

Parliament.

Yesterday being Ascension Day Parliament did not sit.

The Reciprocity Negotiations.

The prospect of a favourable termination of the negotiations now going on for a new Reciprocity Treaty between the United States and Canada is naturally engaging a large share of public attention. As the question is one of great importance to all classes of the community in Canada, any information which can be given regarding it will be of interest. We find in the New York Times of Wednesday a long despatch from its Washington correspondent, giving in substance the despatch on the subject which we published on Wednesday, with copious comments on the old Treaty, and the probable basis of the one now in contemplation. The correspondent states that our Canadian representative at Washington puts a very high value on our fisheries, and has collected statistics to show how valuable they have been to the United States; that in 1862 the Americans had 600 small vessels fishing for mackerel in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, employing 28,000 seamen, and that the value of the fish caught amounted to close on five million dollars. The profit from this large haul, 'ing interest depends in a great measure on the American fishermen having access to our shore fisheries. Under the old Treaty the American tonnage engaged in this trade was over 200,000, and which in 1869 had dwindled down to 62,000 tons. The Times states that the Canadian view of the case is that the result of arbitration must be an award in our favour equal to a very large rental for twelve years, and that a Canadian, who has been hunting up evidence for the arbitration says that a fair rental per annum would be five million dollars.

It goes on to say that Canada denies the correctness of the impression prevalent in the States that we had the best of the bargain under the old Treaty, and gives figures to show that the contrary is the fact, and that during the time it was in operation from 1854 to 1863 our purchases from the States were largely in excess of theirs from us, amounting to ninety five million dollars, and in addition they had the free use of our in-shore fisheries, the use of our harbours for a nominal toll, and the free navigation of the St. Lawrence. When the Treaty ended we had to seek for new markets for our surplus products, which brought to us a much larger carrying trade with foreign countries—which was formerly done by the Americans—and which we have found to be very profitable. This trade has risen in Canada from being something over a hundred and fifteen millions in 1862 to two hundred and forty millions in 1873. A large portion of this trade was done by the States during the time the old Treaty was in force; and not only that, but owing to their restrictive policy about thirty five per cent of our trade which the Americans formerly had, has been lost to them. The falling off has been mainly in lumber, cattle, wheat, flour, butter, cheese, &c. Besides, we are large purchasers of their western products, which are brought to Canada for consumption or to be manufactured and shipped to foreign countries. In illustration of this we can show from their official returns that in the year ended June 30, 1873, we purchased in their western market 6,300,000 bushels of wheat, 435,000 barrels of flour, 7,500,000 bushels of Indian corn, 200,000 barrels of corn meal, and \$2,500,000 worth of pork and beef, the vast proportion of which was taken by Canadian channels to foreign countries. This export trade only commenced with the repeal of the treaty, and in the past six years it has aggregated close on \$50,000,000, besides freights, charges, &c., to \$30,000,000 or \$40,000,000 more. As a further proof of the restrictive policy of the States, it is shown that in 1872, while Canada admitted entirely free of duty their products to the value of over \$20,000,000, and levied only an average duty of six and three-fourths per cent on their whole exports, we, on the contrary, admitted free of duty less than \$3,000,000 of our exports to them, and levied a duty averaging twenty-five per cent on our total shipments to them.

The correspondent correctly states our position when he says in closing: "They (we Canadians) fully recognize the absurdity of any people complaining of the commercial policy of other nations may think proper to adopt. They venture to think, however, that a different course towards Canada would lead to a very large increase of mutually profitable business between the countries, they say they have no need to ask yours from anybody, and do not want any now; but if the United States think it their interest to urge the fishery question and all her troublesome questions, in a comprehensive treaty, they will cordially agree to any equitable settlement calculated to place the commercial relations of the two countries on a friendly and unfettered and mutually advantageous basis."

Mr. John Hillyard Cameron has withdrawn his Bill for the amendment of the present law relating to promissory Notes and Bills of Exchange.

South Oxford.

The nomination for this Riding—the last nomination which will be held under the old Act—took place on Thursday. Several candidates, including Hon. Mr. McKellar and Mr. Thomas Moss, M.P., were proposed, but all retired except Mr. Edgar and Col. Skinner. A large number were present, and the feeling, it is said, was strongly in favour of Mr. Edgar. Several local candidates were proposed and urgedly requested to run, among whom was Mr. Noxon, but he, with the others, acted in a true Reform spirit and retired in favour of Mr. Edgar.

AN HONEST AVAL.—The Belleville Intelligencer, owned by Mr. Bowell, M.P., who moved for Riel's expulsion, and blamed the Reform Government for not taking prompt steps to secure his arrest, admits that "the payment of secret service money to get Riel, the murderer of Soth, out of the country, was an act altogether indefensible, and the country will receive an announcement that such was done with the deepest regret." Very good, but why couldn't the Intelligencer say indignation instead of regret. Had it been Mr. Mackenzie instead of Sir John Macdonald who sent the money to Riel, what a howl the Tory papers such as the Intelligencer would have made! Nothing less than indictment for high treason would have satisfied them. But now it is whittled down to the "deepest regret." Out upon such hypocrisy.

SAVOY AND NICE.—The interest in relation to the status of Nice and Savoy, as provinces of France, is further heightened by a question of veracity between the London Times and the King of Italy in reference to the same matter. An article recently published in that paper stated that on the occasion of King Victor Emmanuel's visit to Berlin, Prince Bismarck suggested to him the propriety of repossessing himself of the provinces of Savoy. The Italian Embassy in London gives a categorical denial to the story. There are, in fact, several improbabilities in it. There is no reason at this moment why Prussia should wish to embroil France and Italy. In the case of another war, Savoy might serve an excellent purpose to seduce the Italian King withal, and it would be useless to throw it away in time of peace. Besides, with all of Prince Bismarck's tendency to ride somewhat roughly over obstacles in the way of his plans, he is not in the habit of proposing positive crimes to his own or to foreign governments. Still less would he be likely to put himself in the embarrassing position of proposing an immoral scheme which would probably be rejected. But such is the universal feeling in France and the impression in certain quarters in England in regard to the Prussian Chancellor, that these improbabilities would only serve to make the rumor more interesting and more popular.

Berlin, May 14.—The Augsburg Gazette says the arrest of the Rasnik Grand Duke Nicholas was not due to political causes.

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Or at their Gardens down the Waterloo Road, Guelph.

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The Largest, Cheapest, and Best, as well as the Cheapest Stock of

Fine Paper Hangings

Will be found at Day's Bookstore.

For stylish, new Wall Paper, and at low prices go to DAY'S, for he has now in stock the papers to suit.

Call and Examine The papers and prices for yourselves, and you will find that DAY SELLS CHEAP.

CHANCERY SALE.

Valuable Farm near Guelph.

In pursuance of the Decree and Order of the Court of Chancery in a suit of Blong vs. Crawley, and with the approbation of Thomas Wardlaw Taylor, Esq., Master in Ordinary of the said Court, will be sold by public auction by J. G. Knowles, Auctioneer, at his auction rooms, in the Town of Guelph, on Saturday, the 16th day of May, 1874, at 12 o'clock, noon, in one parcel, the following freehold land and premises, viz: The southwest part, otherwise known as the front half of Lot No. 16, in the 7th concession of the Township of Pauline, containing by admeasurement one hundred acres more or less, of which 80 acres are cleared and under cultivation, and fifteen well timbered with good hardwood. On it are a frame house and large barn, with stone cellar underneath. It is distant from Guelph about five miles. The property will be sold subject to a reserve bid fixed by the Master. One tenth of the purchase money at the time of sale to be paid to the vendor or his solicitors; a further sum sufficient with the deposit to make one-half the purchase money to be paid within three weeks from the time of sale without interest; the balance to be secured by mortgage payable at the end of four years with interest at seven per cent, payable yearly. Upon payment of one half and giving mortgage as aforesaid the purchaser will be entitled to his conveyance, and to be let into possession. The other conditions are the standing conditions of the said Court. For further particulars apply at the law office of Messrs. Ross & Macdonald, Toronto; and Messrs. Dunbar, Merritt & Bischoff, Guelph.

Dated 21st April, 1874 T. W. TAYLOR, ROSE & MACDONALD, Vendor's Solicitors. wtd-daw

AUCTION SALE OF Household Furniture.

The undersigned has been instructed by Mr. Duncan to sell by auction, on the premises, Surrey street, Guelph, near Mr. Ballou's blacksmith shop, on MONDAY, May 19, at 1 o'clock, the following Household Furniture, comprising a splendid Organ, with 6 stops (from Bell's manufactory), hair seated, with 12 cases, 12 cases of chairs, centre table, carpets, bedsteads, washstands, bureau, parlor and cooking stoves, delph, kitchen, with 12 cases, 12 cases of chairs, chair, turning lathe, cupboard, spring mattress, sink, etc. Also a box for a pedlar's sragon or sledge. Terms cash. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. Guelph, May 11, 1874

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE OF Valuable Household Furniture!

Belonging to the late Robert Chance, Esq., of Guelph. W. S. G. Knowles instructed by Mrs. Chance, who is returning to England, to sell by public auction

On Tuesday, the 19th of May, inst., at her residence, Woolwich street, opposite the English Church, Guelph, the whole of her valuable household furniture and effects, comprising Drawing Room—Chairs, Sofa, Centre Table, Easy Chair, Whist, Engravings, Tapestry Carpets, Lace Curtains, and Valence Fire Irons, and a splendid 7 octave Piano-forte. Dining Room—Extension Table, Case-seated Chairs, Rocking Chair, Folding do., Chiffonier, Carpets, Fire Screens, Muslin Curtains and Valence Pictures, an Osborn Sewing Machine, set of Trays, Electro-plate, clock, glass, cups and delph. The 2nd flat—Very handsome Black Walnut Bed room, set complete, bureaus, spring beds, wash stands, toilet sets, carpets, night comode, counterpane, blankets, lounge, mirrors, stoves, curtains, blinds, pictures. Hall and Stair Carpets, Carpet Rods, with a general assortment of kitchen utensils. The whole of the property is in excellent condition. Terms cash, except the piano-forte, the terms of which will be stated at the time of sale. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, sharp. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. Guelph, May 7th, 1874.

AUCTION SALE OF A VALUABLE PARCEL OF LAND

IN THE TOWN OF GUELPH. Mr. W. S. G. Knowles has received instructions from the Executors of the late G. M. Stewart, to sell by Public Auction,

On Wednesday, 20th May, inst., at the Town Hall, Guelph, at Twelve o'clock, noon, those certain parcels of land and premises being composed of

Lots Nos. 11 and 12, in the First Range of Division F, in the Town of Guelph, containing nine and one-third acres, more or less.

The land is all cleared, and is nicely situated upon Delhi Street, immediately in rear of Mr. Guthrie's residence. Title good. Terms—One fourth cash, and the remaining three fourths in three equal annual instalments, with interest at 7 per cent, secured by mortgage upon the property. For further particulars apply to Thomas W. Saunders, Solicitor for the Vendors, or to W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. Guelph, May 11, 1874.

GREAT CLEARING SALE

—OF— WALL PAPER, &c.

Enlargement of Premises

Owing to increase of business, Mr. J. Anderson is obliged to enlarge his premises, and before doing so will sell off his immense Stock of Wall Paper, Books, Stationery, etc., at

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES

Call at once and secure bargains while they are going on.

ANDERSON'S BOOKSTORE,

Wyndham St., Guelph.

RETURNED TO GUELPH. D. TRIPP

Begs to inform his old friends and the public that he has returned to Guelph and opened his

Boot and Shoe Store on West Market Square, Next to Pallister's Hotel.

He begs to thank them for past favours and hopes to continue to receive their patronage. D. TRIPP, Guelph, April 27th.

New Advertisements. Co-Operative Store. NEW ARRIVALS!

- SATIN STRIPE GRENADINES; THOMSON'S GLOVE FITTING COBSETS; AMERICAN BLACK LUSTRES; JOB LINE DRESS GOODS; ASHTON'S DARK FANCY PRINTS; LACE CURTAINS, TABLE LINENS, COTTON TWEEDS, HOSIERY AND GLOVES, STRAW HATS, FELT HATS, CARPETS, TICKINGS, SHEETINGS, PARASOLS, LACES, SHAWLS.

Boot and Shoe Department fully assorted.

CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER. J. C. MACKLIN & CO. GUELPH May 9, 1874 dw

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To meet the rapid increase in our retail trade, we have leased The Large New Store lately occupied by Mr. R. Clayton,

Next to Mr. A. O. Bucham's Fashionable West End Dry Goods Establishment, Upper Wyndham street, Guelph, which is now being filled with fine new furniture, cheap, consisting of

Parlor Suites, Chamber Sets, Dining Room, Hall, and all kinds of Furniture

Fresh from our Factory, where we have every facility to produce all that is new and stylish, and we invite all to visit our Warerooms, as we will make it their interest to do so, for there are bargains to be had every day.

BURR & SKINNER, Manufacturers and Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Furniture

FRESH ARRIVALS DAILY!



5000 Coconuts, 100 Boxes Oranges, 50 Boxes Lemons, 10 Barrels Pine Apples,

FOR SALE TO THE TRADE AT CITY PRICES. HUGH WALKER, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

Guelph May 5, 1874.

BUSINESS RAPIDLY INCREASING AT The Fashionable West End

The Various Departments of our Stock are full with everything New and Fashionable for the Season.

OUR DRESS DEPARTMENT

Contains a larger and more attractive variety of new first-class goods than we have ever shown before, while our extraordinary CHEAP LINES at 12c, 15c, 20c and 25c astonish all our customers. Sales in this Department are going up fast.

OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT

Is the Great CENTRE OF ATTRACTION at the present time. Our Select and Beautiful Styles in New Millinery are greatly admired by every person visiting this Department, while our reasonable and satisfactory prices surprise as well as please all intending purchasers. Our display this week will surpass all our former efforts.

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NOW SHOWING— New Styles in Silks and Cashmere Capes and Mantles. New Parasols and Silk Umbrellas. Children's Parasols at 25c, 50c, 60c, and 75c. 100 pieces of Choice Prints at 10 cents. 100 pieces in Best Goods at 12c. 275 pieces New Dress Goods at 15c, 15c, 50c and 25c, the cheapest lot of Dress Goods ever offered for sale in Guelph. All Goods direct to the Fashionable West End.

A. O. BUCHAM, Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

GREAT CLEARING SALE

—OF— FURNITURE

—AT— MITCHELL & TOVELL'S

Warerooms, next door to the Post Office.

A large assortment of first-class Furniture to be rushed off in the next few weeks, consisting of

Parlor Suites, Bed Room Sets, Dining Room, Hall, AND ALL OTHER KINDS OF FURNITURE.

Parties may rely on getting cheap bargains. TERMS—CASH. MITCHELL & TOVELL. Guelph, April 30, 1874. dw

IMPORTANT

SALE OF PIANOS

The Committee appointed to dispose of the Pianos at the Manufactory of JOSEPH F. RAINER,

WEST MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH, Will offer them at a considerable reduction on cost on reasonable

TERMS OF CREDIT. The stock consists of about

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First-class Instruments!

Similar to those shown at the last Central Exhibition, and for which he was awarded the first prize. They are equal in compass of tone, finish and durability to the best instruments of any of the celebrated manufacturers, and as such an opportunity seldom occurs, parties in want of pianos would do well to avail themselves of it.

An inspection invited. A competent person will be on the premises, near Mr. John Harris's, who will show the instruments. Guelph, March 18, 1874. dwst

R. CRAWFORD'S SALE

Watches, Clocks, and Jewellery

Will only last till the 1st of June, when the stock will be transferred.

STILL ON HAND Some Fine Gold Watches, \$100;

Fine Silver Watches, all prices; CLOCKS AND JEWELRY IN EVERY VARIETY.

All who want such articles will save money by purchasing from me, as I will give bargains such as cannot be had again for some time. Call early and judge for yourselves. Store next the Post Office. R. CRAWFORD, Guelph, May 5, 1874. dw

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BOOTS AND SHOES

FOR Men's, Women's, Misses and Children's Wear.

We meet the demands of the trade with the best goods and the lowest prices.

OUR SPECIALTY IS Custom-made Work

Which is made in all the latest styles. Sure fit. Reasonable prices. Repairing done as usual. Remember the House—The Dominion Shoe Store, Day's Block, opposite the Town Hall.

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Men's English and American style of Gaiters and Shoes;

Ladies and Children's GOAT, KID AND PRUNELLA

Which for style, finish and durability, will be found superior to any in Guelph.

Particular attention paid to Custom Work and Repairing.

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Guelph, Mar. 20th, 1874. dw

BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS

Cheap Window Plants

Purchasers will find it to their advantage to inspect our stock before going elsewhere.

Bouquets, Pine Apples, Bananas, &c.,

R. EVAN'S Cheap Fruit Store,

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The room has just been refitted in splendid style, the tables reduced in size, and everything done to make it a first-class Billiard Hall. Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873.