

CATTLE KILLED BY THE DROUGHT.
The extraordinary and almost unparalleled drought in Scotland has told severely upon the condition of stock in some parts of that country, and farmers have been forced to bring their cattle to market long before they had reached maturity. Fatal results are reported from Auchindor and Kildrumny. On the farm of Marchmar Westhills, and Bridgend, where a number of cattle had died suddenly, a post-mortem examination was made of their carcasses, when their stomachs were found to be full of the dry burnt grass entirely undigested. This, combined with the want of water, evidently caused death.

At a recent meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Ireland, some very interesting proceedings were had as to the departure of Dr. McCosh to fill the Presidency of the College of New Jersey, at Princeton, and a general feeling of regret was expressed that they would be deprived of his presence among them. A committee was appointed to draw up a minute expressive of the feelings of the Assembly.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND SOUTH AMERICA.—The importance of the trade which is rapidly becoming developed between South America and other parts of the world is such as to command attention almost everywhere. The Chilean Government have completed a contract with the Pacific Steam Navigation Company to run regularly for a short period a steamer direct from Liverpool to Rio Janeiro, Monte Video, and round to Valparaiso. This course will do away with transshipment which was unavoidable by Panama, and will greatly assist to foster trade between these remote parts of the globe. The fast steamer Pacific left Liverpool on the 13th inst., and it is contemplated as soon as the new fleet of steamers is ready to make the trips more frequent. The Steamship Company have undertaken to do the service to and from the ports mentioned in 42 days, which will demand the services of very able steamers.

A Milwaukee miscreant named Downer, who was accustomed to devote his Sunday evenings to the aesthetic recreation of pounding his feeble wife, was recently set upon while thus engaged, by about a score of infuriated women, who proceeded to punish him beautifully. Armed with shovels and tongs, brooms, mops, &c., they soon reduced him to the most degraded submission, and he was by the cross never to strike his wife again. Never was sorrows of feminine ku-klux-klan more triumphant.

During the year 1867, there were 90 married convicts of both sexes sent to the Provincial Penitentiary; 196 single persons of both sexes, 5 widows and 5 widowers, making a total of 296. From these figures we infer that marriage is one of the most powerful preventives of crime, and as a consequence early marriages should be encouraged.

COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets.

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, August 18, 1868.

Flour, 100 lbs	.....	\$ 3 75	@ 3 75
Fall Wheat, 100 bush	.....	1 30	@ 1 30
Spring Wheat, 100 bush	.....	1 15	@ 1 15
Oats, 100 bush	.....	0 65	@ 0 65
Peas, 100 bush	.....	0 65	@ 0 65
Barley, 100 bush	.....	0 75	@ 0 75
Hay, 100 tons	.....	10 00	@ 10 00
Straw, 100 tons	.....	4 00	@ 4 00
Shingles, 100 square	.....	1 00	@ 1 00
Wood, 100 cord	.....	2 00	@ 2 00
Wool, 100 lb	.....	0 25	@ 0 25
Eggs, 100 dozen	.....	0 15	@ 0 15
Butter, (store packed) 100 lb	.....	0 17	@ 0 17
do (dairy packed) 100 lb	.....	0 17	@ 0 17
Geese, each	.....	0 25	@ 0 25
Turkeys, each	.....	0 50	@ 0 50
Chickens, 1/2 pair	.....	0 20	@ 0 20
Ducks, do	.....	0 20	@ 0 20
Potatoes, 100 bush	.....	1 00	@ 1 00
Apples, 100 barrel	.....	2 00	@ 2 00
Lamb, 100 lb	.....	0 06	@ 0 07
Beef, 100 lb	.....	0 06	@ 0 06
Pork, 100 lb	.....	0 06	@ 0 06
Sheep Pelts each	.....	0 20	@ 0 25
Lambskins	.....	0 45	@ 0 50
Hides	.....	0 40	@ 0 60

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, Guelph, August 18, 1868.

Gold, 1461.
Greenbacks not at 67 to 67 1/2; sold at 68 to 68 1/2.
Large silver bought at 8 1/2; sold at 8 1/2.
Small silver bought at 10 1/2; sold at 10 1/2.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 60c. to 60c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's report by Special Telegram to "Evening Mercury."
MONTREAL, August 17, 1868.
Flour—Fancy, \$7 00 to \$7 10; Superfine No. 1, \$7 25 to \$7 50; Welland Canal, \$6 50; Bag flour, \$5 25 to \$5 50. Oats 40c to 50c. Barley \$1 00 to \$1 15. Butter—dairy 15c to 20c; store packed 18c to 19c. Apples—Pots \$5 75 to \$5 75; pears \$5 50 to \$5 55.

TORONTO, August 17, 1868.
Flour—Market is very dull; No. 1, at \$6 60 to \$7 25. Fall Wheat—\$1 50. Spring Wheat—\$1 50 to \$1 55. Oats—75c. Barley—\$0 95 to \$1 05. Peas—\$5c to \$6c.

H. METCALF,

(Late Smith and Metcalf).

WISHES to inform his customers and the public that he has opened a

SHOP NEXT DOOR to MR. HAZELTON'S,

Nearly opposite the Wellington Hotel, where he will be prepared to attend to the wants of customers and the public. He has on hand a lot of

TRUNKS and SADDLES

Slightly soiled by removal at the late fire, will be sold cheap.
Guelph, July 8, 1868. dw wtf

NEW MARBLE WORKS,

Woolwich-St., GUELPH.

THE Subscriber would intimate to the public of Guelph and surrounding country that he has opened New Marble Works in Guelph, where he will have for sale and manufacture to order

MONUMENTS, TOMBS, TABLETS, HEAD STONES, POSTS, &c.,

OF ANY SIZE OR DESIGN.

Being a practical workman, and having had over 17 years' experience in some of the largest Marble Factories in Canada and the Eastern States, he has every confidence in being able to give satisfaction to those who may favor him with their patronage. The shop is on Woolwich St., a short distance north of Geo. A. Bruce's Carriage Factory.

ALFRED S. FEAST.

Guelph, August 15. dot wtf

Winner's Perfect Guides

For Violin, Flute and Guitar, Accordion, Piano, Melodion, Cabinet Organ, Rife, Flageolet and Clarinet.

Containing instructions designed to enable the pupil to obtain a knowledge of playing without a teacher, with a choice collection of every variety of Popular Music. Price of each 75 cents. Teachers, pupils and dealers desirous of obtaining a low-priced instruction book, and at the same time one that is useful and attractive will find these books fully suited to their wants. The instructions are given in a manner adapted to the comprehension of all grades of scholars. The exercises illustrating and enforcing the lessons are not dry and tedious, but sprightly and entertaining, and the selections of music varying from the simple to the difficult, comprise the most popular melodies of the day. Published by DITSON & CO., Publishers, 277 Washington Street, Boston. CHAS. H. DITSON & CO., 711 Broadway, New York. dwtf

No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

JUST ARRIVED AT

JAMES CORMACK'S

A LOT OF

Military Waterproof Overcoats

Also, a large stock of cheap summer suits for volunteers.

JAMES CORMACK, Wyndham-st. Guelph.

Guelph, 24th June, 1868.

FIRST FRUITS

OF THE SEASON.

Peaches, Tomatoes, Pears, Apples,

AT THE FRUIT DEPOT,

Wholesale and Retail Establishment, Wyndham-St., Guelph.

Guelph, 5th August, 1868. dw

Commercial Union Assurance Company.

CHIEF OFFICES—19 and 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.

CAPITAL AND FIRE DEPARTMENT, £2,500,000.

THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscription of capital and invested funds.

PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.—The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.

Life Department.
Volunteers assured in this Company are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.

Eighty per cent of the Profits of the Whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.

Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.

By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.

Office—385 and 387 St. Paul St., Montreal.
FREDERICK COLE, Secretary, Inspector of Agencies—T. C. LIVINGSTON, P. L. S., Upper Canada.

TROTTER & GRAHAM, Agents for Guelph.

Guelph April 1st, 1868.

SALT, SALT LOOK OUT!

FOR YOUR OWN INTERESTS.

ALL in want of

A. H. R. KENNEDY'S

FLOUR AND FEED STORE,

UPPER WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH

Guelph, July 24. dw-tf

Another Lot of those Delicious

Pine Apples

At H. BERRY'S.

SPLENDID DATES

At H. BERRY'S.

FINE

ORANGES & LEMONS

At H. BERRY'S.

REAL

Maple Sugar

At H. BERRY'S.

Guelph May 30 1868. dw

CASH, CASH.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

FROM and after the FIRST of AUGUST I intend to do a strictly Cash business, and will positively open no more accounts with any one.

All parties indebted either by note or book account are requested to pay up before the 31st instant, and save costs.

JOHN MCNEIL, Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Wyndham-st. Guelph, 17th July. dw

LUMBER & WOOD YARD.

CHARLES HEATH, AS opened a Lumber and Wood Yard on Quebec St. West of English Church, where Lumber of all kinds can be had in lots to suit purchasers.

CORDWOOD

For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter-cord, and delivered in any part of the Town.

Also for sale, Flour and Feed, delivered in any part of the Town according to order.

All orders from Town or Country will be promptly attended to.

CHARLES HEATH, Guelph, May 14, 1868. dw tf

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,

GENERAL AGENTS, TOWN HALL BUILDINGS, GUELPH.

Agents for investing Money for the TRUST and LOAN COMPANY

OF UPPER CANADA, AND

THE CANADA PERMANENT BUILDING and SAVINGS SOCIETIES

OF TORONTO.

THESE Companies afford every facility to the borrower, and give him the privilege of either retaining the principal for a term of years or paying it off by instalments extending over any term of years up to 15.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Have also a large amount of PRIVATE FUNDS

On hand for Investment.

Money invested and interest collected. Mortgages bought subject to examination of title, and valuation of property offered.

Debenture Stocks and Securities of all kinds negotiated.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK are Agents for the ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF ENGLAND.

Capital, \$10,000,000. Accumulated funds, \$6,000,000.

The Royal subscribed \$100 towards the purchase of the Guelph Steam Fire Engine, and is the only Company doing business in Guelph, that has subscribed.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK are Agents for the STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

Established - - - in 1825.

The STANDARD takes risks at very reasonable rates, and Policy holders are secured by the very large sum of accumulated and invested funds, viz: \$15,000,000, and the Company have made the deposit with the Government of the Dominion of Canada required by the new Act.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK Have a number of FARMES for sale in the Co. of Wellington and adjoining Counties.

Also, Town Lots and Houses

In Guelph, Berlin, Fergus, &c.

AMARANTH. Lot 22, in the 10th Concession. 200 acres.

ARTHUR. South-half of Lot 15, 3rd Con., 100 acres, 60 of which are in a high state of cultivation, and well fenced, watered by a creek crossing the centre of the farm; a two story house and good barn on the lot.

CHATHAM. North-east half of 27, in the 5th Con., 100 acres, well timbered.

ERAMOSA. Part of West-half of 2, in the 3rd Con., four acres, with a good stone house and log stable.

West-half Lot 5th, 1st Con., Eramosa, 100 acres, 50 cleared, good frame barn and shed, and parting and frame dwelling house, well watered & fenced.

West-half of Lot 30, in the 6th Con., 100 acres, 25 acres cleared.

West-half Lot 5, in the 1st Con., 90 acres; 90 acres improved; good frame dwelling house, one-half-story high, and bank barn; well fenced, 4 miles from Guelph.

ERIN. East-half of Lot 32, 5th Con., 100 acres, 75 are cleared; new frame house and barn; spring creek.

West-half Lot 8th, 8th Con., 100 acres; 75 are cleared; 25 excellent bush.

East-half of Lot 9, 8th Con., 100 acres; 65 cleared; West 70 acres of 24, 3rd Con., 15 acres cleared, hewed house. Small amount required down, and long time for the balance.

ELORA. Valuable Tavern Stand for sale in the Village of Elora, at present leased to Robert Cook being lots 6 and 6, corner of Wellington and Walnut Streets, with stabling for 40 horses. Also the Cowan house.

CARAFAXA. Lot 11, in the 13th Con., 100 acres; 60 acres cleared, all dry land; farm buildings.

Lots 29 and 30, 3rd Con., 200 acres; 70 acres cleared; farm buildings watered by a creek.

Lot 16, 1st Con., 100 acres, 50 cleared; a corner lot, good house and barn.

South-quarter of 5, in the 15-50 acres.

GUELPH TOWNSHIP. Lots 3 and 4, in 3rd Con., Div. D., 140 acres; 90 acres improved; frame dwelling house, and frame bank barn and sheds, well fenced.

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the 1st Con., Div. D., containing 207 acres of land; to be sold together or in parts. (Particulars on application.) On this property there is a large two story stone house, ample barns, new; a two story frame house and a saw mill, a valuable property.

Lot No. 39, on Town Line, in Galt's Survey, containing 42 acres with a frame plastered house, cheap.

TOWN OF GUELPH. Large two story stone house, with 10 or 27 acres attached, situate on the York Road, and bounded on the south by the Eramosa river. The buildings and fences are in good repair; good garden and orchard. Terms liberal and price extremely low.

Large two story stone house with verandah, stabling and garden, and 4 of an acre of land, on Dublin Street, at present occupied by Joseph Hobbs, Esq.

River Lots on Queen Street, well adapted for Private residences, valuable quarries being on the lots.

Water Privilege and Mill Site, containing 15 acres, composed of the north-east parts of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Lots 5 and 6, in Oliver's Survey, on the Waterloo road.

Lots 15, 16, 22, 23, 25, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 40, 41, 49, 50, 51, in Webster's Survey, lying between Grange Street and the river Speed.

Lot 4, on the north side of Pearl Street, with a double frame house.

Lot 155, corner of Gordon and Wellington Sts. Lots 1043 and 1044, Cambridge Street, on which is erected a frame plastered dwelling house.

Four Quarry Lots, lying Nos. 21, 22, 42 and 43 on the Waterloo Road.

70 feet of double frontage on Market Square and Macdonnell Street—just the spot for grain warehouses or stores.

East-half of Lot No. 388, on which a frame house is erected.

Two story brick house on Queen Street, with stable and sheds, at present occupied by Mr. J. P. Martin.

Park Lots in St. Andrew's Church Glebe, containing from 1 to 5 acres each.

Nos. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 32, 33, 36 and 39, fronting on the Woolwich Road, and 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 41, 42 and 43 in rear, acre lots each, in one block.

Also, lot 15, five acres, a beautiful spot, well fenced, and a high state of cultivation.

These lots are admirably adapted for Market Gardens, and the terms of credit are extremely liberal.

LUTHER. Lots 4 and 5 in the 10th Con., 402 acres, 100 of which are improved; house, barn, stabling and shedding; 9 miles from Arthur, 12 miles from Mount Forest.

South-half Lot 8, in the 13th Con., 100 acres.

North-half Lot 18, 4th Con., 100 acres.

South-half Lot 19, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 1, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 2, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 3, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 4, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 5, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 6, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 7, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 8, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 9, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 10, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 11, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 12, 7th Con., 100 acres.

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Lot 38, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 39, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 40, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 41, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 42, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 43, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 44, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 45, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 46, 7th Con., 100 acres.

Lot 47, 7th Con., 100 acres.