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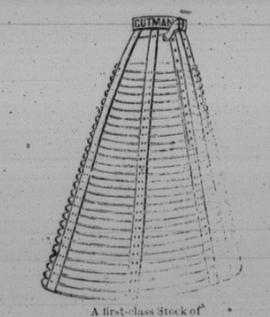
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Where you can get your OYSTERS in first-class style and Mr. W. WAILES will make you a Tom and Jerry that is

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## Evening Mercury.

MONDAY EV'NG, MARCH 1, 1869.

**Job Printing of every description executed cheaply and promptly at the Mercury Steam Printing House, Macdonnell Street, Guelph.** An immense assortment of the latest and most elegant designs in plain and ornamental type has just been added to our previously large stock, enabling our establishment the most complete office in all its appointments in the West of Toronto. Our motto is to do the best, and our work the best.

**Female Flagellants.**

From the Montreal Daily News.  
Mr. Squiers and Dotheboys Hall were brought before the notice of the English public, very many important reforms have been introduced into the management of boys' schools; the birch and cane are no longer brought into requisition on every occasion, and in most schools it has come to be understood that boys are possessed of minds to be influenced and persuaded, as well as of hands and backs to be flogged and scarified. But although a more merciful system has been introduced so far as boys are concerned, it seems, from a correspondence which has lately appeared in the *Englishwoman's Domestic Magazine*, that there are at this moment in the midst of civilized England many governesses, and of strong minded mothers not a few, who are in the habit of birching, caning, strapping, and in other ways torturing their female pupils of 13 years and upwards! One enthusiastic matron who signs herself "The Mother of a Family," in a letter to the magazine, says, "I have had my girl's fullest love and confidence; yet I never omit the punishment for certain faults. At the same time it causes hardly an hour's intermission of our happy intercourse. It is of course inflicted in strict privacy, and without anger or scolding. A short time ago I tested both plans in the case of a niece, a girl of thirteen, who was placed under my control in my house. She had been reared on the 'moral force' plan, and was as bold and disobedient; a child as could be met with. For a month I tried the moral plan, but in vain. At length I resolved to see what the rod would do; and so, taking her with me one day after great misconduct into a secluded room, I lectured her kindly and gently on her behaviour, and finished by telling her that, as all other means had failed, I would now give her a sound whipping. She was much dismayed, as you may guess; but seeing how calm and determined I was, she quietly submitted, and I gave her what some American friends call 'a spanking'—sharp, short and effectual. From that day the greatest change has been visible in her; and though four months have elapsed, I have found it necessary to repeat the operation only twice." We cannot regard the result of this course of treatment as being highly satisfactory or successful. It does not appear to us that for a young lady of thirteen years of age to be compelled to submit to "only" three "operations" of this kind in the course of four months is anything to be jubilant about. But this is nothing compared with the experiences of another English mother, who, after repeated solicitations, was persuaded by the governess to consent to the introduction of the flogging system. The young ladies under treatment in this instance were from fifteen to eighteen years of age. The governess was evidently a woman of much experience in the art of torture. She recommended that the "moral" system should be composed of "soft, pliable leather cut into long, narrow strips at one end, which," said she, "produces intense pain, with little or no injury to the person." What a delightful character to contemplate in this specimen of government in England! We do not wonder when we read that the "moral" system in the case of the unfortunate young ladies who were placed under her charge. With evident relish the mother gives all the details of this act of torture, which we omit, only stopping to notice that these young ladies of from fifteen to eighteen years of age, who have been strapped, knelt and kissed the rod, at the same time thanking her for the punishment she had inflicted. Evidently this female flagellant should have lived one or two hundred years earlier; she could have been a perfect treasure in old times, as the Holy Inquisition, while such men as Font de Beaulieu and the Norman barons of the feudal times, would have found her knowledge of the art of producing "intense pain" invaluable in their dealings with the Jews. We have known instances in which a sound flogging has done a vast amount of good, when all other means had failed, but this system of shipping young ladies seems so utterly repugnant to all our ideas of delicacy and propriety, that we sincerely trust that all English mothers and governesses who indulge in it will be so whipped by the source of public opinion, as to be compelled, for very shame sake, to leave it off. In the old-fashioned nautical dramas, which used to be so popular, the sailor hero was invariably in the habit of coming to the rescue of some female in distress, with the exclamation of "Avast there; the man who lifts his hand against a woman is—" everything else what he ought to be. And while cordially endorsing the opinions of the dramatic tar, we are inclined to go a step further, and say that she who lifts her hand against young ladies is a disgrace to English womanhood.

**THE GEORGIAN BAY CANAL.**—Mr. F. C. Capreol, President, and Mr. Fowler, Director of the Haron and Ontario Canal Company, are in Ottawa, and will get an interview with the Governor-General in a few days on the question of the Canal, in order to explain to His Excellency the whole question. It is said that the policy of Mr. Capreol now is to press the Canal project as a Dominion undertaking, in connection with the enlargement of the St. Lawrence Canal, and that therefore the Dominion Government will be asked to compensate the Government of Ontario for appropriations to the Canal scheme. It is said the scheme is looked on with some favor in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

The Holborn branch of the Reform League have decided to hold a great memorial demonstration in Hyde Park in memory of the late Mr. Ernest Jones.

## TOWN ITEMS.

**CURLERS' MEETING.**—A meeting of the curlers will be held in the Town Hall this (Monday) evening at half-past 7 o'clock, for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of other business.

**THE BURNETT TROUPE** will give an entertainment in the Town Hall this (Monday) evening, when a most interesting and amusing programme will be followed out. The troupe are highly spoken of wherever they have appeared, and from all we hear merit the encomiums passed upon them.

**NEW DOMINION MONTHLY.**—The March number of this magazine containing a portrait of Sir John Young and the usual quantity and quality of reading matter, has been received. The publishers offer to present the volume just closed (from October to March), bound and post-paid, to any person who shall remit \$3 for three new subscribers for one year, beginning with October last or with April next.

**MR. CARROL THE REVIVALIST,** is at present in town and will deliver an address at the Union Monthly Prayer meeting to be held in Knox's church this (Monday) evening at 7.30. The services in the above church were conducted by him last night, the body of the edifice being crowded. He took for his text John VIII, 32: on which he spoke eloquently and forcibly. Mr. Carrol is a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, is a young man of good address and a sound logician.

**DR. O'BRENNAN'S LECTURE.**—This distinguished author and writer, who is collecting materials for a history of the Celtic races of America, has arrived at the Anglo-American Hotel, and is on his route west. He has accepted an invitation to lecture in this town on Thursday evening next, on the history of the Celtic tongue, the Druids, Bards, music and musical instruments of Ireland and Scotland. The subject is an interesting one for all classes of the community, as it is purely literary, and when invested with a pleasing drapery of language, such as a learned speaker can fling around it, it is sure to afford a rich treat, and being a novel theme in Guelph, ought to command a full attendance. The lecturer has written several works, involving, in part, the subject to which we have adverted. Having lectured here he proceeds to Detroit, thence to Chicago and St. Louis.

**GUELPH CLOTH HALL.**—As will be seen by advertisement a change has taken place in the management of the Guelph Cloth Hall, by the retirement of the senior partner, Mr. Alex. Thomson, who after having carried on business successfully as a merchant for more than twelve years, goes to Hamilton as one of the partners of the firm who have succeeded Young Law & Co., wholesale dry goods merchants in that city. Messrs. Shaw & Murton, the two partners formerly associated with Mr. Thomson, will continue to carry on the business at the Cloth Hall here, and we bespeak for them a continuance of the patronage extended to the old firm. Both have for a number of years been connected with the business and thoroughly understand it in all its details. Aiming as they do to meet the wants of the public, possessed of that energy and spirit which cannot fail to secure for them a foremost place among all competitors, and having always in stock the best material and turning out the best work, we feel assured the business will go on increasing under their management.

**BUSINESS CHANGES IN GUELPH.**—Several important changes have within the last few days taken place in Guelph. Messrs. James Massie & Co., have disposed of their retail business at the Alma Block to Mr. John A. Wood, long and favorably known as one of our most enterprising grocers, who will in future carry on the retail business there, and also at his old stand on Lower Wyndham-st. Having the finest store in town, the largest stock, and every facility for doing business, he will doubtless secure a large share of patronage. Messrs. Massie & Co. have also disposed of their other retail store on the corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts. to Mr. Risk, who has for several years managed the business there most efficiently. Mr. Risk has had long experience, is well known to the public as an active and obliging business man. Having finished stock taking he will make large additions to that already on hand, and will be able to offer inducements to all old and new customers which they do not meet with every day. We wish him every measure of success in his new enterprise. We have still another change to note. Mr. J. A. Jaques, lately with Messrs. Massie & Co., has entered into partnership with Mr. Rae in the wholesale crockery business, Alma Block. The new firm intend as Gen. Grant said to "push things," and having all the requisite energy and every facility for carrying on their business, we doubt not they will soon make it one of the largest and most flourishing wholesale establishments in Guelph.

## MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

The *Evening Globe* has gone back to the old figure of two cents.

Mr. David Stewart, of Mitchell, has a hen's egg which weighs 54 ounces.

Carmichael's new hotel at Seaforth will be 85 x 55 feet and three stories high.

The Rev. Mr. McKenzie, of Preston, was lately presented by his congregation with a purse of \$55.

The Stratford Town Council have fixed the price of saloon licenses at \$100, exclusive of the government impost duty.

A colony of beavers has settled on the Appomattox River, Virginia, and are cutting down quantities of shrubbery and young trees.

Observe all ten dollar bills of the Royal Canadian Bank. Some of these in circulation are ones altered to tens, and require close examination.

The liabilities of Brown's defunct banking institution amount to \$93,000. The assets, so far as the majority of the creditors are concerned, are nil.

Numbers of \$5 Provincial notes are in circulation in this province, marked payable in Halifax, and the bills so marked are subject to a discount of 4 per cent., on account of the difference in the currency of the two provinces.

The Minto correspondent of the *Elora Observer* says: "I have made a great many enquiries for the happy man with the unpronounceable name, whose wife bore unto him four responsibilities lately, but I cannot find such a person."

A Yankee pedlar with his cart, over-taking another of his clan on the road, was thus addressed: "Halloo, what do you carry?" "Drugs and medicines," was the reply. "Good, you may go ahead," said the other, "I carry grave-stones."

The English papers are wondering over the printing of a newspaper on a Virginia steamer three times a week. The example was set by the Canadian Press Association on their trip to and from Fort William last summer, in printing a paper every day.

Andrew Taylor, a colored painter of Richmond, Va., was arrested yesterday charged with the murder of his wife, who died yesterday morning. It appears Taylor had ravished his step daughter, and his wife was cognizant of the fact. Her death was caused by poison.

Georgia announces an early spring. The peach trees are in full bloom, the buds of the forest are bursting, the woods around Savannah are redolent of the perfume of the jasmine and honey-suckle, green peas are knee high, hyacinths and other spring flowers are blooming, and early vegetables are abundant.

On Monday evening, the blacksmith shop belonging to Quinton McConnell, in Hollis, was destroyed by fire. The fire originated in so no straw kept overhead, which was ignited by a spark from the anvil. So rapidly did the flames spread, that nearly all the tools and a buggy partly ironed, had to be left to destruction. Estimated loss \$500.

The exportation of silver by Mr. Weir goes on favorably, and apparently with the best results, as the rate has now fallen to 34. Fifty thousand dollars have been sent forward this week, making a total of \$203,000. There seems every reason to believe that, if the movement is energetically sustained now, the discount will gradually fall to one and a half or one per cent.

A Scotch farmer, from the County of Bruce, went to the old country in October last, to dig up some kegs of gold, buried in the Island of Lewes, the whereabouts of which had been revealed to him in a dream. He dug over most of the island without finding the treasure, and returned to Goderich last week, having spent all his superfluous ducats, and is now almost penniless.

**ONE OF THE "NINE" ON TRIAL.**—On Friday afternoon last a meeting of Reformers was to have taken place at Brooklin, near Whitby, to hear Dr. McGill's explanations in regard to his conduct in Parliament during the last session, but as the day turned out very stormy and the roads were blocked up, not more than 150 or 200 persons were present, and whole sections were altogether unrepresented. A motion to adjourn the business of the meeting till the 10th of March was put and carried. Mr. J. Sandfield Macdonald and Mr. Stephen Richards were present; and after the motion for adjournment had been carried the former was asked to address those present, which he did in a somewhat lengthy speech, devoted to a defence of the course pursued by him since he had been chosen Premier. A vote of thanks to Sandfield and the chairman concluded the proceedings, and the meeting adjourned till the 10th inst.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

**MADRID, Feb. 27.**—During the session of the Constituent Cortes, last evening, the Prime Minister, Marshal Serrano, said that notwithstanding the retirement of the late Provisional Government, the members who composed it would still retain their seats in the Cortes. He said further, that it is the policy of the Government to follow the programme which the revolution has established, and that every effort would be made to disarm the attack of the Republicans by reducing the expenditures in all quarters, and pursuing a liberal policy generally. He regretted that the liberal program which had been contemplated by the late Provisional Government had not been necessarily delayed by the late Provisional Government, and that every effort would be made to disarm the attack of the Republicans by reducing the expenditures in all quarters, and pursuing a liberal policy generally. He regretted that the liberal program which had been contemplated by the late Provisional Government had not been necessarily delayed by the late Provisional Government, and that every effort would be made to disarm the attack of the Republicans by reducing the expenditures in all quarters, and pursuing a liberal policy generally.

**ATHENS, Feb. 27.**—The Greek Government has officially announced the establishment of friendly relations with Turkey.

**LONDON, Feb. 28th.**—A report is current that the present Spanish Minister to England has received instructions from Madrid to proceed to Washington to settle any difficulty which may arise in consequence of the Cuban insurrection.

**MADRID, Feb. 28th.**—An insurrection was attempted last week in Barcelona, but quickly suppressed. There were forty persons arrested. The city is now quiet.

**PARIS, Feb. 28th.**—Mons. Raymonde, the President of the Senate, died here yesterday, aged 62 years.

**LIVERPOOL, Feb. 28th.**—The steamer *Minnesota* from New York, has arrived.

## American Despatches

**Washington, Feb. 28th.**—Sherman surprised the Senate last evening by introducing a resolution authorizing the President of the United States to recognize the independence of Cuba whenever she shall have established a *de facto* government. There is no prospect that it will be returned from the Foreign Relations Committee before the 4th of March, so that any exercise of this discretion will not be introduced to the present administration.

**New York, March 1st.**—Park Swing's Bank, Brooklyn, was robbed yesterday of \$45,000. C. D. Robinson, of the firm of Wood & Robinson, absconded with \$20,000 in 5-20 bonds, three certified checks of \$10,000 each, and six hundred shares of various kinds of stock, valued at \$45,000.

Advices from St. Domingo state that the negotiations for a loan from British capitalists have proved a failure. The question of annexation to the United States is exciting considerable interest. The coffee and sugar crops is short, but the tobacco crop is on the increase.

**Havana, Feb. 28th.**—Advices from Santiago de Cuba state that the cholera is very distressing.

**New York, March 1st.**—The steamer *Western* from Bremen, has arrived.

**DINNER TO HON. E. B. WOOD.**—A complimentary dinner was given to the Provincial Secretary, in Brantford, on Thursday night. The *Globe's* correspondent says that Mr. Wood and his friends appear to have thought it desirable that some demonstration in his favour should have been made by the Reformers of the constituency. The Reformers were consequently applied to, but they, almost to a man, declined to join in any glorification of their member. Even leading Conservatives to a considerable number, refused to have any part or lot in the matter. About 300 were present. The only remarkable thing about the speaking was that a Mr. Murphy, of Paris, endeavoured to demolish the *Globe*. In the course of his harangue he asserted, amid laughter that what drove Mr. Brown to his present course was, that Baldwin and some of the leading Reformers of his day were Irish. He objected to the course taken by Mr. Frank Smith and other Roman Catholics, in endeavouring in times past to strengthen the Reform ranks, and follow in the course taken by the *Globe*. He blew up the Browns, Christies, and McKellers, as a class of nondescript politicians, and sooner than sail in the same boat with them, he would embark even with Orangemen. But to the Conservatism of Ontario Catholics were indebted for the greatest boon they possessed, Mr. Wood of course defended his own conduct and that of his colleagues. He defended the Combination for joining which, he said, he had been abused, and so had the Premier, one of the most pure-minded, patriotic men, who was wearing out body and mind in the service of the country, and might emphatically be called the Saint of Cornwall. Messrs. M. C. Cameron and Richards followed in the same strain.

**ONTARIO GAZETTEER AND GENERAL DIRECTORY.**—We learn that Messrs. Robertson & Cook, of the *Toronto Daily Telegraph*, are interested in, and are about issuing the above work, under the name of the firm of C. E. Anderson & Co., Directory Publishers, Toronto. The work will be after the model of that published in 1857. It will contain a complete Historical and Statistical account of every City, Town, Village and Post Office neighbourhood in the Province, with full information as to Lands, Mill Sites, Water Privileges, Timber, Minerals, with Professions, Merchants, and Manufacturers, &c.; a full list of the Officials of the Dominion and Local Governments, all the Municipal Officials of Ontario, and a large amount of other useful information of much value, including, as fully as can be procured, all information relative to the Red River and Lake Superior sections of the Province. The canvassers for the work are in the field, and we would recommend our friends to give them every facility and information in their power, and to patronize the work both by subscriptions and advertisements. Messrs. Robertson & Cook have just issued a Directory of the City of Toronto, which does them great credit, and we have no doubt the Ontario Gazetteer will be of the same stamp.

**HAVE YOU TRIED IT?**—If not, don't delay another moment, but get a bottle of the "Canadian Pain Destroyer." It is far ahead of any other medicine, and was never known to fail. All aches and pains are immediately and permanently removed by it, and the price places it within the reach of all. Sold by all medicine dealers.