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PRICE ONE PENNY

REMOVAL. STEPHEN BOULT, Architect and Builder,

Has Removed his Workshop and Planning Factory to QUEEN STREET, (off the old Congregational Church), a short distance east of Weyburn Street.

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WITHOUT any exception, the Barclay Sewing Machine, manufactured by the British American Sewing Machine Company, is the best in the Dominion of Canada for general purposes. An examination is hereby requested, which will be to the advantage of those intending to purchase. All machines warranted. Also, agent for the BALDWIN KNITTING MACHINES, one of the best machines in the market. Apply to

MOSES BECHTEL, General Agent for the County of Wellington. Blair Post Office. Agent for Guelph: MRS. HUNTER, Fancy Store, Market Square, Guelph, Jan. 22, 1868.

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OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

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BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public of Guelph and surrounding country that having received a large lot of

Christmas Presents, he will through the HOLIDAYS furnish all kinds of Photographs at greatly

REDUCED PRICES. Parties wishing to make presents of Photographs to their friends should call at once.

PICTURES of all kinds furnished in the best style of the art. Gallery above John A. Wood's Grocery Store.

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MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH, ONT.

THE Subscriber begs to inform the public that he has leased the above premises for a term of years, and has fitted it in a very superior and substantial manner, and hopes to share a portion of the patronage of the public.

THE BAR will be supplied with the best Wines, Liquors & Cigars

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

LUNCHEON! Every day from 1 to 2 o'clock.

OYSTERS AND GAME, Etc. Dinner and Supper parties provided. Short notice, at reasonable charges.

JOHN MILLER, Proprietor, Late of the Commercial Hotel, Whittier, GOD SAVE THE QUEEN. Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868.

ALBION HOTEL! St. Paul-st., MONTREAL.

MR. DECKER would say that having received the management of the Albion, he hopes by personal attention to merit a continuance of the patronage so liberally bestowed upon him during the last 12 years.

WALL PAPER. 1868.

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MY Stock of WALL PAPER is very large and well selected. The patterns are of ELEGANT DESIGN, and imported this Spring from England. I am determined to sell Wall Paper at extremely LOW PRICES

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T. J. DAY, Bookseller, Opposite the Market, Guelph, April 29th, 1868.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE BUILDING LOTS IN GUELPH.

MR. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer, pursuant to instructions from the VEN. ARCHBISHOP PALMER, will offer for sale by Public Auction,

ON THE GROUNDS, On Thursday, 21st May, 1868, At 2 o'clock, p. m., precisely,

All the unsold Building Lots in the Tyrcathlen Survey,

As shown on the Registered Plan, viz: Between Arthur Street and the River Speed,

Southerly Side of Queen Street, Easterly Side of Palmer Street,

Northerly Side of Arthur Street, Lots 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27.

These Lots are situated in the most attractive and highly cultivated quarter of the Town, and possess the additional advantage of being in the immediate vicinity of the business centre.

Each Lot will be put up at the very low upset price of \$100, and sold without any reserve to the highest bidder. The purchaser of any one lot to have the privilege of taking an additional number of the above lots at the same price.

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TITLE INDISPUTABLE. The undersigned will show a copy of the registered plan, and give every information to intending purchasers.

PALMER & LILLIE, Auctioneers, Guelph, May 2, 1868.

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At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

MAPLE SUGAR!

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

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Arrowroot, Cream, Fruit, Victoria, Abernethy, Wine and Ginger Nut BISCUITS

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Potatoes of all Kinds

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West Market Square, Guelph. Guelph, March 20, 1868.

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GEO. A. OXNARD, Agent, G. T. B. Guelph, April 29, 1868.

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THE fine thorough-bred Durham Bull, Royal Dane, bred by Mr. F. W. Stone, will serve cows this season at the subscriber's farm, Lot 14, 11th Con. Entrance, E. Town. Through holeways, to insure calf, \$1; Grade, to insure cow, \$1.25. The subscriber will show the pedigree required to

NOTICE. In consequence of building an addition to my Brewery, I have opened a depot on Norfolk Street, for the sale of my XXX ALE in bottles, and appointed Mr. John Nicholson my agent.

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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers having contracts with this office are notified that unless their changes for the EVENING MERCURY are handed in before 12 o'clock, their advertisements cannot be altered until the following day.

Advertisements for the WEEKLY MERCURY should be handed in as early as possible on Wednesday morning in order to secure insertion.

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE,..... MACDONNELL STREET. THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 7, 1868.

A lad aged 17 years, named Michael Coveney, living in Dover East, was accidentally shot on the 1st of May. He and his brother went out to shoot crows, when Michael's gun accidentally went off, mangleing the poor young fellow frightfully. Doctors were sent for, but the sufferer died before their arrival.

Last week the eldest son of His Lordship the Bishop of Quebec, now pursuing his studies at Lennoxville University, cut his foot severely while handling an axe. The injury is of so severe a character as to create fears for the young gentleman's recovery, without the painful operation of amputation.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—On Wednesday last a sale of real estate, by auction, took place in Guelph. The three storey stone hotel at present occupied by Mr. J. Lindsay, was knocked down to Mr. John Walker, of the Paisley Block, for \$6,000. The warehouse occupied by the Messrs. Sharpe as a seedstore, extending from Market Square to Macdonnell Street, was sold to F. J. Chadwick, Esq., for \$3,000. A lot on Paisley Street, next the Primitive Methodist Church, containing a quarter of an acre, and on which are a frame house and stable, went to George Patterson, sr., on a bid of \$750; and three lots in one block, on the corner of Fleet and Market Street were purchased by Mr. A. R. Davis for \$220.

LAW SOCIETY EXAMINATION.—On Wednesday last Master James McMillan, son of Major McMillan, Ferguson, and pupil of Mr. Moyley, Guelph, passed a highly creditable examination before the "Benchers" in Toronto. Mr. McMillan has been only six months under Mr. Moyley's tuition, and when entering on his studies was unacquainted with the subjects for examination. Mr. Moyley pays particular attention to the mercantile department of his school; the exercises in book-keeping reflect great credit on both teacher and scholars. We have inspected specimens of book-keeping done by some of Mr. Moyley's pupils, and found them very correct, and written in such a manner as to show that his pupils are thoroughly grounded in its principles and understood all its details. Mr. Moyley deserves a liberal support for the very expeditious and efficient manner in which he works his pupils.

THE LATE STORM.—We experienced comparatively little here of the storm which raged with terrible severity in some places on Tuesday evening last. In the direction of Hespeler and Galt we understand that the weather was perfectly calm, the sky only being somewhat overclouded. But towards the east the wind blew with terrible violence, the rain descended in torrents, and hailstones of extraordinary size fell with injurious effect. The train due here at 5:50 p. m. was driven off the track, and did not reach Guelph until about nine. A tavern in Toronto was struck by lightning, the building damaged and one of the inmates slightly injured. The escape of the family is considered miraculous. Another house on Trinity Square was struck by lightning, and damaged considerably, but no one was hurt.

Lincoln Assizes. At the Lincoln Assizes now sitting in St. Catharines, the following case, which may interest some of our readers, was tried last Tuesday, and is reported thus in the Journal:—

FENTON, vs. KAY, et al.—This was an action brought by William John Fenton, an employee of Messrs. McKenzie & McKay, of Dundas, to recover damages for malicious prosecution, from the defendants Charles Kay and James Grindley, for having plaintiff arrested at Ferguson on the 5th of February last, on a charge of having feloniously stolen and taken away a quantity of promissory notes from the defendants. The plaintiff was brought before a bench of seven magistrates at Ferguson, a majority of whom, after hearing the evidence, committed Mr. Fenton to the Wellington Assizes for trial. The Grand Jury ignored the bill. It was shown in the evidence that some influence had been attempted to be used with the magistrates to commit Mr. Fenton, and also with members of the Grand Jury to bring in a true bill. The evidence is very voluminous. The jury after being out a couple of hours brought in a verdict for plaintiff and \$450 damages. One of the jurymen stood out for a long time for \$600.00 damages. The Judge charged strongly for the plaintiff and pointed out in the strongest manner that there was not a tittle of evidence to show that there was any just ground for the charge brought against Mr. Fenton. The Hon. M. C. Cameron and Tho's Robinson, Esq., of Dundas, appeared for the plaintiff, and R. A. Harrison, Q. C. Tho's Moss and Donald Guthrie for the Defendant.

OUR FENIAN PRISONERS.

"All quiet along the Potomac," was once reported, and so we may say that all is quiet once again in Guelph. The terrible Mr. McKieken, and his terrible detectives have vacated our borders, and human events in this locality appear to have regained their equilibrium. Three men whose complicity in Fenianism became known to the Government, have been arrested and are now in "durance vile," with ample opportunity to reflect on the conduct which placed them within the walls of a prison. Mahon is confined on the lower flat of the old gaol, in the part nearest the Court House, and his cell is in the same range with that in which Green, the horse thief, was quartered, when he put forth without avail his most desperate efforts for his own liberation. This is considered the most secure part of the gaol, and in consequence recommended itself for the reception of Mr. Mahon, who is a gentleman of considerable ingenuity and determination. In the same quarter of the building, known as the floor above, and in a cell far removed from where there might be a possibility of communication with any of the other prisoners, is the ex-milkboy and swell, John Murphy No. 1. John Murphy No. 2 who was arrested on Wednesday, is confined in a remote part of the building, known as the new gaol. It is said that in addition to the articles which were mentioned as having been found in his possession when the detectives laid hands on him, that he had a photograph of a man dressed in a peculiar manner, with snowshoes, a belt, holding what in military language would be called a pioneer's hatchet, round his waist, a pistol in his left and a stick in his right hand. This is supposed to be one of the liberators of Ireland via Canada, and his mode of dress that best suited to the ice-bound country north of St. Lawrence. Search was subsequently made at his house. One letter from his father, dated in Ohio, furnishes the best corroborative proof of Murphy's connection with the brotherhood. His father in a very sensible letter states that no good was likely to come from being a member of the order, and asking him to assist as he was only likely to heap trouble upon himself. They could do nothing, he stated, while no other Government interfered, and that it would fall heaviest on the poor people, because they would have to be taxed for the support of the troops required to suppress it.

Not only are the three men prevented from holding converse with each other, but means have been adopted to render inter-communication between them and the other prisoners impossible. The latter are not let out into the yard now, lest some of them should find an opportunity of approaching the window of the corridor which Mahon has the liberty of pacing through the day, and holding converse with him. Even his own father was denied permission to see him when he called at the gaol on Wednesday. They are left to solitude and their own reflections, interrupted only by the necessary visits of the turnkey or gaoler. Such, when not worse, has been the invariable fate of those who without understanding the Irish question, have attempted to fight the wrongs of Ireland. It is surely time for fools to learn that the vision of the poet can never be realized when he said:—

"O, Erin, shall I ever be mine To raise thy vales, and see Thy hills, thy ditches, thy valleys free."

The time is approaching, and rapidly too, when Ireland shall be as free as any sane man could wish her to be, and she will thank those friends who employed moral power, and endeavored to give her freedom, for her liberty, not those, the legitimate results of whose folly and crimes were to rivet her chains more closely, and prolong the period of her bondage.

A Duel with Rifles in Tennessee. The Nashville Press of the 27th ult. tells the following: From Overton County come to us a strange story, which we suppose has few parallels in the annals of difficulties settled after the code. The affair happened two weeks ago. Where the bold spurs of a wild range defect a trifle as they cross the boundary line of Fentress and Overton, lived for many years two families named Waldron and Jarvis. A feud had marred their intercourse for time out of mind until about year ago, when the head of the last-mentioned family died. After this occurrence old troubles were apparently buried, and a friendly intercourse was established. This continued for several months, and until one of the Jarvisses, a young man of twenty-two, while intoxicated, made some sneering remarks about young Waldron, impeaching his courage. Two days after the latter sent a friend to young Jarvis, that as he did not consider him a courageous man he might have the pleasure of testing his bravery with any weapon he might choose. Young Jarvis was too proud to retract the language which had been uttered while under the influence of liquor, and he accordingly sent back word to the other that he would meet him four days from that time in what is known as the Run, where they could settle the matter with rifles at 150 yards. Both men have been in the rebel army, and were accounted splendid marksmen. It was on a damp, cold, dreary morning that the two young men, each accompanied by a friend, took their way to the Run. A drizzling rain had fallen for hours, and the scene through the valley and out over the surrounding hills, with their wooden sides, was dismal with clinging mist and pattering rain. The seconds paced off the distance, the two men were placed with their backs to each other, the pieces were loaded, and to the shouted one, two, three, given by one of the seconds, they turned and fired. Jarvis was wounded in the fleshy part of the left arm, while his bullet whistled savagely just above his antagonist's head. "Are you satisfied," said the wounded man's second to the other's friend, "Waldron wants another shot," was the reply. A stern, savage smile lighted up the features of young Jarvis as his arm was bound up to staunch the blood, but he said not a word. The rifles were loaded again, and once more to the shouted signal the two men wheeled and fired. The reports were almost simultaneous. Waldron ran forward a few steps, staggered, reeled, and fell into the arms of his friend bleeding and senseless. He was shot through the heart. Jarvis went slowly home, saddled his horse, and telling his family that he was going to Monticello, left the country.

MAY FAIR.

The fair on Wednesday was not crowded with cattle, indeed there was less than the usual number in. This was to be expected in consequence of the thinning that the fat cattle have got at the last three or four fairs. Some of the animals brought in on Wednesday will make very good beef, although there were not a few of them would rank with those that graced the Easter market. Sellers held at a high figure, and buyers were rather shy for a considerable time, as it is said there is a fall in beef in the States. It was nothing uncommon to hear \$6.50 per cwt. live weight asked for beasts which would not have been remarkably fat with two months more feeding. We did not learn that any person received such a price, and the instances in which six were paid were few. The prices, as a general thing, ranged from \$4.50 up to \$5.50. There were a number of milch cattle, most of them in poor condition, and many of them old. From \$25.00 up to \$45.00 were asked for them according to age and quality. Working oxen were numerous, and were held at all prices from \$90 to \$140 or \$150. We note a few sales of R. Leing, Nassagaweya, sold one beast at \$5 per cwt. live weight; James Parker, Paisley Block, two steers at \$5.50; John Wilson, West End, a cow for \$67; Wm Gray, of the same place, a cow at \$4.50; John Clemens, 7 head at \$5.50; Isaac Shantz, 2 at \$4; P. Stowart, Puslinch, a steer and a heifer for \$75; Joseph Swanson, Eramosa, a steer for \$51, Jas. Laidlaw, 23 head to Geo. Hood, at \$6, P. McGregor, Puslinch, a cow weighing 1645 lbs. at \$6, John Laidlaw to John West, 20 head at \$6, Wm. Whitelaw, 9 head at \$5.50, Wm. Beattie, Nichol, one at \$6, one at \$5.87; and three \$5.35, Jas. Hawse, at \$4; Gibson, Charles Watson, a milch cow for \$35, A. McKenzie, two head at \$4.23, Chas. Mickle, four for \$310, Thos Forsyth, a steer for \$65, and Geo. Tuck five at \$5.75. Wm. Dunn, six at \$6.—There were but few sheep or horses.

Erin Township Council.

The Municipal Council of Erin met on the 29th ult., the Reeve in the chair, and members all present. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Petitions from indigent persons and several accounts were referred to Finance Committee. School Section divisions, &c., received the attention of the Council, and on motion of Mr. D. McMillan, seconded by Mr. Gibson, the motion which passed the Council last December was rescinded, leaving those School Sections in the same position they were in before any action had been taken by the Council. A petition numerously signed, praying that the road at the Hill between Lots 27 and 28 in the 3rd con. be made round the said road in accordance with the survey of Mr. Cooper, P. E. S., occupied the attention of the Council for a length of time. The prayer of the petition was granted. It was ordered that John McMillan, Pathmaster on the 1st line, be furnished with a new road scraper for the use of his road division. It was decided that in the performance of statute labour, a man and team with the necessary implements such as a plough or waggon, &c., shall be allowed three days. The resignation of Lachlan McLean of his office as Collector was duly considered, and on motion of Mr. C. McMillan, sec. Mr. Berry, his resignation was accepted. An application from Geo. Smith for the office of Collector of the Township, was brought up and received due attention. On motion, George Smith was appointed to the office of Collector of taxes, vacant by the resignation of L. McLean, at a salary of \$60. A petition from Mr. E. W. Attwood was laid before the Council. The petitioner prayed that part of the money paid for a liquor store license would be refunded on the ground of the very short time he was in business, and having now given it up. \$25 of the license money was refunded to the petitioner. On motion, the petition of John Near and others was granted, and \$25 granted for repairs to roads on condition that the Council of Garrafrax grant a like sum. The Committee on Finance met and brought in a report recommending grants of money to certain indigent persons, amounting in all to \$24; they also recommended that Thos Price be dropped from the indigent list during the summer. They also recommended the payment of several accounts. Report adopted. A certificate of license to keep a tavern in Erin Village was granted to W. R. Chisholm, on presenting a certificate of qualification from the Tavern Inspector. The Council then resolved into a Court of Revision, the rolls were examined and complaints adjusted, after which the Court adjourned until next meeting of Council. The assessment roll was received and the Assessor ordered to be paid his salary \$85, and \$1.50 for attendance at Court of Revision. The Council appointed Road Masters, the Clerk was directed to have 100 copies of By-law No. 1 for 1868, appointing township officers, printed at the Mercury office, and that each Pathmaster be furnished with a copy. The Council, on motion, then adjourned to meet again on the 18th of May.

ERAMOSA VOLUNTEERS.—Every member of the above Company is expected to attend at the Drill Room, on the 13th, at seven o'clock sharp.

LECTURE NEAR EDEN MILLS.—We were requested to state that a member of the Christadelphian Association will lecture at the house of Mr. Henry Ries, one mile west of Eden Mills, on Sabbath first, at 10 o'clock, a. m. All are invited.

THE RIGHT PLACE.—Mr. John McNeil tells our readers this week that the Montreal Boot and Shoe Store is the right place to find the best and most fashionable stock of boots and shoes of French, American, Canadian and home manufacture. By calling at his store we have no doubt they will find it so, and that they can get a first class article, and a splendid fit, at a low price.

MCLEAN vs. MAHON.—This cause came on for hearing at the Chancery sittings at Hamilton last week. The plaintiff and defendant live in Aberfoyle. The plaintiff had a judgment against defendant for costs incurred in a previous suit between them about the property on which plaintiff's mill stands; and the defendant in order to prevent plaintiff recovering the costs in that suit, made an alleged fraudulent conveyance of the land belonging to them. This suit was brought to set aside such fraudulent conveyance, so as to enable plaintiff and other creditors to recover costs. Judgment for plaintiff. Mr. D. Guthrie for plaintiff; Mr. Donovan for defendant.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE. London, May 6.—France has suddenly broken off all diplomatic relations with the Government of Tunis. The reason alleged is the reported perpetration of outrages on French citizens resident in that country.

London, May 6th.—A *volle prosopit* has been entered by the Attorney-General in the case of Mullaney, who becomes Queen's evidence against Burke and the other Clerkenwell explosion conspirators.

A telegram from Hong Kong states that the United States Minister to Japan had made a demand upon the Mikado for indemnity for damage occasioned to the property of American citizens in the late disturbance. He is supported in his demand by the French envoy.

London, May 6.—The entire domain in North America claimed by the Hudson Bay Company, is to be ordered to the Crown.

A division is expected to take place in the House of Commons to-night (7th inst.) on the remainder of the resolutions proposed by Mr. Gladstone in reference to the Irish Church.

A meeting was held in St. James Hall, to-day, in favour of the continuance of the Irish Church Establishment. The Archbishop of Canterbury occupied the chair and the platform was crowded with the most prominent men of the Tory party. The Archbishop of Canterbury on taking his position made a speech in furtherance of the object of this meeting.

The Lord Mayor then rose and moved a series of resolutions in favour of the continued union of State and Church, which was seconded by the Bishop of Oxford.

The Archbishop of York also presented a resolution to the effect that an attempt to over-throw the Irish Church was an attack upon the Church of England and a movement towards the establishment of the papacy upon the country. There was much tumult and confusion at this point of the proceeding, and throughout the meeting there was much disturbance.

American Despatches.

Matters in Mexico. Havana, May 6.—Passengers from Vera Cruz report that before sailing a telegram was received at Vera Cruz, announcing that a revolution had taken place in the capital, and that President Juarez was flying to the Texas frontier with \$7,000,000 in his possession. Three American men-of-war were at Mazatlan, Cebillo, the acting bishop of Mexico, is dead. The Mexican press admit that the situation of the Republic is desperate. The rebellion in Simaloa has been suppressed and the State Government reinstated. Cholera had made its appearance at San Luis Potosi. The American Consul at Havana had been brutally assaulted by the shipping master of the port, and the case sent to the Government at Washington, as it grew out of exposures of frauds upon the U. S. Government, committed by the shipping master.

Execution for Murder. Boston, May 6.—Samuel Mills was executed at Haverhill yesterday for murder.

Pedestrianism. Providence, May 7th.—Prof. Sweet yesterday completed a walk of 100 miles in 23 1/2 hours at the Pawtucket riding park.

Fenian Pow-wow. Providence, May 6.—A Convention of all Fenian Circles in Rhode Island was held in this city yesterday. Gen. O'Neill was chosen President, and Jas. Downey Speaker of the House. An address was adopted expressing confidence in the integrity of Gen. O'Neill, President of the ruffian horde, and urging the brethren everywhere to "fall into line, and by one strong, determined effort break the shackles that bind our long-enslaved native land." In the evening a crowded and enthusiastic meeting of the friends of Irish liberty was held, at which Doherty presided, and "Gen." O'Neill, Professor Brophy, and Jack Rafferty delivered addresses.

Emigration to U. S. New York, May 7.—During the week ending yesterday, 3777 emigrants arrived at this port. This makes 41,356 arrived this year. Last year at this time the number was 57,110.

New Zealand.—We learn that the latest advices from the distant colony of New Zealand speak in desponding terms of the condition of the islands. Trade is dull, laborers can not find employment. A very large number of emigrants have left the County of Waterloo during the past year or two intending to settle in that colony, allured there doubtless by the fine climate, cheap lands and tempting inducements held out by the Colonial authorities. Letters from several of these received within the past week by relatives and friends in Galt and vicinity, tell of the depression in trade, and the destitution which prevails among the labouring classes. The want of markets for the products of the islands is much felt and the salubrity of the climate and fertile soil prove of little benefit when the farmer can not dispose of the fruits of his labour. We hear that several of the parties who left this locality contemplate an early return from the antipodes.—Galt Reformer.

SUICIDE IN SOUTH DUMFRIES.—On Thursday the 30th ult., John Murray, a young man, son of Mr. Alex. Murray, farmer, living about two miles from St. Georgee shot himself dead. Young Murray had been subject to fits of insanity and returned from the Lunatic Asylum a few months ago considerably improved. His friends, however, have been anxious for some time lest he might attempt commit suicide, and their fears have been terribly realized.