

# Guelph Evening Mercury

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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 27, 1873.

PRICE TWO CENTS

### New Advertisements.

**NOTICE.**—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station, Guelph, Nov. 7, 1873. d&wf.

**TO BLACKSMITHS.**  
For sale, a quantity of Cast Steel, Tin Steel, and Spring Steel, Cuttings, in lots to suit purchasers, at J. B. ARMSTRONG & Co. Carriage Works. 31-32-33

**SERVANT WANTED.**—Wanted a respectable servant girl, accustomed to do general house work. Apply to Mrs. P. Gow, Beech Grove, Guelph. d&wf.

**HOUSE TO LET.**—To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office, Guelph, Dec. 27, 1873. d&wf.

**CABETAKER WANTED.**—Wanted a Caretaker for the First Presbyterian Church. Apply to W. D. HEPBURN, d&wf.

**HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.**—A house and lot on the corner of North Street, two doors from Burns' Grocery. It is now contains 4 rooms and is in a fine location. For terms and other particulars apply to Mr. F. Knowles, Hat and Fur Store, Day's Block. d&wf.

**WANTED.**—A legally qualified female teacher for the First Division of one of the Public Schools in the City of Guelph. To enter upon her duties 7th January. Salary \$175 a year. Applications, with qualifications, to be lodged with the undersigned by 3rd Jan. ROBERT TORRANCE, Guelph, Dec. 26, 1873. d&wf.

**HOUSES TO LET.**  
A good stone dwelling in the West Ward, containing 7 rooms, with good cellar, and woodshed, 2000 garden and fruit trees, with an abundance of good spring water, situated between the London Road and West Street. Also, two small Frame Dwellings on Suffolk Street, convenient to the Western Station. For further particulars apply to the undersigned. DANIEL O'CONNOR, d&wf.

**INSOLVENT ACT OF 1865.**  
AND AMENDMENTS THEREON.  
In the matter of HENRY METCALF, of Guelph, Saddler, an Insolvent.  
The Insolvent has made an assignment of his Estate to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at his store in Guelph, on Wednesday, the 31st day of December, at 10 o'clock, a.m., to receive statements of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignee. WILLIAM J. PATTERSON, d&wf.

**CHURCH SOCIETY.**  
A Notice in connection with the First Congregation, Canada Presbyterian Church, (Rev. Mr. Torrance's) will be held in the Town Hall on

**TUESDAY EVENING, 30th DEC.**  
The following speakers are engaged to deliver addresses:  
Rev. W. COCHRAN, A. M., Bradford, on "Mendacity"; Rev. J. DICKIE, of Berlin, on "Reminiscences of the Franco-Prussian War"; excellent choir will be present. Ten at 6:30. Speaking to commence about 7:30. Tickets 25 cents each. To be had at the following stores—Messrs. Day's, Anderson's, Hepburn's, and Savage's.

**The Sabbath-school Children's Soiree** will be held in the same place on the following evening. Friends are cordially invited. A collection will be taken up to defray expenses. W. D. HEPBURN, d&wf.

**TO THE ELECTORS OF THE NORTH WARD.**  
GENTLEMEN:—At the solicitation of a number of rate-payers of the above Ward, I have consented to become a Candidate for the office of Councilman for the ensuing year. If gentlemen you should deem me worthy of the honor of representing you, and should elect me to that position, I shall endeavor to the best of my knowledge and ability to serve you faithfully, and do all that lies in my power for the benefit of the Town in general and the North Ward in particular. Soliciting from all their hearty support and vote, I have the honor to remain, gentlemen, Your obedient servant, E. HARVEY, d&wf.

**Just Received.**  
100 Barrels Choice Labrador Herrings;  
100 Half Barrels ditto.

This is the best Lot we have seen this season.

**Massie, Paterson & Co.**  
Guelph, Dec. 19, 1873. d&wf.

**1873 1874**  
**Grand Arrival.**

**Santa Claus has Arrived**  
WITH AN IMMENSE CARGO OF

**Toys,**  
**Xmas Presents,**  
**AND**  
**New Year's Gifts**

THE PRICES AS USUAL.

**AT HUNTER'S**  
Wholesale and Retail.

**D SEE**  
The Cheapest

**HUNTER'S**  
Toy Store

Guelph

### FOR CHRISTMAS.

**Colored Wax Tapers**  
For Xmas Tree Decoration

**Sprigs of English Holly**  
With Red Berries.

**Kentish Filberts**

**Valentia Oranges**

Pine Apples, Brandy Peaches, Bartlett Pears, Green Peas, and Green Corn.

AT

**JNO. A. WOOD'S**

Alma Block and Lower Wyndham-st.

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SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 27, 1873

**Town and County News**

**SPECIAL SERMONS.**—Tomorrow (Sunday) evening the Rev. W. Maniche will preach in the Congregational Church on "The Christian Obligation of Temperance."

A PRESENTATION was made on Friday afternoon to Mr. O'Spokane McK. Anderson, who is leaving here for Galt. We hold over particulars until Monday.

**THE MAYORALTY.**—We requested to state that Messrs. John Inglis, J. T. Brill, Wm. Wilkie, and Alex. Bruce waited on Mr. Melvin to-day (Saturday) with a proposition signed by about 400 ratepayers, asking him to run for Mayor, and that he has consented to do so.

**THE NEAREST THING** we have seen lately in the way of a printer's blunder is in one of our exchanges of last Wednesday. The word *confers* is printed "Confiers."

We won't put our unfortunate contemporary to shame by naming it. One of our own printers tried to emulate this by setting "deadly political branch" instead of "branch" yesterday; but he falls short of the foregoing genius.

**AIKING THE HORSES.**—Why in the world do not the good people in the town throw open the doors, raise the windows, and allow the pure air and gentle sunshine to enter every room in their houses at least once a day? If this were done many of those long and tedious fevers, so often the scourge of life would be avoided, and the doctors would have less to do. It would give fresh life to every occupant of the sleeping rooms at night, and impart a cheerfulness to the whole household, which is now so often wanting.

**SENIOUS ACCIDENT.**—This (Saturday) forenoon Mr. Wm. Taylor, (brother of Mr. James Taylor, one of the employees working in the Cabinet Factory of Messrs. Barr & Skinner, met with a very serious accident. He was working at the jointing machine when accidently he tripped, and fell from the top of the machine, and fell on his head, and his hand in the jointer. The back of his hand is fearfully mangled, the knuckles being broken, the sinews of his hand laid open, and three of the fingers of his right hand are completely severed. The wrist is also cut and a piece of the bone torn off. There is also a deep cut on the arm. He was taken to Dr. Herod's surgery, where the mangled limbs were dressed. There are fears that he will lose his hand, but at present it is hard to say what will be the result.

**THE MEETING IN FERUS.**—On Christmas evening a tea meeting was held in the basement of the Wesleyan church, Fergus, which proved to be a grand success, the place being filled to its utmost capacity. Five large tables had been erected, capable of seating about two hundred persons at one time, and these were filled some half-dozen times over. There was an abundant supply of good things, and after all had partaken, the audience adjourned to the body of the church, where an intellectual feast had been prepared. Geo. Munger, Esq., was called to the chair, and after the meeting had been called to order, speeches were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Daniel, of Guelph; Mr. Grenfell, Agent of the Standard Wesleyan College, and the Rev. Mr. Brewster, a former pastor of the church. The speeches were appropriate and eloquent, and were listened to with marked attention. At intervals of the speeches, the church under the leadership of Mr. Hunt, gave some choice anthems in capital style. The proceeds amounted to about \$170, which are to be applied towards liquidating the debt on the church.

**A Curious Masquerade.**  
The Ottawa-Free Press says: A young man who called himself George Lee, came into the village of Manotick about a year ago, and resided with Mr. O'Grady, hotel-keeper, as a stable boy and general servant. He proved an obedient and attentive servant during the winter, and when spring came, Mr. O'Grady, not retaining his further services, paid him and sent him away. He shortly after hired with a farmer named Nash, with whom he wrought during the spring and summer season, taking part in all kinds of farm labour. He next engaged with Mr. Clark, a farmer near Long Island Falls, with whom he worked up to a few days ago. But during all this time he feminine voice and smooth face, had aroused suspicion and doubt in the minds of many regarding the gender of said young man. Mr. Clark, in company with another man, undertook to clear up the mystery; but before they had done so, she acknowledged that their suspicions were rightly founded, and that her name was not George but Mary Ann, and the only reason she gave for disguising herself thus, was that she could earn so much more in male than in female attire.

The Chief of Police of Memphis has taken a course of the "roughs" and finds that, of one hundred and thirty-six, all but three survived the epidemic.

### Local and Other Items

**DEATH FROM EXPOSURE.**—A young girl named Madeline McDonald died suddenly at Stirling's Hotel, Brussels, on Friday. An inquest was held by J. W. Kerr, Coroner. A post mortem examination was conducted by Dr. Graham. The jury returned a verdict to the effect that her death was hastened by cold and exposure.

**RUNAWAY.**—On Monday last, Mr. James Robb, Reeve of Maryborough, accompanied by Mr. John Anderson, of Hamilton, were driving along the gravel road to Harrison, and while passing the schoolhouse, about two miles down, the children, who had just been dismissed, came with a rush, and a yell, causing the horse to shy into the ditch, spilling the two gentlemen out upon the hard gravel, considerably bruising the latter story of the latter; the horse clearing out with utter, which became a complete wreck.

**A CURSEAN VETERAN.**—Corporal Robert Patterson, brother of Alex. Patterson, of the 7th Co. Minto, who had served in the British army 21 years in the Crimea, and in India died in Paisley recently. The following is from the Glasgow Weekly Mail:—We are to record the death of Corp. Robert Patterson, pensioner, who died at No. 2, Nelson street, Paisley, on Sabbath night last. The deceased, though only 45 years of age, had seen an extraordinary amount of service. He joined the 93rd Regiment of Foot in 1817, which it was in Glasgow, and while attached to that regiment, served in the Crimean Campaign, at Alma, Balaclava, and at the Fall of Sebastopol. After completing his ten years in the 30th Regiment he received his discharge, and in 1847, he was subsequently re-enlisted in the 42nd Regiment of Foot, and remained with it until it was recalled home, when he again volunteered into the 30th Regiment of Foot and completed his 21 years of service.

**Westleyan S. S. Anniversary.**  
The 37th anniversary of the Wesleyan Sabbath School in Guelph was held on Friday evening in the church. The attendance was pretty good, and the exercises were of a complete programme of exercises prescribed. Rev. Mr. Howard, the pastor, presided, and on the platform were the Rev. Mr. Torrance, Rev. Mr. Warner, Rev. Mr. Hall, Rev. J. Hough, Jas. Hough, Esq., and others. The proceedings were opened with prayer by Mr. Howard, when the choir sang an anthem, after which the 37th annual report was read by Mr. Hutton. It stated that during the year just closed many of the pupils of the school had accepted of the Saviour as their Prophet, Priest and King. There are 29 classes, one adult male, one adult female, 26 intermediate, and one infant—numbering in all 375 scholars, with 32 officers and 42 leaders. The aggregate attendance was 12,600; average 244. Verses recited by the boys 7,329; girls 25,273. The library contains 600 volumes, and during the year some 2,000 Sabbath School papers have been distributed among the pupils. Receipts \$113.84, expenditures \$71.08.

The entertainment consisted of addresses, dialogues, singing by the school and infant class, quartets, choruses, &c., which were followed by short speeches by several ministers on the platform. The proceedings were of a most interesting character, and reflected great credit on both teachers and pupils. Mr. Foot gave a recital on a new organ from the establishment of Messrs. W. Bell & Co., which was received with great satisfaction. The proceedings were closed with prayer by Mr. Howard, when the choir sang an anthem, after which the 37th annual report was read by Mr. Hutton. It stated that during the year just closed many of the pupils of the school had accepted of the Saviour as their Prophet, Priest and King. There are 29 classes, one adult male, one adult female, 26 intermediate, and one infant—numbering in all 375 scholars, with 32 officers and 42 leaders. The aggregate attendance was 12,600; average 244. Verses recited by the boys 7,329; girls 25,273. The library contains 600 volumes, and during the year some 2,000 Sabbath School papers have been distributed among the pupils. Receipts \$113.84, expenditures \$71.08.

**Probable Foul Play.**  
Mr. John Johnson, a married man of over 25 years of age, who lived with his nephew, Mr. Malcolm Campbell, at Ridgeway, Ont., left home on the 19th of November last to go to Buffalo, where he had a gentleman left Ridgeway he had a large sum of money on his person, and said that he would return in two or three days. After he had been away a fortnight nothing having been heard from him Mr. Campbell started for Buffalo, where he met and detected Arnold H. Harris made careful enquiry, but could not get any clue. At Fort Erie he heard that the body of a man answering the description of Mr. Johnson had been found in a cattle guard near the Erie Lake Railway, on the 9th inst. They disinterred the corpse, and in it Mr. Campbell recognized his missing uncle. The appearance of the body indicated that the deceased had been murdered. Over the left eye was a deep ugly gash, and the body was otherwise mutilated. The deceased's money was gone. An inquest had been held in Fort Erie on Friday, the 19th inst., and a verdict of "Drowned" was given. Much dissatisfaction is felt about the first inquest, by the friends of the deceased. Three physicians have made a careful examination of the body, and have failed to find any mark of violence on the deceased sufficient to cause death. The heart was very much hypertrophied, and the aorta ossified, which the doctors think might have produced death at any time on the slightest moving cause, such as fear or excitement.

**Fridge cheap and common.**—You can find it all the way down from the man on his throne to the rooster on his dung-hill.

The same time spent in learning to phiddle a passable tune on string would enable a man to learn an elegant shuttler.

Man is the only thing created with reason and still is the most unreasonable thing created.

Happiness consists in having what we want, and wanting what we have.

There is lots of educated people in the world, who if it wasn't for their learning wouldn't know anything.

Everybody but the kussid phoofs has two for themselves.

There is a kind of a curiosity among phoofs, which prompts them to see how near they can get to a mule's heels and not get hit.

Silence is safe. The man who has't spoke a wush has the advantage of him that has't.

A party will live about two hundred and fifty years and grow cross the wate last.

A newspaper office in western Iowa rents part of the office for a cheese factory, and thus exhibits a double claim to the power of the press.

### BY TELEGRAPH.

**Steamboat Disaster on the Tyne.**

**Eighteen Drowned.**

**Daring Robbery by Mexicans.**

**Engine-Drivers' Strike.**

**Virginias to be Prosecuted.**

**The Emperor Better.**

London, Dec. 26.—Despatches from the Gold Coast announce the arrival of the Highland troops at Cape Coast Castle. The cattle plague has broken out in Madeira, and cattle going thence to the Gold Coast are infected.

At five o'clock this morning the steamer Gypsy Queen, belonging to the River Tyne Improvement Commissioners, struck the wreck of a sunken lighter in that stream and went to the bottom in five minutes. There were between fifty and sixty workmen on board the boat at the time of the disaster. Twenty of them were rescued. The remaining thirty or forty men were drowned.

London, Dec. 27.—The latest reports reduce the number of lives lost by the steamboat disaster on the Tyne to 18.

Paris, Dec. 26, morning.—Marshal Bazaine has left Versailles for the Island of Sainte Marguerite.

Francis Hugo, son of Victor Hugo, died to-day, aged forty-five years.

Berlin, Dec. 26.—The Emperor William is much better this morning.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—A party of twenty Mexicans and several white men, all armed, to-night entered Dingston, Frisco County, and seized twenty citizens and bound their hands and feet, then robbed two stores, getting about one thousand dollars in money and a large quantity of jewels and ribbons. They made their escape.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 26.—The locomotive engineers on the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad struck to-day at noon. The passenger trains were somewhat delayed, but not abandoned. It is reported that there is a misunderstanding among the engineers, and that the strike is without the authority of the brotherhood; also, that only 25 or 30 engineers went out, and that these have asked to be reinstated.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The Navy Department has full official reports from Rear-Admiral Scott, giving a detailed account of the surrender of the Virginias. The report does not differ materially from those contained in official and other telegrams already published. The Ossipee will be the Virginias to New York.

New York, Dec. 27.—The failure of two small firms has been announced, Bancroft & Knerr's, hats and caps; and Mitchell, Leet & Cattin, fancy goods. The latter firm propose to pay in full the entire indebtedness.

Gene's flight to Brazil on the steamer Ontario was uncontradicted last night, and the statement is generally believed.

A Washington despatch says it has been decided at the Department of Justice that proceedings be instituted against the Virginias in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York before Judge Benedict. The proceeding will be for a violation of the fourth section of the Act of 1792. Proceedings may also be instituted against Patterson for perjury, and against the passengers and crew of the Virginias for a violation of the neutrality laws, but no arrangements has yet been made for those prosecutions.

It is now positively ascertained that Elson Bradley, the Broadway merchant, who absconded to Canada, and took nearly \$75,000 belonging to others, is safe in gold.

**To the Municipal Electors of the Town of Guelph.**

GENTLEMEN,—I am induced, strictly by the solicitations of many friends among yourselves, to offer myself to serve you in the Town and County Councils during the coming year as one of your Deputy Reeves. In doing so I will only say that should you express your confidence by electing me I will honestly and faithfully endeavor to discharge the duties devolving on me, and see the position for no other purpose than that of forwarding, according to my most careful judgment, the prosperity of the Town.

During the last twelve years I have noted with attention the various current matters affecting our welfare as a community, and feel therefore somewhat prepared to take a share in directing our public affairs. It is impossible for me to make a personal appeal. If there were no other reasons, my business engagements, and the position for no other trust, no impure to absence to neglect or discontinue.

I am, Gentlemen,  
Respectfully yours,  
CHAS. RAYMOND.

**To the Electors of the Town of Guelph**

GENTLEMEN,—Having been solicited by a large number of the ratepayers to become a candidate for the office of Reeve for the year 1874, I now beg to offer myself for that position.

During the six years I have served you in the Council (half of which term has been as Deputy Reeve) I trust my conduct has been such as to merit your approval, and entitle me to a further expression of your confidence.

Should you honor me by electing me to the Reevship, I shall, without fear or favor, serve you to the utmost extent of my ability.

I am, gentlemen,  
Your obedient servant,  
GEORGE HOWARD.

### Town Council.

The Council met on Friday night; present, the Mayor, in the chair, Messrs. Richard Mitchell, Howard Kennedy, Hefferman, McLagan, Elliott, Massie, Coffey, Davidson, Hogg.

**COMMUNICATIONS, &c.**  
The clerk presented an account from the Town Solicitor, \$145; one from N. Croft, costs of two cases, \$53.75; one from County Attorney, prosecuting four cases, \$20.

A communication from the Town Solicitor was also read, in reference to the lots on Queen Street. He had applied to the Merchants' Bank, as instructed, and their solicitors, Messrs. Smith, Bax and Fuller, wrote him, asking what settlement he would recommend. He replied that he thought the Bank should endeavor to settle with the parties who purchased from them by making them compensation. In answer to this, he had received a letter stating that the bank was a purchaser for value without notice, and if anyone ought to suffer they thought it should be either Sir John A. Macdonald or the present owners. They could, however, say nothing further until the return of their Mr. Smith from England.

Mr. Davidson made some remarks dissectioning from this view; and the matter was then allowed to lie over until Mr. Smith's return.

**PETITIONS, &c.**  
Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from Wm. Stephenson, asking rectification of a mistake in assessment.

Mr. Hoggard, a similar petition from Jas. Worswick.

Mr. Davidson, petition from Patrick Conghlin, asking for remission of taxes, being a destitute.

Mr. Massie, petitions from S. Booth, mistake in assessment, and Joseph F. Rumer, asking remission from taxes for 1873.

Mr. Hefferman, petition from John Sheehan, mistake in assessment.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE.**  
Mr. Massie presented the report of the Finance Committee. They recommended as follows:—That the request of Mr. Laidlaw, Reeve of Guelph Township, be complied with, on the Treasurer taking a note from him; also that of the village council of Berlin in reference to their rebentures. That the taxes of Esther Hill, Mary O'Connor, Jacob Cantwell and Wm. Shaw be remitted; that refunds be made to Chas. Coffey, Robt. Smith, Mrs. Galt, James Bryen, C. H. Carrier and John Anderson. They could not report on Bernard O'Neill's petition. They could not recommend that the petition of Mr. Jas. Hough be granted, as the section of the Act to which he refers does not exclude the description of property for which he is agent. They could not recommend that any portion of Mr. Denis Coffey's taxes be remitted, as the Corporation cannot be held responsible for the non-fulfillment of agreement between him and his tenants.

The Treasurer will pay interest on the \$200 he had expended on Hooper, Toronto, Richardson, Smart, Mary, Elizabeth and Duke streets, and that there is one pound of nails to the credit of the Ward.

Mr. Kennedy, for the South, reported a balance of \$7.45 in hand, the remainder having been expended on Inkerman, Berlin, Devonshire, Fleet, Nottingham, Albert, Water, Manchester, Birmingham, Elmisle, and Melrose streets.

**THE MARKET FORCE.**  
Mr. Elliott moved, seconded by Mr. McLagan, that Messrs. Mitchell, Howard and Davidson be a special committee to draft a petition to the Ontario Legislature, praying them to amend the Act relating to the organization of the Police Force, so as to make it optional for towns to adopt the same; and report at the next meeting of Council.—Carried. The standing rules make the Mayor and the mover also members of the special committee.

**ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.**  
This Committee reported that they had made improvements and repairs as nearly as possible in accordance with their detailed report of June 2nd last. Their expenditure had been as follows:—Bridges, from 1872, \$607.52, opening drains, &c., January to May, \$271.95; lumber, \$1,040.21; repairing Gow's bridge and foundry \$60; painting Erasmus bridge, \$60; Pipe's bridge and bonnyard, \$101.51; street signs \$50; repairs \$170; water, \$221; sidewalk, York street and Gladwin streets, \$131; sundries, \$20; total, \$4,332.67. The amount placed to the credit of the Committee was \$1,301, leaving a deficiency of \$3,031.67.

The Committee asked to have placed to their credit. They recommended that such relief be granted to the estate of the late Ed. Carroll, in reference to building standing about six feet on Devonshire street, as the Town Solicitor considers legal.

**MARKET COMMITTEE.**  
Mr. Elliott presented the eighth report of the Market Committee. The receipts for the year were: Market fees to Dec. 20, \$2,797.46; rents, \$4,117.21. The expenditure was \$1,474, and included items for wood, coal, gas, repairs, and labor on the Market House; furniture; gravelling; Market Square; paving; painting and painting offices, \$87.69; gas fittings in the butchers' market and police court, \$132.67; clock repairs, D. Savage, \$10; repairing insurance offices, \$188. The appropriation was \$1,258, leaving a deficiency of \$216. This deficiency was entirely caused by the erection of the fish market and the repairs of the Wellington Mutual offices, authorized by the Council after the estimates were adopted for the year. There was a sum of \$1,023.00 charged by the Treasurer against the Committee, which belonged to last year, and was included in the estimate.

The report was adopted, after Mr. Hefferman had protested against the excess of expenditure over appropriation, and Mr. Elliott had pointed out the peculiar difficulties which were connected with estimating the Market expenditure before hand.

**RAILWAY COMMITTEE.**  
In the absence of Mr. Horsman, chairman of the committee, Mr. Massie, chairman of the Railway Committee's report. They had spent \$187 odd, of which particulars were given, and had still a balance in hand of \$312 odd.

Mr. Massie complained of the continued absence of Mr. Horsman, who ought to have presented that report in person. It was disrespectful to the Council.

**PRINTING COMMITTEE.**  
Mr. Coffey presented the report of this committee, which showed that they had received the following accounts—Corp. Clark & Co., \$41; Globe and Mail Advertising, \$12 each; T. Day, \$17.73; Jas. Innes, advertising, &c., \$3.90; total \$169 odd, leaving a balance of \$280 to meet outstanding liabilities.

On the motion for adopting the report, Mr. Massie said that when the Council had advertised for all accounts to be sent in on or before that date, it was an exceedingly improper thing that the heavy printing account of the Herald Office had not yet been presented. He understood that it exceeded \$100, and he wanted to see it, as a representative of the ratepayers. He should ask for it again at the next meeting.

Mr. Coffey entirely agreed with Mr. Massie's remarks. He himself, as chairman of the Printing Committee, had gone three times to the Herald office for the account, but could not get it.

Mr. Hefferman earned the non-presiding of the account. Probably the Herald people were flush of money, or else thought that this money would do more good to the Corporation than to themselves just now. It was time enough to find fault with the account when it was presented.

Mr. McLagan asked whether Mr. Coffey had ordered that the coat of arms should be inserted over all the corporation advertisements? It increased the space considerably, and was an entirely unnecessary expense. Other councils did not have it.

Mr. Davidson thought Mr. McLagan should have given a hint on this subject earlier.

Mr. McLagan said he had done so, as far as he properly could.

Mr. Coffey explained that he had given no instructions about the advertisements, except that on one occasion he had told the proprietors to put them in as economically as possible. He was not a printer, and did not understand these technicalities.

The report was then adopted.

**THE BOARD OF WORKS COMMITTEE.**  
Mr. Hefferman presented the eighth report of this Committee. They reported the fire brigade in good working order; the men had been regular in attending practice, and had become almost as expert as professionals in handling the hose. Two new tanks had been constructed. It was suggested that many of the town lamps needed replacing by new ones better adapted for street purposes. A detailed list of expenditure was annexed, amounting to \$2,271.64, which was about four dollars less than the appropriation; and the committee noted this fact with pleasure.

In moving the adoption of the report Mr. Hefferman complained of the whole sale way in which street lamps had been broken by the missiles of mischievous boys, and said he thought the police ought to look more strictly after them. Report adopted.

**RELIEF COMMITTEE.**  
Mr. McLagan presented this report. It showed the disbursements to have been \$11,106, leaving a balance in hand of \$100. The Committee had contracted by tender with Mr. John West for the supply of 50 cords best dry wood at \$4.33 per cord. Three persons were at present entirely sustained by the Corporation—one in the hospital at \$3 a week, the others in private families at \$2 each weekly. Wm. Smith had been sent to England. In view of the destitution at present existing, it was suggested that the G. W. Railway