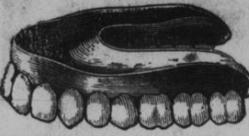


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**TROTTER & GRAHAM,**  
  
**DENTISTS!**  
GUELPH and BRAMPTON,  
Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.  
(Successors in Guelph to T. Trotter.)

**OFFICE:**  
**Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store**  
REFERENCES.—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Drs. Clarke, Parker and Herold, Guelph; A. F. Scott, Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattullo, M. C.; Rev. Mr. Arnold.—Brampton, Dr. Barnhart, Warden of Peel; Dr. Hampton, resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital.  
The new anesthetic agents used for extracting teeth without pain.  
**H. TROTTER**      **W. K. GRAHAM**  
Guelph, 2nd August, 1867.      (dw-ly)

**New Barber Shop.**  
THE Subscriber begs to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and vicinity that he has opened a new Barber's Shop,  
**On Macdonnell Street,**  
NEXT TO COLSON'S HOTEL.  
He will be on hand at all hours to accommodate customers. Shaving, Hair Cutting and Dressing in the most improved attention.  
Particular attention paid to Ladies' Hair Cutting.  
**GEORGE ALLAN.**  
Guelph, Sept. 20, 1867.      d 1m

**JAPANESE DUST**  
THE only effective preparation for exterminating Moths, Bugs, Fleas, Cockroaches, &c.  
Prepared by **WALLS, CLOSE & CO**  
London, England.  
For sale by **N. HIGGINBOTHAM,**  
Medical Hall

**CONDY'S PATENT**  
**DISINFECTING FLUID,**  
THE safest and best disinfectant ever discovered, much superior to the chlorides of Lime and Soda. In bottles, with full directions.  
For sale by **N. HIGGINBOTHAM,**  
Medical Hall

A CHOICE LOT OF  
**DYE STUFFS!**  
INCLUDING Indigo, Madder, Extract of Log-wood, Cudbear, Fustic, Sumac, Quercitron, Brazil, Peachwood, &c. Also, a complete assortment of the "ANALINE DYES," of every shade in liquid form to suit purchasers.  
**N. HIGGINBOTHAM,**  
Medical Hall, Guelph,  
Guelph, 27th July, 1867      d

**41. QUESTION! 41.**  
WHERE DO YOU GET YOUR  
**BOOTS and SHOES?**

CALL AT THE  
**Kingston Penitentiary**  
**Boot and**  
**Shoe Store.**  
If you would choose from the Largest, Cheapest and Best Stock for

**Fall and Winter Wear**  
in the County of Wellington. Having been selected from none but first-class establishments, they cannot fail to please in every respect.  
Inspection invited. All work warranted. Terms Cash.  
**JOHN CRIDFORD,**  
Guelph, 2nd Sept., 1867.      dwf

**MEDICAL DISPENSARY!**  
JUST RECEIVED, a fresh supply of  
**DYE-STUFFS!**  
Consisting of  
Logwood, Fustic, Nickersol, Madder, Indigo, Cocchineal, Indigo Compound, Madder Compound, Cudbear, &c.

**Use Harvey's No. 2 OILS**  
For sale at the Drug Store opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st., Guelph.  
**E. HARVEY.**  
Guelph, 25th Sept., 1867.      d&w-1f

**New Livery Stable.**  
**HORSES FOR HIRE.**  
PARTIES wishing to hire Saddle-horses, or Horses and Buggies, can do so at moderate rates, by applying to the undersigned, at the Wellington Hotel.  
**HUGH STRAHAN.**  
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867.      d&w-3m

**TEACHER WANTED.**  
WANTED, a School Teacher for School Section No. 3, Township of Pushtich, County of Wellington. Good references required. One having a First-class Certificate for Common Schools. To commence teaching on the first day of November next. Apply personally to School Trustees.  
**DONALD CAMERON,**  
**EDWARD HANFAY,**  
**DONALD McILLAN.**

**H. HOGG'S**  
**FLOUR AND FEED STORE**  
Opposite the Market Shed.

CONSTANTLY ON HAND, all kinds of Mill Feed, Chopped Peas, Middlings, Shorts, Bran, **Corneal, Oatmeal, Flour!**  
Bacon, Sugar-cured Hams and Potatoes.  
Guelph, 28th August, 1867.      dw-1f

**DOMINION BITTERS**  
**R. HOPKINS & CO.,**  
RESPECTFULLY inform the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding country, that they are prepared to fill all orders for any quantity of

**The Dominion Bitters**  
Put up in barrels, half-barrels, kegs and bottles N. B.—Purchasers will not confound the "Dominion Bitters" with the "New" or "Old" Dominion Bitters.  
Manufactured at a few doors West of the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street.  
Guelph, July 23, 1867.      daw-1f

**FRESH OYSTERS**  
Wholesale and Retail, at the  
**FRUIT DEPOT,**  
Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**HUGH WALKER.**  
Guelph, 16th Sept., 1867.      (d&w)

**NEW PAINT SHOP.**  
**W. NOBLE**  
WOULD intimate to the citizens of Guelph and surrounding country generally, that he is prepared to execute

Painting in Every Branch!  
With Cleanliness, Neatness and Despatch.  
27 Shop on Douglass Street, first door, North of Colles & Victoria Hotel.  
Guelph, 24th Aug., 1867.      dw-2m

**YOUNGER'S**  
**EDINBURGH ALE,**  
At **E. CARROLL & Co's,**  
Guelph Oct. 7, 1867.      No. 2, Day's Block

**Fresh Coffees**  
At **E. CARROLL & Co's**  
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867.      No. 2, Day's Block

**Apothecaries' Hall,**  
**MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH.**  
**PATENT**  
**STOVE VARNISH**  
Free From Smell,  
Manufactured and sold by

**ALEX. B. PETRIE,**  
Chemist, Market Square, Guelph.  
Price, - - 20c. per Bottle,  
or in quantities to suit purchasers.  
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1867.      daw

**Dominion Grocery, Fruit and**  
**FANCY STORE,**  
(Late Post Office Store.)

**MRS. ROBINSON**  
HAS just received a very large and varied stock of Fancy Goods, comprising Woods of all kinds, Brides, Crochet Cottons, Machine Spools, Common Spools, Hair Pins, Bristle Boots, Lace, Satinets, Portmanteaux, Necklaces, Belt Buckles, Eartrivets, Struff Pins, Rings, &c.  
Don't forget the stand, next door to the Wellington Hotel, Upper Wyndham Street.  
Wanted to purchase for cash 300 lbs. **BEES-WAX,** early next month, for a firm in Montreal.  
**MRS. ROBINSON.**  
Guelph, Sept. 25th, 1867.      daw

**A RARE CHANCE.**  
**Spring Bank Farm**  
**FOR SALE.**

THE subscriber offers for sale the above well-known and desirable property, situated near Springbank, on the Erin and Guelph Gravel Road, 12 miles from Guelph, 3 miles from Everton, being the Easterly half of Lot No. 10, in the 2nd Concession, Township of Erin, 100 acres, more or less, between 60 and 70 acres cleared. It is well laid off with good fences, and in a very superior state of cultivation, with good suitable buildings, a never-failing supply of water, the creek running alongside of it, and a good well of water pumping at the door.  
The above is acknowledged to be one of the best wheat growing farms for its extent in the County of Wellington. Title indisputable.  
Also—a pleasantly situated property in the flourishing Village of Everton, consisting of a good Frame Dwelling House and a Stable, two acres of an acre of land attached, good garden and some clover fruit trees, &c. Title indisputable.  
For terms and particulars apply personally, or by letter (pre-paid) to the subscriber at Everton.  
**PETER MCGILVRAY,**  
Everton P. O., County of Wellington.  
Guelph, 18th Sept., 1867.      d&w

**TO SUBSCRIBERS.**  
Subscribers wishing to take the Evening Mercury by the week, or for a longer period, will please leave their names at the office, and it will be regularly delivered at their residence. Subscribers whose papers are not regularly left by the Carrier Boys, will please call at the office at once and inform us of the neglect.

## Evening Mercury.

FRIDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 11.

### Local News.

The census of Berlin just taken, shows the population of that town to be 300.

The Wellesley township Ploughing match will be held on the 25th inst., on the farm of Mr. John McRae three miles from Crosshill.

**MUSICAL.**—We would call attention to the card of Mr. Vale, late Bandmaster of the 17th Regiment. Mr. Vale is now a resident of Guelph, and is prepared to give instructions in music in the various branches as stated in his advertisement. He is a thorough master in the science of music, and his long, and valuable experience as Bandmaster in his regiment is the best guarantee that pupils will receive every justice at his hands.

**Mount Forest Union Fall Show.**  
From our special Correspondent.  
Our annual Agricultural Exhibition was held here on the 8th inst. The attendance was much larger than usual on such occasions, probably from the fact that the farming community are beginning at last to take a prominent interest in these public competitive displays. A decided improvement was apparent in the farming implements. Messrs Kilgour, of Mount Forest, and Cochrane, of Durham, exhibited some splendid specimens of ploughs, cultivators, chaff cutters, wagons, &c. Gentlemen present gave it as their opinion that Mr. Kilgour's patent plough could not be beaten at the Provincial Exhibition. Mr. Kilgour took the first prize for plough, cultivator, chaff cutter, and Mr. Cochrane also of Egremont, took the second for plough. Best span working horses, Robt. Kilgour; 2nd A. Sinclair. Best yoke oxen, Jas Harper; 2nd, Wm Wallace. The swine department was well represented; James Gregory took the 1st prize for Berkshire pig, and John Sheppard the second. Sheep a poor sample; Messrs H. Stevenson and Pilcher obtained the prizes for very poor class of Leicesters. G. Wilson and J. Orr took prizes for cows. The display of grain, vegetables, flax, fruit, grapes and butter was the best spread of its kind that has ever yet been presented to the public in this region of country. Three or four bags of spring and fall wheat seemed to rivet the attention during the greater part of the day. The sample was certainly splendid. Mr. Sinclair, Egremont, took the first prize for spring wheat, and for fall wheat Mr. Reid, also of Egremont. Peas, oats, home made cloth and blankets were good. The butter department your correspondent could not penetrate for the throng and other causes. Mr. T. Wilson of the Anglo-American, got up a most sumptuous dinner, as is his wont on such and all occasions. About 60 gentlemen graced the tables with their presence.—Samuel Wallace, Esq., occupied the chair. Amongst the guests present we noticed our member, Robert McKim, Esq.; The Hon. Garbutt and D. Sutherland, Esq.; A. A. Cochrane, Durham; M. Wright, Deputy Reeve of Minto, and a host of others.—After the company paid a just tribute of respect to the good things laid out before them, the tables being cleared for after-dinner purposes, the company enjoyed themselves with speech, song and sentiment until 12 o'clock, and then separated well pleased with the general progress of the country, the exhibition, themselves, and everybody else.

**REFORMER.**  
Mount Forest, Oct. 9, 1867.

**LAMPS! LAMPS! LAMPS!**  
A new lot of Lamps, Lamp Glasses, Lamp Globes, Lamp Shades and Wicks, also, pure COAL OIL for Family use,  
At **JOHN HORSMAN'S,**  
Guelph, Oct. 10, 1867.      d&w1

**THE NEW SALT WELL AT GODERICH.**  
The Signal says that the brine has been struck in the salt well adjoining the Grand Trunk Station, at a depth of 915 feet. The water brought up by the sand pump is quite salty to the taste, and no doubt is entertained as to the success of the enterprise, which promises to be a most remunerative one. The shareholders are, of course, much pleased with their good fortune, thus far. As the work proceeds the rock is becoming softer, and it is expected that the well will be ready for tubing in the course of four or five weeks at the farthest.

**John Quincy Adams, son of Chas. Francis Adams, and grandson of the distinguished John Quincy Adams, who was President of the United States from 1825 to 1829, has been nominated by the Democrats as a candidate for the gubernatorial chair of Massachusetts. This is singular, as all the paternal ancestors of Mr. Adams belonged to the Federal Whig or Republican parties for the last eighty or ninety years.**

A young man while out hunting on the Heights near Waterdown in the early part of this week had the calf of his leg shattered by the gun barrel dropping from the stock on which it was loosely fixed and the charge exploding.

A trial of potato diggers took place near Bishopbriggs, Scotland, last month. One consisted of a broad scoop for opening the drill, with a revolving gear behind, by the action of which the potatoes and soil are thoroughly separated, and thrown on one side against a netting attached to the side of the machine. Another was on a similar principle, but with the revolving gear placed in a different position, and without the netting.

## NORTH RIDING AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.

The Show in connection with the Agricultural Society of the North Riding of Wellington was held at Fergus on Thursday last. The attendance of people was pretty large, the exhibition outside although perhaps not exactly answering anticipations was moderately good; but we cannot say so much for the show inside. With the exception of grain the several departments were but moderately represented, and in some of them not a single article had been entered. No doubt the weather exercised an injurious effect upon the show. Had the day been fine there would at least have been a larger number of cattle on the ground and a larger attendance of people. As it was a keen interest in the success of agriculture was demonstrated, for men and women, boys and girls stood contentedly under the cold, drizzling rain, and plashed and waded through the mud without a look or murmur of dissatisfaction.

Shortly after 12 o'clock, brood mares were called into the ring. There were 12 entries, but only 10 of the beasts appeared, and we can say unhesitatingly that we never saw so many good animals of the kind at any country show. There were two that were rather indifferent, but all the rest were clean of limb, apparently sound, and many of them young. In this farmers show their wisdom, for too many are of opinion, that any mare, no matter what her faults or deficiencies, is fit for breeding purposes. Of colts foals there were eleven competed. It was not a very difficult matter to select three or four of the best among the lot; the trouble lay in pronouncing on the relative merits of these thus selected. There were five filly foals entered. The two which took first and second prize respectively were worthy of the honors, but the third had scarcely as good a claim to the prize as a little fat away, one that was wholly ignored. Three entire horses next came snorting and bounding into the ring. One was of the Sovereign breed, and one particularly objectionable point about him which immediately struck the observer was the clumsy proportions of his head. He was rejected and the competition for the first and second prizes lay between the other two. It is a delicate matter to dissent publicly from the decision of the judges, but we may be allowed to say a word in behalf of Mr. McDiarmid's horse which was awarded the second prize. He is a compact, symmetrical beast, with fine head and neck, and a set of unobjectionable legs which he knows well how to use. He is said to be a lineal descendant of the Flying Childers, but whether or not he is a really noble and superior animal. Mr. McDiarmid's two year old entire was also the object of universal admiration. The show in most of the other classes was very creditable.

**CATTLE.**  
It is evident that a number of agriculturists in the North Riding have bestowed a considerable amount of care and attention on the improvement of their cattle. Although the number of thorough-breds is not so large as we are accustomed to see in the South Riding, yet there were many animals present at Elora, which would have done credit to their owners at any show in any county. The frequent recurrence on the prize list of the names of the Messrs. Hunter, of Messrs. McQueen, of Pilkington, Vroman, of Garrafrax, and Tindall, of Nichol, is proof that their cattle engrosses a large share of their attention. We have not space, nor is it necessary to delay, in order to particularize the various fine animals which these gentlemen had on exhibition. Mr. Alex. Watt, of Nichol, had a number of calves there, that we should imagine seldom are to be found elsewhere. He has been purchasing from Mr. Snell, and showed yesterday a beautiful thorough-bred Durham bull, eleven months old, which he bought of that gentleman.

**SHEEP.**  
The show of sheep was moderate. They were all of the Leicester, or the Southdown breed, no Cotswold's being on the ground. In the first-mentioned class Messrs Tindall and Metcalf were the most successful competitors, and in the second Mr. Roberts. A little more care is evidently necessary in this class of animals, as the lack of it makes them appear at a great deal of disadvantage.

**PIGS.**  
The pigs were not numerous. All we observed were two boars, two spring pigs of the Berkshire, and two of the Suffolk breed.

**IMPLEMENTS.**  
In this respect the show was good. Mr. McInnes's ploughs, one iron and one wood, were apparently excellent. There were two cultivators, one turnip sower, five huggies, and one cutter. The huggies were very neatly built, and very well finished. The cutter, which was made by Mr. Walker, of Elora, looked comfortable.

**THE INSIDE SHOW.**  
Here, as we have before observed, with the exception of the grain, the show fell short. There were four entries of fall wheat, twelve of Scotch wheat, three of that indefinite species comprehended under the heading of "other wheat," seven of barley, eight of common white oats, four of white main oats, four of black oats, and six of peas. The fall wheat was superlatively good, the sample that took the first prize being, though not large in grain, rounder and clearer than most that is to be met with. The spring wheat was plump and dry, the barley of excellent color, but the oats were light. Potatoes of various kinds were exhibited, and of course they were large, as potatoes at shows always are. Apples were not plentiful, but they were good, particularly those showed by Mr. John Beattie. Three samples of pears and one of grapes comprised the remainder of the fruit.

There was a sad deficiency in flannel, but there was a large amount of close-woven, heavy felled-cloths. There was some pretty worsted work, one beautiful hair flower, two or three pieces of crocheted work, and a large number of tasteful patch-work quilts. Mr. Lingwood showed some leather and harness.

It is something almost incomprehensible that there should have been so little competition in butter, an article which above all others almost always appears in greatest abundance at agricultural exhibitions. There were but two firms entered, a few crocks of moderately salted butter, and a few plates of fresh. This may perhaps be taken as evidence that there is but little of the article in store in the North Riding.

honey in the comb was represented by one dish.  
The Agricultural Dinner took place in the evening when over fifty sat down to an excellent repast prepared by Mr. Bain. The following is the

**PRIZE LIST.**  
**HORSES.**—Best brood mare, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, John Wiles; 3rd, James McQueen, Nichol. Best colt foal, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, George Cattanach; 3rd, J. Lyons. Best filly foal, W. Clarke; 2nd, James McQueen, Nichol; 3rd, Geo. Faskin. Best entire horse, 3 years old and upwards, James Cowie; 2nd, W. McDiarmid. Best 2 years old entire horse, W. McDiarmid. Best 2 years old gelding, Harvey Cull; 2nd, John Brockie; 3rd, J. Faskin. Best 2 years old filly, James Faskin. Best 1 year old filly, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, George Cattanach; 3rd, J. Lyons. Best yearling gelding, George Faskin; 2nd, Jas. Coutts; 3rd, R. Howse. Best yearling filly, John Lyons; 2nd, W. & G. Beattie. Best pair working horses, J. Bonallie; 2nd, James Barclay; 3rd, J. Grey. Best pair carriage horses, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, Edward Marshall. Best hackney, Alex. Watt; 2nd, R. Hanna.

**DURHAM CATTLE.**—Best bull, 3 years old and upwards, A. Aitchison; 2nd, J. and Wm. Hunter; 3rd, H. Roberts. Best yearling bull, R. Cromar; 2nd, J. and R. Hunter. Best bull calf, dropped after 1st February, R. Cromar; 2nd, J. McQueen, Pilkington; 3rd, John Bonallie. Best cow, A. Watt; 2nd, J. Bonallie. Best 2 years old heifer, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, J. McQueen, Pilkington; Best yearling heifer, A. Watt; 2nd, H. Roberts. Best heifer calf, dropped after 1st February, A. Watt; 2nd, J. & R. Hunter.

**CATTLE OF ANY OTHER BREED THAN DURHAM.**—Best bull two years old and upwards, John Nelson; best cow H. Larter; 2nd A. Aitchison, 3rd James Hays; best 2 year old heifer James McQueen, (Pilkington); 2nd J. & R. Hunter; best yearling heifer A. Aitchison; best heifer calf dropped after 1st Feb. J. & R. Hunter, 2nd A. Watt; best yoke working oxen H. Hall, 2nd James McQueen (Pilkington); 3rd R. Irwin; best yoke four year old steers A. Watt, 2nd John Nelson; best cow where only one is kept Geo Barron, 2nd Mrs Hamilton.

**FAT CATTLE.**—Best fattest ox or steer James Cowie, 2nd Jas McQueen (Pilk.); Best fattest cow or heifer A. Watt, 2nd H. Hall.

**LONG-WOOLED SHEEP.**—Best ram two shears and over W. Tindall, 2nd J. Metcalf; best shearing ram W. Tindall, 2nd T. Pierson; best pair ewes two shears and over W. Tindall, 2nd J. Metcalf; best pair shearing ewes J. Metcalf, 2nd W. Tindall; best ram lamb W. Tindall, 2nd Jas. Gordon; best pair ewe lambs W. Tindall, 2nd R. Scott.

**SHORT-WOOLED SHEEP.**—Best ram two shears and over Jos. Thomson, 2nd D. Foote; best shearing ram Jas Gordon; best pair ewes two shears and over H. Roberts, 2nd Jos. Thompson; best pair shearing ewes Thomas Mackay, 2nd H. Roberts; best ram lamb D. Foote, 2nd Jos. Thomson; best pair ewe lambs H. Roberts, 2nd Thos Mackay.

**FAT SHEEP.**—Best pair fat sheep, Wm Tindall; 2nd, James Gordon.

**SWINE.**—Best boar, J. Gerrie; 2nd, J. Reynolds. Best pair spring pigs, dropped after 1st March, A. Aitchison; 2nd, Malcolm McInnes.

**POULTRY.**—Best pair of turkeys, Mrs. Gordon; 2nd, John Marriott; Best pair of geese, D. Henry; 2nd, James Gerrie. Best pair ducks, W. Clarke; 2nd, James Gerrie. Best pair barn door fowls, James Coutts; 2nd, W. Clarke.

**GRAIN.**—Best 2 bushels fall wheat, H. Roberts; 2nd, J. Hill; 3rd, E. Marshall. Best two bushels spring wheat, Fife or Scotch, G. Short; 2nd, M. Jackson; 3rd, T. & W. Fisher. Best 2 bushels other spring wheat, G. Short; 2nd, J. Ross. Best 2 bushels barley, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, M. Jackson. Best 2 bushels small peas, W. Vroman; 2nd, R. Irwin. Best 2 bushels common oats, white, R. Hanna; 2nd, R. Scott. Best 2 bushels common oats, black, R. Irwin; 2nd, J. Hill. Best 2 bushels Maine Oats, J. & R. Hunter; 2nd, H. Larter.

**SEEDS.**—Best half bushel timothy seed, R. Howse; 2nd, H. Larter. Best half bushel flax seed, D. Wallace; 2nd, R. Howse.

**ROOTS.**—Best bushel of pink-eyed potatoes, W. & G. Beattie; 2nd, Jas. Gerrie. Best bushel cup potatoes, James Gerrie; 2nd, W. Monger. Best bushel other potatoes, Alex. Watt; 2nd, J. Ross. Best 2 dozen field carrots, being part of the produce of not less than one fourth of an acre, Wm Tindall; 2nd, D. Henry. Best dozen table carrots, John Keith; 2nd, R. Irwin. Best dozen parsnips, R. Irwin; 2nd, Geo. Barron. Best dozen blood beets Thomas Mackay; 2nd, George Barron. Best dozen seed onions, John Hill; 2nd, Thomas Mackay. Best dozen cabbage, George McKenzie; 2nd, Alex. Watt.

**FRUIT.**—Best dozen fall apples, John Beattie, 2nd A. Burnett; best dozen winter apples Jas Burnett, 2nd John Beattie; best half dozen pears G. Armstrong, 2nd Geo. Monger.

**DAIRY PRODUCE.**—Best firkin of butter fit for exportation John Brockie, 2nd R. Howse; best 10 lbs. butter for immediate use A. Watt, 2nd James Milne, 3rd W. Clarke; best 5 lbs. butter without salt H. Larter, 2nd R. Howse, 3rd J. Brockie; best cheese not less than 12 lbs. M. Anderson, 2nd A. Watt, 3rd J. Brockie.

**DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES & LADIES' DEPARTMENT.**—Best pair of blankets Mrs. Howse, 2nd E. Vroman; best five yards white flannel John Keith; best five yards fulled cloth Chas Bolding, 2nd M. Anderson; best gentleman's shirt Mrs. Thomson; 2nd Alex. Watt; best quilt T. & W. Fisher; 2nd Jos Black; best embroidered needle work Mrs. Thomson; best crocheted work Miss Kelly, 2nd Mrs. Thomson; best fancy netting Mrs. Thomson, 2nd James McQueen, (Nichol); best worsted work Mrs. Thomson, 2nd Miss White; best worsted work raised Mrs. McDonald, 2nd Mrs. Thomson; best pound spun yarn Mrs. Gordon, 2nd M. Anderson; best knitted stockings Mrs. Gordon, 2nd M. Anderson; best knitted mittens Mrs. Gordon, 2nd Miss Kelly.

**MECHANICS' AND MANUFACTURERS' DEPARTMENT.**—Best lumber wagon, Little & Wilson. Best buggy, Little & Wilson; 2nd, Geo. Noble. Best carriage, Little & Wilson. Best iron plough, Geo. McInnes. Best wooden plough, do.; 2nd D. M. Potter. Horse power, thresher and separator, D. M. Potter. Best fanning mill, James Duggan. Best pair harrows, Geo. McInnes. Best two-horse cultivator, R. McInnes. Best pair of sowing machines.

Alex. Johnson. Best cutter, A. Walker. Best shod horse, Little & Wilson; 2nd, T. Modeland. Best set horse-shoes, Little & Wilson; 2nd, T. Modeland. Best side of upper leather, R. Lingwood. Best side of harness leather, R. Lingwood. Best set double harness, Alex. Gerrie; 2nd, Robert Mitchell. Best pair calf boots, J. Mutch & Son. Best pair Stoggie boots, do. Best piece Canadian tweed, John Bain & Son. Best piece fulled cloth, J. Bain & Son.—Best honey in comb, Geo. Monger. Best brass or reed band, Fergus Band; 2nd, Salem Band; 3rd, Elora Cadets.

## Cable News!

OF TO-DAY.

**Another Battle in Italy.**  
**THE GARIBALDIANS DEFEATED.**

**UNABATED ENTHUSIASM**  
OF THE INVADERS!

**FENIAN EXCITEMENT IN ENGLAND!**  
[To-day's Despatches.]

Florence, Oct. 10.—There was another battle yesterday between the Garibaldians and the Papal forces near Montalibia. It is reported that the invaders were defeated, but no reliable account has been received. Men of the "party of action" here assert that an insurrection will soon break out in Italy, and in Rome also they say preparations for this purpose are complete, and leaders of the movement in Rome are acting in concert with the invaders in Victoria and elsewhere.

London, Oct. 9, evening.—The excitement about Fenians in the north of England does not abate. Government continues its precautions against any outbreak. Another detachment of regular troops are under orders to leave by railway for Cumberland to garrison Carlisle Castle. Orders have been issued from the Home Office that all arms belonging to volunteers be guarded and placed in condition for defence. It is generally believed that government will call Parliament together on the 19th of November next. The degree of Doctor of Laws has been conferred by the Cambridge University upon all American Bishops now attending Pan Anglican Synod.

Newmarket, Oct. 9.—The race for the sweepstakes was won by Vitreux. In the race for the Oakland stakes Veridex was winner. Middle Park stakes won by Green-sleeve.

Vienna, Oct. 10.—The municipal government of this city have presented a petition to the Emperor, praying for a revision of the Concordat.  
London, Oct. 10 (2 p. m.).—Consols steady at 94 3/16. 5-20's 72; Illinois Central 77 1/2; Erie advanced 1/2 percent.—quoted at 44.

Liverpool, Oct. 10.—Cottons quiet and unchanged. Breadstuffs steady; provisions irregular; extra prime mess beef declined to 12s; pork steady at 71s for prime city mess; bacon 6d. higher, quoted at 44s 6d.  
Paris, Oct. 10.—The competition between the English and American safe manufacturers to-day resulted in the success of the latter.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

Special and Exclusive Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

**From Portland.**  
Portland, Maine, Oct. 10th.—A fire yesterday destroyed Abbott's planing mill, Webb's grocery store and an adjoining building. Loss \$12,000.

**From Cincinnati.**  
Cincinnati, Oct. 10.—Daniel Hertzler, a wealthy citizen of Springfield, was murdered yesterday by burglars, who entered his house for the purpose of robbing it.

**Hops.**—The *Guelph Farmer* thus speaks of the hop crop in the States.—The seed son for hops has been favorable for picking; the crop is mostly harvested, and although few have yet baled and sent their crop to market, an approximate estimate can now be made of the yield. In some places it has been unusually large; in some whole counties it has been very much injured by vermin. Here and there in sections most affected with the aphid, an enterprising planter has saved his crop by a simple application of lime, or plaster, or both—while all the yards about him were suffered to be eaten up while growing. Probably all knew of the remedy, but were not prepared beforehand with the material, were too busy to hunt it up after the insect appeared on their vines, and consequently in place of a fine crop of fancy hops, have a small yield of blackened, fourth rate quality. Since the picking season commenced, speculators have been busy securing hops on contract at from 50c to 65c per lb. The crop in this State is less than half its usual yield per acre. The number of acres picked is greater than heretofore, and there are a great many new yards set out, to come into bearing next season.

**MERCHANTS MOVING WESTWARD.**—Within the past three months quite a number of Montreal merchants, who do a large wholesale trade west of the city of Montreal, having given up business in Montreal, and opened establishments in Toronto, in order that their western trade could be more thoroughly looked after, and increased, and this, because of superior facilities furnished for reaching their customers to the west and north from that city.

The first snow of the season fell on Saturday forenoon last, but melted but five minutes and was followed by a steady, cold rain.