

The Quebec and Ontario Railway.

The large and influential meeting held at the Court House on Tuesday night, to hear explanations from Mr. Fowler in reference to the construction of the Quebec and Ontario Railway, is the best possible evidence of the deep interest which the business men of Guelph take in the scheme.

In these days of almost incessant railway agitation—some of it of a very visionary description—it is worth something to have an enterprise of this kind brought forward, not only large in its dimensions, but thoroughly practical in its character, and involving as it does the development of trade through a large portion of the Province hitherto almost entirely neglected.

We need not go over the ground covered by Mr. Fowler's speech, a report of which appears in another column; but for the better understanding of the scheme, we will briefly sketch the proposed route. The line of the Ontario and Quebec Railway proper is to start from Ottawa, but in reality, it is merely a continuation of the Northern Colonization Railway, which is now under construction from Montreal to Ottawa;

This again connects with the North Shore Railway, now being built between Montreal and Quebec. These two roads have been heavily subsidised by the Quebec Government, and by the cities of Montreal and Quebec, and their early completion is now placed beyond all doubt.

There will therefore be a continuous line of railway from the two great commercial cities on the St. Lawrence to the capital of the Dominion, the chief commercial city on the Ottawa River. The Quebec and Ontario Railway, starting from Ottawa, will run on the track of what is at present known as the Canada Central, part of which is finished and trains are running on it from Ottawa city to Carleton Place.

From Carleton Place it pursues its way westward through the new Township of Nepean, Goulbourn, Beckwith, Dalhousie, Oss, Kalada, Elzevir, &c., and through the rear parts of Madoc, Marmora, Asphodel, Douyo, &c., till it reaches the town of Peterboro.

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CLOCKS IN EVERY VARIETY JOBBER DONE AS BEFORE. Gold and Silver Plating done on the premises. R. CRAWFORD, dw Guelph, Dec. 20th, 1873.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS. Just Received, a large and carefully selected stock of Christmas and New Year's Presents, suitable For the Young Folks

BERLIN WOOLS And all kinds of Fancy Goods in stock as usual. All orders promptly attended to. MRS. WRIGHT, UPPER WYNDHAM STREET, Next to the Wellington Hotel, Guelph, Dec. 20th, 1873.

Y. M. C. A. The Bazaar for the Building Fund of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in the Town Hall, Tuesday and Wednesday the 23rd and 24th inst., Opening on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. All kinds of refreshments will be provided.

Admission in the evening, when good music will be provided, 5c; Children 3 cents; during the day free to all. Friends sending donations for the refreshments to the hall will please send to the Town Hall on Monday or Tuesday. MRS. HIGGINBOTHAM, Secretary and Treasurer, dw Guelph, Dec. 16th, 1873.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1865, AND AMENDMENTS THEREON. In the matter of HENRY METCALF, of Guelph, Saddler, an Insolvent. The Insolvent has made an assignment of his Estate to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at his store in Guelph, on Wednesday, the 31st day of December, at 10 o'clock, a.m., to receive notice of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignee. WILLIAM J. PATERSON, Assignee. Date at Guelph, this 11th day of Dec., 1873. dw

STIRRING TIMES - AT - THE FASHIONABLE WEST END

Splendid Success of our Grand Clearing Sale of Dress Goods! Over 1100 yards of PLAIN AND FANCY DRESS GOODS sold during the past two days.

Our Grand Clearing Sale of Dress Goods which commenced on Tuesday last, the 9th inst., is attracting an immense number of customers to the Fashionable West End, and goods are going off rapidly. Ladies will please remember that all the Dress Goods which we are now offering at reduced prices are of the very newest and best description imported to Canada, while our popular prices, viz: 15, 20 and 25c per yard, must give the most complete satisfaction to every customer.

- OPENING TO-DAY 10 pieces White Tarlatan. 25 pieces Swiss Book Muslin. 20 pieces Real Lace, in black and white. 12 dozen Light Kid Gloves, evening shades. Another Lot of Clear White Clouds, Come, Ladies, direct to the Fashionable West End.

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

Yes, 'Twas a Spell.—There is an individual in this office who has the proud privilege of sending off the Daily Mercury to our exchanges. He found the task a little monotonous the other day, and varied it by giving rein to his luxuriant imagination whilst writing the name of the Brantford Expositor. That lively sheet thereupon moralises as follows:—

"INSULTS.—The Guelph Mercury comes to hand, directed to the 'Eggspositor.' Now that's enough. We are ready to admit that we are not just what we should be. We lie sometimes and steal a good deal, and perhaps now and then set a bad example, but what have we done to deserve such an attack as that? We say emphatically, it is not true."

The Collingwood Bulletin expresses an editorial opinion that canvassing electors for votes is a mean thing, although it has to be done as things are now, and wishes there was a law against it.

The little Evening Recorder, of Brockville, has enlarged already, from sixteen to twenty columns, and though its only a few weeks since it began publication.

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New Advertisements.

Call and See the Immense Variety of Holiday Presents at Anderson's Bookstore before buying elsewhere. CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AT ANDERSON'S BOOKSTORE. 1873 1874. Includes: Ladies' Work Boxes, Writing Desks, Ladies' Companions, Card Cases, Jewel Boxes, Building Blocks, Boxes of Cubes, Noah's Arks, Tin Toys, Dolls, Toy Books.



THE GOLDEN LION GIVING UP BUSINESS! DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP. Mr. Chance Retiring on account of ill health. The whole of the Valuable Stock of THE GOLDEN LION TO BE SOLD. This Great Sale of Over Ninety Thousand Dollars worth of Dry Goods Begins on Saturday first, the 13th of December.

And will continue from day to day until the whole is sold. To economise time during the great rush for Bargains, and to facilitate sales as well as show the buyer the great reduction made in prices, ALL GOODS HAVE BEEN MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES, From which there is to be no abatement. CHANCE & WILLIAMSON. Guelph, Dec. 16, 1873. dw

GUELPH TEA DEPOT ARRIVING TO-DAY AT E. O'DONNELL & Co's. 500 barrels Salt at \$1.20 per barrel; 2 car loads of Lake Herrings; 1 car load of White Fish and Trout; 500 barrels of first-class Labrador Herrings; A large quantity of Ingersoll Cheese; 600 caddies of the best dollar Tea put up in 5lb tins For 80 cents pr lb.

Also, a general assortment of Black and Japan TEAS, to be sold wholesale and retail CHEAP FOR CASH. E. O'DONNELL & Co. GUELPH, Nov. 18, 1873.

LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public. Offices—Brownlie's New Buildings, near the Registry Office.

W. H. TAYLOR, CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER, Opposite Knox Church, GUELPH. The only one this side of Toronto All work warranted the best. Please see our price list.

GOODS FOR Christmas Presents AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Ladies' Work Boxes, Writing Desks, Ladies' Companions, Card Cases, Jewel Boxes, Building Blocks, Boxes of Cubes, Noah's Arks, Tin Toys, Dolls, Toy Books.

Bibles, Prayer Books, Church Services, JUVENILE BOOKS, Toy Books printed on linen.

2000 CHOICE BOOKS JUST OPENED FOR HALF PRICE. A splendid New Dollar Book for 50 cents.

Day's Stock is the largest ever shown in Guelph. Before buying see the Stock and Prices at Day's Bookstore.

CHRISTMAS ALE SLEEMAN'S CELEBRATED ALE IN PRIME CONDITION, SPECIAL BREWING, Quarters and Half Barrels.

HUGH WALKER, Agent for Guelph.

CHURCH SOIREE. A Soiree in connection with the First Congregation, Canada Presbyterian Church (Rev. Mr. Torrance's), will be held in the Town Hall on

TUESDAY EVENING, 30th DEC. The following speakers are engaged to deliver addresses:— Rev. W. COCHRANE, A.M., Brantford, on "Mantolok." Rev. J. F. DICKEY, of Berlin, on "Reminiscences of the Franco Prussian War."

An excellent choir will be present. Tea at 8.00. Speaking to commence about 7.30. Tickets 25 cents each. To be had at the following stores—Messrs. Day's, Anderson's, Hoyle's, and Savage's.

The Sabbath-school Children's Soiree will be held in the same place on the following evening. Friends are cordially invited. A collection will be taken up to defray expenses. W. D. HEPBURN, Secretary. Guelph, Dec. 17, 73-252d. dw

CORDWOOD. Orders will be received until the 23rd inst., for churning about 400 cords of Cedar Firewood; also, Posts, Rails, etc., at the Works, to be hauled out and piled on dry land. Full particulars can be had at my office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. DAVID ALLAN, Guelph Dec. 15, 1873. dw

ALL READY FOR THE COLD WEATHER

In every Department AN Immense Stock OF NEW GOODS AT WILLIAM STEWART'S, Who is now offering some of The Cheapest Lines of Goods ever Offered in this Town.

A fair comparison asked with any House as he feels satisfied that the Goods and prices will well repay the purchaser, as from

10 to 15 Cents can be Saved On every dollar's worth of Goods bought, as all were bought in the Cheapest Markets, and will be sold at the very lowest prices.

DRESS GOODS A SPECIALTY. New Flannels, all qualities; 2500 yards Union Shirting Flannels at 25c, worth 35c. 475 Ladies Beaver and Cloth Jackets cheap.

In the Cloth Department THE NEWEST Coatings, Trouserings, and Vestings and made up to order in the most fashionable styles.

WM. STEWART. Guelph, Oct. 14, 1873.

1873 1874 Grand Arrival. Santa Claus has Arrived WITH AN IMMENSE CARGO OF Toys, Xmas Presents, and New Year's Gifts (HEAD QUARTERS AS USUAL)

AT J. HUNTER'S Wholesale and Retail. CALL AND SEE

The Largest Stock, The Greatest Variety, The Best and the Cheapest Goods for the Season Ever exhibited in Guelph

AT J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods and Toy Store Wyndham Street Guelph.

SEASONABLE GOODS. Ivory Handled Knives, AT BOND'S. Bone " " " " AT BOND'S. Superior Carvers, AT BOND'S. Electro-Plated Forks, AT BOND'S. " " Spoons, AT BOND'S. " " Butter Knives, AT BOND'S. " " Pickle Forks, AT BOND'S. " " Cake Baskets, AT BOND'S. " " Salt Stands, AT BOND'S. " " Butter Coolers, AT BOND'S. " " Cruets, AT BOND'S. Britian Metal Tea Pots, AT BOND'S. Japanese Tea Trays, AT BOND'S. Plated Call Bells, AT BOND'S. Fine Irons in Sets, AT BOND'S. Wash Covers, AT BOND'S. Table Mats, AT BOND'S. Best Steels, AT BOND'S. Superior Scissors, AT BOND'S. " Pocket and Pen Knives, AT BOND'S.

A well selected and choice stock of articles suitable for Xmas To be had at Bond's.

THOS. WORSWICK MANUFACTURER OF MACHINERY AND TOOLS Complete, with all the latest attachments. STEAM ENGINES Of a superior quality, available cut off. Also cheap Portable Steam Engines, the smaller sizes being designed for Printing Offices, and requiring small power. Jobbing done with Careful

WORSWICK, Guelph, Ont. dw

MACKENZIE HAS COME, HURRAH! HURRAH!

Alas!—THE CAMPBELLS ARE COMING. The Government's hummel an' a, an' a, The Tories oot runnel an' a, an' a, The Government hummel, the Tories oot a, Whilk gars them look hummel an' a, an' a, Mackenzie is coming, Macdonald's awa, For union an' progress hurrah! hurrah!

When Johnnie, an' Geordie, an' Hughie, an' Tam, Celegget thegither, an' made up a plan For gullin' the people oot o' the' anshaw, The gullin' gullies I think they'll do, Mackenzie is coming, hurrah! hurrah! Macdonald is running awa, awa, Mackenzie is coming, Macdonald's awa, Wi' Tupper, oot-fishing an' a, an' a.

For gidsake man Hughie unlock the big kist, An' forty-five thousand count into my fist, Or else our elections are no worth a straw, An' the Pacific contract will gae the wa', Mackenzie is coming, hurrah! hurrah! Macdonald is running awa, awa, Mackenzie is coming, Macdonald's awa, For another ten thousand, hurrah! hurrah!

Ye've given the Yankees oot sa'ries awa, Ye might as well gie them oot pine forests a', The cut an' o'ull while a' tree they could fa', Did ye ever hear the like o' John A. John A? Mackenzie is coming, hurrah! hurrah! Macdonald is running awa, awa, Corruption an' bribery have gotten a fa', An' a buried by Blake an' Mackenzie for a'.

Ye've opened the River St. Lawrence for all, Wi' free navigation through every canal, For leave the catch fish whaur there's nae fish at a', Ce' ye shud diplomacy, John A. John A? Mackenzie is coming, hurrah! hurrah! Macdonald is running awa, awa, An' honest Reformers are crying hurra, For Blake and Mackenzie, hurrah! hurrah!

The Rival Clansmen A Scottish Vendetta.

"When I reached the summit of the shoulder I found that I had lost distance in climbing, for the Caterans were now a considerable way in advance, and could be but dimly seen moving like spectres along by the side of the ridge where the mountain runs up to its sheer height.

"But, breathless and panting as I was, I darted forward. Here a loud rushing noise was made by the mountain streams leaping and bubbling downwards over the rocks, and there was less fear of being detected. Sheltering myself for a brief moment behind each boulder and jutting crag to fix my route to the next, I rapidly gained upon them. But when they had got to the far end of the corrie the men in advance halted and waited on Ian and your son to come up.

"When Ian had joined them a consultation took place which was heard by neither myself nor Hector, for he was removed to some distance in charge of two of the Caterans until the consultation was finished.

"By this time I was convinced that I knew their destination—the cave. For it was just beside the concealed entrance to it that the group with Ian in their midst was standing. And in my suspicion I was soon proved to be right. A signal was given to those in charge of Hector to come forward, and then advanced to the entrance, where Ian gave a peculiar cry resembling the cry of an owl. This was answered, and I then became aware that a party of Caterans had been already stationed in the cave.

"In a few seconds every man of them had entered, and, treating as softly and cautiously as I could, I approached the entrance and listened, but I heard no more, and dreading to stay longer, I turned and descended the mountain by another way than that by which I had ascended, for I was afraid that I might have met others of the Caterans by taking the same path to return by."

"It was bravely done," said the Chief, gazing admiringly at the old woman. "Many men would not have ventured on a mission so fraught with danger."

"Ah, but M'Leod," she replied earnestly, "one will do much when there is a great interest at stake—much for the fulfilment of an object upon which their heart is bent."

"You speak truly." And, as the Chief replied, a tear dimmed his eye. "But," he continued, "I do not understand what your interest could have specially been in following the Caterans to their hiding-place."

"Ah! that ye may live to know yet, M'Leod; and marvel not though it may turn out to concern you or yours. I heard Ian M'Kenzie utter words to your son which told me it was time to act. Think not, M'Leod, that I have wandered about all these years without a mission. I have suffered much, borne much; but the one idea have I clutched with my whole strength, and the time has well nigh come when I must strike, and fearlessly. It takes a bold, fearless determination to meet the wiles of such men as Donald Cameron and Ian M'Kenzie."

The old man was silent for a second or two. Then he said— "The M'Kenzies have already caused me much suffering, and, if they appear, appear willing to cause me more. With Donald Cameron I have had stormy words long ago, but thought not that he was a man to keep alive enmity as he has done. But from me and my kinsmen, as well as from you, they need expect nothing but fearless, determined action. The M'Kenzies already have felt the weight of my arm, and Black Cameron may yet bring it down upon him. If I succeed in finding my son none the worse of his being in their hands to-night, I will retire without more action in regard to the matter; but if I find him not, then will my vengeance overtake all who may have had to do with his capture."

"M'Leod," said the old woman, looking up into the face of the Chief, after apparently musing upon something which concerned her much, "do you know aught of this niece of Cameron's with whom your son is in love, and whom Ian M'Kenzie seems so desirous to marry?"

"I know but little of her; my son has scarcely ever mentioned her name before me, unless perhaps during a banter with his aunt. Diffidence, I suppose, kept him from speaking of her to me."

"Do you know that she is a penniless girl, and said to be ill-begotten?"

"I have heard it. Hector has opened his heart freely to my sister, who communicated much of what he had said to me."

"And do you think he does no wrong in bringing as the lady of Castle M'Leod a girl who is a bastard and who cannot bring a merk to either her master—cannot point to the name of the family of her sire—who may have foal blood in her veins?"

GREAT CLEARING SALE -AT- GEORGE JEFFREY'S, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

The Great Clearing Sale still goes on with unabated success. Upwards of 400 yards of Dress Goods sold every day at 20c and 35c per yard. A good assortment still on hand.

FURS—The balance of this Stock to be cleared out at cost. Ladies wanting Cheap Furs at unprecedented prices should call at once. FANCY GOODS—Now is the time to secure New Goods suitable for Christmas Presents. CLOUDS—The Largest and Cheapest Lot of Clouds in Guelph, at half price. JUST ARRIVED: 50 doz. Collars and Ties of the latest styles, to be sold at 25c., usual price 75c. GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

DRY GOODS

READ THIS: It is No Humbug but Facts which can be Proved to the Satisfaction of Every One BY CALLING AT THE CASH STORE, Upper Wyndham Street. SPECIAL REDUCTIONS WILL BE MADE IN EVERY DEPARTMENT DURING DECEMBER As our Great Alterations must be Commenced early in January.

In the Winey Department, Wineys worth 11c per yard, we will sell for 9 cents; Wineys worth 12c " " for 10c; Wineys worth 15c " " for 12c; Wineys worth 20c " " for 15c; Wineys worth 25c " " for 20c.

Real Aberdeen Wineys worth 30c, 35c, 40 and 45c, we will sell for 23, 28, 33 and 37c.

In the Fancy Dress Department, Observe the following Low Lines: You can buy a Scotch Granite Mixture Dress of 12 yds for \$1.25, worth \$1.80. A French Camlet Dress for \$1.50, worth \$2.25. A Beautiful Colored Crape Maritry Dress for \$1.75, worth \$2.50. A Splendid English Camlet Dress (STRIPED) for \$2, well worth \$2.75. A Magnificent Brocade Lustre Dress, WITH STRIPES, for \$2.25, cheap at \$3.

IN THE SILK DEPARTMENT Will be found a large assortment of Black and Coloured Silks, which will be sold remarkably cheap. A special lot of Japanese Silks in plain and stripes will be cleared out at 50 cents per yard, worth \$1 per yard. Every lady should see them.

The Mantle Department Is full of New and Fashionable Goods suitable for the season. Every Mantle will be sold 25 per cent under usual prices.

IN THE SHAWL DEPARTMENT Over 650 Shawls to choose from. Wool Shawls from \$1.50 to \$12. Paisley Squares from \$6 to \$20.

The Clothing and Tailoring Departments Are under the management of experienced hands, and intending purchasers will find it to their advantage to give us a call before buying. A large stock of Readymade Clothing will be sold Cheap.

RICH CLAYTON Cash Store, Upper Wyndham-st.

JACKSON & HALLETT, IMPORTERS, Wholesale and Retail Grocers, etc. New Fruits, Teas, Coffees Etc., Crop 1873, comprising

New Table Raisins, New Valencia Raisins, New Currants, New Figs, Almonds, Nuts, etc. TEAS, TEAS. Choice Gunpowder Tea at 50 cents per lb. Choice Young Hyson Tea at 50 cents per lb. Superior Young Hyson Tea at 75 cents per lb. Finest Young Hyson Tea at 31 per lb. Choice Fresh Black Teas at 50 cents per lb. Finest Fresh Black Teas at 75 cents per lb. Selected Japan Teas at 75 cents per lb. Reduction to parties taking a box. Also, our own importations of genuine Brandy, Wines, Scotch and Irish Whiskies wholesale and retail. JACKSON & HALLETT, Upper Wyndham-street, Guelph.

POWELL'S BOOT SHOE STORE. Call and examine my new stock of LADIES', GENTS' & CHILDRENS' Boots and Shoes, Which for moderate prices, style and workmanship, cannot be surpassed in the town. Particular attention paid to Custom Work and Repairing. West side Wyndham Street, Guelph. Guelph, Nov. 4th, 1873.

Leaving Town—Bound for the West, the Great Northwest. \$15,000 worth of Dry Goods and Groceries to be disposed of in six weeks. MR. G. B. FRASER, Guelph, Nov. 4th, 1873.

C. E. PEIRCE & CO. Elephant Clothing Store. OVERCOATS In all Shades and Prices. Undercoats, Pants and Vests. Our Stock of Men's and Boys' Underwear excels anything yet seen. ALL STYLES IN HATS AND CAPS. Good Goods at Low Prices. Come and See Us. C. E. PEIRCE & CO., Hepburn's Old Stand, Wyndham-st., Guelph. Guelph, December 17, 1873.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. John A. McMillan, Insolvent. The whole of the Estate belonging to the Insolvent is now being sold at a Tremendous Sacrifice. BOOTS AND SHOES 20 per cent. less than cost. Intending purchasers will consult their own interests by giving us a call. NOTE THE PRICES: Men's Cowhide Boots - \$2 00 Women's Pebble Ball - 0 75 Boys' Cowhide Boots - 1 50 Women's Prunella Ball - 0 75 Country dealers treated liberally. WM. McLaren, Assignee. Guelph, Sept. 29, 1873.

Co-Operative Store. NEW GOODS THIS WEEK BLANKETS, BLANKETS! They are made of Fine White Wool, warranted with no cotton, and ONLY \$5 PER PAIR. Ladies Wool Mittens in all the plain colors, much warmer and less in price than gloves. Boys' Grey Wool Hose, Elastic Tops, in all the sizes. BASKETS, BASKETS, BASKETS. These were bought in Germany by a Dominion Emigration Agent, and will be offered by us retail at wholesale prices. J. C. MACKLIN & Co. GUELPH, Nov. 21, 1873.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL Fine Brown and Blue Beaver and Melton OVERCOATINGS MADE TO ORDER. Also on hand, Readymade HUDSON'S BAY OVERCOATS IN SEVERAL STYLES. SHAW & MURTON, MERCHANT TAILORS Wyndham St., Guelph. Guelph, Dec. 1, 1873.

BIRTHS
STREIBER—In Mount Forest, on the 12th inst., the wife of Mr. Joseph Sythes of a daughter.
MATTIARD—At Guelph, on the 15th inst., the wife of Mr. H. K. Matti, school of a daughter.
WOODWARD—In East Garafraxa, on the 23rd inst., the wife of Mr. Samuel Woolner of a son.
MILLER—In Garafraxa, on the 24th inst., the wife of Mr. Edward Miller, of a son.
DOUGLAS—In Guelph, on the 25th inst., the wife of Mr. Jeff. Dobbin of a son.
RANSON—In Garafraxa, on the 13th inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Ranson of a daughter.
ARMSTRONG—At Speedside, on the 16th inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Armstrong of a son.
MASON—In Ferris, on the 19th inst., the wife of Mr. Chas. Mason, constable, of a son.
SULLIVAN—In Ferris, on the 23rd inst., the wife of Mr. Daniel Sullivan, saw-miller, of a daughter.
TOUCHER—In Ferris, on the 19th inst., the wife of Mr. John Toucher, pump-maker, of a daughter.
WILSON—In Garafraxa, on the 11th inst., the wife of Mr. John Wilson of a daughter.
SMITH—At Speedside, on the 18th inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Smith of a son.

MARRIED
TAYLOR—MIDDLETON—At Nichol, on the 5th inst., by the Rev. J. Davidson, of Alma, Mr. Leonard Taylor, school teacher, to Miss Agnes, eldest daughter of Mr. James Middleton.
LINSY—MUIR—In Camlock, on the 9th inst., by the Rev. John Davidson, Mr. Walter Linsy to Miss Catharine Muir, both of Nichol.
SMITH—SMITH—In Rothway, on the 16th inst., by the Rev. D. Anderson, Mr. Jas. Smith, farmer, to Miss Elizabeth Ann Smith, of Harrison.
STEPHENS—DUNCAN—In Luther Village, on the 16th inst., by the Rev. George M. Namara, Mr. John Stephens, of Waldemar, to Miss Elizabeth Ann Osborn, of Luther Village.

DIED
MOORE—In Ferris, on the 17th inst., Richard Moore, shoemaker, aged 43 years.
BERRY—In Mayboro, near Rothway, on the 25th inst., of consumption, Mrs. J. Berry, aged 45 years.

FOR XMAS.
Electro plated Cruet Stands, elegant patterns.
Ivory handed Table and Dessert Knives.
Nickel Silver and Electro-plated Forks to suit.
Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons.
Electro-plated Butter Coolers.
Tea and Coffee Pots.
Table Napkin Rings.
Bread Platters and Bread Knives.
Tea Trays and Waiters.
Coal Scuttles.
Yasses and Parandians.
Fire Irons and Stands.
Skates, Boys' and Girls' Sleighs, Snow Shovels, Sleigh Bells,
Also, a large assortment of Lamps, new patterns very cheap; Lamp Glasses, Globes, Shades, Wicks, Burners, etc., etc., at

JOHN HORSMAN'S,
HARDWARE MERCHANT,
GUELPH.

COMMERCIAL.
GUELPH MARKETS.
Mercury Office, Dec. 20, 1873.

Flour per 100 lbs.	\$3.00 to \$3.50
Wheat per bushel, new	1.15 to 1.20
Spring Wheat	1.10 to 1.15
Oats	0.35 to 0.40
Barley, new	1.12 to 1.15
Hay, per ton	10.00 to 14.00
Straw	3.00 to 5.00
Wood, per cord	2.00 to 2.50
Eggs, per dozen	0.16 to 0.18
Butter, dairy packed	0.19 to 0.21
Apples	0.15 to 0.20
Potatoes, per bag, new	0.45 to 0.60
Wool, per lb.	0.60 to 0.65
Dressed Hogs, per cwt.	6.00 to 6.20
Beef per cwt.	4.00 to 4.50
Clover Seed per bushel	3.50 to 4.00
Hides, per cwt.	1.50 to 1.75
Timothy Seed	4.00 to 5.00
Flax	4.50 to 5.00
Sheepskin	0.75 to 1.00

TORONTO MARKETS
Toronto, December 19, 1873.

Spring Wheat, per bushel	\$1.12 to 1.15
Fall Wheat	1.10 to 1.15
Barley per bushel	1.10 to 1.15
Oats	0.35 to 0.40

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Hamilton, December 19, 1873.

Wheat, per bushel	\$1.24 to 1.25
Spring Wheat	1.10 to 1.12
Fall Wheat	1.10 to 1.12
Barley per bushel	1.10 to 1.12
Oats	0.35 to 0.40
Butter per lb.	0.18 to 0.20
Potatoes, per bag, new	0.45 to 0.60
Wool, per lb.	0.60 to 0.65
Dressed Hogs, per cwt.	6.00 to 6.20
Beef per cwt.	4.00 to 4.50
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