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J. HUNTER, Guelph, 8th Feb. dw Agent for Guelph

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Every attention paid to Sales of Merchandise, Household Furniture and Farm Stock.

Prompt and careful returns made of all sales.

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GREAT WESTERN HOTEL. JOHN HEWER, Proprietor.

The subscriber having lately leased the above Hotel, would respectfully inform his friends and the travelling public generally that he has thoroughly renovated and refurnished the premises throughout, and is also making other improvements which will render its accommodations for guests second to none in town.

The table will always be supplied with the choicest market affords, and the bar with pure liquors and the best brands of cigars. Nothing will be left undone to ensure the comfort of all who may favor him with their patronage.

An attentive hostler always in attendance. Stages to all parts of the country call at this hotel daily. Guelph, 9th February. dw 6m

Undertakers! MITCHELL & TOVELL.

Having bought out Mr. Nathan Tovell's Hearse, horses, &c., we hope by strict attention to business to gain a share of public patronage.

A full assortment of coffins always on hand.

Funerals furnished if required. Carpenter work done as usual. Premises, a few doors north of Post Office, and next D. Guthrie's Law Office, Douglas Street, Guelph.

JOHN MITCHELL, NATHAN TOVELL, Jr. Guelph, December 1 dwly

R. J. JEANNERET, FROM ENGLAND.

Established in London, Ont. 1852 and in Guelph 1863.

WORKING WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER. DAY'S BLOCK, Opposite the Mark Guelph.

Just received a choice variety of Cheap Goods suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Extraordinary attention paid to repairing Watches, Clocks and Jewellery. Guelph, December 17th. dw

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864 ISAC BUCHANAN, PETER T. BUCHANAN and ANDREW BENNEY, PLAINTIFFS.

R. H. HUDGIN, DEFENDANT.

A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT has issued in this cause. GEO. J. GRANGE, Sheriff, Co. Wellington Guelph, Feb. 12, 1869. dw 2w

THE OLD ESTABLISHED SADDLER SHOP.

The subscriber in returning thanks to the public for the patronage bestowed on the late firm of Robinson & Co., would beg to say that he is continuing the business in all its branches at the old stand, West Market Square, Guelph, and hopes by strict attention to business, and moderate charges, to merit a share of public support.

As he intends using only the best of stock, and employing none but first-class workmen, the public may depend on getting a good article. He will always keep on hand, and make to order, the newest and best styles of

Harness, Saddles, Brides, Martingales, and a large assortment of Trunks, Valises, WHIPS, HORSE BLANKETS, LURRY COMBS, MANE COMBS, CARDS, SPURS, WHIP LASHES, all kinds OIL AND VARNISH

For Cleaning Harness, and all other articles connected with his business.

A liberal discount made for cash. All kinds of repairing done with neatness and dispatch.

January 19. dw 2m GEORGE BEATTIE, West Market Square

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864 & 1865 In the matter of George Leslie, late of the village of Aetons, an insolvent.

The creditors of the insolvent are notified to meet at my office, No. 8, Front Street, Toronto, on the 17th day of February instant, at one o'clock p.m., for the public examination of the account, and the ordering of his estate generally. And the said insolvent is hereby notified to attend the said meeting.

Witness my hand and seal this 15th day of February, 1869.

THOMAS CLARKSON, Official Assignee.

SITUATION WANTED. Wanted by a young man a situation as Book-keeper in any business place in town or country. Would be willing to take charge of a commission business, and make himself generally useful in any capacity. Good references. Apply at the Millinery office, Guelph.

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Billiard Hall. Adjoining Coulson's Hotel, GUELPH, ONT.

For New Paden Standard American tables. W. O'CONNOR, Proprietor. Guelph, June 24. dw

SPECIAL NOTICE. The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories. He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds

From the Locket to Life Size Equal, as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion. Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices.

Rooms: Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-st. Guelph December 12. dw

WILLIAM BURGESS, Guelph December 12. dw

JUST IN. A first-class Stock of GUMMAN'S CELEBRATED

Hoop Skirts In all the Latest and most Approved Styles. Including the

New PANNIER Skirt Which is a general favorite.

THIS IS BEYOND ALL COMPARISON

THE CHEAPEST LOT OF SKIRTS EVER SHOWN IN GUELPH.

The attention of every lady is requested.

A. O. BUCHANAN, Guelph, Jan. 17. dw

WELLINGTON BOOT & SHOE MANUFACTORY WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH.

JOHN A. McMILLAN Has much pleasure in intimating to the Trade that he is now prepared to supply at the

Lowest Wholesale Prices Boots and Shoes of every Description, Style, and Variety.

All Manufactured by himself in Guelph. Dealers are requested to call and examine my stock and prices, and they will find a much better article than any imported work, and their price as low as the lowest. Terms, liberal.

WANTED, a number of good workmen to work on Ladies' Kid, Goat, Traveller and Canvas Gaiters, in connection with the McKay Sewing Machine.

LEATHER WANTED. Tanners can find a cash market for every description of Leather, any quantity, at any time, at the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory.

SPECIAL NOTICE. The whole of the present stock of Boots and Shoes, Rubbers and Miscellaneous, is sold cheaper than any man can sell imported work. This is no humbug. Call and see, and remember the spots—Guelph, Burgess and Elora.

JOHN A. McMILLAN, Bootmaker for the Million Guelph, 4th January 1869. dw

SAP BUCKETS. 1,000 Dozen SAP BUCKETS, At JOHN A. WOOD'S. Guelph, Feb. 18. dw

BILLIARD HALL. Adjoining Coulson's Hotel, GUELPH, ONT.

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Evening Mercury. TUESDAY EV'NG, FEB. 23, 1869.

CIRCULATION OF THE MERCURY. The circulation of the Daily and Weekly MERCURY is MORE THAN DOUBLE that of any paper published in Guelph or west of Toronto.

Both editions circulate largely among the merchants and business men in Wellington, Waterloo, Perth, Grey, and Bruce. As an advertising medium for the section of country embraced in these Counties it is unequalled by any paper published outside of Toronto.

Rates for advertising moderate, and discount allowed on advertisements inserted for a lengthened period.

Board of School Trustees. The Board met on Monday night.

Present—Mr. Peterson, chairman, Messrs. Pirie, Newton, Kennedy, Cuthbert, McNeil, McGuire, Stevenson, Mitchell, Harvey, Watson and Innes.

Mr. McNeill presented the report of the School Property Committee, which was to the effect that the Committee had closed the agreement with Mr. Day in leasing his building pursuant to the resolution of the Board.

The report was adopted.

In the absence of Mr. Ball, the chairman read the report of the School Management Committee in regard to the resignation of school consequent on the leasing of Day's building. It recommended that Miss Walker's school be removed to the one on the Catholic Hill originally built for the Senior Girls School.

That Miss Walker occupy the upper flat, and her assistant Miss McRoberts the lower; that Miss Unsworth occupy the school property occupied by Miss Walker, and that the school now used by Miss Unsworth be set apart as a music room for the present; that in removing the boys school to the building lately leased, Mr. Hutton occupy the large room on the ground floor, Hunter the other large room on the same floor, that the East Ward School be also removed to Day's building, Mr. Anderson to occupy the large room on the first flat, and that the School Property Committee be authorized to dispose of the East Ward School Property. In regard to the grading of the schools the Committee hope, with the advice and assistance of the Local Superintendent, to be able to bring down a scheme to the Board at an early day.

The report was adopted.

The chairman also read the report of School Management Committee on the Tyson case, which arose out of a complaint made by Mr. John Tyson against Mr. Dunn, Principal of the Grammar School, for flogging his boy with unwarrantable severity. The report is as follows:

The Committee are of opinion that the language of young Tyson towards Mr. Dunn was unwarrantable and wholly subversive of discipline, and the severe punishment complained of was imposed in consequence of, and inflicted in order to restrain the same.

That as to the measure of punishment inflicted perhaps the same result might have been arrived at without it, but notwithstanding repeated efforts of Mr. Dunn to procure submission to his authority, the pupil it is clear persisted in gross insolence, and therefore Mr. Dunn was at least under great provocation before the whole school endavouring to effect subordination.

That at the beginning of the difficulty, perhaps, there was such a misunderstanding as if explained courteously to Mr. Dunn by the pupil, would have obviated the push Mr. Dunn gave, but no such explanation was given, and hence in real truth followed the painful consequences complained of.

The Board went into committee of the whole on the report, Mr. Fraser in the chair.

The evidence taken by the Committee was read to the Board, after which a lengthened discussion took place on the report, when it was moved by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Innes, that the report be amended by substituting the following as the report of the committee:

That having heard the facts in Tyson's case, they find that the whipping of the boy was in consequence of a misunderstanding between the teacher and the boy regarding the boy's lessons; that the boy spoke in answering the teacher as if he were not in the room, and that he considered the teacher should have taken a little more trouble to make the boy understand him; and that at the same time they recognize to the fullest extent, the right and duty of every teacher to administer wholesome punishment to any scholar guilty of unruly conduct or willful disobedience.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. McNeill, that the report be laid over till the next meeting of the Board.

Seconded for the motion, and six for the amendment, voted for the motion.

The Board then resumed, when Mr. Pirie moved, seconded by Mr. Harvey, that the report of the committee of the whole be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. McNeill, seconded by Mr. Watson, that the report be laid over till the next meeting at the Board.

The motion was carried on the following division:

For the motion—Messrs. Pirie, Kennedy, Fraser, Harvey, Newton, Mitchell, Innes—7.

For the amendment—Messrs. Cuthbert, Watson, McNeil, McGuire, Stevenson—5.

The Board then adjourned.

We have been requested to state that there will be a prayer meeting in Knox's Church this (Tuesday) evening at 7:30, when the Rev. Mr. Smith, Galt, will address the meeting.

MIND AND MUSCLE.—The following advertisement, which appeared in the London Times the other day, would seem to indicate that the range of an English schoolmaster's functions are widening—Grammar School, Warrminster.—Wanted immediately, a second assistant master, to teach thoroughly writing and arithmetic, also junior English subjects. Must be a good cricketer and round-arm bowler. Character to bear the strictest investigation. Salary £40, increasing to £60, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. A married woman, aged thirteen, was divorced from her husband in New York, last week.

Mr. Weir, of Montreal, exported, on Friday, \$50,000 in silver coin, making a total of \$153,000 since the 25th January.

A boy in Brentwood, England, recently snapped a pistol at the head of a woman. It was not loaded, but the woman fell dead—killed by imagination.

The militia will be enrolled in four classes. Men enrolled in the reserve militia are liable to be drawn for service in the active force to fill any quota not completed by volunteers.

The recent enrolment of the Volunteer shows that Ontario has completed her quota, and it is believed that Quebec and New Brunswick quotas will also be made up by volunteers, without resort to drafting.

So far, the sum of \$38,000 has been raised towards the \$100,000 endowment fund for Victoria College. Our Methodist friends are determined to make up the entire amount before the end of the year—and they'll do it.

It is announced that the disturbances in Italy produced by the meat-tax, have resulted in the deaths of 30 people and the wounding of 60; but an English correspondent estimates that not less than 200 have been placed hors de combat.

A young lady who prided herself on geography, seeing a candle aslant, remarked that it reminded her of the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Yes, responded a wag, with this difference—that it is a tower in Italy, while this is a tower in grease.

There is a man in Maine, the owner of a piece of crinoline, who showed decided pluck. He says that when the minister was hugging and kissing his wife he peeped through the crack and saw it all; and as long as he has the spirit of a man remaining, he will peep on such occasions!

Kansas is one of the most radically Republican States in the American Confederacy, and it persistently refuses to assent to the proposition to strike the word "white" from the State Constitution in order to allow the colored population to vote. There are but few colored people in the State, yet political equality will not be permitted there.

During a concert in the Boston Music Hall recently, when the organist was exhibiting the full power of the instrument, a lady was enthusiastically conversing with her neighbor about her household arrangements. The organist made a sudden transition from "Hallelujah" to "pianissimo," consequently the audience was somewhat amused at being informed by her, in a shout, "We tried ours in butter."

Soon after Mr. Ernest Jones's release from prison, his uncle, Mr. John Holton Amesley, visited him, and asked if he would give up the principles by which he was "disgracing" his family. Mr. Jones was the old man's only relative. The answer he got from the advocate of democracy may be imagined from the fact that Mr. Amesley left all his property, said to be worth \$2,000 a year, to his gardener, a man named Carter.

While hoarding, on the coast, of the desire of Newfoundland to enter into the Canadian Confederation, an American telegram via San Francisco brings news from the far west that the Legislature of British Columbia has decided against coming into the Union. As the legislature is at present very much under the influence of interested English office holders, the vote can hardly be accepted as the unmistakable vox populi.

A young lady lives in Lansingburg. She plays the piano. A flock of geese are in the habit of sporting in the river beneath her window. When they hear the young lady play, if they are ever so far away, they gather near to get the music, and they remain so still throughout it, that you could hear a pin drop in the water. The lady played, "Twenty Years Ago," the other night, and a plump old gander, already selected for the Thanksgiving market, was observed to shed tears.

A servant girl in Nashville was tried and convicted for stealing a diamond ring from her employer. Notwithstanding her constant declarations of innocence and her bitter tears at the disgrace, she was sent to jail on merely circumstantial evidence. A week afterwards her employer, while putting on a pair of boots which he had not worn for several days, felt something in one of them, and upon examination he discovered his "stolen" ring. The girl was immediately released from gaol.

Capt. Michael Dayfoot and his wife, respectively ninety-seven and ninety-one years of age, are now living in Georgetown, Ont. They have been married and have lived together seventy-three years.

They have had ten children, of whom eight are now living, the eldest seventy-two years of age, and the youngest, P. W. Dayfoot, Esq., shoe-dealer, of Hamilton, is in his fiftieth year. Both the veteran captain and his wife are hale, hearty and active. Mrs. Dayfoot still continues to do all her own housework, and the Captain does all his own garden work in the summer. We don't think this can be beaten, either in the Dominion or in the United States.

SUDDEN DEATH.—On Saturday morning last, a painful event occurred in the household of Mr. Thos. White, of the Spectator, in the sudden death from heart disease, of a young lady who was visiting with her family, Miss Charlotte Annie, daughter of Mr. Robert Johnston, of Peterborough. The deceased was apparently in the enjoyment of excellent health up to the hour of her death, and after partaking of a hearty breakfast, was unusually cheerful until suddenly taken with giddiness. Dr. Ridley was immediately called, but medical skill was without avail, and the patient expired within twenty minutes after the first symptoms of illness were experienced. The remains were conveyed from the residence to the funeral parlour at Peterborough.—Hamilton Times.

LOCAL ITEMS. Very little produce appeared in the market to-day, on account of the heavy storm prevailing, and those who did come in from the country did not appear to have relished their trip.

This morning we were visited with a fall of snow, which came down in good old fashioned style, making capital sleighing, and pleasing everybody but those who would like to see what they call "fine weather" all the year round.

Comice.—Cool Burgess's famous minstrel troupe are coming. Mr. Joseph Chenet, the genial and gentlemanly agent of the company, is in town to-day making the necessary arrangements for their appearance here. They exhibit in the Town Hall, on Tuesday, March 2nd.

HUSSARS' CONCERT.—The grand concert of the 13th Hussar Band, in aid of our own Battalion Band, will come off in the Drill Shed here to-morrow evening—to be followed by a ball and supper—all which it would be well for our readers, in the words of Captain Cattle, to "make a note on."

LOCK THE STABLE DOORS.—Our country friends will take care to keep their stables properly secured at night, otherwise they may receive a visit from horse thieves, of which there are several prowling about in the vicinity of Guelph. As will be seen by advertisement, Mr. McLean, of Aberfoyle, had a horse stolen from his stable on Monday night—for the recovery of which a suitable reward will be paid.

"WOODSTOCK."—We have received from Messrs. D. Appleton & Co., New York, a copy of this work, which forms another of their cheap series of Sir Walter Scott's novels. Woodstock is one of the best of the great Scottish author's productions, and treats of the times of the civil war in England between Cromwell's ironides and the Cavaliers of Charles the First. To be had at the bookstores—price 25 cents.

DIME MUSIC.—Our friend Thornton, of the "Young Canada" Bookstore, has been appointed agent for Hitchcock's half dime series of music for the million—comprising sacred, operatic, pathetic, comic, and in fact all classes of music to meet the popular demand. The numbers will be issued weekly at the remarkably low price of five cents each, and we hope to see so cheap and popular a series of the best music of the day well patronized by the people of Guelph and vicinity.

DRAFT MATCH.—A match at drafts came off on Monday night at Aberfoyle between five players from Guelph and five belonging to Aberfoyle, with the following result:—Guelph men, Messrs. D. Naismith 8, John Webster 6, C. Maddock 20, Allan Simpson 11, James Smith 11; total 56. Aberfoyle men, Messrs. M. Todd 8, D. McFarlane 1, J. Scott 2, Falconbridge 3, J. Weir 1; total 15. It will thus be seen that the Guelph men beat their opponents by 41 games. Mr. Wm. Mitchell, Guelph, acted as Umpire. The best of feeling prevailed, and the Guelph men were handsomely entertained by their Aberfoyle friends. It is expected the return match will be played in Guelph some night this week.

MEETING OF CURLIERS.—The adjourned meeting of the curlers and skaters was held in the Secretary's office on the 22nd inst. The President having taken the chair the resolutions of the former meeting were considered and confirmed. It was resolved to proceed with the erection of the building and enclosing the grounds. Seeing the skaters have not put in an appearance—it was moved by Thomas Dobbie, seconded by Alex. Congleton, that the Secretary be instructed to call a general meeting of the curlers, to be held in the Town Hall, on Monday evening the 1st March, at half past seven o'clock, for the election of directors and other business connected with the building of a Curling Rink.

ESCAPED AND RE-CAPTURED.—A man named Mulligan, from Elora, who was confined in the gaol here on a charge of horse stealing, made a dash for liberty this (Tuesday) afternoon, which ended in an ignominious failure. It seems that he was bent into the gaol yard to draw water, when, watching his opportunity, he managed to scale the fence, and made off at a great speed. He was at once pursued by constable Griffiths, who happened to be near the spot at the time, and after a smart run captured in Mr. Mitchell's garden, from whence after a little display of "muscular Christianity" on Mulligan's part, he was conveyed back to his old quarters.

THE GALT CHURCH CASE.—The Presbytery of Guelph, in connection with the Canada Presbyterian Church, met to-day in Knox's Church, Guelph, when the petition of certain members of Knox's Church congregation, Galt, complaining that the pastor, Rev. J. K. Smith, had been teaching unsound doctrine, was taken up. Messrs. Stewart and Robson, two of the petitioners were heard, after which Mr. Smith replied. The Presbytery then adjourned till 3 o'clock. A report of the proceedings will appear to-morrow.

BY TELEGRAPH. PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

MADRID, Feb. 22.—The press of the country urge upon the provisional Government the necessity of preserving the friendship of the United States.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 22.—The decrees and orders recently issued by the Sublime Porte against the Greeks have been thrown open to Greek shipping again.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—In the House of Commons to-day, in reply to an enquiry of O'Connor Don, Mr. Fortescue said that the Government proposed to release from imprisonment 45 Fenians who were convicted of treason last year in England and Ireland, including several leaders.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Baron Lionel de Rothschild, Liberal, has been elected to Parliament for the City of London, in place of Mr. Bell, Conservative.

DUBLIN, Feb. 22.—Messrs. Costello and Warren, Fenian prisoners, have been set free.

American Despatches

Havana, 22nd.—Further advices from Mexico represent a disgraceful state of affairs at the Capital. The foreigners are strongly of opinion that the government is imbecile, and that ministers are corruptly making money and sending it to foreign countries. It was reported that several English and American are negotiating in the United States for the payment of the English claims, the United States to take Mexican territory in consideration thereof.

News from Porto an Prince states that after the surrender of the town of Acquin, Salnave's troops perpetrated an indiscriminate slaughter. The Haytian ships of war were bombarding the ruins of the towns on the coast.

An arrival from Porto Rico brings intelligence that heavy rains have prevented cane growing, and planters fear that they will be unable to make a good crop. Vessels are unable to obtain cargoes there.

Additional advices from St. Domingo represent that the Republic was greatly agitated by revolutionary pronouncements, which were making their appearance in every part of the country. The province of Guelph was in open rebellion, and in the other provinces a Guerrilla warfare was waged against Baliz.

New York, 23rd.—The Herald's Havana special says the Government has changed its policy towards the revolutionists. Instead of harassing the Spanish troops by useless pursuits, all the fortified points will be occupied by garrisons, and for the present no further operations of an offensive nature will be carried on.

An American blockade runner slipped through the Spanish war vessels on the coast last night and landed a cargo for the insurgents.

Intelligence from Manzanillo report that the insurgents have captured a Spanish gunboat with two guns.

Council Meeting.

An adjourned meeting of the Town Council was held last (Monday) evening—the Revue in the chair. Present—Messrs. Howard, Harvey, McCurry, Mitchell, Wood, Day, Goldie, Buckland, Robertson and Bruce.

The Clerk reported petitions for tavern licenses from the following persons:

Mrs. Platt, Jos. A. Bawer, T. Ward, D. Heffernan, J. Miller, J. O'Neil, T. Ellis, W. Nichols, P. Murphy, D. Bunyan (saw-loom), H. Newton, V. Wald, W. Jones, R. B. Conison, T. Pallister, J. Hewer, M. Casey, John Bookless (saw-loom), M. Dwyer, J. Bunyan, D. Coffe and J. Hood.

A note was read from Messrs. Trotter & Graham, enclosing the sum of \$30 in aid of the new steam fire engine, on behalf of the Commercial Union Assurance Company.

On motion of Mr. McCurry, seconded by Mr. Howard, the applications for tavern licenses were received and referred to Mr. Marriott, License inspector, to report upon to the Clerk on or before Friday next.

The licenses to qualified persons will be issued not later than Saturday next.

Moved by Mr. Buckland, seconded by Mr. Goldie, that the Clerk be instructed to require good and sufficient securities in addition to the tavernkeeper's own obligation, in terms of the by-law.—Carried. Council adjourned.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION IN ERIN.—The annual examination of school in section No. 12, Erin, taught by Mr. A. Johnson, took place on Friday, the 19th inst., and notwithstanding the weather being so stormy and cold, was attended by an unusually large number of attentive visitors, among whom we noticed the Local Superintendent and Messrs. P. McLean, D. McLean, McDougall, Thomson and McMillan, teachers. The pupils acquitted themselves very creditably and fully sustained the enviable reputation so deservedly attained by Mr. Johnson as a teacher.

Although it would be superfluous to discriminate where all answered so readily, still we might mention the History (British), Geography and Mental Arithmetic, as particularly worthy of praise. One very noticeable feature is the prompt and ready manner in which the pupils respond to the questions propounded to them, thereby showing that they are thoroughly grounded in the primary parts of an English education. Credit is due to the ladies of the section for the beautiful repast provided for these present, and also to the teacher and pupils for the beautiful manner in which the school room was decorated. Prizes were provided for the pupils, but their distribution was postponed owing to want of time. The company were entertained throughout the day by some young ladies present with several popular pieces of music, which added very much to the interest of the occasion.—Com.

The Registrar-General of Great Britain estimated the population of London, in the middle of the year 1868, at 3,126,635, and his estimate for the middle of the year 1869 is 3,170,754. For Liverpool the estimate was 590,676 in 1868, and is 609,032 in 1869; Manchester city, 366,235 in 1868; Birmingham, 332,396; Leeds, 246,851; Sheffield, 232,362; Bristol, 167,187; Newcastle upon Tyne, 127,704; Hull, 122,628; Edinburgh, 177,039; Glasgow, 449,898; Dublin, 319,985.

The 15th of March is now stated to be the election day in Hants, though no official announcement has been made.