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CASH FOR WOOL, HIDES, SHEEP SKINS, CALF SKINS, AND WOOL PICKINGS.

The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's old Block, Guelph.

Plasterers' hair constant on hand for sale. MOULTON & BISH, Guelph, Jan 1, 1874. (dw)

RICE'S BILLIARD HALL, In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market.

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.

THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH—Re-modelled and furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free omnibus to and from all trains. First-class Liquor in connection. Proprietor—JAS. A. THORP

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FOR SALE. The subscribers are prepared to furnish Lime in quantities to suit purchasers at the Kilns on the York Road, Guelph.

Also, constantly on hand first-class Bricks and Tiles, at their residence, Liverpool-st., Guelph.

PEARSON & SON, Guelph, March 31, 1874. (3m)

PLASTER AND SALT. The subscriber has on hand 500 tons of the best Caledonia and Paris Plaster and Land Salt. Also on hand, seed grain of all kinds. The highest price paid for potatoes and turnips. GEO. BALKWILL, Gordon Street, near the G. T. R. crossing, Guelph, Feb. 25, 1874. (3m)

PARKER'S HOTEL, DIRECTLY OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler.

The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar. He has just fitted up a room for Oysters, to be served up at all hours, in the favorite style.

Pickled Salmon Lobsters and Sardines.

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Thomas Ward, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the post office, where he hopes by courtesy, attention and good accommodation to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars, &c., constantly on hand. A good hostler always in attendance. Remember the spot—next door to the post office.

THOMAS WARD, Proprietor. Guelph, Dec. 11, 1872.

DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Licentiate of Dental Surgery, Established 1851. Office next door to the Y. M. C. A. Rooms, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Residence—opposite Mr. Boul's Factory, Quebec Street. Teeth extracted without pain. References—Drs. Clarke, Tuck, McSquire, Herod, McGregor, and Cowan, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan and Phillips, Toronto; Drs. Elliot & Meyers, Dentists, Toronto.

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Office—over E. Harvey & Co.'s Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham & Macdonnell-st., Guelph.

Mr. Foster's Office (laughing gas) administered for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is effected in a reliable manner. References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod, McSquire, Keating, Cowan, and McLean, Guelph.

NEW COAL YARD. The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of

Hard and Soft Coal at moderate prices. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to.

GEORGE MURTON, Guelph, March 1st, 1874. (3m)

REMOVAL. J. Kay, Brass Founder, Has removed for a few months in rear of Mr. Smith's Feed Store, Upper Wyndham-street, Guelph, April 8, 1874. (2m)

New Advertisements.

WANTED—A Cook. Apply to Mrs. Lemon. 17-dwt

SEED BARLEY.—Seed Barley for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station. Guelph, Feb. 28, 1874. (dw)

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—By a young lady in town, a private Boarding House. Address M.P.F., Guelph P.O. (dw)

CARRIAGE WOODWORKER WANTED.—Apply at once to J. B. ARMSTRONG & CO., Guelph Excelsior Carriage Works, Guelph, April 7, 1874. (dw)

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY. In unlimited supply on good Farm and Town Security. Lowest rates and most moderate charges. HART & SPEIRS, Guelph, April 1, 1874. (dw) Day's Book.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FARM SECURITY. The undersigned have \$25,000 for investment in Mortgages on Farms, in sums to suit borrowers, with interest at 8 per cent., for periods from 2 to 15 years. Early applications requested. LEMON, PETERSON & McLEAN, Guelph, March 18, 1874. (dw)

DOMINION SALOON AND RESTAURANT. Opposite the Market, Guelph. The subscriber begs to notify his friends and the public that he is now proprietor of the above saloon, and hopes by keeping none but first-class liquors and cigars to receive a share of public patronage. Orders in their season. First-class accommodation for supper parties. M. DEADY, Proprietor. Guelph, April 7, 1874. (dw)

TENDERS WANTED. Sealed Tenders will be received for Carpenters' and Tinmiths' work, for finishing the Spire, &c., of the Congregational Church. Plans and specifications can be seen at Mr. John Crowe's Office, up to Saturday, 18th inst., at 6 o'clock. JAMES GOLDIE, Chairman of Committee. The Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest tender.

TOWN HALL. Monday and Tuesday, April 20th and 21st. Matinee on TUESDAY, at 2 p.m. Bordwell's Unrivalled Ireland and Franco-German War PANORAMAS, Comedy Company

AND "Fritz" German Bell Ringers Fun and Fine Arts! Amusement and Instruction! Comedy and Burlesque! Songs and Dances! Wit and Humor!

Admission 25c Reserved seats 50c. To be secured at Day's Bookstore. Matinee prices, Adults 25c. Children 15c. Every child receives a handsome present. Guelph, April 13, 1874. (4)

JOHN MACDONALD & CO. Are showing a splendid assortment of FANCY DRESS GOODS

JOHN MACDONALD & CO. TORONTO. TOWN OF GUELPH. Tenders will be received at the Town Clerk's Office, on or before Thursday, the 16th inst. FOR Excavating and Grading For the new Railway Siding at per cubic yard, according to plans and specifications. Guelph, April 10th, 1874 (dw) Clerk.

REMOVAL. D. NAISMITH, HAM CURER, Has Removed to Brownlow's Buildings, three doors north of the Post Office, late Arcade of Music. He takes this opportunity of thanking the inhabitants of Guelph for their liberal patronage for the past twenty years, and hopes by strict attention to business to merit their support in the future.

ON Hand a fine assortment of Breakfast Bacon, Hams, Sausages, Land, Mince Collops, etc. etc. Also, a fine lot of small Pork for Roasts. Guelph, March 20, 1874. (dw)

NEW WALLPAPER AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Choice New Wall Paper A LARGE FINE STOCK AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Those desiring the best value for their money should see Day's stock and prices. They will save money by buying their Wall Paper at Day's Bookstore. DAY SELLS CHEAP.

Guelph Evening Mercury

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 15, 1874.

TO GAS CONSUMERS. Pay your Accounts on or before Wednesday, the 15th inst., and save the 20 per cent discount. Payable at the Company's Works, Waterloo street. D. GUTHRIE, President. Guelph, 11th April, 1874. (dw)

Town and County News. REMEMBER G. B. Fraser's auction sale of carpets, &c., at his store to-night.

Mr. Hugh McPhee, McKillop, lost six children within a few weeks. Diphtheria was the cause.

ACCIDENT AT AYR.—A serious accident occurred at the Agricultural Works of Mr. John Watson, Ayr, on Tuesday. A young lad named Adam Crozier, while assisting at the trip hammer, which weighs 200 lbs., got three fingers and a thumb very badly smashed.

PROLIFIC.—The Mount Forest Examiner says that two ewes belonging to Mr. James McLaughan, North Luthy, dropped nine lambs the other day—one giving birth to five and the other to four. Owing to a scarcity of proper nutriment two of each "family" died—the remaining five are doing well.

STILL ANOTHER.—A gentleman passing from the G. W. R. train at Hamilton to the refreshment room, was relieved of his purse containing one hundred and fifty dollars in bills, and bank deposits and drafts amounting to nearly four thousand dollars, by some sharpers who crowded him and adroitly drew the valuable article out of his breast pocket. Next!

Mr. A. O. Buchan announces that he will open his millinery and mantle show rooms to-morrow (Thursday). The fashionable west end millinery establishment is becoming a popular resort for the ladies, and we presume that on Thursday the show rooms will be well patronized by those wishing to secure some of the choice and stylish designs for the spring season, with which that establishment is now so well supplied. See advertisement.

BEAVER LACROSE CLUB.—At a meeting held last night at the Western Hotel for the purpose of reorganizing this Club, the following officers were chosen:—President, A. W. Wright; Vice-President, Andrew Armstrong; Secretary, W. V. Todd; Treasurer, Jas. Howar. An efficient managing committee was also appointed and new members enrolled. The next meeting was named for Tuesday 21st inst., when those who wish to become members will have an opportunity of enrolling their names.

VERY DOGGISH.—When Messrs. Massie, Paterson & Co.'s clerk opened the office this morning a large dog suddenly bolted through the door and into the street. This was a somewhat unusual incident, and an inspection of "the situation" revealed the fact that the animal, in his frantic attempts to get out of the room, had gnawed away part of the door with his teeth, and had clawed or gnawed the gauze-work inside the front window, so as to render it completely useless. The damages resulting from this dogged occurrence will be about \$30.

H. N. W. RAILWAY.—The Hamilton Times says the Hamilton and North Western Company are pushing on their location surveys with great energy. There are now two surveying parties at work between Clarksville junction and Hamilton; and at the rate at which they are progressing the location will very soon be completed. The Company have determined to proceed immediately with the preliminary steps for the extension of their line from Barrie to the Georgian Bay. A surveying party left on Friday for Barrie to commence operations northwards from that point. The line will be located so as to accommodate the important village of Penstonsguish, as well as the villages of more recent growth—Midland, Victoria, Harbor and Waubesaene.

Guelph Rifle Association. The annual meeting of the members of the above Association was held in Deady's Saloon, Market Square, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. The following gentlemen were appointed:—PRESIDENT.—Capt. Macdonald. VICE-PRESIDENT.—Capt. Swinford. SEC. TREAS.—E. Newton. COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.—Jno. Crowe, R. Peterson, J. Hazen, Dr. Macdonald, Lieut. Hooper and Lieut. McLean. Mr. James Hazelton was the winner of the medal last year.

The time for holding the annual Conference of the new Connexion Methodist Church has been changed from July 8th to May 20th. This will enable the new Connexion people to complete their part of the union question and enable them to attend the Wesleyan Conference in June.

The Rev. Mr. Dickie, of Berlin, and Mr. D. Macdonald, Registrar of Waterloo, were in Montreal last week with the view of obtaining aid in securing religious instruction to the German youth in and about Berlin.

SOME thirty horses, purchased for the Manitoba Mounted Police, arrived in Toronto from Kingston on Tuesday forenoon.

Lt.-Col. G. K. Chisholm, long a resident of Oakville, died from the effects of an attack of paralysis on Tuesday morning.

A PETITION is in circulation among marine men, to the Minister of Public Works, asking him to have a double set of lock and bridge tenders placed along the Welland Canal.

A PORTION, consisting of 10,000 copies, of a recent issue of the Dundee Advertiser was printed on paper manufactured from reeds grown on the banks of the Tay. The paper is said closely to resemble that made from jute. As far as the experiment has been tried it is said to be satisfactory.

The New Town Hall and Market.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MERCURY:—

SIR,—As the By-law to raise \$25,000 by issue of debentures for the purpose of building a new Town Hall and Market is now before the ratepayers for their approval or rejection, and learning that some of the electors of the West Ward have expressed a disapproval of the course I have taken in the Council in supporting the proposed measure, I propose to give a statement of the proceedings in Council by which this measure was initiated, and my reasons for supporting it.

In the first place, it is a fact admitted by every one that has any knowledge of the matter, that our present Town Hall and Butchers' Market are too small, and when any entertainment of a letter class than usual comes to the town, it is quite impossible for all who desire to do so to obtain admission, and as to the small size of the butcher stalls and the scanty accommodation, there can be but one opinion. The necessity for improvement in these respects has long been a matter on which public opinion has not been divided; and further, when any social entertainments have been given, the want of a supper room has been much felt, the Council Chamber having been made to do duty for that purpose.

The site selected for the building is one of the most natural and proper that a Town Council could select, being on the Corporation ground so that no expense need be incurred in the purchase of land; but I am, of course, aware that a variety of conflicting interests, and possibly personal interests, cause the selection of site to be viewed with very different feelings by many persons, and as a Town Hall and Market cannot be built on a site that will meet all these different views, it becomes the duty of Councillors in a matter of general public interest to recollect that though elected in a ward of the town, they are elected to serve the interests of the whole town in accordance with their oath of office; and that in selecting a site for a public building of the character proposed for the use of the inhabitants of the whole town they need not properly locate it on any other site than that property which is held by the Corporation for the express purpose. In taking the course I have as one of the members of the Council, I cannot conceive how that action can be in any way detrimental to the interests of the ward that sends me to the Council as one of its representatives. I have given much thought to do my duty fearlessly and faithfully, and have never spared time or labor in the interests of the town and ward, and in this matter I have not acted from any personal interest, but solely because I believe it to be the best available location for the building. This, however, is a matter that the ratepayers will have an opportunity to decide for themselves by their votes on the By-law. I have always maintained in Council that all improvements of any magnitude should be submitted for the approval of the people before being acted upon by the Council, and have condemned by my vote the conduct of former Councils in expending money without the consent of the ratepayers.

It has been said that this matter has been hurried on; but the minutes of the Council will show that this subject has been under the consideration of the Council since 1st Sept., 1873, and that the site, now proposed, was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Council on Oct. 9th, 1873, and that a report referring to the same matter on Jan. 19, 1874, no amendment was offered respecting the site, so that no difference of opinion seems to have existed until lately. The objectors to this site have not yet proposed any other site, and the building could be located, although more than six months have passed since the Council adopted it. I will freely admit that the nearness to the railroad is an objection, but I am assured that as in cities the railroads do not use the whistle but the bell on the locomotives, and proper representation to the railroad authorities would remedy that difficulty. I append the following extracts from the minutes of the Council to show the action taken on the subject.

In the 7th report of the Market Committee, dated Aug. 31, 1873, there is the following clause, being No. 3.

"Your Committee would have a matter before the Town Council that has long occupied their attention, but in the unsettled state of the indebtedness of the Town to the Municipal Loan Fund it would not have been desirable to have done so before, but now that indebtedness is arranged they think the subject should have the earnest consideration of the Council (they refer to the erection of a new Town Hall) which in the opinion of your Committee might be erected on the site of the present vegetable shed, a building of a plain character to include a large fish Hall with ante-rooms, also fish, vegetable and meat market, engine house and possibly reading room."

Your Committee would ask authority to prepare plans and estimates for such a building. The consideration of whether the contracts be let by this Council or by our successors will be a matter for further report and consideration when the plans and estimates are received."

This report was presented to the Council on the 1st Sept., 1873, and was laid over for further consideration.

On the 9th of Oct. after laying over for five weeks for consideration, the above report of the Market Committee, No. 7, was taken up, and considered by the Council, at which meeting were present—The Mayor, Messrs. Heffernan, Chadwick, Coffey, Elliott, Elegg, Crowe, McLagan, Richard Mitchell, Massie, Davidson, Kennedy, Howard, Horsman.

There was no amendment offered to the above clause No. 3.

The report was then adopted by the unanimous vote of the members above named present.

On the 19th Jan., 1874, the Market Committee presented report No. 9, which contains the following clause.

"Your Committee have had under their consideration plans for the new Town Hall and Market. They have in accordance with the authority given by the Council, employed Mr. Victor Stewart, Architect, to prepare said plans. He has submitted various plans for the Town Hall and Market, the last of which nearly approaches to what your Committee consider will meet the requirements of the Town; but as the municipal year is so nearly at a close they have not thought it advisable to make any recommendation, but to leave the final approval of their plans to their successors in office."

The report was presented on the 19th January, 1874.

There were present, the Mayor, Messrs. Heffernan, Howard, Massie, Davidson, Coffey, McLagan, Mitchell, Chadwick, Elegg, Kennedy, Crowe, Elliott, Robert Mitchell.

There was no amendment offered, and the report was adopted by the unanimous vote of the above members present.

Now, Mr. Editor, you will see that instead of this matter being hurried on the site for the building, the present one for which the plans were authorized to be drawn, was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Council more than six months ago, and instructions given to the Committee to have plans prepared for a building of that very site, and by the votes of some of the same gentlemen who are now stultifying themselves by taking an opposite course in condemning a site which by their votes they selected in Oct. last.

The question is now in the hands of the people, and it is for them to say whether they will have the handsome structure proposed to be built, erected or not. The Council have done their duty in placing the matter before them for their decision, and there their duty ends. The building if erected will be an ornament to the town, as any person may satisfy himself by viewing the plans. The cost will be the distribution of payments under the By-law, add but a very slight amount to the taxes of each individual ratepayer, being 1-10 mills in the dollar annually, or to a person assessed at \$300 but 33 cents as an annual additional tax for this purpose; and it will be now for the ratepayers to consider whether they are willing to bear this slight burden of taxation to accomplish the building of a structure which is so much needed, and which will also be an ornament to our growing and prosperous town.

Yours respectfully, GEORGE ELLIOTT. Guelph, April 13, 1874.

Market House and Music Hall. TO THE EDITOR OF THE MERCURY:—

DEAR SIR,—I am not one of those who are opposed to the erection of a New Market and Town Hall, but I am opposed to the present proposed site. My reasons are that there is not room for the large number of teams that would of necessity congregate around such a large market as we propose building. After carefully considering the space, when the buildings are up, I believe on a busy day, there would be a complete jam, more especially on the front opposite the Banks and Melodeon Factory, and I will back my assertion by Mr. Harvey's own figures. He says that there will be eighty feet between walls, twelve feet platform in front of Market, and I will not call it one inch less. I measured the length of a span of horses and wagon, thirty-three feet from the wall, or twenty-one feet from the sidewalk. Now place another team opposite on the market side, and you have fourteen feet left for the greatest thoroughfare in town. Now suppose that we have a rattling good market day, and there would be a continual stream of teams going and coming between Allan's Mill and the Guelph Packing House. Add to this the omnibusses, cabs, express vans, baggage waggon, Royal mail, private carriages, all hurrying, and late for the train. Think of all this without one farmer's team upon the scene.

Now let us suppose, and it is not too much to say, that the Market is built there will be some days from fifty to one hundred teams standing ground with farm produce for sale, and last, though not least, the butchers' carts, and all this traffic through a space fourteen feet wide. I am bound to say that it would beat Broadway, or N. Y. Washington Market on their palmiest days. But the fact is, there are only seventy-three feet between the wall and the Bank of Commerce. Now for the other stalls, who would care the occupants of these stalls, facing the railway, thirty-three feet at the north-east corner. Back up your team, and you have not one inch, but the horses' noses are over the railway fence, and a train starting will blow the steam from the escape pipes right in face of the horses.

With these remarks I will close, but with your permission I will speak of other schemes in to-morrow's daily.

Yours truly, GEORGE HOOD. Guelph, April 14, '74.

POLICE COURT. (Before the Police Magistrate.)

April 15. Chief Constable Kelly yesterday observed Ruben Green leading a horse along the public sidewalk on Wyndham street, and considering it a breach of law and order, promptly summoned the offender to answer the charge this morning. Mr. Green appeared and explained that when detected he was merely in the act of catching the horse, which had escaped from his stable, and on this showing the case was dismissed.

Base Ball. A NEW EMBLEM OF CHAMPIONSHIP. A special meeting of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club was held at the Queen's Hotel last evening, to hear the report of the committee appointed to choose a new emblem of championship for the coming season. Mr. Sleeman reported that a subscription had been in circulation for this object, and thus far the amount promised was \$107, and there was reason to expect that the sum would be considerably increased. The character of the emblem to be chosen will be discussed after preliminary arrangements have been completed, but is thought that a cup will take the place of the ball now in the hands of the champions. An application was read from the Red Stockings, of Boston, to play here on the 1st of July, and the Secretary was instructed to send a reply favourable to the proposition.

Further arrangements were made in regard to the match to be played with the Silver Stars of Seaforth, and the meeting adjourned.

In the case of W. H. Rodden, who was tried before the Toronto Police Magistrate on Tuesday morning for embezzling the sum of \$2,000 from his father-in-law, E. S. Wright, the prisoner was discharged, as in the Magistrate's opinions the evidence showed conspiracy to defraud, and not an embezzlement. It is probable that the former charge will be made forthwith.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, April 14th. THE BUDGET.

Hon. Mr. Cartwright made his financial statement. After explaining the position in which the country was placed by the previous Government, he showed that with a fluctuating and uncertain revenue they had piled up a fixed expenditure, and, with a deficit before their eyes, never halted in their onward course until their own recklessness, tainted with corruption, brought them to the ground. He had first to demonstrate that the normal income of the country might be assumed to be fairly equal to the ordinary charges upon it; but the Dominion stands committed to an outlay in various directions that must tax its resources to the utmost; and whilst the Government will use every effort to redeem the pledge left to them as an inheritance by their predecessors, they will and can only guarantee to proceed so fast or so far as their resources will justify. Prudence but not repudiation may be regarded as the brief motto expressive of their policy. At the opening of his speech, the Finance Minister placed in the hands of members a comparative statement of the receipts and expenditure for the seven years that have elapsed since Confederation, taking, of course, the estimates of receipts and expenses for the current year, which expires on the 30th of June, 1874.

Mr. Tilley's total estimate of income for 1873-74, was \$21,740,000; his appropriations for all purposes finally amounted to \$22,586,720, exclusive of \$700,000 taken for special purposes in connection with the acquisition last year of Prince Edward Island. This, consequently, showed a deficit of \$846,727. Up to this year there had been an annual surplus, amounting, in 1870-71, to the large sum of nearly four millions, so that in round figures a surplus of four millions had in a very brief space of time been converted into a deficit of one million. Expenses for the acquisition last year of Prince Edward Island, which the Finance Minister was prepared to give the late Government credit, namely that they had contrived to make expenditure keep pace with an ever increasing revenue with a facility altogether without parallel; and not content with this, they had entered into prospective engagements which, if all completed, would involve an outlay of \$200,000,000 thus trebling the national debt. Last year one million and a half was added to the fixed expenditure of the country. A careful recapitulation of charges not included by Mr. Tilley in his calculation shows that he should have brought down estimates for not less than \$24,000,000, or \$1,600,000 more than \$22,586,720. The excise will also exceed the estimates; the post-office receipts have increased; but then again, while public works chargeable to income have fallen off to the extent of \$800,000, the expenditure thereon has been \$400,000 more than was originally anticipated. There has, during the eight months of the current year, expired, been some falling off in imports, but it is very satisfactory to note that the exports have increased from \$50,455,000 in 1872 and 1873 to \$62,742,000 in 1873 and 1874.

Mr. Cartwright then proceeded to refer to the estimates for 1874-75 already laid upon the table, and showed, by glancing through the several items, that the only increase in the estimates for 1874 and 1875 over the expenditure of 1873 and 1874, to the amount of \$500,000 is divided exclusively between the loss in working the Prince Edward Island Railway and the increased charge of interest on the addition to the public debt. For the year, of course, the Government of the day are not responsible. Coming to his estimate of the probable income of the ensuing year, he expressed the opinion that the several heads would yield as follows:—Customs, \$18,000,000; Excise, \$5,000,000; Post Office, \$1,000,000; Public Works, \$1,600,000; Stamps, \$200,000; Interest on Investments, \$200,000; Miscellaneous, \$800,000, making a total of \$22,000,000. As the published estimates show, the expenditure will be \$24,000,000. He proposed to raise by taxes an additional sum of \$3,000,000 for 1874-5. The several articles on which the proposed taxation will be levied are expected to realize as follows:—Cigars, \$100,000; tea and coffee, \$450,000; brandy and other spirits, Customs duty, \$200,000; locomotive engine frames, and other machinery, \$100,000; metals and ship-building materials, \$200,000; wines, \$200,000; silks and other commodities, \$400,000; the additional one and two-thirds per cent. in schedule B, \$500,000; miscellaneous items, \$100,000; \$100,000 spirits and tobacco (excise duty), \$750,000—Total \$3,000,000. The article of sugar appears in the new list. It is not expected that any material addition to the revenue will accrue from this source, but the readjustment of the duty will have the effect of throwing the burden more heavily upon the higher class of sugars, and in a corresponding degree upon those mostly consumed by the poor.

Death of S. B. Freeman, Esq., Q. C. It is with the deepest regret we have to announce the death of S. B. Freeman, Esq., Q. C., which took place at an early hour on Tuesday morning, at the age of sixty. For more than twenty years he has filled a distinguished place in the public eye. As a lawyer, a politician, and as one interested in everything affecting his fellow citizens, he won the regard, the respect and the affection of all with whom he came in contact. He made his mark, however, chiefly as a lawyer, and it is no extravagance to say that in the art of examining and cross-examining witnesses, and of pleading cases before a jury, he had few equals and no superior. The transparent rectitude of his character was of great service to him in this respect, and the easy and genial flow of his eloquence completed his mastery over the minds and the hearts of his hearers. He was always a consistent Reformer in politics. For some years he represented South West-wood in the Parliament of Canada, and though not a frequent speaker, was listened to, even by his opponents, with respect. He contested the representation of Hamilton with Sir Allan Macnab unsuccessfully, and we believe also with the Hon. Isaac Buchanan. Of late years, while occupying the position of Clerk of the Peace and County Attorney, he was necessarily withdrawn from politics. But in the familiar intercourse of private life his loss will long be mourned by a large and attached circle of friends. His cheerful and happy disposition, his love for his family, the gentility of his intercourse with them, his sympathy with suffering, and his readiness to relieve it, cast a charm about

him that attracted all with whom he came in contact. Death has indeed robbed us of his presence, but cannot deprive us of the pleasant memories connected with him.—Hamilton Times.

Wuelph Evening Mercury

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 15, 1874.

The New Tariff.

As was expected, the Government have made considerable changes in the tariff, and the additional duties imposed came into force to-day.

The chief alterations are as follows: A duty of 75 cents on every gallon of proof spirits manufactured in Canada. The old duty was 63 cents per gallon on cavendish tobacco, and snuff, and on manufactured tobaccos of all kinds, except cigars and common Canada twist, twenty cents per pound. On common Canada twist, being the unpressed leaf rolled and twisted and made wholly from raw tobacco, the growth of Canada, ten cents per pound. On cigars, for every pound or less quantity than a pound, forty cents. There is no change on the malt duty.

The customs duties on imported articles are as follows:—Cigars, per pound, seventy cents; tea, green or Japan, per pound, six cents; tea, black, per pound, four cents; coffee, green, per pound, two cents; coffee, ground or roasted, per pound, three cents. Sugars—In addition to the *ad valorem* duty of twenty-five per cent, now imposed on all sugars equal to and above number thirteen and below number sixteen, per pound, one and a quarter cents. On others sugars as before. Brandy, Geneva, alcohol, rum, gin, whiskey, and enumerated articles of like kind, per gallon, \$1; Rum, shirub, cordials, Old Tom gin, ratafia, Scheidam, schnapps, bitters, and unenumerated articles of like kind, per gallon, \$1 50; Cologne water and perfumed spirits, not in flasks, per gallon, \$1 50. Fruits preserved in brandy, or other spirits per gallon—\$1.50. On the lighter kind of wines, cordials, &c., the duty has been increased. In the class of goods such as locomotive frames and parts of locomotives, also for machinery for mills and factories not made in the Dominion, an *ad valorem* duty of ten per cent is charged. These articles were before free. In the class of goods required for rigging ships and steamers pig and other iron, steel, copper, &c., a duty of five per cent, *ad valorem* is put on. These articles were also free. Silks, satins, velvets and all goods of that class, millinery of all kinds, ornaments of bronze, alabaster, terra cotta, or composition, silver and gold cloth, thread and other articles embroidered with gold or for embroidering, laces and insertions, writing-desks, fancy and ornament cases and boxes, and other fancy goods; hats, caps, and bonnets; jewellery of all kinds, watches, and clocks are charged 20 per cent *ad valorem*—Cotton netting for India rubber shoes and gloves; cotton warp, cotton thread in hands, yarn, glass paper and glass cloth, woollen netting, for India rubbers and gloves; linen machine thread, plush, for hatters' use and for gloves; prunella, machine silk twist, felt, used for gloves; felt, for hats and boots, are charged a duty of ten per cent *ad valorem*. Wool waste and flax seed are made free.

It is rumored that Mr. Alfred Jones, of Halifax, is to be called to the Cabinet as Militia, vice Mr. Ross. Mr. Bodwell, M.P., has been offered and has accepted the Superintendency of the Welland Canal. This leaves a vacancy in the House of Commons for South Oxford. A duty of seven and one-half per cent, is charged on the following articles of iron, viz: bar, hoop, rod, and sheet, nail and spike, rod, round, square, and flat, Canada plates and tin plates, rolled plate and boiler plate. Prohibition.—Mr. Mackenzie on Monday, in answer to a question said it was not the intention of the Government to introduce this session any measure to restrict or prevent the importation, or manufacture or sale, of intoxicating liquors within the Dominion. The requirements of the revenue, at present, prevent the Govt. from taking any steps which would cut off one of the largest sources of income in the Dominion. The question of prohibition is therefore set aside for this session, but those in favour of it in and out of the House will not cease in their efforts to mould public opinion to their views in the hope of ultimately succeeding.

RE-ARRANGEMENT OF CONSTITUENCIES.—It was announced on Monday that the Government do not intend, during the present session, to introduce a bill to re-arrange the constituencies which were gerrymandered by Sir John Macdonald in 1872. This is much to be regretted, as a positive injustice was done to several constituencies such as South Huron, North Wellington, Monck, &c. We believe that Mr. Cameron of Huron will introduce a bill to set his riding right, but unless the Govt. take the matter in hand, and bring in a measure to re-arrange all the constituencies so unjustly dealt by, we are afraid there is not much chance of such a bill being carried.

BERLIN ITEMS.—The annual show of entire horses, in connection with the North Riding of the County of Waterloo Agricultural Society, was held on Tuesday. Mr. D. Estere, who has been Grand Trunk agent there for the past years, but who has recently been promoted to the Hamilton agency of the Caledonia Railway, was on Tuesday presented by the business men of Berlin and surrounding villages with a handsome gold watch, accompanied by a complimentary address. Mr. Henry Smith's new saw mill at Douglas is almost finished, and will be a very complete establishment, employing about 14 men. The shingle and lath machines are of the most approved pattern, and the motive power will be a Burnham turbine water-wheel.

INJURY TO THE SPINE.—On Sunday evening, 5th inst. Mrs. Bell, wife of Mr. Robert Bell, of Sarnia, while coming down a ladder in an outbuilding, missed her footing and fell to the floor. Drs. Paget and Griffith, who were summoned to attend her, found that the spine had sustained serious injury, and although now slightly improved we learn that she is in a precarious condition.

Agricultural Societies.

To the Editor of the Mercury.

Sir,—The grand object of these Societies, in Canada as well as in most countries, is to develop the latent resources of the soil. This can be done by skill and labour. Skill must always precede toil, or we toil in vain. But notwithstanding the agricultural facilities in the hands of farmers of the present day for extracting from the soil the largest possible quantity of cereals and bulbous roots, of qualities much better than their predecessors could produce with excessive manual labor; notwithstanding the numerous importations of improved breeds from foreign countries, still in some townships such as Woolwich, the spirit of the system is suppressed by an illiberal opposition to outside competition. In some Townships there are men whose stock is a credit to the Society, which stock, for a succession of years, has been awarded the best prizes; but the owner, for fear of losing the monopoly, objects to competitions from the surrounding Townships, notwithstanding the admission, by the latter, of competing stock from the former Township. Yours, &c. FARMER. Woolwich, April 13, 1874.

ADVERTISEMENTS printed in Chinese characters are beginning to appear in the California papers.

BIRTHS.

GRAHAM—On April 1st, the wife of John Graham, 8th con., Maryboro', of a son. WALKER—On April 1st, the wife of Thomas Walker, 6th con., Maryborough, of a daughter. MUNRO—In Salem, on the 1st inst., the wife of James Munro, of a son. FINDLAY—In Salem, on the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. Charles Findlay, of a daughter. WRIGHT—In Pilkington, on the 1st inst., the wife of Mr. G. Wright, of a son. QUINN—In Fergus, on the 5th inst., the wife of Mr. John Quinn, of a son. HANNINGTON—In Mount Forest, on the 5th inst., the wife of Mr. H. Hannington, painter, of a son. CROFTON—At Guelph, on the 9th inst., the wife of Mr. John Crofton, of a daughter. BATHGATE—On the 12th inst., at Springbrook, Guelph Township, Mrs. Wm. Bathgate, of a daughter. KNOWLES—At Rockwood, on the 13th inst., the wife of Mr. Jas. W. Knowles, of a son. McINTYRE—At Aberfoyle, Bushland, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr. Allan McIntyre, carriage and wagon maker, of a daughter. CARTYRE—At Rockwood, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr. John J. Carty, of a son. SULLIVAN—At Everton, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr. Thomas Sullivan, of a son—still born.

MARRIED.

TILLEY—BALL—At Fergus, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. J. B. Mullan, Mr. John Tilley, of Alma, to Miss Elizabeth Hall, of Nichol. McLEHANE—GRIEVE—On the 1st inst., by the Rev. T. Gosh, Mr. James McLehane, of Luther, to Miss Margaret Grieve, of Port Hope. PERRY—McLEHANE—On the 1st inst., by the same, Mr. Hiram Perry, of Luther, to Miss Mary Ann McLehane, of the same township. GARDNER—PERRY—On the 6th inst., by the same, Mr. William Gardner, of Kansas, U. S., to Miss Caroline Perry, of Luther. CHENOWETH—TRAYLOR—By the Rev. J. Foran, at the Wesleyan Parsonage, Drayton, April 5th, Mr. Wm. Chenoweth, of Howick, to Miss Helen Traylor, of Maryborough. RITCHIE—MURPHY—In Fergus, on the 4th inst., by the Rev. B. Barker, Mr. Samuel Ritchie, to Miss Mary Murphy, both of West Gairbrach. ELLIOTT—SHERBATT—On the 7th inst., at Carlie House, Lower Nichol, the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. B. Mullen, Thom. Elliott, only son of George Elliott, Pilkington, to Isabella, youngest daughter of A. F. Sherratt, Nichol. FINDLAY—DELAHUNT—At the house of the bride's father, on the 2nd inst., by Rev. D. Anderson, Mr. William Findlay, of Wallace Township, to Miss Edith Delahunt, of Maryborough.

DIED.

DUFF—This day (April 15th) Emma May, youngest daughter of W. H. G. Knowles, aged one year and eleven months. Funeral on Friday at 2 o'clock. LANGDON—In Arthur Township, on the 20th March, N. Luke Langdon, aged 73 years. An old and well known resident. STEVENSON—In Mount Forest, on the 1st inst., ABB, the beloved wife of Mr. Macdonald Stevenson, aged 65 years. HILL—On April 8th, at his residence, Drayton, Mr. Robert Hill, of small-pox. LATHAM—On the 5th inst., Susan Elizabeth, infant daughter of J. Latham, merchant, Fergus. ROSE—On Friday, 3rd inst., John Rose, at his residence, Sirton, in his 63rd year. CAMPBELL—On the 3rd inst., John Campbell, son, at his residence, 6th con., Maryborough, aged 72 years. GARDNER—On the 3rd inst., Mr. Gas, of the 10th con., Maryborough. McCONACHIE—On the 7th inst., the wife of D. McConachie, farmer, Ninto Township. FINDLAY—In Salem, on the 9th inst., suddenly, Dorothy, the beloved wife of Mr. John Findlay, of Port Elgin, and daughter of Rev. John Duff, of Nichol.

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Very Rich and Chaste Designs,

Splendid assortment,

Patterns Quite New.

FRESH LOT OF

Door Mats,

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VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT

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On Saturday Evg. April 18th

BY THE

Mendelssohn Quintette

Club,

Of Boston, organized in 1849, composed of the following artists:

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Assisted by the distinguished Vocalist,

Mrs. J. W. WESTON.

Tickets, with Reserved Seats, 75 cents.

Seats may be secured at Mr. J. Anderson's on and after Wednesday, April 15th.

Tickets, without reserved seats, 50 cents.

For sale at the door.

Doors open at 7.15. Concert at 8 precisely.

April 11, 1874

IMPORTANT

SALE OF PIANOS

The Committee appointed to dispose of the Pianos at the Manufactory of

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Will offer them at a considerable reduction on cost on reasonable

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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.

Accompanying person will be on the premises, near Mr. John Harris's, who will show the instruments. Guelph, March 18, 1874. dwt

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Property for Sale

IN THE

TOWN OF GUELPH

In accordance with the last Will and Testament of the late John Mitchell, the residue of the estate is now offered for sale, viz:

Farm Property.

About 200 acres of good land (west of the Eramosa Road in the North Ward) in quantities of one acre and upwards to suit purchasers; part of said land is well timbered, and the remainder under cultivation. There are 2 good two-story stone dwelling houses, 2 frame barns, &c. on the same. The above property is very suitable for building sites, market gardens, &c. Also, Lot 15, in the 10th concession, Egrement, about six miles from Mount Forest, containing one hundred acres of good land, improved and well watered.

Town Lots.

Lots 23, 24, 25 on the Eramosa Road.

26, 27, 28, 29 on Queen Street.

32, 33, 34, 35 on Delhi Street.

Lot 8 on Pearl St., Lot 11, on King St.

and Lot 12 on Derry St.

East 1/2 Lot 9, on Macdonnell St., with 2 story frame dwelling.

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Lot 6, corner Eramosa Road and Mitchell St., with good 2 story stone dwelling house, 11 rooms, cellar, well, cistern, &c.

Lot 7, on Mitchell St., with frame building, 20 x 30, suitable for a workshop.

TERMS—One fourth in cash; balance in from 2 to 4 years as may be agreed upon, with interest at 8 per cent. A large cash payment will be required on the timbered land. For further particulars apply to

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He hopes by strict attention to business, and using none but the best materials to secure a share of public patronage.

All orders whether from town or country promptly attended to.

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In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged.

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The subscriber offers for sale his farm of 200 acres, adjoining the Village of Teeswater. There is 100 acres cleared and under crop, a young bearing orchard of 100 trees, large and commodious frame bank barn, stables, sheds, &c. a good supply of water. Title Crown Patent. For particulars apply to Andrew Little, Teeswater P.O. m18-w7

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The Fashionable West End MILLINERY & MANTLE SHOW ROOM A. O. BUCHAM

Begs to announce the opening of his Millinery and Mantle Show Rooms to-morrow,

Thursday, the 16th inst.,

AND INVITES INSPECTION.

WILL SHOW

1 case New Pattern Bonnets,

“ “ Hats,

“ “ Mantles.

A. O. BUCHAM,

Fashionable West End Dress Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

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MR. G. B. FRASER

Being desirous that all classes should partake of the great bargains given at his Auction Sales, and in order to give the ladies an opportunity of buying Goods at their own prices, he will sell by auction,

ON WEDNESDAY, AT 2 o'clock, P.M.

THE FOLLOWING GOODS, VIZ:

Tapestry Carpets, Wool Carpets

Stair Carpets, Mattings, Floor Oil Cloths, Window Damasks, Window Curtains, Window Blinds, Table Damasks, Towels, Sheetings, Piano Covers, Table Covers, Black and Colored Silks, Black Lustras and Merinos, Prints, White Cottons, Tickings, Kid Gloves, Hosiery, &c. etc.

Remember 2 o'clock, on Wednesday, 15th inst.

Intending purchasers are requested to inspect the Goods on the morning of the sale. Carpets and Oil Cloths to be cut to suit purchasers.

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WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

Co-Operative Store.

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We are now paying our Customers 3 cents on the dollar in cash, on their purchases for the past quarter.

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A PRETTY DRESS OF 15 YARDS FOR \$1 50

UNION TWEEDS (purchased by auction) ONLY 35 CTS PER YARD.

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DARK FANCY PRINTS 10c. LIGHT FANCY PRINTS 10c.

CALF SLIPPERS 50c PER PAIR PRUNELLA BOOTS 75c PER PAIR

A BOX OF 75 CENT TEA, TEN LBS., FOR SIX DOLLARS.

CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER.

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In Bottle and in Wood.

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Have now on exhibition one of the Largest Stocks of

READY-MADE CLOTHING

For Men and Boy's Wear ever shown in Guelph.

Well Made and Fashionably Cut

And at prices that cannot be beaten, being 25 per cent less than any other place in town.

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FALL WHEAT FLOUR

For Bread and Pastry.

ROBERTSON BROS., SOLE AGENTS

Dealers in Goldie's and Armstrong's Flour, Graham Flour, Buckwheat

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XXVII.
 Ian M'Kenzie's body was slowly borne back to Droghdaire and handed over to the care of the female servants of Donald Cameron's household that it might be decently arrayed in the vestments of the grave.

We need not attempt to picture the scene which took place within the walls of the Castle on their return. Some of the deeper, broader lines indeed we might draw, but to do justice to the details would baffle our pen. The horror and dismay which took possession of Donald Cameron as he saw the confederate with whom he had been but a few minutes before deeply plotting brought back a stark and mangled corpse; and the strangely balanced feelings which possessed poor Jeannie Gordon at the moment, as she saw the man she had loved and hated and now forgave cut down in the midst of his villainy, would require to be carefully described. Poor Jeannie—badly as M'Kenzie had treated her—remembered that he was the father of her child, and now when all his evil-doing was ended, she felt fain to clasp his stiffening body and strain it to her heart. "Fool human nature! How could we speak of the rapturous joy of Flora as she leaned on her lover's arm, and gazed so tenderly into his face? Or the emotions of Hector as he, with sparkling eyes and mantled cheeks, returned the gaze?—conscious, both of them, that now their trials were ended—that all were baffled who had so ruthlessly sought to injure them. And how felt the Witch of Ben-Lair, and Ned Gordon, and Anne M'Leod, and Captain Winterton, and old Murdoch, and his son? In some of them the feeling was that of satisfaction merely; but in others, in the Witch of Ben-Lair and Anne M'Leod, thoughts, painful and sad, brooded over the sensations of joy.

But we must pass it by. Captain Winterton had Donald Cameron secured in a room of the Castle until he should be ready to remove him to Inverness, and, then, in the name of his Sovereign, took possession of Droghdaire Castle and all that was within it. Then, when leisure came, mutual congratulations and explanations fell from all their lips; for many things had occurred which were involved in mystery to one or other of the party. It is needless to follow the course of the conversation—our end will be served by briefly summarising some of the points which may yet appear obscure to the reader.

And first, it is necessary to explain how Ned Gordon came to be alive and well, after it had been reported that he and his sister had fallen victims to the dirks of the myrmidons of Ian M'Kenzie and Donald Cameron. The truth is that M'Kenzie, who had set the two ruffians after the Lowlander and his sister, had made a grave mistake. He had mistaken the character, both of Ned Gordon and his own kinsmen. He had given Gordon credit for less penetration and shrewdness, and his kinsmen credit for more fidelity than either of them possessed. As the ruffians stated, it was not long before they met Gordon and his sister in Edinburgh; but Gordon, who fancied he saw something suspicious in their conduct, took care to keep a wary eye upon their movements, and, plying them with drink soon wormed their secret out of them and had his suspicions confirmed. By the aid of a friend he managed to get the would-be assassins put into safe keeping until he had effected the purpose for which he and Jeannie had visited the metropolis. They found Mr. Blackie, the minister who had wedded Ian M'Kenzie, under the assumed name of Ranald Murray, to Jeannie Gordon, and who at once stated that he had a perfectly distinct recollection of the marriage, and had the legal documents certifying the same in his possession. In order that the man might be identified, Gordon prevailed upon the aged man of God to undertake the journey to the far north, and he also left instructions with the friend who had assisted him that the ruffians who had come to assassinate him should be liberated after a day or two had passed, with injunctions given to them that they might safely report to Ian M'Kenzie that they had accomplished their mission. They wondered much that they should be so directed, but prudently acted upon the hint thrown out.

Being uncertain as to what might have transpired since he left M'Leod Castle, and having heard from Flora of the complicity of Mr. Fender, of Dingwall, with Cameron and Ian, Gordon, when he had reached Inverness, despatched a messenger to Dingwall for Fender. He however, concealed from Mr. Fender who it was that wished to see him, or upon what errand he was required. But when Fender had reached Inverness, and had met Gordon and Blackie, the latter, who had met him before, at once interrogated him as to his knowledge of the designs of Ian M'Kenzie and Donald Cameron, and sharply rebuked him for the part he had already played. Mr. Fender, of course, denied all complicity with the plotters, and pretended to have no knowledge that anything villainous or even clandestine was contemplated by these men. He satisfied Gordon, however, by stating that no marriage had taken place between M'Kenzie and Flora so far as he was aware.

Gordon wished to see Hector M'Leod and to assure him that he had now obtained full proof that it was not possible for Ian M'Kenzie to marry Flora Macgregor; and he wished to meet Ian M'Kenzie that he might put into effect the vows of vengeance which he had breathed against him.

BREAKFAST.—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 delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. —*Civil Service Gazette.* Made simply with boiling water or milk. Each packet is labelled—"James Epps & Co.," Homoeopathic Chemists, London.

The *Bothwell Review* says that the traffic on the Canada Southern Railroad is increasing, and the management talk of putting on a night express each way soon.

SPLendid CHANCE FOR INVESTMENT.
Residence for Sale.

That very desirable property situated on Paisley street, near the Western Station, consisting of White Brick two story dwelling house, with four bedrooms, front and back parlors, dining room and kitchen, with large soft water cistern, also two large dry cellars. The land comprises two-fifths of an acre, well stocked with fruit trees in full bearing. For terms, etc., apply to
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To be sold at reasonable prices.

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NEW SPRING GOODS

- Men's American Sporting Boots,
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A VERY LARGE ASSORTMENT.

Misses Wear—All styles in Goat, Kid and Prunella. Child's American Fancy Slippers and Shoes. We have also a large assortment of Boys' and Youths' Spring Wear.

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- 600 caddies of the best 75 cent Tea for 50c per lb.
- 95 caddies of nice Sweet Tea at 40c per lb.
- 120 caddies of Japan Tea worth 75c, for 50c.
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A very large stock of Groceries of all kinds always on hand Cheap.

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OUR SPRING STOCK

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We would inform our customers and the public in general that we never before offered such a complete and handsome assortment of goods for Gent's Wear.

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NEW SPRING GOODS

Men's English and American style of

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All orders addressed to Everton P.O., O. will be promptly attended to.

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We are now showing a large variety of New Spring Goods, which includes some of

THE FINEST GOODS

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IMPORTERS,

Wholesale and Retail Grocers, etc.

New Fruits, Teas, Coffees

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- New Table Raisins,
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TEAS! TEAS.

- Choice Gunpowder Tea at 50 cents per lb.
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Reduction to parties taking a box. Also, our own importations of genuine Brandy, Wines, Scotch and Irish Whiskies wholesale and retail.

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Is now receiving a large and beautiful assortment

Goods Suitable for the

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Plain and Fancy Woolens in Newest Patterns.

Hats, Caps, Shirts, Collars

In great variety. Guelph, March 21, 1873.

Accident to the Atlantic Cable
The State Currency Bill to Pass
Presentation to Capt. Thomas

London, April 14.—During a terrific hurricane yesterday, the south-west coast of Ireland, the 1866 Atlantic cable ceased working. The fault is not yet precisely located, but it is reported to be about twenty-five miles from Valentia, and, consequently, in shallow water. As there are still two cables in good working order, messages will not be delayed to any appreciable extent. The land line between Valentia and London was interrupted for a short time in consequence of a severe storm.

New York, April 15.—The Tribune's Washington despatch says there is every prospect that the President will sign the Senate Currency Bill.

A Boston despatch says the general feeling last night was that Adams might be elected Senator to-day. Another despatch says the Democrats are thinking more seriously of giving over to him than at any other time.

The formal protest of Capt. Lemario, of the steamer Europe, filed by him yesterday, is the same as the one printed yesterday.

A magnificent chronometer watch and chain have been presented by the rescued passengers of the steamer Europe to Capt. Thomas, of the steamer Greece.

Mr. C. H. Klotz, son of Otto Klotz, Prosten, died on Monday. Deceased was widely known in Preston and was greatly esteemed by all.

INFORMATION WANTED.—An old farmer in the township of Peel wishes to ascertain what is the best time to sow salt on spring crops. Not being a practical farmer, we are not in a position to answer the question, but we have no doubt that the desired information can be furnished by Professor McCandless, and we will give him the use of our columns for the purpose.

THEAT IN STORM.—Rev. Charles Kingsley, now on a Canadian tour, is advertised to deliver his celebrated lecture on Westminster Abbey in the Mechanics' Hall, Hamilton, on Thursday evening, 23rd inst. Though the Rev. gentleman is not exactly a "Cannon" as the bill has it, everyone knows he is a "big gun," and his arrival so near us will no doubt be noised abroad.

MANUFACTURE OF COCOA.—We will now give an account of the process adopted by Messrs. James Epps & Co., manufacturers of dietetic articles, at their works in the Euston Road, London.—See article in Cassell's Household Guide.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.
GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.
Trains leave Guelph as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Time and Destination. Includes routes to Toronto, Hamilton, and London.

FACTS FOR ADVERTISERS.
In this, as in everything else, the best papers will command the best prices. It is cheaper to pay 6s. for inserting your advertisements in a journal having a circulation of 5,000, than to pay 2s. for one that has only a circulation of 1,000.

Commercial.
Guelph Markets.

Table listing market prices for various goods like flour, wheat, and butter in Guelph.

Toronto Markets.
Toronto April 14.

Table listing market prices for various goods in Toronto.

Hamilton Markets.
Hamilton April 13.

Table listing market prices for various goods in Hamilton.

Special Notices.
AS NUMEROUS CASES OF POISONING

Have occurred from the sale to the public of Hypophosphites, containing strychnine, without being properly labelled, purchasers of Dr. Wheeler's Compound Extract of Phosphates and Calissaya are requested not to buy any more of the same medicinal properties, as they are necessary elements of the system, and are the natural constituents of every solid and fluid of the human body.

MOND WORTH SEEING!
Save Your Eyes,
RESTORE YOUR SIGHT,
Throw Away Your Spectacles.

By reading our Illustrated Physiological and Ophthalmic Treatise, you will learn how to restore impaired vision, and how to cure Weak, Watery, Inflamed, and Near-Sighted Eyes, and all other Diseases of the Eye.

THE GREAT FEMALE REMEDY.
Job Moses Periodical Pills

This invaluable medicine is unfailing in the cure of all those painful and dangerous diseases to which the female constitution is subject. It moderates all excess and removes all obstructions, and a speedy cure may be relied on.

FANCY GOODS AND BOOKS.
Stationery and School Books,
Wall Paper, very cheap,
also,
Window Blinds.

AGENT FOR THE WEEKLY MERCURY AND ADVERTISER, Sunday School Times and World.

NOTICE
To Carriage Makers.

The proprietors of the GUELPH WHEEL WORKS are pleased to inform their customers and trade generally that, owing to the increase of business they have been compelled to move their works to the large and commodious shops lately known as the Agricultural Works of Thain, Elliott & Co., and with their increased facilities they can do a very large trade in the manufacture of

Carriage and Buggy Wood Works

BLACKSMITHS
We can supply them with the best and finest quality of iron.

WARNOCK SPRINGS
(the best springs manufactured) already fitted to the gear (at no extra charge).

VALUABLE FARM, HOTEL, AND OTHER PROPERTY
For Sale by Private Bargain.

The Lang Homestead, 110 acres, situated on Lots 21 and 22, 16th concession, Erin, east front, 20 acres on 21 and 22 on 24, 80 acres cleared in whole or separately to suit buyers.

MORTGAGE SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM in the Township of Nichol, in the County of Wellington.

YORKSHIRE CATTLE FEEDER.

FATTENERS HORSES, Cows, Calves, Sheep and Pigs, in one-fourth the usual time.

Ticks on Sheep.

DURHAM BULLS AND HEIFERS FOR SALE.

USE MILLER'S TICK DESTROYER.

BERLIN WOOLS IN ALL SHADES

ALL OF WHICH WILL BE SOLD AT AND BELOW COST. Orders received for Hair Jewellery.

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1874
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Composed of the following, and other first-class Iron Steamships:
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From London
For QUEBEC and MONTREAL
On Wednesday, 15th April, to be followed at intervals of ten days during the season, and from

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REMEMBER THAT
Myrtle Navy Tobacco

ONLY COSTS YOU THE SAME AS THE SMALL PLUGS

Much Superior Article.
Hamilton, March 16 1874

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Cork-st., Guelph.

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ACTON.

RAYMOND'S
SEWING MACHINES

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