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Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867.

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Pork & Sausage Shop THOS. MILLAR

B EGS to inform the people of Guelph that he has opened a new Pork and Sausage Shop in DAY'S OLD BLOCK,

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The Guelph Mercury NEW FANCY GOODS Evening Mercung

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FANCY STORE, (Late Post Office Store.)

MRS. ROBINSON

AS just received a very large and varies atock of Fancy Goods, comprising Woods call kinds, Brids, Grochet Cottons, Machine Spool, Common Spools, Hair Pins, Pins, Boot Laces Satchels, To unonies, Necklaces, Belt Buckles Eardrops, Scart Pins, Rings, &c.

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MRS. ROBINSON.
Guelph, Sept. 25th, 1867.

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elph, 28th August, 1867. FARM FOR SALE.

POR sale, a bush farm in the Township of Gara fraxa, being East half of Lot 18, Con. 5, con sitting of 100 acres. It is well watered, and there is access to it by good roads. The land cannot be surpassed in quality. The lot is about 20 mile from Guelph, 9 miles from Elo a, 6 miles from Eregus, a busis from Douglas, and about 14 miles Forgus, and short 14 miles Rawbood, and the Townto Central Railroad arm than the control of the Rawbood, and the Townto Central Railroad arm thanked, it will lie between the two lines of rail road. Cash price \$2,000. For particulars apply post-paid 10

ROBERT CAMPBELL, 87 Sumach-st., Toronto Guelph, 24th Aug., 1867.

CARD. MUSICAL INSTRUCTION

W. VALE, Band-Master of the Wellington Bat talion, and late Band Sergeant of the 17th

SATURDAY EVEN'G, NOVEMBER 9.

Local News.

T. J. Day has received the Sunday Magazine and Good Words for Novembe nd Chambers' Journal for October.

On Monday last a horse belonging to Mr. John Butter, of Garafraxa dropped dead in the harness. He was valued at There is some talk of holding another Arts' Exhibition in Elora shortly

as a means of raising money for establish ing the Reading Room on a more firm NEW GERMAN PAPER.—The Chronicle says it is expected that the new Reform German paper-the German Canadian-

will make its first appearance on Tuesday

next, the 12th inst., in Waterloo Village

It is to be published every Tuesday, for

the proprietor, Mr Wm. Moyer SALEM ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.—The following are the officers for the ensuing vear :- President, Jas. Mutch : Vice-Pre ident, John Munroe; Secretary, James Davidson; Chaplain, Jas. Findlay; Piper George Forbes. Committee, Jno. Mutch Robt, Simpson, John Jack, Alex, Johnson, Jas. Findlay, and John Munroe.

WILD GEESE .- The Galt Reporter says that a large number of wild geese have of late settled on Puslinch Lake for hours at a time, uuless disturbed by ortsmen. On Saturday last a flock of about 50 remained on the lake nearly the whole of the day; and on Tuesday, another but smaller flock settled on the lake but were speedily disturbed by parties anxious to get a shot at them.

ROBBERY.—The London Free Press says a young man named Simcoe Grass was arrested in that city on Wednesday night, on a charge of robbing Mr J. C. Wilkes, of Mount Forest, a few nights ago, of a watch and a large sum of money. He was found in a tavern, singing with ome soldiers. We believe he has been once tried and acquitted.

MONTREAL HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL .-Miss Sutherland, daughter of Mr John highly spoken of by the press of that city for the best player of Scotch music on the

BARN BURNED .- The Berlin Telegraph regrets to learn that, during the storm hich passed over that neighborhood on Sunday last, the barn of Mr Thos. Bruce. West Montrose, township of Woolwich, was struck by lightning, and with all its contents, consisting of the greater portion of this year's grain, burned to the ground. vas no insurance on the building

On Monday night of last week the barn and stable of Mr. Thos. McCann of the together with two horses, a quantity of hay, straw and wheat, and other articles and around these buildings at the time.

Robert McKay, of the 4th line of Peel, any member of the Wellington Battalion setting fire to it, and totally consuming occur. the building and its valuable contents comprising the entire season's crop. span of horses and a few bushels of bar-ley were saved. There was no insurance

match. The Wellington Battalion took the third prize, not the fifth, as stated.— The London Battalion took the first prize making 111 points; the Lambton Battalion took the second, making 106 points; and the Wellington Battalion took the -total, 100. Well done, the Wellington

PRESENTATION.—Last Saturday afternoon, the 2nd instant, some sixty persons assembled in the Orange Hall, Durham, to present Mr Robert Dalglish, the Reform candidate at last election, with a testimonial as a token of their esteem.— An address was read, after which the following articles were presented, a salver and epergne, and an inkstand, all of massive silver and exquisite workmanship.

Mr Dalglish's coat-of-arms was tastefully
engraved on the inkstand, with the inscription, "Presented to Robert Dalglish,

THUNDER STORM IN PILKINGTON. The Observer says that there was a violent thunder storm in Pilkington on Sunday last. Mr Wm Howse, of Pilkington had three sheds unroofed, one of which was over sixty feet long. A dwelling house between Elmira and Glenallan was blown down. The stove was thrown upon the bed where the children were, and the furniture, &c., was scattered in every direction. Strange to say that, although the family were in the house at the time, no person was seriously injured. A gentleman travelling in Pilkington had the honor of passing under a fiery arch. The lightning struck the fence on one side of the road, leaped over his head, and de-molished the fence on the other side.— Fences were scattered in all directions and giant trees yielded before the majesty

FIRE IN THE WOODS.—The George own Herald says that on Friday last, the oods bounding the south end of Georgetown caught fire, it is supposed, by a spark or cinder from stumps which were burning in a field adjacent. A very high brush were as dry as tinder, the flames spread with great rapidity. At one time serious apprehensions were entertained about the safety of the buildings at that end of the village, but by great exertions of the inhabitants, who turned out in large numbers, and worked with a will, the combustible material was removed, and the fire confined to one corner of th

DEATH OF A BRAVE OFFICER.-Capt. George J. Ker, late of the Fifth Pennsyl-

ly, all of Galt, took part in the musical playing by several amateurs added much performances, and their efforts are very to the pleasure experienced by the visi-Mr Maitland took one of the prizes offered for the best player of Scotch music on the there will be a better attendance to-night

ownship of Peel, were consumed by fire, fire to the places. It is reported that he had sworn at Donaldson's Corner the day previous, that before leaving the country (which he was about to do) he would

but in neither of

RESPECT TO THE DEAD .- The lecturn, the two reading desks, the communion table, and the organ in St. George's Church, Guelph, are draped in mourning out of respect for the memory of the de-ceased Bishop Strachan, and will continue of the District Rifle Match, published yes of regard for the memory of the lamented prelate will be observed in all the churches throughout the diocese

THE HALTON BRIBERY CASE -The charge of brifrivolous and vexatious bery, preferred by Mr. Chisholm, the defeated Tory candidate at last election, third, making 100 points. At 500 yards gainst Mr. John White, was heard before they made 44, and at 300 yards 56 points Messrs. Wilson and Millar, magistrates, against Mr. John White, was heard before this week, and after a full and fair in vestigation dismissed. It would have been better for Mr. Chisholm's own character had he let the matter alone.

> The racers have been training for some time and a considerable amount of money was staked on the result, SEATS IN ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH. would call attention to the advertisement in another column of the letting of the

McPhail; distance 100 hundred yards

FOOT RACE .-- A foot race was to be run o-day between George Watson and Sandy Mr. McGee read a very interesting pa-per on this subject at the Montreal Liter-ary Club a few nights ago, from which we make the following extracts:—

THE LITERATURE OF THE DOMINION.

I am indebted to Mr. Griffin, Deputy Postmaster General, for valuable evidence not only of the quantity of reading and writing matter distributed by post in Ontario and Quebec during the present year, but also during the last four years. Mr. Griffin sends, me these figures as to the letters and newspapers circulated through the former Upper and Lower Canada offices from 1863 to 1867, inclusive:

answered.

Our reading supplies are, as you know, drawn chiefly from two sources; first, books, which are imported from the United States, England and France—a foreign supply likely long to continue foreign. The second source is our newspaper literature, chiefly supplied, as we have seen, from among ourselves, but largely supplemented by American and English journals.

DEATH OF A BRAYE OFFICER.—Capt, George J. Ker, late of the Fifth Pennsylvania Cavalry, died yesterday at his residence, No. 318 S. Thirteenth street, in this city, from the effect of wounds received in a hand-to-hand sabre fight with a rebel major, in front of Richmond, Va, Cotober 7, 1864. The fight for severity was probably not excelled by any single combat in the Army of the James. Capt Ker was universally respected as a brave and skilful officer, and his death will cause deep regret among the large circle of his acquaintances, both in civil and military life.—Philutelphia Inquirer, Oct. 29th.—[The deceased was a nephew of Mr Thos H. Taylor, of this town.]

ARTS' EXHIBITION.—There was a very good attendance in the Drill Shed last evening—upwards of 400 persons being present. Some excellent singing and playing by several amateurs added much to the pleasure experienced by the visitors. A very attractive programme has been arranged for to-night, and no doubt there will be a better attendance to-night than on any night since the opening. A number of curiosities have been lately brought in, which together with those before overlooked, will receive notice next week.

FIRE IN GARAFRAXA:—On Wednesday night last the house, barn and stable of Mr. Manassch Leeson, lot 1, Con. 15 Garafraxa were totally destroyed by fire. A racing mare, a thorough bred colt, a trotting horse, and three other horses perished with the burning of the stables. Six hundred bushels of wheat and barley were also consumed. A person named McPherson is in jail, charged with having set fire to the places. It is reported that he had sworn at Donaldson's Corner the day previous, that before leaving the country (which he was about to do) he would make Leeson a roor read.

BOOK LITERATURE.

As to the other branch of supply, I elieve our booksellers have nothing to omplain of. The sale of books is on the which he was about to do) he would make Lecson a poor man.

When first noticed the fire was burning in three different places. This leads to the belief that it was the work of some malic'ous incendiary.

RIFLE TOURNAMENT.—In the 6th match (for Volunteers only), in this tournament, which was contested on Friday, STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.—The Glenallan Maple Leaf says:—This locality was visited on Sunday last by a thunder storm of no ordinary violence. The lightship of the solution match completed the programme plane with the barn belonging to Mr poetical works, 10 per cent; books on historical, scientific and literary subjects, 28 per cent; and works of fiction, 44 per cent. My obliging informant (Mr. Sam'l Dawson) adds, in relation to the comparative money value of the several classes of books most in demand, the historical, literary and scientific works would represent about 45 per cent; the works of fiction, 23 per cent; the poetical 15 per cent, and the religious 18 per cent of the whole.

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Mention must be made of those institutions of learning and learned professional classes which ought, and doubtless do, leaven the whole lump of our material progress. We have already twelve Universities in the Dominion,—perhaps more than enough, though dispersed at leng distances, as from Windsor and Fredrickton to Cobourg and Toronto. The charters of these institutions, up to the close of the last decade, were Royal Charters, granted directly by the Crown, with the concurrence, of course, of the Colonial authorities for the time being. In the order of time they range thus:—King's College, Windsor, Nova Scotia, 1802; McGill College, Montreal, chartered in 1821, actually commenced only in 1829; King's College, Frederickton, 1823; Laval, 1853; Lennoxville, 1853; St., Mary's, Montreal, 1859; Queen's College, Kingstyn, 1841; Victoris College, Cobourg, 1841; Trinity College (formerly King's), Toronto, 1842; Toronto University, 1860; Ottawa, 1806; Regiopolis, 1866. All these institutions possess and exorcise University powers in granting degrees, both to graduates and "honoris course"; though some of them have never had THE UNIVERSITIES

The Mental Outfit of the Dominion. Parliament of Canada.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, Ottawa, Nov 8th.

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Sir John A. Macdonald moved that the House proceed to take into consideration His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the session, which was agreed to.

Hon. Charles Fisher, member for York, N. B., then moved that the House do agree in an humble address to His Excellency the Governor General, in reply to His Excellency's speech at the opening of the session. Mr. Fisher spoke for about an hour, commenting serialim on the paragraphs of the Address—which was, as usual, an echo of the Speech from the Throne. Mr Desaulniers, member for St. Maurice, Quebec, seconded the address.

graph.
The first paragraph having been moved, explanations as to the resignation of seats in the Cabinet by Hon. Messrs.
Archibald and Galt were given.

MINISTERIAL EXPLANATIONS. MINISTERIAL EXPLANATIONS.

SI John A. Macdonald briefly explained the circumstances connected with the resignation of the Secretary of State for the Provinces, and of the Minister of Finance. The former had resigned because of the adverse virdict of his constituents, and the latter for reasons of a private nature.

Hon. Mr. Galt said it was always embarrassing to make personal explanations,

barrassing to make personal explanations, especially when they were based, not upon a public act, but wore based, not upon a public act, but wore based, not upon a public act, but wore based, not upon a public act, but were two to which he would allude—personal interests and personal feelings. He did not think he had a right to detain the House by entering into any statement in regard to his personal affairs. It became an alternative, on the eve of the meeting of Parliament, if he remained in the Government, whether he should neglect his own or the public business. With regard to his second motive, personal feeling, he alluded to the bank failure which had recently occurred in the Province of Ontario. He had not been able to conceal from himself that the tendency of public sentiment in that great and important Province had been adverse to him personally. He had not failed to observe the justice, if not the injustice, or misconstruction, or misapprehension, with which his views and actions had been regarded in that Province. He had seen in the public press his name coupled with the rain of confiding shareholders. He had seen it alid at his door that many of those parties had been reduced from competence to penury through his action, and the feeling which existed against him fastened the responsibility upon him of whatever injury had been suffered. These things showed to him that his public usefulness was to a considerable extent impaired. He said that he could not expect to receive the same generous support from the members of Ontario, which had formerly been accorded to him. He could not reasonably expect that hon, membewould be more favourably disposed towards him than the people whom they represented. He therefore felt that until all the facts connected with the banks were known, and until a sense of justice returned to the public, his position in the Government was one of weakness rather than strength. He would state, however that he had done everything he could as a man and as a Minister to avert the disast

cial Bank, thanking him for his zeatous and persevering exertions to avert the disaster to that institution.

Mr. Cartwright and Mr. Holton corroborated what Mr Galt had said about his efforts to render assistance to the Commercial Bank.

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Mr. Alex. McKenzie, while admitting that want of confidence was largely in-strumental in overthrowing the Commer-cial Bank, maintained that Mr. Galt and his colleagues were responsible for the state of affairs which resulted in its fail-

ure.

Hon. Mr. Dorion inquired whether any steps had been taken to fill the varancles in the Cabinet.

Sir John A. Macdonald said the Government were taking the necessary steps to

mitting the scheme to the peop complained that the recent verdic people of Nova Scotia fully justi course on the Union question. It question of opposing or sup the present Federal Government been before the people of Nova Sall; and while, therefore, declin leadership of the Opposition, while been tendered to him, he would he self free to accept good measur oppose bad ones, come from what they might. they might.
Dr. Tupper followed, criticising Mr.
Howe pretty severely. Other members
from Nova Scotia defended Mr. Howe, and
the debate closed at 11:25.

OPEN AGAIN. That door has blown open again—how very annoying this cold weather. "Tis no wonder we take colds! To prevent it send for one of Horsman's Door Springs.

There was sleighing at Ingersoll on

BARN BLOWN DOWN .- During the

BARN BLOWN DOWN.—During the hurricane of last Sunday, the barn of Mr Robert Campbell, 5th line of Erin, was blown down. Loss estimated at \$100.

STONE BROKEN INTO.—Last night the Bookstore of Mr. T. J. Day was broken into, and several valuable books stolen. This morning the back door was found wide open. It is not known how the thiet got access to the store. Chief Constable Kelly is investigating the case.

GOOD WORDS AND THE SUNDAY MAGAZINE.—Mr. T. J. Day, Market Squarhas sent us the November numbers these two popular magazines, which