THE FASHIONABLE WEST END!

Extraordinary Bargains for the next Two Weeks.

200 pieces Early Spring Dress Goods to be sold off at once to the Ladies of the Town of Guelph, at 12c, 25c, and 25c a yard, the cheapest lot of Dress Goods ever shown by any house in this town. 30 pieces New Black Lustres, our usual superior make cheaper than ever, to be sold at 25c, 30c, and 40c, from 3c to 10c per yard under regular prices, and the best goods for the money we have ever sold. 120 pieces "Royal" New Prints—just quality, to be sold at 12c cents, all choice and select patterns.

OUR SALE OF Dress Goods commences on Monday morning, the 24th inst., and as we are determined to clear the lot within the next two weeks, intending purchasers may come expecting to receive decided Bargains. LADIES WILL PLEASE REMEMBER THAT GUELPH, Feb. 27, 1873. Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment. dwy

RECEIVED DAILY BY EXPRESS AT

Pickard's Fruit Store,

Alma Block. Fresh Codfish, Haddock, Mullett, Flounders, Herrings, Salmon Trout, etc. etc. etc.

Pickard's Fruit Store, ALMA BLOCK. Guelph, Feb. 22nd, 1873. do

Ministers, Superintendents, and Sabbath School Teachers.

Sabbath School World, With Dr. Hall's Schemes and Notes of Lessons, 65c a year; Presbyterian Work, With J. B. Tyler's Schemes and Notes of Lessons, 65c a year; Sunday School Times, With Dr. Ormiston's Schemes and Notes of Lessons. Every Minister should have one. Every Superintendent should have one. Every Sabbath School Teachers should have one. Mailed promptly to any address.

ANDERSON'S Cheap Bookstore.

Opposite the Old English Church, East side WYNDHAM STREET.

SPEX, SPEX!

THE ROCK CRYSTAL SPECTACLES

Pronounced by all who have worn them to be superior to any other.

Every Eye can be Satisfied. Call, try, and be convinced. To be had only AT J. HUNTER'S.

NEW SUPPLY OF Chignons, Braids, Coronets, &c.

AT J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods, and Toy Store, Wyndham Street Guelph.

A LARGE NEW STOCK

WALL PAPER

Opened Out

DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

GREAT SALE OF BANKRUPT STOCK.

Watches, Jewellery, etc.

R. CRAWFORD

Having bought the Bankrupt Stock of John R. Porte will commence to sell the same ON WEDNESDAY MORNING AT THE OLD STAND, FOR TWO WEEKS ONLY.

The Greatest Bargains Ever Given

In Watches, Jewellery, and Fancy Goods. EVERYTHING BELOW COST. TERMS CASH.

Sale each day from 10 to 4 p.m. Guelph, March 4, 1873. dwzw

ROBERT CRAWFORD, PRACTICAL Watch and Clock Maker, Jeweller, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Brooches, Rings, &c., Hair Plait and Device Work, Clocks and Time pieces, Jewellery repaired and made to order. Piated Goods in variety. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dwy

NEW Boot and Shoe Store.

The subscriber begs to announce to the Public that he has opened a first-class Custom Shop, where he is prepared to

MAKE TO ORDER

All kinds of Boots and Shoes on the shortest notice. A neat fit and good leather guaranteed.

Ladies, Misses and Children's Boots and Shoes made in the neatest style.

Repairing done with neatness and dispatch. Give us one trial and you will be sure to call again during the seven years he has been in business in Guelph.

PETRIE'S

DRUG STORE

Nearly opposite the Old Stand, NOW OPEN.

Mr. PETRIE takes this opportunity to thank the Public for their large and liberal support during the seven years he has been in business in Guelph.

The New Store is the one formerly occupied by Mr. H. Berry, and lately by Mr. J. R. Porte, as a Confectionery Store. The store has been enlarged and refitted, making it a much more desirable place of business than the old stand.

Having secured the new store for a term of Ten Years, I hope, with the assistance of the Public, to present in the future as I have done during the past seven years, any monopoly in the Drug Trade in Guelph.

The old store will remain open for business until the first of May.

By conducting my business in the future in the same upright principle as in the past, I trust to receive a continuance of your generous support.

I am, very truly,

A. B. PETRIE.

HATS HATS HATS

No. 1, Wyndham Street. James Cormack

Has just received a few cases of the newest and most stylish

SPRING HATS.

Also, a splendid assortment of SHIRTS, COLLARS, TIES, BRACES &c. &c. &c.

JAMES CORMACK, No. 1, Wyndham St.

McCULLOUGH & MOORE.

Notice of Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore carried on by the undersigned, as Chemists and Druggists at the Town of Guelph and Village of Rockwood, under the style and firm of McCullough & Moore, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All accounts due to the Guelph Store are to be paid to Mr. G. B. McCullough, who will settle all liabilities, and these due to the Rockwood Store to John H. Moore.

Guelph, Feb. 22nd, 1873. G. B. McCULLOUGH, JOHN H. MOORE, Witnesses, FREDERICK BISCOE.

With reference to the above, I beg to inform the patrons who have so largely patronized the late firm of McCullough & Moore, that I intend carrying on the business of the late firm, at the Town of Guelph, and trust, by strict attention to business and keeping always on hand the very best articles of every description in the Chemist & Druggist line, to merit the confidence heretofore shown the late firm. GEO. B. McCULLOUGH.

The partnership heretofore carried on by the late firm of McCullough & Moore, at the Village of Rockwood, having been dissolved by mutual consent, I beg to notify the customers of the late firm that I intend carrying on the business, and hope that by constantly attending to the wants of customers and keeping none but the very best articles, to merit a continuance of their patronage. JOHN H. MOORE.

SMOKERS, FOR A GOOD SMOKE

Use the "Myrtle Navy." See T. & B. on each plug. Price so low that all can use it.

CAUTION.—The Brand "MYRTLE NAVY" is registered, and any infringement on it will be prosecuted.

The name TUCKETT & BILLINGS is on each caddy, and T. & B. on each plug.

Hamilton, Feb. 10, 1873. dwm