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CASH FOR WOLF HIDES, SHEEP-SKINS, CALF SKINS, and WOOL-PICKINGS. The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gore St., Guelph, Ont. Plasterers Hairdressers and hand for sale. N. JULYON & BISH, Guelph, April 19, 1872. dw

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

M. R. A. T. HEATHFIELD, Organist and Teacher of Music, now prepared, and will be happy to receive pupils for instruction in Music, both Vocal and Instrumental, Piano, Organ, Harmonium, Violin, also in Harmony and Composition. References kindly permitted to the Rev. Canon Brent, Newcastle; Samuel Wilton, Esq., Newcastle; and Mrs. Judge Boucher, Coleridge. For terms and particulars apply to Mr. Heathfield, Norfolk Street, opposite the New Baptist Church. dw

PRIZE DENTISTRY. DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Licentiate of Dental Surgery, Established 1864. Office next door to the "Advertiser" office, Wyndham Street, Guelph. Residence opposite Mr. Bonit's Factory Quebec Street. Teeth extracted without pain. References, Drs. Clarke, Fuchs, McGuire, Herod, McGuire, Keating, Cowan and McGregor, Guelph; W. K. Graham, Dentist, Brampton. dw

W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S., SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH. Office over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonell-sts. Guelph. For 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, Fuchs, McGuire, Keating, Cowan and McGregor, Guelph; W. K. Graham, Dentist, Brampton. dw

GUELPH PUMP FACTORY. The undersigned begs to inform the public that he has now fitted up his new shop in the most complete manner, and has on hand a large stock of Pump Irons. He is prepared to make to order, and furnish on the shortest notice, pumps of superior quality of all kinds. Having had long experience in the trade he feels sure that he can turn out work to the satisfaction of the public. All orders for new pumps or repairs promptly attended to. Remember the factory, on the banks of the Speed, near the Erasmus Bridge, and directly opposite the new English Church. Guelph, Aug 12th 1872. E. STOVELL, dw

CAUTION. The Cornwall Manufacturing Company have pleasure in intimating the complete restoration of their works at Cornwall which are now in full operation, producing large quantities of White and Grey Blankets and Heavy Medium Class Tweeds. They regret, however, having again to call attention of the public to the continuance of the disreputable practice of importing English Blankets and selling them as Canadian. These Blankets are made largely of Shoddy and Cotton Waste, with a small percentage of pure Wool, and though slightly in appearance, closely imitating the Cornwall Blankets, and ticketed "Canadian Manufacture," have neither warm nor wear, but can be sold at a lower price than the Cornwall Blankets which are made of Pure Wool) can be produced for. The public are cautioned against this attempted deception, and respectfully informed that the name of the CORNWALL MANUFACTURING COMPANY is printed on the ticket of every Blanket made by them. Cornwall, Sept 16th, 1872. dw

TO CONTRACTORS AND OTHERS. The subscriber keeps on hand Fresh Lime, Stone, Sand, Post, Lumber, &c., which he will sell at reasonable prices to all who may favor him with their patronage. He also keeps on hand, to be let to the day or otherwise, at his residence near the G. T. road, where he will see to this very best person in the usual way, and hopes to be patronized hereafter as he has been in the past. Orders promptly attended to. DENIS COFFEY, Guelph, April 11th, 1872. dw

New Advertisements.

APARTMENTS TO LET.—Enquire at this office. s1794f

TO LET.—Two rooms and kitchen, being part of a cottage already occupied. Apply at Day's Bookstore. s2 dtd

BOARD WANTED.—By two young men in a respectable family where no other boarders are kept. Address W. S. Brewer 26, Guelph P.O. s294f

CENTRAL EXHIBITION.—The first prize, section 1, class 26, of ten dollars, for best brick of butter, of not less than 100 lbs, is given by J. McKenzie, Esq., of Guelph. Sept. 24, 1872. dw

TO STONE MASONS AND LIMBURNERS.—The undersigned offers for sale his valuable limestone quarry in one or more parcels to suit purchasers. Terms easy. HENRY HATCH, Guelph, 13th September, 1872. dw

FARM FOR SALE.—A farm of about 125 acres, most eligibly situated within two miles of Guelph market; soil first class, being a strong loam, good orchard, excellent barn, and stable. Apply on the premises to R. McKerrin, Waterloo Road, Guelph, Sept 24th, 1872. d3w-wit

ITALIAN BEES. For sale, a few stocks of Italian Bees with pure queens. Apply to P. H. Gibbs, near the Dundas Bridge, Guelph, Sept. 4, 1872. dim

STOREHOUSE TO LET.—On Switch connecting Grand Trunk and Great Western R.R.s. Capacity 12,000 bushels, with horse-power elevator. Apply to John McCrea. s294dft

CENTRAL EXHIBITION.—Tenders will be received till Monday, the 23rd September, at noon, for the purchase of the Manure on the Exhibition Grounds. For further particulars, apply to Joseph Hobson, Superintendent of Grounds. s26-35

WANTED.—A young man to learn the Drug Business, 15 or 16 years of age. Must have a good English Education, and write a fair hand. One with a knowledge of Latin preferred. Must be able to give references. Apply personally to A. B. Paterson, chemist. dw

CHARTAKER WANTED.—For the High, West Ward Primary, and the North Ward Schools. Applications, stating amount of remuneration per year, to be lodged with the undersigned by the 29th of September. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Chairman School Prop. Committee. Daily Herald copy 25. s243

NOW STOLEN OR STRAYED.—Strayed from the subscriber's premises on the 1st inst., a Red and White Cow, with white face. Any one returning the same, or giving information as will lead to her recovery will be suitably rewarded. JOHN COUGHLIN, Union Hotel, Guelph, Sept. 5. dtd

ENGLISH CHROMOS.—At the Royal Hotel for three days, Mr. E. A. FAY, of London, will be glad to show anyone who will call, his large stock of Chromos, comprising all published by McQueen, and most of those published by Rowley, of England. These Chromos are copies of Oil and Water Colour Paintings of the most celebrated artists of the day. Guelph, Sept. 24th 1872. s3

PRECENTOR WANTED For Chalmers' Church. Apply forwarding testimonials, stating amount of salary required, or asking information about duties, &c., to D. McINTOSH, Session Clerk Alma Block Sept 24, 1872. 2wd

DESIRABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.—The Cottage on Yarmouth street, adjoining Mr. Marriott's residence, near Mr. Raymond's Sewing Machine Factory, with one-fifth of an acre of land, 60 feet frontage. Room for another building. For terms, apply to the premises to G. G. Ward, or to Messrs. Hall & Spier, Land Agents, Guelph, Aug. 20, 1872. dtd

AUCTION SALE of Household Furniture. Mr. F. Prest has instructed the undersigned to sell by public auction, at his residence, Nelson Crescent, Guelph, on FRIDAY, 28th September, a quantity of his valuable Furniture and Effects, viz: Writing desk, large mahogany sideboard, hair-seated sofa, settee with spring seat, wardrobe, centre table, side table, 2 kitchen tables, cupboard, cooking stove nearly new, box stove, parlor stove, screen, bedsteads, an improved Singer Sewing Machine new, a quantity of cordwood, and various other articles. Terms cash. Sale at one o'clock. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. s3

NEW MUSIC STORE, Quebec St., Guelph. F. C. Whiting, Importer of all kinds of Musical Instruments, Fittings Strings English Music, &c. Novello's Music, Instruction Books, &c. wholesale and retail. Melodions, Flutinas, Concertinas, Accordions, &c., tuned and repaired. Tuning done for the Trade. Agent for Northsimer & Co's Pianos and Organs. Also, Agent for Virtue & Yorston, publishers. s253dm

TEMPERANCE SOCIAL. The Members of Beaver Temple, No. 56, I. O. G. T. will hold a Social, On Wednesday Ev'g, 2nd Oct., in their Hall, Guelph. The Entertainment will consist of Speeches, Dialogues, Music, Readings, Recitations, &c. Tea will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock. Tickets to be had of the members. Come out! Come all! J. AMBERLEY, Sec. Com. Guelph, Sept. 25, 1872. wtd

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. In the matter of JAMES T. MITCHELL and James Clark McCreary, of the Town of Guelph, trading under the style and firm of Mitchell & McCreary, merchants, Insolvents. The Insolvents have made an assignment of their estate to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at their office in Guelph on Tuesday, the First day of October, at ten o'clock a.m., to receive statements of their affairs, and to appoint an assignee. dw

WILLIAM J. PATERSON, Assignee Dated at Guelph this 12th day of September, 1872.

CITIZENS' INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA. Capital, ONE MILLION. HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL. Sir Hugh Allan, President. Edwin Atwater, Vice President. Accident Policies issued. Fidelity of Employees Guaranteed. And Life Risks taken on the most reasonable terms. This being a Canadian Company, and sustained by the largest capitalists and merchants of Montreal, is entitled to the support of the Canadian Public. Full particulars of each department may be obtained of WILLIAM J. PATERSON, s196-dw Agent at Guelph.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT.—The East half of Lot 32, 2nd concession Erin. Apply to Neil Munn, Osrings P.O. Sept. 11, 1872. wtd

The "Mercury" and the Central Exhibition.

DURING THE WEEK OF THE CENTRAL EXHIBITION, THE DAILY MERCURY WILL, (AS IT WAS LAST YEAR) BE ISSUED IN A LARGE DOUBLE SHEET, A VERY LARGE EDITION WILL BE PRINTED EACH DAY, AND EVERY MEANS WILL BE TAKEN TO GET IT CIRCULATED AMONG THE THOUSANDS OF VISITORS TO GUELPH DURING THAT WEEK. THOSE WHO HAVE NOT YET MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ADVERTISING DURING THE EXHIBITION WEEK SHOULD DO SO AT ONCE, AS WE HAVE ONLY A LIMITED SPACE NOW AT OUR DISPOSAL. ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE WEEK MUST BE HANDED IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. FIRST COME FIRST SERVED.

BOYS WANTED.

Any number of Boys wanted to sell the DAILY MERCURY next week. Apply at the Office.

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Local and Other Items.

CENTRAL EXHIBITION.—We direct the attention of Farmers, Market Gardeners, and others to the Superintendent's advertisement in another column.

THE RACES.—The weather to-day is beautiful, and there is every prospect that the races will be a success. Quite a number of strangers are in town, and the streets present quite a lively appearance.

THE SHAH OF PERSIA is about to visit Europe, and preparations on a scale of truly Oriental magnificence are already making for the occasion. He will probably embark at Constantinople early in the spring of 1873.

NEW YORK PAPERS.—We have to acknowledge the receipt of a bundle of late New York papers from Mr. Jas. Massie, who has just returned from New York, where he has purchased a very large stock of teas and other goods at very low prices.

LOOK OUT FOR P. C. ALLAN'S GREAT AUCTION SALE OF BANKRUPT STOCK, such as Books, Wall Paper, Table Cutlery, Silver ware, Glassware, Albums, &c., &c., to take place during the Fair week, in Tyson's old meat stand, rear of English Church.

REV. MR. COCHRANE.—We are glad to learn that the Rev. Mr. Cochrane, well known as one of the leading ministers in the Wesleyan Methodist body in Toronto, is somewhat better this morning. He has had a most serious attack of brain fever, and for a time his life was despaired of, but the doctors have now hopes of his recovery.

Y. M. C. A.—The monthly public meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in their room this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. The President of the Convention—Mr. W. Anderson, of Toronto—will be present, and will give an essay. There will be music, recitations, &c. We will have the new organ of the association for this evening. We hope for a large attendance of our friends this evening, especially of ladies. The library will be opened as usual.

G. W. R. EXTENSION.—A staff of engineers left Hamilton a few days ago for the purpose of taking the levels upon the proposed route of a new branch to the Great Western Railway, to connect with the Lake Ontario Shore Railroad on the American side at Queenston, where a bridge is to be erected over which trains of both railways will travel. The latter road will be another important feeder to the Great Western, and will be built by a joint stock company, of which Col. McGivern is President; and of the ultimate success of the enterprise there can be no doubt when we find such an energetic business gentleman at the head of the corporation.

PRESENTATION ON WEDNESDAY EVENING.—Before commencing the usual psalmody practice, Miss Dorothy was made the recipient of an address and writing desk with appropriate furnishings, the gift of the members of Chalmers' Church Choir and a few other friends, who were desirous of participating in the pleasure of the occasion. Mr. W. J. Little read the address and Miss Morrison presented the writing desk. It is an exceeding handsome and tasteful specimen of handiwork, rosewood inlaid, with a pretty pearl design, with a silver plate and suitable inscription. The desk was supplied on order by Mr. John Anderson, stationer and bookseller, Guelph, and reflects the greatest credit on his excellence of taste and judgment. Accompanying the present was an address from the members of the Choir, expressive of their appreciation of Miss Dorothy's great abilities as vocalist and leader of psalmody, their regret at her prospective removal from Guelph, and their earnest wishes for her future success and happiness in the Far West. Miss Dorothy made an appropriate and feeling reply.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Snow Storm in Salt Lake.
The Late Massacre in Utah.
Preparing for Snow.
Lunatic Asylum Burned Down.
Fire in Titusville.
Heavy Storm in Louisville.

Salt Lake City, Sept. 25.—There was a heavy snow storm in the vicinity of the mountains between Evanston and Wasatch, on Monday night. The drifts were three feet deep, and the telegraph wires were blown down.

Salt Lake City, September 25.—Affidavits taken here yesterday regarding the Mountain Meadows Massacre, which fully corroborate the testimony of Bishop Smith, and give further details showing more positively the guilt of the Mormon leaders.

Immense embankments are being constructed along the line of the Union Pacific Railroad, to protect the track from snow.

Cleveland, Sept. 26.—The Northern Ohio Lunatic Asylum, at Newburg, O., caught fire to-day. The main or old portion of the building was completely destroyed. There were about six hundred inmates in the building at the time of the fire, all of whom are said to be safe, and a number of them have escaped and are now at large. The loss is unknown, but it will probably amount to \$35,000, on which it is said there is no insurance.

Titusville, Pa., Sept. 25.—The Abbot House, one of the principal hotels here, was burned this evening. Loss, seventy five thousand dollars.

Louisville, Sept. 26.—A heavy storm swept over this city last night, causing a great deal of damage in the city.

Stabbing Case in Salem.

A Man Nearly Killed.
Special to the Mercury, per Dominion Telegraph Co.
SALEM, Sept. 26th, 1872.
A man named George Stone, a baker here, was stabbed seriously last night, in three places, by the hostler at Mrs. Beltzer's Hotel, at which Stone boarded. Both were engaged at the time in a frolicsome scuffle, when the hostler got enraged and with his jack-knife stabbed Stone with great force in both arms and in the right thigh. His wounds were of such a dangerous nature that life was almost extinct. He was taken to Dr. Griffith's surgery, and the doctor did all that medical skill could suggest to relieve the sufferer. Stone still lies in a dangerous state. The hostler, immediately after the occurrence, escaped, and has not yet been arrested.

The Gov.-General in Toronto.

Proceedings on Wednesday.
His Excellency drove out in the course of the morning, and also received the members of the Ontario Government. The day was passed privately. Meantime, the citizens commenced to decorate their streets with flags and bunting. The appearance of his Excellency does not take place till Friday. The front of the Rossin House on King-street was tastefully festooned with evergreens, with the arms and motto of Ontario in the center. Flags were hoisted on the colleges, fire-halls, and several of the stores in the city, and shrubs were planted outside a good many houses. At night transparencies were displayed, and the Torontonians generally gave an earnest of the enthusiasm which Friday will call forth. In the evening an immense crowd turned out to witness the illuminations at and in the neighborhood of the Government House. The tastefully decorated and lighted arch on King-street had numerous admirers, but the immense majority of the sight-seers were to be found on Simcoe and Wellington-streets, and other places from which view of the house itself could be obtained. The appearance of the building when fully illuminated was beautiful in the extreme.

In the evening, the Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Howland entertained a large party at dinner.

After dinner, His Excellency the Lieut.-Governor gave a ball in honour of the Governor-General and Lady Dufferin. Nearly all the elite of Toronto were present.

To-day (Thursday) His Excellency goes to Hamilton. He will return on Friday, and remain the guest of the Lieut.-Governor from Saturday till Monday, when he will leave for the Clifton House, Niagara Falls, where he will stay about a week. He will then return to Toronto, and take up his abode at Holland House, which he has taken from Ald. Manning. There he will remain for about a month, his desire being to become acquainted with Toronto and its citizens.

The Provincial Exhibition.

The Show on Wednesday.
The Crystal Palace.

ALTHOUGH it was showery in the morning the crowd of visitors to the exhibition was very large. From an early hour— even before daylight—the avenues leading to the city were awakened from their midnight stillness by the rumbling of carts, waggons and carriages. Down John and James street the clatter was so great and continuous that the sleepy residents along these thoroughfares found it impossible to rest after daybreak, and glanced out of the window would reveal the hordes of people who were coming in through wind and rain, in order to find accommodation for their animals and themselves. The result was that when the townspeople began to turn out they found the streets crowded with pedestrians, who, as the morning wore on, began to wend their way to the ground. And such was the crush at the dozen or so of gates, that it is calculated that three or four thousand people had entered the grounds before the early hour of nine a.m.

The turnstiles were mysterious for many of the country people; some of whom stood outside and gazed at them for a long time before they would entrust their bodies to the revolving machine. As they were managed this year, there was by no means the inconvenience and annoyance that occurred at Toronto two years ago.

MACHINERY.

The finest display of machinery on the grounds—the first, we believe, ever made at a Provincial Exhibition—is that of Messrs. McKeechie & Bertram of Dundas. These gentlemen have erected a building to the northwest of the Palace, in which they display no less than eighteen pieces of ponderous machinery, weighing an aggregate of thirty tons and costing about \$10,000 to manufacture. Of the wood-working machines there are planing and matching machines of all the most approved kinds. The iron-working machines, though fewer, are even more interesting. First in importance is a large radial drill, weighing four tons, and one of which is hung upon a solid pivoted upright, so that it may be lengthened or shortened and moved from side to side. The work, too, may be laid upon the flat bed or bolted to a horizontal bed on either side. A large 12-foot planer weighs 45 tons, and is of fine workmanship, but presents no new features. These machines are all nicely finished.

Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch, the well-known machinists, in Galt, also exhibit several of their machines for the various descriptions of woollen work, &c. These all contain the latest improvements, and are finished in first class style.

The G. W. Railway show some ponderous machinery, being parts of their heavy locomotives. The castings are very large, and the beautiful finish of the work is remarkable on all hands.

Messrs. Kitson & Fieldon show the ever interesting card-setting machines that have been formerly shown by Mr. Eyre Thurrosson, of Ancaster; and also some beautiful samples of card cloth.

There is a collection of weigh scales from the manufacturing establishment of Messrs. Gurney & Ward of Hamilton, containing 50 different samples, from the large double columned dormant or platform scale down to the tiniest article in use. They are handsome in design, and finished with artistic perfection.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Messrs. McCombe and Rice, of Hamilton, have a splendid collection of marble work, among which is a neat little monument which is known as Canadian, a dark streaked stone, obtained in the vicinity of Arnprior, which takes a glassy polish, and looks both handsome and durable.

Messrs. J. M. Williams & Co., of St. John's, show a large and interesting collection of their newly introduced stamped tin ware, the only thing of the kind on exhibition, and the only manufactory of the kind, we believe, in the Province.

Messrs. G. D. Morse & Co., of Toronto, show a monument in soap. It is 15 feet high, and previous to its last dressing weighed 10,000 pounds. The base and pillars are of common brown soap. The block surrounding the base is of a beautiful mottled soap, said to be an accurate imitation of the columns of the House of Parliament, and the pyramidal shaft is of white soap.

Mr. Ross, of Hamilton has a fine assortment of ashware of every description. His Terra Cotta goods are of especial excellence, both for finish and design. Ornamental flower pots occupy a prominent place in this class. His Rockingham ware is also excellent, comprising tea-pots, pitchers, spittoons, &c.

Messrs. Brown & Benz, of Hamilton, make a good display of plain and colored lithography.

George Copeland, of Hamilton, shows an assortment of Cordage, which we have seen nothing to surpass at any exhibition in Canada. The samples are graduated from the finest twine up to 3 inch rope, and includes some fine samples of whip cord.

Welding & Belding, Brantford, have an assortment of crooks, jars, jugs and bottles; also flower pots, pitchers, spittoons, images, &c., of Rockingham ware.

B. Lewis, London, exhibits some admirable window plates, stained in the highest style of the art. Lewis' works are rapidly attaining a Provincial reputation.

The Hamilton Glass Works furnish a pyramid of fruit jars, surrounded by an endless array of bottles and ornaments of all sorts.

Miss Evelyn Gourlay, Hamilton, shows a collection of native insects, classified and named.

Richard Ryle, Dundas, also shows many varieties of battery jars arranged as to look like a complete picture.

Joseph Arnott has a frame of stuffed birds and squirrels from the Canadian forests. He also shows a number of domestic and other animals.

Quinn and Gibbons have a collection of about 150 birds.

Messrs. Biley & May, of Toronto, show a handsome billiard table of light colored wood, with an accompanying assortment of plain and fancy cues.

Mr. McKilvey, of St. Catharines, is very enthusiastic about the merits of a portable cream gatherer which he exhibits a little to the east of the glass work display. It consists virtually of a refriger-

ator with numerous shelves for holding milk dishes, and he incites apparently with reason, that it is much superior to a collar, and that it will keep milk sweet even in thundery weather for three days.

Mr Peacock, of Montreal, has a fine assortment of cricket bats of his own manufacture, chiefly of English willow, which to the fingers of an old cricketer have the right touch.

Mr E. McGivern, of Hamilton, exhibits samples of his cast iron rounded seat backs for carriages.

Mr I. Ash, of Hamilton, shows a fur carpet, composed of over forty different furs, and proving him to be a man of patient industry.

Messrs High Miller & Co., of Toronto, show a large collection of their favourite Yorkshire Cattle Feeder, and tick destroyer for sheep.

The Fine Arts Department is situated in the west wing of the exhibition building, and bears witness to the industry and success of our Canadian artists. The total number of entries is in excess of those last year, but a number of the pictures entered were not forwarded, and in consequence the show in this department is rather meagre. The display consists as usual of portraits, figure subjects, landscapes, animals, flowers, &c., &c., and some of the pictures are well worth a special visit to the exhibition for inspection. We regret to find that some of our best artists fail to send their pictures. There are no specimens from the studios of Cresswell, Fowler, Forbes, and others, who have delighted us at former exhibitions.

There is a very creditable show of pictures in water colors, also colored photographs.

Among the specimens of writing, we find a splendid collection from the Canada Business College, Hamilton, Tennant & Gorrell proprietors. It embraces a complete balance sheet, showing the whole transaction of a commercial house and the mode of adjusting the accounts. They also exhibit some beautiful specimens of plain, business, and ornamental writing, and specimens of lady's writing, all of which are very neatly done, and show what the College is capable of turning out.

Messrs. Odell & Trent, of the British American Commercial College, Toronto, exhibit some very handsome specimens of plain and ornamental penmanship, and some splendid fancy work done by the pen.

COLLECTION OF FRUIT.

Hamilton Horticultural Society exhibit without doubt, the finest collection ever shown. Of apples they had 150 distinct varieties; 13 varieties of crabs; 7 varieties of quinces; 37 varieties of hardy grapes; 16 varieties of peaches; 29 varieties of hot-house grapes, with a large bunch of Purple Hamburg included; 51 varieties of plums.

The Hamilton Horticultural Club's collection almost equals the Society's—in fact, in excellence of fruit they do equal it, although not in number of varieties. They are: Apples 84; crabs, 14; pears, 44; quinces, 3; plums, 26; peaches, 14; 37 varieties of grapes.

The Gallows Society, of Niagara, have also a good show; their apples are excellent.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

The central space in the palace is devoted to musical instruments. Among the exhibitors in pianos are Messrs. Heintzman, of Toronto; Thomas and Herald, of Hamilton; and Weber, of Kingston—each of whom exhibit some very excellent instruments. We noticed a Grand Square Piano, with four round corners, by Heintzman, of Toronto, that is considered to be a very excellent instrument.

In the class of organs and melodeons, there is a splendid display. Messrs. W. Bell & Co., of Guelph, have eight instruments each possessing some peculiar merit, and all finished in excellent style. They have a rosewood organ, in chiffoniere style, also an organ in church style, both beautiful instruments, and possessing very fine rich tones. They also exhibit a combined pipe and reed organ, with the vox humana, tremolo, and all the other improvements; a harmonium, and melodeons in different styles and finish. They took three first prizes.

Messrs. McLeod, Wood & Co., exhibit some of their splendid instruments. These consist of cabinet and church organs, with full rich tones, and some of them in beautiful rosewood and walnut cases, with exquisite carving. Their harmoniums, combined reed and pipe organs, and melodeons are all of an excellent character. In connection with their musical instruments, they also exhibit a set of organ keys in a new style, that are very neat, the fronts being rounded and veneered with ivory.

In musical instruments the Guelph manufacturers are far ahead of all the other exhibitors, and keep up the name of the finest instruments in Canada. As usual, they have nearly monopolised all the prizes.

In the gallery Mr. Koberber, of Lindsay, exhibits a very novel instrument, called "The Reed Orchestra." The instrument of which is to imitate the effect of a real orchestra, and also to enable the owner to make use of any portion of it at pleasure, thus having always at hand a portable instrument. There are three distinct organs in line with each other, two of which may be played upon by one person. There are two octaves of bass keys, two octaves of middle or tenor keys, and two and a half of treble. Each of these organs has its own stops and special reeds—thus, according to the nature of the music to be performed, either set of keys may be used *ad libitum* or all three by two performers, thus producing an excellent imitation of the real orchestra. Altogether it is a very ingenious piece of work, and was made to the order of the owner, by the Messrs. Bell, of Guelph.

One whole section of the gallery is almost wholly occupied with sewing machines. Chief among the exhibitors is the Guelph Sewing Machine Company, who show twelve of their machines, comprising the Reverable, the favorite O'Brien and their new machine, which contains many important improvements. The chief of these are in the more perfect adjustment of the feed, improvements in the tension, and a changeable foot board, by which the operator can at pleasure change it either backward or forward, affording thereby great relief in the change of position, after working steadily at the machine for a length of time. These improvements render the machine almost perfect, and they cannot fail to be appreciated by the public. The