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GUELPH, ONT.

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Best Wines, Liquors and Cigars

And the table will be set with the delicacies of the season. In fact no expense will be spared to make it a first-class establishment.

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Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868. J.M.

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Guelph, 25th August, 1867. J.M.

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DENIS BUNYAN,
Guelph, December 2, 1867. J.M.

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Guelph, 25th Jan, 1868. J.M.

BRITISH AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COLLEGE.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

(From Lyman & MacNab, Wholesale Hardware Merchants.)

Toronto, 18th September, 1866.

Messrs McLagan & Wright,
B. A. Commercial College, Toronto.

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Yours truly,
LYMAN & MACNAB,
(From Morrison, Taylor & Co., Wholesale Provision Dealers.)

Toronto, May 21, 1867.

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MUSGROVE & WRIGHT,
Guelph, 4th Feb, 1868. (dw)

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Home Depot at London and Liverpool,
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The Company have made arrangements whereby they have secured the entire produce of some of the best plantations in Assam and on the slopes of the Himalayas, and, by a judicious blending of these magnificent Teas with the best varieties of China produce, they are enabled to offer to the public Teas of quality and flavour hitherto unknown to the general consumer. These Teas are in high favour in England and France, and a single trial will prove their superiority.

The Company supply two qualities only, either Black, Green or Mixed. Their Black Teas will be found to possess great brilliancy and flavour, combined with colour and strength, and to be entirely different to the flat and vapour article usually sold as Black Tea; while their Green Teas are altogether free from the deleterious mineral powder so commonly used for coloring the leaf.

PRICES: 1/2 lb. High Quality Tea for family use, real genuine and fine article 70 cents per lb. Finest quality procurable, one dollar per lb.

The above can be had either Black, Green or Mixed.

To be had in packets of Quarter Pound, Half Pound, One Pound, and upwards, or in tin canisters of 5 lbs. and upwards, from the Company's Agents in all the chief towns of Canada. All the packages are lined with tin foil paper, and the Tea will consequently retain its flavour any length of time.

Observe:—All packages have the Company's trade-mark, without which none are genuine.

MR. N. HIGINBOTHAM
Agent, Guelph.
Guelph, August 3, 1867. (dw-1)

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Wynham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, 4th December 1867. (dw)

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OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

FRIDAY EV'NG, FEB. 14, 1868.

Local News.

A census of Mount Forest has recently been taken. The number of the inhabitants is 1,617—an increase of 395 since last year.

A Mrs. Bayley, of the township of Minto, gave birth a couple of weeks ago to three fine daughters. They are all living and thriving.

SAFETY SWITCH.—A self-acting switch, invented by Mr. Thomas Fogg, of St. Mary's, has been put into practical operation at that town and some other points on the Grand Trunk. The invention works wholly independent of manual aid, and has fully met the expectations of its promoters.

The Wesleyan Methodists had a tea-meeting at Glenallan on the evening of the 7th inst. The speakers were Messrs. McGuire, Crane, Hagar, Goodwin and Moore. The first three we know are ministers, we presume the others also. Between forty and fifty dollars will be left after paying expenses to aid the funds of the Sabbath School.

CASE OF THE BOY DARK.—In the case of the death of the boy Dark, at Blanchard, it has been ascertained that the verdict of the coroner's jury, implicating two boys of Mr. John Webster, was not correct in the St. Mary's Argus.—The boy Dark, on the road home from school, in boyish provocation, received a stroke from a willow switch from one of the boys, on the 28th of Nov. He did not get bad until that day week following, and it was ascertained in the interim he fell backwards out of a wagon, and received the injuries which were the immediate cause of death.

INQUEST AT ELMIRA.—On Saturday, the 8th inst., an inquest was held on the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Youst, of Elmira, who was found dead in her bed. The Maple Leaf says: It seems that the deceased, who has lately been somewhat deranged, retired to her bed on the evening in question, when she was watched by her son until about 10 o'clock. Upon his entering her room next morning he found her with the feather bed over her and sleeping as he thought, accordingly he did not disturb her, but upon her not awakening they entered her room and found that she was dead. Dr. Wamsley being notified of the fact, at once empanelled a jury, and they, after hearing the evidence of the witnesses, brought in a verdict of "Died from strangulation."

ANOTHER VETERAN GONE.—The death is announced of Capt. Hector Munro, who expired at Galt on Friday morning, aged 71 years. The deceased entered the army when only 16 years of age as an Ensign in the 49th Regiment of Infantry; he afterwards served in the Royal Canadian Rifles, and in the 2nd or Queen's Royal Regiment. Captain Munro took part in the war of 1812, and was present at the battle of Plattsburg and Lundy's Lane and Queenston Heights, being almost close to the gallant Brock at the moment when he fell. For his distinguished services in defence of British honor and Canadian liberty, Captain Munro received a medal from the Imperial Government. He afterwards resided in Hamilton, where he was President of the Highland Society. Some time since he was appointed Surveyor of Customs in Galt, in which town he has finished his mortal career.

CONCERT AT HOLLIS.—The Concert at Hollis, in which it was announced that the Wellington Battalion Band was to take part, came off on Wednesday night last, in the Drill Shed at that village.—About five hundred people were present. The Band played a number of pieces to the unbounded delight of the audience, and Mr. Vale's violin solo, and Mr. Walker's performances on the flute and concertina were also very much applauded. Several ladies, among whom were the Misses McLean of Elora, and Mrs. Tuck of Drayton, sang with good effect. Mr. E. R. Martin, of Guelph, played the accompaniments, and sang "I'm not myself at all," and "The Bashful Man." The concert came to a close about 10 o'clock, all agreeing that the concert had been very pleasing and very successful. The Band boys started on their homeward road about half-past nine on Thursday morning, and after sundry upssets (for the roads are very bad), reached Guelph between seven and eight o'clock in the evening.

Wholesale Purchasers
Goods as cheap, if not cheaper, than any other house in the trade.
JOHN HARRIS,
Market Square, Guelph.
Guelph, 7th Dec., 1867. (dw-2)

Cow Strayed or Stolen.

STRAYED or stolen from the Fair Grounds yesterday, a red cow, giving a little milk, in good order, was bought of a man near Morrison. Any one returning her, or giving such information as will lead to her recovery will be rewarded.

JOHN ROBERTS, Butcher.
Guelph, 5th Feb, 1868. (sd)

Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.

CHURCH-ST. - - - GUELPH.

MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will reopen (D. V.) on the 6th of January. Vacancies for two or three boarders.

Guelph, 24th December, 1867. (wly)

"FOR PARTS UNKNOWN."

Considerable excitement was caused in business circles yesterday (Thursday) by the report, which on further enquiry was confirmed, that O. Pooley, commission merchant, grain dealer, &c., had left town on Tuesday for parts unknown, leaving behind him debts unsettled to a large amount. Pooley had been doing business in grain, pork, butter, &c., in Guelph for the last seven or eight years, and lately along with some parties from the States he had started, and was conducting, a packing house. It seems that partly from his extravagant mode of living, and other causes, he was getting seriously involved, and had recourse to sundry modes of financing which betokens anything but a healthy state of solvency. We regret to learn that the parties associated with him in the packing business, besides his father-in-law, some of the banks, and several of our merchants and mechanics will be losers to a considerable amount. Some of the banks are secured by warehouse receipts on produce in store, but there are queer rumors afloat in regard to the value and genuineness of some of these receipts. For the present nothing definite can be learned about the amount of his liabilities, but it is generally believed they will foot up to \$10,000, if not more. It is not known what part of the States Pooley has gone to, but it is quite certain he has taken up his abode in some part of that bourne from whence but very few defaulting debtors ever return to Canada. Several of our merchants, we are sorry to say, have lost heavily by him in selling silver to him on short dated notes, which of course are now worthless. It is possible the packing house may be continued as formerly, but as the parties interested are heavy losers by Pooley, their energies may for a time be paralyzed.

Conviction of Sir G. E. Culling Eardley for Bigamy.

The trial of Sir Culling Eardley for bigamy took place at the Central Criminal Court, London, on the 27th of Jan'y, before the Recorder. It will be recollected that the baronet was married on the 13th of December, 1859, by the Rev. Dr. Hawks, at Calvary Church, New York, to Emily Florence, daughter of James Magee, a cotton broker. The father of Lady Eardley and Mr. Charles Frederick Moseley testified that they were present at the marriage, and that it was properly performed and registered according to the law and custom of the State of New York, and that Dr. Hawks at the time made a voluntary statement that the marriage would be as good in England as elsewhere. Mr. R. DeTracy Gould, a member of the New York bar, testified that it was a strictly legal marriage. It was then proved that Lady Eardley had been compelled to separate from Sir Culling in 1863, on account of his infidelity and debauchery. In the separation deed Sir Culling had, under oath, acknowledged that she was his wife. It also appeared that Sir Culling had run through the whole of his fortune over which he had power. Fortunately for the lady, however, the father of her husband, knowing his son's proclivities, had made a strict settlement before his death on the wife, which placed her in comfortable circumstances. It was then shown that in September, 1867, Sir Culling married Miss Bessie Allen, an actress at Drury Lane Theatre, a young lady of great beauty, irreproachable character, and some property. Miss Allen did not appear against Sir Culling, but it was understood in court that the deception and fraud he had practiced upon her was of a most scandalous nature. It was evident that he never intended that the marriage should have been published, but it was so published by the sister of Miss Allen in the Times, and in this way became known to the friends of Lady Eardley. The paltry defence set up was that the first marriage was an informal and illegal one, but the Recorder condemned the attempt to set up such an excuse in very strong terms. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, without leaving the box, and the baronet was immediately sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment with hard labor, the Recorder telling him that, had the wife of the second marriage appeared against him, he would have got five years' penal servitude.

NOT QUITE READY.—"C. B. B."

An apparently well-informed correspondent of the Times, states that till 1869 Russian armaments need give no alarm. The Government of St. Petersburg has made a number of contracts for the supply of breech-loaders in several countries of Europe and America, but the contractors are not required to deliver up the arms till the spring of 1869. It will be some time after that before the Russian hordes are prepared to use them.

The Spirit of the Age—organ of the Licensed Victuallers—says that three-fourths of the signatures on the petitions against that association are the names of women and children.

The objects of the Victuallers must have a peculiar bearing to demand a protest from women and children.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Tuesday, July 13.

Mr. Rykert presented the second report of the Municipal and Assessment committee with a bill embodying the amendments recommended. The following is an abstract of the bill.

Sub-section 5 to 26.—To provide for the erection and repair of Registry Office by the council when town withdraws from jurisdiction.

22. Amended so as to provide separation of junior townships.

48. Amended so as to provide for senior county dividing assets after separation.

70. Mayors and Aldermen in cities.—Qualifications.—Freehold, \$3,000. Leasehold \$6,000.

73. Additional disqualifications of candidates.

75. As to non-payment of taxes by 16th December—repealed. Persons having income or a salary of \$600 allowed to vote on payment of taxes &c.

76. Voters' Qualifications.—Cities, \$500. Towns, \$200. Incorporated villages, \$200. Townships, \$100. Police villages, \$100.

80. Persons rated jointly to vote.

Sub-division 3, section 66.—Councillors.—Three in each ward instead of two.

88. Repealed, as it was opposed to section 66.

Sub-section 3, section 10.—No poll to be demanded.

Section 8 to 100.—No declaration of result of election required.

Sub-section 1 of section 101.—As to nomination of candidates where two electoral divisions.

Sub-section 4 of section 101.—Council to pass by-law fixing for nomination where three electoral districts.

105. Clerk to preside at election of Mayor.

240. Councillors may act as Road Commission Superintendents, &c., and be paid the same as councillors.

243. Additional powers conferred upon incorporated villages.

283. Proviso made as to clearing streams and creeks running through two or more municipalities.

296. Certain powers given to countries of 5000 acres &c. Police Commissioners to control licenses of cabmen, &c., in cities.

307. Part of oath relating to Secret Societies struck out.

345. Counties and townships to have power to sell mineral rights in roads, &c.

413. As to Houses of Refuge.—Uniting counties, and towns separated from counties.

Mr. Rykert then introduced the said Bill. Second reading on Monday.

Hon. Mr. Cameron brought down the estimates, which will be found in another column.

The petition of the widow of the late Wm. Lyon Mackenzie for a sum voted by the House of Assembly of Upper Canada to Mr. Mackenzie, for his services in England in 1855, but which had never been paid, was referred to a committee.

The Erie and Niagara Extension Bill was read a third time and passed.

The House went into committee of the whole on Mr. Oliver's Bill relating to butter and cheese manufacturers. Some amendments were made in it, and it was ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

AMERICAN DESPATCHES.

New York, Feb. 13.—The Herald's special from Cape Haytien says: The Cairo rebels were moving onwards with great success. In a recent engagement they had captured 300 of President Salnave's troops, and had established their headquarters within 20 miles of Cape Haytien. They had shot several of their opponents, including a general. This despatch does not specify whether these were shot in battle or after their capture. The general opinion at the Cape was that President Salnave would soon fall from power. A British man-of-war had gone to Samana to watch the doings of the U.S. representatives in that quarter of the island.

INDIAN RAILWAYS.—The Government of India is progressing rapidly towards a purchase of all the railways in the country. The Times Calcutta correspondent is informed that a discussion has taken place in the Indian Council on the contracts to be made for new lines and on the advisability of the State's buying out all present shareholders in those that exist. In the future railway extensions Sir John Lawrence is anxious to obtain so much control as to enable the Government to suspend or dismiss railway officials, to buy up railways by a sinking fund, and to pay the interest of capital of lines in course of construction. After fifteen years' experience of Indian railways, this correspondent does not hesitate to say that every one of the 4,000 miles open have cost on an average not less than £2000 more than was necessary. The East Indian cost £19,000 per mile. In the case of Bombay and Punjab lines, if the expenditure had been properly checked, it is estimated that the shareholders would have been receiving 6 per cent, and the Treasury had been relieved of the half million a year which the guarantee still costs. The trunk system of India will be completed in 1870, at a cost of 81 millions of English capital. To this the Indian Government has added 74 millions, in the form of land, interest, expenses of control, and loss by exchange. The Indian Government has, therefore, some right to interfere.

The Bank of Montreal at Kingston, had a narrow escape from being destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon. About one o'clock fire was discovered in the basement occupied by the furnace and kitchen, but was extinguished after great exertions by the firemen. Very slight damage was done in the furnace room by the fire, but the building is greatly injured through the entire extent by smoke and water. Two of the women servants were nearly suffocated. The loss cannot be estimated at present.

MR. MCGEE AND ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY.—Mr. McGee, in a letter to the Montreal News, repudiates any connection with a movement said to be on foot for a reconsideration of the resolution expelling him from the St. Patrick's Society. He says that under no circumstances, short of a thorough reformation of the society, could he consent to his name being inserted on the new books, and that to be creditable to any one, a national society ought to be above suspicion.

DEMOREST'S MONTHLY.—Mr. Demorest has won the hearts of the ladies this year, by giving them all sorts of silverware, silk dresses, and other valuable things, for premiums. We have seen some of these "inducements," and find them really beautiful and valuable, like the Magazine itself. One lady has supplied herself with a sewing-machine, a parlor organ, and a set of silver spoons and forks, in less than three years. We don't wonder that it is easy to get subscribers to "Demorest." The book is worth the money without any premium. Publication Office, 473 Broadway, N. Y. Send for a circular.

The area of the cities of Ontario are, Toronto, the largest, 5,885 acres; Hamilton, 2,307 acres; Kingston, 2,930 acres; Ottawa, 1,829; London, 1,245 acres.