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TWO SOFT WATER TANKS FOR SALE, lined with lead. Size, 6 ft. x 3 ft. 6 in., depth, 4 ft. 6 in.; and 6 ft. x 3 ft. 6 in., depth, 4 ft. Apply to Next Post Office, Guelph.

SEED BARLEY AND SPRING WHEAT FOR SALE—At the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station. Guelph, Apr. 24, 1874.

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HOUSE TO RENT—Situated on Queen Street, (York Road). Good garden, well filled with fruit trees, and barn. House contains 8 rooms, good cellar, and every convenience.

MAPLE LEAF Base Ball Club. A meeting of the above Club will take place on the grounds near the Great Western Station, on Saturday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. Let their be a good rally.

Brass Castings, MADE TO ORDER BY HARLEY & HEATHER, IRON FOUNDERS, Huskisson street, eastside Market house, Guelph, April 27th, 1874.

TOWN HALL, Second Appearance HERNDON'S Opera House Company BRASS BAND AND ORCHESTRA

THURSDAY EVEN'G, 30th, Will be presented the Charming Domestic Drama, replete with Wit, Pathos, Beautiful Tableau and Thrilling Incidents, of DOT Or the Cricket on the Hearth.

Pat's Blunders. Admittal 25 cents; Reserved seats 50c. Reserved seats can be secured without extra charge at Anderson's Bookstore, during the day only.

R. Campbell, L.D.S., Having recovered from his recent illness, is again prepared to attend to the wants of all who may require his services.

W. M. FOSTER, L.D.S., Surgeon Dentist, Guelph. Office over K. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham & Macdonald Sts., Guelph.

MORTGAGE SALE, Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a mortgage bearing date 2nd January, 1874, and made between Denis O'Keefe, of the first part, and H. B. Maurice, of the second part, Mr. W. S. G. Knowles will offer for sale by public auction, at the Town Hall, Guelph, on Wednesday, the 6th May next, at 12 o'clock, noon, the south-westerly half of the south-westerly half of Lot No. 14, in the 9th Con. P. 1874, containing 50 acres, more or less, a year or eighteen months will be allowed for payment of the purchase money.

27 PACKAGES NEW GOODS, Rough Browns, Dress Goods, Black Fargols, Welting Cords, New Haberdashery, etc.

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MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

HANOVER—Friday before the Guelph Fair. BOSWORTH—Saturday before Guelph. DEATON—Saturday before Guelph. ELORA—The day before Guelph. DUNDAS—Monday before Elora Fair. GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month. CLIFTON—Thursday before the Guelph Fair. TAVERTHAL—Friday before the Guelph Fair. NEW HAMBURG—First Tuesday in each month. BELLEVILLE—First Thursday in each month. ELMIRA—Second Monday in each month. WATERLOO—Second Tuesday in each month. MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month. HANOVER—Monday before Durham. DURHAM—Tuesday before Mount Forest. FERRIS—Thursday following Mount Forest. ORANOVILLE—Second Thursday in January. March, May, July, September and November. MOND MILES—Third Wednesday in January, April, July and October. ERIN—First Monday in January, April, July and October. MASSEVILLE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November. BRAMPTON—First Thursday in each month. LAKESIDE—First Friday in each month. HILLSBURG—Second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September and Nov. HAGUETOWN—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

Guelph Evening Mercury

THURSDAY EVEN'G, APRIL 30, 1874

Town and County News

We are puzzled to know what is meant by the announcement of a grand concert or a cheap excursion for the 24th of May. Do the managers know that such things are not legal on Sunday, or do they intend to observe the 25th as the first day of the week?

PERSONAL.—The Hon. C. F. Fraser, Commissioner of Public Works, Mr. Langmuir, Inspector of Prisons and Asylums, and Mr. Kivas Tully, were in Guelph to-day, and paid a visit to the Provincial Farm.

ANOTHER MEETING of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club is advertised to take place this time on the grounds near the G. W. R. Station on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Everybody that can go ought to be there.

ACCIDENTS.—A young man named Mosales met with a severe accident at Acton on Tuesday evening by having his hand caught in a cutting-box. Another boy named Lam, living on the York Road, got one of his little fingers cut off while working a cutting-box.

NEW MAP OF ONTARIO.—James Campbell & Son, Toronto, have done a good service in the publication of a very convenient pocket map of this Province, which has been sent us by Mr. John Anderson. The towns, villages, and townships noted are brought into prominence by the excellent arrangement of the colors, and thus a great difficulty in many maps is removed. Rolph, Smith & Co., are the artists.

FINES.—At about half-past eleven o'clock this forenoon a fire broke out in the roof of the Central School house, and the scholars became so excited that in a short time the school-rooms were quite empty. The engine proceeded to the scene, and poured a stream on the roof, whence the smoke had been issuing. They were anticipated, however, by several citizens, who did all that appeared to be necessary with the aid of water-pails.

THE REV. MR. MACKENZIE, the Episcopal minister in Mount Forest, has been delivering a series of lectures on the "Disclosures of concealed and increasing Romanism in the doctrines and practices of the Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Congregational and other Protestant denominations." The ministers of these denominations in the village have published a "declaration" in which they tell him some plain truths about the "increasing Romanism in the Church of England," and read him, besides a pretty severe, but well deserved lecture, for meddling with matters altogether outside of his work.

THE HERNDONS opened their season last evening before a full house. The pieces played were good. W. S. Higgins' "Out of the Fire" was put upon the boards, and received full justice at the hands of the different artists. In intervals during the play, the "Mulligan Guards" were introduced. The evening was closed with the laughable farce of "Solon Shingle," in which Mr. Herndon was in his element. This evening will be presented "Dot," a dramatization of Dickens' story of "The Cricket on the Hearth," to be followed by "Pat's Blunders."

FIRE IN PULSINCH.—We regret to learn that the log dwelling house on the farm of Mr. Wm. Thompson, 4th con., of Pulsinch, was burned down on Thursday forenoon. The fire broke out between 11 and 12 o'clock, and is supposed to have been caused by a spark from the kitchen chimney lodging between the shingles. The materials being dry and the wind high, the fire spread with great rapidity. The family and the neighbors were however able to save a good part of the furniture and bedding, but about 300 bushels of potatoes and a large quantity of apples which were in the cellar were destroyed. One of Mr. Thompson's sons, who was at the time lying ill of inflammation, had to be carried out of the burning house to his brothers, where the rest of the family are accommodated till a new house is put up. The building, we believe, was insured for a small amount in the Pulsinch Mutual. We are unable to say what Mr. Thompson's loss will be.

ACCORDING to the assessment returns just completed, the population of London Ont., has increased 673 during the past year, and the value of real estate has advanced over \$275,000 in the same period. The assessors make the population 18,113, and assess the real estate at \$5,855,500. The total taxable property, including incomes, is \$7,845,400.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

The Americ's Mail Found. Accidental Homicide. The Basis of Arbitration. Compulsory Education. Compliments on the Veto.

New York, April 29.—A London despatch says the mails of the steamship Americ have arrived, damaged by water. They were found in an abandoned boat picked up in latitude 47 deg. north, longitude 7 deg. west, by the bark Assyria, which arrived at Havre on the 27th from New Orleans.

A Yokohama despatch, dated March 26th confirms the previously reported loss of the French Steamship Company's steamer Nile. She left Hong Kong on March 19th and on the 20th became disabled, and was blown ashore on the coast of Idan. It is believed she had about 150 persons on board, of whom only four are known to be saved. The vessel is a complete loss.

Cincinnati, April 29.—Last evening Charles Smith, shot and killed accidentally he says, R. H. Hayalip, editor of the Echo, Gayandotte, West Virginia.

New York, April 30.—At a meeting held in Cooper Institute last evening, in the interests of codification of international law as a basis of arbitration in cases of dispute between nations, addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Miles, of Boston, Prof. Woolsey, and others. The resolutions adopted at the Brussels Convention in October last, were unanimously endorsed. A resolution was also adopted to the effect that it was desirable in view of the meeting that the Congress of the U. S. should give expression of opinion in accordance with the spirit of the resolutions adopted at the Brussels Convention, and empowering Dr. Miles to visit Washington to promote such action.

The libel case of Chamberlain against Geo. Wilkes is for present at an end, the latter having fled the country by steamer last week under an assumed name.

The weather last night was very cold, ice forming half-an-inch thick.

A heavy robbery of a Government bonded warehouse was reported to the police last night.

The compulsory education law passed the State Senate yesterday.

Washington despatches comment on the historical fact that yesterday, for the first time, a liberated slave presided over the U. S. House of Representatives, while Judge Parker, of Missouri, delivered an address in favour of educating and civilizing Indians.

President Grant is reported as receiving complimentary letters from the South and West in large quantities for the recent veto.

It is stated that there is no prospect of an adjournment of Congress before August.

London, April 30.—The Times commenting on the failure of the Senate to pass the Currency Bill over the President's veto remarks, it is probable the danger of increasing paper currency has been permanently avoided, and advises substitutions of treasury currency for present national bond issues.

John Outhouse, the guard at Sing Sing prison by whose connivance several prisoners have escaped, was yesterday convicted in Westchester County and sentenced to five years imprisonment.

The Family of Dr. Livingstone. (To the Editor of the London Times.) Sir,—The mortal remains of one whose name will add glory to his country through ages are being borne to the shores of England.

As they are placed to rest in the great Macphelah of our land, something of the spirit of old will hover over the sad burden; another patriarch has been carried up by tender hands out of the land of the Nile, that he may be entombed among the mighty of his own people.

How greatly he gave we know full well who have watched him for thirty years unfolding Africa to our gaze, and dashing desperately against her worst foes. But now that he has given, last of all his life, we feel we must no longer withhold from this nation a trust which has fallen to it by his death.

David Livingstone supported two sisters far advanced in years; one of them is in very feeble health; but for our care they are henceforth without the necessities of life. Two sons and two daughters survive the parents whom Africa's name has claimed; they too are left extremely badly off.

In appending our names to this announcement, we add that subscriptions will be received at Messrs. Ogden's, Ramsome, Bouverie & Co., and London and Westminster Banks, to the credit of the Livingstone Memorial Fund, to be devoted to the sole use of the family as a Committee shall subsequently arrange.

BURDETT CUTTS, A. KINNARD, W. F. WEBB, of H. B. E. FRERE, Newcastle Abbey, HOWELL DIXON, HORACE WALKER, JAMES YOUNG, of W. C. OSWELL, Kelly.

THE APPLETON MANUFACTURING COMPANY.—At a meeting of creditors of Appleton Manufacturing Company, a resolution was passed advising the trustees to obtain an estimate of the cost of finishing a large number of partially completed machines, now on hand, with a view to their sale in lots of 100 and upwards. It was also decided not to accept the offers made for the estate.

WELLINGTON COUNTY ASSIZES.

Johnston vs. Macdonald.—In this action, which was one for seduction, in which \$2000 damages were charged, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff. Damages \$50; Mr. McDowell for plaintiff, Mr. Guthrie for defendant.

Orr vs. Cameron.—In this case the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, damages \$230; Mr. Guthrie, instructed by Mr. Matheson, for the plaintiff; Mr. Fleming for the defendant.

Queen vs. Henderson.—The defendant was charged with allowing a prisoner to escape from his custody. Verdict not guilty. Mr. Fleming, Queen's Counsel; Mr. Drew for defendant.

Escape of Two Prisoners from Berlin Gaol. (Special to the Mercury per Dominion Line) McDonald, who was some time ago convicted for burglary, and Miller, a colored man for forgery, both escaped from gaol here last night.

It appears that Miller has been engaged in some out-door work lately, and by some means procured a suit of clothes which were donated by McDonald. McDonald's gaol clothes were stuffed and placed in his bed in his cell, while McDonald, proper, was in hiding somewhere near. In the evening the gaoler locked the cell containing the "Dummy" and Miller, the negro, was put into another cell. Some time during the night McDonald picked the locks and liberated Miller. The cell side door locks were removed and the jail walls scaled.

Local and Other Items. The overflow of the Mississippi is subsiding. Only a little over one third of the lands is now under water.

It is stated that Bishop Crimmon will leave Hamilton for Rome on the 23rd May to pay his respects to the Pope.

The fall wheat about Goderich has been seriously injured by the dry weather and frost.

MR. D. O. HAY, the Ontario Emigration Commissioner, has been migrating with great success in Dundee, Scotland.

A FRUIT CANNING COMPANY with a capital stock of \$25,000 has been organized in Niagara. The project is a good one, and there is every hope of success.

THE town council of St. Thomas are highly pleased with the Waterous system of water-works, and intend to adopt it for the embryonic city.

SUDDEN DEATH.—A man named Thomas McDonald, who has been working on the new Canal near St. Catharines, dropped dead after he had left work on the 29th inst. Apoplexy was the cause.

A heavy snow storm prevailed in the eastern States on Tuesday, extending from Washington north to Maine. At the former city snow fell to the depth of ten inches, and in some parts of Pennsylvania it is eighteen inches deep.

A Horse Guards order will shortly be issued expressing Her Majesty's approval of the word "Abanates" being borne on the colours and appointments of the 23rd Fusiliers, 42nd Highlanders, Rifle Brigade, and 1st and 2nd West India Regiments.

THE RUGGERS are still active in Hamilton. The other night an attempt was made to steal a horse and buggy belonging to Mr. Alex. Smith, John street. A gentleman had his pocket picked at the St. Nicholas hotel. Pilgrims' note water factory was entered into on Monday night, the desk broken open, but no money was found, and attempts were made to break into the houses of Mr. Jamieson on Charles Street, and Mr. Jos. Mills, latter.

ELORA Correspondence. This village is making vigorous efforts to appear as if spring had come, but almost every morning we find the ground frozen as hard as rock. There are quite a number of buildings going up this summer in Elora and neighborhood, and several of the older settlers in Pilkington and Nichol are coming to reside either in the village or the suburbs.

We expect to have a "high" time in Irving Park on the Queen's Birthday. We do not know when the new High School will be built, as there is a difference of opinion among the trustees as to the advisability of building a new building in favour of holding the High School in the Public School building, where they think ample accommodation can be had.

The splendid entire horse, "Montreal Telegram" the property of Messrs. Vickers, Elliot, died of inflammation on Monday. The horse was purchased by these gentlemen in October 1872 for \$600, and a few days ago was sold to a party in the State of Ohio for \$1,100, to be shipped for that place on Tuesday morning.

It is said the village is now clear of small pox.

Palmerston Correspondence. A neck-tie social was given by the Ladies' Aid Society, in the Wesleyan church last Tuesday evening. The drawing of the ties afforded a good deal of amusement, especially as this was the first time we have had anything of the kind in Palmerston. After tea had been served, the chair was taken by Mr. James Shields, and a short speech given by Mr. Wm. Thompson, a dialogue by Misses Isabella and Mary Ann McDowell and a speech by the Rev. Mr. Reynolds, principally the choir had become disorganized by the drawing of the ties, so that music was given scarce. Another social will be given next Tuesday evening.

BRACEFAST.—Epps's Cocoa.—GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING.—By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicious, nourishing and strengthening beverage which may save us many heavy doctor's bills.—Civil Service Gazette. Made simply with boiling water or milk. Each packet is labelled "James Epps & Co., Homoeopathic Chemists, London."

Reciprocity with Canada.

There is no natural reason for establishing artificial barriers to commerce between Canada and the border States of this Union, more than between New York and New England; and any tax on exports or imports on either side, above a reasonable revenue schedule, is oppressive without excuse. So apparent has this become to the Canadians, that their newspapers, and also some of their public men, who have generally upheld a more liberal policy, have been seriously urging the adoption of a protective tariff as a necessary measure of retaliation upon the United States.

Some of the protectionists of this country have proclaimed this improvement to be in favour of the policy of protection; but it is in fact only a counter demonstration to enforce upon our people a more liberal policy. We believe that it is having its effect, for the reciprocal treaty plan seems to be growing in favor in quarters where it was formerly unpopular. "Protection" is a two-edged sword, and it is amusing to observe how likely such incisions are to cure chronic cases of that disease called the "American Policy."

A reciprocity treaty will help both of the parties to it. New England needs the coal and the shipping materials which are abundant in the maritime provinces, in exchange for its various manufactures. The Northwestern States can do a profitable business with the new Erie River settlements, which are practically cut off from continental markets, with the Canadian markets. All along the dividing line a free exchange of products will be mutually beneficial, and all arbitrary obstructions are wrong. This is a grand opportunity to test the value of the principles of free trade.

Winterbourne Correspondence. The spring work of the farmers progresses very slowly, the weather being still so cold and damp that few of the fields are dry, so that where the grain ought by this time to be in the ground, the ploughing is little more than begun. However, a warm spring weather which all are looking for cannot much longer be delayed.

The coming summer promises to be a more busy one, so far as the business of the village is concerned, than former summers have been. A new steam saw mill has been added to the village, and several others will give employment to several hands and draw in its share of custom from the surrounding country. This mill has been built by Clemens & Wells immediately adjoining their flour mills, both mills to be run by the same engine. This firm has been in the village a few years ago, having not only thoroughly repaired the dam, which had so often been swept away in spring freshets under former management, but also enlarged the flour mill, fitting it up with all latest improvements, and supplied it with steam power, and in the season, added a stove factory, and now the saw mill, with its accompaniments of thousands of logs, stave piles, &c. The firm has also achieved a reputation for reliable business, so that parties throughout the country may be assured that the Winterbourne mills are not the same as the state they were a few years ago, but may depend upon the fact, that in coming to Winterbourne they can meet with satisfaction.

If the people of Guelph would like an opinion from some of their country customers as to when the proposed new Town Hall should be, we might mention the fact that a few of the villagers were discussing the question the other night, and were unanimously of the opinion that if the site of the Wellington Hotel could be obtained at the upper end of Wyndham street for the proposed new Town Hall, that situation would command a view of the entire business street, would present an imposing appearance from the street below, and with a few trees in front on the site of the old English Church, would make the whole a real ornament to the town. If the idea is practicable it is worthy the attention of the City Fathers.

April 27, 1874.

Fergus Items. VETERINARY.—We are pleased to learn that Mr. F. Z. Nixon, V.S., graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, late of Brampton, has commenced the practice of his profession in this village. He comes highly recommended; he took the highest prize for students of the first year, given by the Hon. Commissioner of Agriculture, consisting of six volumes of Ferri's Hippopathology, valued at \$22. He will be a most long felt in this vicinity. He will be in the office formerly occupied by the late Dr. Munro.

CHURCH.—A meeting was held last Thursday evening in the Royal Hotel, but owing to the absence of the President and Vice do., no business was transacted.

MONEY AND NOTES LOST.—A great deal of sympathy is felt for Alex. Gerrie, of this village, for his loss of about \$917 in money and \$950 in notes. He can give no account of how it was lost. A few minutes before leaving he had pocketed a note in his hand, and did not miss it till he was in the Court House, Guelph, being summoned in the McLean escape case. He offers a suitable reward to any party returning the same.

Business is very dull here at present. Very few farmers are coming into the village, no doubt owing to the bad state of the roads, and the cold and backward spring. There seems to be quite a demand for potatoes, for shipping, from this village and Strathroy, particularly wanted for the United States markets.

Morrison Horse Show. The annual show of entire horses was held in Morrison on the 22nd inst., and was the largest and best yet held in that village. The Judges were Messrs. Gray, Craner and Redmond. The following is the prize list:—

HEAVY DRAUGHT.—1st, F. W. Stone's Royal Briton, \$10; 2nd, D. McLaugh's Dominion Farmer, \$6; 3rd, Wm. Graham's Young Briton, \$3.

GENERAL PURPOSE.—1st, R. Bond's Cumberland Punch, \$10; 2nd, W. McKenzie's Highland Rover, \$5; 3rd, M. McCaig's Marquis of Lorne, \$3.

ROADSTERS.—1st, C. G. Cockburn's Whalebone, \$10; 2nd, M. Elliott's Whalebone Chief, \$6; J. Cochrane's Mountain Deer, \$3.

The St. Patrick's Benevolent Society of Hamilton the other evening presented Bishop Crimmon with an address of welcome.