

SCHOOL EXAMINATION IN ERIN.—The quarterly examination of S. E. No. 4, Erin, taught by Miss Hunter, took place on Tuesday, the 22nd, in presence of the local superintendent and a number of other visitors, when the pupils acquitted themselves very creditably indeed. They showed by their ready answers that they were posted in the groundwork of the subjects upon which they were examined. The superintendent complimented Miss Hunter upon the success which attended her labors as a teacher. After addressing those present for a short time the proceedings were brought to a close by the children singing several pieces of music.—*Com.*

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY.
From Andrew Archer, Esq., of Fairfield, Me.
About eight years since my son, Henry A. Archer, now Postmaster at Fairfield, Somerset County, Me., was attacked with spitting of blood, cough, weakness of the Lungs and general debility so much so that our family physician declared him to have a "Seated Consumption." He was under medical treatment for a number of months, but received no benefit from it. At length, from the solicitation of himself and others, I was induced to purchase one bottle of WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, which benefitted him so much that I obtained another bottle, which in a short time restored him to his usual state of health. I think I can safely recommend this remedy to others in like condition, for it is, I think, all it purports to be—THE GREAT LUNG REMEDY FOR THE TIMES. The above statement, gentlemen, is my voluntary offering to you in favor of your Balsam, and is at your disposal.
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AMESBURY, MASS., Oct. 13th, 1864.
MR. GRACE—SIR, Having been afflicted grievously for several weeks with a severe abscess upon my side, I used several remedies for its eradication without receiving any relief, until I applied your salve, which effected a speedy and permanent cure. I therefore feel happy to certify confidence in its virtues.
Yours with respect,
JAMES BEAN.
I certify to the truthfulness of the above statement.
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Boxes Valencia, Seedless and Layer Raisins.
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Barrels Common Whiskey, Bonded in 1867.
For sale by **JOHN L. LEWIS.**
Guelph, Dec. 20. dw

COMMERCIAL.
Guelph Markets
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, December 30, 1868.
Business is somewhat brisker in the Guelph market, but discouraging reports still come from the cities of both Canada and the States. Almost all articles of produce are quoted dull in New York and Hour, of which there are large stocks on hand everywhere, has decreased slightly in Montreal. There has been such a large milling business done by dealers during the past week that flour is likely to take the initiative in an upward movement, if there is to be one. Wheat in our market is pretty well supplied; there has been a very marked improvement in this respect this week over last, the receipts now amounting to 5000 bushels daily. The price has been very steady for the last few days. The receipts of coarse grains are also heavier than heretofore, but there is no difference in price worthy of note; they seem unchangeable, and are higher than in almost any other market. Hay is unchanged, but is rather inclined to come down. A heavy business is done in dressed hogs, as many as 500 being brought to market daily. They have gone off at the very high price of \$8.50 per cwt., for some time past, but on Tuesday they came down by the run, and the best fetched no more than \$7.50. These are the only changes worth recording.

Flour @ 100 lbs.	2 50	@	2 75
Fall Wheat, @ bush.	1 10	@	1 15
Spring Wheat @ bush.	1 00	@	1 02
Oats @ bush.	0 52	@	0 53
Peas do.	0 50	@	0 51
Barley do.	1 10	@	1 12
Hay @ ton.	8 00	@	12 00
Straw	3 00	@	4 00
Shingles, @ square.	1 50	@	1 50
Wood, @ cord.	3 00	@	3 50
Wood, @ dozen.	0 24	@	0 25
Eggs, @ dozen.	0 20	@	0 22
Butter, (store packed) @ lb.	0 18	@	0 19
do. (dairy packed) @ lb.	0 20	@	0 22
Cheese, each @ lb.	0 20	@	0 22
Turkeys each.	0 75	@	1 10
Chickens, @ pair.	0 20	@	0 25
Ducks, do.	0 40	@	0 50
Potatoes, per bag.	1 00	@	1 25
Apples, @ bag.	1 00	@	1 25
Lamb, @ lb.	0 04	@	0 05
Beef.	4 00	@	7 00
Beef, @ lb.	0 05	@	0 12
Pork, @ 100 lbs.	7 00	@	7 75
Sheep Pelts each.	0 50	@	1 00
Lambskins.	0 50	@	1 00
Hides.	0 50	@	0 75

Money Market.
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,
Guelph, Dec. 30, 1868.
Gold, 135.
Greenbacks at 72 to 75, sold at 73 to 74c.
Silver bought at 4 dis.; sold at 3.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c. to 60c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's report by special Telegraph to "Evening Mercury," Montreal, December 30, 1868.
Flour—Extra, \$5 40 to \$5 60; Fancy, \$5 70 to \$5 75; Welland Canal Superfine, \$5 35 to \$5 40; Superior No. 1 Canada wheat, \$4 90 to \$5 10; Superior No. 1 Western wheat, \$4 95 to \$5 00; No. 2 do., \$4 50 to \$4 60; Bag Flour, \$2 40 to \$2 50. Wheat—Canada Fall, \$1 14 to \$1 15; Spring, \$1 14 to \$1 15; Western, \$1 10 to \$1 11; Oats, per 32 lbs., 47c to 48c; Barley, per 48 lbs., \$1 20 to \$1 30. Butter—dairy, 20c to 22c; store packed 12c to 23c. Ashes—Pots \$5 40 to \$5 45; pearls \$5 60 to \$5 65. Pork—Mess, \$21 50 to \$21 50; Prime, \$7 00 to \$7 50. Peas, 92c to 94c.

TORONTO MARKETS.
Toronto, Dec. 29.
Fall wheat \$1 10 to \$1 15; spring wheat \$1 00 to \$1 05; Hour, No. 1 super, \$4 50, extra \$5 25; barley \$1 25; peas, 85c to 84c; oats, 55c to 54c.

HAMILTON MARKETS.
Hamilton, Dec. 29.
Barley, 1 25 to 1 25; peas, 80c to 80c; oats, 58c to 55c; spring wheat, 1 00 to 1 03; white wheat, 1 15 to 1 20; red winter, 1 00 to 1 05.

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ARE now opening out a choice assortment of NEW AND FASHIONABLE Materials for BALL AND EVENING DRESSES.

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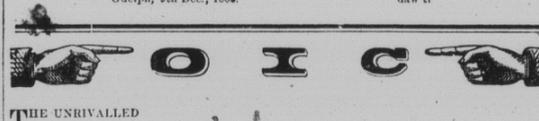
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James Massie & Co.,
Have pleasure in intimating the re-opening of their RETAIL STORE in the recently re-erected "ALMA BLOCK." Having given special attention to the selection of suitable and seasonable articles, they can, with confidence, recommend their FAMILY GROCERIES, LIQUORS, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, &c., to their numerous friends and customers, who will ever find an ample stock of superior goods, and a courteous welcome at the ALMA BLOCK."
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