

and was now in possession of the farm formerly belonging to Joseph Carter, and requesting to be entered on the roll for said property. Granted. From John M. Gibson, teacher, to be entered on the roll for the house and half-acre of land lately occupied by James Crosby. Granted. From Alex. White, to be reduced \$100 on personal property. Granted. From John Reading, to be reduced \$200 on land. Granted. There being no other business to lay before the Court it was then closed. The Council resumed. It was then moved by Mr. Swetnam, seconded by Mr. Benham, that the Assessment Roll as revised and corrected, be confirmed. Carried. It was then moved and seconded to adjourn until Monday, the 10th day of June. A. McGINNIBALE, Clerk.

Guelph Evening Mercury

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 22, 1872

Phoebe Campbell's Confession.

Another phase in the Missouri murder has been evolved by a second confession, made by Phoebe Campbell, now lying under sentence of death. In this confession the details of the bloody tragedy are narrated step by step with a minuteness which goes far to convince the reader that what the unfortunate woman writes are really the facts. If so, then Coyle committed the murder, and Mrs. Campbell aided and abetted him in the horrible work. Domestic infelicity and an unallied love for Coyle are given as the primary reasons for committing the murder, which was premeditated some time before. The woman states that poison was first thought of, but it failed. A pistol was next purchased by Coyle, but that failed also, and then the axe and the knife were resorted to as sure and effective weapons. The whole details reveal an unmaturation and cold-blooded ferocity on the part of the murderers which, fortunately for humanity, rarely blackens the page of crime, and which removes the last vestige of doubt or compassion which might have been entertained for the woman whose foolish spirit impelled her to such a bloody deed, and for the brutal and equally foolish accomplice Coyle, who will no doubt, now be tried for the slaying no took in the awful crime.

EDITORIAL NEWS.

It is said that by the new distribution of seats, Toronto obtains three members. The new division, to be called Centre Toronto, will consist of St. John's and St. James' Ward, and will return a Reform member.

THE DIFFERENCE.

The only bug the Tory press can make about the Treaty Bill is that the Reform journals opposed the Washington Treaty and the bill ratifying it, and were defeated. But they were at least consistent in their opposition, whereas the Tory press denounced the Treaty in equally strong terms, and then accepted it at the bidding of John A. Macdonald. The Reform party were equally consistent in their opposition, but the Conservatives first opposed it, then backed down, and finally defended the very measure which gives it effect.

NORTH BRANT.

The Reform Convention of North Brant, at its meeting on Friday, nominated Mr. Robert McLean, of Galt, as their candidate at the general election for the next election, for the Dominion Parliament. We cordially endorse what the *Reformer* says of Mr. McLean, that "he has been a Reformer faithful and true and tried" since his arrival in Canada over thirty years ago, and has fought the battles of Reform both on the platform and in the Press in many a hard contested struggle. An able and fluent speaker and a ready and forcible writer, he would be a candidate around whom Reformers could rally with pride and confidence, and should be accepted the nomination in North Brant, there would be such a shaking among the dry bones of Dr. Bown and his followers as will be refreshing to see.

THE CATHOLIC LEAGUE.

A public meeting of the Catholic League was held in Toronto on Monday night, for the purpose of hearing explanations relative to a certain protest note and published by seven members of the League. After explanations given by Mr. John O'Donohue, the chairman, resolutions were passed, that the protest referred to, which was published in the *Conservative*, was signed to subvert the aims and end of a political party, and in utter disregard of the Catholic interest; and that the signers thereof are unworthy the credence and confidence of the Catholic party in political matters; that the League deserves the continued support of every Catholic in the Province, and that they repudiate the action of any individual who presumes without their authority, to pledge them to any political party, or to further their franchise to subvert private interests or predilections.

EXPERIMENTS WITH GUN COTTON.

The English Government have been making some interesting experiments of late, and on April 25 two merrill towers on the Sticks can't were blown down, one with 200 pounds of gun-cotton, the other with four times the amount of gun-cotton. The first explosion, effected by the agency of gunpowder, emitted a slow, sullen, and upward-lashing roar. The second, effected by a far smaller amount of gun-cotton, was quick, sharp, and almost as instantaneous as a flash of lightning. The beams of the first were thrown vertically upward; the shattered fragments of the second were dispersed laterally over the sand. The extreme rapidity and tremendous force of the gun-cotton seemed to forbid the slow projection into the air of the disintegrated tower. In the first case, it seemed as though the work of devastation was tardily accomplished; in the second, as though destruction had descended upon the lightning's wing. The inside or handward wall of the second tower, which was eight feet thick, yielded instantly to the shattering impact of the gun-cotton; whereas the outward or seaward face, with its 13 feet of solid masonry, resisted more stubbornly, but fell crumbling in vast and tortured heaps upon the beach. The disintegration produced by the gun-cotton far exceeded that of the gunpowder, while the smoke was less blinding and all-enveloping than that produced by the first explosion. These explosions make it evident that, if only the force and tearing violence of gun-cotton can be made uniform and controllable, its rival, "villainous black powder," has had its day.

BY TELEGRAPH

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

FRENCH WAR CONTRACTS.

ENGLISH PRESS ON THE TREATY.

The Feeling in Favor of Dropping the Treaty.

Paris, May 21.—In the sitting of the National Assembly this afternoon M. Rouher spoke for nearly three hours on a motion to inquire of the Government as to its intentions with regard to the war contracts. The floor and galleries were densely crowded. The speech was listened to with the deepest interest, and frequently interrupted by applause. Rouher disclaimed any intention of provoking a controversy. He defended Gen. Palluau from the charges made against his administration of affairs as Minister of War, and urged that the members of the Government, and not the Government collectively, should be held responsible for its acts. At the close of Rouher's speech the sitting was adjourned. President Thiers, Gambetta and Andrieux Pasquere will reply to-morrow.

New York, May 22.—The *Herold's* special from London says that the English papers continue to discuss the Treaty of Washington and the supplementary article thereto with undiminished interest. The editorials generally are interspersed by a desire to prevent the failure of the Arbitration and to save the Treaty. An article in a contrary sense, printed in the *Fort St. George* to-night, is remarkable for its truthful and just appreciation of the danger of endeavoring to save the Treaty at the expense of national susceptibility. We extract the following: "The whole drift of feeling and opinion in England justifies us in saying that the worst thing to do with the Treaty is to save it. Saving the Treaty means offense and humiliation to America or England or to both nations. It means the renewal, not abatement, of the ill-feeling it was intended to allay. How to save the Treaty means, who shall eat leek, or whether some means cannot be invented whereby both parties shall agree to eat it in each other's presence. The American papers appear to exclaim against the adoption of the supplementary article. There is only one opinion and that is that its acceptance would be discredit and dangerous. Both people would be notified and content at once if the Treaty and negotiations connected therewith were dropped as an irreconcilable blunder for which two Governments are alone to blame. That is the proper fate of the Treaty and the only safe and peaceful way of disposing of it." This article states exactly the situation in England, and is in the expression of the best opinions here. It is certain that such persons as bankers, financial agents and others, who are determined to save the Treaty at whatever cost, are bringing about dangerous complications. It is the same with those unwise politicians who are willing to make party credit out of international difficulty. Further negotiations of the Treaty will only continue an irritation that may eventually put two proud nations in an attitude from which war can be the only possible issue. The Treaty should be dropped immediately for the sake of national unity, good will and peace.

It is understood to be settled that Ottawa, Toronto and Hamilton will each get an additional member under the re-distribution of seats bill. Also, that Hon. Mr. Morris will be appointed Governor of Manitoba, and O'Connor is to succeed him in the Cabinet, immediately after the prorogation of the House.

BIRTHS.

HELE, At Milton, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr. Joseph Hall, of a daughter.
BISHOP, At Harrison, on the 19th inst., the wife of Mr. James Bishop, of a daughter.
LEANS, At the Manse, St. Johns, on the 15th inst., the wife of Rev. Robert Leans, of a son.
HOOD, In Paisley Block, on the 21st inst., the wife of Mr. John Hood, of a son.

DIED.

CLARKE, At Guelph, on the 22nd inst., Charles Henry, only son of the late John H. Clarke, of consumption, aged 18 years.
The funeral will take place to-morrow Thursday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. Robert Barber, Cambridge Street. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend without further notice.

SPRING STOCK

—AT—
JOHN HORSMAN'S.
Bird Cages, several varieties;
Garden Tools and Flower Baskets;
Cloth, Wringers and Mangles;
Floor Oil Cloth and Mats, elegant new patterns;
Furniture, Stove, and Picture Varnish;
Whitewash and other Brushes;
Fishing Tackle, etc.
Family Glue Pots, a useful little article, should be in every house, quite cheap, at

JOHN HORSMAN'S.

TOWN OF GUELPH.

COURT OF REVISION.

The Court of Revision for the Town of Guelph, will be held

On Monday Evening, 27th of May,

—IN THE—
COUNCIL CHAMBER
Commencing at half-past seven o'clock.
JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, May 16, 1872. dw

NEW GOODS

A Large Lot of
BOYS' TWEED SUITS,
Knickerbocker " "
Sailor " "
Highland Kill " "
Tweed " "

Also, a fine lot of

CHEAP TWEEDS

For Children's Wear at
JAMES CORMACK'S
No. 1, Wyndham Street.
Guelph, April 25, 1872. dw

FARM FOR SALE IN GUELPH TOWNSHIP.

For sale the Farm formerly owned by the late Thomas Kench, containing 50 Acres, with good Buildings and Orchard. Apply to W. K. E. on the premises, or to JAMES H. KEE, New Hamburg, P. O.

BEAUTIFUL GOODS.

Ottoman Striped
SHAWLS;
Silk Mantles,
NEWEST STYLES;

CLOTH MANTLES,
NEWEST MAKES;

PLAIN AND FRINGED PARASOLS

WM. GALLOWAY.
Guelph, May 20, 1872

PAPER HANGINGS.

ANDERSON

Has a complete and extensive stock of English, Canadian and American Wall Paper, consisting of Gold, Satin, Embossed, Marbles, Oak, etc., etc., suitable for Drawing Rooms, Parlors, Halls and Dining Rooms, which he is determined to sell cheap to make room for New Goods.

WINDOW SHADES

Plain Green 36 and 42 inches; Satin Green, Buff and Green, Buff and Figured Window Shades, large and cheap assortment.

ANDERSON'S

Cheap Book, Stationery and News Depot,
OPPOSITE THE MARKET
GUELPH
Guelph, May 11, 1872 dw

ENGLISH MAGAZINES

FOR MAY
—AT—
DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

BOW BELLS
YOUNG LADIES JOURNAL
GENTLEMAN'S JOURNAL
LONDON JOURNAL
WORLD OF FASHION
BOYS OF ENGLAND
YOUNG MEN OF GREAT BRITAIN
CHAMBERS' JOURNAL
&c. &c. &c.

FOR MAY

DAY'S BOOKSTORE,
WYNDHAM ST.,
GUELPH.

ARRIVED!

A Large Lot of
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Sailor " "
Highland Kill " "
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Guelph, April 25, 1872. dw

Fire, Marine and Life INSURANCE

Provincial, Lancashire and Phoenix.
Canada Landed Credit Comp'y
Lower rates than any Loan Co. in Ontario.

JOHN McCREA, Agent,
Over Bank of Commerce Buildings, Guelph
Guelph, May 18, 1872

New Advertisements.

GUELPH TEA DEPOT

E. O'DONNELL & Co.

ARE SELLING
New Prunes 5 cents per lb.
New Raisins 5 cents per lb.
New Currants 5 cents per lb.
New Figs 5 cents per lb.

The best Dollar Green Tea for 80 cents per lb.
The best Black Tea for 60c
The best 75c. Green Tea for 60c
A beautiful Bright Sugar 11 lbs for \$1

And every other article in the Grocery Line is

GREATLY REDUCED IN PRICE AT
E. O'DONNELL & CO.
Guelph, May 15, 1872 dw dw Wyndham Street, Guelph.

GEORGE S. POWELL

Devs to announce that he has purchased the

Bankrupt Stock & BOOTS and SHOES

Of John McNeil's Estate, and will continue the
Boot and Shoe Business in all its Branches
IN THE SAME PREMISES.

Having been with Mr. McNeil for a number of years, and having an experience of over 15 years at the business, he feels confident of giving the public entire satisfaction.

A NEW STOCK

Will be introduced in a few days, and in the mean time the goods now on hand will be sold at remarkably low prices.

REPAIRING DONE AS FORMERLY

And satisfaction guaranteed. A trial solicited.
Guelph, May 17, 1872 dw **GEO. S. POWELL.**

AUCTION SALE.

As we have to close up our business to fill other engagements, we will sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION EVERY EVENING

Commencing to-night, Monday, May 6th, the whole of our stock of

Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Crockery, Glass-ware, Wines and Liquors, &c. &c., without any reserve.

Private Sales during the day at Greatly Reduced Prices.

This is no sale got up for the purpose of clearing off old stock, but a GENUINE CLEARING SALE, as the store must be closed in two weeks. All the Shop Furniture for sale, including a FIRE-PROOF SAFE.

The Ladies are respectfully invited to attend this sale; seats will be provided for their accommodation. Sale on Saturday at 10 a.m. Terms cash. No reserve.

T. H. TAYLOR & CO.,

Day's Block, opposite the Market.
Guelph, May 6, 1872. dw

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS!

100 boxes Messina Oranges.
500 Cocoa Nuts.
1000 lbs. fresh Dates.
100 boxes Fire Crackers.

Will be offered to the trade below city prices.

HUGH WALKER,

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.
Guelph, May 1, 1872 dw

PERRY'S GROCERY STORE,

Higinbotham's Block, Guelph.

Maple Molasses,
West India " "
Portland Syrup,
Honey " "
Golden " "
Amber " "

Oranges and Lemons,
Table Apples very fine—to arrive;
New Teas, of all grades;
A very fine Black Tea, at 50 cents;
Sugars, a new stock of different kinds.

PERRY'S GROCERY STORE.

Fire, Marine and Life INSURANCE

Provincial, Lancashire and Phoenix.
Canada Landed Credit Comp'y
Lower rates than any Loan Co. in Ontario.

JOHN McCREA, Agent,
Over Bank of Commerce Buildings, Guelph
Guelph, May 18, 1872

THE Lancashire Insurance Company

Capital £2,000,000 Sterling
Head office for Ontario
Northwest Corner of King and Church Streets,
Toronto.
General Agents,
S. C. DUNCAN-CLARK & Co.
Manager, W. H. CAMPBELL
Agent at Guelph,
Guelph, May 15, 1872

WALL PAPERS

—AT—
P. C. ALLAN'S

—AT—
HALF the PRICE

They can be had in any other place Guelph.

REMNANTS!

200 Lots of Remnants of Wall Papers
FOR ALMOST NOTHING

Mark the sign of the Red Flag, opposite the English Church.
Guelph, May 18, 1872. P. C. ALLAN, dw

W. J. PATERSON,

Official Assignee,
REAL ESTATE, LOAN AND

General Insurance Agent

Office:
Day's Block, - - Guelph, Ont.

REFERENCES.

HON. PETER GOW, M. P. P., Provincial Secretary.
DAVID SYRINGTON, Esq., M. P., Guelph.
JAMES MASSIE, Esq., Reeve, Guelph.

DISTRICT AGENT FOR

The Huron and Erie Building and Saving Society,

Head Office, - - - London, Ontario.

Partners, Mechanics and others who may desire to borrow money will find it to their advantage to apply to this Society before going elsewhere. Loans payable in yearly instalments. No Lawyers fees charged to the borrower.

Fire and Life Policies issued in first-class Companies on favorable terms.

Several Valuable Farms for sale. Full particulars on application to

W. J. PATERSON,
Day's Block, Guelph
Guelph, May 1st, 1872. dw

NEW Fancy Spring Goods,

UPPER WYNDHAM STREET.

The subscriber begs to inform the ladies of Guelph and surrounding country that she has just received a large and carefully selected stock of Spring Goods, comprising

All the Newest Styles and Patterns!

A SPLENDID STOCK OF
BERLIN WOOLS
ALL COLOURS.

Braids, Scitchees, Chignons, General Fancy Goods, and Toys.

STAMPING DONE.

Lock-stitch Sewing Machines for sale.
MRS. WRIGHT,
Next to the Wellington Hotel,
Guelph, April 13, 1872. dw

LAZARUS, MORRIS & CO.,

MONTREAL,
Have, with a view to meet the increased demand for their

Celebrated Perfected Spectacles

Appointed Mr. D. Savage

As their sole agent for this place. They have taken care to give all needed instructions, and have confidence in the ability of their Agent to satisfy the requirements of all customers. An opportunity will be thus afforded to procure at all times

Spectacles unequalled by any for their Strengthening and Preserving Qualities.

Too much cannot be said as to their superiority over the ordinary glasses worn—there is no shimmering, wavering of the sight, dizziness, or other unpleasant sensation, but on the contrary, from the peculiar construction of the Lenses, they are soothing and pleasant, causing a feeling of relief to the wearer and producing a clear and distinct vision as in the natural and healthy sight. They are the only spectacles that preserve the vision, assist the sight, and are the cheapest because the best, always lasting many years without change being necessary.
Guelph, March 18, 1872 dw

GAS FITTING

—AND—
STEAM FITTING

Done in the best style and most workman-like manner

AT HOWARD'S

All Kinds of Fixtures made to order on the Shortest Notice.

Changing Pipes, &c. or Repairs

Done on the shortest notice. (dw)

SEED POTATOES

NOW IN STOCK.
Garnet Chillis, Early Rose, Early Goodrich;
Also, Good Potatoes for table use delivered to any part of the town.

MOULTON & BISH,
No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's old Block
Guelph, April 19, 1872 dw

TOWN CONTRACTORS.

North Wellington Registry Office,
Tenders are invited for the Mason, Brick-layer, Carpenter, Plastering and Iron Work for the erection of the New Registry Office in the Village of Arthur, according to the Government plans and specifications to be seen at the County Treasurer's Office, Guelph.
Tenders to be sent in to the undersigned on or before the 1st June.
The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
JAMES MASSIE,
Chairman of the Registry Commission,
Guelph, May 15, 1872 dw