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IRON CASTINGS. Of all kinds, made to order at CROWE'S IRON WORKS, Norfolk Street, Guelph. (dw)

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J. M. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M.R.C.V.S., L.D., B.P., V.M.A. Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, intends continuing the practice of his profession. Orders left at the Mercury Office, or at H. A. Kirkham's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to. Having had great experience in all diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. (dw)

O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL, IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET. Refitted in the latest fashion. Finest latest style Phelan Tables. (dw)

W. H. TAYLOR, CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER, GUELPH. The only one of this kind in Toronto. All work warranted the best. Please send price list. (dw)

NEW COAL YARD. The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of

Hard and Soft Coal At moderate prices. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, 15 Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to. (dw)

IRON AND BRASS Castings of all kinds made on short notice at

THE GUELPH-UNION FOUNDRY. We also keep on hand four qualities of

BABBITT METAL. HARLEY & HEATHER, Huskisson Street, Guelph. (dw)

J. H. ROMAIN & Co., Successors to Nelles, Romain & Co., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchants, AND SHIPPERS, 26, City National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill. REFERENCES: St. John Rose, Banker, London; England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., Banker, Montreal; The Marine Company of Chicago, Bankers; How John Catling, London, Ontario; Messrs. Gault Bros., Merchants, Montreal; Senator Gault Smith, (Frank Smith & Co.) Toronto; J. Morton Miller, Esq., Perth, Ont. (dw)

DOMINION SALOON. FRESH OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE. The best Liquors and Cigars always in stock. DENIS BUNYAN, Guelph, Sept. 30, 1872. (dw)

New Advertisements.

10,000 BUSHELS OF CORN for sale. A. B. DAVIES, Guelph, Mar. 19. dwt On the Market.

AN APPRENTICE to Watch and Jewelry business wanted at G. D. Prince's. Wages small, but trade learned thorough. (dw)

MACHINIST WANTED. To a competent hand, good wages and steady employment will be given. Apply to J. B. ARMSTRONG & CO. Guelph, March 11, 1873. (dw)

BOARDERS WANTED. A number of boarders can be accommodated at David Chambers' boarding house, Yarmouth street, near Mr. Raymond's Factory. The house has been recently fitted up. Single or double bedrooms. Terms on application. (dw)

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE. For sale, the Wanzor, Lockman and Howe Sewing Machines, all first class and cheap for cash. Enquire at the Mercury Office. (dw)

BLACKSMITH AND APPRENTICE WANTED. Wanted immediately, a Journeyman Blacksmith. A good hand only need apply. Also, an apprentice to the Blacksmith business. Apply at once to Jas. Laing, Morrison. (dw)

TO LET. With immediate possession, the stone cellars, rooms, offices, and upper story in Brownlow's Buildings, on Douglas street, near the Post Office. Apply to John Hyslop, or William Day. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. (dw)

FOR SALE. Lot 71, on Wyndham Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop Lot. Clear title and immediate possession given. Also, a first-class stone house to rent. Apply to Denis Coffee. Guelph, December 27th, 1872. (dw)

HOMESTEAD FOR SALE OR TO RENT. Part of Lot 5, Div. F., Guelph Township (4 acres) board fence, orchard, barn, root house, out houses, well and pig pens. Apply at the law office of the undersigned, in Guelph. (dw)

ROBT MITCHELL.

NEW BUTCHER SHOP. The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hatch's Block, and will supply customers with meat of the best quality, at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. CHAS. FENNEL, Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872. (dw)

DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE BY AUCTION. Will be sold by auction at the Market House, Guelph, on THURSDAY, 20th March, at 12 o'clock, noon, a brick dwelling house on Market Street, containing seven rooms, with all necessary outbuildings, well supplied with hard and soft water, good title and immediate possession. Terms—\$300 to be paid at time of sale, and balance in three equal annual instalments, with interest annually on the whole sum remaining unpaid, to be secured by a mortgage on the property. D. KENNEDY, Proprietor. Guelph, March 13, 1873. (dw)

NEW WESLEYAN CHURCH, GUELPH. TEA MEETING. A Tea Meeting in aid of the erection of a Second Church in Guelph will be held in the Wesleyan Church, on the evening of

Thursday, 20th March. Addresses will be delivered by the Revs. Antonio Arrighi, J. B. Clarkson, of Galt, and resident ministers. Music by the Choir. Tickets 25 cents. Tea will be served from 7 to 8 o'clock. E. H. MAIDOCK, Secretary. Guelph, March 15th, 1873. (dw)

REMEMBER! THE AUCTION SALE Tomorrow noon, FRIDAY, 21st inst., on the premises of

TWO DWELLINGS, ONE A Double Stone Dwelling on Norwich-st., Lot 28. Rental \$108 per annum, and 1 Cottage in rear, on Charles-st., Lot 36. Terms easy. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. March 20th, 1873. (dw)

AUCTION SALE of Household Furniture, etc. The undersigned has received instructions from Mr. Willard Galt, Toronto, to sell by Public Auction, at the residence of Mr. John R. Porte, on Liverpool Street, opposite the Wesleyan Methodist Parsonage,

On Thursday, the 27th inst., at one o'clock, p.m., sharp, the whole of his Household Furniture, &c., consisting in part of:

Parlor Furniture—Very handsome Repp set 7 pieces, without centre table, do. without card table, tapestry carpet, nearly new, stove, curtains, cornices, etc. Hall—Oil cloth, hat rack, tables, chairs, lamp, stair carpet, coal stove, etc. Dining Room—Extension Table, Walnut sideboard, 2 rocking chairs, 4 Dining chairs, Stand of Flowers, Pictures, etc. Kitchen—Cooking Stove, Refrigerator, Chairs, etc. etc. The contents of Four Bedrooms—Containing 4 B-steads and Mattresses, Embroidered and other wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Chairs, Child's Crub, do. Cot, Carpets, Bath Tubs, Curtains, Cornices, etc. etc. Terms cash. No reserve. THOS. H. TAYLOR, Auctioneer. Guelph, March 20, 1873. (dw)

GUELPH MEAT MARKET. STALL NO. 5. The undersigned having entered into partnership as Butchers, beg leave to inform their friends and the public generally that they have taken Stall No. 5, in the Guelph Market, where, by keeping a good supply of

Fresh Meat, Poultry, etc. Of the best quality, they hope to receive a share of public patronage. Meat delivered in any part of the town. W. H. BATES, HALES & SIMPSON, THOS. SIMPSON, Guelph, March 14, 1873. (dw)

FREDERICK STURDY, GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, is now prepared to supply

Eggs for Hatching From his FIRST PRIZE and IMPORTED BIRDS, of the following varieties: Dark and Light Brahmans, Partridge and White Cochins, White Faced Black Spanish, Black Red Game, Spangled Gold and Silver Hamburgs, Grey Dorkings, Rouen and Aylesbury Ducks. A few birds for sale at reasonable prices. Guelph, Mar. 19, 1873. (dw)

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Winter Arrangement—On after Monday, 16th November.

Grand Trunk Railway

Trains leave Guelph as follows:

2:17 a.m.; 9:45 a.m.; 1:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:33 p.m.;
*To London, Goderich, and Detroit. †To Berlin, EAST

8:05 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 4:12 p.m. and 8:35 p.m.

Great Western—Guelph Branch.
Going South—6:50 a.m., 12:35 p.m., 1:05 p.m. for Hamilton; 4:55 p.m.
Going North—11:45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifford; 4:55 p.m. for Fergus; 8:05 p.m. for Fergus.

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THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 20, 1873

Town and County News.

Y. M. C. A.—The Association weekly literary meeting will be held this evening. An essay is to be read by Mr. George Patterson.

A TROU OF TRIPLET.—Mr. Jas. Scott, of North Dumfries, has three Leicester ewes, which lately gave birth to three lambs each. Where are your nannies that can beat that, eh?

WINDSOR NURSERIES.—We direct attention to the advertisement concerning these nurseries. Mr. Dougall has had long experience as a nursery man, and parties ordering from him may rely on getting the best stock which his well-known nurseries produce.

ETREKA.—We have often wished for a sentence that would clearly explain it. A Western paper kindly supplies the want in this beautiful simile: "You might as well attempt to shampoo an elephant with a thumbful of soap suds as to attempt to do business and ignore advertising."

BURNED TO DEATH.—Teewater, Mar. 19.—Robert Carr, who lives on the boundary of Culross and Turnberry, last evening, upon returning from his work found his wife lying upon the floor, burned to a crisp. It is supposed she was taking the washboiler off the stove, when her clothes caught fire, and, fainting through fear, was burned to death.

JUVENILE CONCERT.—The children attending the Sabbath School connected with Chalmers' Church, will give a concert in the Town Hall, on Friday evening, 25th inst., under the leadership of Mr. Mainland. An excellent programme is being prepared, and a pleasant entertainment may be anticipated.

A rich old fellow who owns more houses than any one man in Toledo, was waited upon by a committee for a subscription to rebuild the fence about the cemetery. His reply was characteristic as well as humorous. "Gentlemen," said he, "I have always made it a rule in my business, never to make any repairs until the tenants begin to complain."

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES IN NASSAGAWEYA.—Sermons will be preached in the Ebenezer Church, on Sunday, the 23rd inst., by the Rev. J. Medicart, General Superintendent of M. N. C. Missions, at 10 a.m., and 6:30 p.m. There will be a tea meeting on the Monday following, when addresses will be delivered by Revs. Messrs. Medicart, Brown, Little and Seymour, and music by the choir. Tea at half-past six. Tickets 25 cents.

HER LITTLE BED IS EMPTY.—This is the title of a piece of music, laid upon our table by Mr. John Anderson, at whose bookstore it is on sale, price, 25 cents. Sequel to the world-famous song, "Put me in my little bed," by the same author.

"O, birdie, I am tired,
O, my little darling said,
And then we gently laid her
Within her little bed;
We listened to her Prayer,
She asked that God would keep
His loving arm around us all,
And then she went to sleep."

IRONSIDE'S PRICES CURRENT.—We re-commend our readers up country to purchase the prices current advertised in THE MERCURY by Mr. J. Ironside, of Fergus. He has a large and choice stock of first-class teas and sugars, and the prices at which he sells these, as will be seen by the quotations, are very low. Farmers and others cannot do better than lay in a stock at Mr. Ironside's, where they will be sure to get excellent value for their money.

WESLEYAN TEA-MEETING.—Remember the tea-meeting to be held in the Wesleyan Methodist Church this (Thursday) evening, commencing at six o'clock. Signor Antonio Arrighi will be present, delivering a short address, and favor the audience with some of his choicest songs. It is a rare treat to hear him give Garibaldi's War Song, in Italian. By request he will give a plaintive song, composed by himself in memory of his Mother. Do at the church early as a large attendance is anticipated.

TERRIBLE FIRE IN MONTREAL.—On Monday night a terrible and disastrous fire occurred in Montreal, whereby St. James' Hotel, a five story building, was reduced to ashes. The house was full of boarders, and the scene was fearful. Frightened men and women running hither and thither, in their efforts to escape the blinding smoke and intense heat. One woman hung half an hour to a window frame. The conduct of the firemen was of the most heroic character. Many sad accidents occurred, and several lives were lost.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The planet Mercury may be seen in the west during the evenings of this week, twinkling with a pale, rosy light, as a star of the third magnitude. It is right under Venus and about one-third the distance of that star from the horizon, and quite plain by 7 o'clock, and for about an hour afterward. The Zodiacal Light will also be visible in the west after sunset within the next ten days. It is in the shape of a cone with its apex rising into the sky. It can only be seen in this latitude in the evening about the time of the vernal equinox.

FARMER'S BOYS.

An intelligent and thrifty farmer says: "But for the co-operation of my boys I should have failed. The eldest is near twenty-one; the other boys in the neighborhood, younger, have left their parents; mine have stuck to me when I most needed their services. I attribute this result to the fact that I have tried to make home pleasant for them. I have furnished them with attractive and useful reading; and when night comes, and the day's work is ended, instead of running with other boys to the railway station and adjoining towns, they gathered around the great lamp, and became interested in their books and papers."

Five Men charged with Murder in Walkerton.

Walkerton, March 19.—Five men, named James Johnson and his son, Jas. Best and Arthur Best, sons-in-law of Johnson, and John Kerr, his hired man, were lodged in jail here this morning by Constable McKay, of Underwood, charged with the murder of George Price, at a small village called Bai du Dore, on the shore of Lake Huron, near Underwood, on Monday night last. The murder is said to have grown out of a fight between two gamblers belonging respectively to the Johnson and Price family, who lived across the road from each other at the place named. It extended from the gamblers to the children, and then to the women, and finally was taken up by the men. Old Johnson undertook to thrash young Price, but getting badly beaten a desire for revenge seems to have taken possession of his mind, which unhappily resulted in the death of the elder Price. On Monday night last, as the two Prices and a friend named McQuig were getting out their sleigh at their own stable, they were pounced upon by the five men named and beaten with sticks in a dreadful manner. The elder Price was killed on the spot, his skull being smashed in, whilst McQuig was also badly beaten. The younger Price escaped without serious injury. They will be tried here at the Spring Assizes.

Robbery and Brutal Assault.

Napanee, March 19.—Last night a most brutal assault was committed on a young lady named Meagher, living near Power's School-house, in the County of Hastings, which came near resulting in her death. It appears she was going home in the dusk of the evening, and was met by a young Indian aged 18 or 20, from the Mohawk tribe, perfectly sober, who demanded her money. On refusal he knocked her down, choked, kicked, and robbed her of \$11 in money, her ring, brooch, earrings and other articles, when he left her insensible and made away. She lay on the roadside two or three hours before discovery. A neighbor named McQuig, when passing, had his attention attracted by hearing groans. On proceeding to the place and finding her he gave an alarm, and the mercenary was tracked across the fields and found about a mile distant in a small wigwag. All the stolen property was found with him. He was arrested and taken to her residence and recognized as the man. He was then taken to Belleville' jail. Dr. Buttan of this place was telegraphed for, and found her in a fair way of recovery.

Dead-Headism.

From the Hamilton Standard.

The railways in the Dominion having shut down on the free-pass system, or dead-headism, it is high time for the Canadian press to do the same with regard to advertisements, local notices, etc. These things cost money as well as any other article of commerce, besides crowding out other more important reading matter. It would be no more unreasonable on our part to expect a tailor to make us garments for nothing than for the exhibitor, merchant or church, to expect us to insert a notice for nothing, and that is by no means an uncommon trick for us to be served. Only recently our reporter was told by the keeper of a restaurant, who had the getting up of a dinner party, to give him "a good puff." Now, what right had that individual to expect such a thing? would it not be as reasonable for our reporter to seat himself at the said banquet and gormandize for nothing. On several occasions we have been asked to "notice" social entertainments, etc., without even a ticket being proffered or an advertisement sent in.

To-day we received a circular from a literary institution in Montreal asking us to forward the paper for a year for \$5.00. The sooner we shut down on such petty impositions as this the sooner shall we benefit not only ourselves and subscribers, but the world in general.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Gladstone in Consultation with his Colleagues.

Abolition of Slavery Rejected in Madrid

Riot between Englishmen and Irishmen

London, March 19.—Gladstone and his Cabinet colleagues were in consultation four hours yesterday. Nothing has yet transpired as to the result of their deliberations.

Madrid, March 19.—The Porto Rico Abolition Bill was again under consideration in the National Assembly yesterday. An amendment offered by Senor Ruiz, providing that the abolition of slavery on the Island shall be gradual, was rejected.

London, March 19.—A serious riot between Englishmen and Irishmen occurred in Wolverhampton, a town of Staffordshire, twelve miles from Birmingham, yesterday. At least three thousand persons were engaged in the conflict. Firearms and knives were freely used, and there was much bloodshed, though no cases of fatal injury are yet reported. At last accounts order had been restored, and it was believed there would be no repetition of the rioting.

New York, March 20.—Advices from Kingston, Jamaica, to March 1st, state that Admiral Janshaw, with the British fleet, arrived there on the day before and will remain a fortnight.

The people of Turk's Island have presented a memorial to the Legislative Council of Jamaica, praying that they be placed under the Government of Jamaica.

London, March 20.—Gladstone will announce in the House of Commons to-night (Thursday), that he has decided to remain in office with all his colleagues.

Madrid, March 20.—Francisco Salmeron was yesterday elected President of the National Assembly.

Carlist bands are becoming more numerous and troublesome in Andalusia.

Ontario Legislature.

March 19.

Hon. Mr. Crooks moved the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting tavern and shop licenses. He explained that the intention of the measure was more readily to secure the conviction of persons found illegally dealing in spirituous liquors. For this purpose the Bill would prohibit the keeping of liquors for the purpose of traffic except by persons who held licenses for that purpose.

The Bill was read a second time.

Attorney-General Mowat moved:—That this House approve of the cancellation by his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, if he shall see fit, of the existing agreement, dated 20th June, 1846, between the Law Society of Upper Canada and the Government of the late Province of Canada. Such cancellation to be on condition that the said Society surrender to Her Majesty the buildings and lands belonging to the said Society, now used for the accommodation of the Superior Courts. Carried.

Several items in the estimates were passed.

Mr. Macdonald moved that the House go into Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Royal Orange Association of Eastern Ontario.

After some discussion of the latter far discussing private bills having arrived, the debate was adjourned.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Among the Bills introduced was one by Mr. Young, Waterloo, to provide for the taking of votes for the election of members of the Commons by ballot.

Mr. Gillies asked whether the Government intended to make any appropriation for the present session for the purpose of repairing and improving the piers and harbors on the lake shore of the County of Bruce, north of Goderich.

Hon. Mr. Langevin said the matter was now engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. Cook asked whether there was any scheme under the consideration of the Government for the purpose of connecting the waters of Lakes Huron and Ontario, under the designation of "The Huron and Ontario Ship Canal?"

Hon. Mr. Langevin said no such scheme was under the consideration of the Government.

Mr. Stirton asked whether it was the intention of the Government to submit in the estimates for the present year an appropriation for the erection of a suitable building in the Town of Guelph for the collection of Inland Revenue.

Hon. Mr. Langevin said it was not the intention of the Government to do so.

Mr. Cartwright moved for a select Committee to inquire into the best and most direct route for mails and passengers between this Dominion and Europe. Carried.

Mr. McKenzie moved for copies of all reports from the Land Commissioner in Manitoba, regarding the sale or location of lands in that Province. Carried.

St. Patrick's Day.—Detective O'Neill says that he is acquainted with a gentleman, a native of Dublin, now resident in Ottawa, whose wife was born on St. Patrick's Day, his eldest brother was born on St. Patrick's Day, his wife's father and her grandfather were also born on St. Patrick's Day. To crown all, both her grandfather and grandmother were "shuffled off this mortal coil" on St. Patrick's Day. Mr. O'Neill would like to see a family record to bear this.

A WHIRLWIND.—The Hamilton Times says: A singular phenomenon was witnessed on the 14th inst., on the farm of Mr. A. Grobb, sr., in the Township of Clinton. A cutter standing in the barn was struck by a whirlwind, raised from the ground, and carried up to a great height. The cutter came down in good condition, alighting on the top of the barn.

Wellington Spring Assizes.

Wednesday, March 19.

ATCHISON VS. MULLEN.—This was an action for libel in charging the plaintiff with perjury by laying an information before a magistrate's court, also for maliciously prosecuting the charge of perjury. The plaintiff opened his case on the first charge only, and at the close of the Counsel's address was non-suited on the ground that action of libel will not lie on a criminal information. Mr. Drew, Q.C., for plaintiff; Mr. Macdonald for defendant.

ARTHUR MANSLAUGHTER CASE.

QUEEN VS. GEORGE AND DUNCAN TURNER.—John McKeown, Crown Attorney, explained to the Jury the nature of the torn manslaughter. It appears that the prisoners were thrashing upon the farm of the late Benjamin Blanchard, on the 21st of December last, in the township of Arthur, and that a dispute arose about the manner in which the threshing machine was to be removed. A scuffle ensued, in which the deceased was so injured that he died some three days afterwards.

Thomas R. Webb, sworn—I knew the late Benjamin Blanchard; he resided in the township of Arthur; I last saw him alive on the 21st of December last; I was on the farm of deceased that day helping to thrash; prisoners were also there thrashing; James Hargreaves, Alexander Allan, John Currie, and others were freely used, and they hitched on their horses to go home; there are no doors on the barn, the boards were pulled from across the door by prisoners; Blanchard told them to take more boards off; one of the prisoners answered that he would take off as many boards as he liked; Blanchard remonstrated; prisoners took some more boards off; one of the prisoners ran back, carrying a few more boards with him; the prisoners then drove the machine out of the barn; Blanchard and George Turner then squared off at each other, and I separated them; do not know whether any blows were struck or not; they continued arguing saying that they were able for each other; Benjamin Blanchard then went into his own barn, and either Turner or Blanchard called that he was able for him; George Turner then went into the barn to Blanchard, and commenced fighting; the night was dark, and I could not distinguish one man from the other; one of the men backed up from the other, and was followed by his opponent; the retreating man stumbled over a number of bags of oats, and in that position the fighting continued; Duncan Turner ran into the barn, and close to the combatants; I again insisted on the men ceasing to fight; they did cease; Blanchard was leaning backwards on the bags and he jumped up and ran to the back of the barn, coming forward with a long weapon in his hand and saying "You are a lot of Healand b—s, you would all jump on to one man;" he hit George Turner with the weapon, and knocked him down; Blanchard then retreated to the back of the barn, still holding the weapon; Duncan Turner followed him up, and Blanchard said that if he came near him he would knock him down; I told Duncan to come away, and requested Blanchard not to hit him; then the parties all went out of the barn; I asked Blanchard if he was hurt, and he said yes, that one of the Turners had kicked him; I asked him where, and he put his hand on the lower part of his abdomen, remarking that he had got something that he would not get over; he did not know which of the Turners kicked him; I saw Blanchard at his own house shortly afterwards, and found him complaining of being badly hurt, and breathing with difficulty; the Turners went home, and I remained at the house warming myself and waiting for a ride from a man that was going my way; I saw Blanchard next morning, and he told me to go for the doctor; I was about to do so when Mr. Eckrayal drove by the doctor came into the house, and I went home; I never saw Blanchard alive after this; I spoke to the prisoners afterwards, and they lamented the occurrence very much, saying that it would have been better had the accident not occurred; prisoners gave themselves up to the authorities after the death of deceased; prisoners always regretted the death of Blanchard; deceased appeared to be in his usual health the day he was thrashing; there was liquor drunk at the thrashing, and Duncan Turner and Blanchard had been drinking, in fact all at the thrashing had less or more drink during the day.

To Mr. Guthrie.—Prisoners regretted that Blanchard had met with the accident; they never said that they had injured Blanchard; the day of the thrashing was a cold, blue-fogging one; Blanchard was carrying the boxes of straw from the machine all day, and worked hard; he had been drinking a little, and perished; I think that if Turner, or any other man, had assisted in separating the men when they were fighting outside, I should have seen them, although such assistance might have been rendered without my knowledge; I believe Wm. Harper was in the barn during the time the scuffle was going on, as he had been holding an old lantern when we were loading the machine; the end of a board some eighteen inches in height, stuck out in the barn, and a person running against it might receive severe injury; McLeod had as good an opportunity of witnessing the scuffle in the barn as I had; Blanchard received the injury of which he complained before he struck Turner with the weapon.

John McLeod, sworn—Live in the township of Arthur; know the prisoners at the bar; have known them since I was a boy; I knew the late Benjamin Blanchard; I was helping him to thrash on the 21st of December last; we all had tea at Blanchard's about seven o'clock; I hitched the horses on to the sleigh, which was in the barn, and took some boards down in order to get out the machine; Blanchard objected to allow any more to be taken down; Turner took some more boards down, and I drove the machine out; I heard some noise in the barn and went in; saw two men scuffling on the bags; no person parted them; I asked George Turner who struck the first blow, and he said Blanchard did; heard a noise in the barn, and going in the second time, saw Blanchard strike Benjamin Turner with a long instrument on the side of the head; heard Blanchard swear that if any man went near him he would run them through with a pitchfork; Blanchard swore he would knock Duncan Turner down if he came any closer to him; prisoners and I then walked out of the barn, and Blanchard went on to the straw stack; I heard Blanchard telling George Turner that if