TO THOSE IN ARREARS.

All Parties who have had Accounts rendered them, for Job Printing or Advertising, or whose Subscriptions to THE MERCURY are due, are requested to call at the Office at once, and settle the same.

PARLIAMENTARY.

On Tuesday Hon. Mr. Gow introduced a bill to establish municipal institutions in the districts of Muskoka, Parry Sound and Nipissing .-Hon. Mr. Scott gave notice that on Thursday he would move his resolutions with respect to make certain reductions in the price of lands in

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The bill to render members of the House of Commons ineligible as members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario was, after a long and animated discussion, read a second time.

Mr. Rykert moved the following amendment, which was lost on a vote of 19 to 54:—"That in the opinion of this House the said Bill interferes with the rights of the people to select such representatives as in their judgment may best advance the interests and promote the welfare of the province, without any sufficient cause of debarring the people of such rights having arisen; and it is inexpedient and improper to take away a right or privilege enjoyed by the people without grave and cogent reason therefor: wherefore this House is not disposed turther to proceed with the said Bill." Several bills were passed through Committees, and some were read a third time and passed. Hon. Mr. Scott's bill, relating to arrears due upon Common School Lands sold previously to 1st July, 1867, was read a second time.

Hon. Mr. Wood's Resignation.

THE COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION.
The Committee appointed to investigate the charge of an alleged corrupt inducement of cred by Blake to Wood, to induce him to resign, met on Monday morning. All the members were present except Ardagh. Dr. Boulter, Chairman, said that since the Committee met before he had, in accordance with instructions of the committee, notified Blake and Wood to attend, and Cameron to attend and produce evidence to sustain his accusation. Blake and Wood tod him they helm of evidence to offer. Cameron first told. tion. Blake and Wood told him they had no evidence to offery. Cameron first told him he had not made up his mind whether he should go on with the investigation. Last night, however, he told him that he would not appear before the Committee unless compelled to do so by the House. The result was that no evidence had been summoned.

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Mr. Prince thought the accused parties should be called upon to make whatever statement they had to make with regard to the accusation.

Mr. Blake, being called upon by the Committee, stated that he had read the charge, and he denied the truth of it entirely. It was absolutely faise.

Mr. Wood was also called, and having heard the charge read, said it was false in all its particulars. There was not one word of truth in it.

Both gentlemen expresse their willingness to be subjected to the roost searching examination; but the Committee decided that as the prosecreto; had refused to appear, it would not be proper to do riore than take the denial of these gentlemen. Boulthee said Cameron's reason for refusing to appear was that the motion had been taken out of his hands and altered.

Wood pointed out that what Cameron wanted was to introduce into his motion the statement that Blake had offered corrupt inducements through a third party who he would not name. The charge, as it stood now, covered that statement, because what a man does by another he does by himself.

Farewell said that the only thing for the Committee to do was to report to the effect that Cameron, who had made the charge, had refused to attend and produce witnesses, and that, therefore, the Committee were obliged to report that fact, with the formal denial of Blake and Wood. This course was finally agreed to, and the Committee adjourned till 9:30 a. m. on Taursday, in order to prepare a report to submit to the House.

Confidence Operators.

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(From the New York Sun.)

George Hamilton, a big burly Scotchman from Dumfriesshire, arrived here last week in the Glasgow steamer. Before coming he made had himself acquainted by a diligent perusal of New York newspapers with the ways of the city. The knowledge thus acquired, added to his natural shrewdness and great courage, made him rather a dangerous pigeon for the confidence operators to attempt to pluck. In West street, on the foot of Dey, he paused for a moment to look around him, Three weil-dressed men approached him from behind. One of them touched him on the arm. The man held in his hand an open pocket-book until it was under the Scotchman's nose, and said:

"Friend, you have just dropped your pocket-book."

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"Ye dimma say so," Hamilton exclaimed, gazing on the greenbacks and preparing to grasp the book.

"Stay, friend," said the man, closing the book and holding it behind him "you see it's our duty to give this book to the police, and then it would cost you some trouble and money to get it. Mand my friends kere, however seen your drop it, and if you'll give us a \$20 bill we'll hand it to you without more bother. By this time, the three young men had gathered in front of Hamilton, Hamilton raised his hand as though to put it into his side pocket.

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raised his hand as though to put it into his side pocket.

"Ye thievin' divils!" he exclaimed and drawing off before the astonished men could comprehend his intention, he planted his first right and left into the faces of, two of them, and sent the third recling into the gutter with such a kick as only a brawny Scot who had made the leather ball fly on the links of Dumfries could have administered. The confidence men picked themselves up and went off in a hurry.

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The Hamilton Times says that a large number of the cattle now offered in that city come by the Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railroad from distant points. This is only one of the many advantages of the line.

MARRIED.

HER-PURDIE - At Harriston, on the 7th inst, by the Rev. Arthur Boultbee, Mr. Joseph Fisher blacksmith, to Miss Jane Purcle, all of Harriston.

DIED.

LE—In Guelph, on the 14th inst., of scarl fever, William Edward, son of Mr. W. Vale, Bandinaster, aged 2 years and

Mew Advertisements.

WORKING MEN'S CLUB.

Rooms have been engaged in Day's which the Conmittee propose to open

on Saturday evening next.

JOHN READ, President.

N.B.—The Committee will please my
Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock.

Gudph, Feb. 13, 1872

GRAND ENTERTAINMENT.

A grand entertainment, under the auspice of the Wellington County Lodge, J. O. G. T. will be held in the Town Hall, Guelph, on the evening of

Thursday, 15th of February

When speeches will be delivered by Mv. S. CAPIPER, G.D.G.W.C.T. Subject: "Beware of Dogs." And the G.W.C.T. of Camada, Dv. ORONHYATEKHA, of Stratford, to be followed, by Music, Recitations, and Dialogues. All are cordially invited. To commence at halt-past seven. Admission Free. J. T. BRILL, Chairman of Con... Guelph. Feb. 14, 1872.

Guelph, Feb. 8, 1872

TO CONTRACTORS. — Tenders will be received by the Commissioners, at the Union Hotel, Armstrong's Mills, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst, at 1 o'clock, p.m., for the erection of a Bridge over the River Speed, near Arnstrong's Mill, and for neaking approaches to the same. To be built according to plans and specifications made by T. W. Gorger, F. q., with the exception tist Rock F. in the substituted in the state of the same of the

F RST CONGREGATION CANADA

ANNOUAL SOIREE The Annual Soirce of the First Gongrega-tion Canada Presi vterian Church, Guelph will be held in the Lown Hall,

On Tuesday, 20th February

attendance.
Tickets 25 cents, to be had at the stores of Messrs. Hepbarn, Savage, Day, Anderson, and A. Arnatrong.
The Annual Meeting of the Sabbath School-Children belonging to the Congregation will be held in the same place on the following evening cite to be at belock. A collection in the Sabbath School of the Congregation of the Congregatio

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Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railway SOUTHERN EXTENSION Notice to Contractors

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FROM LISTOWEL

In the T wnship of Wallace,

have administered. The confidence men picked themselves up and went off in a hurry.

"Fient a pocket-pook I ever had i my hale excestence," said the Scot to the bystanders, 'I h'ard o' the game afore, though an nane o' the thevin' scoondrels are ganging to mak' a fule o' me, diel tak' 'em!"

A mill is before Cougres, proposing to grant a bounty of not more than \$10 per t m, to be paid each year for a period of tive years, for the construction in the United States of iron steamships of not less than 1,000 tons each.

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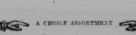
12th, 13th, and 14th Feb., 1872.

Feb. 12th, 1872



GUELPH







In the matter of JAMES B. THORNTON, an Insolvent.

the undersigned, John Kerr, of Toronto, e been appointed Assignee in this matter, ditors are requested to file their claims ore me within one month. JOHN KERH, oronto, 5th Feb. 1872.

NSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

The Insolvent has made an assignment of his Estate to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at his place of business, in the Town of Guelph, in the County of Wellington, on Saturday, the twenty-fourth day of February, inst., at twelve o'clock, noon, to receive statements of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignee.

Residence of interim Assignee, Guelph.

Dated at Guelph aforesaid, February 7th 1872.

EDWIN NEWTON, Interim Assignee. EDWIN NEWTON, Interim Assigned

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

In the matter of John McNen, an insol

-AND-

CANNED FRUITS.

Generally runs low in every household at this season of the year

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Blackberries White Cherries Red Cherries

THORNTON'S BOOKSTORE

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By order of the Official Assignee.

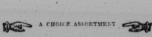
OTS FOR SALE IN THE TOWN OF GUELL'H,—Lots from 9 to 22, being the front, on the Elera Road of the Catholic Courch Globe, in lots to suit purchasers. For terms and particulars of sale, apply to Messrs. Mcc. Illan & O'Connor, Barristers, Nos. 8 and 9, Day's Block, Guel; h. 919-dw



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New Advertisements.

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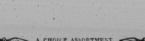
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COMMENCING TO-MORROW. Remnants of Dress Goods of all kinds Remnants of Silks, black and colored Remnants of French Merinoes Remnants of Lustres, black and colored Remnants of Wool Plaids Remnants of Flannels Remnants of Hollands Remnants of Towellings Remnants of Shirtings

NOW IS THE TIME, LADIES! Every Remant in the Store must be cleared ont previous to stock-taking at the end of the month.

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Remnants of Tweeds and Fulled Cloths Remnants of Overcoatings. &c.

Come direct to the Alma Block. Come early. A. O. BUCHAM,

FRESH HADDOCK FRESH CODFISH

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aring which time the whole of his stock which comprises a good assortment.

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F. PREST Guelph, Feb. 7, 1872.

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THE Lancashire

IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE

Of Farm Stock, Implements, Carriages, &c.

Mr. R. S Brodie having leased his Farmhas structed the undersigned to sell by Public uction, at his farm, Marden, near Blythe's otel, on FRIDAY, the 16th day of FEBRU-RY, next, the following valuable Stock, Imlements, Carriages, &c. Horses—I cream colored horse, aged; 1 grey lare, 8 years old; 1 hoy lorse, years old; 1 bay horse, 7 years old; 1 bay horse, 7 years old; 1 bay horse, 1 years old; 1 self the first of the first of the first old; 1 hoy lorse, 1 years old; 1 bay horse, 1 years old; 1 bay horse, 1 years old; 1 bay horse, 1 years old; 1 hoy lorse, 1 years old; 1 hoy lorse, 1 years old; 1 aged; mare; 1 years old; 1 aged; not of the first old; 1 hoy lorse, 1 years old; 1 hoy lorse, 1 hoy lorse, 1 hoy lorse, 1 years old; 1 hoy lorse, 1 hoy lors

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A. Ac.—W. S. G. Knowles will offer for sale,
by Public Auction, on Westnesday, the 28th of
february inst, on the farm presently occugied by Mr. Mark Sutton, Lot No. 9, 7th Con.
Eramosa, the following valuable property,
viz.: 1 mare, in food, 3 good horses for general
purposes; 5 Grade cows, in call; 4 heifers,
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Leicester ewes, reaping and mowing machine,
ight waggon, light pair of bobs, grain drill, turinj drill; 2 turnip-slicers, straw cutter, cultiva
tor, 2 fron ploughs (Stevenson's), 3sets of Harows, seuffer, 2 wooden ploughs, farmingnul;
Terms—sums of \$6\$ and under cash, over that
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Eramosa, Feb. 8.

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