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CORDWOOD for SALE IN GUELPH. GOOD, cheap Cordwood for sale at BROWN'S WOOD YARD. Woolwich Street, nearly opposite the Court House.

TROTTER & GRAHAM. DENTISTS! GUELPH and BRAMPTON, Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.

Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store. REFERENCES.—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Drs. Clarke, Parker and Herod, Guelph; A. F. Scott, Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattullo, M. C.; Rev. Mr. Arnold—Brampton. Dr. Barnhart, Warden of Peel; Dr. Hampton, resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital. The new anaesthetic agents used for extracting teeth without pain.

Four Corners' Hotel, BRAMPTON ROAD. JOHN ANDERSON, Proprietor. The best of accommodation for Travellers. First-class liquors and cigars. Good stone stabling and attendance.

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Attention of young men looking forward to mercantile life is earnestly requested to the internal arrangements of this College, which afford every possible advantage and facility for acquiring a thorough practical knowledge of business life and business habits.

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MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS. MOUNT FOREST. The candidates nominated in this municipality were the following:—For Reeve, Messrs. David Youmans and Thos. Swan; For Councillors, Messrs. John Robinson, Henry Yarrlett, J. C. Wilkes, T. G. Smith, Amos Bissell and J. S. Scott.

FREEMAN & FREEMAN. BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY, CONVEYANCERS, &c.

Evening Mercury. OFFICE: MACDONNELL STREET. FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 27.

The Rev. S. Balmer, pastor of Stanley Street Church, Ayr, was presented on Thursday evening last, by the Sabbath School teachers and Bible Class, with a handsome new cutter.

Nearly all gone are those large lots of Poultry. The reason why, J. MURPHY sells them cheaper than any farmer can raise them. A fresh supply in time for Christmas and New Year's at No. 1, Upper Wyndham-st., Guelph.

A MONTHLY FAIR FOR GALT.—At a recent meeting of farmers and others interested, held in Mr. Alex. Macgregor's office, on Saturday last, it was determined that a monthly Fair be held in Galt on Wednesday succeeding the Waterloo Fair.

On Monday last, while a party of men were engaged in Mrs. Kersell's bush taking out timber for a barn, the axe of one of the party glanced off a loose chip, striking Mr. John Crozier, of Ayr, on the arm, inflicting a serious wound.

Goderich Salt is only to be had at John A. Wood's.

DINNER TO THOS. MILLER ESQ.—The farewell dinner which it was announced some time ago would be given to Thos. Miller Esq., Judge of Halton, came off at the Commercial Hotel, Berlin on the 19th inst., and according to the Telegraph was a most brilliant and successful affair.

Between fifty and sixty of the leading men of the county of all shades of politics were present and united in an expression of good will and kindly feeling towards the guest of the evening.

"Dass' Pale Ale and Guinness' Dublin Porter in pints and quarts at Geo. Wilkinson's.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—A stranger named Gordon reached London, on Saturday night last, and went into a saloon to have some oysters. He opened a valise to get some silver, the action, and the contents of the valise being noted by two rascals standing by.

On leaving the saloon in search of a hotel, the stranger was followed by the two men, who offered to conduct him to a suitable lodging place. He very foolishly placed himself under their conduct, the three started off, walking up one street and down another without reaching the house they pretended to be looking for.

At length one proposed to enter a lane and they did so, but had not been there more than half a minute before the first speaker dealt Gordon a blow with a blunt shot, which, striking him on the left brow, created a deep wound, and fell on him senseless to the earth.

When he regained consciousness, he found himself stripped of his overcoat, valise, and \$92 in money, \$71 of which was in American currency.

Sergeant William O'Brien, of the Galt Infantry Company, died on Saturday last, of consumption, contracted by exposure in the volunteer camp at Thorold in the fall of 1866. The funeral was held on Monday and conducted with military honours.

Sabbath School Soiree. The 31st anniversary Tea Meeting in connection with the Guelph Wesleyan Methodist Sabbath School, was held in Church last evening.

The programme being an attractive one, the audience was large. After paying due respect to the edibles, under the efficient management of the Ladies, in the basement of the building, the audience proceeded to the church, where an hour's intellectual feast awaited them.

Mr. Hough having been appointed to the chair, opened the proceedings by referring, in a few words, to the early history of the school and its present prosperity. Singing and recitations by the children, addresses by the Rev. Messrs Torrance, Ball, Hogg, Griffin and Mr. John Smith, constituted the proceedings of the evening—each urging upon parents the necessity of sending their children to the Sabbath School.

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HESPELLER. George Hespeler, Esq., was elected Reeve by acclamation. The candidates nominated for Councillors were: H. M. Farr, David Rice, (members of the council for the present year) A. Shaw, George Quinther, James P. Johnston, Charles Karch and James Anderson.

GARAFRAXA. The nomination for Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Councillors took place on the 23rd inst., at the School House, Douglas. There was a large gathering, and the feeling seemed to be railroad and anti-railroad.

The following is a list of the candidates nominated for Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Councillors for this Township: For Reeve, Messrs. Wm. Sturtidge, James Cross, and Moses Patterson. For Deputy Reeve, Messrs: W. S. Sutherland, Matthew Loves, Thomas Burns, and Thomas McManus. For Councillors, Messrs. Peter Ferguson, Peter Campbell, Wm. Warrns, J. H. Hartney, Robt. Ridd, John Cosford.

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ELORA. At the nomination on Monday, Charles Clarke was elected Reeve by acclamation. There were no fewer than 15 Councillors proposed. They are Andrew Gordon, M. Haley, John Wilkinson, D. M. Potter, John Warr, Richard Hartley, No. 3 Ward, Robt. Webster; No. 4 Ward, Frederick Guggisberg; No. 5 Ward, W. Owens.

BEVERLY. The following candidates were nominated: For Reeve, Mr. Peter Wood and Mr. John Clement. For Deputy Reeve, Mr. John Malcolm, Mr. William Nisbet, Mr. Benjamin Armstrong, and Mr. John Bennett. For Councillors: Mr. James Smith, Mr. Arch. Ferguson, Messrs. Smith and Ferguson were duly elected as Councillors. The candidates for Reeve and Deputy Reeve will all go to the polls.

LUTHER. The nominations for this Township are: For Reeve, Duncan Saunders, Hugh McDougall. All the old councillors were elected by acclamation.

NICHOL. In this Township Mr. John Mair was elected Reeve, and Mr. John Broadfoot Deputy Reeve, by acclamation. The Councillors nominated are Messrs. Alex. Muir, John R. Wissler, Wm. Dow and John Cunningham.

FERGUS. Messrs. Geo. McInnes and Mathew Anderson were nominated for Reeve. A number of candidates were proposed for Councillors.

MR. MASSIE'S TRADE SALE.—Mr Massie's trade sale—the first ever held in Guelph—was well attended to-day. The various lots put up were sold at prices quite satisfactory to both buyer and seller.

The best of feeling prevailed, notwithstanding that the bidding was keen. To-morrow will be devoted to the sale of lots peculiarly adapted for family use, and we would urge upon parties wishing to secure bargains in family groceries to make it a point to attend. Sale to commence at 9 o'clock a.m. Catalogues can be had on application at Mr Massie's office, Ontario Bank building.

To the farmer, mechanic and laborer: Spend your hard earned money where you can get the most General Groceries for the holidays at the lowest prices. This is at Geo. Wilkinson's, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

Unfounded Fears. A rumor was prevalent about Town this morning that the Western Insurance Company had failed, and as there were several gentlemen pretty heavily insured in a Western Insurance Company there was considerable consternation in consequence.

The rumor resulted from confounding two institutions. The Western of England it appears has instructed their agents in Canada to take no more risks as they are about to withdraw their business from this country altogether. Common report has it that the corporation is in an unsound condition, but report may be all an untruthful tale. But the Company which it was feared had broken up was the Canada Western, whose head office is in Toronto.

It is pleasing to record that there were not the slightest grounds for these apprehensions. The Company has been established for sixteen years; its Directors are among the wealthiest and most influential men of the city; it is perfectly sound and reliable, only twenty-five per cent of its capital stock having been called in, and it having declared its last three half year dividends at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum. In the returns from the various Insurance Companies made to Parliament at its late sitting the Western of Canada was shown to be in a most sound, healthy and prosperous condition, and we may further add that it has paid losses incurred by the recent fire in Guelph with the same promptitude which has characterized it since its establishment in 1851. After all there is something in a name, since a similarity of designations can create even a modified sensation.

The rum made on Mr. Hornman's pure White Oil, at 15c., is so great that he will in future keep open till 7 o'clock each evening, and on Saturday till 9 o'clock.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.—It is well to remind the ratepayers in the different municipalities that there is now only one polling day for the municipal elections.—The polls open at 9 a.m. and close 5 p.m.

For pure Coffees in Mocha, Java, Jamaica, Rio and Laguayra, ground fresh on receipt of orders, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

SOIREE AT BEECH GROVE.—The annual Soiree of the Primitive Methodist Church at Beech Grove, near Freetown, will be held on Tuesday, the 31st inst., when addresses will be delivered by the Rev. Messrs Wood, Yokom, Forsyth, McLean, and Kirshaw. The Guelph Choir will be attendance. Tea served at half-past 6 p.m. Tickets 25c. each.

It Gives Satisfaction, does that excellent Tea sold for 63c. per lb. by JAS. MURPHY, No. 1, Upper Wyndham-st., Guelph.

SOIREE IN PUSLINCH.—The annual Soiree of the Sabbath School in the Pusch Settlement, Puslinch, will be held in the School House on the evening of Friday, 3rd January. The Rev. Messrs. Macdonald, Forsyth, Yokom and Little, and Messrs D. Striton, P. Gow and Robt. Melvin, are expected to deliver addresses on the occasion. The Morrisette Choir will be in attendance and give some of their favorite pieces. Tea served at 7 p.m. Tickets 25c., children half-price.

For Almonds, Walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Filberts and choice Turkey Figs, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

SOIREE IN ROCKWOOD.—The annual Soiree in connection with the Presbyterian Church in Rockwood, will be held on Wednesday evening, the 1st January. Several speakers of talent will deliver addresses. The Rockwood Choir will be in attendance and give a selection of their favorite pieces. Tea will be served 5.30 p.m. Tickets 25 cents each, which may be had at the stores and mills in the village.

If you want Wine, Brandy, Rum, Gin, Extra Old Rye, Malt, Scotch Family Whiskeys, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

TEMPERANCE SOIREE IN ERIN.—A Temperance tea meeting will be held in the Union Chapel, lot 17, fifth line, Erin, on Friday 10th January, under the auspices of Lodge No. 305 of the B. A. O. of G. T., when a number of talented speakers are expected to give addresses. An excellent choir will be in attendance. Tickets 25 cents, children half price. Tea served at half past six p.m.

Scotch Whiskey, Malt Whiskey, Old Rye Whiskey, Cobourg Whiskey, at John A. Wood's.

ANOTHER MURDER.—About 8 o'clock on Thursday evening Jas. Campbell, Lance Corporal, 100th Regiment, lying in Montreal, was shot dead in Victoria barracks by Geo. Wilson, a reduced Lance Sergeant. The murderer, who was in liquor, was at once secured.

STILTON CHEESE.—Ingersoll Factory Cheese at John A. Wood's.

KICKED OUT.—The Toronto Telegraph tells the way in which Yankee loafers are treated in that city as follows:—Recently quite a number of strangers hailing from Uncle Sam's dominions have been noticed loafing about the city having no ostensible employment. The other day one of these long-coated, short haired fellows entered a tavern, and with a highly reasonable coolness informed the landlord that he was "dead broke" and hadn't "any red," but was intending to stay there for a day or two and pay at his convenience. The landlord politely informed him that he did not do business in that style, when the fellow expressing himself to the effect that he'd be doggone if he was going to starve in a free country, no sir, not if he knowed it—planted himself on a chair by the stove, and said he was bound to hang out at that establishment and nothing would induce him to transfer his patronage elsewhere. The landlord said not a word but went towards the door, opened it and quietly pointed in that direction. The hint being unheeded he gently placed his hand on the intruder's collar, raised him from his seat, and with one forcible application of his boot toe in the rear sent him flying out of the door across the sidewalk, where he measured his length in the gutter. He picked himself up, cast one look of inexplicable bitterness at his ejector, and then moved his boots up street with Westernian rapidity.

All who wish to get supplied with Mr. Hornman's splendid White Oil at 15c., or with Lamps, Chimneys, Wicks, &c., have now an opportunity of doing so, as he keeps his Store open till 7 o'clock, and on Saturdays till 9 o'clock.

Can War be Extinguished? From the London Times.

To appreciate accurately the nature of this problem let us take the causes of war among nations as actually disclosed in our own time. The Danish war occurred because Germany coveted a piece of half-baked ground in the possession of Denmark, and was strong enough to claim it. The German war occurred because Prussia was at length powerful enough to wrest from the hands of Austria, a long-contrasted supremacy. The Italian war occurred because France decided on helping the Italians to turn the Austrians out of Italy. The American war occurred because the Northern States would not permit the Southern States to secede from the Union as an Independent Confederacy. Now, let us ask whether any development or perfection of International Law to be properly so termed, would have altered any one of these contests.

In the Danish case there was a profusion of possible arguments which was absolutely painful, but it went for nothing. The Germans would have Holstein, if not Schleswig, and they waited, not till they had established their case, but till they were in a position for action. In the American case, again, there was room for a long debate, but we need not say that no imaginable demonstration of constitutionality prevailed on the part of the South would have induced the North to allow the dissolution of the union. In the Italian case, there was really not a basis on which an international lawyer could have spoken. The Italians claimed Italy for themselves, and France backed them. In the German case it was the same. It was simply impossible that Prussia and Austria could do anything but "fight it out." Austria would not believe that Prussia could not do it, and nothing but the fact could impress her with that belief. When the fact was clear, she retired.

This is the class of questions which in the present day creates the danger of war. These are the cases which, if war is to be extinguished by International Law, must be studied and utilized by the International Lawyer. What "rules are to be laid down" for such a purpose, and what "measures suggested" are those of modern wars, so far as we can see, could have been prevented by anything but a previous conviction on the part of the loser that the loss was to be his. There is, indeed, one theory which can be invoked in aid of peace against war, but all recent experience has shown it to be utterly hollow. It was a theory, introduced at the beginning of modern as distinguished from mediæval history that the States of Christendom constitute a species of Commonwealth—that they formed a system to be governed by concert and regulation inasmuch that a wrong done to one state should be righted by the irrepressible power of the States combined. If this theory could be rendered effectual, International Law would be furnished at once with its greatest need—a Court to enforce its behests; but nothing is plainer than that for such arbitration the arbitrators must be fetched from another planet. The Dispensing Powers of Europe, which could if they pleased say that not a shot should be fired on European soil, are themselves the very litigants to come before the Court. They are all interested, and not only interested but even pledged beforehand by bargains or alliances to take one side or the other. The nearest approach to such a system is represented by the Conference of modern times in which not only the parties at variance with each other, but others less engaged in the dispute, assemble together and try, not by rules of International Law, but by arguments and calculations of common sense adapted to the exigency whether an appeal to arms cannot be prevented. Of this system it is enough to say that our own statesmen, who are certainly as anxious for peace as men can have become so persuaded of the general uselessness of the attempt as to decline it altogether, except under conditions rarely attainable.

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BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE. London, Dec. 26.—Mr. Edward Thornton, the newly appointed Minister of Britannia to Washington, will sail in a few days for America, to enter upon the duties of his mission.

Paris, Dec. 26th.—This morning the Patrie newspaper states that the French Government has issued orders for the departure of twenty thousand more troops for Clivia Vecchia.

Mr. E. Gould Buffum, an old American journalist and correspondent of the New York Herald, committed suicide here the day before yesterday, by taking opium.

American Despatches. Havana, Dec. 26th.—Advices from the City of Mexico to the 19th have been received. There was much distress throughout the Republic in consequence of the exhaustion and disorganization caused by the protracted war for independence.

A general call was made upon government to take effective measures to prevent the increasing brigandage to which many of the people were compelled to resort by hunger. Peace had been re-established at Tepic. Many disturbances had taken place in different parts of the Republic.

Havana, Dec. 26.—The steamship Virginia, from Vera Cruz, which touched at Sinaloa on the 23rd, brings important news. The revolution in Hayti was assuming large proportions. Santa Anna had been proclaimed Dictator by the revolutionists and was hourly expected from Havana with men and a million dollars. The port and town of Sinaloa were in the hands of the rebels, but the port was blockaded by two Mexican gunboats. A number of officers who formerly served under the empire had arrived at Sinaloa from Matamoros. On the 16th an engagement took place between the Mexican gunboats and the batteries on the shore.

The already famous Sun Burner can only be had at Mr. Hornman's, and the better to accommodate those who wish to get it, his store will remain open each evening until 7, and on Saturday till 9.

DEATH OF IVIE CAMPBELL ESQ., OF DALGIE.—The Scotch papers have an obituary notice of this gentleman who was uncle to Mrs. Thos. McCrae of this Town. They say—Mr. Campbell was a remarkable man in many respects, and was known far beyond the bounds of the county of Ayr. As an improver and breeder of stock for the last forty years he took the lead in Ayrshire. Holding as he did, by far the largest farm on the estate of the Marquis of Bute, besides several large sheep farms in Galloway, he, by his skill and good judgement, always exhibited the model of a good farmer, and he held several good medals from the Highland Society for the improvement of waste land. He was proverbial for his benevolence, and in his death the poor have lost a never-failing friend.

If you want Sugars at low rates, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

The latest prescription for a fashionable bonnet, originating from a country milliner, is to take a medium-sized pumpkin seed, carefully cut out the meat on the under side, put a narrow strip of fur around the edge, and fasten the strings to the sides. The broad end of the bonnet should be worn in front to keep off the sun and wind.

The stipulation of the foreign commissioners in consenting to a prolongation of the Exhibition for three days, has been the means of giving \$7,000 to the poor of Paris.

Business must be attended to, and in order to do this properly Mr. Hornman will keep open each evening till 7 o'clock, and on Saturday until 9, for the sale of Oil, Lamps, Chimneys, Wicks, &c.

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Coming Wonders.

All the boxes of the world contains do not live in Canada, as the following from the Scottish American Journal will prove...

A NEW ROUTE.—The change in the path of commerce soon to be wrought by the completion of the Pacific Railway is naturally attracting attention in England.

G. W. R. ENTERPRISE.—The Record says:—The new system of transporting through baggage on the Great Western Railway, in vans carried on platform cars...

GEN. GRANT'S RETIREMENT.—Says the New York World: "It is derogatory to a man's estimation to let his opinions even seem to depend on his chances of political promotion, or to be dictated by his personal interest."

CHAPLAINS FOR ABYSSINIA.—"A Chaplain writes:—"I have anxiously looked out to see what chaplains have been appointed to serve with the Abyssinian expedition."

A NEW SOURCE OF WEALTH.—According to the reports of several Charleston journals, extensive deposits of guano are to be found in South Carolina.

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LEGISLATURE OF ONTARIO.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE FIRST MEETING.

The Parliament Buildings in Toronto had on Thursday night undergone all necessary preparations for the reception of the gentlemen who are to legislate for the exclusive benefit of Ontario.

Fenianism in Montreal.

The spirit of Fenianism is not yet extinct in Canada it would appear. A despatch to the Globe bearing date the 26th inst. says:—Owing to information received by the city authorities of intended mischief by Fenians or other evil disposed persons...

Appointments of the Local Government.

A despatch from Toronto on the 26th makes known the following appointments as made by Lieut. Governor Stisted:—Charles T. Gillmore, Toronto, to be Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; Fred. J. Gluckmeyer, London, to be Sergeant-at-Arms; W. H. Boulton and Charles T. Gillmore, to be Commissioners to administer oaths to members of the Legislative Assembly.

THE SPEAKERSHIP.—It is said that Mr. J. Stevenson, the member for Lennox, is the Government nominee for the Speakership of the Legislature of Ontario.

For the best flavored, strongest, finest and cheapest Green, Black and Japan in the Dominion, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

THE troubles of the Great Eastern steamship seem never to cease. For four months she has been anchored in the Sloyne, doing nothing except contributing to a daily accumulation of expenses, and to the further deterioration of the huge fabric.

Remember Horsman's Store will remain open each evening until 7 o'clock, and on Saturday until 9, for the sale of Coal Oil, Lamps, Chimneys, &c., &c.

Mr. Horsman has made arrangements with the Refiner and the Railway Company so that his supply of the now well-known White Coal Oil will be constant, and he will keep open till 7 each evening to accommodate customers.

An attempt is being made to offset certain claims of private parties against the Russian government, against the purchase by the United States of the Russian American territory. We learn from a dispatch to the World that the House Committee on Appropriations have been engaged in investigating the matter, which bids fair to have an important bearing upon the action of the House, in regard to the appropriation to pay for Alaska.

THE OVER-GROUND RAILWAY OF NEW YORK.—The elevated railway in New York is progressing. It is to run along the principal streets upon a series of iron pillars, duly braced together. The portion already erected has been subjected to severe tests, and found to be strong and durable.

BIRTHS.

METCALF.—At Guelph, on the 26th inst, the wife of Mr. Henry Metcalf, saddle, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

GRASSICK.—Bell.—At Guelph, on the 26th inst, by the Rev. John Rogers Mr. Geo. Grassick to Miss Ann Jane Bell, both of Nichol.

DIED.

McDONALD.—At Fossilburg, on the 24th inst, after a long and painful illness of nine years, which she bore with patience, Catharine, wife of Mr. Alexander McDonald, aged 79 years. Deeply lamented by a large circle of friends. Deceased was a native of Argyllshire, Scotland.

ROBERTSON.—On the 19th inst, Wm. Dallas Robertson, infant son of Alex. Robertson, Esq., Fergus, aged 7 months and 11 days.

New Advertisements.

Masonic Festival.

Parties wishing the use of Mr. Hoover's Carriages will please leave their addresses at his residence, near the Post Office, when they will be waited upon and conveyed to and from the Hall at moderate charges.

CHILDREN'S Tea Meeting!

This Evening, IN THE BASEMENT OF THE WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH. Adults 12c. - Children 5c.

ROCKWOOD Commercial, Mathematical, and Classical ACADEMY.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION COMMENCES ON THE SIXTH JANUARY, 1868.

THIS long established and popular institution offers special advantages to old and young. Its rural situation affords a degree of freedom from temptation seldom attained without undue restraint.

McCAIG & HEMILLAN.

Rockwood, 27th Dec, 1867. dw

NEW Oyster Rooms

Valentine Wald BEGS to announce to the public that he has fitted up Oyster Rooms in connection with his Hotel, on MACDONNELL STREET.

The very best of Oysters always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice.

An Apprentice Wanted.

WANTED at this Office, a stout active lad, about 15 or 16 years of age, possessing a good English education, to learn the printing business.

STORE TO LET.

A STORE to let on Wyndham Street. Apply to MRS. CORBET. Guelph, Dec. 24th. 1867. (d t t)

Private Boarding.

EXCELLENT accommodation and comfortable boarding can be had for five or six gentlemen. The house is only three minutes' walk from the Market House. Apply to WM. DYSON'S, sn., Waterloo-st. Guelph, 27th Nov, 1867. dw

INDIA & CHINA TEA CO'Y.

Home Depot at London and Liverpool. Canada Depot, 23 Hospital Street, Montreal.

THE India and China Tea Company beg to call the attention of the Canadian community to their directly imported Teas, which for purity and excellence will be found unequalled.

THE Company have made arrangements whereby they have secured the entire production of the best quality of Assam and on the slopes of the Himalayas, and by a judicious blending of these magnificent Teas with the best varieties of China produce, they are enabled to offer to the public Teas of quality and flavour hitherto unknown to the general consumer.

THE Company supply two qualities only, either Black, Green or Mixed. Their Black Teas will be found to possess great brilliancy and strength, and to be entirely different to the hot and rapid article usually sold as Black Tea; while their Green Teas are altogether free from the deleterious mineral powder so commonly used for coloring the leaves in Assam.

Gold production of Nova Scotia for quarter ending Sept. 30th 7,583 ozs. for year ending the 31st Dec 30,520 ozs.

New Advertisements.

GREAT SALE BY AUCTION.

GREAT SALE BY AUCTION OF THE

GROCERIES!

Saved from the Fire at the Alma Block, on FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, The 27th and 28th Instant.

All to be sold in Lots to suit Purchasers, Without Reserve.

ON FRIDAY—THE UNBROKEN PACKAGES will be offered to the Trade, together with all the Goods bought at the time of the fire and in transit. TERMS LIBERAL.

ON SATURDAY—The balance will be PUT UP IN LOTS FOR FAMILY USE.

The Goods can be seen during the week at the Warehouse of Messrs. ROBINS & TOLTON, near the Grand Trunk Passenger Station.

J. MASSIE & CO.

Guelph 16th Dec. 1867. dw

CHRISTMAS.

THE subscriber, though unfortunately left to battle alone with the trade of Upper Wyndham Street, begs to assure the public that he is determined not to surrender, but will, as usual, keep a full supply of

GENERAL GROCERIES!

Wines and Liquors, Crockery, China and Glassware, which he will sell as cheap as any house in the town.

Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Tobaccos.

Good Green and Black Teas from 50c. per lb., Green and Ground Coffees SUGARS—Muscovada, Loaf, Ground and Crushed, First class Chewing and Smoking Tobaccos.

Fruits and Sauces for Christmas & New Year ALL TO GO OFF CHEAP.

WINE AND LIQUORS

will be sold as low as the Tariff and Excise Laws of the Dominion will permit. Always good value for your money on Upper Wyndham Street.

JAMES MURPHY.

Guelph, 21st December, 1867. dw

CHRISTMAS BOXES.

WE WOULD INVITE THOSE ABOUT TO PURCHASE

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

to step in and examine our stock, as it is larger and more varied than ever.

D. SAVAGE.

Guelph, December 14, 1867. dw

New Saddlery Shop

Do you want a set of Harness, double or single, light or heavy, call at the new shop, next door to Coffee's Hotel.

Do you want a good Saddle? We can supply you cheaper than ever, 15 yards from O'Connor's Wellington Hotel.

Everybody in want of a good Trunk, Valise, or Travelling Bag, can be supplied at the new shop, two doors from the Post Office

WHIPS, Horse Covers, Sleigh Bells

A very large and well-assorted stock of Whips will be sold at 25c. on the dollar of our former low prices, 50 yards north of St. George's Church.

We have a few pairs of imported made up Horse Covers, made to order, also a nice lot of common blankets.

What is more cheering than the merry Sleigh Bells? We can supply you. Call at the new shop, next door to Mr. Hoover's Livery Office.

We have on hand all kinds of articles, and will make up on the shortest notice anything you want in the Saddlery line, a few doors South of the Registry Office.

Brushes, Combs, Spurs, Bits, in endless variety. REPAIRING done as usual.

In consequence of the present premises being too small for our large stock, we will for a short time have to sell at a reduced price, to keep our present staff of superior workmen.

SMITH & METCALF, Late occupiers of the premises destroyed by fire adjoining the Alma Block. Guelph 26th December, 1867. dw

Insolvent Act of 1864.

In the matter of Thos. McKee Grier, AN INSOLVENT. THE creditors of the Insolvent are notified to meet at the Office of the undersigned, in the Court House, Guelph, on TUESDAY, the 14th day of JANUARY, next, at the hour of TWELVE o'clock noon, for the public examination of the Insolvent, and for the ordering of his affairs generally.

THOMAS SAUNDERS, Official Assignee. Guelph, Dec. 26, 1867. dw

Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.

MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will be open on the 1st of the

G. A. D. C.

FIRST APPEARANCE OF THE Guelph Amateur DRAMATIC CLUB!

THE above Club will make their first appearance in the TOWN HALL, ON Monday Evening, Dec. 30th

On which occasion will be produced for the first time here George Minar's celebrated Drama, in two acts, entitled "The Charcoal Burner," or "The Drooping Well of Knapeshoro."

To conclude with an amusing afterpiece by all the members of the Club. For particulars see programme. Admission 25 cents; Reserved seats 50 cents. For sale at the Book and Drug Stores, and also by the Members of the Club.

MR. YALE, MORRIS ARMOUR, Leader of Orchestra. Manager. Guelph, 14th December, 1867. dw

MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH.

ESSENCE OF RONDELETIA!

AN ELEGANT PERFUME for the Handkerchief and Toilet.

Prepared by Breidenbach, Perfumer and Distiller of Flowers to Her Majesty.

N. HIGINBOTHAM

Guelph, 24th Dec. 1867. dw

HENRY MULHOLLAND!

THE OFFICE of Henry Mulholland is removed temporarily to the

READING ROOM OF ELLIS' HOTEL.

Nearly Opposite the Old Stand. Guelph, 17th December, 1867. dw

Santa Claus' HEADQUARTERS.

IF YOU WANT TO BUY Christmas Presents, And New Year's Gitts,

that will be appreciated, you should call and see my Stock, which is the largest and most varied ever opened out in Guelph, including a large assortment of splendid

FRENCH GOODS

DIRECT FROM PARIS. I don't intend advertising my CAKES and CONFECTIONERY as from the rapid manner in which they are moving off I find they are very extensively known without it.

Platt & Co's celebrated Oysters arriving daily. Oysters in Shell and Count Oysters shortly expected. Guelph, 20th December, 1867. dw

A Merry Christmas!

PHOTOGRAPHS!

W. MARSHALL

HAS not time to write an advertisement for Christmas, and will only say that he returns his sincere thanks to his numerous friends for their liberal patronage during the past year. Everybody is particularly requested to call during the Holidays and leave their orders for Photographs. A large stock of everything required for every size, style and kind of Photograph constantly on hand, at prices to suit the times.

WM. MARSHALL, Artist, Day's Block. Guelph, 21st Dec. 1867. dw

Queen's Book

85 Cents. NEW supply of the Queen's Book. Price 85c.

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

Opposite the Market. Guelph, 21st Dec. 1867. dw

THE RED MILL.

THE subscriber having put a steam engine in his Mill, farmers bringing in their Grains can rely on having them ground the same day.

FLOUR AND FEED

FOR SALE AT THE MILL. GROUND FLOUR for sale at the Mill, and also at his Old Stand near the Railway Crossing, at 10 o'clock on the 27th Dec. 1867.

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS!

TREMENDOUS CLEARING SALE OF THE LARGE STOCK OF DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, READY-MADE CLOTHING, &C., BELONGING TO HOGG & CHANCE, GUELPH.

The Co-partnership Dissolved! Mr. HOGG retires from the Business!

The Stock to be Cleared Off at Cost Prices, commencing on Monday, the 9th of December.

GREAT BARGAINS! Families ought to take advantage of this rare opportunity of laying in their Winter supplies at once, as this Stock is very large and complete in every Department. Actual Cost Prices will be asked for all the Goods, and no second price or bantering. Store will be open at 9 o'clock in the morning, and close at 6 o'clock in the evening during the sale. All Goods will be sold for Cash only.

Guelph, 30th November, 1867.

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HOGG & CHANCE

GO TO CUTHBERT'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

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A Merry Christmas

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO ALL.

GO TO CUTHBERT'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

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LOOK OUT For No. 1.

WILKINSON'S

BY going to WILKINSON'S for

OYSTERS

They are admitted by customers to be the best, largest and cheapest in Guelph.

FINNAN HADDIES

If you want real Finnan Haddies, fresh Cod Fish, fresh Haddock and Yarmouth Bliveters,

Go to **GEO. WILKINSON'S**.

SEALED GOODS!

FOR hermetically Sealed Goods, consisting of Strawberries, Lawton Blackberries, Peaches, Cherries, Tomatoes, Green Peas, Lobsters and Sardines, go to

GEO. WILKINSON'S.

FRUIT, FRUIT

BUY your Fruit at Wilkenson's, and save 20 per cent. To convince you of this fact, below are quotations.

10 pounds Layer Raisins for	.. \$1
10 " Seedless Raisins	.. 1
20 " French Prunes	.. 1
20 " Currants	.. 1

GEORGE WILKINSON.
Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.
Guelph, Dec. 9, 1867. daw tf

Dominion Store!

(Late Post Office Store.)

MRS. ROBINSON

HAS on hand a varied stock of **GENERAL GROCERIES** for

Christmas & New Year

consisting of Almonds, Brazil Filberts.

NEW FRUIT!

Figs, Dates, Raisins, Lemons at 25c per dozen.

Don't forget the stand, next to the Wellington Hotel, where you can get the best and cheapest lot of **Fancy Goods** in Guelph.

MRS. ROBINSON,
Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Dec. 17th, 1867. daw

MRS. HUNTER'S

FANCY STORE,

West Market Square.

JUST received, a large lot of **FANCY GOODS**, all kinds, suitable for **PRESENTS** for

Christmas & New Year's

She has the **LARGEST** and **BEST** ASSORTMENT in town of

Berlin & Fancy Wools

Stamping for Braiding and Embroidery.

MRS. HUNTER.

Guelph, 11th Dec., 1867. dw

FURS,

FURS, FURS.

WE have opened our stock of **FURS**, of our own manufacture, which we will sell at **LOW PRICES**, viz:

Extra Dark Mink,

Royal Ermine,

Siberian Squirrel,

River Mink,

Ladies' Hoods,

GENTS' MUFFLERS and GLOVES, SERGE HOBBS, &c.

And a full assortment of **CHILDREN'S FURS,**

F. GARLAND,

Market Square, Guelph.

NO. 40.) GREAT (No. 40.)

CLEARING SALE!

FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.

Canada Clothing Store

N. CROFT

WILL POSITIVELY SELL OFF HIS ENTIRE STOCK OF Ready-made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Underclothing, &c.

At Prime Cost for Cash only.

NO SECOND PRICE. Call early and secure some of the Bargains, as the whole Stock must be sold. THIS IS NO HUMBUG.

N. CROFT, Canada Clothing Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph. Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1867.

CROWDED TO EXCESS.

THE Great Clearing Sale continues to attract an immense number of customers anxious to participate in the

Extraordinary Bargains

being offered. The store is daily crowded to excess, and an immense quantity of Goods have been sold to the entire satisfaction of the purchasers. The sincerity of this sale, when compared with "other sales," will never be questioned by the most skeptical. **CALL AT ONCE.**

Guelph, 20th Dec., 1867. A. O. BUCHAM.

A. O. BUCHAM.

MONTREAL BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM.

New Goods



Low Prices

SKATING BOOTS!

JUST RECEIVED a large lot of Ladies' Skating Boots. An early call is solicited. **REDUCED TO 1/2 PRICE.** Ladies' Skating and Walking Balmorals from \$1.25 to \$3. Ladies' Fanned lined Gaiters from \$1.25 to \$2.50. Men's Thick Boots from \$2 to \$3. An immense stock of Ladies, Gents, Misses and Children's Felt Balmorals, Gaiters and Overboots, at prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction. Home manuf. Goods always on hand. All work warranted. **TERMS CASH.**

REMEMBER McLAREN'S OLD STAND.

JOHN McNEILL,

Montreal Boot and Shoe Emporium, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario

Guelph, 14th December, 1867. dw

JOHN HARRIS,

SHUTTLE SEWING MACHINE.

Patented May, 1867.

THIS Star Shuttle Sewing Machine makes a stitch alike on both sides of material sewed, which will not rip or ravel. Does all kinds of work equally as well as Singer's high-priced machine. Combines simplicity with durability, and is warranted for five years. It is suited alike for the dressmaker, tailor, manufacturer or family. Mr. J. SPAFFORD having been appointed General Agent for Ontario, wishes to engage a few good local and travelling agents, to whom good inducements will be offered. For machine, sample of work, or terms, address—

J. E. SPAFFORD,

Ponsonby P. O. or Box 456, Toronto.

Referencs—Rev. E. A. Healy, Stratford P. O.

Goods as cheap, if not cheaper, than any other house in the trade.

JOHN HARRIS,

Market Square, Guelph.

Guelph, 7th Dec., 1867. dwsm

HAY IN TRUSSES

Constantly on hand. Also \$5.00 for best

TERMS CASH.

JOHN WEST,

Guelph, July 22. daw-tf

Wool, Hide and Leather

MIDWIFERY.

MRS. MORRIS, Midway, Ont.

NEW

FRUITS

GREAT CLEARING SALE

The most complete,
The most choice,
The most select,
The Best and Cheapest

22 lbs. New Currants for . . \$1

11 lbs. New Valencia Raisins 1

10 lbs. New Seedless Raisins 1

8 lbs. New London Layer do. 1

Orange and Lemon Peel, 30c.

FILBERTS!

Brazil Nuts, Walnuts,

Almonds, shelled or unshelled,

Figs, Prunes,

Dried Cherries and Cranberries

Oranges, Lemons,

Dried and Green Apples,

Canned Fruits and

Vegetables

of every description.

HUGH WALKER,

Wholesale and Retail Fruit Dealer,

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

Guelph, 13th December, 1867. dw

Medical Dispensary

JUST received at the Medical Dispensary, a large supply of

Tooth, Nail and Hair Brushes,

TOILET SOAPS, &c.

Also, the largest and best assorted stock of English and French **PERFUMERY** in town.

COAL OIL

of the best quality always on hand.

E. HARVEY

Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario.

Guelph, 11th Dec., 1867. dw

BERKSHIRE BOAR.

The Great Clearing Sale of

DRY GOODS!

IS STILL GOING ON AT

WM. STEWART'S,

Guelph, 11th December, 1867. dw

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

GREAT

REDUCTION

IN PRICE

of the

AMERICAN WATCH

THE American Watch Company of Waltham, Mass., being determined to place their several grades of Watches at prices within the reach of all parties, and to effectually shut out all Swiss counterfeit Watches, have decided from this date to supply their Watches in the Dominion of Canada at the net Gold value of American Currency. The Company by thus paying all duty, costs and charges on their Watches into Canada, will supply to the people of the Dominion the

Cheapest Watches in the World.

The Watches are of all grades, from the finest Gold Watch made, adapted to any climate from the Tropics to the Poles, at a price to suit the wealthy connoisseur or for presentation, to the Cheap Silver Lever, strong and serviceable, regulated to minutes, suitable to the Mechanic and Farmer, and quite as low in price as any moderate quality Swiss Watch. Our grades of **Extra Heavy Cases** Watches for Railway Engineers and Lumbermen deserve particular attention in Canada, as nothing can equal them for the purpose. Our leading Watches in 18 Carot Gold Cases for Ladies and Private Gentlemen, at medium prices, will also be found very desirable.

We are frequently asked why we don't advertise prices. We reply that as we only supply the trade and as our Watches are now kept by most respectable houses, the public can rely on being served at a fair advance on the Manufacturer's List. Our trade marks are **AMERICAN WATCH CO., APPLETON, TRACY & CO., WALTHAM WATCH CO., P. S. BARTLER, W. M. ELLERY, HOME WATCH CO., GUARANTEE** in all cases by special certificate (except the Home Co., which is warranted by the seller. The purchaser should always require the guarantee, as there are Swiss counterfeits for sale in some places.

ROBBINS & APPLETON, New York; General Agents.

ROBERT WILKES, Toronto and Montreal.

D. SAVAGE, Guelph.

