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## Business Cards.

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**ROYAL HOTEL LIVERY STABLE.**  
The subscriber begs to notify the public that he has purchased the above livery from Mr Geo. W. Jessup, and has prepared the business as heretofore. Having made considerable improvements, he will be able at all times to meet the wants of the travelling public. First-class turnout ready at the shortest notice.  
Guelph, 4th Dec. 1872. W. J. WILSON.

**CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL,**  
IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.  
Bottled in the latest fashion. Five latest styles Phelan Tables.  
DOMINION SALOON.

**Fresh Oysters in every Style**  
The table supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner. At the bar will be found the choicest Brands of Liquors and Cigars.  
Guelph, Nov. 21, 1872. J. HUNYAN, do

**SODEN'S PUBLIC CAB.**  
The subscriber having purchased Mr. D. Coffey's splendid Cab, begs to inform the public that it will be at their service at all times, either by the hour, the day, or any other way, at the most moderate charges. It will attend all the regular trains, also Concert and Balls, and can be engaged for Marriages or Funerals on the shortest notice. Order rates kindly forwarded to Mr. Harvey's Drug Store, P. O. Box 10, and the Western Hotel.

**INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.**  
In the matter of JOHN McNEIL, of Guelph, An Insolvent.  
I, the undersigned, John Garrott, have been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors are requested to file their claims before me within one month.  
Hamilton, 25th Feb. 1872. JOHN GARROTT, Assignee.

**CLOSING CONCERT.**  
The class in Vocal Music, conducted by Mr. P. O'Hanlon, consisting of 175 ladies and gentlemen of this town, assisted by Mrs. Bird and Miss E. Keating, will close by giving a Grand Concert in the Free School, Guelph, on  
**Tuesday Ev'g, March 19th,**  
1872, at which time the most popular pieces of the day, some of the finest compositions of the celebrated J. B. Thomas and W. P. Danby, and other favorite composers will be sung on this occasion.  
Admission 25 cents; Children 15 cents. Front seats reserved for Ladies and Gentlemen; accompanists free. Tickets for sale at the usual places.  
Guelph, March 16th, 1872. do

**THE BEST HOTEL IN TOWN.**  
CASEY ALWAYS HOLLY.  
The richest, best table, most comfortable beds, most complete and best hotel in town at Casey's.—The Hart of Guelph Hotel, Macdonnell Street, Guelph. do

**F. STURDY,**  
House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter  
GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER.  
Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. do

**PRIZE DENTISTRY.**  
DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL,  
Licentiate of Dental Surgery.  
Established 1861.  
Office, 453 Broad Street, Guelph, Ontario.  
The "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph.  
Residence opposite Mr. Boulton's Factory, Wyndham-st., Guelph.  
Quesbrey Street, Teeth extracted without pain. References, Drs. Clarke, Trick, McNeil, Herod, McGregor, and Cowan, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan and Phillips, Toronto; Dr. Elliott & Meyers, Dentists, Toronto.

**W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S.,**  
SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.  
Office over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, 453 Broad Street, Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts, Guelph.  
Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable.  
References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod, Clarke, Trick, McNeil, Herod, McGregor, and Cowan, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan, Brampton.

**RAYMOND'S**  
SEWING MACHINES  
Family Sewing Machine (single thread); Hand Locket (double thread); No. 1 Foot Power; No. 2, for heavy work; Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

**CHARLES RAYMOND,**  
GUELPH, ONT.  
July 12, 1871. do

**PARKER'S HOTEL,**  
—DIRECTLY—  
OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH

**PLASTER, PLASTER!**  
Just Received  
**600 Tons Fresh Ground Plaster!**  
Paris and Caledonia. Also a large quantity of Land Salt ar' Seed Grain.  
For sale at the Montreal Warehouse, below the Railway Crossing. G. BALKWILL  
Guelph, Feb. 20th, 1872. do

## New Advertisements.

**TO LET**—In a pleasant locality, a sitting room and bed room, suitable for one or two gentlemen. Apply at this office. Guelph, March 16, 1872. do

**LUMBER WANTED.**  
Good Pine, Ash, Butternut, Bass and Cherry.  
For further particulars apply to  
J. H. R. & SKINNER, Guelph, Shaver-st. do

**TANNERY FOR SALE OR TO RENT.**  
The subscriber will either sell or rent his Tannery, on Surrey Street, Guelph. Possession given on the 1st of March. Apply, on the premises, to J. H. CLARKE, Proprietor, Guelph, Jan. 9, 1872. do

**SITUATION AS BOOK-KEEPER.**  
Wanted, a situation as Book-keeper by an American gentleman of 20 years experience. Thoroughly competent to keep any kind of books. A situation in a jobbing house or manufactory preferred. Address, A.B. at this office. do

**HOUSE AND PARK LOT FOR SALE.**  
Two and a half acres of excellent land, with good young orchard, bearing. Land well fenced. Good sound cottage and stable on the premises, within about one mile of the Market House. Price moderate and terms easy. W. H. RAY, Mar 18th 1872 No. 4, Day's Block.

**FINEST CLASS SAND FOR SALE.**  
The undersigned offers for sale, either at the pit, or delivered when required, First-class Sand suitable for all purposes. Address, Masters. Apply to JOHN FORD, Paisley Block Road.

**CORN, CORN, CORN.**  
BEST QUALITY.  
For sale cheap at  
DAVIS & MURTON'S,  
Gordon St., across the G. R.  
Guelph, March 4th, 1872. do

**FARM FOR SALE.**—A farm of 60 acres, in the vicinity of the Town, good land and well watered. Will be sold very cheap, and on good terms of payment. Apply to Wm. Hart, No. 4, Day's Block. do

**FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.**—Containing the Great Western station, Lots 25 and 26 being corner Lots well fenced and a good dwelling house on each lot, with stable and pump. For further particulars apply to JAMES McNEIL, at the premises or at this office. Title perfect. Feb. 22-1872 do

**THE BRUCE RAILWAY BY-LAW.**—At a meeting of the Bruce County Council on Thursday night, the bonus By-Law in favour of the Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railway was ratified by an unanimous vote. Messrs. Wm. McCulloch, Secretary, T. Ridout and D. McCulloch attended on behalf of the Company.

**THE GREY EXTENSION.**—The Mount Forest Examiner says that work on the Orangeville and Owen Sound extension of the narrow gauge is progressing with commendable speed. Large squads of men and horses are at work, and there is undoubted probability that the various contracts will be completed long before the time specified in the agreements.

**EXECUTOR'S SALE.**  
**Peter Byrne Estate!**  
Will be offered by auction at the Market House, Town of Guelph, on  
**Wednesday, the 27th March,**  
INST. AT NOON.  
1st Parcel—The westerly part of Clergy Reserve, Lot 6 in situ con. 1st lot, 50 1/2 acres more or less.  
2nd Parcel—Also, one acre of land adjacent with good dwelling frame, barn, etc., containing, good well and pump. Title good, and immediate possession.  
The above parcels will be offered separately, and sold for cash to wind up the Estate.  
For further terms and conditions apply to  
LEWIS & PETERSON, Solicitors,  
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer;  
or JOHN HARRIS, Executor.  
Guelph, March 6th, 1872. do

**EGGS FOR HATCHING.**  
**F. STURDY**  
Is now Booking Eggs from his Imported Poultry. Send stamp for circular.

**F. S.** having only a small number of hens of each variety, to prevent disappointment he would be glad if intending purchasers would lose no time in sending in their orders, which in all cases must be accompanied by the cash. Also state when the eggs will be wanted.  
Guelph March 6, 1872. do

**FARMS, FARMS!**  
Several first-class farms for sale in the vicinity of Guelph. Prices moderate and terms easy.

**HOUSES, LOTS!**  
A number of Town and Park Lots, with and without houses, in the most eligible localities, some cheap.

**MONEY, MONEY!**  
In sums from \$100 to \$300, at the lowest current rates. Charges moderate.  
Apply to  
WILLIAM HART,  
Guelph, March 1, 1872. do

**CLEARING SALE OF FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.**—Mr. Thos. McQuillan having leased his farms, has instructed the undersigned to sell, without reserve, all his Farm Stock and Implements, on the premises, Lot 8, Con. 1, Pilkington on THURSDAY, MARCH 28. The Property comprises: Span of matched horses, one six and the other seven years old; span of mares, seven years old; span of mares, six years old; span of heavy team horses, fully rising three; 2 fillies, rising two; 2 fillies, rising one; 8 cows, in-calf to a thorough-bred Bull; 6 heifers, in-calf to a thorough-bred Bull, rising three; 3 heifers, rising two; 3 heifers, rising three; 8 calves, one of oxen, brood sow, 7 pigs also, Combined Reaper and Mower, nearly new; wagon, new; buggy, nearly new; cutter, nearly new; cultivator, turnip sower, turnip cutter, fanning mill, ploughs, harrows, rakes, forks, spades, shovels, chains, 3 sets double harness, 1 set single harness, &c. Terms—All purchases up to \$5, cash; over that amount 12 months credit on approved endorsed notes. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock.  
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer.  
Pilkington, March 14. do

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SATURDAY EVEN'G, MARCH 16, 1872

**RAILWAY TIME TABLE.**  
**Grand Trunk Railway**  
Trains leave Guelph as follows:—  
WEST  
4:22 a.m.; 9:50 a.m.; 6 p.m.; 8:30 p.m.  
To London, Goderich and Detroit. To Berlin.  
EAST  
8:15 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:04 a.m.; 3:45 p.m.  
The 1.55 p.m. and 6.50 p.m. trains are cancelled.  
**Great Western—Guelph Branch**  
Going South—6:50 a.m.; 1:05 p.m.; 1:40 p.m. for Hamilton; 4:55 p.m.  
Going North—11:45 a.m. for Clifton; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifton; 1:55 p.m. for Fergus; 9:05 p.m. for Fergus.

**TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.**  
Coal is selling at \$14 a ton in Montreal, and is scarce at that.  
A VOLUNTEER COMPANY is to be organized in Charleston.  
REMEMBER E. O'Donnell & Co's cheap sale of groceries is going on. Give them a call to-night.  
MR. MACDONALD, of Colborne, father of Dr. Macdonald, of Guelph, died on Monday morning last week, at the age of eighty years.

**SUDDEN DEATH.**—An old and highly respected resident of the Township of Wallace, named Moffat, who owns a farm on the 8th con., was found dead in his bed on Tuesday morning last. The previous evening he retired in his usual health.

**ANOTHER.**—Another railway scheme is that of a branch of the Narrow Gauge from Arthur through Drayton and Hollin to Glenallan, the merchants of the latter place having promised \$3,000 to support it. Where will the next railway be located?

**THE GREY EXTENSION.**—The Mount Forest Examiner says that work on the Orangeville and Owen Sound extension of the narrow gauge is progressing with commendable speed. Large squads of men and horses are at work, and there is undoubted probability that the various contracts will be completed long before the time specified in the agreements.

**CLOSING CONCERT.**—By reference to an advertisement in another column, it will be seen that Prof. Cushman's adult class will give a grand concert in the Drill Shed on Tuesday evening next, when some of the most popular selections will be rendered. There will be a chorus of 175 ladies and gentlemen. The concert promises to be first-class, and no doubt will be well attended.

**THE DRAYTON ENTERPRISE.**—We have received the first number of this new claimant for public favor published in the enterprising village of Drayton. The Enterprise is a good specimen of a country paper, and takes into consideration all that his part, if the public in and about Drayton will only do theirs in supporting it. It requires some pluck to start a paper in Drayton, and for this as well as for the good it will do the place, it deserves to succeed.

**SMALL POX REGULATIONS.**—The township council of Normanhay has taken timely steps to prevent the spread of small pox in that township. A board of health has been appointed, which has issued regulations recommending that proper precautions be taken on the part of infected persons, and that the attention be paid to vaccination. As yet the disease has not made its appearance in the township.

**A BROKEN ARM.**—On Thursday evening last, a Mr. James Thompson, an adult class, was walking up Palmer's Hill and accidentally slipped and fell on some ice on the sidewalk. Mrs. Thompson, not knowing the extent of her injury, called for a doctor. On arriving at her destination she examined the injury, when it was discovered that her left arm was broken a little above the elbow, and was conveyed to Dr. Herod's surgery, where the wound was dressed, and everything done to alleviate the pain.

**EXTENSION OF THE W. G. & B. RAILWAY.**—On Thursday evening a public meeting was held at the Queen's Hotel, Owen Sound, to take into consideration the proposals of the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway from Paisley, or some convenient point, to Owen Sound, and to appoint delegates to meet a delegation from Bruce at Arkwright's on Saturday. Mr. B. Allen was appointed chairman, and Mr. W. Kough acted as secretary. The meeting was very numerous, and appointed twelve gentlemen as delegates.

**MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN DURHAM.**—The village of Durham having been incorporated into a town by an Act of the last session of the Ontario Legislature, an election for Mayor, Reeve and nine Councillors took place on Friday, and resulted as follows: Alexander Cochrane, Mayor; A. McLellan, Reeve; H. J. Middaugh, W. R. McLough, George Russell, Donald McKenzie, A. C. McKenzie, and John Smith, Councillors, were all elected by acclamation. A poll was demanded for the North Ward, for which there are seven candidates. do

**WELLINGTON DISTRICT CHICAGO RELIEF CONTRIBUTION.**—The last number of the Craftsman says: "The brethren of the Wellington District, Ontario, who have been contributors to the Masonic Relief Fund which was lately forwarded by W. Bro. A. B. Pettie, D.D.G.M., Guelph, to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, will be pleased to learn that he has acknowledged the receipt of \$754, the amount of their donation, to be applied to the suffering brethren and their families rendered destitute by the late calamities first in Chicago. The M.W. Grand Master, on behalf of these sufferers, desires his grateful and marked personal esteem to be conveyed to all the worthy donors for the generous gift. He states that their good deeds have been recorded in their books, and promises that the bounty will be faithfully applied."

## Cold Weather of the Past.

"Speaking about cold weather" reminds us of the following incidents which we jotted down in our diary at the various times mentioned:  
The statistics of the good old winter are curious: "In 401 the Black Sea was entirely frozen over. In 768, not only the Black Sea, but the Straits of Dardanelles was frozen over; the snow in some places rose fifty feet high. In 822, the great rivers of Europe—the Danube, Elbe, etc.—were so hard frozen as to bear heavy waggons for a month. In 860, the Adriatic was frozen. In 99 everything was frozen; the crops totally failed, and famine and pestilence closed the year. In 1067, most of the travellers in Germany were frozen to death on the road. In 1133, the Po was frozen from Crumona to the sea; the wine casks were burst, and even the trees split by the action of the frost, with immense noise. In 1236, the Danube was frozen to the bottom, and remained long in that state. In 1246, the crops wholly failed in Germany; wheat, which some years before sold in England at six shillings the quarter, rose to two pence. In 1339 the crops failed in Scotland, and such a famine ensued that the poor were reduced to feed on grass, and many perished miserably in the fields. The successive winters of 1332, 4, 5, 6, were uncommonly severe. It once snowed forty days without interruption. 1469 the wine distributed to the soldiers in Flanders was cut with hatchets. In 1664, the winter was excessively cold. Most of the hollies were killed. Coachmen drove along the Thames, the ice of which was six inches thick. In 1709, occurred the cold winter. The frost penetrated three yards into the ground. In 1716, booths were erected and fairs held on the Thames. In 1744 and 1845, the strongest ale in England, exposed to the air, was covered, in less than fifteen minutes, with ice eight inches thick. In 1749, and again in 1812, the winters were remarkably cold. In 1814, there was a fair on the frozen Thames.

**Manitoba Items.**  
The Manitoba Liberator gives the three following items in its issue of the 1st inst.:  
"Riel and Lepine have skedaddled to the land of the free and the home of the brave. They took their departure on last Saturday. They have discovered that Manitoba is getting too hot for these worthies. The member of the Government who proposed Riel's health the other evening will no doubt mourn his departure."  
"A squabble took place last week at the Lower Fox between a sergent of the militia and a captain of the militia. The bold captain, recently promoted from a sergent, was putting on too much style, till several judicious knock-downs brought him to his senses."  
"It is reported from Ottawa that the Government has made such arrangements that passengers to Manitoba will be able to go through to Fort Gary, in about twelve days. The fare is expected to be lowered from its present rate of \$30 to \$15. The steamers building at Fort Francis will be ready by the opening of navigation."  
Mrs. John Robertson, of St. Joseph, died very suddenly on the morning of the 5th inst. from a fatal disease of the heart, with enlargement of the liver.

**Cattle Fair at Hillsburg.**  
The fair in Hillsburg on Thursday, 12th inst. was decidedly successful, and the organizers must feel gratified by the results. There was a large number of cattle offered for sale, some of them splendid beef, and the show of other cattle, generally, was far in advance of anything of the kind in this section before. It is no wonder that the cattle seemed to be the most eagerly after. Those that were sold brought from \$110 to \$120 a yoke. There were a number of milch cows offered.  
It is a great pity that proper means had not been adopted for securing a correct account of the sales. We hope this matter will be attended to at the next fair.

**New Method of Packing Butter.**  
A Michigan dairyman has lately published his method of packing butter. He has taken tubs, with heads at each end. They are 14 inches in diameter at the top, 9 inches in diameter at the bottom, and 16 inches high. In packing, a cambic bag is made to fit the top. The butter is packed in the tub—sack in stands, on the small end—the sack being long enough to extend above the edges of the tub, and is pressed down firmly until within an inch and a half of the top, when a circular cloth is laid over it, the edges of the sack turned down over that and a layer of fine salt placed on it. The head is now put in its place, the tub turned up, and the butter in the sack of course, falling down to the bottom, leaves a space all around it which is filled with brine poured through a hole in the small end. When full the hole is corked tight. The butter floats in the brine and is effectually preserved from the air, and will keep for almost an indefinite period.

**POLICE COURT.**  
Before T. W. Saunders, Esq.  
March 16.  
Patrick Kelly was charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was dismissed.  
Jeremiah Kelly was charged with vagrancy. He was let go.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN MONTREAL.**—Irish circles in Montreal continue to be agitated at the action of the priests in regard to the prohibition of the procession on St. Patrick's Day. The priests say there shall be no procession; the societies say the priests have no right to dictate in the premises. Efforts at reconciliation will be reported Monday, the 18th.

**Mr. Mills, an artist than whom few in Canada can equal, is at work on a magnificent oil painting for Mr. J. C. Palmer. The subject is "Bram's Reception, by Queen Ann." It is twelve feet by fifty-two inches.**

**THE KEITH CHILDREN.**—The Globe is informed that since the writ of habeas corpus was issued in this case, Archbishop Lynch has filed an affidavit, stating he has never had the custody, power or control over the Keith children, and that his advice had been taken, Mrs. Keith would not have removed her children from their home.

**THE OUSTING OF A MODERATE CONSTITUTIONAL ORGAN.**—The Globe is informed that since the writ of habeas corpus was issued in this case, Archbishop Lynch has filed an affidavit, stating he has never had the custody, power or control over the Keith children, and that his advice had been taken, Mrs. Keith would not have removed her children from their home.

**THE NINE HOURS MOVEMENT.**—A meeting of working men favourable to the nine hours movement was held in Toronto on Friday night. The following resolution was passed:—"We, the working men of the city of Toronto, in mass meeting assembled, empower the Trades Assembly to memorialize the employers of labour of this city for the adoption of the nine-hours system, inasmuch as to come into operation on the first Monday in June next, and also to request the answer to their petition by the 1st of May."

**CREDIT VALLEY RAILWAY.**—The projectors of the Credit Valley Railway held a meeting on Friday, at Meadowdale, with the view of fully laying before the people of Toronto township the new railway scheme known by the above name. The meeting was addressed by Messrs. Geo. Laidlaw, John McMurich and other leading business men of Toronto.

## The Mexican Revolution.

**The Rebels Defeated.**  
St. Patrick's Day in New York.  
New York, March 15.—An official statement of the condition of the Erie Railroad Company shows that the liabilities are: capital stock, common, \$78,000,000; capital stock, preferred, \$86,536,900; funded debt, \$26,458,000; consolidated mortgage issued but not sold, \$3,266,000; loans, etc., received by collateral, \$225,767,456; floating debts, bills payable chiefly for supplies and labor, \$1,864,000; supplies and labor to March 1st, \$1,580,000; the assets amount to \$8,806,400; the total rents of the leased lines are \$1,117,000, the income from which is greater than the annual payments; the securities in the treasury amount to \$75,400, estimated to be worth \$6,174,100; the earnings of the road from Nov. 1871 to date are \$21,000,000, against \$17,000,000 previous. Rumor says there are \$1,000,000 in excess of the expenditure.

**MATAMORAS, MEXICO, March 14.**—Gen. Mejica, Mexican Minister of War, telegraphs the recapture of Zacatecas, from the City of Mexico on the 4th inst. He had received an official telegram from Gen. Rocho, dated at Zacatecas. On approaching the city Rocho encountered the rebels under Trevino on the hills in the vicinity. He attacked immediately, and routed them, capturing all their infantry and artillery trains, and great numbers of prisoners. The cavalry alone escaped, and the Government horse were in pursuit.

**New York, March 16.**—As St. Patrick's Day falls on Sunday this year, Irish societies have postponed their celebrations until Monday. Every precaution has been taken to repress any riotous demonstrations.

**The West Ward.**—The Advertiser of last night had a very silly article on the representative of the West Ward in the Town Council. We cannot well understand what it means by saying that some of the ratepayers imagine that if Mr. McNeil had been of a different stripe of politics, the election of a new member would not have been delayed so long. We cannot see what politics has to do in this matter at all. Mr. McNeil has been absent from the Council only three meetings, and we do not think the interests of the Ward have suffered any on that account, especially as five other members of the Council had from that Ward. Mr. McNeil has been no bar to a new election. That duty lies with the Council, who are empowered to instruct the Mayor to issue a writ for a new election at any time after a member is disqualified. We have seen instances of members absenting themselves from five and six consecutive meetings of the Council, before now, and yet they were never said a word about it. Why has it, all of a sudden, taken the interests of this Ward under its special protection?

**THE MANITOBA GOVERNMENT.**—The Manitoba Government has been further reconstructed. Hon. Mr. Gerard is out, and is succeeded to the treasuryship by the Hon. Mr. Howard. Hon. Mr. Royal succeeding to the secretaryship. It is required no less than three meetings of the Executive Council to get affairs into this shape. It has leaked out that upon receiving the appointment of Dominion Senator, some months since, Hon. Mr. Gerard put in a formal resignation as Provincial Treasurer. It did not, however, suit to accept his resignation just then, and he was persuaded to let it rest till after the session, thinking, perhaps, that he could hold both positions with pecuniary advantage to himself. He changed his mind on the matter, and when the time came for his consideration Mr. Gerard solicited the withdrawal of his resignation, and it is reported that he does not like it a bit that his request was refused.

**GRUMBLERS AT NEWSPAPERS.**—Horace Greeley thus hits the nail on the head: "It is strange how closely men read papers. We never say anything that anybody don't like, but we soon hear of it, and everybody tells us of it. If, however, once in a while, we happen to say something, we never hear of that; nobody seems to notice that. We may say some man a hundred compliments, and give him a dozen puffs, and he takes it all as a tribute to his greatness, and he never thinks of it; never thinks it does him any good. But if we happen to say things this man don't like, or something he imagines is a reflection on him or his character, see how quick he flares up and gets mad about it. All our evils are duly charged to us, but we never, apparently, get any credit for what good we do."

**THE NOVA SCOTIA MEDICINE MEN.** are petitioning the Legislature of that Province for an inebriate asylum.

**HORSES THIEVES ARE HANGED IN KANSAS.** were sentenced to the penitentiary for two years.

**THE SALE OF ONE OF THE MOST MAGNIFICENT PRIVATE LIBRARIES THAT THE WORLD EVER SAW** was commenced on the 21st of Feb. it is that formed by the late Marquis de Morant, Rector of the University of Madrid, and consists of 120,000 volumes. A large number of these are of great rarity and value, and once formed part of the treasures of Popes and other potentates.

**JOHANN MILLER** says, of Queen Victoria: "In Whitehall I first saw the Queen of England, a sad and silent woman, whose virtues, charity and simplicity have challenged the admiration of the world; a woman always clad in uncompromising black. She never wears hoops, nor waterfalls, nor false hair. I think she deserves a crown for this, if for nothing more."  
Mr. Henry James Buchanan, editor of the Fort Hope Times, died on Friday, after eleven days' illness.

**There is every appearance of a brisk business in timber next summer in Quebec.**  
On Thursday night several burglaries were committed in Woodstock, and from the very bungling manner in which the culprits set about the work they were evidently committed by amateurs, inexperienced in the business.

**Mr. Herr Petermann,** the celebrated geographer, has decided to his own satisfaction and that of numerous others, that the diamond fields of East Africa are identical with the Ophir of the Bible, whence gold, ivory and precious stones were brought to Jerusalem by Solomon's ships, to be used in the building of the Temple.

**Pittsburg** has a singular divorce suit on its hands. The complainant alleges that the defendant fell so violently in love with her photograph that he "proposed," and was accepted, and she came "all the way from Ireland" to marry him. Arriving, she disenchanted him, and now has recourse to the law for redress.

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