

#### VOL. VII. NO. 111

### GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 12, 1873.

A Letter to the Working Men.

To the Wattor of The Mercury. DEAB SIB, — With your permission I de

re to make an explanation in regard to

evulsion in the mercantile prosperity of

the United States. Strong houses and

millionaires were failing by the dozen

ploying thousands of employees, were

Hundreds of thousands of mechanics,

who had hitherto earned a good wage were out of employment. This crisis had

an effect on our Canadian trade, which

or a period of over twelve months, had

been marked by almost unparalleled strinency, so far as the money market was

corned. Failures were occurring

oanks refusing discounts ; collections be

going to do. A rumour had obtained currency that

a certain sewing machine factory in Hamilton was going to discharge one hun

very day. Large establi

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the undersigned, have entered interesting for the practice of the Medica sion under the style and firm on ag & MODonald. 

REMOVAL OF SUBGERY.

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UNBAR, MERRITT & BISCOE Barristors and Attorneys at biotorsis Chancesy etc. Office-Over Haver's Drug Store. A DUNBAR. W.K. MCRBITT. F. BIS Guelph, Oct. 7, 1873

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Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Sol'citors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontaric,

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b shire Boar owned by the subscrit will serve sows this sesson. Terms +1 cass oredit \$1.50. ALLAN SIMPSON Guelph, Dec. 3, 1873. 2wdwtf Blacksmi

Gueph, Dec. 3, 1978. Wordwit Biacksmith NOTE LOST-Lost or mialaid, a note for nother diversity of the second second for unother, dated dot, styl, 1978, and pays-ble March 6th, 1978. The finder on returning nor regoting to negotiate will be prosecuted. Den Cofficient, and any one trying to negotiate will be prosecuted. Den 11, 1878. wild Guelph Township.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1865, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO. In the matter of HENBY METCALF, Guiph, Saddler, an Insolvent.

The incolvent has made an assignment his Estate to me, and the Creditors are n tified to meet at his store in Gausph, Wednesday, the Sist day of Décimber, 10 bolock, a.m., to receive statements his afters, and to appoint an Assignee. WILLIAM J. PATERSON, Interim Assignee.

Dated at Guelph, this 11th day of Dec., 1878. d2w

BANKBUPT STOCK

GENERAL STORE FOR SALE

BY TENDER

The undersigned will reseive tenders un-til Monday, 15th Dec. inst., for the stock of a general stores in Holits, amounting to about \$5,60, sis of much ser dolkr as that we set available in the stock comprises a good as-hoces, and hardware, and together with the inventary may be seen on application to Mr George K. McLeod at the village of Hollin. The undersigned dees not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender. JOHN FAIR, Assignee, Montreal, Dee. 2, 1673. Montreal, Dee A.

A UCTION SALE OF A Desirable Town Residence.

On Saturday, the 13th instant, at th Market House, Gueipi, at the hour of L Delock, noon, W.S. Kowies, Est, wil dier for company's furyers, in the Town of Gueiph. There is a substantial stone col-tage on the property with stable, out-shouse pump, soft water cistern, &c. &c. Terms of sale made known on application to MacMILLAN & OYONNON, Solicitors, &c.,

Dec. 10, '73-dtd.

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NEW GOODS ECOOL F JNO. A. WOOD'S low-workmen, and to my the effect that I, as a me

5 boxes Lemons,

5 kegs Grapes, 100 hoxes New Figs. 100 dozen Carling's Ale,

100 dozen Sleeman's Ale. 100 dozen Bass', 100 dozen Tenantii,

100 dozen Young's, 100 dozen Ghinness' Porter, 100 dozen Bloods', 1 case Beal Scotch Ling,

2 cases Keillor's Marmalade, 100 Prime Stilton Cheese

AT JNO. A. WOOD'S

Gueloh Evening Mercury FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 12, 1873 **Town and County News** 

MR. GEO. JEFFREY announces a clear

ng sale in his advertisement to-day. A Boy named Richard Harness, in the

employ of Archer Farrow, Esq., of Eramosa, has had his arm severely hurt by s Owing to some hitch, the posisiones did not receive their usual copies of the did not receive their usual copies of the Globe this morning. The usual copies were to hand through the Post office. LADES, if you want furst class Bread and Pastry for Charistinas try Erb's cele-

brated Fall Wheat Flour, sold by Robertson Bros., at Red Mill Flour and Feed Store. THE flood washed away a large culvert

n the 7th con. of Garafraxa, near Mr. Dyce's, and Mr. Snow's horse got inte it. It was several hours before the animal was got out. Reeve Gibson has had the culvert repaired.

THE Harriston Tribune contains a long report of the recent complimentary sup-per to Mr. James Stirton at Clifford, from which we see that the affair was a most successful one, and that there were about sixty gentlemen present.

with its last Cousty Council, report. The Credit Valley 'Railway' discussion was taken from our columns, and the preed-ing business from our Tory contempor-ary, to whom the whole is credited.

taken from our columns, and the preced-ing business from our Tory contempor-ary, to whom the whole is credited. The workingmen on the W. G. & B. Bailway under the foremanabip of Mr. James Skea, recently gave him and his family a preasant and agreeable surprise in their new heuses at Palmerston. Mr. Skea was presented with a beautiful gold Albert chain, and Mrs. Skea with a gold signet ring.

fraxa, Tuesday Dec. 23; and Fergus Y. M. C. A. soirce, 7 p.m. next Thursday.

FERGUSSCHOOLS. Mr. Grayhas resigned his position as teacher in the Fergus Schools, and is going to St. Marys, where he is to receive only \$40 more than he was getting at Fergus. Mrs. Bryce has been promoted to Mr.Gray's department, and her salary increased from \$260 to

A BRUNDER. We object to the Har-riston Triburs elipping a column and a half from THE MERCERY and crediting it to the Hard. This is what it does with its last County Council report. The Credit Valley Railway discussion was taken from our columns, and the preced-ing business from our Tory contempor-

signet ring. Social.—Several tea.-meetings, etc., are coming off "up north." Amongst these are one in the Fergus. Wesleyan Church, Christmas Day; in South Luther Presbyterian Church, Christmas Day; Sabbath-Schoel, S. S. No. 3, West Gara-tean of thought of that, but this much I ton is at a reduced rate." I shall now leave the matter in the other the conversation as I have repeated it was correct, and the public to judge it my action was anything but candid and devised for the best interests of all par-tice conversed. ties conce

es concerned. Yours respectfully, J. C. McLAGAN. Guelph, Dec. 12, 1873.

The above as rolating to the conversa-tion between Mr. McLagan and myself is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Guelph, Dec. 12, 1873.

BY TELEGRAPH. Our Municipal Elections. Increase of U. S. Debt.

Horrible Outrage.

a ramour that prevails to a certain, New York, Dec. 12,-A Washington tent in town, especially amongst my fel despatch says :-- The increase of the public debt this month will be fully as mber of the which. I am connected, had large as last, in view of the continued ure of the revenues to meet the exwaited on Mr. Raymond and his manspenditures of the Government. Secreary Richardson is anxious to have some the propriety of united action in reducing our employees' wages. As I wish lair play and a hearing before being conadditional taxes authorized by Congress before the holiday recess. A re-enact-ment of the duty on tes and coffee is urged, to take effect immediately. The Secretary also favors an increase of taxes on whiskey and tobacco. downed, you will pardon me for giving the whole facts connected with the case. Your readers are fully aware that two months ago there was a complete

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 12.—A horrible story of an outrage has been made public in the town of Warren, twelve miles from Detroit. A year and a half ago one Charles Lewis Alton was employed to teach in a Roman Catholic school at Warren, also to act as sexton of the During this period Alton outchurch. church. During this period Alton out-raged the person of no less than 18 school girls, none of whom were over 14 years of age. It appears the erimes were all committed in the church which adjoins the school house, and that the fixed suc-ceeded in terrifying his vistims into silence for over a year. The meighbour-hood is settled by Dutch generally, un-educated, and the children were all of that nationality. Alton has escaped. coming almost impossible, and the air full of rumours as to what So-and-so was

unanimously. Speeches in favor of Mr. McLagan were made by Mr. George Skinner, Mt. Rogers and others, and a vote of thanks to the chairmau concluded the proceed-ings. County Court and Quarter Sessions. Wednesday, Dec. 10.

Chozina vs. Saira. - Action for the value of the farmiure of a targen, which plaintiff alleged he had sold to defendant. The defendant denied the claim. A

Chozina w. Shirk. - Action for the value of the furniture of stayen, which he is known to be under the plaintiff. The Judge directed a vertice for plaintiff. The Judge directed a vertice for the stay was indicted for forcible entry and have may be will sign the prosecution in an action of sjectment, and that the Howard to the interruption, and pointed out that the meeting was similed by a noise, roward was invided by a noise protection of the calcing with a star seemble could be shaled for the state was a "directed to forcible entry and his may tond organ. Accordingly, at a second state is the sheard of the state with an assemble of our the second the protect of the defendant was indicted for forcible entry the defendant in possession under a writ of a coution in an action of sjectment, and that the force used was rendered in the force used was rendered to faceution, Mr. Guthrie for the gainst the sheard of a promissory note for \$150, and in the redouble be sheard of the three senting was called for the state meeting was called for the seade was that the note had been paid of a promissory note for \$150, and in the three favorable for the size as a genet of the has and the the note for a monissory note for \$150, and in the three favorable for the size with an escended to manufacture some of the three gentlemen named. Mr. Fabey, however, annihilated Mr. Howard by an oir and by way of illustrating this, he proceeded to manufacture some of the three favorable for the size word on behalf of Mr. Chadwick the the emarked by a noiry and by an oir and for the size word on behalf of Mr. Chadwick the three favorable for the size word on the first of the size word word the little farce to go on and Mr. Fahey to air his eloquence for a which. He remarked that certain Grita with the care for a more such as the remarked that certain Grita with the fore the size the size the size of the size word was there are and the fore the size the si

terest at ten per cent per annum. The defence was that the note had been paid.
 to Mr. George Palmer, as agent of the plaintiff. The plaintiff denied Mr. Palmer had always kept the note in her own possession. She stated that Mr. Palmer had paid her the note in her own possession. She stated that Mr. Palmer had paid her part of the interest on the note, but none of the prineipal. The Jury brought in a grant of the interest on the note, but none of the prineipal. The Jury brought in a verdict for the defendants.
 Mr. Guthrie for defendants.
 Mr. Guthrie for defendants.
 Mercrants Bank vs. HEFFERNAN.—Action on promissory note. The defence this own personal beauty and econcluded with a grant burst of gain memostrated, and ultimately "the reporter" and his filbustering tail with-free into stores. It was admitted these had not been paid. Verdict for plaintiff, and Wr. Guthrie, instructed by Mr. Osler, of Fargus, for defence.
 WORTLEY VS. MCINTOSH.—Action for Salave de sen hote for \$200, murd inter

WORTLEY VS. MCINTOSH. - Action for WORTLEY VS. MOINTOSH.—Action for balance due as note for \$206, multi inter-est at 12 per cent, made by an agent of defendant. Mr. Guthrie, for defendant's itiled to 6 per cent, as defendant's agent had no anthority to agree to pay 12 per cent. Verdict for plaintiff for \$124.35, being balance of note and interest at 6 upon— The 'Attorney-General' said the first

fortable for Riel. At the sitting on

## PRICE TWO CENTS

The Ward Meetings.

might, for the purpose of organization, by those favorable to the election of Mr

How a morable to the electron of all. Howard as Reeve and Messrs. MeLagan and Raymend as Deputy Reeves. The appointed places were the Court House Hotel, for the Nerth Ward ; Royal Hotel, for the East; Ellis's Hotel, for the West;

and the Red Lion, for the South. The

voters' lists were gone through and ar-

THE WEST WARD. The meeting at the West Ward was

the largest. Mr. Raymond was moved into the chair, and Mr. Spiers acted as

the meeting, reference was made to objections which had been taken against

Mr. McLagan by some of the rates against Mr. McLagan by some of the rates payers. My. McLagan was sent for, and proceeded to explain his conduct in relation to the matter. The substance of his remarks will be found in the letter which we pub-lish is senther column

Whith the foother column. Mr. Hogg addressed the meeting, and moved, seconded by Mr. G. A. Bruce, that Mr. McLagan's explanation be ac-cepted by the meeting as entirely satis-factory. The motion wasput and carried measimenuly.

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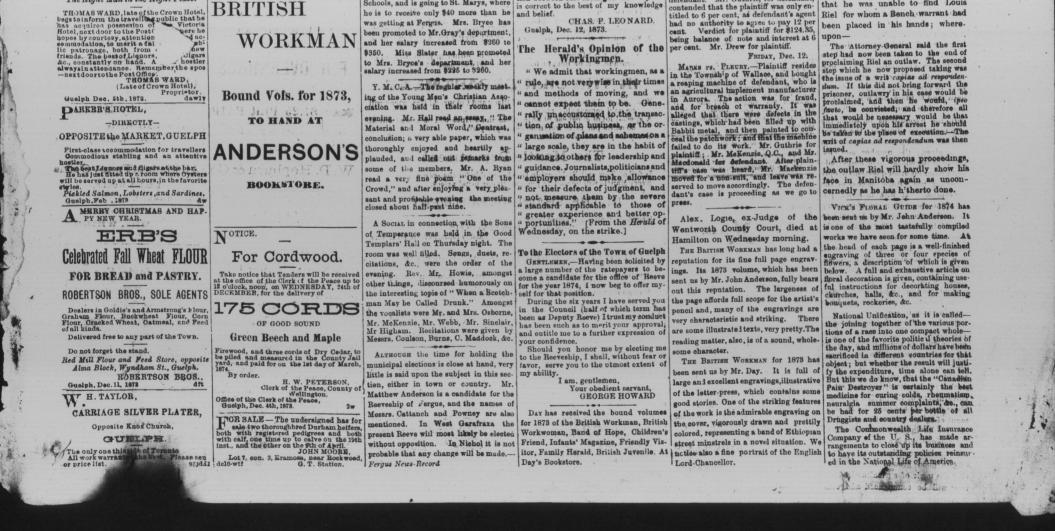
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Secretary pro tem

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Ward meetings were held on Thursday



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The Contest Deepening.

The Herald is getting frantic over the bright prospects of Messrs Howard, Raymond and MoLagan. Unthey are succeeding so well in their anvass, and getting the promise of eaves, thid getting the promise of support from so many intelligent and independent electors, it vents its fury on these, gentlemen individually, and endeavours to throw riticule on their life-long convictions. Of arguments there is none. Of objections to their candidative we eshare find one which is at all transhe; but in their piace we find superabundance of bombast, a weak attempt at burlesque, and an implied admission that the *Herald's* case and the *Herald's* candidate is in a very baid plight. If 'our contem-porary adhered to the truth in these weak attempts at a little fun, we should say nothing, but allow it to indulge in its pastime as long as it itked. But when it makes such wild assertions as we daily see in its col-umns, we must administer a whole-icome check, and brand its statements as untrue.

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#### The Provincial Farm.

The action of the Untario Government in appointing an Honorary



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12 dozen Light Kid Gloves, evening shades.

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MEN'S

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A French Camlet Dress for \$1.50, worth \$2 25.
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ment in appointing an Honorary Commission in reference to the Agricultural College and Model Farm is a wise and judicious one. In mat-ters of this kind, it is essential to commence operations with a well understood basis of operations—to have all preliminary colwebs cleared away, and to know just what is to be done. The Commission will deal with the "conditions on which the pupils shall be admitted; the extent pupils shall be admitted; the extent of literary and scientifi literary and scientific instruction to be given; the number and chancer of the officials to be employed; and numerous other questions deeply affecting the future success of the enterprise." 'It' will, in short, put things in shape for a good beginning FOR -which some wise man has told us is half the battle. The names of the gentlemen on the commission are surance enough that their work will be well and efficiently done We hope they will be organized at once, so that their report may be laid before the Legislature in good time, and enable everything to be in working trim by spring. The time of appointing the commission is an especially opportune one, in view of the unfortunate de

Lys and vexatious difficulties of the past year, which have prevented matters at the college from being dealt with satisfactorily either to the Government or the public. Now that these troubles are past, the appoint ment of such a body will tend to give the public increased confidence in the College. It is a guarantee that the Government is in earnest, and affords good ground for believing that the work of agricultural educe tion will be commenced and con-

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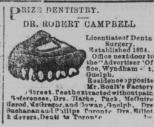
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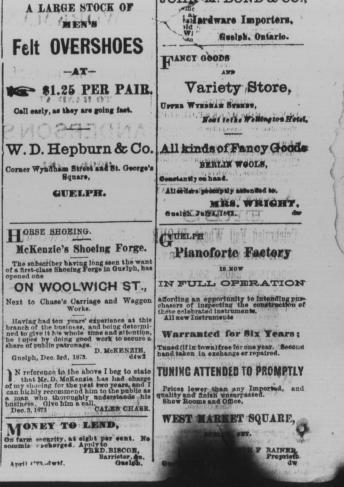
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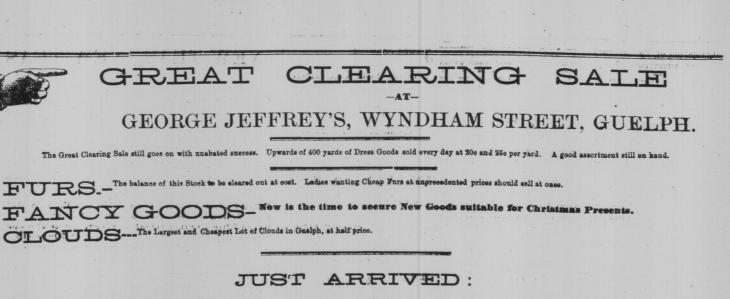
The Rival Clansmen A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XI.

dame." "No, no; Ned, save me !" exclaimed Flora, recoiling from him. And almost as soon as she had spoken, Ned Gordon's form interposed between them, and, gazing sternly at Cameron, he said

said— "' Juist dinna ye repeat that trick, my man. Ye'll no get leave tae shove about the auld wife that wye as lang as am as-ide her; an 'as for the young miss, she may be whan sic fikes; but she'll gang the deevil a stap wi' you afore ye kou better what wye tao use her when ye hae her."

International of Gordon was so decided, and Cameron was in eirannisances so peculiar, this he knew not how to act; and while he stood, and hesitated the old woman again advanced towards him, and, raising her staff, exclaimed, in her elser, abilitation of the staff, exclaimed, in her elser.



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