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Business Cards.

MEDICAL CO-PARTNERSHIP.

We, the undersigned, have entered into partnership for the practice of the Medical profession under the style and firm of Keating & McDonald.

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A. A. MACDONALD, M.B., L.R.C.P., Edin., and L.R.C.S., Edin.
Guelph, July 1st, 1873. dlm w6m

REMOVAL OF SURGERY.

DR. HEROD

Has removed his Surgery to the rooms above the Guelph Drug Store, where he may be found from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entrance on Cork street. After 6 p.m. at his residence as usual. dw

DUNBAR, MERRITT & BISCOE, Barristers and Attorneys at Law Solicitors in Chancery, etc.
Office—Over Harvey's Drug Store.
A. DUNBAR. W. M. MERRITT. F. BISCOE.
Guelph, Oct. 7, 1873 dw

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GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Guelph, Ontario.

D. GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN.
Guelph, March 1, 1871. dw.

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STEPHEN BOULT, Architect, Contractor and Builder. Planing Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and the public. The Factory is on Quebec street, Guelph. dw

F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter

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Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. dwv

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May 14 dwtf JAS. A. THORP, Proprietor

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First-class accommodation for travellers Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler.
The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar.
He has just fitted up a room where Oysters will be served up at all hours, in the favorite styles.
Pickled Salmon, Lobsters, and Sardines.
Guelph, Feb , 1873 dw

HOTEL CARD.

The Right Man in the Right Place.

THOMAS WARD, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the Post Office, where he hopes by courtesy, attention, and good accommodation, to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars &c., constantly on hand. A good hostler always in attendance. Remember the spot—next door to the Post Office.
THOMAS WARD, (Late of Crown Hotel), Proprietor.
Guelph Dec. 5th, 1872. dawly

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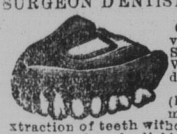

Office over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts. Guelph. ☞ Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) administered for the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable.
References kindly permitted to Drs. Herod Clarke, Tuck, McGuire, Keating, Cowan and McGregor, Guelph; W. K. Graham, Dentist Brantford dw

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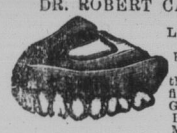
DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL



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JOHN HORSMAN'S.

Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station.
Guelph, Nov. 7, 1873. d&wtf.

TO LET — A large two-storey Stone Building in the centre of the Town, suitable for manufacturing purposes. Apply to Robert Melvin, Guelph. jly18dtf

MONEY FOUND. — The owner can have it on proving property and paying expenses by applying to John Pipe, Speedvale Mills, Guelph. w12d

COMF'RTABLE DWELLING HOUSE TO LET—On the Elora Road, opposite the Baptist Church. Seven apartments. Apply to Robert Cochrane, or to Joseph Heffernan, Wyndham Street. o1-wtf

WOODWORKER WANTED — To a suitable hand steady employment will be given.
Apply to J. B. Armstrong & Co., Excelsior Carriage Works, Guelph. d2t

PURSE FOUND — Containing a sum of money, near the railway track. The owner can have it on applying at the Mercury office, by describing the property and paying the cost of this advertisement. dtf

COLT LOST—Strayed from the premises of the undersigned, a dark brown colt, rising 3 years, has a white star on his forehead, long black tail and mane. Any person giving information where he can be found will be rewarded for his trouble.
GEO. J. GRANGE,
Guelph, Nov. 8, 1873. d3w1

COMFORTABLE DWELLING TO LET.

A large stone house, opposite Mr. Romaine's residence, Waterloo road.
Possession by 25th Nov., inst.
Apply to R. Taylor, or Lemon & Peterson.
Guelph, Nov. 7, 873. dt20

FIREMAN'S Ball and Supper.

The Guelph Fire Brigade will hold their annual Ball and Supper in the Town Hall

On Wednesday Evening,

Nov. 12th. Tickets admitting Lady and Gentleman, $1.50, which can be had from the members of the Committee, or at the door.
3d H. J. PEARCE, Secretary.

DOMINION SALOON AND RESTAURANT.

Opposite the Market, Guelph.
Oysters in their season. First-class accommodation for supper parties.
GEORGE BOOKLESS, Proprietor.
Guelph, Oct. 31, 1873. d1y

RICE'S BILLIARD HALL,

In the Queen's Hotel, Guelph, opposite the Market.

The room has just been refitted in splendid style, the tables reduced in size, and everything done to make it a first-class Billiard Hall.
Guelph, Nov. 3rd, 1873. 3md

Y. M. C. A.

The Ladies' Committee for the Building Fund of the Young Men's Christian Association have decided holding their Bazaar on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 23rd and 24th of December, the two days before Christmas. Contributions will be gladly received, and can be left at Mrs. Higinbotham's.
MRS. HIGINBOTHAM,
Guelph, Nov. 8, 1873. dd Secretary.

MONEY TO LEND,

In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged.
Apply direct to the undersigned,
GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
April 24, 1873. dwtf Guelph

NEW AND SEASONABLE GOODS

20 Packages To-day.

JOHN MACDONALD & CO., TORONTO.

NEW Goods Received.

Plated Cruets,
Plated Butter Coolers,
Plated Cake Baskets,
Plated Toast Racks,
Tea and Coffee Pots,
Japanned Tea Trays.

A large assortment of Joseph Rogers & Sons celebrated

Table and Pocket Cutlery.

JOHN M. BOND & CO., Hardware Importers, Guelph, Ontario.

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TUESDAY EVENING, NOV. 11, 1873.

Town and County News

"OLD PROBABILITIES" says it is going to be warmer to-night.

THE Wesleyan Church was lit with gas on Sunday night last.

THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY meet in the Town Hall to-night to carry forward the arrangements in reference to their projected concert.

MR. MICHAEL COADY, of Pilkington, a respected settler of thirty years' standing, and one of the first in township, died on Saturday last.

THERE will be revelry at the town hall to-morrow night. Our firemen have set apart the evening for the feast and dance, and they mean to enjoy themselves with a right good will.

CORRECTION.—In our report of the case McConachie *vs.* Duncan, published yesterday, the name of Mr. Guthrie appeared as counsel for defendant; whereas he was counsel for plaintiff, and Mr. Drew for defendant.

ILLUSTRATED LONDON ALMANAC.—Mr. T. J. Day has sent us this Almanac for 1874. It contains some beautiful engravings, and several lovely chromo lithographs, besides a mass of valuable reading matter. The Almanac will make an ornament to any table, and is very cheap. For sale at Day's Bookstore.

THE ONTARIO TEACHER for November has reached us. It contains a number of articles very interesting to teachers. The editorial relates to "What the profession Wants;" and we notice a contribution from Mr. Tait, Georgetown, on "What subjects should be taught in our public schools." There are a number of other contributions and selections, with educational intelligence and a choice miscellany.

POLICE COURT.

(*Before the Police Magistrate.*)

Nov. 11.

Cornelius Quirk was charged with exposing cordwood for sale without its being measured. He admitted the charge, and pleaded he was not aware such a law was in existence. Fined $1 without costs.

Daniel Ballantyne, for being drunk on Wyndham-street, was fined $1 and costs or 10 days in gaol. He was committed.

Local and Other Items

Two fatigued travellers, having to travel ten miles further, comforted themselves by the calculation that it was only five miles each.

Which is the oldest, Miss Antiquity, old Aunty Diluvian, Miss Ann Tiquer, Miss Ancestor, Miss Ann T. Mundane or Miss Ann T. Cedent.

Two pairs of stairs are necessary to every newspaper office in North Carolina: one for the editor to go down as the caller comes up the other.

The Des Moines dramatic club is discussing what Desdemonia meant when she exclaimed, "Would that heaven had made me such a man!"

Typhoid fever prevails up the river Ottawa. Eight men have returned from Behan's shanty labouring under severe attacks.

The Petrolia authorities have got themselves into a peck of trouble, in consequence of their neglect in repairing their sidewalks. Mr. S. H. Ray tripped on a broken plank a few days ago, and now he sues the Council for $5000

Dodge was served with writs to the extent of $400,000 before leaving Ottawa. He may never be expected to return.

At a crowded public meeting held in St. Catharines recently, presided over by the Mayor, resolutions in favor of Prohibition were passed; also one stating "that this meeting is not willing to support any candidate for the Council who will not pledge himself to restrict the number of licensed houses."

A church scandal case has been tried in the Superior Court of Montreal, which is rather unique. Mr. Johnson, a former member, sues St. Andrew's Church and its Minister (Rev Gavin Lang) for a thousand dollars damages, in being unlawfully deprived of his pew.

On Saturday night a horse boy on the Lachine Canal, named Pierce, while riding his team home went asleep and fell off, and becoming entangled in the traces was dragged over the ground till at the stable door, when he was picked up dead. Another boy while walking along the canal beat slipped in but caught a barge rudder and held on till rescued.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—On Wednesday, October 22nd, the first full choral service which has ever been in the Diocese of Rupert's Land took place in St. John's Cathedral, Winnipeg. The occasion was a musical festival in which three choirs took part; and the attendance was good, despite a very stormy evening.

POLARIS SURVIVORS.—The Dundee (Scotland) *Advertiser* says that on the morning of Oct. 22, the steamship Erik, Captain Walker, arrived at Dundee from the whale fishery, bringing the remaining survivors of the Polaris expedition—R. W. D. Bryan, the astronomer, J. W. Booth, the fireman, and J. B. Mouch, seaman. They have little to add to what is already known.

A despatch from Fort Garry of Monday says that the Canadian party have gained their point. The Bills for the incorporation of Winnipeg and the re-distribution of seats, and the enlarging of the Province, have passed both Houses, and assent was given on Saturday last. The re-distribution will give eighteen English to six French.

Mr. Glass has informed several of his friends that he was resolved on resigning his seat for East Middlesex and testing the feeling of the riding as to his course on the Pacific Scandal question.

School Board.

The Board met last night; present Mr. Peterson, chairman, and Messrs. Harvey, Newton, Raymond, Inglis, Bell, Stevenson, Murton, and Dr. Keating.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From Mr. Cullen, complaining that Mrs. Simpson, wife of the caretaker, had used improper and unbecoming language to Miss Maddock, one of the teachers in the Central School. The offensive expressions were repeated next day, and when requested to withdraw so that the pupils should not hear her, she replied she wished the pupils to hear her; and became more violent still.—Referred to the Chairman and Secretary to deal with.

From A. Simpson, caretaker, asking for increase of salary, on the ground that the duties were too great for the emolument. He began work at 4 a. m., and concluded at 9 p.m., and his wife and son were also fully occupied in the work; and the number of rooms he had to attend to had increased from 16 to 24.

From Mr. Fergus Black, asking for a reply to his former communication.

From Mr. A. M. Lafferty, Master of the High School, being his monthly report. It stated that the attendance for October had been 25 boys and two girls. The entrance examination had been held on the 13th and 14th of October. Twelve candidates presented themselves, four of whom were rejected. The eight candidates had already been returned as High School pupils, but being examined and finally admitted since August, 1872, they were ordered to be re-examined. It was a remarkable fact that not one of the new candidates was a pupil from the Guelph Public Schools, and that our Public Schools had not sent up a single pupil since March, 1872.—Report received.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Newton read the report of the Finance Committee. Sundry accounts were passed, including one of $75 odd from Mahoney & Chase. The Committee could not recommend payment of the claim of Mr. Fergus Black for his salary during the holidays, the circumstances being exceptional.—The report was adopted, on motion of Messrs. Newton and Inglis.

CARETAKER'S APPLICATION.

Some conversation ensued on this matter, and it was moved by Mr. Murton, seconded by Mr. Raymond, that the application be refused, on the ground that Mr. Simpson was given distinctly to understand the nature and extent of the duties before being engaged, and total that no increase of salary would be given. This was carried. It was stated that any increase of rooms must have been caused by sub-division, as no new space had been added to the Public School buildings. The Board then adjourned.

Elocutionary Entertainment.

Mr. Boome Kay gave a selection of eight readings in the Town Hall last night, comprising selections from the works of Hood, Dickens, Bret Harte, Poe, Macklin, and Twain. Mr. Kay possesses all the requisites of a first-class reader—a strong, sonorous, flexible voice, together with a fine cultured taste. His readings were free from those defects of rant and exaggeration of gesture so common to public readers. There is a strong spice of genuine humour in his composition, which was displayed in his admirable reading of the trial scene from Pickwick. The imperious badgering of Sergent Buzfuz, the nervousness and confusion of Mr. Nathanel Winkle, the pompous stupidity of the judge, the cool "cheek" of Sam Weller, were depicted with a racy naturalness that drew frequent bursts of laughter from the audience, who showed an equal appreciation of the humour of the "Heathen Chinee," and the oddities of "Mark Twain at Niagara Falls." Mr. Kay's dramatic power was equally shown in his graver selections. His rendering of "The Bells," written by E. A. Poe, was remarkably good. The merry peals of the marriage bell, the clanging of the alarm bell, and the solemn measured tolling of the funeral bell seemed to strike upon the ear in quick succession, and conveyed a scene of reality that was remarkable. The audience was a meagre one, and confined exclusively to the lower range of seats. This may be partly due to a want of appreciation of a more intellectual class of entertainment than the ordinary run, but it is certainly owing in great part to a want of proper preliminary advertising. We have also had a good many entertainments here of late. But Mr. Kay would probably draw his audience from a wider field if he were to vary his intertainment by adding some other attraction—say the engagement of a first-class musician—to supplement his own undoubted talent.

Wonderful Escape.

As the G. W. R. train was approaching the Hespeler station on Saturday night about nine p.m. a brakesman named Teevin was thrown from the cars and had a fearful fall. It appears the train was running very fast, and whistled for the brakes just as they were rounding a sharp curve near the bridge crossing. Teevin had just reached the top of the car when a sudden lurch caused him to loose his foothold and he was thrown to the ground, and afterwards rolled into the water. It was pitch dark, but his cries soon brought assistance. He was carried to Baker's Hotel, and two doctor's immediately attended him. The poor fellow's head is fearfully cut, but it is believed that his skull is not fractured; his body is much bruised, but no bones are broken. He had a narrow escape. He is a son of Mr. E. B. Teevin, of Fergus.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Prince of Wales' Birthday.

Reported Carlist Victory.

The Victory Denied.

Joyful Mexicans.

Billiards in Chicago.

French Affairs Improving.

London, Nov. 10.—Yesterday was the anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Wales, but, it being Sunday, the usual celebrations were postponed until to-day. The weather is not favorable, but nevertheless the programme for the out-door demonstrations will be carried out. The procession will move from Westminster up the Strand to this city, and, on its return, down the Thames embankment.—The celebration commenced by firing off salutes this morning, and will terminate by an illumination this evening.

The Carlists continue to claim a great victory at Miconda. They report that Moriones was driven from the vicinity of Estella to Los Arcos. On the other hand General Moriones, in his official report of the battle to the Spanish Government, states that he passed two nights on the ground previously held by the enemy.

A grand banquet was given at Guildhall to-night, in honor of the birthday of the Prince of Wales. The members of the Cabinet were present. Mr. Gladstone responded to the toast "The House of Commons." In the course of his speech he alluded to the Ashantee war, and declared that the difficulty which had arisen on the African coast demonstrated the desirability of avoiding relations which entailed such disagreeable consequences. He remarked that it was no pleasure to him to stand in security on shore and see others laboring in a storm.

Paris, Nov. 10.—It is anticipated that the compromise offered by the Right will be accepted, perhaps with some modifications or additions. Both sides seem disposed to pursue conciliatory courses. The excitement here and at Versailles is subsiding, and it is believed that the crisis is over.

The Committee representing the French residents in San Francis, called upon M. Thiers yesterday and presented an address. The ex-President in his remarks in reply told his visitors the Monarchists had suffered a check, and that a Conservative Republic was assured.

Madrid, Nov. 10.—The report that the Carlists were victorious in the engagement near Miconda, Arconda, and that Lieut.-General Primo de Rivera was killed, is officially denied this morning.—General Primo de Rivera is not hurt, nor was General Moriones captured by the Insurgents as stated in the despatch from Bayonne. The Government received despatches from both of those officers dated the 9th.

Matamoras, Nov. 10. — Throughout Mexico to-day the inhabitants are celebrating the adoption of the additional articles to the National Constitution, among which are abolition of patronage and the separation of Church and State. A military parade took place, orations were delivered, and the city is illuminated to-night amidst general rejoicings.

Havana, Nov. 11.—The decree issued Sept. 3, 1873, imposing a duty of 50 per cent in gold on articles of luxury imported into this country, has been annuled. The port charges on shipping will be collected in gold on and after Jan. 1st, 1874.

New York, Nov. 11.—Arrived S. S. Adriatic from Liverpool.

The tea firm that failed yesterday was Battershall & Co., whose transactions, says the *Tribune*, generally aggregate a million dollars per annum.

Chicago, Nov. 10.—In the billiard tournament to-night, the first game, three-ball carom, 400 points, was between Dion and Snyder; the former won by a score of 400 to Snyder's 272.

The Burning of the Steamer Bavarian.

The following is an authentic statement made by Capt. Thomas Howard, General Superintendent of the Canadian Navigation steamers. Captain Howard states that the cause of the accident was through the walking beam breaking at the centre. The forward part of the beam being in connection with the connecting rod of the engines, was thrown forward, breaking through the front of the saloon on to the main deck, where was stored 25 barrels containing spirits; the beam being of great weight smashed in the barrels, causing the spirits to run down into the fire-hole, where it ignited. The flames spread so rapidly that nothing could be done with water to try to extinguish the fire. Captain Howard further states that the Company are determined to punish, if in their power to do so, the pilot, a Frenchman, and the men who went away from the burning vessel in the first boat contrary to the instructions of the first mate, Mr. Henderson. Capt. Howard speaks in high terms of Mr. Henderson's conduct, and adds that had the men in the first boat only done their duty as they were ordered by the first mate, and remained alongside of the steamer, it is probable that not a life need have been lost; the boat left the burning vessel with only nine persons in her, whilst she was capable of holding twenty-five persons. It is believed there are twelve persons, including the four passengers, who have lost their lives, but until a return is made of the crew saved the exact number lost cannot be stated. Captain Howard expects that the *Bavarian* will be in a condition to admit of her being towed down to Montreal next week or repairs. The value of the steamer was $100,000, but she was only insured for $60,000.

Letter from Japan.

The following particulars we glean from a letter from Mrs. Cochran, wife of the Rev. George Cochran, Wesleyan Missionary at Yokohama:

In my last letter, a synopsis of which you published, you stated that preaching was not allowed in public yet. That is not the case, as the missionaries are permitted to hold service within a radius of 25 miles from Yokohama. Mr. C. preached for Mr. Ballagh last Sabbath. The congregation is chiefly composed of natives, and numbers about 50. Mr. B. interpreted. Some of the papers here are opposed to the missionaries, but I think they will do more good than harm. We have had 18 shocks of earthquake since we came, some of them pretty severe. We have also experienced a typhoon. It blew a perfect gale for two days and nights. On the second day it was accompanied with a clap of thunder, which sounded very doleful, and was followed by a sharp shock of earthquake. I was writing at the time, and it brought me to my feet in an instant. People generally rush out of doors when these occur. During the continuance of the typhoon the rain came down in torrents—just poured. When the storm subsided, we found that our house had been considerably injured—eave-troughs and tiles blown off outside—while inside the plaster dropped off in places and the paper hung in ribbons. Some of our neighbors, however, suffered more from the storm than what we did. We were quite unsettled for a time, I can assure you. I think the houses are not built as strongly as they should be, but still a house that would stand earthquakes and typhoons would have to be built of iron. The doors, &c., of our house all needed repair after the storm had subsided.

Mr. Cochran and Rev. Mr. Loomes are going to a place some 90 miles distant from here to spend a couple of weeks. It is necessary to procure a pass before going. They will pass near Fusi-yaim-a, a high mountain. A man was on the top of the mountain on the last day of September, and says that the thermometer stood 33 degrees below zero—so cold that it nearly took his nose off. This mountain, we are told, sometimes belches forth fire and smoke, but has not done so for several years past. It is thought that if this mountain would continually cast forth its fiery element, there would be fewer earthquakes.

Mr. C. and his colleague started on their journey on the 7th October. You may think that I will be lonely during his absence, but such is not the case—not more so than in Toronto—except in being so far away from loved ones at home.

We feel very much at home here—like the people and the place very much. Mr. Cochran preaches occasionally in the Union Church here, and has agreed to officiate once a month until he has gained a knowledge of the language, when he will pursue any course which he may deem expedient. We attend the Union Church on Sabbath morning, and then have social means of grace at four o'clock in the afternoon, which are held alternately at Dr. McClay's and at our house. On the first Monday evening in each month we have a missionary gathering, which is attended by all the ministers of the various denominations, and any others who may wish to be present. Last night the history of the missionary work from its inception up to the present time was presented, showing that the work is going on, and that the seed sown in various places is germinating and taking root, and ultimately a rich harvest will be reaped in this heathen land. I enclose you a copy of a letter received by Rev. Mr. Ballagh from a native some 200 miles from here, who has been brought from pagan darkness to the light of the gospel:—

PUKNI, Sept. 25th, 1873.

Rev. H. Ballagh:—

DEAR SIR,—I got your kind letter yesterday morning, and was very glad for that you sent a answer so soon. I like to get such letters as yours very much, which appeased my hunger of a knowledge of our Heavenly Father's word. I thank you for your sending a translation of shorter catechism to me *a thousnnd times*, and I found the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, and a good many other holy things which made me feel very happy, giving a light to my heart's darkness.

I am very sorry for my having no friend who does believe our best religion here, but I have plenty of companions for reading the Bible; they read the Holy book but just for fun without putting a belief in it, and they think it is very jolly book, but quite many of them are getting a tired unto study.

I tell you a great mistake among my Bible companions which I found. One Sunday they read Bible by Professor Why-Koff, but as soon as they finished reading they went to a *pigsty* and killed a *hog* for their eating; and sometimes they go to a public house for taking pleasure with singing girls on Sunday.

One day I went to a hill near by Mr. Whyc-Koff's house with my Bible companions, and there was a temple of some idol which is called a good God for saving a miracle of the skin. When one of my associates saw the temple, suddenly he went to there, rang a bell which is hung down, as polite as he could; but I think if he prayed to the real God who is in Heaven he would be soon healed. My companions think it is very jolly that I believe the God and the Saviour. Occasionally they play a jest with me and calling me nicknames, foolish friend, and sometimes punish; but I do not mind for them at all, and I study Bible independently, because it is written, as you know: "He who shall endure to the end the same shall be saved;" and another one is, "Blessed are ye when men shall revile and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake."

Shall you have a kindness to send me some kind of catechism and some good reading book which says about our very best religion, and written in English; and if you send me them, if you please,