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TORONTO:  
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The Annual General Meeting of the Company was held in the Queen's Hotel,  
Guelph, on the 12th January, 1877.

Thomas McCrae, Esq., being called to the chair.

THE

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

OF THE

Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the County of Wellington.

The Directors of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the County of Wellington beg leave to make their report for the year ending 1876.

They have much pleasure in meeting the Stockholders at this time, as they have the satisfaction to report, that altho' the past year has been one of excessive fires throughout the province, yet the losses sustained by this Company during the year do not exceed those of last year and are as follows, viz:

S. Merner, damage, Waterloo .....	\$ 225 00	St. Andrew's Church, damage, Guelph .....	\$ 75 00
A. Nicholaus, loss, Berlin.....	2600 00	Mrs. R. Jackson, damage, Guelph .....	11 00
Mrs. Gaukel, " "	500 00	John Clare, " Preston.....	20 00
Fischer & Son, " "	2000 00	Mrs. King <i>et al.</i> , " Berlin.....	6 00
Jost Schafer, " Tavistock .....	550 00	W. H. Marcon, " Guelph .....	21 75
George McDonald, loss, Clifford....	2325 00	Wm. Heather, " " .....	25 00
Geo. Sieeman, loss, Clifford.....	300 00	J. Hallett, loss, Clifford .....	200 50
Brought over .....	356 41		\$356 41
	\$8856 41		

Which with expenses say \$3200.00 = \$12,056.41—Total.

A call of 6 per cent. has been ordered to be levied (payable on the 20th February or as soon thereafter as the Secretary will intimate in the notices) on all policies in force for the year, and a proportionate amount on expiring policies, and the new policies during the year, having a view to the date of the respective losses.

The new business of the year shows a considerable increase, 779 Policies having been issued, covering \$989,279, which when added to the balance of last year and deducting Policies expiring and cancelled during said term leaves an amount of say \$2,344,403 insured, with premium notes to secure the same amounting to \$238,496.74 as security to the Company, which they trust will be satisfactory, as when compred with the amount of losses, shows a security not equalled by any company doing business in Ontario.

A By-law will be submitted for the approval of the Stockholders.

1st. To authorize the Secretary to destroy the old premium notes and applications which have been accummulating for the last 30 years; so far as said notes are not required for the collection of arrears, And 2nd. Give power to impose a rate of one per cent. a month on all assessments not paid in accordance with the Act.

The Solicitor was instructed to prepare a form of Policy and Application in comformity with the Act passed last Session, which are now being printed and the Directors have to impress on all insurers the necessity of carefully reading over the conditions so as to fully understand that position.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed), FRED. WM. STONE, PRESIDENT.  
CHAS. DAVIDSON, SECRETARY.

GUELPH, January 12, 1877.

CHARLES DAVIDSON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH

THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON

For the Year Ending 31st December, 1876.

Premium .....	\$1942 94	Balance .....	\$ 130 91
Assessment .....	9706 27	Charges .....	197 18
Carpenter's Risk ...	57 82	Printing .....	31 50
Assessment Cancelled Policies .....	43 95	Fire Inspection .....	28 75
Interest .....	3 08	Advertising .....	54 47
Bank of Commerce .....	9427 37	Stationery .....	71 65
J. Hallett .....	4 00	Postage .....	37 75
E. Preston, increase .....	1 20	Premium refunded .....	25 62
		Assessment refunded .....	23 88
		Commission.....	120 71
		Bank of Commerce.....	8300 00
		Loss .....	8688 75
		Stamps.....	14 00
		Rent.....	200 00
		Mutual .....	19 12
		Law .....	52 40
		In Agents' hands .....	216 32
		President .....	125 00
		Directors .....	422 20
		Auditors .....	24 00
		Secretary and Clerk .....	1860 00
		Interest .....	541 43
		Cash on hand .....	99
	\$21186 63		\$21186 63

Audited and found correct.

FRED. J. CHADWICK,  
THOMAS W. SAUNDERS, } Auditors.

February 20, 1877.

BALANCE ACCOUNT.

To Bank of Commerce .....	\$11484 61	By Office Furniture .....	\$ 46 59
" Jeremiah Hallett .....	4 00	" Arrears .....	72 18
		" Assessment .....	337 26
		" Mutual .....	10815 27
		" Agents .....	216 32
		" Cash .....	99
	\$11488 61		\$11488 61

To the President and Directors of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the County of Wellington.

Gentlemen,—Your Auditors beg leave to present their report with the financial statement for the year ending 31st December, 1876.

They would call your attention to length of time which has elapsed in many cases between the time applications, &c., are received by the various Agents and the time they reach the hands of your Secretary, and to the impossibility of getting the books and accounts into shape owing to the delay, and would suggest that the Agents be notified to make more prompt returns.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRED. J. CHADWICK, } Auditors.  
THOS. W. SAUNDERS,

GUELPH, 20th February, 1877.



## The Wellington Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

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### BY-LAW NO. 4.

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WHEREAS it is deemed expedient and right that interest should be collected on all overdue assessments made on the members of this Company and that some provisions should be made for the disposal of the large accumulation of old papers in the office of the Secretary which are of no value and to prevent such accumulation in the future.

THEREFORE the said The Wellington Mutual Fire Insurance Company do hereby under and by virtue of the authority in the said Company in that behalf vested enact as follows:—

1. THAT all assessments made by or on behalf of this Company upon premium notes made by the members thereof to or for the benefit of this Company which shall be overdue for the space of thirty days after the times fixed for payment of such assessments shall *bear interest at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum until actually paid or collected*, and all premium notes to be hereafter taken on behalf of this Company, shall be drawn accordingly.
2. THAT the Secretary-Treasurer of this Company be authorized to destroy all applications in respect of which the Policies granted, or to be granted, have or shall have expired three years, and all premium notes upon which this Company have, or shall have, no further claim, or upon which the claims of this Company are or shall be barred by the Statute of Limitations.
3. THIS By-Law shall take effect on and after the twelfth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

PASSED this twelfth day of January, A.D., 1877.

THOS. McCRAE, CHAIRMAN.



# Annual Report of the Wellington Mutual Fire Insurance Company

FOR 1875.

The Directors, on meeting the Stockholders of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of the County of Wellington, in General Annual Meeting assembled, have much pleasure in submitting their report of the business of the Company for the year 1875.

It will be seen that the Company has sustained more losses this year than on either of the preceding two, yet light in comparison with other Companies. It is easiest to understand the subject when shown in figures. We submit a list of the losses, with the amount paid, as follows:—

Feb. 26th, Thos. Watson, Fergus, arranged for	\$2470 00	June 28th, George Anderson, Guelph, damaged	\$ 7 00
March 3rd,— Nevills, Morriston, damaged by lightning	5 00	July 28th, George J. Grange, Guelph, destroyed	400 00
“ J. T. Schneider, Hampstead, destroyed	360 00	Aug. 3rd, George B. Fraser, Guelph, damaged	9 20
April 27, Mrs. Martha Kemp, Ingersoll, damaged	200,00	Aug. 30th, Wm. Jamieson, Mt. Forest, damaged	20 00
April 28, Mr. C. Kress, Preston, damaged	6 00	Sept. 1st, Geo. G. Clemens, Berlin, destroyed	1400 00
May 6, Mrs. Gugglesburg, Preston, damaged	21 31	“ Dr. Geo. W. Wright, Berlin, destroyed	2000 00
May 26 Jackson & Galbraith, Guelph, destroyed	1400 00	“ George Serp, Berlin, damaged	52 50
“ George Beattie, Guelph, destroyed	1200 00	Dec. 2nd, James Warnock & Co., Galt, damaged	21 25
			\$9572 26
			3454 02
Which with the expenses of the year			
Making			\$13026 28

To cover the same a call of 6 per cent. has been made on all Policies in force during the year, and a proportionate amount taking into account the amount and date of losses on all Policies expired and not renewed, and on all new policies taken during the year 1875.

As there are often doubts in the minds of the Insurers in what Company they ought to insure, and, with a view to assist all such in their decision, we have subjoined a statement of this Company's yearly standing with regard to amount insured, Premium Notes on hand, and rates of assessment levied, for the last fifteen years, which will show all who wish to ascertain THE COMPANY they ought to insure in, for cheapness, security and prompt settlement of claims, when *honestly* made, viz:

## THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON.

FIFTEEN YEARS' STATEMENT OF AMOUNT INSURED, AS PREMIUM NOTES AND RATE ASSESSED.

DATE.	AM'T INSURED.	INCREASE OVER FORMER YEARS.	AMOUNT PREMIUM NOTES.	INCREASE OVER FORMER YEARS.	RATE ASSESSED.
1861	\$ 645,963	\$ -----	\$ 78,448 54	\$ -----	5 "
1862	715,143	69,180	85,838 44	7,389 90	2 "
1863	790,418	75,275	94,498 16	8,659 72	2½ "
1864	806,910	16,492	94,898 50	400 32	3 "
1865	946,437	139,527	99,396 96	4,498 46	3 "
1866	991,277	44,840	113,207 61	13,800 65	4 "
1867	1,050,290	59,013	119,266 57	6,058 96	4 "
1868	1,132,789	82,499	128,941 00	9,674 43	5 "
1869	1,219,762	86,973	137,335 39	8,394 39	6 "
1870	1,301,740	81,978	136,488 85	846 54	8 "
1871	1,332,576	30,836	138,640 68	2,151 83	8 "
1872	1,382,651	50,075	146,143 38	7,502 70	4 "
1873	1,615,280	232,629	171,435 13	25,291 75	3 "
1874	1,897,063	281,783	199,351 30	27,916 17	3 "
1875	2,041,663	144,600	218,384 91	19,033 61	6 "
Dec. 31,	\$2,041,663		\$218,384 91		66½
			20,000 00	Assessment paid out of Premium Notes, during last three years.	
					\$198,384 91

leaving an amount of security to be insured which no other Company in the Dominion of Canada can show; and when 66 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. is divided by the fifteen years, we have scarcely 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. as the average rate assessed per year. We have the insurer in the MUTUAL paying 45 cents per \$100 per year, against \$1 paid for the same risk to a Stock Company, or in first-class isolated buildings, as 18 cents are to 25 cents.

The number of Policies in force is 1,834, covering property as above to the amount of \$2,041,663, and Premium Notes as security for the same amounting to \$198,384.91.

This Company is a local Company, doing little business outside of the Counties Wellington and Waterloo, over which the Directors and Secretary have a personal knowledge of the towns and villages within the bounds, and therefore are able to exercise surveillance over all applications received, which, in the opinion of your Directors, is the true position for a Mutual Company.

With respect to the advantages of our system of Insurance, we beg to submit the following example:—

A property is insured for \$4,000 in a Stock Company, at 1 per cent. per year, costing \$40.00, which, at 10 per cent., would give the agent \$4 fees. In the Wellington, the same insured for \$4,000, at 8 per cent. premium note, equal to 1 per cent. in a Stock Company, would give a premium note of \$320, and 5 per cent. cash, paid on that at date of insurance \$16.00; and agent's fees \$2.00; total \$18.00; making a saving the first year of \$22.00. But on subsequent years it is much greater, as there are no fees charged after, except the \$1 renewal fee every three years; whereas the agent for the Stock Company receives his commission yearly with the premium.

Suppose an Insurer continues for fifteen years, he will have paid premiums and fees to the agent amounting to \$600; while in the Wellington Mutual the first year he pays premium and fees \$22.00; and, according to the table already given of the past 15 years of this Company, he would pay 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on \$320 per year, would be \$14.40, and for 14 years' time make \$202.60; total \$224.60; making a saving in 15 years of \$375.40; less 5 renewals in that time \$5.00; showing a clear saving of \$370.40.

After what has been shown, it is needless for us to say that with a premium capital of say \$200,000, and our losses in the year not averaging \$10,000, it must be clear to the mind of any unprejudiced man that the Wellington Mutual is in the van of all other Companies in the locality in which it does business.

We have had applications from Quebec to Sarnia for Agencies, but, for the reasons already stated, do not consider it advisable to extend the operations of the Company beyond the supervision of the Secretary and the Board. We now resign the trust committed to us last year, with the hope that the Company may continue to prosper in the future, as it has done in the past.  
All of which is respectfully submitted.

FREDERICK WM. STONE, PRESIDENT.  
CHARLES DAVIDSON, SECRETARY.

CHARLES DAVIDSON, TREASURER,  
IN ACCOUNT WITH  
THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

For the year ending 31st December, 1875.

To cash 5 per cent on premium notes .....	\$1495 26	By balance as per last audited account .....	\$ 37 94
" for carpenters' risks .....	47 83	" charges .....	53 43
" for assessments collected .....	3376 21	" printing account .....	126 85
" Cancelled Policies .....	11 12	" fire inspection account .....	70 15
" from Geo. A. Lacy, Agent .....	125 26	" postage account .....	22 50
" from D. Guthrie, bal .....	2 67	" commission account .....	16 85
" from A. J. Ruby, Agent .....	176 91	" coal account .....	30 48
" from Wm. Balfour, Agent .....	38 72	" office furniture account .....	23 15
" from Bank of Commerce .....	3021 58	" stationery account .....	11 90
" from interest on assessment .....	1 88	" loss account paid in cash .....	2049 76
To balance .....	130 91	" premiums refunded .....	45 20
		" Bank of Commerce .....	2688 95
		" A. Cassey, premiums .....	9 00
		" A. J. Ruby, premiums .....	188 07
		" Wm. Balfour, premiums .....	28 25
		" Geo. A. Lacey, premiums .....	125 26
		" salaries, Secretary and Clerk .....	1865 01
		" President's salary .....	125 00
		" Directors' fees and mileage .....	532 60
		" J. Cattanach's account .....	4 00
		" Geo. J. Grange, loss .....	400 00
		" Auditors' fees .....	24 00
	\$8428 35		
		By balance over paid by Treasurer .....	\$8428 35
			130 91

## BALANCE SHEET OF LEDGER.

DR.	CR.
To office account . . . . .	
" A. Cassey . . . . .	\$ 48 59
" A. J. Ruby . . . . .	9 00
" Mutual account . . . . .	15 36
" arrears account . . . . .	9881 94
" assessment balance . . . . .	72 18
	<u>463 08</u>
	<u>\$10488 15</u>
Audited and found correct, this 26th day of January, 1876.	<u>\$10488 15</u>

FRED. J. CHADWICK,  
THOMAS W. SAUNDERS, } AUDITORS.

### TABLE OF AMOUNT INSURED AT THE FOLLOWING RATES :

At 4 per cent . . . . .	\$ 97,060
5 "	140,572
6 "	245,468
7 "	71,795
8 "	405,776
9 "	5,740
10 "	353,950
12 "	253,593
14 "	50,050
15 "	196,675
17½ "	82,784
20 "	97,600
25 "	31,050
30&40 "	9,600
	<u>\$2,041,663</u>

### AMOUNT OF INSURANCE ON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIPTIONS :

Private dwellings and contents . . . . .	\$679,907
Shops, storehouses and contents . . . . .	535,670
Grist and saw-mills . . . . .	146,900
Taverns and contents . . . . .	177,615
Barns, sheds, granaries and stables . . . . .	197,166
Distilleries, breweries and bakeries . . . . .	28,615
Foundries, factories containing machinery . . . . .	124,550
Churches, meeting and school houses . . . . .	66,410
Workshops, cooperages, carpenters' shops, waggon makers' shops and smithies . . . . .	33,339
Printing offices, types and binderies . . . . .	5,100
Tanneries, asheries and kilns . . . . .	15,700
Public buildings . . . . .	30,200
	<u>\$2,041,663</u>

On motion of Mr. Stone, seconded by Mr. McMillan, the Report and Statement were adopted, and ordered to be printed and distributed among the Policy holders.

The Auditors' Report was also presented, to the effect that they had examined all the accounts and found all correct. They had much pleasure in bearing testimony to the neat and satisfactory manner in which the books are kept.

The Report was adopted.

The Secretary read a communication from Henry Roat in reference to a claim for furniture burned in Preston. No action was taken in the matter.

Messrs. Chadwick and J. P. McMillan were appointed Scrutineers for the election of Directors.

The ballot having been taken, the Scrutineers declared the old Board of Directors re-elected, composed of the following gentlemen : F. W. Stone, D. Allan, John Harris, J. M. Fraser, James Goldie, C. Ernst, Geo. Hespeler, J. Cattanach, Geo. Davidson, Charles McMillan, George Randall.

Messrs. F. J. Chadwick and T. W. Saunders were appointed Auditors.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Scrutineers.

Mr. Chadwick, seconded by Mr. Mundell, moved a vote of thanks to the President and Directors for their services during the past year.

On motion of Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Fraser, a vote of thanks was tendered to the Secretary.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the Chairman, and the meeting adjourned.

#### RATES OF POSTAGE.

Canada Post Card ..... One Cent.  
Canada Post Card for U.S. .... "

#### ON LETTERS, PER HALF OUNCE

To any part of Dominion of Canada, 3 cents—  
must be prepaid.

" Newfoundland, 6 cents—must be prepaid.

" United States, 3 " "

All mail matter, (excepting samples of Merchandise) to and from the United States, is the same as to any part of Canada, and must be prepaid.

Great Britain and Ireland, by Canadian Packet, 6 cents.

Great Britain and Ireland, by New York Packet, 8 cents.

#### ON NEWSPAPERS.

Newspapers and Periodicals, less than one oz. each, posted singly, prepaid, ½ cent each; if under 4 ozs., 1 cent.

Printed and published in Canada, and posted from Office of Publication or News Agency, to regular Subscribers or News Agents, for each 1 lb., or fraction of 1 lb., 1 cent, prepaid.

Posted singly to Great Britain and Ireland, 2 cents each.

#### BOOKS, CIRCULARS, DOCUMENTS, POLICIES, &c.

For each 4 ozs., or fraction of 4 ozs., 1 cent,

To United Kingdom, 1 oz., 2 cts.; 2 ozs., 4 cts.; 4 oz., 6 cts.; 8 oz., 12 cts.; 12 oz., 18 cts.; 16 oz., 24 cts., and so on, prepaid.

#### PARCEL POST.

Not to exceed 4 lbs., to any part of Canada, 12½ cts. per 8 ozs.; 25 cts. per 1 lb., and so on

#### SAMPLE POST.

To United States, not exceeding ½ lb., 10 cts.

#### TERMS AND COURTS.

Hilary, 1st Monday in February to Saturday of ensuing week.

Easter, 3rd Monday in May to Saturday of 2nd week thereafter.

Trinity, 1st Monday in August after 21st of said month to the Saturday of the following week.

Michaelmas, 3rd Monday in November to Saturday of 2nd week thereafter.

One Judge of each of the Courts is to sit in open Court every week, as well as in out of term, except during vacation. One Judge may sit for both Courts of Common Law.

County Court Terms are four, commencing respectively on the 1st Monday in January, April, July and October in each year, and ending on Saturday of same week.

Assizes—Twice in each year in every county or union of counties in Ontario, between Hilary and Easter Terms, and between the 21st of August and Michaelmas Term. In the County of York there are two additional Courts, one in the vacation between Easter Term and the 1st of July, and the other in the vacation between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms, and in the County of Wentworth there is one additional between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms.

Sittings of Courts of Assize may be held separate and apart from the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and either on same or different day, and sittings may be held in any County for trial without Jury whenever directed by the Courts.

County Courts.—Sittings commence on 2nd Tuesday in June and December, except in York where there are four, commencing respectively on the 2nd Tuesday in March, May, September and December.

General Sessions are held at same time as the several County Courts.

The County Judge's Criminal Court sits from time to time for trial of prisoners out of Sessions and without Jury.

Heir, Devisee and Assignee Commissioners sit

on 1st Monday in January and July, and on the 13 days next ensuing the said days respectively, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Court of Chancery.—A Judge sits in Court almost daily for transaction of business. Hearing and examination of witnesses are at such times and places as are appointed by the Court.

Court of Error and Appeal sits at Toronto twice in every year; once in January and once in June.

Long Vacation from 1st July to 21st August.

To	Showing the number of days from any day in one month, to the same day in any other month throughout the year. In leap year, add one day, for 28th February.											
	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
Jan.	346	31	59	90	120	151	181	212	243	273	304	334
Feb.	334	28	58	89	120	150	181	212	242	273	303	333
Mar.	306	337	345	91	61	92	122	153	184	214	245	275
Apr.	275	306	334	365	39	61	91	122	153	183	214	244
May	245	276	304	335	365	31	61	92	123	153	184	214
June	214	245	273	304	334	365	30	61	92	122	153	183
July	184	215	243	274	304	335	365	31	62	92	123	153
Aug.	153	184	212	242	273	304	335	365	31	61	92	122
Sept.	122	153	181	212	242	273	303	334	365	30	61	91
Oct.	92	123	151	182	212	243	273	304	335	365	31	61
Nov.	61	92	120	151	181	212	242	273	304	334	365	365
Dec.	31	62	90	121	151	182	212	243	274	304	335	365

Look for April at the left hand, and September at the top; in the angle is 153.

#### A TABLE.

#### BANK HOLIDAYS.

ONTARIO.—New Year's Day; Good Friday, Queen's Birth Day; Christmas Day.

QUEBEC.—New Year's Day; Epiphany; Annunciation; Good Friday; Ascension; Corpus Christi; St. Peter's; St. Paul's; All Saints; Conception; Christmas and Queen's Birth Day; also, any day appointed by Proclamation for a General Fast or Thanksgiving.

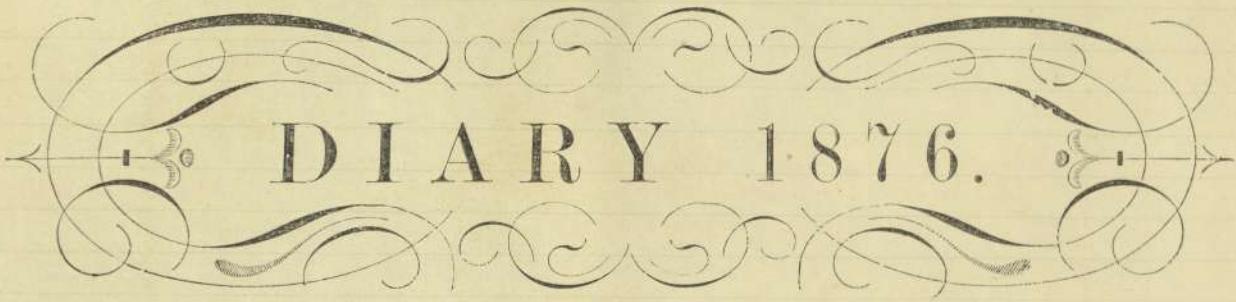
#### TABLE OF STAMP DUTIES.

Stamps required on Notes, Drafts, or Bills of Exchange, executed singly:

For \$25	1 cent
" \$50 and over \$25	2 "
" \$100 and over \$50	3 "
" each fraction over \$100	3 "
On Drafts or Bills of Exchange in duplicate:	
For	\$100 2 cents
" each fractional part of \$100	2 "
On Drafts or Bills of Exchange in more parts than two:—For	\$100 1 cent
" each fractional part of \$100	1 "

#### LIST OF SUNDAYS IN 1876.

January	2	9	16	23	30
February	6	13	20	27	
March	5	12	19	26	
April	2	9	16	23	30
May	7	14	21	28	
June	4	11	18	25	
July	2	9	16	23	30
August	6	13	20	27	
September	3	10	17	24	
October	1	8	15	22	29
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## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY, NOV. 21.

Stocks again became quiet to-day. Montreal was offered  $\frac{1}{2}$  lower, with no bids, but sold below at 184 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Toronto was offered here at 182, and in Montreal at 180, with 172 $\frac{1}{2}$  bid in the latter case; the decline is said to be due to about half a million of the stock being carried by one of the Montreal firms now in trouble. Merchants' was held  $\frac{1}{2}$  higher, with no bids. Bids for Commerce rose  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and those for Consolidated declined 1. Hamilton and Standard were  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  lower. Federal declined  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Molson's advanced  $\frac{1}{2}$ , with 111 $\frac{1}{2}$  asked and 110 bid.

Loan and Savings stocks showed but little change. Bids for Freehold declined  $\frac{1}{2}$ , as did also those for Farmers'. Bids for Dominion Savings declined 1. London and Canadian was firmer, and sold at 146. Other stocks were unchanged.

Insurance stocks were unaltered save an advance of  $\frac{1}{2}$  in bids for British America. Montreal Telegraph recovered considerably to-day. Sales were made in Montreal at 134 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 135 $\frac{1}{2}$  at the morning board and at 137 in the afternoon. Greenbacks were unchanged, being bought at 91 and sold at 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

American silver was unchanged at 15 per cent. discount.

Cable advices to-day state that the amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance to-day was £174,000.

Montreal advices state that the committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances attendant on the late "break" has commenced its labours. Several days are likely to elapse before any definite report will be submitted. It is stated that the Bank of Montreal has consented to carry stocks of syndicate, which they hold as collateral security for sixty days. Messrs. Bond have made the following reply to the letter of Mr. Forget, copied in *The Mail* of Tuesday:—

We regret that Mr. Forget should have written a letter to the papers respecting our compilations, as, when he proposed doing so, we proposed an investigation by unbiased parties, so that any statement issued should be a just one. His letter, however, necessitated an immediate investigation, which we have demanded, but in the meantime submit the following corrections:

The speculations between our offices have been carried on for some time in several stocks, chiefly Bank of Montreal, Telegraph, and City Passenger Railway. Telegraph has been the heaviest load, as the reduction in the dividend last July called for the putting up of large margins, nearly all of which came out of our office, raised by mortgages on our property. For the past six months Mr. Forget and his friends have been relying on us to carry them through. To this we had no objection, so long as we were in a position to help. The accounts have not been made up yet, but we claim that Mr. Forget was, on the 14th inst., in our debt to the extent of \$60,000. On Saturday, the 11th, we notified Mr. Forget that we had heavy obligations to meet on Monday, and that something must be done.

On Monday, the 13th, Mr. Forget had, in the course of business, to transfer to us 75 shares Bank of Montreal. Mr. Forget asked us for a cheque, which we declined to give, waiting to see what arrangements could be made, as we did not consider Mr. Forget was making sufficient efforts to aid the undertaking, and, in self-protection, we had to force him. On Tuesday morning Mr. Forget came to our office and said he was short \$27,000, which would fall on Strathy; that if we gave him our cheque, the matter could be arranged through the day, as his and our friends would have to carry it through. After some hesitation, and he urging his request with tears, we gave our cheque on the Union Bank, and taking, at the same time, his cheque in return. This deposit saved Strathy on Monday. During the day (Tuesday) Mr. Forget called one or two of his friends together and laid his case before them; meeting for Wednes-

THE EXPENSE OF A THEATRE.—Some idea of the enormous expense of a theatre can be obtained from the following facts:—Scene painters are among the best paid theatrical folk. Isherwood, at Wallack's, gets \$100 a week, while Roberts and Witham, of the Fifth Avenue, get \$150 and \$125 respectively. Matt Morgan, Voaglin, and Seary are paid by contract, so much a scene, averaging about \$240 a complete set. Stage managers average from \$40 to \$75 a week, and business managers, outside of New York, \$100; prompters get about \$25. The business managers of the New York theatres are well paid. Tooker, of Booth's, gets \$100 a week and a percentage on the sale of tickets; Stephen Fiske, of the Fifth Avenue Theatre, considerable more, it is said; Theodore Moss, of Wallack's, is understood to be a partner of Mr. Wallack, and A. M. Palmer, of the Union Square, is a partner of Mr. Shook. The wealthiest theatre proprietors in New York, are Mr. Lester Wallack and Mr. Sheridan Shook. Mr. Daly is said to have made a good deal of money by writing plays, and Jarrett & Palmer have certainly profited by the business enterprises they have exhibited recently. The salaries paid to New York actors and actresses are given below. The figures are as absolutely accurate in every case, as careful inquiry among the best informed people can make them. Miss Clara Morris, when at the Union Square, gets \$600 a week, and \$1,000 when she stars, furnishing her own dresses. Miss Fanny Davenport is said to have received as much as \$750 a week when at the Fifth Avenue, and \$1,000 a week when starring, besides being provided, as all actresses at this house are, with two new dresses for each play. Miss Rose Eytinge got \$350 a week at the Union Square; Miss Ada Dyas has \$250 a week; Miss Kate Claxton, \$175; Miss Jeffreys-Lewis, \$100; Miss Rosa Rand, when in New York, \$75; Miss Sara Jewett, \$75; Miss Emily Rigi, \$75; Miss Ione Burke, \$75; Miss Georgiana Drew, \$60; Miss Ida Vernon, \$100; Miss Rose Wood, \$50; Miss Lisle, \$60; Miss Marie Gordon, \$75; Miss Ida Jeffreys, \$50; Miss Sydney Cowell, \$75; Miss Effie Germon, \$90; Mrs. Gilbert, \$100; Mrs. Marie Wilkins, \$75; Miss M. Wells, \$75; Mme. Ponisi, \$100; Mrs. John Sefton, \$100. When G. Clarke was in New York, he had \$125 and \$150 a week; John Gilbert gets \$150; Wm. Davidge, \$100; D. Harbins, \$125; James Lewis, \$150; Stewart Robson, \$150; Harry Beckett, \$150; C. R. Thorne, jun. \$250; John Brougham, \$200; H. J. Montague, \$225; Charles Fisher, \$150; C. A. Stevenson, \$75; J. W. Carroll, \$75; Mr. Floyd, \$75 as an actor and \$25 as stage manager. All these salaries are paid for seasons of eight months. Leading men like Thorne, Brougham, and Davidge have annual "benefits" in addition to their salaries. John Brougham netted \$1,100 by his recent benefit at the Fifth Avenue Theatre. Thorne made \$1,000 by his benefit at the Union Square, while the genial Tooker surpassed them both at his recent benefit, by which he netted \$3,000. George Rignold, during his engagement here, was paid \$250, gold, a week. Mr. Sothern plays on shares, one-half the house after expenses, and Lawrence Barrett gets the same terms, and \$750 a week when on salary. Edwin Booth is the only American actor who gets a clear half of the house, to use a theatrical phrase—meaning half the gross receipts. While playing under engagement to Mr. Ford recently in the South, Mr. Booth got \$600 a week salary. George Fawcett Rowe gets \$200 a week. George Honey got \$250, gold, a week. E. L. Davenport gets \$500 a week. Fechter used to get \$1,000 a week, but does not now. Joseph Jefferson was once paid as much as \$3,500 a week, and his managers were said to have made money by his engagement. Miss Charlotte Cushman used to have half the whole house. Miss Adelaide Neilson used to get \$1,000 a week; she now gets half the whole house. Mrs. Rousby, when she was here,

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and office pedled bered and great oved, in it. s for ten a she Some oined p in giou ap- got \$1,000, gold, a week. Lester Wallack, when playing on salary, under engagement to his father, used to get \$125 as actor and \$25 as stage manager. Barney Williams used to play on shares. Mr. and Mrs. Florence together get \$500 a week, when on salary. The salaries paid to actors in America are nearly twice as large as those paid in England, taking into consideration the cost of living, etc., in the two countries. There are more wealthy actors and actresses in America than in all other countries of the world. The American is fond of his fun, and, American-like, does not mind paying for it.—Wilkes.

### Food Value of Beef.

In a paper recently published in the *Journal of the Chemical Society* the authors briefly allude to the work which Lawes and Gilbert have done on this subject in showing the modifications which take place in the animal organism during the progress of fattening, namely that the quantity of dry material is notably increased, and that while in oxen in moderately poor condition the water is about two-thirds of its total weight, in a fat ox it is only half; also, that the more nutritious character and superior taste of the flesh of a fat animal are due to this increased dry material. But of this increase two-thirds consists in fat; the increase of protein is only from seven per cent. to eight per cent., and of inorganic materials one and one-half per cent.

This relation between the assimilated materials first becomes perceptible in the last month of the fattening. At the commencement, the increase in fixed materials is only from thirty to forty per cent., and according to J. Ruhn, the production of a living kilogramme costs twice as much at the end of the fattening as it does at the beginning.

From a variety of analyses which are given, the flesh of the fat animal in every case is richer in fixed material than that of the lean animal; and though the flesh of a lean animal possesses a more uniform quality than that of a fat one, yet the poorest parts in the fat ox possess a higher nourishing value than the best in the lean animal.

#### COMPOSITION OF OX FLESH.

##### Lean Cow.

Constituents.	Neck.	Leg.	Paunch.	Loin.
Water	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.
Fixed material	23.51	22.91	24.47	23.42
Fat	1.28	0.92	0.783	2.62
Muscle substance	21.23	20.99	20.637	19.86
Ash, calculated as 1 per cent.	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

##### Fat Ox.

Water	77.97	74.98	76.80	70.60
Fixed material	22.03	25.02	23.20	23.10
Fat	0.95	4.00	4.33	7.96
Muscle substance	20.03	20.02	17.87	20.44
Ash, calculated as 1 per cent.	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

##### Very Fat Cow.

Water	75.15	73.26	67.81	67.35
Fixed material	23.85	26.74	32.19	34.65
Fat	2.82	5.76	8.812	12.86
Muscle substance	20.03	19.98	21.378	18.79
Ash, calculated as 1 per cent.	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

The animals experimented on were a lean ten-year old cow, a fat five-year old Flemish ox, and a very fat seven-year old Glaner cow.

The authors noticed a great loss of weight during the transport of the meat from Brussels to Gembloux; parcels which weighed in Brussels 225.3 grams, weighed in Gembloux only 192.2 grams, indicating a loss of 16.165 per cent. of water.

The nitrogen was determined in average samples, and the figures given are the average of two determinations in each. Nitrogen:—Lean cow, 14.0 per cent.; fat ox, 14.88 per cent.; very fat cow, 15.9 per cent.

What may be learned from the table is that the best piece (loin) in the fat ox and the very fat cow contains from 21 per cent. to 28 per cent. more fixed materials than the corresponding piece in the lean one. The difference in the composition of the different pieces of the lean cow is but small; in the piece containing most water (paunch) and that containing least (neck) it is less than five per cent., and curiously enough, the worst piece is the richest in fixed material. The flesh of the neck improves but little in value by the fattening, but the flesh of the loin has increased in dried material to a noteworthy extent.

The authors consider the method in England of dividing the food into four classes of corresponding values a good one. If the first be represented by 100, the second would be 74, the third 61, the fourth 42, and while the richer classes pay more highly for the better parts, the poor are enabled to obtain the others at a more reasonable rate.

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January

SATURDAY 1

1876

This is a very remarkable New Years morning.  
foggy weather dark morning & almost like a  
light rain falling, and during the forenoon,  
a close rain but very fine was falling, and  
during the whole day it was foggy & drizzling rain  
the water is running heavy over the dam, and  
reminds one more of the middle of April than this,  
we had a great many callers to day, as usual  
on New Years day all our works are standing still

January

MONDAY 3

1876

Fine dry morning yesterday sun shining fine and almost like an April day This morning was hard frost and the ground hard and solid, and the Dams covered with young and old scaiting,

There has been plenty of water for the Mill for some weeks now, -

TUESDAY 4

Hard frost this morning at 7 a m the glass stood at  $8^{\circ}$  above Zero, Mr Robertson began this morning to put on the felt on the Copper still and to line it with boards

WEDNESDAY 5

This is also a dry morning but not so hard frost as the day advanced it became milder after dinner it began to rain The water still holds out for 3 run of stones going to day and running over the Dams

About  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 2 it began to rain again & between 3 & 4 it rained heavy with snow flakes between, and later the water was running down the Streets

Mr Mills of Hamilton was murdered by a Butcher yesterday, who was a tenant of his in arrears of rent

January

THURSDAY 6

1876

During the night it dried up, and the roads here froze this morning, and flakes of snow blowing about but it is too cold for the snow to fall, 3 pair of stones going briskly in the water mill

The men working at the covering of the Boiler with felt, we had to make 2 wooden rings for top & bottom, and wide enough to admit of room to introduce the staves between them and the felt (which was previously tied on round about with twine) and then kept in their place with wedges in a temporary manner until ready for the iron hoops

FRIDAY 7

This was a very pleasant morning, and very little frost, enough to make the roads hard and dry, And during the day the sun shone out quite pleasant, William went up to London and then on to Chatham to see about corn, But found that they had not begun to shell it out as yet, the weather being too open for that

SATURDAY 8

This morning was dry but not hard frost, but of any thing dark & dull in the forenoon a light rain came on for a little while, but not enough to drive the skaters of the ice, But the latter part of the afternoon was quite wet and rained considerable

The copper still is about done the hoops having been put on this forenoon

No snow snow whatever to be seen any where,

William came home to night without doing any thing

1876

January

MONDAY 10

Yesterday was a remarkably fine day for this time of the year. It was quite mild when going to church & the ground soft and muddy, and a few rolls of thunder were heard, in the afternoon, the fine clear sunshine ceased & foggy dark weather came in and at about Church time it rained heavy, and began to blow.

There was quite a change this morning, a very strong Westerly wind has been blowing all night and continues this morning and very cold, the glass at  $10^{\circ}$  above Zero, during the whole day it blew hard and snowed at times, & the ground as hard as ever

A good deal of excitement about voting for the shop licence By-Law which was lost by 264 majority, got the copper still lining finished to day

TUESDAY 11

This is another cold morning, a little snow has fallen during the night, but it is too cold for it to come down

The men are working at the staging round the new fermenting tuns.

WEDNESDAY 12

This is a cold morning very little wind, and very little snow on the ground. The frost is sharp, Thermometer  $10^{\circ}$  above Zero.

Have just got information that W<sup>m</sup> Alexandra of Ellerburn died this morning at 10 a.m.

January

THURSDAY 13

1876

This is a pretty cold morning 12° above Zero  
cold N Westerly wind

Went out to Ellanburn twice  
to day and saw the Corpse & saw very little change  
the upper part of the face all above the mouth reminds  
me very much of my late father

The Boiler makers began  
this morning, and at noon got an assistant

After the pieces were cut out for the patches to  
be put on, we found the space for the water completely  
filled up and so hard that no water could get to it  
and in consequence led to the burning and cracking  
of the plates, no less than 5 barrow fulls of scald  
and mud were taken out.

FRIDAY 14

This is another cold morning. it is not blowing  
much. Went out to the Cemetery with Mr R Thomson  
to point out the spot to dig the grave for Mr Alexander  
and make allowance for the place for the Monument,

The boiler makers will work late to night,  
they left about the past 10.

SATURDAY 15

This is a very fine morning very moderately cold  
very little snow to be seen except on the  
sides of the roads, the middle is all bare,

We have a bother with the Beer pump this  
morning breaking out at the angle of the branch  
where it was patched before

January

MONDAY 17

1876

Yesterday was quite a mild morning. At 9:30 the thermometer stood at 37° and the atmosphere dull and heavy, and continued so till evening when it began to freeze.

Monday morning, a little snow has fallen during the night, but as the day advanced the mild weather & drizzling rain washed it all away.

Was over early at the Rectifying house before the furnace was lighted. Mr Cuttler began to day to adjust all the Millstones, all having more or less got out of Ballance.

Mrs A and I attended the Funeral of the late Mr Alexander this afternoon, it was largely attended.

TUESDAY 18

Another mild morning, and thick weather and after Breakfast it began to rain. and kept on all the forenoon more or less, and many teams came in with wheat and had to stand out in the rain till unloaded.

The last of the New fermenting tanks are finished with pipes, spouts &c, & ready for use.

WEDNESDAY 19

This is a wet dull morning ~~and after breakfast~~  
~~rained steady~~ ~~and may be said to have rained~~  
~~all the day more or less,~~ and all the snow is now washed away. There must have been far more rain up the Country than here, as the water is very high and coming down very thick and muddy.

In the afternoon it got colder and began to freeze about dusk, and about 8 O'clock a heavy shower fell. William started for Toledo this afternoon, I am quite disconcerted about a full deficiency in the amount of spirit which has been lost this last  $\frac{1}{2}$  year, on account of the weighing system.

January

THURSDAY 20

1876

This is a cold blustering morning the ground all covered with snow, and light showers of it now & then,

FRIDAY 21

This is a cold windy morning, a little snow blowing about now & then But it is too cold for the snow to fall regularly The roads are very rough for driving the nuts being deep and hard

leather got done with the stones this afternoon

SATURDAY 22

This has been quite a snowy morning, a good must have fallen through the night, but not enough for sleighing, however it continues to fall this forenoon Showring this afternoon also

helped to drap the church this evening in memory for the late W<sup>m</sup> Alexander Elder

Sabbath 23

January

MONDAY 24

1876

Quite a change again this morning, the water dropping from the eves of the roofs and it was quite sloppy in going to Church and a little snow fell, but so little that it blew away before the wind.

This morning the ground is hard and the frozen crust on the snow will prevent it from being blown away. There is every appearance of more snow. No word from William since he left.

Meeting to day of the Board of Directors of Wellington Mutual Insurance Co.

Only a few flakes of snow fell am in trouble to day the Duties being overdue & not enough funds to meet them.

There has been no thaw to day,

Meeting of Millers

TUESDAY 25 Association in Toronto

This is a moderate morning Thermometer 26° and a slight flurry of snow falling. The frost these last 2 nights has made an impression on the water in the river. Had a Telegram from William dated Chicago 24<sup>th</sup> that he had bought Corn and would leave tomorrow night, (that is to night)

We have had a considerable shower of snow this afternoon.

WEDNESDAY 26

This is a fine bright morning, the glass 32° at 11am there was very little snow fall last night

The annual Meeting of the Wellington Mutual Insurance Co for the Election of Directors, at 2 o'clock

Mr Edward Thomas died at his residence in Nassau. A very respectable and decent farmer, and have known him for many years,

January

THURSDAY 27

1876

This is a very wet morning, it rained heavy during  
during the night and the streets are running with  
water, and it is very slippery and most difficult to  
walk about,

William returned from Chicago about  
4 am this morning, It has been thawing all day  
and the gutters running as in spring

A guest called this afternoon

FRIDAY 28

This is another wet morning, I started for Hamilton  
by the 9.30 am train and got down about 12,  
it rained during the most of the journey down  
and after I got into the City the weather made it  
very unpleasant and business very dull

The Brass pump arrived from Cincinnati  
today

SATURDAY 29

This is a cold Blustering morning, not much  
frost but the wind is strong  
during the day we had a shower of snow —  
In the afternoon the wind increased next to a  
gale almost from the N'East accompanied  
with snow and was very cold

January

MONDAY 31

1876

Yesterday was a fine clear day but cold at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 9 am  
the glass stood at 17° above Zero

This morning is not quite so cold, and the wind more round to the South during the forenoon and afternoon, there was a fine bright sunshine and the roads running with water where the sun shone, And the water flowing over the Dam in a copious stream reminding me of April or May.

Mr David Torrance, President of the Bank of Montreal died this morning aged 71 years

February

TUESDAY 1

This is quite a wintry looking morning, it is snowing heavy but of any thing soft, and dull weather, It still continues to snow heavy this afternoon

Have been drawing out the new pump road on full size on paper and on a board for the Blacksmiths

Trade is still very dull all over and a great many failures taking place both here & in the States

WEDNESDAY 2

It blew very hard last night and cold, and this morning there was a thick coat of snow and the glass stood at At  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 9 am it was at Zero

This is the Monthly Fair Day

There was a very small attendance at this Fair the roads being drifted in certain localities may have hindered many of them,

February

THURSDAY 3

1876

It is not so cold this morning 6° above Zero  
Sleighing is pretty good now

William started this afternoon to Douglas for  
to attend a Sheriff's sale of the effects in the Hill  
there of flour, wheat middlings &c, of which  
William bought the whole lot and got it turned  
down at 14¢ per bushel  
He returned about 12 o'clock

FRIDAY 4

This is a fine day, and hardly so cold  
as yesterday

Old James McFarlane was buried to day  
at Rockwood, he having died  
in near Egan village aged 98 years 10 months. He was  
born in the year of the Irish Rebellion

SATURDAY 5

This is another fine morning glass at 7 a.m.  
stood at 2° below zero Our fine carriage  
horse lately bought died this morning, he age  
was 5 years past

February

MONDAY 7

1876

Yesterday was a very mild fine day and the snow melting fast and very little frost in the evening

This morning is another very fine morning and the Sun shining bright & warm

TUESDAY 8

This is another fine morning and the snow disappearing pretty fast, the waggons have again to be used in the Town

Nat went down to Toronto by the 11 a.m. train

WEDNESDAY 9

A good deal of snow has fallen during the past night and this morning it is still falling. A great fire in New York on Monday night, loss in goods & houses about \$3,000,000. We took the correct measure of the Pump rod.

A drizzling snow has been falling during the afternoon

David Stirton M.P. started for Ottawa this afternoon the Parliament opens tomorrow

February

THURSDAY 10

1876

This is a mild morning a little below freezing a considerable deal of sleet has fallen through the night and a crust was frozen over it this morning it has improved the sleighing

I wrote to Mrs McLean in Girvan to day Enclosing draft for £16,15.2 on the Bank of Scotland, London

FRIDAY 11

This is a very wet morning, has been raining a great deal through the night and has done so most of the forenoon, and the roads are running full of water

I have not felt well to day was quite giddy after getting out of bed & had to return to it. & much inclined to vomit. took opening medicine which operated & now feel a good deal better this afternoon.

SATURDAY 12

This is a fine clear morning but mild and the roads a little frozen But as the day advances the water is running down the roads and the river is very high, slipping over the guard block on the far side of the top beam of the dam and equal to what it is in April, and is a little up on the under side of the cross beam behind the grating at the entrance of the Mill race, and the water is very dark

February

MONDAY 14

1876

Yesterday was a very fine mild day, but very slippery walking in parts, towards night it began to harden

Early this morning a little after midnight it began to blow hard, with a good deal of Thunder and lightning and then heavy showers of rain, and the water froze on the trees weighing them down considerably and during the forenoon, the streets were much flooded and the river rising again, I never remember such a continuation of such mild weather

TUESDAY 15

Moderately hard frost last night, the ground and remaining snow is hard, but the river is still very high

The beer pump gave out to night

WEDNESDAY 16

There was pretty hard frost last night, and the wind was strong during the night

I went down to Toronto by the 11 O'clock train, to get startup the copper smith to come up,

February

THURSDAY 17

1876

This is a moderate morning, the ground hard and dry, but as the day advanced it became colder and blowing. There is not enough of snow for sleighing, David Startup came up by the 10 o'clock train, and immediately began to prepare the copper pipe for the new Pump.

FRIDAY 18

This is a coldish morning yet the day shone out very fine, but no thaw

We got on pretty well with the Pump to day and got up steam in the afternoon and after burning a charge and a half the log on which the Pump was set burst from the pressure of the depth of beer in the large tub & had to stop and put on clamps to keep it together

And which <sup>had</sup> the desired effect, but did not get done in time to run any more to night

SATURDAY 19

Rather sharp frost this morning, but as the day advanced it became much milder, clear and bright sunshine, yet no thaw whatever.

We got fairly started again early this morning and going well. But as the pump throws up a considerable of Beer above the Piston which is run into a pail, but as it is so often filled and apt to be neglected, we had to put in a large tub with its bottom level with the bottom of the pump logs with a large Cock connecting the two, which when filled, we have only to shut off the supply from the fermenting tanks, and open the Cock when the pump draws up every drop of it.

February

MONDAY 21

1876

Fine day yesterday

This is a fine winter morning, glass 22° above Zero roads hard and dry, Rectifying House stopped for cleaning out the boiler, and the man from Ingles & Henniters put in all the thimbles in the tubes which had fallen out in consequence of them having too much taper, which I got turned off. He also caulked round the patches that were leaking,

The coppersmith soldered the leak in the bottom of the stile which is now tight, He also fixed cocks on the descending pipe of the worm to turn on the faints with the fusil oil on to the Rectifiers or Filters.

We have got the fixings of the beer pump and pipes completed and all going well,

It began to rain this evening and blow hard, and about 8 o'clock came on to snow.

TUESDAY 22

This is a cold windy morning, with a fresh coat of frozen snow, The water in the river has fallen considerably yet we have plenty to drive the Mill, David Startup is about finished

WEDNESDAY 23

This has been a very cold night, and this morning at 6 o'clock the Thermometer stood at 6° below Zero, and at 7 a.m. 2° below it has been blowing pretty hard all day, and the snow that fell during the night, has drifted more or less and it is very cold getting about with the N.W. wind blowing

got Mr Gideon Flood as my security on my Bond for payment of Duties for the amount on his part for \$10,000.

David Startup, coppersmith went off by the 11 o'clock train,

February

THURSDAY 24

1876

This last night was much colder at 6 this morning the glass was 6° below, but at 7 a m it was 2° above zero and to day there is very little wind, and strange to say that where the sun is heating on the sidewalks the snow is melted and slippery, there is little or no wind

The accounts from Ottawa describe in glowing terms the grand dress Ball, at the Governors Residence

The day has been a pleasant mild day

Sent paper & letter to Illinois

FRIDAY 25

SATURDAY 26

This is a very cold morning, and during last night it blew hard, to day it is quite cold getting about, I did not feel well to day at all felt giddy in the morning & went only once of necessity up town, having taken medicine

Towards night it came on to blow hard and the snow drifted very much,

February

MONDAY 28

1876

It blew hard & cold all day yesterday. and the snow kept falling for the most of the day. We had an alarm of fire in the school room of St Andrews Church, there was not much damage done.

This morning was cold but got milder during the day. Meeting of Directors of Wellington Insurance Co. to day. It is snowing this evening and looks as if it were going to be heavy.

TUESDAY 29

This is a more moderate morning not so cold as yesterday, but the snow is very difficult to walk on, as it is dry and loose like sand,

There has been more snow falling at times but it is not enough to bind the other. But in places where it is drifted it is quite hard and carries a person quite easily.

The Poultry Show opened to day and there are many more entries than last year.

the snow is coming on again

March

WEDNESDAY 1

This was a sharp morning.

But the day turned out fine This being the Fair Day there was a large turn out of cattle and there was a number of buyers and the cattle went off quick

March

THURSDAY 2

1876

This is a fine winter morning bright and clear  
glass about 18° below zero at 7 am  
But it continues cold on account of the North  
wind The sleighing is tolerable fair

FRIDAY 3

This was a sharp morning 5° above Zero at 7 am  
This is our Fast day in our Church

Mr Wallace came up from Hamilton to day  
Mr Peter Idington was also here The Poultry show  
broke up at noon to day Peter Idington here to day  
William went up to Stratford about wheat

SATURDAY 4

This was a very fine morning  
During the day there was a moderate thaw  
and the snow is wearing away on the much  
travelled roads Peter Idington here to day again  
William returned about 5 o'clock this morning.

March

MONDAY 6

1876

Yesterday was a fine mild morning & dry,  
but in the afternoon it began to rain & continued for  
some time. And in the evening it came on again with  
light showers.

This is quite a mild morning, and the  
roads are very much washed from the rain during  
the night, that the sleighing will be altogether gone  
if this weather continues.

TUESDAY 7

This was a wet morning, and raining more or  
less for most of the forenoon, and part of  
the afternoon.

The river is rising fast and is  
nearly as high as the last flood some weeks ago  
we opened the flood gates this afternoon,  
there is appearance of more rain  
The roads are in a very bad state

WEDNESDAY 8

Quite a change this morning, during the night  
it turned to hard frost, and instead of mire of  
considerable depth is now hard solid roads, and  
a cold frosty wind blowing, The water is for all  
that comming down very deep

March

THURSDAY 9

1876

This is a fine dry morning, frost throughout the night was middling hard and will be very trying on the young wheat now without protection. The water in the river is much lower this morning.

FRIDAY 10

This is another very fine morning, hard frost last night, but the sun has great power in thawing the middle of the roads so as to soften the hard edges of the ruts and make it more easy on wheel carriages. We had to shut down the flood gates this morning so as to keep up the head on the Dam.

SATURDAY 11

A moderate morning, and the roads getting softer. The water is keeping up pretty fair

The afternoon is cloudy, and it began to rain about  $\frac{7}{2}$  past 6

March morning MONDAY 13 1876  
Yesterday was rainy, and had been during the night, and continued more or less all day

This morning the ground was covered with snow over 4 inches deep, and the wind continuing strong

This afternoon is becoming much colder and the wind which was Westerly is now becoming more Northerly and getting very cold, a little snow is blowing about  
Rev W Tanner lectures in our Church to night

TUESDAY 14

This is a tolerable sharp morning, rather too cold for snow last night

During the day the sun shone out fine ~~and~~ and made the sidewalks smoke  
Meeting of Presbytery in Chalmers Church

William started off to Hamilton, thence to Bradford

WEDNESDAY 15

This is a fine clear morning, the glass much the same as yesterday  $10^{\circ}$  or  $11^{\circ}$  above Zero,  
The roads are very rough and hard

March

THURSDAY 16

1876

This is a very stormy morning, the wind has been blowing at a fearful rate all night, it is accompanied with dry fine powdery particles of snow and in thick clouds and drives with great force against ones face, the cold is not at all severe only 25° above zero at 10 a.m.

The wind still continues this afternoon strong from the East and the fine snow still falling.

I wrote to J. Smith. Bridgeman by this afternoon's mail,

William came home by the 6 o'clock train,

Mr. Fowler had a grand examination in the Town Hall to night, it was cram full & a couple of hundred people in the old hall

FRIDAY 17

This is of any thing a milder morning, and snowing a little, the is more from the West now

It became colder in the afternoon, and still snowing lightly

SATURDAY 18

Sharp morning  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 10 am the glass stood at. 5° above zero, at 1.30 p.m. it was 10° above zero

I have kept the house all day, being affected with headache last night and giddiness this morning

March

MONDAY 20

1876

Yesterday morning was pretty sharp, at 7 am glass stood at 5° above zero, clear and calm weather, I went twice to church, & did not feel the worse of it,

This morning chilly and raw, cold 22° at 10 a.m inclined to snow or other change,

I feel better this morning

About noon it began to snow and kept on quite heavy all the afternoon, and evening and blowing from the East.

TUESDAY 21

Wintery morning, and the fall of snow during the afternoon and during last night, has left a coating of snow generally all over of from 6 to 8 inches deep.

The day is turning out fine with a slight flurry of snow now and then

WEDNESDAY 22

This is a fine morning, glass at 20°.

I am going to try the sleighing this forenoon James Dobbie is said to have died at his tea-table last night, of heart disease,

Mrs A and I went down to Fishers Mills to see Mr Fidington's family, and found them all well, the roads in Waterloo were considerably drifted up certain places, and sloping so as almost to tip the cutter over

March

THURSDAY 23

1876

This is a fine morning, and as the day advances the sun is beginning to melt the snow in the middle of the road.

This afternoon the roads are getting quite soft and watery, and if it continues a day or two longer all the snow will be gone.

I am glad I went to Waterloo yesterday for the roads in many places must be bare to day.

Rec'd letter from John Smith. Bridge of Allan

FRIDAY 24

This is another fine morning and likely to thaw more to day.

It has turned out a fine forenoon went out to the Model Farm and found the sleighing very bare in most places & unless more snow falls it will soon be all gone.

Peter Hington & wife were here to day.

The Court of Queen's Bench is sitting just now presided over by Judge Gairne.

SATURDAY 25

This is a very coarse morning with sleet and snow a good deal has fallen through the night, and the roads are now very slushy and disagreeable, It has continued throughout the day much the same, with frequent showers of frozen rain, sometime pretty heavy.

The weather is so dull and dark that no Eclipse can be seen.

Wrote to John Smith this afternoon by U.S mail

March  
Yesterday was a somewhat blustering day with light  
showers of snow

MONDAY 27

1876

"This is a dull blustering day, and bad getting about  
with either sleigh or waggon", Feek, began this  
morning about 9 o'clock left at 10 a.m. began again  
at 3 p.m.

Miss Isabella Alexander came this afternoon

TUESDAY 28

Pretty hard frost last night, the roads are very  
hard and dry, Feek began at 7 a.m., and worked  
till a little after 3 p.m.

About 1 O'clock it began  
to snow and continued to fall heavy all the  
afternoon and no appearance of it stopping

William, went to Paris & Bradford this morning,  
Wind from the N.East,

Rec'd Telegram from William that he was stormbound at Bradford  
& could not be home to night

WEDNESDAY 29

This is another snowy morning, and it is now very deep  
all over, wind from N.East

William came home at  
noon to day

We are making arrangements to stop  
distilling tomorrow, to enable us to put in the heating  
pipes in the smoke stalk to heat up the feeding water  
for the Boiler, and raise the grate bars 12 inches, so as  
to reduce the quantity of dead wood that accumulates  
and blackens in the fire box down on the bars

March

THURSDAY 30

1876

This is a pleasant winter morning good sleighing, and good many teams in town, and we are hurrying out the firewood from the Rocks with a number of hired teams, for we cannot depend on it lasting long, for the frost is too mild to preserve it.

Distillery standing to day, having been running on till about 4 o'clock this morning, having run since yesterday morning

We have been working late to night to complete what we think will be a saving of fuel & time in the distillery. Feed to about

FRIDAY 31

This is a mild morning and thawing, I am rather disappointed in finding this morning that our hard work all yesterday is not going to answer in the present way & am going to stop and replace the grate bars as they were

After cooling down the furnace we lowered the grate bars to their old position and the draft was restored to its former strength, But the feed water passing through the coil of 2 inch pipes does not heat up the water to the heat I expected

I have got a bad cold from last nights late work,

April

SATURDAY 1

This is also a mild morning But as a precaution I have made up my mind to remain in the house all day, having taken Medicine

April

MONDAY 3

1876

This morning is soft but no rain, but the thaw  
is rapid and the roads quite slushy, and the  
water running rapidly in the gullies

I feel a good deal better  
to day, but keep as much in the Office as I can

TUESDAY 4

This is another mild morning, and thawing fast,

WEDNESDAY 5

This is a dull morning. There has been a little frost  
last night, about 10 o'clock it began to snow pretty  
thick loose snow which melted as it fell, and then  
a little rainy sleet, making the streets slushy and  
unpleasant. There is a large attendance of Farmers and  
others in Town to day, this being the Easter Fair, and  
a greater number of fat cattle shown than I have seen  
before.

Jeffry Lynch was in Toronto yesterday and spent an hour at  
Mr Wm Heiglbothams & found him worse requiring to be watched as he cuts  
up Handkerchiefs &c into ribbons,  
We are without a fireman to day, having  
turned off Scott for indisposition

April

THURSDAY 6

1876

This morning the ground was somewhat dry, but as soon as the sun got fairly up the water began to run in the streets, and the snow that is still laying on the sides of the roads is getting very soft and melting fast away.

The ice on the dam is quite whole yet but it must be brittle and very unsafe to cross on now,

Tho. Baxter of Wellington Square is reported to have been drowned this morning in his own farm,  
fine mild night. Mr A. & J at Mr Websters to see

FRIDAY 7

Not rainy and dull morning with frequent showers of sleet, and there seems to be a regular break up of the ice and the water in the Dam is rising

The Hamilton papers announce the sudden death of an old acquaintance of mine Mr Thomas Baxter of Wellington Square in examining a drain that run into a small creek had become giddy & fell in & got drowned he was 55 years of age

A dispatch from Ottawa says that the site for the New Post Office is fixed, and to be erected on the present site of the Wellington Hotel.

SATURDAY 8

It froze hard last night and the ground is quite dry and bearing up, the weather is fine and clear

April

MONDAY 10

1876

The weather was fine yesterday

This morning the ground is dry with the nights frost  
but as the day advances it is thawing fast

TUESDAY 11

This is a fine mild morning and the water  
running down the road at a rapid rate  
and the water in the river rising

William went up to Stratford this evening on  
a tour among customers

WEDNESDAY 12

This is a very dull dark morning, and must  
have been raining during the night  
About 7 am it began to rain very lightly  
and then more heavy during the forenoon  
there is very little snow to be seen on the  
sides of the roads now, I had to hoist the flood  
gates as the water was getting over the fender  
log at the Notherly end of the pieron, the water  
is very dark and muddy

Stratford and Mitchel

Head Telegrams from Wm from

April

THURSDAY 13

1876

This is another dull misty morning, and its condensation producing a very fine rain, But during most of the forenoon, the rain fell more freely.

The Steam Mill Bridge is loaded with stones. In the afternoon rain came on again, and the water in the river continuing to rise, notwithstanding that the flood gates have been raised as far as they will open. And the ice is breaking up or going over now. Telegraphed from Stratford that he will be home at 8 pm.

We are only running the mill with 1 run of stone from the water being so high and causes the water wheel to labour too much in back water injuring the bucket boards.

Higinbotham returned from Ottawa, William came home from above about same time.

FRIDAY 14

This is Good Friday. It was so far fair, with the exception that the fog condensed into fine rain, and continued so throughout the forenoon, the water got very high and we had to raise the gate to the full height.

We hear of no disasters as yet from the high floods, the most of the ice is of the Dam except a little on the edges.

It began to be very cold towards evening, I went up to Goldies dam, he was working at his flood gates, being afraid of them,

SATURDAY 15

This was a dry morning, and the water no higher than late last night. The day is quite fine but yet not the warmth in the air we ought to have.

April

MONDAY 17

1876

Yesterday was a very fine day

This is of any thing a chilly morning  
But as the day advances it is getting better  
We had to shut down part of the flood gates  
this morning as the water was too low to run over  
the Dam, shewing how rapidly the flood  
or spring freshet disappears now compared  
with former years when it lasted for much  
more than a week

TUESDAY 18

This is a fine morning, and the water in the  
river is still lower that the gates have to be  
farther shut down

WEDNESDAY 19

This is a very fine spring morning and the  
ground is drying up fast, and the flood  
gates are now altogether shut down close

April

THURSDAY 20

1876

This is a fine morning although, there was hard frost last night, and the ground was quite hard. This forenoon and part of the afternoon was fine but farther on it became cold again. Went out the York Road to attend the funeral of a son of Robert Paterson who died in Detroit day before yesterday of Typhoid Fever. William started for London this morning.

We had a heavy shower of rain last night and it was very dark, some later it blew very hard

FRIDAY 21

This is a very fine morning, and the roads drying up very fast. The driver of the chopping stones broke, one lag at each end

SATURDAY 22

This was a fine mild morning, and looked like rain. But as the day advanced it became very pleasant and the sun shone out fine. Willie Hignbotham came home from Hamilton at noon, but Agnes & the two boys from Fishers Miles, Dr. Mary was brought from Toronto by her Father to night, so that they are all at home but Harry who is at Elora. William came home from London by the 5 o'clock train, It began to rain about 5 o'clock and then again at 1/2 past 6, I felt very giddy this afternoon and inclined to stagger in my walk.

May

MONDAY 1

1876

Cold blustery day yesterday, with a shower of snow, but it was light and dry & blew away.

It froze hard last night, and there was ice on the tub at the spring  $\frac{1}{2}$  an inch thick & over. This is a fine bright morning but cold.

The Masons have begun to build the foundation walls for the shop to be built for the owner of the ground James Mays being 25 feet 8 inches, W<sup>m</sup> Stewart and Petries are next being something like 40 feet some inches, then the same stables which ground is feet frontage

TUESDAY 2

This was a very fine morning, and very little frost, I got the onions sown in the garden to day and also the hot beds with cabbage seed and cauliflowers.

I got the Bucket boards repiled and changed the position of the bearers between the tiers, and also the  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch Oak planks in the same way.

Mr Corby Jun<sup>r</sup>, Distiller from Belleville was here this afternoon, intending to stay over tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY 3

This is a most beautiful morning for the Monthly Fair, I see a great many, Reapers & Mowers being arranged for sale.

The Wellington Hotel Building was sold by Auction to day for \$150.00, The Verandah for \$13.00. The Stable which was a framed one and sheeted both inside and outside, for \$40.00. and the ground to be cleared by a certain time,

May

THURSDAY 4

1876

This was a dry morning but not so warm as yesterday morning, The party who bought the Wellington stable is busily taking it down

FRIDAY 5

This is a cold wet morning and the wind from the East, it continued fair for the greater part of the forenoon, but came on again in the afternoon, I sowed a bed of Spinage and also some Parsley this forenoon, The Auction of the furniture &c is still going on to day and is likely to take all day tomorrow.

It has been raining all the afternoon and continues still this evening to past 8,

SATURDAY 6

This is a dull damp morning, it must have rained through the night, and likely to rain more ere long

May

MONDAY 8

1876

Sabbath was of any thing a damp day threatening rain in the forenoon, but the afternoon was dry, But I did not go to Church as I felt unwell, in the afternoon felt great headache and sent for Dr. Herod

To day it was dry weather, I feel no worse and the head better, the Dr. called again to day and required me to keep quiet for the next 24 hours at least and not go out,

TUESDAY 9

This was a fine day

WEDNESDAY 10

This is a very wet morning and heavy rain

May

THURSDAY 11

1876

This is a fine morning, I made arrangements ~~the~~  
yesterday to meet John Chambers at the Quarry hole  
to build retaining wall,

FRIDAY 12

This is a wet <sup>looking</sup> morning but no rain has fallen  
It continued fair all day

SATURDAY 13

This is a fine morning, and as the day advanced  
it began to blow a stiff Notherly wind so that  
it was not so warm as some days ago -

I was out at the Bridget farm with a Donald Camera,  
with a view to let it

May

MONDAY 15

1876

Yesterday was a moderately fine day, but got dull in the afternoon, I went to Church in the forenoon

This morning it was dry but during the forenoon it began to rain, and continued on during the afternoon pretty heavy The Wellington Hotel is about half demolished, they are getting on much faster in taking it away than was expected,

TUESDAY 16

This is a dull wet morning, has been raining during the night, and lightly during the forenoon, but continues very dull

William went down to Hamilton this forenoon, to attend meeting of Chilmans Creditors

WEDNESDAY 17

A great deal of Thunder and lightning last night and this morning, and a great deal of rain, and it is causing great delay in putting in the crops, The land are now all soaking wet

May

THURSDAY 18

1876

This has been a very fine day, and quite warm  
at times  
I have had some men repairing fence  
at Back of Cottage

William started for Ottawa this afternoon at  
5 o'clock

FRIDAY 19

This is a fine morning, and the trees and  
bushes have made great progress, and the leaves  
are about fall out on the Birch trees and on the  
chestnuts also, and the grass is looking beautiful

I have been drawing out a plan of Mr Alexander's  
Cemetery Plot for Monument and where the  
graves are to be for they are not in their proper  
place, he having only bought a single lot on the  
day that his wife died as I was along with him and  
gave my opinion as to its selection & she was (Mrs Alexander)  
buried at a proper distance from the centre of that lot so  
as to admit of another grave beside her, as it was his intention  
to leave this country but having taken ill so soon after her and continuing  
to get worse, he ordered the other half to be bought and which  
is now 28 feet by 20 feet

SATURDAY 20

This was a very wet morning, raining heavily  
till 9 o'clock and then turned very warm

Had a telegram from Mr. at Ottawa enquiring  
the amount owing by Mr. Wall of Perth, I wrote him  
enclosing Guests letter

May

MONDAY 22

1876

Yesterday was a very warm day about 74°  
This was a dull morning and looked like rain, but  
none fell I did not feel well during the night and  
felt better about noon,

Telegraphed to Wm at Montreal  
Then Mr Stewart who replied at 5 pm

only got a reply from Wm at 8 pm

TUESDAY 23

There was hard frost during the night and this  
morning a little ice on the tub at the spring was  
about the thickness of a Penny piece  
But the day is turning out fine and warm

WEDNESDAY 24

This was a very fine morning, and moderate  
breeze of wind cooled the air, there was no  
sporting with any more than one boat on the  
Dam a great many took advantage of the  
cheap fares to Toronto & London & Hamilton  
I shut down both Mill and Distillery,

Had a telegram from William that he would  
leave Montreal to night at 10 o'clock

May

THURSDAY 25

1876

This is another very fine morning, and all the trees almost in full leaf. Have been employing whitewashers to day to finish their work at the Priory. Made every endeavour to pay the debts on spirits but had not enough funds, and paper to cover cheque, and have to wait for work from Toronto.

William came home at 1/2 past 2 p.m.

FRIDAY 26

This was another fine morning, and quite warm during the day. I have just read in the Scottish American of the death of Mr David Bryce Architect and R.S.A. aged 73, he died in Edinburgh at his own residence 131 George Street. I have known him since a boy, his father was a Mason, and kept a night drawing school, at which my father was first a pupil & afterwards an assistant. His mother was often in our house in Leith Walk, and were great friends for many years, I visited him several times in 1861 when in Scotland.

SATURDAY 27

May

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SATURDAY 27

May

MONDAY 29

1876

There was very heavy showers of rain this morning but the ceased about 11 O'clock, but it cooled the air a good deal, and in the afternoon it became quite chilly.

They are getting on very well with the excavation of the old stable of the Wellington Hotel and a man is underfitting or building a 2 feet wall, and which has to be very carefully done, and have recommended 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  feet thick in preference, the other stores west of them are up to, and the first joists are laid.

The Chestnut trees are in full blossom & all the Apples & cherry trees

I attended the Revision Committee in the Town Hall this evening, But as I was a day behind in entering my complaint they will consider by Friday night if it can be admitted.

TUESDAY 30

This is a cool morning, and there was frost on the sidewalks.

The foundation of the New Wellington Hotel and the Masonic Hale is now dug out and likely to be finished tomorrow, This is a warm day about 80° in the glass,

WEDNESDAY 31

This was another fine morning. The papers this morning announce a great Conflagration in in Quebec, and 400 houses found to have been consumed, first report stated a 1000 houses destroyed, and the loss will not fall short of \$800,000.

June

THURSDAY 1

1876

This is another fine morning  
that the Sultan of Turkey has been dethroned

I went down to the Quarry and found that it will take Chambers another day to fill up the embankment

The masons have begun to build the Masonic Hall, The whole excavation is now taken out and the sides on Hindham street protected

Met ~~this~~ night at Massie to consult about a testimonial to be presented to Mr Glasgow, Collector, on his removal to Windsor, when a large sum was subscribed,  
to day I June the list is now made up to \$349.00

FRIDAY 2

This is a very warm morning and the heat about 1/2 past 10 was 85°. This is our fast day and there was a very fair attendance.

In the evening I attended the Revision Committee in the Town Council Room but being a day too late they could not take up my case

I have a strong desire to go to Philadelphia to the Centennial to pick up some insight in many things I may see that may be of great use to me if I am spared

SATURDAY 3

This is a dull morning, and rain began to fall about Breakfast time and continued heavy for a considerable time, And then in the afternoon another heavy shower so that the ground is well soaked this season,

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## A SOLDIER'S DEATH—1845.

The foe had left the tented ground;  
The fight was ours; the day was done;  
When he fell, in a deadly swoond,  
Above the heights of Sabraon.

Quick are his friends to bathe his brow,  
To staunch the slowly trickling gore;  
He sees them not, he hears not now,  
Or whispered word, or cannon's roar.

But for a moment, as he waits  
Till death shall close his glazing eyes,  
His spirit, through the opening gates,  
Gains a foretaste of Paradise.

His eyes, poor wayworn traveller,  
Rest once more on the heathery brae,  
The drooping birch, the stately fir,  
That fringe the streams of Inveray.

A little cot he sees once more,  
White in the glare of the sunbeam,  
An aged father at the door,  
A bairnie paddling in the stream.

And from the schoolhouse pourin out,  
Besides the banks of silver Dee,  
The lads and lassies call and shout,  
And race and chase along the lea.

No more; but as the earthen cords,  
Untying, loose his soul away,  
His comrades catch the faltering words—  
"The bonny barks of Inveray."

So let him rest; afar, alone,  
Unseen of friends who held him dear;  
His only word was, "Duty done;"  
He asked no pity, claimed no tear.

Yet not afar; yet not alone—  
There is one sun, one sky, one day,  
Above the heights of Sabraon,  
Above the barks of Inveray.

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## FAREWELL TO WHISKEY.

You're surely heard o' famous Neil,  
The man that play'd the fiddle weel;  
I wot he was a canty chiel,  
And dearly lo'ed the whiskey, Oh!

And, aye sin he wore the tartan tress,  
He dearly lo'ed the Athole brose;

And wae was he you may suppose,

To play farewell to whiskey, Oh.

Alake, quoth Neil, I'm frail and auld,  
And find my blude grow unco cauld;  
I think 'twad make me blythe and bauld,  
A wee drap Highland whiskey, Oh.

Yet the doctors they do a' agree,  
That whiskey's no the drink for me,

Saul! quoth Neil, 'twil spoil my glee,

Should they part me and whiskey, Oh.

Though I can baith get wine and ale,  
And find my head and fingers hale,

I'll be content, though legs should fail,

To play farewell to whiskey, Oh.

But still I think on auld langsyne,  
When Paradise our friends did tyne,

Because something ran in their mind,

Forbid like Highland whiskey, Oh.

Come, a' ye powers o' music, come;

I find my heart grows unco gluin;

My fiddle-strings will no play bum;

To say farewell to whiskey, Oh.

Yet I'll take my fiddle in my hand,

And screw the pegs nu while they'll stand,

To make a lamentation grand,

On gude auld Highland whiskey, Oh.

DAD CHAMMAD

## IMPORTANT SALE!

OF  
VALUABLE

## Real Estate

IN THE

## Town of GUELPH, Ontario.

### TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED

ED by the undersigned up to the 27th day of OCTOBER next, for the purchase of the undermentioned valuable real estate in the TOWN OF GUELPH, formerly the property of David Allan, Esq., and comprising about 12 acres in all.

For the better convenience of intending purchasers, the property has been divided into eight blocks, and the tenders may be for any, or all of said blocks, which may be described as follows:

BLOCK A.—The present residence of David Allan, Esq., with the stables, outbuildings, greenhouse, etc., and grounds thereto attached, laid out with shade, fruit, and ornamental trees, and in a high state of cultivation, containing in all two and a half acres, and known as the "PRIORITY."

BLOCK B.—The mill property, upon which is a grist mill in full running order, having eight run of stones, and all necessary outbuildings complete, and in good order.

BLOCK C.—The distillery property, upon which are buildings, vats, and all the necessary appliances for a large and valuable distillery or brewery.

BLOCKS D E F G & H are laid out in town lots, and all occupying desirable situations, as may be seen on reference to the plan.

One-third cash will be required at the time of purchase, and any reasonable time that may be asked will be given for the balance on approved security.

Neither the highest nor any tender necessarily accepted.

Lithograph plans of the above property will be furnished, on request, to those interested, by any manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at any of the branches, or by the undersigned. The latter will also be prepared to accompany intending purchasers to Guelph, or meet them at that place on TUESDAY or FRIDAY of each week in the intervening time, up to the 27th of October; previous intimation being given of such desire on their part, and then, or at any other time, by letter, will afford all necessary information regarding the property.

E. MITCHELL,  
Canadian Bank of Commerce,  
Hamilton, Ont.

Hamilton, 18th Sept. 1877.

Revision committee  
being a day too late

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30<sup>th</sup> Nov 1876

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## SAINT ANDREW'S DAY.

BY JOHN INLAH.

Here's health and hail to Goth and Gael,  
Wha bear the Norian name,  
Blythe be they a'—the far awa',  
And happier folk at hame!  
And spend we gowd or but a grot,  
Our drink be what it may.

Let Scot rejoice wi' brother Scot,  
Upon St. Andrew's Day.

Where'er we live, whate'er our lot,  
Still will I plead and pray,  
That Scot rejoice wi' brother Scot,  
Upon St. Andrew's Day.

Some seek the Edens o' the East,  
Some Carib isles explore—  
The forests of the "far-off" West,  
And Afric's savage shore;  
Still charms of native speech and spot,  
And native springs for aye,  
Will band like brothers Soot with Scot,  
Upon St. Andrew's Day.

Where'er we live, &c.

Some that have won an honored name,  
Some that have gather'd gear,  
And others a' unknown to fame  
Or fortune may be here;  
But we be clad in braid-claith coat,  
Or hame-spun hoolen grey,

Let Scot rejoice wi' brother Scot,  
Upon St. Andrew's Day.

Where'er we live, &c.

Have we not cause to crack fu' crouse,  
When this dear day returns,  
Dear to the land o' Robert Bruce,  
The land o' Robert Burns!  
Wha better raised the patriot brand,  
And pour'd the patriot lay,  
Than prince and peasant of the land,  
That loves St. Andrew's Day!

Where'er we live, &c.

"The better day the better deed,"  
The saying's auld, I trow,  
Those of our nation here in need,  
Be they remembered now;  
Each mite on high is treasure stored,  
We here to poortith pay,  
Twill crown our cup—twill bless our board,  
Upon St. Andrew's Day!

Where'er we live, whate'er our lot,  
Still will I plead and pray,  
That Scot rejoice wi' brother Scot,  
Upon St. Andrew's Day.

June

MONDAY 5

1876

Yesterday was our Communion Sabbath and was very well attended notwithstanding the appearance of rain in the morning, but the day turned out fine,

This is a fine morning we are plaiting posts on the side of the embankment at the Quarry, for a fence, instead of a stone wall to hold up the embankment as intended, but owing to the great quantity of water, was prevented from laying the foundation, and regret now that I did not pump out the water originally intended, which would have taken up less room & been more durable,

TUESDAY 6

This is a very fine morning we have the Photographer taking views of the Mill this morning, & other premises

54 more cattle were shipped this morning from here, and the balance taken probably next week if can sell a car load at the Fair tomorrow

WEDNESDAY 7

This is a fine morning, and every thing appears to be growing fast, the snowballs & leeks also This is the Monthly fair day, a great many people are in Town & a good many cattle, but the demand was not very keen & the prices low & some would not accept the offers & took them home again

Mr James Gour took farencee of us to day as he leaves for Windsor tomorrow

Reeves who bought all Goods cattle, is very much put about at the dullness of the market not being able to sell a car of them to day as he expected, He has also the handling of Goderham's cattle, 700 yet on hand

June

THURSDAY 8

1876

This has also been a very fine day, and being dry weather and warm affects the quantity of water in the river, which is well tested with 3 pair of stones night and day for the most of last week and this, we are only running 100 Bushels per day in the Distillery and that only until the balance of the cattle is out.  
A considerable quantity of Indian Corn was sold to farmers yesterday for sowing for green feed,

FRIDAY 9

This was a fine warm morning, but somewhat threatening rain I went down to Hamilton by the 10 o'clock train and was prepared with my umbrella in place of my walking stick, but it was not required as it cleared up before noon clear and warm.  
Trade is dull and very little doing, I made more enquiry about fares & about the Centennial

I returned home by the last train

SATURDAY 10

This morning was warmer than yesterday, but we had during the day a gentle breeze, and yet it was very warm. We are getting the quarry hole nearly filled up, and on Monday will put up some planking on the posts to retain the earth

June

MONDAY 12

1876

This is a very fine morning, It appears that there will be no cattle taken out of the stalls this evening for shipment tomorrow, as the markets are quite overstocked and prices very low

TUESDAY 13

The men got the fence at the quarry completed at noon to day or rather the middle of the afternoon But I would like a little more earth put on to raise

Mr Donald Guthrie was nominated for member to night, for the House of Commons,

WEDNESDAY 14

This has also been a very warm day, and the water is failing fast in the river  
Massie went down to Montreal yesterday Mr John A Wood & wife started for England this P.M., William went off to St Catharines at 2 p.m.

The coffins of both Mr & Mrs Alexander were removed to day, their heads to within 2 feet of the monument & 2 feet 6 inches apart, she lies on the left side of him

Barrels of Spirits was shipped yesterday

June

THURSDAY 15

1876

This is a close morning and damp, and considerable rain must have fallen during the night, and has given every thing a refreshing appearance.

George Booth of Toronto called this morning on his way to Windsor, The papers announce the death of Judge Duggar in Toronto yesterday aged 66 years, I knew his father and his Brothers,

It was very close warm sultry about the middle of the day, and after noon a rattling shower of Hail came on and soon turned into rain for a while, and shortly after that came on again when I was up in town and continued till about 6 o'clock & it was rather amusing to find one counsillor and the chief constable taking advantage of the only verandahs now left at Haddens & Days, in Wilmot Street which elicited a good deal of fun

FRIDAY 16

This has been a dull forenoon, and close & warm, But as the day advanced it became clearer, The Pump of Rectifying House lately started was out of order & in adjusting it they broke the screw of the lower end of the Brass piston rod yesterday & it is being repaired at Higles & Hunter's to day Mr Chubb began the foundation of the new Wellington Hotel, and Emslie & Taylor are nearly ready for the first tier of joists for the Masonic Hall, Rock Telegraph from William at Brantford will be home at 6, looks very much like rain

SATURDAY 17

This is a dull morning, but about a  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 9 it began to rain heavy and continued the most of the forenoon, and nearly all the afternoon, and very heavy at times, No Mason work was done to day,

June

MONDAY 19

1876

This has been a close morning, and of any thing dull  
and like rain, The late rain has again raised the  
water in the River very considerably,

A terrible fire broke out yesterday morning  
in St John, Quebec and destroyed the principal part  
of the Town and over 3000 people left houseless,  
& the loss about one million dollars,

Nat went to Toronto this morning

The sale of the last 2 acres of the Glebe lands of  
St Andrews Church took place this afternoon it was  
divided into 9 lots and brought \$1320.00

A smart little shower fell about 6 o'clock,

TUESDAY 20

This is somewhat more cool

WEDNESDAY 21

This has been a fine morning, We are cleaning  
out the boiler &c in the Rectifying house  
and fixing the new Pump

June

THURSDAY 22

1876

This is a fine morning I am making anxious  
enquiries about any one going to Philadelphia so  
as to have company saw Mr Alex Drysdale to day  
who is going there on his way home but he will not  
leave here till Monday week the 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Have got the pump finished in the Rectifying house  
this afternoon

FRIDAY 23

This is another fine morning, but close and likely to  
be very warm

SATURDAY 24

This was a fine cool pleasant morning, but  
as the day advanced it became very warm

Have been making enquiry for places to  
stay in when in New York and Philadelphia

June

MONDAY 26

1876

TUESDAY 27

This is a fine morning, I have made up my mind to start on my journey to New York and thence to the grand Centennial at Philadelphia and will leave here by the midday train,

WEDNESDAY 28

June

THURSDAY 29

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FRIDAY 30

July

SATURDAY 1

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MONDAY 3

1876

TUESDAY 4

WEDNESDAY 5