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FRESH BISCUITS, of all kinds,
AT C. & T. MEREDITH'S.
MARMALADE, PEACHES and PRUNES,
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PURE MOCHO and JAVA COFFEES, Roasted
on the premises,
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TEAS, from 50c. and upwards,
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TOBACCO, Natural Leaf, Chewing and cut,
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BRIAR Pipes and Pocket Knives,
AT C. & T. MEREDITH'S.
N. B.—The Stock of the Canada Clothing Store
is selling off in the same premises.
Guelph, Aug. 27. do tf

Another Lot of those Delicious

Pine Apples
At H. BERRY'S.

SPLENDID DATES
At H. BERRY'S.

ORANGES & LEMONS
At H. BERRY'S.

Maple Sugar
At H. BERRY'S.

FRIEND,
WHERE can I get good, sound first-class

**Bacon,
Hams and
Shoulders?**

AT WILKINSON'S
He has the best in town. The newest, cheapest
and best assortment of

**BRIAR ROOT AND
FANCY PIPES**

GEO. WILKINSON.
Guelph, August 3. daw tf

**Special Notice
TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.**

E. CARROLL & CO.

TEAS
which they intend to sell cheaper than any house
in Guelph. Examine **OUR PRICES** and
ask for yourselves.

Yong Hysop per lb. 75c. worth \$1.00
Old Hysop " " 50 " 0.75
Gunpowder " " 87 " 1.00
Japan " " 62 " 0.75
Congou " " 50 " 0.62
Souchong " " 62 " 0.75

nd all other Goods equally low at

No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK.
Guelph, August 12. daw tf

**New Catechism
FOR THE PEOPLE.**

**WHO do the Largest Boot and Shoe Business
in Guelph?** PREST & HEPBURN.
Who have the largest and best assorted stock of
Boots and Shoes in Guelph? PREST & HEPBURN.
Who have the Newest and Best Styles of Boots
and Shoes in Guelph? PREST & HEPBURN.
Who have always been ahead in Style, Material,
Workmanship, Neatness and Durability? PREST & HEPBURN!
The subscribers being the only Manufacturers
in Guelph, are in a position to offer inducements
to the public which no other House in the Trade
can do. CALL AND SEE, and you will be con-
vinced that large and varied stock has always been
our stock the one now on hand far exceeds any-
thing ever shown by us in the past.

Support Home Manufacture
And keep your money in the County.

Remember our Goods are all War-
ranted.

TERMS Cash, and no Second Price.
PREST & HEPBURN.
Guelph June 15. daw tf

Notice to the Public.

I HEREBY give notice that, from and after this
date, I will not be responsible for any debts
that may be contracted by my wife, without my
consent or written order.
ROBERT OAKES.
Guelph, Sept. 5. do

SALT, SALT

Wholesale and Retail at
A. H. R. KENNEDY'S
FLOUR AND FEED STORE.
UPPER WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH
Guelph, July 24. dw-tf

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET
SATURDAY EV'G, SEPT. 12, 1868.

Local News.

For Telegraphic Despatches
see fourth page.

DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—The
following are the names of the members
of the 30th Wellington Battalion who
have been selected to take part in the
Dominion Rifle Association Matches
which take place at Montreal.—Corporal
Holiday, Private Heath and Private Stir-
ton, Guelph Artillery; Lieut. McBride
and Ensign Hooper, Guelph Rifles; En-
sign Tribe and Private Young, Elora
Rifles, and Private Smith, Eramosa
Rifles. The men left this (Saturday)
afternoon for Montreal.

SALE OF LANDS FOR TAXES.—The
Weekly Mercury for this week contains
a list of lands in the County of Well-
ington, in arrears for taxes, which will be
sold by the County Treasurer on the 15th
December, at the Court House, unless the
arrears and costs be paid on them before
that time. The list comprises lands in
Amaranth, Luther, Garafraxa, Erin, Era-
mosa, Nichol, Guelph township, the Vil-
lages of Elora, Fergus, Kinnelton,
Aboyne, Eden Mills, Rockwood, Everton,
and the Town of Guelph.

**ORDINATION AND INDUCTION AT HILLS-
BURGH.**—The Presbytery of Toronto met
at Hillsburgh on the 8th inst., for the
ordination and induction of the Rev.
Donald Strachan into the pastoral charge
of the Presbytery congregation of Erin,
in connection with the Church of Scot-
land. The preliminary steps have been
duly taken, the Rev. W. E. McKay,
of Orangeville, preached a suitable dis-
course from 2 Cor. iv. 5, 6 and 7. After
Mr Strachan had given satisfactory an-
swers to the questions prescribed in the
formula, and had assented to the Act of
Independence, he was set apart to the
office of the ministry by prayer, and the
laying on of hands, after which he re-
ceived from the members of Presbytery the
right hand of fellowship. The minister
and people were addressed in an able
manner relative to their respective duties
by the Rev. W. Hamilton, of Caledon.
Those who could understand, were ad-
dressed in Gaelic very affectionately by
the Rev. J. Caruichael, of King. Mr.
Strachan was warmly welcomed by the
people as they retired from the church.—
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SEVERE ACCIDENT.—On Friday after-
noon last, a son of Mr. Joseph Morgan,
aged 10 years, was driving the horses on a
threshing machine at Mr. Duggan's,
about two miles from town on the York
Road, when he accidentally slipped off
the horse power, and his foot was caught
between the cogs of the large wheel, and
the one attached to the shaft. The foot was
caught at the broad part behind the joint
of the great toe, and was drawn in until
the bones in the instep and the ankle
bones were shattered, and the leg was
fractured about half way between the
ankle and the knee. Surgical aid was
procured as speedily as possible, and the
young man was taken home. A dozen
pieces of bone at least were taken from
the wounds, which were then dressed,
with the intention of giving them an op-
portunity of abscessing, whether they will
heal. Of course, if the symptoms are
unfavourable in a few days there will be
no remedy but amputation.

Mr. Percy M. Dove the founder, man-
ager, and actuary of the Royal Insurance
Company, died on the 24th of August, at
his residence, Cloughton, near Birken-
head, after many months of acute suffer-
ing from a most painful internal com-
plaint. He was about 68 years of age.

RIFLE MATCH.—The rifle match be-
tween 14 members of the Guelph Artil-
lery Company and a similar number of the
Guelph Rifle Association, came off
partially yesterday, that is, eight rounds
were fired by each party, when the Cap-
tains agreed to abide by the result of the
score, since the weather showed no signs
of clearing. Five rounds were fired at
200 yards, and three rounds at 300 yards.
At the former range the Rifle Association
made 180 points, and the Artillery Com-
pany 179; at the latter range the Rifle
Association made 86, the Artillery Com-
pany 82. Total for Rifle Association 266;
total for Artillery Company 261; majority
for Rifle Association 5 points. The Wim-
bledon targets, 8 inch bullets, 2 feet
centre, were used, and the shooting was
done in the positions prescribed by the
Wimbledon regulations.

Mr. J. K. Leslie, teller in the Royal
of Madras Bank, Whithy, was entertain-
ing a complimentary supper, on Mon-
day evening last by a number of his
friends, on the eve of his departure from
Whithy.

ANOTHER RIFLE.—The *Pall Mall Gazette*
believes the Martini breech-loader is the
coming weapon. It has a rear-hinged
block, which by the operation of a lever
behind the trigger-guard is depressed in
front for the admission of the cartridge.
This gun has no hammer. The action
of opening the breech throws out the
empty cartridge case, and at the same
time cocks the rifle.

Amateur Concert.

The attendance at the concert last
night was moderately large. The plat-
form and the walls immediately around
it were very tastefully adorned with cloth
of the loyal colours. The singers were
among the best of our local amateurs,
and their efforts were highly pleasing to
the audience. The opening piece was a
glee by Mrs. Cuthbert, Messrs. Brown
and Warburton, and it needs only that
these names should be mentioned that
the merit of the performance may be
known. Capt. Geale was put down for
the second piece on the programme, but
he not having appeared his place was
supplied by Mrs. Howitt, who sang with
excellent effect "Nora Darling." The
duet by Mrs. Cuthbert and Mrs. Hodgert
was very fine, and was loudly applauded.
When Miss Ferris, who played the ac-
companiment throughout, had favoured
the audience with the piano solo, "Home,
sweet home," a vigorous encore testified
their appreciation of the performance and
brought the play back to do even better
than before. Mr. Taylor being absent,
Mrs. Lemon filled up what would other-
wise have been a hiatus in the program-
me by singing in a most pleasing manner,
'Barney O'Hay.' The audience apparently
could not resist an encore, and Mrs.
Lemon was again compelled to sing one
of her apparently large, and certainly
tastefully selected, stock of songs. The
Misses Holden performed their allotted
portion of the programme with their
wonted ability. The National Anthem
wound up the proceedings, and the audi-
ence dispersed well pleased. They
were satisfied on two points, first that the
concert had been a good one, and second,
that they had given something in the
cause of charity, and would never find
themselves the poorer.

Town Council—Special Meeting.
The Council met on Friday night; pre-
sent, the Mayor in the chair, Messrs.
Hoffman, Howard, Buckland, Melvin,
Sayers, McCurry, Mays and Mitchell.
The Mayor explained that the meeting
was called in consequence of a commu-
nication which had been received concern-
ing distress in the Red River Settlement.
Mr. Sayers presented the report of the
Relief Committee which was as follows:
Your Committee on Relief beg to report
that having read the documents referred
to them for their consideration, and the
communication of Walter R. Brown, Esq.,
proprietor of the *Nor' West*, Winnipeg,
Red River Settlement, soliciting aid from
this municipality towards the purchase
of food to sustain until next harvest a popu-
lation of 14,000, an all wise Providence
having been pleased this year to allow
the entire agricultural products of that
isolated settlement to be destroyed by
grasshoppers. Your committee are pain-
fully convinced the facts stated in the
communication referred to are too true,
and that in consequence many of our fel-
low beings will be subjected to all the
sufferings of starvation unless adequate
and immediate assistance be offered them.
Your committee therefore recommend
that the sum of \$150 be granted from the
funds of this Municipality to the inhabi-
tants of the Red River Settlement, to rid
them in the purchase of food, said sum to
be transmitted in the manner directed,
viz., through the agency of John Ferrier,
Esq., vice President of the Canada Life
Assurance Company, Hamilton.

Your committee beg to remark that
although for obvious reasons the com-
munications from the Red River Settle-
ment could not possibly be addressed to
the various rural municipalities of Can-
ada, they feel confident that an appeal
coming from a population, who are al-
most entirely dependent for their main-
tenance upon the products of the soil, and
who are now suffering from the total
destruction of their crops, if addressed to
the various rural municipalities, would
meet with a generous response, and that
such municipalities would take the subject
into consideration much assistance could
be given by them toward the alleviation
of the distress of their brother agricul-
turalists in the Red River Settlement.

The report was adopted and the Coun-
cil adjourned.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate
SATURDAY, 12th. A man named
Leopold, together with his wife, who
they say, had from Brantford, were up
this morning for drunkenness. They
were dismissed on promising to leave
town.

SILLY REMOOR.—Thursday evening's
Remoer (Anti-Union) contains the fol-
lowing:—"There are well founded ru-
mours to-day in the streets of a commu-
tion from a general in the United
States to an official in the Province offer-
ing 15,000 to 20,000 troops to Nova
Scotia if necessary to ensure our secession
from the Dominion. The commu-
nication has been sent to head-quarters,
and the contents with the facts were at once,
it is said, transmitted by the wires to
Canada and Great Britain." The ru-
mours must have originated in the writ-
er's imagination; they were not heard of
in the street, and no person places any
reliance in them.

LACROSSE TOURNAMENT.—At the close
of the champion match, the special prizes
were competed for. The first was for the
most accurate throwing at 30 and 90 yards
—prize won by J. Henderson, Toronto
club; the next was for the longest throw
—won by a Prescott man—102 yards;
for goal keeping, S. McDonald, of the
Montreal club; for general good play, J.
Massey, Toronto club, and S. McDonald,
Montreal club (equals). The "double
play" and dodging did not come off on
account of the darkness. At the close
of the tournament, the President of the Paris
club complimented the Toronto club on
their excellent play, and although they
lost the game, he said there was the only
pure game on the field. All honor is due
to the Paris club for the complete suc-
cess of the tournament, and the excellent man-
ner in which the arrangements were
carried out.—*Globe*.

Quarter Sessions.

Before being dismissed, which they
were on Thursday about one o'clock, the
Grand Jury brought in the following
PRESENTMENT.

The Grand Jurors of the County of
Wellington, in Quarter Sessions assem-
bled, in behalf of our Sovereign Lady, the
Queen, beg leave to make the following
presentment:—"That the Jurors having
examined the Gaol, have much pleasure
in bearing testimony to its cleanliness
and good keeping, reflecting, as they
think, credit on the Governor, in
charge. In conversation with some of
the prisoners they expressed themselves
satisfied with the treatment and atten-
dence they received in their confinement.
The Jurors would again remind the par-
ties in management, "though often ex-
pressed by former juries," the desirability
of providing employment for the pris-
oners, when convenient, believing it to be
conducive to their health and moral well
being. The Jurors would also take the
liberty of suggesting that when parties
of tender years are implicated in crime it
would be desirable, as far as possible, that
such cases should be disposed of by the
Police Magistrate. All of which, &c.
THOMAS LAIDLAW, Foreman.

September 11th.
John Duffy, for an assault on Thomas
Dean, with intent to rob, was found Not
Guilty.

THE QUEEN VS. THOMAS DEAN.—The
prisoner, the same who was prosecutor in
the last case, was charged with having
stolen a pig from Mr. Archd. McNee, of
Nichol, about the 1st of June last. The
pig was running at large, but came regu-
larly to be fed by the owner. One day
he missed it, and going out to search for
it he traced it to Guelph, where he found
it in the yard of Mr. Hood, butcher, who
had bought it from Mr. David Marshall.
It appeared that this individual, in going
up country, had called at Mr. McNee's,
that time he saw a hotel at Ennott's, and
enquired if he had any pigs for sale. He
said he had one, which he showed him,
and that on his return he would have a-
other. When Marshall came back Dean
had two pigs, which he sold him, and
one of these was proved to be Mr. Mc-
Nee's property. Verdict, Guilty. Mr.
Peterson for the Crown; Mr. Guthrie for
the defence.

**THE QUEEN VS. ROBERT AND MARY
PUDDY.**—The prisoners were indicted for
receiving goods knowing them to be stolen.
This was the sequel to the store
robbing case in Erin Village. Martin,
who was found guilty of taking goods
from Messrs. Hood, White & Co's store,
boarded for some time at Puddy's, and a
large number of articles delivered himself
in the house, some of them in Puddy's bed-
room and some in Martin's. They con-
sisted of various and diverse articles, such
as capes, coats, pants, handkerchiefs, &c.
Rainsbottom was brought up as witness
for the prosecution. He had known some
of the goods which were taken from the
store to be carried to Puddy's, but did not
know whether they had any knowledge
of their being there. Martin was also
brought out of goal to give evidence for
the defence, and he conducted himself to
all intents and purposes like what he is,
an insolent scoundrel. He lifted the ar-
ticles one by one, and gave a short his-
torical sketch of each. Several, he said,
he had bought, and that no person had
any right to them. He then had put
into Puddy's room without the knowl-
edge of either him or his wife. Mrs.
Puddy had been away from home, and
Martin for a while acted as cook and gen-
eral housekeeper. This, he said, gave
him an opportunity of putting goods into
their room without their knowing any-
thing of it. Martin did his best for Puddy
and beyond doubt delivered himself of
more insolence than all the other pris-
oners put together we ever saw in that
court. "Take care of him," said the
Judge to the constables, as the latter were
leading him back to goal, "take care of
him—he is dangerous." His Honor, in
charging the jury, said that they must
acquit Mrs. Puddy, whatever they might
say with Puddy, as in the receipt of sto-
len goods, a woman was supposed to be
acting under the coercion of her husband.
The jury having retired, gave Puddy the
benefit of the doubt they entertained
about his allowing the goods to accumu-
late in his room, knowing how they had
come, and brought in a verdict of Not
Guilty.

JOHANNA LYNCH, who was brought
before the Police Magistrate about the 16th
July for threatening Catharine Lavine, and
firing a pistol at her; and who has been
in goal ever since, being unable to find
sureties to keep the peace, was released
by the Judge, much against the inclina-
tions of the inveterately spiteful Mrs.
Lavine, who, according to her story, is in
continual fear of being murdered when
Johanna is at large.

There is another case on the calendar,
that of Whelan *alias* Brown, for stealing
a carpet bag containing a sum of money,
and a number of other articles, from Jas.
Ellwood, but as the prosecutor is not on
hand, it will remain over till the Assizes.

SEPTEMBER 12th.
The Court opened this morning at half
past nine o'clock. The only business was
the passing of sentences upon prisoners
who had pleaded or been found guilty.
Alex. Martin and Robert Palmer were
brought in, and put in the box together.
When the former was asked what he had
to say why the sentence of the Court
should not be pronounced against him,
he said this was the first time he had
ever been arraigned or taken prisoner,
and he hoped the sentence would be miti-
gated as much as possible. The court
could see no mitigating circumstances in
his case, he had entered the store more
than once, and he made serious threats
about what he intended to do. He was
sentenced to five years in the Peniten-
tiary. "It is less than six, any way,"
said he, with his usual insolence. Palmer,
who has got quite fat in goal, was sen-
tenced to three years in the Penitentiary
for horse stealing.

Wm. Rainsbottom, the accomplice of
Martin in store breaking, a simple boy,
who was no doubt completely under con-
trol of the other villain, was sent to goal
for three months at hard labor.

James Stull, for stealing a coat, three
months in goal at hard labor.

James Fitzgerald, setting fire to the
Lock-up, six months in goal at hard la-
bor. The Court considered that the pris-
oner could scarcely understand, on ac-
count of being intoxicated, what he was
doing, since if he had succeeded in firing
the building, he himself would have fallen
the first victim. The case did not assume
the usual complexion of arson, and this
saved him from Penitentiary.

Alfred Miller, stealing a pair of pants,
3 months in goal at hard labor.

Omar Harvey, a boy about 13 years of
age, who pleaded guilty to entering a
store at Fergus, and taking goods there-
from, was sentenced to three years in the
Reformatory at Penetanguishene.

Thomas Dean, for stealing a pig, one
month in goal.

The Court finally adjourned.

THE MURDER OF MR. MCGEE

TRIAL OF WHELAN

At the request of Counsel for the de-
fence, the court adjourned the case at
2 o'clock this afternoon till 10 a. m. to-
morrow, in order to allow of the arrival
of an important witness from Cincinnati.
Of the merits of defence, now almost closed
we need say little. It does not ap-
pear to me in the least to break down the
strongest evidence against Whelan, but
his counsel have made the most of it,
and Mr. O'Farrell as the one getting up
the case has been indefatigable, both in
and out of court, and the three other
counsel for the defence have never relax-
ed in their efforts.

Mrs. Scanlan sworn, Turner and Whe-
lan went to come to my house to drink;
never heard prisoner make threats
against McGee.

Mr. O'Gara, police Magistrate of Ot-
tawa, was examined as to the testimony
some of the witnesses given at the in-
vestigation after the murder.

James Young and Wm. Shillin, board-
ers at Mr. Duggan's, Montreal, were ex-
amined, but their evidence had no special
bearing on the case. James Doran, late-
ly head waiter at the Russell House,
sworn; he saw Doyle and Whelan in the
morning room; don't recollect exactly
the time I became acquainted with the
prisoner Whelan; he slept in my house
once; saw him at the Russell House in
company and speaking to Doyle and
Turner; am sure of that, Turner being
generally present while they were talk-
ing; have sent letters to the goal to the
prisoners; have sent refreshments there;
had not taken a great interest in this
trial.

James Fitzgerald, another waiter, sworn,
I stopped at Whelan's house for three
days in Montreal; have seen him several
times at the Russell House enquiring for
Doyle, Kinsella and Turner.

Richard Quinn, sworn, said—Had
known Whelan about two months; saw
him in the House of Commons on the
night preceding the murder; in the east
gallery, which was crowded for two or
three seats from the front; Whelan was
with me when the House adjourned; he
was with me in the gallery; we went
out together; he was five or six yards in
front of me in the crowd; there were
about twenty or thirty in the gallery; I
went away alone by the main entrance,
and that was the last I saw of him; near-
ly opposite the west parliamentary build-
ings, I heard a report of a pistol; several
were going along at the same time; did
not know Whelan before he came to
Ottawa; I saw Whelan the day after the
murder in my mother's house, my moth-
er, Whelan and myself were alone; when
I came in Whelan said "was it not too
bad about the boss"; we did not speak
another word about it that night—not a
word; my mother might have been talk-
ing to him about it; he might have been
speaking about his boss' arrest; his boss
was Peter Eagleson, who had been ar-
rested that morning; my mother ex-
pressed her surprise and spoke about the
death of McGee; I cannot say what
Whelan replied; I do not remember but
he said something; he took no drink, but
he had a cigar.

The learned counsel said a material
witness was on the way, and had tele-
graphed from Cobourg that he had lost
the train; he would be here this evening,
and under these circumstances he trusted
His Lordship would adjourn the Court
till to-morrow (Saturday) morning at 10
o'clock, before which time the witness
could not arrive.

Mr. O'Reilly rose and said, that having
read the affidavit of counsel for the de-
fence, he found that the evidence expect-
ed to be adduced from Mitchell had re-
lation to the testimony of Hess and Cullen,
and that being the case, on behalf of the
Crown, he would consent to the adjourn-
ment.

His Lordship said that that being the
decision of the Crown he would not inter-
pose; but he would say it was exceed-
ingly inconvenient, and he was not in any
way desirous to establish such a prece-
dent.

The Court then proceeded with other
business, and the jury, in company with
the Sheriff and a posse of constables, left
to view the scene of the murder.

FROM OTTAWA.

THE EVIDENCE TO-DAY.

Mitchell from Cincinnati in the
Witness Box.

THE EVIDENCE OF THE GOVERNOR AND
TURNKEY.

PRISONER DISCOURAGED AND
DOWNHEARTED.

Trial not likely to Close this Week.

From our own Correspondent.

OTTAWA, Sept. 12.

The case of Whelan was adjourned at
2 o'clock yesterday, on application of the
prisoner's counsel, to give time for arrival
of an important witness then on the road
from Cincinnati. Witness arrived on the
train this morning, and the case was re-
traced at half-past 10 o'clock. Court
room, as usual, densely crowded, large
numbers of ladies, members of Parlia-
ment, and prominent men from various
parts of the province, being present. The
prisoner, on being placed in the dock, ap-
peared worn out and discouraged, his air
of indifference and bravado, assumed at
commencement of the trial, having en-
tirely disappeared.

Conn Mitchell, the Cincinnati witness,
deposed: Was working here at time of
McGee's death; was arrested and kept in
jail two weeks; was in same corridor as
Whelan, Doyle and other prisoners; re-
membered conversation between Whelan
and Doyle. Turner gave evidence
against Whelan; Whelan said Turner
swore d—d hard against him, but

would be safe if the b— would only
keep quiet; conversation only lasted ten
minutes; very shortly after Whelan com-
menced to whistle and sing; witness
heard no admission from Whelan of
having shot McGee, nor the expression
that he would shoot him like a dog; if it
had been used he would have heard it;
Whelan's song was not about wearing of
greatest of gloe which was the death of
D'Arcy McGee, occur in it. Was at
door of cell; was not locked in at the
time; do not know if I could hear other
prisoner talking if door had been locked;
was locked in at six, and swore positively
that the conversation took place before
being locked in. This was the case for
defence.

The Crown brought forward reluctant
evidence.

Alex. Powell, governor of the jail, de-
posed that he had placed Cullen and
Hess in the corridor where Whelan
was confined the evening in question;
the last prisoner was locked up at half-
past eight; before detectives entered the
corridor it was necessary to look up all
the prisoners first to enable Cullen and
Hess to be placed there unobserved.

M. C. Ewen, turnkey, corroborated the
evidence of the governor. Several other
witnesses were examined.

The trial is proceeding, and may pos-
sibly be finished this evening, but rather
doubtful.

The Religious Movement among the Dance Houses of New York.

The *N. Y. Tribune* says:—"The strange
scenes that have been witnessed in water
street, during the past week have be-
come the topic of conversation in every
part of the country, and, as the interest
in the meetings has day by day increas-
ed, the fame of them has spread wider
and wider throughout the land. Our re-
porter spent three hours after 10 o'clock
on Saturday night, among the dance
houses, run-abouts, saloon boarding houses,
'bucket-shops,' or rectifying distilleries,
and other low dens that abound in Wa-
ter street and that vicinity, and was sur-
prised at the state of things that he found
existing there. The liquor dealers seem
to be the most excited over the great re-
vival that now seems imminent there,
and say that it is cutting into their busi-
ness frightfully. The proprietor of one
of the largest 'bucket-shops' in the
Fourth Ward remarked that his trade
had fallen off one-fourth during the past
week, and that "if this thing wasn't
stopped before long, but went on at its
gait many weeks, he might as well shut
up shop and throw up the sponge."

The proprietors of a similar establish-
ment said that the dance-house keepers,
who had always been the best customers,
had hardly crossed his threshold during
the past week; that they bought gallons
of whiskey where they formerly purchas-
ed barrels, and that some even sent
around a pitcher to supply the wants of
solitary customers, and to show his ap-
preciation of the movement, he swore a
great oath about "John Allen and the
whole herd of Methodists, who," as he
said, "were taking the honest bread right
out of a man's mouth." Business with
the dance-house proprietor is no better.
In all that region only three attempted
to make any show of business, and in
these, though the music went on, the
floors were almost entirely deserted.
The dancers, the bars were unstocked, and
the owners, with their elbows on their
counters, and their heads between their
hands, look as though they were begin-
ning to get discouraged and meditated
turning their attention to some more re-
munerative pursuit. In the other houses
no attempt at a display of business was
made; the keepers of them mingled on
the street with the gangs of loafers,
rough and thieves that congregate on
the corners, and with the air of injured
men, receive the condolence of those who
gathered around them. Slocum, who
next to Allen, was perhaps the most suc-
cessful dance-house proprietor in Water
street, exclaimed to a knot of sympathiz-
ing friends that "the street wasn't worth
a d—, and that he had not done enough
since John Allen shut up to pay his rent."

"Something has got to be done, or we
shall go on the spot," said he, and he
sandwiched the words of the sentence
with the roughest oaths and most dread-
ful curses.

Meantime, the meetings day by day in-
crease in interest. The meeting on Sat-
urday was attended by about 400 persons,
and among the speakers were persons from
every part of the Union who said that,
having read the accounts of the prayer
meetings in the *Tribune*, they had come
to see and hear for themselves. Yester-
day morning Mr. Van Meter preached
at John Allen's to a dense crowd, com-
posed of an entirely different set of peo-
ple from those who were present on fore-
mer occasions. Hardly a familiar face
was seen. Sailors dressed in their best
toggery, men and boys who attempt to
look a little better on Sunday than on
other days, and who, therefore, brush the
mud from their shoes, don comparatively
clean linen, and pin up the rips and tears
in their dilapidated garments; women