

The Guelph Mercury

DAILY AND WEEKLY.

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The EVENING MERCURY

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"The Weekly Mercury"

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY.

IS THE LARGEST COUNTRY NEWSPAPER in the DOMINION, containing 40 columns of reading matter. Special care is devoted to THE WEEKLY MERCURY, and care is taken that none but the best and most select reading appears in its columns.

DEALERS buy our confectionery from the undersigned, who has reduced his prices as low as any house in the Dominion. Call and see before purchasing elsewhere, as the Goods cannot be beat, and by buying here you save freight, packing cases, breakage, &c.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Business men will find THE EVENING and WEEKLY MERCURY to be invaluable advertising mediums, as their respective circulations are in advance of any others in North Western Canada, and is the ONLY means by which extensive settlements can be reached by the judicious advertiser.

Book and Job Printing,

Executed on short notice, at reasonable rates, and in the best style of the Art. Having every facility at our command, in this department, we defy competition as to style, quality and price.

McLAGAN & INNES, Publishers. OFFICE—Macdonnell Street, East of the Golden Lion, Guelph, Ontario. October 29, 1867. daw-1f.

FURS, FURS, FURS.

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

Extra Dark Mink, Royal Ermine, Siberian Squirrel, River Mink, Ladies' Hoods, GENTS' MUFFLERS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.

F. GARLAND, Market Square, GUELPH.

The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs Guelph, Oct. 31, 1867. sds w732

Excellent Farm

For Sale in Eramosa.

FOR sale that valuable farm, composed of the West-half of Lot No. 28, 3rd Concession, Eramosa.

One Hundred Acres! with about 70 acres cleared. Land of excellent quality, and well watered. There is a good

Two Storey Stone House containing nine rooms, pantry, and cellar the whole size of house.

The building is nearly new. There is also a large FRAME HOUSE nearly new, and a thriving young orchard of the best grafted fruit. This property will be sold cheap. For terms and particulars apply to

HENRY HATCH, Guelph, Guelph, 10th December, 1867. wsm

AUCTION SALE

OF LAND IN ERIN.

FOR sale that farm, being composed of part of Lot number 24, in the 9th Concession by Erin, containing by admeasurement 20 acres, of the same more or less, being the south corner, butting on the 8th Line; also, 12 acres of the east corner of Lot 24, in the 8th Concession of Erin, all of which will be sold by public auction, on

Thursday, 2nd January, 1868, at 8 o'clock p. m., in Hillsburg, opposite Samuel Leeson's hotel. Title indisputable. Terms cash. Hillsburg, 4th Dec, 1867. w4

HAY IN TRUSSES

Constantly on hand. Also Straw for beds

TERMS CASH. JOHN WEST. Guelph, July 22. daw-1f

To the Public.

BOOTS AND SHOES

WE the undersigned, agree to close our respective places of business on and after

MONDAY, 16th INSTANT, until the 1st March next, at 6 o'clock p. m., and on Saturday evenings at 9 p. m.

JOHN McNEILL, J. CRIBBARD, PREST & HEPBURN. Dec. 11, 1867. d6

STAR SHUTTLE SEWING MACHINE.

Patented May, 1867.

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

J. E. SPAFFORD, Pansoby P. O. Reference—Rev. E. A. Healy, Stratford P. O., or Box 466, Toronto

CHRISTMAS HO!

Wholesale, Wholesale!

CONFECTIONERY.

DEALERS buy our confectionery from the undersigned, who has reduced his prices as low as any house in the Dominion. Call and see before purchasing elsewhere, as the Goods cannot be beat, and by buying here you save freight, packing cases, breakage, &c.

FANCY GOODS!

A large lot of Fancy Goods on hand, and a lot daily expected direct from Paris.

Wholesale Agent for Putney's celebrated Corn Candy. H. BERRY. Guelph, 6th December, 1867. dw

REMOVAL.

Military Tailor

J. JONES, Late Master Tailor in the 17th Regiment, and has been removed from Nottingham-st. to Upper Wyndham-st, next door to Hazelton's Furniture Store, where he will be happy to receive orders for making all kinds of

Military and Civilian's Clothing,

in the latest and most fashionable styles. Having had long experience, he guarantees to give satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage. Guelph, 24th Nov, 1867. d3w

CORDWOOD for SALE

IN GUELPH.

GOOD, cheap Cordwood for sale at

BROWN'S WOOD YARD

Woolwich Street, nearly opposite the Court House.

Quantities from half a cord and upwards delivered in any part of the town by leaving the order at the wood yard. ALEX. BROWN. Guelph, 25th November, 1867. d6m

Pocket Diaries

FOR 1868.

A Large Assortment

of Pocket Dairies for 1868

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Opposite the Market, Guelph. Guelph, 28th November, 1867. dw

XXX OYSTERS!

ARRIVING daily at WALKER'S,

Yarmouth Bloaters, Kipped Salmon Trout, Smoked Salmon, Pickled Salmon, Fresh Salmon, in cans.

HUGH WALKER.

Wyndham Street, Guelph. Guelph, 29th Nov, 1867. (dw)

New Livery Stable.

HORSES FOR HIRE.

PARTIES wishing to hire Saddle-horses, or Horses and Buggies, can do so at moderate rates, by applying to the undersigned, at the Wellington Hotel. JOSEPH STRAHAN. Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867. do-3m

Valuable Building Lots for Sale

IN EVERTON.

THE subscriber offers for sale, cheap for cash, two valuable building lots in the Village of Everton, being No. 132 and No. 133, as laid out on the map made by Wm Haskins, Esq., P. E. S.—There are two-fifths of an acre of land in the two lots, and being close to the Discipline Meeting House, and in a central part of the Village, form excellent sites for building on. For terms apply at the Mercury Office, or (by letter post-paid) to DUNCAN ROBERTSON, Everton P. O. Guelph, Nov. 15th, 1867. wtr

Gard of Thanks

WE take this early opportunity of returning our sincere thanks to all those kindly rendered their valuable assistance in saving Stock from the late fire at Alma Block.

JAMES MASSIE & CO. Guelph, 16th December, 1867. d

STRAYED HEIFER.

CAME on the premises of the subscriber some time last summer, a heifer rising two years old. The owner on proving property and paying expenses can take her away. JOHN OWENS, Lot 28, 1st Con, Div. D. Guelph Township. Guelph, 10th December, 1867. w3

NEW LAW OFFICE.

FREEMAN & FREEMAN

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

S. B. FREEMAN, Q. C. G. O. FREEMAN. Office over Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph. Guelph, 4th December, 1867. dw

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OFFICE: - - - - - MACDONNELL STREET. WEDNESDAY EV'G, DECEMBER 18.

Local News.

The Pure White Coal Oil at MR. HORSMAN'S Gives the most Brilliant LIGHT, and does not Smoke the Chimney.

NEW ACADEMY.—We understand that Mr. C. Walker, of the County Grammar School intends shortly to open an Academy in the large building on the corner of Gordon and Essex sts., which will be fitted up in a suitable manner for the accommodation of pupils. Mr. Walker's ability and long experience give every reason to anticipate that the Academy will be very successful.

THE WATERLOO BREWERY FRAUDS.—The evidence in the Waterloo enquiry has been laid before the House. The Commissioners reported that no fraud by the Waterloo brewers had been established, and the Collector Nelles has not been guilty of irregularities in accepting returns not sworn to. Eckhardt's evidence does not amount to much. His statements to the Editor of the Times, went far beyond what was sworn to.

CURLING CLUB BALL AT MORRISTON.—The Morriston Curling Club intend to give a grand ball in the Town Hall there on Friday evening the 20th inst. The Hespeler Quadrille Band has been engaged. The supper will take place at Tyrrell's Hotel, an efficient committee have the arrangements in hand, and the ball promises to be a brilliant and successful one.

CHEAP PHOTOGRAPHS.—We direct attention to the advertisement of Mr. W. Burgess, who is now ready to supply beautiful and finely finished photographs to all callers. A nice, handsomely mounted photograph is about the most appropriate present parties could make to their friends at this festive season, and as Mr. Burgess is noted for the beautiful pictures he makes, those who want a "speaking likeness" of themselves should not fail to call at once and give him a sitting.

The Largest, Cheapest and Best Assortment of Coal Oil Lamps in Town, at MR. HORSMAN'S.

SOIREE in MIMOSA.—A Soiree will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Mimosa, on the evening of Friday the 27th inst. for the purpose of assisting in paying for the Manse. Tea served at six o'clock p. m. The following have been invited to address the audience:—Rev. Messrs. Barrie, Eramosa; Thonell, Fergus; Milligan, Douglas; Smolin, Erin; Cameron, Acton; Little, Nassagaweya; Cook, and the Rev. Mr. Brown. Tickets 25c each. Children under 12 years of age half price.

Have you seen the new Coal Oil Burner at MR. HORSMAN'S.

THE WEEKLY MERCURY will be published to-morrow (Thursday) morning in time for the English mail. It will contain as usual a comprehensive summary of the parliamentary proceedings, editorials on the subjects now engrossing the greatest share of public attention, local intelligence, including a full description of the late terrible fire in Guelph, besides the conclusion of the charming tale "Norah Cushman," and a carefully selected miscellany. No better number has yet been issued. Copies may be had at the bookstore, or at the office of publication, Macdonnell street.

SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.—The Local Superintendent commenced his quarterly examinations of the Town Schools yesterday. He examined the South Ward School, and expressed himself highly pleased with the order of the pupils, and attainments. The following were promoted to the Grammar School: Charles Pace, Robert Oakes, Alex. Campbell, Arthur Tyson and John McIntyre. To the Senior Girls School: Ellen Wilkie, Isabella Anderson. To the Senior Primary School, James Humphreys, James Howard, Archd. McVicar, Nathan Glass, David Humphreys and Archd. Bain. This is the first time that pupils have been promoted direct from the Primary to the Grammar School, and reflects great credit on the ability of Mr. James Ferguson as a teacher.

Be sure to get the NEW BURNER.—No other will answer. Is to be had at JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Soiree and Presentation in Morriston.

From our Correspondent.

The annual Tea Meeting of the Union Sunday School came off last Friday evening in the Town Hall, Morriston, and was in every respect a complete success. The tea tables literally groaned under the abundance of good things provided by the friends of the school for the occasion, and all present did ample justice to the tempting viands so liberally spread for them. After tea had been served, the Superintendent, Mr. Atkins, took the chair, and gave a pleasing and earnest address. Unfortunately, owing to delicate health and the inclement state of the weather, several of the speakers advertised were unable to come, but those present, rising with the emergency, delivered forcible and impressive addresses, and succeeded in interesting and chaining the attention of the audience more completely, perhaps, than had all the big guns been on hand. The children, under Mr. McFarlane's careful training, even exceeded their efforts of other years, but it would be invidious to particularize any by name, when all did so well. The choir, too, led by the same gentleman, sang several anthems and quartettes in fine style, and were applauded to the echo. But the most pleasing and noticeable part of the programme was the presentation of Bancroft's and Prescott's Histories and several poetical works to our worthy and respected teacher, accompanied with the following address, read by Mr. Wm. Nicol:

ADDRESS:

To Mr. David McFarlane:

DEAR SIR,—My fellow teachers in the Sunday School have kindly deputed me to read this address and present a testimonial to you, in their name, and also in behalf of many other friends of yours in this section, as a slight mark of the esteem and regard in which they hold you as a friend, a teacher, and a man—but especially as a recognition of the services you have for many years rendered the Sunday School, in preparing the children to take part in our Anniversary Celebrations. The efficiency displayed by them on such occasions, both in singing and reciting, has been a marked feature in our entertainments, and shown a useful and energy and perseverance on your part, in bringing them to such perfection. Nor must we omit to notice the trouble you have annually taken to train a choir for the same object. All this you have done cheerfully and assiduously, and without the smallest recompense, further than the satisfaction you have had in laboring for a good cause. We would also take this opportunity of assuring you that much of the success that has attended our meetings is in a great measure attributable to your careful training of the children and choir, and we felt that it would be an injustice to you to allow this occasion to pass without making a public acknowledgment of services so cheerfully rendered on our behalf. And knowing how desirous you are of adding standard works to your library, we considered that such works as these might prove as useful and acceptable a present as we could make. It is not, however, for their intrinsic value we offer them (which is comparatively small), but merely as a slight expression of appreciation, and the warm feeling that exists amongst us towards you. We cannot allow this opportunity to escape without assuring you of the confidence all classes in this section have in you as a teacher, and the respect they entertain for you personally. We can offer no better evidence of this than the fact that you have held the same position among us for twelve consecutive years, having taught longer, we think, in the same school than any other teacher in the Riding. And we hope that the expiring of a connection so enduring, pleasing, and valuable, may yet be far distant. We also hope that you will receive this small but voluntary gift in the same spirit in which it is offered, and that these works may be instrumental in adding to your already well-stored mind.

Be pleased to convey our well wishes to your amiable partner and family, and we hope that you may be long spared to each other and to the world, and that when Providence sees fit to remove us hence, we may all meet in that land where God's cause in the Sunday School will be rewarded.

Mr. McFarlane made the following reply:—

SIR,—Through you I return my most sincere thanks to the teachers of the Sunday School, and to the inhabitants of this Section generally, for their expression of esteem to me as a man, and for this appreciative testimony of my labors as a teacher.

Since I first came among you, some twelve years ago, it has been my earnest endeavor to perform the duties incumbent upon me as a teacher, and to comport myself as became a citizen of our now great and noble Dominion; and that I have succeeded at least so far the present occasion bears evident testimony. And I may safely say that such gratifying expression of esteem on your part for my past labors will give greater zest to them in the future.

I have always taken a lively interest in our annual tea-meeting, and if the children have been instrumental through my training in enlightening them I am doubly repaid, for it is always pleasant to me to see their sparkling eyes and smiling faces when I inform them that we are once more to practise for the Tea-meeting.—Our singing made the hours slip lightly past, roused to energy the listless and laggard, and would even calm the ruffled temper of the teacher. The evenings spent as a teacher, and to comport myself as became a citizen of our now great and noble Dominion; and that I have succeeded at least so far the present occasion bears evident testimony. And I may safely say that such gratifying expression of esteem on your part for my past labors will give greater zest to them in the future.

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## Guelph Evening Mercury

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WEDNESDAY EV'G, DECEMBER 18.

### THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

As the time approaches for holding the annual municipal elections, there is considerable talk among the electors as to who are the likely candidates for the different offices, and their chances of success. Until the day of the nomination it is very difficult often to speak with any degree of accuracy in regard to the wishes or intentions of those who are spoken of as aspirants for municipal honours, but from careful inquiry we give the following information as the most reliable which can be obtained, without however vouching for its correctness in all cases.

We do not think there will be any contest in Guelph for the Mayoralty. We had the pleasure some three weeks ago of informing the electors that Mr. Higinbotham had expressed his intention of being a candidate, and it is now all but certain he will be elected without opposition. Mr. Melvin and Mr. Peterson will run again for Reeve and Deputy Reeve, and all parties will agree with us that no two men could be selected who are able to exercise more influence in the County Council. Whether Mr. Mitchell will run again for second Deputy Reeve we are not informed. In the South Ward Mr. David Kennedy, one of the most trustworthy and reliable ratepayers in the Ward, will oppose Mr. Heffernan. It is expected that Mr. Sayers will be opposed either by Mr. Evan Macdonald or Mr. Wm. Sunley, both good men. In the North Ward Mr. Harvey will likely be unopposed. Mr. Galbraith is not again desirous of running for the West Ward, and Mr. Geo. Howard is generally looked to, to fill his place. He will make an excellent member.

In Guelph Township Mr. Wm. White-law will in all probability be Reeve, and Mr. Campbell Deputy Reeve. A requisition, signed by a large number of the leading ratepayers has been presented to the former, asking him to be a candidate. Both gentlemen are old public servants, and if elected will not belie their well-earned character.

We believe Mr. John Duffield will be asked to stand again as Reeve for Erasmus, and as he has given much satisfaction during the year, will no doubt be elected. Mr. John Rea, we understand, intends to offer himself again as Deputy Reeve.

We have heard nothing definite as yet in regard to the elections in Puslinch. As the affairs of the Township are at present in a somewhat peculiar position, a number of the ratepayers have expressed a desire that Mr. Stirton should be asked to stand for Reeve, but as his opinion on the subject cannot be ascertained till his return from Ottawa, nothing decisive can be said in the matter.

In Erin, Mr. George Martin, the present Reeve, retires. The only candidates, we hear of to fill his place are Mr. William Cornock and Mr. Charles McMillan, at present one of the Councillors. Mr. Edwd. Johnstone is favourably spoken of for Deputy Reeve.

It is anticipated that Mr. Charles Clarke will be returned for Elora without opposition.

Mr. Lingwood, present Reeve of Fergus, retires. The gentlemen at present talked of are Drs. Orton and Munro, and Mr. M. Anderson and Mr. W. Robertson.

In Pilkington the present Warden will offer himself for re-election. There is some talk of opposition, but it is not expected it will amount to anything. As Pilkington is now entitled to a Deputy Reeve, the wish is generally expressed that Mr. Passmore will run for that office.

Mr. Beattie retires from the Reeve ship of Nichol. Mr. John Malr is the only person we have heard of who intends to run in his place. For Deputy the names of Mr. Wm. Taylor, Robert Scott and John Broadfoot are mentioned.

In Garafaxa Mr. Dobbin, having so far recovered from his late severe illness, will we believe again offer himself as a candidate for Reeve. It is also Mr. Hunter's intention to run again for Deputy.

The following are mentioned as candidates for Peel. For Reeve, Messrs. W. Sturtridge, James Cross, John Wilton and Thomas Burns. For Deputy Reeve, Messrs. W. S. Sutherland, Thos. Rose and Donovan. Mr. Garbutt, the present Reeve, a straightforward, honest and useful representative, has expressed his intention to retire.

The candidates spoken of for Maryborough are—for Reeve, Messrs. Landerkin and J. D. Johnson; and for Deputy, Messrs. S. Robertson and A. Maxwell.

Mr. Swan, the present Reeve of Mount Forest, retires. The only candidates we have heard of are Messrs. Stovel and James Scott.

Mr. Gillespie will in all probability be returned for Amaranth, and Mr. Saunders for Luther. Mr. Jull, we believe, will run again for Orangeville. In Nassagaweya, Mr. Campbell the present popular Reeve of the Township, and Warden of the County, will in all probability be re-elected without opposition. Mr. John Ramsey, we understand, will be asked to run for Deputy Reeve. In Requeuing Messrs. Clay and McNaughton are candidates for the office of Reeve. Mr. James Lindsay is coming out again as Deputy Reeve.

### COAL OIL LAMPS. The Finest Assortment ever seen, at MR. HORSMAN'S.

### THE SILVER QUESTION.

The omission of the article of silver from among the list of free goods will subject it henceforth, on importation, to a customs duty of 15 per cent. Legislation has done more in an hour towards the abatement of the "nuisance," than all the resolutions of all the Boards of Trade in Canada have effected in four or five years, and more probably than they would have accomplished for all time to come. The necessities of business, or a doubt concerning the good faith of others, has time and again prevented any good results which might have followed the determination—unswervingly adhered to—of the merchants of a particular city or town, to receive silver only at such a heavy discount as would tend to clog or entirely stop its circulation. These agreements solemnly made were generally broken, and American silver, jealous of its country's honour, maintained its ground and still passed at par. But an impost of 15 per cent will confine within its own borders all that is there now, and it will have the effect of diminishing the amount circulating in the Dominion. It is scarcely probable that smuggling on an extensive scale will be attempted. The profits for which confiscation would have to be risked would be much too small, so that now that the point how the silver should be excluded has been fully and satisfactorily solved the next question is, how the three millions of dollars in circulation in Canada, and by means of which a very large proportion of the retail business of the country is transacted, shall be got rid of. Customs duties might exclude, but they could not expel; and a means must yet be devised for returning the depreciated American coinage to the place whence it issued. No doubt the Banks will be quite willing to lend their assistance towards ridding the Dominion of the "nuisance," prompted thereto somewhat by self-interest, since their notes will then take the place which American silver now holds. Some think it probable, that these moneyed institutions will offer to buy it up at its bullion value and send it across the line. There is no doubt that the time when silver will pass at par, is fast reaching a termination. It may be that those who are in the habit of daily receiving it in considerable sums in exchange for goods, and who in consequence have generally a pretty large amount of it on hand may be losers to a limited extent. One thing is certain: somebody will lose by the return of the silver to the States, and it is more probable that it will be the public than the Banks. But business men have counted their losses on the circulation of this currency by hundreds for the past few years, and they will be doing the same for years to come if it be not expelled, so that it will be better to suffer a heavier loss, the full extent of which can be ascertained immediately, than one much lighter at any given period, but of much longer duration, and much more exhaustive in its effects.

### MR. HORSMAN has a Magnificent Stock of Articles suitable for Christmas Presents.

Failure of the European Conference. The N. Y. Herald's Paris special says it has been definitely ascertained that the European conference plan proposed by Napoleon, on the Roman question, has failed. The assemblage was to have taken place in Munich, on the 9th inst., but some difficulty was experienced in the diplomatic correspondence before the day arrived. Paris was then spoken of as the place of meeting, the form of representation was changed, but the same day was adhered to. Subsequently, after the delivery of a speech by the French minister, M. Rouher, to the Legislature on the subject of the relations between Rome and Italy, in which he declared that Italy could never go to Rome by force—the hesitancy of the powers assumed the form of open objection on the ground of intility. It has been ascertained that the conference or congress will not assemble, as all the great powers have positively refused to attend.

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

### New Advertisements. IN CHANCERY

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### SPEED LODGE No. 180, A. F. & A. M.

AN Emergency Meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, On FRIDAY EV'G, 20th DECEMBER at half-past seven. Brethren are particularly requested to attend.

### CARD OF THANKS.

SMITH & METCALF beg to return their hearty thanks to one and all who so willingly assisted in removing their goods at the fire on Saturday night.

### NEW SHOP

THEY would also inform their customers and the public that for the present they have opened a shop in the premises

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

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Black and Red Currant Jelly,  
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### OF THE Guelph Amateur

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THE above Club will make their first appearance in the

### TOWN HALL,

ON Monday Evening, Dec. 30th,

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"The Charcoal Burner," or "The Dropping Well of Knarlsboro."

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

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Brazil Nuts, Walnuts, Almonds, shelled or unshelled, Figs, Prunes, Dried Cherries and Cranberries, Oranges, Lemons, Dried and Green Apples,

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### On Monday next, 23rd Dec.,

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Whole Stock will be sold without Reserve for Cash only

### PREST & HEPBURN.

Guelph, 16th October, 1867.

### FIRE! FIRE!

### AT ALMA BLOCK!

THE SUBSCRIBERS BEG TO INTIMATE TO THEIR NUMEROUS CUSTOMERS AND THE PUBLIC THAT UNTIL LARGER PREMISES CAN BE PROCURED

### THE RETAIL BUSINESS

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### IN DAY'S BLOCK,

where they hope to continue to receive the patronage of their friends during the season.

### WHOLESALE TRADE

THE WHOLESALE TRADE WILL BE CARRIED ON AT

The Old 'Advertiser' Office, East Market Square.

### Auction Sale of the Saved Stock!

At an early date the Stock saved from the late fire will be offered by AUCTION, and sold without reserve, due notice of which will be given.

### J. MASSIE & CO.

Guelph 16th Dec. 1867.

### Christmas Goods,

### HOLIDAY PRESENTS!

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### CARD OF THANKS

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Guelph, 30th November, 1867.

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WEDNESDAY EV'G. DECEMBER 18.

## OVER THE SNOW.

### A Christmas Story.

The effort of singing seemed to exhaust the sufferer's strength, and soon, still faintly murmuring that and refrain, she sank into a heavy slumber. Her mother took advantage of the opportunity to disengage the child from her arms, and to give it some milk, which it swallowed eagerly. This done, the parents continued their quiet watch. The night waned, and the grey light of daybreak stole in at the windows; their daughter still sleeping on, so calmly and peacefully that they would have fain hoped that the worst was over, and that the dawn of renewed life might come with her waking. But one glance at the sufferer's face forbade them to cherish the sweet delusion. The bright look of youth had faded away from it, and tears had washed away its spring-bloom; but in this last hour the graces of form and colour were replaced by another and higher beauty—a beauty so spiritual, so unearthly, it seemed as though the robe of clay had fallen off, and the soul alone lay sleeping there, bidding the summons to spread its wings and fly to Heaven.

At last, when the sun was high in the heavens, shedding its morning glory far and wide over the crisp white snow, the sleeper awoke. The fire of delirium had given place to the calm light of reason in her eyes, and she gazed around with an inquiring look.

'Have I been ill, mother dear?' she said, faintly.

'Yes, darling; very ill.'

'I don't remember falling ill,' said the dying girl; 'everything seems gone from me.'

A tiny cry from baby lips supplied the missing link. The white frock, crimsoned and the blue eye flushed with tears of grief and shame. 'I remember now. Oh, mother, can you ever forgive me?'

A loving kiss was the mother's only answer. But it said enough.

'And father, does he know? Will he forgive me too?'

David Holt rose and stood by his daughter's bedside, looking down upon her with ineffable love and tenderness. The old love for his only child, repressed so long, now swept away all barriers, pride, self-will, resentment, all were forgotten in the deep emotion of that bitter hour.

'My darling, may God forgive me as deeply as I have forgiven you all that I have to forgive!'

'If you and mother forgive me, I can feel almost happy again. Oh how nice it is to be at home! But how did I come here? Who brought me?'

The father and mother interchanged glances. 'We found you on the moor last night, Ally, and brought you home.'

'Last night? Last night? I don't remember. It's all gone from me. I seem mazed like; and oh, so weak! Mother dear, am I dying?'

The old woman tried to speak, but grief choked her. David answered for her, his small little less moved. 'My child, life and death are in the Lord's hands. His will be done.'

'Nay, David,' said his wife, with an effort, 'don't give the child a false hope now. Ally dear, we fear—indeed, we know that—that—' The mother's voice broke down, but her choking sobs told all the rest.

There was the faintest quiver of the drooping eyelids, and a single tear rolled over the wasted cheek.

'Are you afraid to die, Ally?' said her father.

'No, father dear, I don't think I'm afraid; I've longed for death many and many a time lately, and prayed to be ready to meet it; and now it has come, I don't fear much.—But it's hard to leave you and mother so soon after I have got you back, and my poor little baby. May I have him now, please mother? It won't be very long, I think.—There is such a strange feeling of numbness coming over me.'

The babe was placed in her arms, and she kissed and fondled it with passionate tenderness. 'Oh, my baby! my baby! it's very very hard to leave my little wee baby all alone!'

'Not alone, darling, not alone,' sobbed her mother.

'No, not alone,' said the dying girl smiling through her tears; 'not quite alone, after all. Mother dear, I give him to you, the last gift of your poor wayward Ally.'

'My darling, I take him, not as a gift, but as a precious trust—a trust to keep for his mother in heaven.'

There was a long quiet pause, in which nothing was heard save the heavy breathing of the dying girl, and the hard tick of the clock on the mantelpiece, counting her life away.

The solemn stillness was broken at last, by a voice so faint and low, the listeners had to bend forward to catch the pining words.

'Mother dear, where are you? Can't you see me? How dark it is getting.—Hark! they are calling to me.'

The dying arms drew the baby closer in a last embrace. 'Mother dear—baby—don't forget. God bless—'

And then the soul flew away with the blessing on its lips, and sped to finish its loving prayer at the foot of the great white Throne.

A corner of the window-curtain had fallen aside, and through the opening a stray sunbeam crept in, and fell, quartered by an intersection of the lattice, upon the white coverlet. Was it an omen? Was it chance?—The lifeless form, with a smile on its silent lips, lay sleeping UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS.

And now as the freed soul shook the earth from its wings, and spread its pinions for its heavenward flight, the church-bells burst forth with their chime of joy and gladness, in honour of the Christmas morn.

The sound of the joyous peal floated into the death-chamber, and brought sweet hope and peace over the sleeping heart.

longing had passed away. 'God knows best Davy dear. Without this bitter cup, mayhap we wouldn't have had peace and goodwill in our hearts to-day. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away. Blessed be His name! Amen! Amen!'

A and Christmas story—say you? Is it so? Perhaps it is; but there are Christmas tears as well as Christmas smiles. The very holly, the token of mirth and merriment, is but the symbol of the Saviour's crown of thorns; the crimson berries the type of the blood-drops on His brow. And shall we, born to trouble as the sparks fly upward, never feel a prick in our Christmas crown? Not so! to many, to most, it shall occur to be at some time in their lives, in the valley of the Shadow on Christmas day; the season of joy to Christendom shall be to them the hour of mourning and deepest sorrow. To them (ill grace bring balm) music shall have no melody; even the song of peace and good-will shall be like sweet bells jangled, out of tune and harsh. But to happy ones whose loss they mourn, far otherwise. To their truer sense, attuned to the harp of heaven, all universe shall join in harmonious chorus with the sweet angel-song, whose echo is faintly heard on earth at this Christmas season. The peace on earth, imperfect at the best, and the goodwill among men, so often marred by earthly passion, shall fade into nothingness before the 'unspeakable gift,' the 'perfect peace,' of Heaven.

A. J. L.

THE END.

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One of the direct means of attaining and holding this high position has been the constant and wary selection of thoroughly competent, conscientious and energetic teachers in each department. In the Writing department the First Prizes for Business Penmanship were awarded to us at the Provincial Exhibitions of 1863, 1866, and 1867, the only occasions on which we competed. As this honor undoubtedly places this College at the top of the "wheel," we shall always strive to maintain that superiority in this, as in all other branches of study which are characteristic of the institution. It is a legitimate business writing style to which we have ever given the most prominent place, our motto being "a business hand for a business man."

The time required to complete the full course varies considerably according to the attendance, attention and ability of each student. Young men, however, are earnestly cautioned against the injurious practice of hurrying through the course from the mistaken idea that they will thus be gainers by the saving of money in the item of board. Infinitely more advantageous would it be to the student, since his full course of tuition is already paid for, to incur the comparatively small additional expense of a few weeks' board in order to make himself master of the course, and thus by a small present outlay, qualify himself for some lucrative situation.

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Toronto, 6th Dec. 1867. dw

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**MR. N. HIGINBOTHAM,**

Agent, Guelph, dw-1v

## CARD OF THANKS.

THE subscriber begs to acknowledge the payment in full of his claim against the Puslinch Mutual Fire Insurance Company for the loss sustained on the 8th July last, by fire, in the destruction of his dwelling House and contents. Absence from the Township prevented his publicly acknowledging earlier the prompt manner in which the Company paid his claim.

**GEORGE BALKWILL.**

October 24, 1867.

## STRAYED PIG.

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**GEORGE A. OXNARD.**

October 24, 1867.

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**TEMPERANCE REUNION.**—The Reunion of the Guelph Temperance Society, which was held in the Town Hall, on last (Tuesday) evening was in every respect successful. A good attendance, and an excellent entertainment produced a feeling of satisfaction as well in the minds of the members of the Society as in those of the large number of people, who favoured the Reunion with their countenance and patronage. The programme was conscientiously carried out with the exception of one song—the gentleman who was to sing it being for some cause absent. The President's address was—as it was meet it should be—short and pointed, and laudatory of the peaceful, safe and healthful ways of Temperance. The addresses by the Rev. Mr. Griffin, of Guelph, and Mr. McLean, of Galt, were more than ordinarily clever and interesting. The recitations by Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Molton, were very entertaining, and given with excellent effect. The choir performed their part to the admiration of all, and the efforts of those who sang the various solos, duets, and glee, for which the programme made them responsible were no less acceptable. Mrs. Badd and Miss Martin played the accompaniments in a manner highly pleasing to the audience. The dialogue by the boys, members of the "Band of Hope," was loudly applauded. It is well known, that the object of the Reunion was to raise funds to assist in clearing off the debt which the Society incurred by furnishing their new hall, and we are happy to learn that last night's speculation was so far successful as to provide funds sufficient to pay the liability, with the exception of a small balance which it will require no extra effort to clear off within a very short period.

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**COMMERCIAL.**

**Guelph Markets.**

**MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH.**  
December 18, 1867.

With regard to the amount of business which has been transacted in the Guelph market for the past week there is but little change to record. Grain comes in not to a very large amount, but very steady. Fall wheat is lightly delivered, though perhaps the quantity has increased somewhat on last week's receipts, without any variation in price.

Spring wheat is moderately supplied with active demand, but quotations have not varied during the week. The deliveries and price of oats are steady, but extra good samples will bring as much as 48c. Peas have advanced slightly, no doubt owing to the scant supply. It is only rarely that there is so sudden a rise in the price of any grain as there was in barley on Monday last. It had been previously selling at 74c, but rose all at once to 80c and 85c, and has stood firm at these figures ever since, with a very eager demand. The rise is owing to the necessities of the local breweries, and orders from the States, but none can be obtained for shipment. Pork is coming in fast, and the competition for it is keen. The price varies, according to the size and condition of the hog, from \$4.80 to \$5.50, but the largest and best bringing the latter figure.

There are no other changes worthy of note. We observe that the city markets are rather inactive again. Flour (No 1 superfine) was quoted in Toronto on Monday at \$8.50, and no sales. The delivery of wheat on the market the same day was set down at 360 bushels, with sales at \$1.44. Hogs are lower in Toronto than they are in Guelph.

Flour, per 100 lbs.	\$7.75	4.00
Fall Wheat per bushel.	1.60	1.65
Spring Wheat.	1.38	1.40
Oats	0.40	0.48
Barley	0.62	0.67
Peas	0.80	0.85
Hay, per ton	4.00	5.00
Straw	1.00	1.60
Shingles per square	3.00	4.00
Wood per cord	0.27	0.30
Wool	0.14	0.18
Eggs per dozen	0.14	0.16
Butter (fresh), per lb.	0.14	0.16
Geese, each	0.25	0.35
Turkeys do	0.20	0.32
Chickens per pair	0.20	0.32
Ducks do	0.20	0.32
Potatoes	0.20	0.32
Apples per bushel	0.00	2.00
Lamb per lb.	0.00	0.07
Beef	4.00	6.00
Beef, per lb.	0.05	0.00
Pork per 100 lbs.	4.80	5.80
Sheep Pelts each	0.30	0.40
Lamb skins	0.40	0.40
Hides per 100 lbs.	4.00	6.00

**Gait Markets.**  
Fall wheat—\$1.50 @ \$1.60. Spring wheat—\$1.40 @ \$1.42. Barley—55c @ 70c. Oats—45c @ 48c. Peas—45c @ 70c.

**Money Market.**  
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, Guelph, December 18, 1867.  
Gold, 133.  
Greenbacks 101 at 73 to 74; Sold at 74 to 75.  
Silver bought at 41 to 42; sold at 39 to 40.  
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 50c to 55c.  
Commercial Bank Bills bought at 85c to 90c.

**MONTREAL MARKETS.**  
Strickwood, Livingston & Co's report by Special Telegram to "Evening Mercury."  
MONTREAL, December 18, 1867.  
Flour—Fancy, \$7.35 to \$7.45; Superfine No. 1, \$7.05 to \$7.25; Welland Canal, \$7.00. Bag Flour, \$5.40 to \$5.50. Oats 40c to 42c. Barley 75c to 85c. Butter—dairy 16c to 18c; store packed 14c to 16c. Ashes—Pots \$5.00 to \$5.05; pearls \$5.00 to \$5.10.  
Flour, receipts small and demand restricted; market very quiet, firm and about 10c higher on super. Grain—wheat wanted; \$1.60 offered; Peas nominal and no sales. Provisions—pork unchanged; Hogs fair demand at quotations. Ashes active at quotations.

**HAMILTON, December 17, 1867.**  
Fall wheat, \$1.45 @ \$1.50, spring do—\$1.30 @ \$1.35 per bushel. Barley—75c @ 75c. Oats—52c to 53c. Peas—73c @ 75c.

**TORONTO, December 17, 1867.**  
Flour—Receipts, 480 bbls; No. 1, at \$8.65—\$8.75 to 82c. Peas—72c. Oats—51c to 55c—75c to 82c.

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J. W. BURT, } Executors  
ARCH THOMSON, }  
JAS. W. KENNEDY, }

Erin, Nov. 16, 1867. 734-w3m

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