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GUELPH, ONT. CANADA, SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 23, 1869.

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For sale that farm, being Lot 22, 1st Concession, Eramosa, containing 200 acres, more or less, about 130 under cultivation, the balance covered with the best hard wood and cedar. The land is in a high state of cultivation, and is well watered, the speed running through part of the lot. There is also a spring running through the lot. - - - There is a two-story frame house 20 x 40 feet, a stone kitchen story and a-half high 21 x 22, back kitchen, boiler house and store-room, also, a stone shed and driving house. There is a first-class orchard on the place, with 100 trees, the most of them in good bearing order. There is a never-failing well, also soft water cistern. It lies on the leading road from Eramosa to Fergus, and is distant from that village 8 miles, and 2 miles from Guelph. It is convenient to churches, school and post office. Terms made known by applying to the undersigned on the premises, or by letter (post paid) to - - -

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## OPENING NOTICE.

## The GUELPH BAKERY

Upper Wyndham Street.

H. BERRY in taking this opportunity of thanking his numerous customers for the very liberal patronage bestowed on him, begs to intimate that following to the rapid increase of his Wholesale Confectionery business, he has disposed of his Bread business to ARCHIBALD GILCHRIST, whom he has great pleasure in recommending, and who, he is confident, will do his utmost to give satisfaction to all who may patronize him.

## A. GILCHRIST

His much pleasure in informing the public that he has opened the Store - - -

## NEXT DOOR TO MR. SODEN'S.

Where he hopes by strict personal attention to business, and keeping a first-class article, to merit the share of public patronage so long bestowed on his predecessor.

A. GILCHRIST,  
Fancy Bread, Biscuit & Cake Baker,  
Guelph, Dec. 12.

## THE WATCH FACTORY AT WALTHAM, MASS.



Every sixth minute in the working day a finished watch movement is the average production of the above Factory. Yet, at this enormous rate of manufacture, the Company can but barely supply the demand. They have already produced almost - - -

HALF A MILLION OF WATCHES, most of which are now in the pockets of the people, testifying to their superior merits as time-keepers. They are now almost exclusively used on - - -

ALL THE LEADING RAILWAYS. Where they are found to run with perfect accuracy, in spite of the constant jar, which so much affects ordinary watches. - - -

SHIP CAPTAINS and other officers, who are frequently absent on long voyages, prefer the American Watch to any other, as they are personally affected by change of climate, and do not require frequent regulating. The story of the twenty-five dollar "Eury" watch that was carried five years by a soldier in the Army of the Potomac, and that varied one minute and a half in that time, without care on the part of the wearer, is the only other watch of the price that ever was made. - - -

TO LUMBERMEN these watches are of great value, not being liable to stop or get out of repair during their months of absence in the woods. They are admirably ADAPTED FOR PRESENTATION, as the movements are not only reliable, but the cases in gold are rich and handsome and of guaranteed fitness. Thousands of these watches are now worn in Canada—every day they are becoming more popular. Very soon they will be the only watches sold in any quantity in the Dominion. Buyers should always require the guarantee of the Company's watch, five years being imposed upon by spurious Swiss imitations. These watches may be ordered through any Jeweller in the Dominion in gold or silver cases, for ladies or gentlemen; or in districts where there are no watchmakers, we supply them to general merchants by the dozen. To the wearer they are the cheapest watches in the world! - - -

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## Local and Miscellaneous

A number of had half-dollars are in circulation in this neighborhood. Look out for them.

DR. HOWITT'S LECTURE.—In consequence of the Town Hall being previously engaged Dr. Howitt's next Lecture—the fifth of the course—will be delivered in the Town Hall on Monday night.

A grand vocal and instrumental concert will be given at Elora, on Thursday, the 28th inst., by the 30th Battalion Band and several well-known amateurs.

The Fergus Cattle Fair on Thursday, was one of the best ever held in the village. About 350 head were brought in, and sold on the average at \$4.25 per 100 lbs. live weight.

On Monday last, a second ineffectual attempt was made to fire the store of E. C. Thompson & Co., Bronte. Nothing but the hard work and good will of the Brontonsians saved the building and its contents from total ruin. Damages about covered by insurance—some \$300.

The Belleville *Intelligencer* (Conservative) says that it is not astonished at Mr. Greeley selling the Reform party, and thinks the *Globe* has the best of the argument.

GRAND TRUNK.—The Grand Trunk Railway receipts from 1st July to 12th December, 1868, amounted to £700,057 sterling, an increase of £39,954, as compared with the same period last year.

THE ST. CATHARINES BANK ROBBERY.—The *Lockport Journal* says that the man who robbed the Bank at St. Catharines, are crack thieves from New York. They passed through Erie on Tuesday evening, and subsequently through Cleveland. It is thought that they are now in New York.

The analysis made by Prof. Croft, in the case of the death of Mr. Nicholson's child, at Barrie, recently referred to as a case of poisoning, by eating coloured candy, did not reveal the presence of any poison, and the coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that they were unable to say what was the cause of the child's death.

SOIREE IN ERAMOSA.—The Eramosa Union Sabbath School tea meeting takes place on Tuesday night, the 20th inst., at the Congregational Church, Speedside. Addresses will be given by Rev. Messrs. W. F. Clarke, Barker, Brown and others. The choir of the Guelph Congregational Church will be also in attendance. Tickets 25 cents. The soiree is for the benefit of the School.

BURGLES IN LONDON.—The offices at the lumber yards of Messrs. Code & Wilson, McPhail, and Green, on Clarence-st., and also the office of Mr. Stewart, wood market clerk, were severely entered, and the safes attacked. The thieves, after blowing open the door of the safe, did not find any money; at Green's they secured 75 cents, and at Stewart's about a dollar and a half. This amount of booty did not begin to pay them for their trouble even. No clue to the burglars yet.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.—This monthly retains the popular favour in both the States and Canada, and well deserves it. It is almost unnecessary to praise "Harper" for its merits are known everywhere. Its pages are contributed to by the best of American and English authors, while its general "get up" is all that could be wished for. The February number contains very pleasant articles on Eastern Russia and Zanzibar, the continuation of the serial, "My Enemy's Daughter," and many other sketches of much interest. Published by Harper & Bros., New York, at \$4 per annum, and for sale at the bookstores.

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## Legislature of Ontario.

Toronto, Jan. 22.

Hon. Mr. Cameron presented the report of the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the working of the Common and Grammar School system of Ontario, which stated that the Committee adopted certain resolutions embodied in the Bill respecting Grammar Schools. The Committee reported having commenced an examination into the position and working of Upper Canada College, but stated that owing to the lateness of the period at which the enquiry was commenced they were unable to prosecute the same to a close, so as to report this session.

Attorney-General Macdonald moved the third reading of his Bill to confer certain powers on Trustees and Executors. This Bill, he said, enabled trustees to change investments and settle accounts, and do all other things which might be done by the testator when living, so as to enable them to carry into effect the wishes of the deceased.—Carried.

The bill respecting the survey of lands in Upper Canada was read a third time. Atty-Gen. Macdonald said he was able to announce that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor would come down to the House at one o'clock to-morrow (Saturday) to assent to the bills passed.

## THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate. SATURDAY, JAN. 23.—Wm. Chamberlain was charged with wandering about the streets on Thursday night, with no money in his pocket and no place to go. Fined \$1 or a week in goal; he chose the latter.

Agnes Gill, a "girl of the period," was charged by Constable Coulson with being drunk and disorderly on Thursday night, and smashing two large panes of glass in Mr. Snelling's shop window, on the Market Square. Not having money to pay the fine of \$5 and costs, she was accommodated with free board and lodging in the county boarding house for fifteen days.

Emily Jones, a female of the race of Ham, desirous of emulating the deeds of her sister in misfortune, got demoralised on Friday night, and smashed two more panes in the window of the same shop. This heroic action performed, she surrendered herself prisoner to Constable Coulson, who brought his ebony charge before the Court this morning. She said she lived in Toronto, and was advised by the "man of destiny" to return there after she had spent 15 days in goal at hard labor.

## Centre Wellington Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Centre Riding Agricultural Society was held at Biggar's Hotel, Elora, on Wednesday last. Mr. William Clarke occupied the chair, and Mr. J. Beattie acted as Secretary. The report of Directors was read and showed that at the Show, held in Fergus in Oct., premiums were offered to the amount of \$537.50, and awarded to the amount of \$453, and \$102.56 thus reverted to the Society, in the absence of competitors. Reference was made to the absence of members from Eramosa and Erin, and a suggestion made that a fair representation in the Board of Directors should be given. The audited accounts of Treasurer show a balance of \$238.16 in credit of the Society, of which \$71.75 is still due as prizes. The report was adopted and the following officers elected for the current year. President, M. Anderson; 1st vice-President, J. Loghrin, 2nd vice-President, R. Cromar, Sec. & Treas. John Beattie, Directors, J. M. Fraser, Elora; John Smith, Filkinsburg; W. Tindale, Nichol; James Whyte, Fergus; John McKerrill, Eramosa; Edward Johnson, Erin; J. Casady, W. Garafra; J. Rutledge, East Garafra; and T. Jull, Orangeville. The meeting nominated J. Cowan, Esq., of Waterloo, as member of Council of Agricultural Association. Auditors, Messrs. D. F. Cook and J. Mair. Thanks were voted to the President and Secretary.

Albany, New York, has 961 well patronized bars.

A \$12,000 gold brick was lately displayed in Helena, Montana.

The young ladies of Staunton, Virginia, had a rife match last Friday.

A hog weighing one thousand pounds, so it is said, was killed last week for \$119.50.

The total amount of Mr. Peabody's gifts for benevolent purposes amounts to \$10,500, 000 in currency.

A Goshen, Ind., farmer, has a prolific three year old sow that has yielded him 55 little porkers.

An irritable man having been disappointed in his boots, threatened to chew up the shoemaker, but compromised by drinking a "cobler."

Medical.—The best remedy for policemen with the headache is a course.

Disappointed office-seekers need not starve at Washington. Sour-landes are to be established there.

In New York, it has been discovered that the beef tongue and beef tea sold there are made of horse.

The game law is now in effect, and no game must be exposed for sale after the 30th inst.

Dr. Mudd, one of the Booth conspirators in the Lincoln assassination, is to be pardoned.

Mr. Somerville, ex-M. P. for Huntingdon, has been appointed Collector of Inland Revenue, with an office at Sarnia.

A \$5,000 monument is to be erected over Sam Houston's now nameless grave, Huntsville, Texas.

A new sawmill is about to be erected in Kenilworth by the Messrs. Hartley, on the site of that burnt down some time ago.

Tom Daly is said to be anxious that South Lanark should send him to the Local Parliament in place of the late Mr. Shaw. The Lanarkers don't seem to see it.

The Lieutenant Governor went down to the House at one o'clock this afternoon (Saturday) to assent to the bills passed during the session, and to prorogue the Legislature.

LAW EXAMINATION.—Messrs. M. J. Carthew, and B. McLean, of Guelph, lately passed their examination before the Law Society, and were admitted as students-at-law.

"A hail o' chiel" is "good colloquial Scotch. B. McLean's people speak of it.

## BY TELEGRAPH

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

## Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—The adhesion of the Greek Government to the protocol adopted by the Conference of Paris is now considered certain.

PARIS, Jan. 22.—The Conference has selected M. Walowski to carry the protocol to Athens. He has been instructed to wait five days for the answer of the Grecian Government.

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—The journalists of this city have held a meeting and adopted an address to Gen. Grant, the President elect of the United States, asking him to propose to Congress the passage of a Bill establishing an International Copyright law between the United States and Germany.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 22.—Leopold Ferdinand, the Duke of Brabant, and Prince Royal of Belgium, died last evening after a lingering illness. He was 10 years old.

## American Despatches

Baltimore, Jan. 22.—To-night a private entertainment is being given to General Grant at the residence of Mr. Albert. Many are in attendance who served in the rebel army.

New York, Jan. 23.—Herald's Havana special says the revolutionary forces in the central department having determined to move westward, deposed Count Valmaceda during his march upon Bayamo by resisting him with a small force while the main body was moving upon the western department. It is reported that the Government has received telegram stating that Gen. Tuseada, commanding a large force of insurgents is near Villa Clara.

Times Buenos Ayres correspondent says the American fleet had not yet reported its success in obtaining permission to pass the allied squadron, although it was supposed that the required authorization would eventually be obtained.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Ex-Governor Dennison of Ohio and ex-representative Rice of Maine made arguments before the House Military Committee in favour of completing the European and North American Railroad in Canada and paying to it certain claims alleged to be due from the United States.

Mr. Gladstone is Prime Minister, is fifty-nine, and has spent thirty-six years in Parliament. Pitt was Prime Minister at twenty-four, Walpole at thirty-five—A clever English writer in alluding to his elevation says: "Many have been the trials, delays, disappointments, thwartings, and tantalizations he has had to bear. It were idle flattery to say that all these trials of his faith and patience have been for his good, or the good of his country. We owe him no less than a road to the lesson of life. We neither think suffering has always a sublimating tendency, nor that prosperity always hardens the heart. The effect of both depends very much upon temperament and upon time. Veivation wastes and wears the best energies of life; and the finer edge of the blade, if it is not ready to be notched and turned. How much sooner Mr. Gladstone would have reached the goal of his ambition had his grandmother been a Duchess, or had he been an eldest son, inheriting broad lands and vast investments, like the late Sir Robert Peel, one need not pause to calculate. Sir Robert put himself at as high a mental and moral value as the blindest of his flatterers; and yet he candidly confessed that he never could never have gained the headship of his party but for the rare odds which fortune gave him. With the solitary exception, indeed, of the outgoing Premier, there is no instance in our history, since the Revolution, of a man with moderate fortune and without high connections, attaining, and being able, for even one session, to retain the first post in Parliamentary life."

AGGREGATES ON CROWN LANDS.—A return to an address moved for by Mr. McCellar, has been laid before the Legislative Assembly, giving a detailed statement of the amounts due—principal and interest—on Crown, Clergy, and Grammar School Lands in the different counties in the province. The return shows that there is no less a sum than \$3,008,633.94 due to the Government on these lands—\$2,031,647.05 principal, and \$1,576,986.19 for interest. Bruce owes \$779,824; Grey, \$783,146; Huron, \$231,580; Perth, \$183,303; and Wellington, \$512,051. We fancy there are but few people in Canada who believe that these amounts can be collected, without entailing serious hardship to many of the hard-working settlers who have taken these lands, and the sooner the Government give it to be understood that the interest at least will be forgiven, the better for the country. If the Combination persists in the policy of frightening the holders of these lands, by threatening to turn them out unless they pay up within a few weeks, many of these settlers will doubtless leave us for some country where greater encouragements are offered.

LOSS OF OVER TWO HUNDRED LIVES.—In the English papers of the 5th inst., we find the following details of the reported collision in the Gulf of Smyrna.—Yesterday