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**Guelph Evening Mercury**

OFFICE.....MADONNELL STREET  
TUESDAY EVENG. OCT. 20TH, 1868.

**THE PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST.**

The events of last week dealt a death blow to the hopes of the Democratic party in the States. Can any one not personally interested in the struggle, but standing outside the boundaries of the Republic, with no cause for deeper concern about the result than what is common to all who care anything for politics, and with a single desire for the success of that party which shall have proved itself most worthy of it—can such an individual wish that the aspect of the Presidential contest were other than it is?

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**THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.**

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate  
**TUESDAY, 20th.**—John L. Lewis was charged this morning with obstructing the sidewalk. Fined \$2 and costs.

The Toronto City Council has granted \$500 to the Red River relief fund.

Another house in Montreal, that of Jeffrey, Bros. & Co., have stopped payment.

It is stated in a St. John paper that Mr. Beckwith, the Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, is shortly to leave for Ottawa as the delegate from the government of that province to the Immigration Conference.

**SPECULATING ALREADY.**—It is said the Grand Trunk officials have purchased some three or four thousand acres of land on the line of the Intercolonial, in anticipation of the route selected being located there, and sent men down to work there.

At the County Show in Welland village on Friday, two Durham bulls charged each other, dragging their leaders along with them. The fight was of short duration, for one soon turned tail, but it caused considerable excitement whilst it lasted.

A few days ago a young man named Calcut had his clothes caught in a threshing machine, in the township of Metcalfe, and was wound up until the flesh was completely torn from his ribs, and the blood vessels frightfully mutilated near the shoulder. Strange as it may appear, he is recovering.

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**Information Wanted**

OF TWO BOYS, who left their father's house Hamilton, two years ago. Their names are Henry and James Elliott. Henry was then 13 years of age, had fair hair, spoke with south of Scotland accent; James was then about 11 years of age, had a little darker hair than his brother, also spoke with Scotch accent. If his mother or others, they are requested to communicate at once with their afflicted parents at Guelph, and whoever they are living with would confer a great favor by communicating with the undersigned, or to the Mercury Office.

**ROYAL STAGE DOUGLAS and FERGUS.**

THE Subscriber now runs a stage between the Village of Douglas and Fergus. Leaves Guelph P. O. at half past 6 a. m., every lawful morning, arriving in Fergus in time for the Guelph stage, and leaves Fergus on arrival of Guelph stage about half past 5 p. m. Fare 25c. Particulars of terms and rates of passage, apply to the undersigned at Guelph, or at John Gerrie's hotel, Fergus, will receive prompt attention.

**School Teacher Wanted.**

THE Board of School Trustees of the Town of Guelph will receive applications for the office of Teacher of the Primary School in the West Ward up to the 28th of October. The salary is \$400 per annum, and the successful candidate will be required to take charge of the school on his election.

**Notice to Debtors.**

ALL parties indebted to the undersigned, either by note or book account are hereby notified that unless the same be settled before the 1st day of November, they shall be put into Court for collection. As the subscriber intends to pay all his debts before leaving the country, he hopes others will do likewise to him.

**New Advertisements.**  
**E. O'DONNELL & CO.**  
GUELPH, ONT.

**TEAS. O.D. & CO. TEAS.**  
Ping Suey Tea, BEST \$1.00 | Best Oolong, 75c.  
Best Moyune, 87 1/2 | Best Japan, 65  
Choice Young Hyson, 80 | Best Black, 68  
**Young Hyson Teas, 50c.**  
Good Plug Chewing Tobacco at 20c per lb.  
At E. O'DONNELL & CO'S.  
Wyndham Street, Guelph, October 20th.

**BIRTHS.**  
SMALL.—At Arthur, on the 5th inst., the widow of the late Joseph Small, Esq., of a son.  
**MARRIAGES.**  
BROOKS.—McKENZIE.—On Wednesday, the 4th inst., by the Rev. Geo. Smellie, at the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. Robt. Brooks to Annie, second daughter of the late Mr. Ken. McKenzie, all of Fergus.  
**DIED.**  
McKENZIE.—In Stanley Township, on the 10th inst. John McKenzie, late of Puslinch, aged 29 years.  
MCKAY.—At Kenilworth, Arthur, on the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. McKay.  
MITCHELL.—At Arthur Village, on the 4th inst., the infant daughter of Mr. Joseph Mitchell, aged 5 months.  
LESLIE.—At Acton, on the 19th inst., Selma, the beloved wife of Mr. Geo. Leslie, aged 29 years.

**BOOK LOST.**  
LADIES OF GUELPH AND VICINITY that she will be ready to receive pupils for the above accomplishments on the 15th of SEPTEMBER, 1868, at her residence, Waterloo Road, Guelph, Sept. 11th, 1868.  
**Singing and Pianoforte.**  
MISS L. RHEMME begs to announce to the ladies of Guelph and vicinity that she will be ready to receive pupils for the above accomplishments on the 15th of SEPTEMBER, 1868, at her residence, Waterloo Road, Guelph, Sept. 11th, 1868.  
**Great Western Railway**  
Change of Time Table.

**ONE IN TEN.**  
Statistics show that One in every Ten of the population meets with an Accident every year.  
**INSURE AGAINST ACCIDENTS**  
By taking a yearly Policy in  
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OF HARTFORD, CONN.  
Cash Assets, over One Million.  
Has paid \$850,000 in Losses for Death or Injury by Accident.  
E. MORRIS,  
October 20. 41m Agent for Guelph.

**GRAND CONCERT**  
THE Second Annual CONCERT in aid of the Orphans and Aged Poor under the care of the Sisters in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, will be held in the Drill Shed, Wednesday Evening, 28th October.  
Several distinguished singers from Buffalo, Toronto and Hamilton will be present.  
TICKETS 50c. Children half-price.  
Doors open at 7 o'clock. Concert to commence at 8. Vale's Quadrille Band will be in attendance.  
An Orchestra will accompany the Chorus.  
D. NUNAN, Secretary.  
Guelph, 19th October. dw1.

**Auction Sale of Farm Stock and Implements.**  
THOMAS INGRAM will offer for sale by auction, on the premises of the subscriber, Lot No. 24, 2nd Con., Puslinch, On TUESDAY, 3rd November, 1868 at 10 o'clock a. m., sharp, the following valuable property—span of matched horses, French do. 2 brood mares, 9 cows in calf, 2 heifers in calf, fat cow, yearling Durham bull, yoke of steers rising 4 years old, 1 do rising 3 years, 2 yearling steers, 2 yearling heifers, 2 calves; also, 1 thoroughbred Galloway cow 4 years old, heifer do. 3 years old, yearling do. and 2 calves do., Cetswold ram, 20 good ewes, sow and pig, 3 lumber waggon, cart, covered buggy, 2 sheep, cutter, combined reaper and mower, seed drill, 3 ploughs, 2 pair of harrows, cultivator, roller, sculler, horse rake, straw cutter, grindstone, faning mill, and a lot of other implements, agricultural furnace, 2 set of wagon harness, set of plough do., set single do, cart saddle, riding saddle and bridle, a quantity of household furniture, stoves, &c. Also, a quantity of hay, carrots and turnips.  
TERMS.—For the hay and root crops cash at the time of sale; for the stock, implements, &c., sums of \$5 and under cash, over that amount credit will be given till the 1st January, 1870, on approved endorsed notes.  
PETER MCKENZIE, Proprietor  
Guelph, 22nd October. w2

**MORTGAGE SALE.**  
ON SATURDAY, THE 24th OCTOBER, inst., will be sold under power of sale contained in a Mortgage, AT THE TOWN HALL, in the Town of Guelph, which will be produced at the time of sale, all the north-east half of Lot No. 4, 5th Concession of the Township of Guelph, in the County of Wellington, containing 100 acres of land, be the same more or less. This a valuable and improved farm, and a good investment.—Title good. For further particulars and terms of sale apply to  
D. GUTHRIE, Vendor's Solicitor.  
Guelph, October 8. w3

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LIBRARIES, &c., STATIONERY, in great variety.  
**Fancy Goods & Toys**  
in endless variety,  
**JEWELLERY**  
THE LARGEST STOCK OF  
**WALL PAPERS**  
West of Toronto is now being sold at 40 per Cent. less than Cost.  
**BERLIN WOOLS, in Great variety, at half-price**  
At M. Shewan's  
Wyndham Street, Guelph,  
J. B. THORNTON, Agent.  
Guelph, Oct. 6. daw 1f

**TO THE PUBLIC.**  
THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that on and after this date his business will be conducted strictly on the  
**CASH SYSTEM.**  
No credit will be given to any one. The undersigned hopes by carrying out the above system to be enabled to give his numerous customers Goods at a lower price than they can be bought for elsewhere. He begs to acknowledge past favors, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit a still greater share of their patronage.  
**T. J. DAY, Bookseller,**  
Opposite the Market.  
Guelph, 13th October dw

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Those justly celebrated SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, to which were  
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**AT JOHN A. WOOD'S**  
WILL BE FOUND THE FOLLOWING  
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Crosse & Blackwell's Goods  
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Anchovy Sauce  
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Dumplings  
L. & P. Worcester Sauce  
Honey  
Mushroom Ketchup  
Bengal Chutney  
Durham Mustard  
Black Currant Jelly  
Red Currant Jelly  
Bottled Fruits  
New Valencia Raisins  
Soft Shelled Almonds  
Hard Shelled Almonds  
New English Walnuts  
Raisins  
Turkey Figs  
French Plums  
New Currants  
Cocoa Nibs  
French Chocolate  
Sperma Candles  
Bed-room Candles  
Lobsters  
Salmon  
Sardines  
Digby Herrings  
New Codfish  
Labrador Herrings  
Table Salt  
Liverpool Salt  
Harland's Cheese  
Parson's Stilton Cheese  
Ingersoll Factory Cheese  
Honey (comb)  
Honey (strained)  
Edinburgh do  
Guinness Dublin Porter  
Dunville Irish Whiskey  
Hay's Scotch do  
Windsor, Toronto and Guelph Old Rye  
Marshall's Brandy  
Hennessy's do  
Oatmeal do  
Champagne  
Sherry Wine  
Port do  
Ginger do  
Claret  
Ginger Brandy  
Cherry do  
John Bull Bitters  
Stoughton Bitters  
Pepper Sauce  
Ginger Nuts  
Abernethy Biscuits  
Arrowroot  
Wine  
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Victoria  
Oyster Crackers  
Sultana  
Lemon Biscuits  
Farina  
Corn Starch  
Java Coffee  
Mocha Coffee  
Laguira  
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English Breakfast  
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Consisting of articles required and in daily use by every Family. No store in Guelph has so good an assortment, and the prices are as low as quality will permit; therefore,  
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**CHEAP BLANKETS** are the order of the day. Come at once to me for them. I make the best Blanket in the Dominion, and will sell them at wholesale prices. I am at small expenses to do my business; No rent to pay, no profit to divide, no partnership, and I import all my Goods, so that Bargains, good Goods and cheap Goods are to be had from me.  
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