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GUELPH, ONT. CANADA, MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 21, 1868.

PRICE ONE PENNY

NEW FLOUR AND FEED STORE

East Market Square, Guelph.
A. GRAHAM & CO.
Have to intimate to the public of Guelph and vicinity that they have opened a NEW FLOUR AND FEED STORE in the premises lately occupied by Mr. Hugh Hoag.
First door East of Bell's Melodeon Factory,
EAST MARKET SQUARE,
where they will keep constantly on hand Flour and Feed of all kinds, of the very best quality. All orders promptly attended to, and goods delivered free of charge in any part of the town.

POTATOES.

On hand, a large consignment of capital potatoes, which we will sell at the lowest possible price. Give us a call.
A. GRAHAM & CO.,
Guelph, Nov. 25. dlm

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE

OF
DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, &c., in the Village of Acton.

Public notice is hereby given that on WEDNESDAY, 20th December, 1868, at 12 o'clock noon, I will offer for sale by public auction, on the premises, in the village of Acton, in one lot, as much of the stock in Trade of the late firm of GEO. LESLIE & CO., of the said village of Acton, Insolvents, consisting of Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Groceries, Hardware and Crockery, which, with certain Household Furniture and Book Debts, are valued at \$2,000. The Stock and Book Debts are valued at \$120 per annum. The Stock and Book Debts may be viewed on the premises up to the day of sale, by application to Malcolm or Donald Kennedy, residents of the village, and a copy of the Stock Book may also be seen at the office of the undersigned.
THOMAS CLARKSON, Official Assignee,
53 Front Street, Toronto. dtd-w2
Toronto, 14th Dec.

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE,

OLD POST OFFICE BLOCK.

A Very Superior Article

COAL OIL!
NOW ON HAND.

AT PETRIE'S

Drug Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph

Nov. 19. daw 1f

CUNARD OCEAN STEAMERS.

LEAVING New York every Thursday for Queenstown or Liverpool.
FARE FROM HAMILTON
First Cabin, - - - 85¢, gold value
Steerage - - - 20¢,
Berths not covered until paid for. For further particulars apply to
CHARLES T. JONES & CO.,
Exchange Brokers, Hamilton,
Agents for the Erie and New York Railway,
Ware from Hamilton to New York 27, gold value
Hamilton 1st June, 1868. dw

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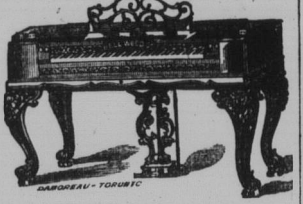
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Guelph, Nov. 6. dwtf

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LEMON & PETERSON,
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.
Guelph, Dec. 9th, 1868. dwtf

THE GUELPH MELODEON COMPANY



Des to draw the attention of the public to their Melodeons and Cabinet Organs, which, in the opinion of all competent judges, are the best that are manufactured, and are sold at prices from 10 to 20 per cent. lower than those of any good American make. We do not make nameless or "metropolitan" Organs, on which we do not put our name, as those nameless instruments are made only for agents, who wish to sell cheap and inferior instruments. We were awarded

THE FIRST PRIZE

on both MELODEONS and CABINET ORGANS at the Provincial Exhibition for 1868, which was open to all the world.
As we warrant all our instruments for Five Years, the public will easily see that it is to their interest to buy from us rather than from an agent of some distant New England firm, whose guarantee amounts simply to nothing, even on instruments which they consider good enough to put their names on.

LONG CREDIT

given to responsible parties, or a liberal discount for 1868, in full or partial discount to Clergymen, Churches, Schools, &c.
Factory and Ware-room in the Old Gore Bank Building, East Market Square.
BELL, WOOD & CO., Guelph, Ont.
Guelph, December 18th, 1868. dly

GREY POWERS

Are always neutral in small squabbles.

PREST & HEBURN

In the leather war now going on between their opponents on the south side of Wyndham-st.

We do not believe in hush and bunkum, but deal with facts, and leave the verdict in the hands of the intelligent people of Wellington. We are prepared to prove, and we positively affirm, notwithstanding all the puffing and blowing which has become the order of the day, that PREST & HEBURN, Wyndham Street, Guelph, manufacture boots.

BOOTS AND SHOES

And employ double the number of workmen of any other establishment in the county of Wellington. We invite the public to call and look through our Factory, and they will be convinced that we are telling the truth, and making but the truth.
A great deal has been said for and against machine-made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us, that the best machinery used in manufacturing Boots and Shoes is the hand. All our staple Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted to be superior to any machine-made goods. We have now on hand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington, which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest.
Remember that all our work is warranted, and no second price. Repairs done as usual.

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Guelph, 2nd November. dw

DYEING DAILY.

The subscriber, having purchased the most complete recipe for a Hair Dye ever invented, turning red or grey hair to a most beautiful dark brown or black, invites all

PERSONS WHO DYE

To give him a call. Resuscitation guaranteed to perfection.
J. MIMMACK, Hair Dresser.

FURTHERMORE,

read, the subscriber also intimates to the public that he has good working order one of the best machines in the Dominion viz Grinding all kinds of Cutlery, Razors, Scissors, &c. Charges moderate, and WORK WELL DONE.
JOSEPH MIMMACK, Hair Dresser,
Guelph, December 4. daw Next Post Office.

SALT SALT

Wholesale and Retail at
A. H. R. KENNEDY'S
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UPPER WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH
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Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET
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Local and Miscellaneous

The Brantford market fees have been purchased for \$1601.

Mr. W. Weld, the editor of the Farmer's Advocate has got a thrashing.

Reverdy Johnson has not dined for a week, and must be in a famishing state.

Mr. Walsh has been appointed chairman of the Intercolonial Railway Commission.

Passion dies soon, killing with its own food. Esteem lives and strengthens by its own power.

A country youth says a lady with a Grecian bend looks like a crook-necked squab struck by lightning.

The Grand Jury at Stratford last week, noticed that there are four idiots in the jail, and that they have been confined for years.

A friend has sent the editor of the Brantford Expositor a Christmas turkey, and he, very naturally, requests some other friend to send him the necessary stuffing.

As the present Militia Law does not recognize in any way a force constituted as was the Civil Service Regiment, that corps is to be disbanded, as having no legal existence.

Mr. Laird was met with insults when he appeared on Change in Liverpool, during the day of election. He was hissed and hooted vigorously, with now and then a cry, "How about the Alabama?"

NOT SO BAD.—It appears that the case of burning a man's head, at Clinton, which was published on Saturday was not so bad as reported. Hutchinson who was taken hence has returned, the man not having died, and the matter having been settled with him for a consideration. It is well for all parties that things are as they are.

The Halifax Citizen has come to the conclusion that Gladstone's Ministry is not likely to be more favourable to repeal than any British Cabinet. All its members, except Bright, have already opposed the Nova Scotia petitions, and as President of the Board of Trade, will have no special power to enforce his views.

Wm. Hennessy of Bowmansville, went home drunk on Thursday night, and went to bed. Some time after he was seized with a fit of vomiting and blood spouted from his nose. Recovering from this he slept on till near noon the next day. He then rose but feeling unwell in the afternoon went to bed again and in the course of an hour was corpse. He had been an inveterate drinker.

FREE EXCHANGE PAPERS WITH ENGLAND.—Our late cable despatches inform us that the low rate of postage for newspapers and the "free exchange system" of this country are being discussed in the leading journals and recommended for adoption in Great Britain under her new and more liberal form of government. Education of the people is now felt to be a necessity. Everything must be done to encourage it, and the matter proposed is not an unimportant part of the whole.

THE SANDWICH MURDER.—Charles Medley, found guilty of the murder of Capt. Minors at Sandwich, will be hanged on the 21st inst., instructions having been sent from Ottawa for the law to take its course. But Courtley, also found guilty and sentenced to death, has been respited till the 29th inst. Medley, a few days ago, made an attempt to escape by sawing the bars of his cell window, but was discovered before he had made much progress. He still protests his innocence of the murder.

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Mr. Harvey proposed Mr. R. Mitchell for Reeve, and Mr. Chadwick seconded the nomination.

Mr. Chas. Davidson moved, and Dr. Herod seconded, that Mr. Jas. Goldie be Deputy Reeve.

Mr. Massie moved, and Mr. Higginbotham seconded, that Mr. McCurry be also Deputy Reeve.

There being no other nominations, the candidates were asked to address the electors.

Mr. Melvin came forward and said that although he appeared before them with some degree of diffidence as a candidate for the Mayoralty, yet since he had the honour of serving the ratepayers he had invariably done what he considered was right, and he would yield to no man as regards the earnest, honest and conscientious discharge of his duties, in proof of which he could point with pride to the hearty endorsement his conduct had repeatedly received at the hands of the ratepayers. In referring to the present contest, he might well say, save me from my friends, He had done his duty in the Town Council and in the

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

NOMINATION OF MAYOR, REEVE AND DEPUTY-REEVES.

The nomination of candidates for the offices of Mayor, Reeve, and Deputy Reeves, for the town of Guelph, for the ensuing year took place in the Town Hall at 10 a. m. to-day (Monday). There was we think a larger attendance of the ratepayers than there is ordinarily. The Returning Officer, James Hough, Esq., explained the object of the meeting, and said that all nominations must be made within an hour. Having called for the nomination of candidates for the office of Mayor.

Mr. N. Higginbotham, the present Mayor, said he had great pleasure in rising to nominate for the northern townships towards Guelph, a gentleman whom he believed, had a right to the position, and who would discharge faithfully the duties pertaining thereto. So far as he knew there was only one opponent to him, and it was not for him, but for the people to draw a distinctive line between their merits, yet a proposal to raise him to the position, and an expression of opinion on his candidacies and the gentleman referred to and who rose to nominate was Mr. Melvin.

For a number of years he (Mr. Melvin) had been in the Town Council, and for two or three years had done good service in the County Council. He believed that the strongest objection against him was that raised by his friends, who wanted him to be sent back to the County Council, where there was every prospect that he would be chosen Warden. This would be a great compliment but the principle is not a safe one. If he represented the Town fairly and ably in the County Council, the Town should in common justice give him the highest position that he may ask for, which it has the power to confer. The Mayor has in general but little to say in the Council, it is his duty to preside at its meetings; but there are important, even critical matters coming up, and if there is a man prepared to devote time and attention to them that man is Mr. Melvin, and in his hands they will be safe. He (Mr. Higginbotham) thought the people of the town believed this, and would consider himself very much mistaken if they did not give a verdict in favour of his candidate.

Mr. Brill briefly seconded the nomination of Mr. Melvin, whose public acts, he thought, had always been just and right.

Mr. Peterson proposed Dr. Herod as a candidate for the Mayoralty. He had listened to the remarks of Mr. Higginbotham, who appears to be in the secret of others in regard to the course that was proposed for Mr. Melvin. He regretted that there was to be a contest; he had in his humble way to prevent municipal friends who had worked hard in the same direction from confronting each other as they do now, but a settlement was impossible, so a contest became inevitable. With regard to Mr. Melvin's candidature it was entirely unknown until this day week, when the Mercury came out with a programme, of which not five persons knew anything until it was published. On the contrary Dr. Herod had long since considered that he was entitled to the mayoralty, and had spoken what he thought. Consequently the people were prepared to hear of his being a candidate, but Mr. Melvin's candidature was sprung upon them without any previous intimation. Had there been a little more confidence among friends Dr. Herod might have waived his claims for the present. Those are strong claims. The Dr has served the Council since 1858, and has served faithfully. Who can show a stain on his public conduct? Has it not been fair and manly, and if anything too straightforward? This is the only imputation that can be brought against it. He has never been known to permit friendship or any other considerations than those of duty to influence his acts. The present opposition is not that of Dr. Herod to Mr. Melvin, but of the latter to the position of Mayor cannot be denied, he has been repeatedly elected to remain in the Co. Council, where he had already rendered very valuable service, and where, if he had not descended to engage in this contest and set friends by the ears, he would have been chosen Warden.

Mr. Peterson concluded by hoping there would be no bitterness in the struggle, but that it would be carried out on fair grounds.

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County Council, but because he had done so, and sacrificed considerable time in the County Council, was that to say that he should remain there for ever. He did not understand the insinuation of Mr. Davidson when he spoke of him giving a vote which he (Mr. D.) considered wrong in the County Council. He could only say—and he could appeal to his colleagues—that he had never given a vote at variance with theirs. If Mr. Davidson had referred to the Treasurership, he (Mr. Melvin) would say that he voted for Mr. Newton, for he considered him and the other gentleman who was a candidate, equally qualified with Mr. Reynolds, against whom he had never said a word. If Mr. Davidson had been manly enough, he would have stated what he (Mr. Melvin) had done or what he had not done. A great deal had been said about Dr. Herod's claims. He had given more years service to the Town than Dr. Herod had, as might be seen by referring to the Clerk's books. In regard to the present contest he hoped nothing of a political or personal character would enter into it. He should treat Dr. Herod as a gentleman, and he hoped Dr. Herod would do the same to him, and that they would have a fair, open and honourable fight. In speaking of his past conduct he referred at considerable length to the services rendered by him and his colleagues in the County Council—to the feeling of antagonism which existed on the part of the northern townships towards Guelph—which happily had been allayed. He also spoke of the undue proportion of the County rate which had hitherto been imposed on the Town on account of the low assessment of the rural municipalities. After a hard struggle he had succeeded in getting an additional assessment of \$78,000 on these municipalities, which would proportionally lower the County rate in Guelph. He alluded to the importance of gravel road extension—a question in which the Town was largely interested. Last year the representatives of the Town succeeded in getting \$2,000 which was applied to finishing the Erin road, also \$3,000 to the Glenallan road which was an important feeder to the Elmira road. This year \$3,000 were granted to the Douglas road, \$5,000 to the Hillsburgh & Reading road—an important feeder to the Erin road—\$3,000 to the Glenallan road, and a loan of \$3,000 to the Elmira Road. All these grants, with one exception, benefited Guelph.

He explained how the County rate was large this year, inasmuch as the amount paid the firemen, which would make the total cost about \$8,000 or \$9,000. He was in favour of Mr. Hobson's scheme, but when the public meeting pronounced against it, he acquiesced in the decision, and went heartily into it. With regard to the Municipal Loan bill, which was large, but which considering the rate paid in other cities and towns would be found to be reasonable enough. Last year and this one he had more of the debentures which were issued to pay for the market house to sell, and the whole amount of our taxes had therefore to be raised by taxation. Another item of expense was for the fire engine, tanks, hose, &c., which would amount to \$1,200, and to this we might add the amount paid the firemen, which would make the total cost about \$8,000 or \$9,000. He was in favour of Mr. Hobson's scheme, but when the public meeting pronounced against it, he acquiesced in the decision, and went heartily into it.

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NOTICE.—Hereafter local editorial business notices will be charged at the rate of ten cents per line in every edition of the Mercury.

The Volunteer Force of Ontario.

The following general order appeared in Saturday's Gazette: The Province of Ontario having, on the first day of October last, an excess of 3,500 volunteers over the proportion which, according to its population at the last census, is required to be furnished by that Province, it is ordered that such volunteer corps now organized in the Province of Ontario as shall fail to comply with the provisions of the law as regards organization, to enroll under the authority of the seventh section of cap. 40 of the Act of last session of Parliament, within three months from the 1st of October last, be removed from the list of volunteer militia—and if it then appears that the nominal strength of the force is in excess of the maximum for drill pay, a reduction of strength of several corps be made to such a number as will in the aggregate produce the required result.

Great Western Railway.

The business done on the above road at the present time is immense. The present working time-table has on its face twenty trains, and besides, there have been days during the past week, when as many as ten special freights have passed east and west, making the number up to thirty. Taking off the ten passenger trains, twenty freights are still left, and as each one of these freights average about twenty cars, it will be seen that four hundred cars pass daily along the line. A considerable portion of the freight passes east. The New York Central is taxed to its utmost to forward the cars delivered at the bridge, and we learn on good authority that difficulty is experienced in getting room to move trains in and out of the yard, so great is the number of cars lying at Suspension Bridge station. We also learn that hundreds of car loads are lying at Chicago, Juliet and other places west, awaiting shipments over this "Great Central Route," known as the Blue Line, of which the Great Western Railway is the principle connecting link. Notwithstanding the rush of business, the regular work of the road goes on like clock-work, and the regular passenger trains keep as good time as if they were the only ones on the road, which fact speaks for itself with respect to the excellent system adopted by the General Traffic Superintendents. We are also pleased to learn that in order to better facilitate the running of special trains, several telegraph offices are about to be opened along the line, and among them one at Princeton, which will be kept open both night and day. The time will soon come when our Great Western Road will require a double track to accommodate even the average business between the east and west.—Princeton Transcript.

Legislature of Ontario.

TORONTO, Dec. 16. The House met to-day at 11 o'clock, and continued in session until 12, when a recess was had till 2 o'clock. A few private Bills passed the second reading. At two o'clock His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor came down with his suite, escorted by a guard of honor, and gave his formal sanction to sixteen Bills which had passed the House. His Excellency then returned, and the House adjourned to meet again on the 6th of January next.

Among the Acts assented to were An Act to alter the Law of Dower, and to regulate proceedings in action for the recovery of Dower. The Law Reform Act of 1868. An Act to divide the Township of Garafraxa into two Municipalities. An Act to secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly. An Act for the better protection of Game in the Province of Ontario. An Act to amend the Registry Act, and to further provide as to the certificates of Married Women, touching their consent to the Execution of Deeds of Conveyance. An Act to amend Chap. 119 of the Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada, so far as it relates to fees of Sheriffs.

Resignation of Dr. Ryerson.

We find the following in the Hamilton Spectator:—Dr. Egerton Ryerson, whose name has been familiar to Canadians for the past thirty years, and who, for nearly a quarter of a century, has held the important position of Chief Superintendent of Education for Upper Canada, is about to pass from the scene of his vast labours: not to enjoy a quiet and dignified retirement, but to become, as he says, the historian of the country, an object he has been aiming at all his life. He now simply holds office until a successor is appointed, but it is not yet known whether any one will be appointed to fill the vacancy, as the action of the government in the matter depends upon the progress made with the new School Bills, one of which has been read a second time, and the other has not yet been introduced. According to the proposed changes in the school system, the office of Chief Superintendent will be dispensed with, and the Educational Department placed under the control of a cabinet minister, who will be known as the Minister of Public Instruction.

The position which John Bright has accepted in the English Cabinet is that of President of the Board of Trade. Mr. Layard, who had previously been announced as filling that position, has been appointed Commissioner of Public Works.

Returns have been published indicating the popular vote incident to the Presidential election. It appears from these that 3,053,111 persons voted for Grant and 2,714,195 for Seymour; the total vote being 5,767,306. The majority in favour of Grant was therefore 338,916.

WHALEN.—To-day the judgment in the Court of Queen's Bench in the Queen vs. Whalen, for the murder of Thos. D'Arcy McGee, will be delivered.

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PER ATLANTIC CABLE.
Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—The *Moniteur* to-day has the following details of the *Erosis* affair. The *Erosis* answered Hobart Pacha's signal with a shot and immediately sought refuge in the Island of Syra, where she was blockaded by vessels of the Turkish fleet. Hobart Pacha announced his willingness to abandon the blockade, on condition that the *Erosis* should be escorted to Athens by a Grecian frigate, there to await the result of judicial proceedings for outrage committed.

The following despatch has just been received, bearing date Constantinople, Dec. 19.—The Greek ambassador in this city to-day demanded of the guaranteeing powers the protection of Greek subjects in Constantinople. The French envoy, on the part of his Government, declined to meddle on the matter. The Sublime Porte demands the banishment of all Greeks from Bulgaria and Belgrade.

MADRID, Dec. 19.—The election for members of Cortes are proceeding in the incorporated cities. There has been no disorder, a large majority of those elected are favourable to formation of a monarchial form of Government. Government authorizes a statement that a treaty of peace with Chili may be considered as an accomplished fact.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The latest news from the East is more pacific. The Government at Athens which has hitherto been swept away by the popular eagerness for war with the Turks is now disposed to listen to the protests of European powers. This disposition strengthened by rapidly growing sentiments in favor of peace may avert war if the Sublime Porte will grant time for further negotiations. It is understood the Western Powers will sustain the Sultan's ultimatum in Greece, while Russia in the interest of the Greeks will seek to modify its terms. A rumour which prevailed in Paris yesterday that Russia had sent an unfavorable note to France on the Eastern question proves to have been a canard invented to depress the Paris market. The foreboding allusion to the Eastern question made by Lord Stanley on the 13th of November in his speech to his constituents is regarded as one of the secondary causes of the crisis in the East.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 18th.—The Greeks in this city ask of the Porte the privilege of remaining here in case of hostilities between the two countries, agreeing to preserve a strict neutrality. A corps has been organized and is ready to proceed to Greece at short notice. Turkey continues tranquil.

MADRID, 19th.—It has been decided that the Cadiz insurgents be tried by a Council of War, but in no case will the extreme penalty of death be inflicted.

PARIS, 20th.—Ex-Queen Isabella has returned from a visit to Napoleon at the Tuilleries.

The *Moniteur* continued to urge conciliation on both the Greek and Turkish Governments. The *Patrie* asserts that the Porte will submit to the Great Powers documentary proofs that Greece intended to incite insurrection in the Turkish islands, and then take possession of them.

Telegrams from St. Petersburg say Russia and other great Powers agree that both the Porte and Greece should delay action for five days in order that negotiations for settlement of the question may be attempted.

The public newspapers say the Envoys of Turkey and Greece have left their respective posts at Athens and Constantinople. The "Patrie" says the naval commanders in the Piræus have been instructed if they can help it, to avoid a struggle with the Turkish vessels, which at present could only weaken the Grecian cause. The same journal says the Athenians are exultant over a prospective war with Turkey, while the deputations from Nauplia, Patras, Corfu and Corinth, protest against the policy of the Government as ruinous to Greece. The Athenians expect a revolt by the Greeks in the Turkish provinces of Thessaly and Macedonia.

The latest advices from Athens state the Government of Greece has as yet taken no steps of a defensive character. Athens, Dec. 18.—A new cabinet is to be formed by Alexander Kowmondowros, the President of the Ministry.

American Despatches

New York, Dec. 20.—The *Herald's* Havana letter says: It is a fact that a gigantic insurrection exists in this island; that it is supported by a great mass of native population, and that they have had many encounters with Spanish troops with fair success. The best informed are beginning to calculate on ultimate success, which shall leave Cuba free and independent.

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Our County Rate.

To the Editor of the Mercury.

Sir—Any ratepayer in this town on looking at that very neat little document presented to him annually by our urban tax collector will discover that 4 mills in the dollar out of the 12 1/2 mills levied, or about one-third of the taxes paid in the town, is for a county rate to be paid over by our town treasurer into the funds of the County of Wellington. This proportion of the taxes for county rate has been about the same for some years past.

What advantage, use and benefit, the town derives from this large annual tax upon its property and resources I propose to discuss in a future letter, and whether the town would be benefited by a municipal separation from the county or not. The subject to which I would most strongly invite the attention of the ratepayers, and one of the most powerful reasons that can be urged in favour of a municipal separation of the town from the county, is the monstrous and gross injustice done the town in the manner in which township assessors in almost every township in the whole county value the property of such municipalities upon their assessment rolls.

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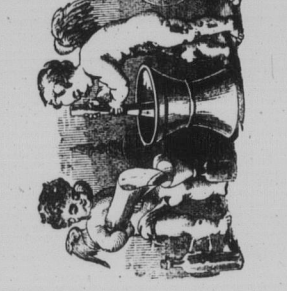
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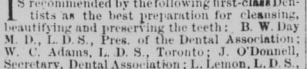
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JAMES O'NEIL. daw 1m

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HEAD OFFICES—1 Old Broad Street, and Pall Mall, London.

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Subscribed and Invested Capital and Reserve Fund. £1,965,000 STERLING

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INSURANCE against loss by fire effected on the most favorable terms, and losses paid without reference to the Board in London. No charge made for policies or endorsements.

HISTORICAL BROS, General Agents, 24 St. S. Laurent Street. JOHN DONAWORTH, Inspector.

JOHN M. BOND, Agent, Guelph. Guelph, 14th Nov. dw

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds

From the Locket to Life Size,

Equal as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices. Rooms: Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham St.

Guelph, December 12. WILLIAM BURGESS. dw

MONTREAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

GUELPH AGENCY.

CANADIAN LINE—Portland to Liverpool every Saturday.

GLASGOW LINE—Portland to Glasgow every week.

CABIN—Guelph to Liverpool, \$83.50 and \$93.50 STEERAGE, do do \$32.00

CABIN—Guelph to Glasgow, \$73.50. INTERMEDIATE, do do \$47.00. STEERAGE, do do \$21.00.

Return Tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid Passage Certificates issued to bring friends on at the lowest rates. For Tickets, late-rooms and every information apply to

GEO. A. OXNARD, Agent, G. T. R. Guelph Guelph, April 1, 1868. daw

LUMBER & WOOD YARD.

CHARLES HEATH HAS opened a Lumber and Wood Yard on

Quebec-St. West of English Church, Where Lumber of all kinds can be had in lots to suit purchasers.

CORDWOOD

For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter cord, and delivered in any part of the Town.

FLOUR & FEED

Also for sale, Flour and Feed, delivered in an part of the Town according to order.

All orders from Town or Country will be promptly attended to. CHARLES HEATH. Guelph, May 14, 1868

Something New!

JUST RECEIVED at the Dominion Store, a very nice assortment of

Men's Underclothing,

and Socks, also, Ladies' Breakfast Shawls

Stockings of all colors, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.

BERLIN WOOLS.

The Largest Stock of Wools to be had in any store in town, including English, Fingering, Clouded, Berlin, double and single, Fleecy, Merino, and Fancy Wools of every description. All kinds of Canadian Yarns.

Stamping and braiding done to order. Guelph, Oct. 15 1868. MRS. ROBINSON. dwt

NOTICE.

SILVER CREEK BREWERY.

Farmers and others having empty barrels in their possession belonging to the Silver Creek Brewery please return them at once, as any kept an unnecessary time after being emptied will be charged.

Guelph, Nov. 20. GEO. SLEEMAN. daw 1f

MILITARY STRENGTH IN SPAIN.—The Spanish army is at present composed of 41 regiments of infantry, 20 battalions of chasseurs, 1 regiment of veterans, 80 battalions of provincial guards, 18 regiments of cavalry, 10 regiments of artillery, and 2 of engineers—altogether 166,556 men. To these must be added the royal halberdiers, the gendarmery, &c. In '65 the army was estimated at 236,000 men. There are besides numerous troops in the colonies. The fleet comprised, in 1865, 120 vessels, carrying 1,000 to 1,200 guns, and manned by nearly 15,000 sailors. The vessels comprise six iron-clad frigates.

The late curling match between spectators and non-spectator members of the Montreal curling club resulted in favour of the latter, after a keen contest.

The celebrated American Prima Donna, Louisa Kellogg, and several other well-known artists, will make a professional tour through Canada next month. Chicago has twenty-two miles of paved streets, costing two million dollars. Seven hundred thousand dollars were required for new streets and alleys during the past year. There are five hundred and sixty-three miles of sidewalks; one hundred and seven miles of sewers; and two hundred and nine miles of water-pipe.

Boggs likes a warm bed. One morning an agent for a patent fire extinguisher tried to sell him a recipe. "Look here," said Boggs, "if you've got anything that'll save me from getting out of bed every morning, to build a fire for my wife to cook breakfast by, I'll buy it; but don't come around here trying to sell stuff to put 'em out, it's too much trouble to start 'em."

A METEOR.—A night or two since, the moon was partially obscured by a light, fleecy cloud, a meteor ball, very luminous, of a silvery hue, extremely brilliant, and so the eye somewhat larger in appearance than the moon itself. At first it appeared in the shape of a perfect globe, then gradually curved itself until it spread into one immense sheet of liquid fire, and formed letters reading nearly as follows:—"If your feet are troubled with corns, bunions, callouses, &c., go immediately to the nearest drug store and get a box of Brigg's Curative. It will effect a certain cure, in incredible short time. For sale by E. Harvey & Co., druggists, and country merchants generally. C. H. Wright & Co., Hamilton, Ont., general agents for British Possessions.

Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry

This remedy has long been cherished by the community for its remarkable efficacy in relieving and curing the most obstinate, painful and long-standing cases of Cough, Cold, Influenza, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, Croup, Asthma, Inflammation of the Lungs; while even Consumption itself has yielded to its magic influence when all other means have failed. Its whole history proves that the past has produced no remedy of equal value, as a cure for the numerous and dangerous pulmonary affections which prevail all over the land.

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY.

From Andrew Archer, Esq., of Fairfield, Me. About eight years since my son, Henry A. Archer, now Postmaster at Fairfield, Somerset County, Me., was attacked with spitting of blood, cough, weakness of the lungs and general debility so much so that our family physician declared him to have a "Seated Consumption." He was under medical treatment for a number of months, but received no benefit from it. At length, from the solicitation of himself and others, I was induced to purchase one bottle of WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, which benefited him so much that I obtained another bottle, which in a short time restored him to his usual state of health. I think I can safely recommend this remedy to others in like condition, for it is, I think, all it purports to be.—THE GREAT LUNG REMEDY FOR THE TIMES. The above statement, gentlemen, is my voluntary offering to you in favour of your Balsam, and is at your disposal.

Prepared by SEITH W. FOWLE & SON, 18 Tremont-st., Boston, and for sale by all druggists generally.

GRACE'S CELEBRATED SALVE.

AMHERST, MASS., Oct. 13th, 1864. MR. GRACE—Sir, Having been afflicted grievously for several weeks with a severe rheumatism on my side, I used several remedies for its eradication without receiving any relief, until I applied your salve, which effected a speedy and permanent cure. I therefore feel happy to certify confidence in its virtues. Yours with respect, JAMES BEAN, H. S. DEARBORN, M.D.

SEITH W. FOWLE & SON, Proprietors, Sold by all Druggists, at 25 cents a box. By mail 35 cents. Northrup & Lyman, General Agents, Newcastle, Ont. lawly

WHOLESALE ONLY.

Merchants desiring to assort their GROCERY LIQUOR Stock for

Christmas and the Holidays,

Will do well to take quotations from the subscriber by buying.

Just Received, a large lot of FRESH ENGLISH GROCERIES, which will be offered LOWER than they can be imported, in quantities to suit the COUNTRY TRADE.

JOHN L. LEWIS.

Guelph, Nov. 18. daw tf

COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, December 21, 1868.

Wheat 2 100 lbs 2 50 @ 2 75
Fall Wheat, 30 bush 1 00 @ 1 18
Spring Wheat 30 bush 0 52 @ 0 62
Oats 30 bush 0 40 @ 0 53
Peas 30 bush 0 40 @ 0 55
Barley 30 bush 0 04 @ 0 15
Hay 10 tons 10 00 @ 12 00
Sisal 3 00 @ 4 00
Shingles, 3/4 square 1 00 @ 1 50
Wood, 3 cords 3 00 @ 3 50
Wool 0 24 @ 0 25
Wax, 9 dozen 0 20 @ 0 23
Butter, (store packed) 30 lb 0 18 @ 0 19
do (dairy packed) 30 lb 0 30 @ 0 32
Eggs, each 0 30 @ 0 37
Turkeys each 0 37 @ 0 75
Chickens, 3 pair 0 30 @ 0 35
Ducks, do 0 25 @ 0 35
Potatoes, per bag 1 00 @ 1 25
Apples, 3 bag 1 00 @ 1 25
Lamb, 3 lb 0 04 @ 0 05
Beef 0 05 @ 0 12
Pork, 30 lbs 0 75 @ 0 80
Sheep Pelts each 0 50 @ 1 00
Lambkins 0 50 @ 1 00
Hides 5 50 @ 6 25

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, Guelph, Dec. 21, 1868.

Gold, 135 1/2
Greenbacks at 127 1/2 to 128, sold at 130 to 140.
Silver bought at 4 1/2 dis., sold at 4.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c to 60c

MONTEAL MARKETS.

Kirkwood, Livingston & Co's report by special Telegraph to Evening Mercury.

MONTEAL, December 21, 1868.

Flour—Extra, 45 40 to 50 60; Fancy, 35 70 to 37 75; Welland Canal Superior, 35 05 to 35 10; Superior No. 1 Canada wheat, 35 00 to 35 20; Superfine No. 1 Western wheat, 35 05 to 35 10; No. 2 do, 34 50 to 34 60; Bag flour, 32 45 to 32 55; Wheat—Canada Fall, 11 14 to 11 15; Spring, 11 15 to 11 16; Western, 11 10 to 11 11; Oats, per 22 lbs, 47c to 48c; Barley, per 40 lbs, 11 20 to 11 30; Butter—dairy 20c to 25c; store packed 19c to 22c; Ashes—Pot 25 60 to 25 65; Peas 25 60 to 25 65; Pork—Hams, 21 50 to 21 50; Prime, 27 00 to 27 50; Peas, 92c to 95c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Dec. 19.

Fall wheat \$1 12 to \$1 15; spring wheat \$1 00 to \$1 02; Hour, No. 1 super, \$4 60, extra \$5 55; barley \$1 25; peas, 88c to 85c; oats, 55c to 54c.

HAMILTON MARKETS.

Hamilton, Dec. 19.

Barley, 1 25 to 1 25; peas, 80c to 85c; oats, 55c to 55c; spring wheat, 1 00 to 1 05; winter wheat, 1 15 to 1 20; red winter, 1 00 to 1 05.

EVENING DRESSES

HEFFERNAN BROS.

ARE now opening out a choice assortment of NEW AND FASHIONABLE Materials for BALL AND EVENING DRESSES.

Irish Poplins
Colored Crapes
Colored Tulles
Fancy Alpaca

Muslins, Tiaratans, &c. ALEXANDER AND OTHER WHITE KIDS—Cheap. A beautiful variety of

SILK and VELVET RIBBONS for SASHES

Artificial Wreaths, Head-Dresses, &c.

HONITUN, CLUNY, AND VALENCIENNES LACE SETS, COIFFURES, HANDEKERCHIEFS, &c.

OPERA CLOAKS—New, Fashionable and Cheap.

HEFFERNAN BROTHERS.

Britannia House, Wyndham-St., Guelph.

A CARD to THE PUBLIC.



THE GOLDEN LION

IT is certainly marvellous that any community should be so excited over the great success that has attended the efforts of HOGG to obtain in the first Manufacturing Districts of the World the very excellent, novel and substantial fabrics in all of the various classes of

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods & Millinery

Shawls, Bonnets and Mantles,

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

Buffalo Skins, Grain Bags, &c.

Indeed everything in the Mercantile line usually kept in a first-class establishment. That Mr. HOGG'S efforts have been crowned with unprecedented success is beyond a doubt. The great bargain that he is daily giving causes his immense establishment to be crowded from early morning until night. His stock to select from is so large and varied that parties get suited without loss of time, let their taste be ever so difficult; and in addition, by being able to import all of his goods direct from the Manufacturers, to offer a saving of 12 per cent (12 cents on every dollar, over any establishment in Town.

All classes and descriptions of Clothing made to order by a first-class cutter and sent free of charge to any part of Canada.

JOHN HOGG,

Guelph October 31st, 1868.

BUSINESS STILL GOOD

AT THE

BRADFORD HOUSE

DRESS GOODS!

Another LARGE ARRIVAL at 12 1/2 Cents, worth DOUBLE the Money.

JACKETS! JACKETS!

Jackets at Panic Prices. Astrachan Jackets, Seal-skin Jackets, Whitney,—Black and Coloured. Petersham,—Black and Coloured, and an immense variety of

FANCY JACKETS, COMMENCING AT \$1.00.

Table Linen and Sheetings.

The BRADFORD HOUSE is still a Household Word amongst Housekeepers, for cheap Furnishings of every description. CALL AND EXAMINE.

MILLINERY!

For stylish BONNETS go to the BRADFORD HOUSE. For CHEAP HATS go to the BRADFORD HOUSE. The best assortment of FEATHERS, FLOWERS, MILLINERY TRIMMINGS, &c., to be found at the BRADFORD HOUSE.

PHILIP BISH

Wyndham St., Guelph, November 2

WANTED,

Keep the Feed Dry and the Head Cool.

Keep the Feed Dry and the Head Cool.

[Customers to buy out one of the Largest and Cheapest stocks of

BOOTS AND SHOES

TO BE FOUND IN GUELPH.

JOHN CRIDIFORD

INVITES inspection to his stock of NEW FALL GOODS, which have been purchased from the best makers, and can be warranted as equal to any in the market for Style, Durability or Cheapness.

Remember that the spot for Cheap Boots and Shoes is the Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store, No. 41, Wyndham-st., Guelph. FOR CASH ONLY.

JOHN CRIDIFORD.

Guelph, September 26th

WILLIAM O. BAINE,

ACCOUNTANT.

Special attention paid to the opening, balancing and closing of Books.

Intricate and disputed Partnership accounts arranged.

OFFICE—At Messrs. C. & A. SHARPE'S, MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH.

Guelph, Nov. 26. do 5w

DOMINION SALOON

FRESH OYSTERS!

Of the best quality always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice; also for sale by the keg or can. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry." LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 3 p. m.

DENIS BUNYAN.

Guelph, 17th October. d.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

GENERAL AGENTS,

TOWN HALL BUILDINGS, } GUELPH,

Agents for investing Money for the

TRUST and LOAN COMPANY

OF UPPER CANADA, AND

THE CANADA PERMANENT

BUILDING and SAVINGS

SOCIETIES

OF TORONTO.

THESE Companies afford every facility to the borrower, and give him the privilege of either retaining the principal for a term of years or paying it off by instalments extending over any term of years up to 15.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,

Have also a large amount of

PRIVATE FUNDS

On hand for Investment.

Money Invested and interest collected. Mortgages bought subject to examination of title, and valuation of property offered.

Debentures, Stock and Securities of all kinds negotiated.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

Are Agents for the

Royal Insurance Co'y

OF ENGLAND.

CAPITAL - - \$10 000 000.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

are Agents for the

STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY,

Established - - - in 1810.

The STANDARD takes risks at very reasonable rates, and Policy holders are secured by the very large sum of accumulated and invested Funds, viz: \$18,000,000, and the Company have made the deposit with the Government of the Dominion of Canada required by the new Act.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

Have a number of FARMS for sale in the Co. of Wellington and adjoining Counties.

Also, Town Lots and Houses

In Guelph, Berlin, Fergus, &c.

FARM FOR SALE IN ERAMOSA.

For sale that farm, being Lot 22, 1st Concession, Eramosa, containing 200 acres, more or less, about 130 under cultivation, the balance covered with the best hardwood and cedar. The land is in a high state of cultivation, and is well watered. There is a two-story frame house 20x40 feet, a stone kitchen story and a-half high 21x22, back kitchen, boiler house and store-room, also of stone. There are three frame barns 30x40 each, long frame shed and driving house. There is a fine orchard on the place, with 100 trees, the most of them in good bearing order. There is a never-failing well, also soft water cistern. It lies on the leading road from Eramosa to Fergus, and is distant from that village 8 miles, and 2 miles from Guelph. It is convenient to churches, school and post office. Terms made known by applying to an undersigned on the premises, or by letter (post paid) to

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,

Land, Loan and General Agents, Guelph.

BRICK HOUSE FOR SALE.

Mr. W. S. G. KNOWLES has been instructed to offer for sale by Public Auction, at the Market House, Guelph, on

Wednesday, 6th January, 1869

At one o'clock, p. m.

Lots 29 and 30, on Queen Street, Guelph, on which there is a two-story house—part brick, part stone—containing nine rooms, with good, clean woodshed, hard and soft water; stable, cow house &c. The house is within five minutes walk of the Market and Post Office, and will be sold on the following very liberal terms, viz: One-tenth cash on day of sale, one-fifth on possession, and the balance in five yearly instalments, with interest. Possession on the 7th March, 1869. Title indisputable.

For further particulars apply to

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,

Agents for the Vendor.

Guelph, Dec. 16.

CARTER'S

(LATE WEBSTER'S)

FLOUR & FEED STORE.

The subscriber having purchased the entire business of Mr. William Webster, begs to notify the public that he is prepared to sell

Flour, Feed & all kinds of Grain,

CHOPPED STUFFS, POTATOES, &c.

Cheaper than the Cheapest

IN TOWN.

A large supply always on hand. Goods delivered free of charge in any part of the Town.

Guelph, Nov. 21. **JAMES CARTER.** do tf

Still on the War Path

THE subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the public that he is still hale and hearty, and in the best of health; and that all orders sent by him left with him at the well known old stand,

ON CORK STREET,

Opposite Deady's Hotel.

Where he is prepared as formerly to make up

CLOTHING

of every description at short notice, and in superior style.

Having had 20 years experience, and devoting all his time to the business, he can make up Home-made Cloth and trim it cheaper than can be done at any other establishment in Guelph.

All work carefully finished, and at moderate rates.

W. MITCHELL.

Guelph, 2nd Nov. do 2m

R. J. JEANNERET,

From England.

Established in London, Ont. 1842 and in Guelph 1863.)

WORKING WATCHMAKER

AND JEWELER

DAYS BLOCK,

Opposite the Marke Guelph.

Just received a choice variety of Cheap Goods suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Particular attention paid to the repairing of Watches, Clocks and Jewellery.

Guelph, December 17th. do

CARD.

James Massie & Co.,

Have pleasure in intimating the re-opening of their **RETAIL STORE** in the recently re-erected "**ALMA BLOCK.**" Having given special attention to the selection of suitable and reasonable articles, they can, with confidence, recommend their **FAMILY GROCERIES, LIQUORS, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, &c.,** to their numerous friends and customers, who will ever find an ample stock of superior goods, and a courteous welcome at the **ALMA BLOCK.**"

Guelph, 9th Dec., 1868. daw tf

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS FRUIT

At WALKER'S, this year's Crop, 1868.

CROWN LAYER RAISINS, LONDON LAYER RAISINS, WEST END LAYER RAISINS, SULTANA RAISINS, VALENTIA RAISINS, SEEDLESS RAISINS,

CURRENTS, new and large; Turkey Figs in layers, very large; Dates, German and French Prunes.

HUGH WALKER.

SPECIAL NOTICE—Electorate of the North, East, South and West, take notice that Hugh Walker is now receiving daily thousands of those celebrated Oysters from J. Ludington & Co., Baltimore. Extra quality for the Holidays. Sold by the Can, Keg, Pint, Quart, Gallon, or by the Hundred. Wholesale to the trade at city prices.

HUGH WALKER & CO., Sole Agent for Ludington & Co., Baltimore. Fruit Depot, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

E. O'DONNELL & CO.

GUELPH, ONT.

TEAS. O'D. & CO. TEAS.

Ping Suey Tea, BEST \$1.00 | Best Oolong, 75c.

Best Moyune, 87 1/2 | Best Japan, 65

Choice Young Hyson, 80 | Best Black, 68

Young Hyson Teas, 50c.

Good Plug Chewing Tobacco at 20c per lb.

SILVER TAKEN AT PAR.

At E. O'DONNELL & CO'S.

Wyndham Street, Guelph. October 20th.

JACKSON & HALLETT, GROCERS,

NO. 7, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

We have ALWAYS ON HAND as below, which will be sold as CHEAP as quality will allow

Hyson, Japan, Congu and Gunpowder Teas,

Which for Strength and Flavour is not to be surpassed

McLean's Celebrated Oatmeal. Finest Ground Yellow Cornmeal

Fruit and Fish. Cigars, Pickles, &c.

NEW LAYER RAISINS, 1500 CHOICE MANILLA CHERUTS, 20000 PRINCE OF WALES, CROSSB AND BLACKWELL'S PICKLES, PICCADILLY ONIONS, MIXED SAUCES, ANCHOVIES, SARDINES, LOBSTERS, &c. TOBACCO—Celebrated Brands Smoking and Chewing.

Genuine MARTELL'S and HENNESSEY'S BRANDIES, in wood and bottle. SHERRIES, PORTS, GINS, RUMS, &c. Wholesale and Retail. Hiram Walker's WINDSOR OLD RYE WHISKY and WINDSOR OLD MALT WHISKY. ALISON'S ALE, BASS' ALE, BLOOD'S PORTER LONDON PORTER

Goods Delivered in all Parts of the Town with Promptness

D. JACKSON. Guelph, November 16th, 1868. do

J. HALLETT.

WELLINGTON BOOT and SHOE MANUFACTORY.