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THE BARCLAY SEWING MACHINE.

WITHOUT any exception, the Barclay Sewing Machine, manufactured by the British American Sewing Machine Company,

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is the best in the Dominion of Canada for general purposes. An examination is merely requested, which will be to the advantage of those intending to purchase.

1868.

Liverpool & London & Globe INSURANCE COMPANY.

THIS Company has been in existence thirty-two years, and during that period has paid losses exceeding Five and a half million Pounds Sterling.

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The Life Reserve Fund is now \$9,282,468. The Company is represented throughout Ontario and Quebec by industrial Agents, to whom application for Insurance may be made.

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No. 4, Day Old Block, Gordon Street, Guelph, July 1868.

Fire Crackers.

THE best Fire Crackers that can be got for sale wholesale and retail at the

Dominion Store!

Upper Wyndham Street, next to the Wellington Hotel, Guelph.

FISHING GEAR

of all kinds for sale. MRS. ROBINSON, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph, 8th May 1868.

SPAFFORD'S NEW UNDERFEED "BARCLAY" SHUTTLE Sewing Machine.

No. 1 Machine, with splendid iron stand, \$25.00. No. 2 Machine, with splendid iron stand, \$35.00. Containing the very latest Improvements and Inventions—Strong, Durable, Beautiful, Well Made and Highly Finished.

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Which is alike on both sides of the material sewed, and will not rip or unravel; using two threads and adapted to light and heavy goods, coarse and fine threads; very large Shuttle and Bobbin, and so simple that a child can be taught to work it efficiently in a very short time.

Suited to all kinds of Family and General Sewing.

Tailoring, Mantle Making, and the use of Dress-makers, Manufacturers of Shirts, Collars, Shirts, Cloaks, Clothing, Hats, Caps, Corsets, Linen Goods, &c. They work equally well upon Silk, Linen, Woolen and Cotton Goods, with silk, cotton or linen thread.

They will seam, quilt, gather, fell, cord, braid, bind, hem, tuck, and perform any species of fine or coarse sewing, making a beautiful and perfect stitch, alike on both sides of the fabric sewed.

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Agents at Guelph. THE STANDARD strongly advocates the Bill now before the House under which Insurance Companies are required to make certain deposits with the Government.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers having contracts with this office are notified that unless their changes for the EVENING MERCURY are handed in before 12 o'clock, their advertisements cannot be altered until the following day.

Evening Mercury

OFFICE,..... MACDONNELL STREET. TUESDAY EV'NG, MAY 26, 1868

PAID FOR IT.—Last week Matthew G. Miller, J. P., Minto, was fined \$18.00 for assaulting and beating James Dunn, of Maryboro.

Arrangements have been made for brigading the Brant, Peel and Halton Battalions, and a troop of cavalry, with the 13th Battalion of Hamilton. The Brigades can be concentrated on short notice.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the Guelph Rifle Association will take place in the Town Hall, this evening at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of electing Officers and transacting general business.

ADMITTED TO BAIL.—Owen Cosgrave, who was recently arrested in Toronto on a charge of Fenianism, was admitted to bail on Monday by Mr. O'Reilly to appear at the next assizes.

Mr. Freeman requests us to state that, owing to the recent death of Alexander D. McLean, late County Attorney of the County of Kent, the law office of Messrs. Freeman & Freeman in this town will be closed for the period of two or three months, to enable him to take charge of and wind up the estate of the deceased in Chatham, and that all business now pending in the office will be continued through the agency of Messrs. McCurry & Mitchell, and Mr. James Webster, jr., till Mr. Freeman's return.

COUNTY ROADS.—Mr. Grain has let the contracts for repairs on the gravel roads in the North Division of the County, as follows: Elora and Sauguen Road—From the Junction to Elora, Francis Vickers, at 35c. per cubic yard. From Elora to the 9th lot Peel, W. H. Lowes, 43c. per cubic yard. Thence through Peel, Gideon Hood, 40c. per cubic yard. Through the township of Maryboro, Joel Doyle, 30c. per cubic yard. Mount Forest Road—From Junction to Ferguson, Eugene Scanlan, average 43c. per cubic yard. Ferguson to Irvine River, Jesse Knowles, 47c. per cubic yard. From 4 mile creek to Mount Forest, Jas. Stevenson, 30c. per cubic

A Question.

To the Editor of the Mercury. Sir.—Would you allow me space in your widely circulated journal to enquire of the Managing Committee of the Queen's Birthday celebration what they have done with the funds collected; for I know that I am not alone in supposing that a better display of loyalty could have been got up with even less than they collected for the purpose.

[We suppose the Committee will answer the question when they send in their report.—Ed. MERCURY.]

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate. TUESDAY 26th.—Thos. Mulvey and Michael Mulvey were brought before his Worship this morning, charged with having assaulted Robert Wilson, cooper, and beaten him on Sunday evening last.—Fined \$5 each and costs. \$25 each for being drunk was fined \$2 and costs.

SHEEP SHEARING MATCH.—At the annual sheep shearing match, which took place at Hamilton, on Monday, we observe Mr. F. W. Stone carried off the following prizes.—Best Cotswold aged ram, Mr. F. W. Stone, Guelph, \$8; best yearling ram, Mr. F. W. Stone, Guelph, \$8; best yearling ram in the 4th class, Mr. F. W. Stone, Guelph, \$8. The sheep and fleeces were unwashed, and the sheep shorn at the ground.

A MEAN MAN.—The following from the St. Mary's Argus may be read with profit by all who borrow newspapers, and don't subscribe and pay for one themselves: "The other day a friend in a neighboring village gave his name as a subscriber, but considering the matter, sent us the following note, which we take the liberty of publishing verbatim et literatim as it fittingly illustrates the fearful mental demoralization to which the highly censurable practice of lending papers inevitably leads: May 19, 1868.

Sir—I have caught my mind with regard to your Paper. I don't need it I get 2 papers on the same Day with yours and I can get a reed at yours from the neighbours. For wey Lend & Borrow heir with one another. Dont send it to Me.

BROKE HIS ARM.—While the match between the Aberfoyle and the Union Base Ball Clubs was being played on Monday, Mr. Peter Todd, of the former club, ran against a man standing at the "home base" with such force as to knock both down. In the fall Mr. Todd broke his arm above the wrist. This occurred in the first innings, and Mr. Todd, with great pluck, played eight innings after that. At the close of the game Dr. McGuire set the limb and expects that in the course of a month Mr. Todd will be as well as ever.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.—The half-yearly examination of teachers by the Board of Public Instruction for the South Riding of Wellington began to-day. Twenty-one candidates presented themselves in the first class. The Board will probably be engaged till Thursday with the examination.

THE RECENT FENIAN ARRESTS.—On Saturday forenoon Mr. Jas. O'Reilly, Q.C. of Kingston, visited the jail in Toronto, and made a private examination into the nature of the evidence against Edward Hynes, who was recently arrested here on a charge of Fenianism. Hynes was some time longer in the police court, and admitted to bail, to appear at the next assizes—himself in \$2,000 and four sureties of \$500 each, Dr. A. A. Riddell and Messrs. John Carroll, John Middlemires and E. R. Henderson—the three last named being foremen in the printing department of The Leader—came Hynes' sureties. Dr. Riddell has also known the prisoner for several years, and known him too, as a quiet and industrious printer. The other prisoners Hynes, Cosgrave and Nolan, it is thought, will be detained for some time longer. Mr. Hynes no doubt owes his liberation to the efforts made in his favor by the press of Toronto, as well as to the petition of the Toronto Typographical Society to His Excellency the Governor General in his behalf. Immediately upon the reception of His Excellency of the petition Mr. O'Reilly was despatched to Toronto to enquire into the case, the consequence of which has been Hynes' liberation on bail.

CHIEF REPRESENTATION BETWEEN EUROPE AND ASIA.—We are much pleased to announce that the Indo European Telegraph Company have obtained the amount of capital required—£450,000. Passing through Lowestoft, Nordeney and Berlin, to Odessa, thence by the sea to the Crimea, and again by sea to a point south of the Caucasus, and so to Teheran, the lines will be so connected as to place this last place in instantaneous communication with London. We understand that in two years from now the company will work the Persian line from Teheran to Bushire, and that the Indian government has promised to lay down a second sea line from thence to some point on the coast, which will be in telegraphic communication with Kurrachee. The three powers through whose territory the wires will pass—Prussia, Russia and Persia—have concurred that the company's employees should retain the entire charge, and as the line can be completed at a sum incomparably smaller than the cost of a Red Sea cable, there is at last excellent prospects of a cheap and efficient service.

INTERESTING TO CRICKETERS.

The celebrated All English Eleven have accepted an invitation to visit the United States, and will play two matches in New York on the new ground of the St. George's Club, and then proceed to Philadelphia and Boston where they have arranged to play.

During the process of lowering a colossal bust of the Pope to its pedestal, in the Place of the Holy Apostles, Rome, by some accident the ropes broke, and it was dashed to pieces amid the involuntary laughter of the spectators. The engineer superintending the work, suspecting some act on the part of the revolutionaries,

The Queen's Birthday.

CELEBRATION IN GUELPH.

The anniversary of Her Most Gracious Majesty's Birthday was yesterday (Monday) celebrated in Guelph with all the fervor and loyalty which have distinguished the inhabitants of our good town at these annual demonstrations. Although the committee had only a few days in which to arrange and perfect their programme, still it was a very complete and comprehensive one, and, considering all things, well carried out. Fears were entertained the night previous that the anniversary day would be unfavorable. But Monday morning broke unclouded, and when the sun rose every fear was dispelled. The weather was beautiful, and though warm everybody enjoyed the bright sunshine, which was tempered by the gentle breeze. Early in the morning flags were hung to the breeze from the public buildings, hotels and many private residences, and the occasional sharp crack of a musket or pistol, with the intermittent whiz and rattle of fire crackers, told the lieges that the festivities had commenced. The young folk were particularly jubilant. They had for days before saved up every available cent, which was expended on crackers, and the first taste of powder to these urchins was very gratifying if one may judge by the pleasure they manifested in letting off their childish pyrotechnics from early morn till dewy eve.

In addition to our town population, there was a large influx of people, old and young, from the country, who entered with evident spirit into the amusements, and seemed heartily to enjoy themselves. During the day the principal streets were a very animated appearance, and in the Market Square, where the bulk of the people were concentrated, a stranger could easily tell by their holiday costumes and pleasant faces that we were holding one of our grand days. Throughout the day, with very few trifling exceptions, the proceedings were of the most orderly and quiet description, and soon after the programme was finished, the streets were as quiet as if no celebration had taken place. We now proceed to give the programme of proceedings in the order in which they occurred.

Dyson's Cornet Band mustered on the Market Square at 10 o'clock, and for a couple of hours discoursed some excellent and appropriate music. After going to church a number of the streets were stationed themselves on Miller's veranda, and played a number of airs, and then proceeded to the cricket ground, where they remained a short time.

RIFLE MATCHES. The rifle shooting began at eight o'clock a. m. The conditions were as follows. Open to all comers: 100 yards, entrance fee 25c; ten prizes viz: \$5, \$4, \$3, \$2 and six of \$1 each—in all \$40. There were 76 entries, and the largest number of points—118. When all had fired five rounds the ties shot off and then they stood in the following order:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Includes names like Ennis, Tribe, W. Walker, etc.

SECOND MATCH—10 a. m. Ladies' Cup, value \$50—open to the three best shots in each Volunteer Company of the County of Wellington. Each Company to select their best man. The cup was presented by the ladies of Guelph, to be shot for annually on the Queen's birthday, and retained by the Captain of the winner's Company till next annual match; but if won by the same person for two years consecutively, to be the property of the winner. No entrance fee. In this match there were 18 entries, and after five shots had been fired the score stood as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Includes names like Private Straton, Castle's Team, etc.

It will be seen by the above that the winner of the Cup this year was Private Straton, who made 14 points. Last year 11 points, made by Private Lillie, of the Elora Rifles, carried it off.

THIRD MATCH—At 1.30 p. m., open to all comers; 200 yards; entrance fee 25c; 10 prizes, as follows: \$5, \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1, and five of \$1—each—\$25. There were 58 entries in this match. The scores made by those who did the best shooting was as follows, the names being in the order in which they stood after the ties had been decided.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Includes names like J. Hazelton, F. Swales, etc.

FOURTH MATCH—Open to all comers; 200 yards; entrance fee 25c; 10 prizes as follows: \$5, \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1, and five of \$1 each. The entries for this match were 64, and the number of points which won was 17. The prizemen stand in the following order:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Includes names like J. Hazelton, A. Strouger, etc.

Upon the whole the shooting is considered to have been very good. The day was not the most favorable, or perhaps it was rather the position of the ranges that was in fault, for as the sun shone very bright, and the men had to face the south the gleaming of the rifle barrels was un-

might have run higher. In the competition for the Ladies' Cup it will be observed that there was a marked improvement in the shooting of the Volunteers. The prize was won last year by Private Lillie of the Elora Rifles, making 11 points, whereas it will be seen that on Monday last a similar number of points was made by Ensign Hooper, who stood fourth on the list of competitors. All this is very gratifying, and proves that the efforts which have been made in this town to promote efficiency in the use of the rifle have not been barren of desirable results.

THE SCHOOL CHILDREN.

The children belonging to the public schools assembled in the Drill Shed at 10 o'clock, and took their places on the temporary gallery erected for them. The sight of so many young people—there were close on 1000 present—all dressed in their best and looking smiling and happy—was a most pleasant one.

About noon the Rifle and Artillery Companies mustered on the field opposite Mr. John Davidson's, Elora Road, and headed by the Battalion Band, which previously had been discouraging most excellent music on the Market Square, they marched down Woolwich and Wyndham streets to the Square. Here they were met through a number of evolutions by Lieut.-Col. Higinbotham, commanding the Wellington Battalion. The men were in first-rate trim, and looked remarkably well in their handsome uniform. Their arms and accoutrements were also in excellent order. After going through the customary movements, a few de jete was given, the men gave three cheers for the Queen, and the Band struck up the National Anthem. At the close of the parade Col. Higinbotham briefly addressed the men in the Drill Shed, and referred to the possibility of another Fenian raid on Canada. He gave them notice to hold themselves in readiness, as they might be called out at a few hours notice. He also referred to the previous services of the Rifle Company in 1866, and if such a summons came again expressed his full confidence that every man in both companies would turn out at the call of his country.

THE STEAM FIRE ENGINE.

About one o'clock the new Fire Company, under the command of their Chief, Mr. John Davidson, mustered at the Engine House, preparatory to a second trial of the new steam fire engine. The men formed in procession and headed by the Battalion Band marched up Wyndham street with the engine, round St. George's Church, and came back again to the Engine House. The town bell then gave the fire alarm, a pair of horses were attached to the engine, and they rattled up Wyndham street at a sparkling rate to Erasmus bridge, followed by the men with the hose reels. This gave the people an excellent idea of the facility with which the firemen will turn out on a fire in any part of the town.

After the boat races and athletic games were over, there was a lull in the proceedings till 8 p. m. At that hour the people gathered at the Drill Shed where the prizes for the shooting were to be distributed. By half-past 8 o'clock the spacious building was well filled, and for half an hour the Battalion Band led by Mr. Vale, played some appropriate music in splendid style. Previous to handing the Ladies' Cup, won by Private Jas. Stinton, of the Artillery Company, Col. Higinbotham said he was sorry they were unable to carry out this part of the programme complete. Owing to the presence a number of the competitors at the rifle matches had to go, several of the prizes had to be paid on the ground. In presenting the cup he said that last year it had been won by one of the men belonging to the Elora Rifles, and now he had great pleasure in handing it to Private Stinton of the Guelph Garrison Artillery Company, with whom it would remain until next year, and who had fairly and honorably won it. Although all the Companies were alike to him, still as a resident of Guelph he had a peculiar pleasure in presenting it to a young man belonging to one of the Guelph Companies. The speech and presentation were greeted with rousing cheers by the Company. After this ceremony the Band struck up "God save the Queen," and the company dispersed.

While the proceedings were going on in the Drill Shed the illumination took place in the Town Hall, and the many candles blazing in each window had a very fine effect. There was no bonfire on the Market Square, but the lack of this was made up by sundry private ones in various parts of the town. The glare of these, with the occasional flit of gleam of a rocket told that the celebration was about ended. By-and-by the people dispersed, the gleam of the bonfires died out, and ere long the silent stars looked down upon a peaceful scene which only a few hours before was marked by life and gaiety. Thus ended the celebration of the Queen's Birthday in Guelph in 1868.

American Despatches.

Father Point, May 26—Steamship Georgian, from Liverpool, passed here at midnight, inward bound. She has nine cabins and 1021 steerage passengers.

New York, May 26—Herald's Havana special says: Advice from the capital of Mexico to the 17th inst. says that the proclamation of General Rivera was giving the general Government a good deal of trouble. Rivera, however, was officially disowned by Mendez and some others of the malcontents. The President's family had to leave Chapultepec precipitately. Around Puebla the insurgents had possession of the mountains, and proclaimed Gen. Marquez as head of a Regency. The States of San Luis Potosi, Toluca, Queretaro and Mexico, were at the mercy of the insurgents. Railway and telegraphic projects were, however, favorably considered by the general Government.

New York, May 26—Three thousand and five hundred and ninety-eight emigrants arrived at this port within the last two days. Omaha, May 24th.—The Union Pacific Railroad has been completed and opened for business six hundred miles west of Omaha.

Lord Brougham's successor is the brother William, now 75 years of age, and a little above middle age.

and Taylor, and the Spray, rowed Bard and Tansley. After an exciting capital race the Ade came in first, and was declared the winner of the prize \$5. The next was a single oared boat for which there were two entries, Wellsford rowing one boat and Bard the other. This was also keenly contested, Bard boat, [the Spray] came in first, and was awarded a prize of \$4. The third and last race was for single oared boats for which there were three entries, D. Nymph, rowed by J. Criford, the Spray by J. King, and the Chubb by J. Taitan. The distance was the same as in the previous races—about half a mile, and the winning boat made it in about 6 minutes. The Nymph came in first—taking the prize of \$4—followed closely by the Spray. The rower of the Chubb alighted his oars during the race and he was outdistanced.

BASE BALL MATCHES.

Several matches at Base Ball took place during the day. The principal one being between the Maple Leaf Club, this town, and the Independents, of Dundas; also between the Aberfoyle Club and the Union of Guelph, in which the latter came off victorious by two runs. The batting of the Aberfoyle Club was remarkably good, while the fielding of the Union was much superior to that of their opponents. The playing on both sides was considered to be remarkably good. In the match between the Maple Leaf and the Independents the play was almost one-sided as may be seen by the score. This is the first occasion upon which the Dundas Club suffered a defeat. The games were witnessed by a large crowd of spectators, who appeared to evince considerable interest in the contests.

Table with 2 columns: GUELPH and ABERFOYLE. Lists names and scores for various matches.

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Runs made in each inning. Maple Leaf: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10. Independent: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10.

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